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I) Vocabulary: Choose the word that best completes the sentence. (30 points)
1. The newly installed CEO plans to cut the company's labor to save the cost of personnel.
(A) number (B) force (C) task (D) power
2. Mary got so away when arguing with her husband that she hit him.
(A) carried (B) left (C) pushed (D) brushed
Many hostages were barely dressed, their faces with fear and exhaustion.
(A) strained (B) restrained (C) rosy (D) gleaming
 Some college students have a strong for politics. They are far from indifferent to it as generally assumed.
(A) like (B) impression (C) memory (D) passion
5 in our plush seats, my husband and I exchanged a thumbs-up.
(A) Nestled (B) Placing (C) Occupying (D) Occupied
 As Mr. Brown is unable to stop working, his wife often complains that she has a for a husband.
(A) drunkard (B) labor (C) workaholic (D) scholar
7. The medical examiner me fit for the job.
(A) announced (B) put (C) allowed (D) declared
8. She won over her colleagues before the boss because her suggestion was very much to the
(A) question (B) point (C) plan (D) idea
9. Over the past 20 years, there has been a focus on economic growth with the belief that
economic growth can solve all problems. (A) single-handed (B) single-breasted (C) single-minded (D) single-legged
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10. Tears were down his cheeks. (A) putting (B) pushing (C) pressing (D) streaming
11. I played badly today; I seem to be losing my
(A) grip (B) place (C) weight (D) knowledge
12. The fingerprints on the gun to his guilt.
(A) pinpointed (B) proved (C) descried (D) attested
13. After receiving an unexpected proposal, the young lady the idea of marriage in her mind.
(A) debated (B) confused (C) enjoyed (D) disgusted
14. A new baby and a new job can be equally They need a lot of attention and effort.
(A) demanding (B) fulfilling (C) refreshing (D) inspiring
15. For much of its exceedingly long history, the country has held out the of the world's
biggest market.
(A) ideal (B) reason (C) promise (D) reputation

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II) Cloze Test: Choose the best answer for each blank. (20 points)

Rotten apples outsell the fresh __1 _ in Afghanistan's capital, but __2 _ only begins to describe the poverty here, for _3 _ bad apples--sold _4 _ a penny a pound--are an extravagance in a city so overcome with tragedy and want. Each day, hundreds of thousands _5 _ on nothing more than weak tea and handouts of bread. This woebegone nation is enduring its 21st _6 _ year of war, unable to escape the malign shadow that geopolitics has _7 _ on its history. Since it _8 _ as a force five years ago, the Taliban militia has conquered 80 to 90 percent of the country. But while the Taliban have brought a _9 _ of security to the territory they control, including Kabul, the _10 _ part of their attention is focused on what they know best--the strategies of battle, not the burdens of government.

- 16. (A) apples (B) ones (C) fruit (D) one
- η . (A) it (B) so (C) that (D) such
- 18. (A) extremely (B) still (C) very (D) even
- 19. (A) at (B) for (C) in (D) on
- >0. (A) drink (B) eat (C) survive (D) continue
- A. (A) fulfilling (B) annual (C) straight (D) continual
- (A) strewn (B) given (C) left (D) cast
- 33. (A) jumped out (B) existed (C) survived (D) emerged
- (A) measure (B) amount (C) name (D) little
- 水. (A) best (B) better (C) fair (D) reasonable

III) Reading Comprehension: 請仔細閱讀下列各短文,在答案卷註明題號後作答,請注意每題均是單選。 (30 points)

Part A.

- There are two types of pottery that I do. There are production pottery-mugs, tableware, the kinds of things that sell easily. These pay for my time to do the other work, which is more creative and satisfies my needs as an artist. The author of the passage implies that:
 - (A) artists have a tendency to waste valuable time.
 - (B) creativity and mass-production are incompatible.
 - (C) most people do not appreciate good art.
 - (D) pottery is not produced by creative artists.
- I. The Midwest is experiencing its worst drought in fifteen years. Corn and soybean prices are expected to be very high this year. What does the second sentence do?
 - (A) It restates the idea found in the first.
 - (B) It states an effect..
 - (C) It gives an example.
 - (D) It analyzes the statement made in the first.

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- The ground is wet. It must have been raining. What does the second sentence do?
 - (A) It states the cause objectively.
 - (B) It expresses what has been the probable cause.
 - (C) It makes a wild guess.
 - (D) It states an effect..
- >9. As he has stayed in an English-speaking country for a long time, he should have mastered this language.
 - (A) He has an excellent command of English.
 - (B) It gives no idea about his English competence.
 - (C) He does not have a good command of English.
 - (D) He may have a good English competence.

Part B.

Tammany Hall was the name given to the Democratic Party political machine that dominated New York City politics from 1854 through 1934. That eighty-year period marks the time in which Tammany was the city's driving political force.

Tammany is forever linked with the rise of the Irish in American politics. Beginning in 1846, Irish immigrants fleeing the great Irish famine began arriving in New York. Equipped with a knowledge of English and what some have called a genius for politics, the Irish quickly assumed a key role within Tammany. Viewing politics as a path out of poverty, they found in Tammany an ally in the struggle to survive the hellish conditions of New York slums. In exchange for jobs, loans, turkeys at Christmas and other favors, they provided organizational skills, governing capacity and their votes on election day. The Irish would come to dominate Tammany, supplying its leaders from 1872 through 1924.

By 1854 Tammany's lineage and support from immigrants had combined to make it a powerful force in New York politics. In that year, the Society elected its first New York City mayor. As its power grew, Tammany's "bosses", called the Grand Sachem, and their supporters enriched themselves through means legal and illegal. Perhaps the most famous boss of all was William M. "Boss" Tweed. Though not Irish himself, Tweed was elected with the support of Irish immigrants. His outsized personality projected through his 300 pound frame and gargantuan appetites—he was famous for devouring steaks and oysters by the plateful at Delmonico's—made him a colorful if controversial figure. His infamously corrupt reign was brazen enough to incite an attempt at reform in the early 1870s. Rutherford B. Hayes's involvement in this effort contributed to his success in the election of 1876. New York minister Charles Henry Parkhurst publicly denounced the Hall in 1892, which led to a Grand Jury investigation, the appointment of the Lexow Committee and the election of a reform mayor in 1894.

- ≥d. The author is primarily concerned with which of the following?
 - (A) The plight of Irish immigrants in New York City.
 - (B) An important time in the history of democracy.

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- (C) A venue in which the Irish joined the political arena.
- (D) Corruption in New York City politics.
- >1. According to the passage, the Irish joined Tammany because:
 - I. They felt comfortable around other immigrants
 - II. Tammany helped the Irish meet their basic needs
 - III. Tammany provided the Irish with organizational skills
 - (A) I only.
 - (B) II only.
 - (C) I and II only.
 - (D) I and III only.
- We can infer from the passage that:
 - (A) The Irish continued to dominate Tammany after 1924
 - (B) Tammany helped the Irish in order to gain political power
 - (C) The Irish immigrants learned to be politically savvy in Ireland
 - (D) Tammany was located near the slums in which the Irish lived
- >>. The tone of the passage is:
 - (A) Indignant
 - (B) Skeptical
 - (C) Objective
 - (D) Optimistic
- What does the author mean by "His infamously corrupt regime was brazen enough to incite an attempt at reform" as used in the last paragraph?
 - (A) Tweed was a bold mayor who called for reform among New York City government.
 - (B) Tweed was a corrupt mayor and did his best to keep this out of the public eye. However, he was unsuccessful.
 - (C) Tweed did much to help immigrants even though he was a corrupt leader.
 - (D) Tweed's corruption was so noticeable that other city officials decided to take control of the situation.
- 3,5. The author's primary objective in writing the passage is to:
 - (A) Honor the great bosses of Tammany.
 - (B) Defend Tammany's political influence.
 - (C) Criticize political corruption.
 - (D) Illuminate a time in the history of politics.

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IV) Translate the following passage from English into Chinese. (20 points)

- 1. My legs had fallen asleep from sitting.
- 2. For those who know how grueling it can be to put together a prize-worthy project, the achievement is testimony enough to her self-discipline.
- 3. Very few are as inherently bright as she is, and have as much intellectual horsepower.
- 4. Natalie never once asked for an extension or to be excused from her responsibilities.