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Part I. Answer the questions below. The correct answer will always fit into the sentence grammatically. 50%

- ___ 1. The adverse effects of this drug include dizziness, nausea, and headaches. (A) cheap (B) harmful (C) expensive (D) low
- ___ 2. Today was a day of turmoil at work. (A) discussion (B) sleep (C) confusion (D) harmony
- ___ 3. Despite the proximity of Ron's house to his sister's, he rarely sees her. (A) similarity (B) nearness (C) distanced (D) love
- ___ 4. Every habitat in the world, from volcano tops to icebergs, can support some sort of life. (A) country (B) food source (C) environment (D) practice
- ___ 5. One tenet of Islam is that its followers should not drink alcohol. (A) answer (B) prediction (C) teaching (D) guarantee
- ___ 6. Using sign language, chimpanzees can convey such ideas as "Candy sweet" and "give me hug." (A) reject (B) think of (C) accept (D) communicate
- ___ 7. The death of a spouse can cause profound depression. (A) deep (B) accidental (C) occasional (D) usual
- ___ 8. After x-rays were discovered in 1895, there were some preposterous reactions. (A) logical (B) dangerous (C) ridiculous (D) delayed
- ___ 9. Smoking or chewing tobacco was loathsome to the eye and hateful to the nose. (A) appealing (B) disgusting (C) hidden (D) smiling
- ___ 10. The possibility of developing a top seller is so alluring that American companies spend billions of dollars a year trying to create new products. (A) dangerous (B) lethal (C) attractive (D) upset
- ___ 11. Language classes were offered to help new immigrants with their ___ into the American culture. (A) consideration (B) production (C) assimilation (D) seduction
- ___ 12. Mr. Hopkins was disliked as he was a(n) ___ disciplinarian. (A) unreturned (B) austere (C) infinite (D) divine
- ___ 13. Lisa was so ___ at computer programming that three different companies offered her a job. (A) adopt (B) adept (C) adjust (D) adventurous
- ___ 14. Mark's boss refused to promote him because his ___ was so insulting. (A) indulgence (B) insignificance (C) insolence (D) incense
- ___ 15. Since childhood, Thomas had wanted to live in a(n) ___ neighborhood with huge lawns and swimming pools. (A) forgetful (B) demanding (C) fixed (D) affluent
- ___ 16. A Capricorn can put up ___ hardship and frustrations. (A) on (B) with (C) to (D) into
- ___ 17. Daniel ___ his father: They both have red hair and freckles. (A) takes care of (B) takes leave of (C) takes after (D) takes to task
- ___ 18. Jack ___ his work until later, instead of doing it right away. (A) bring up (B) try out (C) carry out (D) put off

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- ___ 19. I am sorry I am late for our appointment. I ___ the time. (A) lost track of (B) keep an eye on (C) take a stand on (D) find fault with
- ___ 20. The new president ___ the company last spring when the old president resigned. (A) took for granted (B) looked into (C) took charge of (D) look forward to
- ___ 21. When I was a kid, I ___ football, but I don't watch it much anymore. (A) look forward to (B) went in for (C) went along with (D) felt up to
- ___ 22. ___ there are a majority of Muslims in Turkey, the majority of people in Thailand are Buddhists. (A) Even if (B) Seeing that (C) Inasmuch as (D) Whereas
- ___ 23. He risked ___ his life when he went out in that hurricane. (A) losing (B) lose (C) to lose (D) being lost
- ___ 24. I was very ___ that movie, but my friends didn't like it. (A) impressed to (B) impressing at (C) impressed by (D) impression to
- ___ 25. ___ a jazz musician masters classical music techniques, she or he may use them while improvising during a performance. (A) Because (B) As far as (C) While (D) Once

Part II. Reading Comprehension. 20%

"I have considered the structure of all flying animals, and find the folding continuity of the bat's wings most easily accommodated to the human form. Upon this model I shall begin my task tomorrow, and in a year expect to tower into the air beyond the malice or pursuit of man. But I will work only on this condition, that the art shall not be divulged and that you shall not require me to make wings for any but ourselves."

"Why," said Rasselas, "should you envy others so great an advantage? All skill ought to be exerted for universal good; every man has owed much to others, and ought to repay the kindness that he has received."

"If men were all virtuous," returned the artist, "I should with great alacrity teach them all to fly. But what would be the security of the good, if the bad could at pleasure invade them from the sky? Against an army sailing through the clouds neither wall, nor mountains, nor seas, could afford any security. A flight of northern savages might hover in the wind, and light at once with irresistible violence upon the capital of fruitful region that was rolling under them. Even this valley, the retreat of princes, the abode of happiness, might be violated by the sudden descent of some of the naked nations that swarm on the coast of the southern sea."

- ___ 26. The point of view of Rasselas is one that encourages
- (A) helping others
- (B) military victory
- (C) intellectual pursuits
- (D) artistic endeavors

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___ 27. The person whom Rasselas is speaking to is

- (A) a tailor
- (B) a bat
- (C) a biologist
- (D) an artist

___ 28. The attitude of the person giving his point of view is one of

- (A) optimism
- (B) sarcasm
- (C) distrust
- (D) innocence

___ 29. Worldwide peace, according to the passage, could come about by

- (A) arming for defense
- (B) eliminating evil tendencies
- (C) resorting to stratagem
- (D) letting the intellectuals govern

Many are surprised to learn that Antarctica is nearly twice the size of the United States. The name Antarctica was coined to mean "opposite to the Arctic." It is just that in many ways. Antarctica is a high, ice-covered land-mass. In the Arctic the landmasses are grouped around the ice-covered Arctic Ocean.

Largely because of this difference, the climate of the two areas is very different. Antarctica is the coldest area in the world. On the average it is about 30 degrees colder than the Arctic. At the South Pole, nearly 10,000 feet high, monthly mean temperatures run well below zero. Only in coastal regions do temperatures sometimes rise about freezing in the summer (December to March). In contrast, near the North Pole monthly mean temperatures often rise above freezing.

At both poles, daily temperatures may drop far below the monthly mean. At the American South Pole Station, winter temperatures sometimes fall below -100 degrees Fahrenheit. Elsewhere, on higher parts of the south polar plateau, even lower temperatures are recorded. A temperature of -127 degrees Fahrenheit was measured in August 1960. It is the world's record low temperature. Partly because of this climatic difference, the land animals and plants of the two regions are very different. On the continent of Antarctica, there are very few plants. In the Arctic there are many plants. In some of the few ice-free areas of Antarctica, mosses, lichens, and algae are found. Penguins

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populate Antarctic coastlines but do not exist in the Arctic. The land animals of the Arctic are foxes, bears, reindeer, and lemmings. These animals are unknown in the Antarctic. Old rock layers show that this "oppositeness" between north and south extends far back into the early chapters of earth history.

Ice is the great feature of Antarctica. More than 4.5 million square miles of ice sheet cover the area. Great rivers of ice, called glaciers, push down the mountains. Antarctica is the storehouse of about 85 percent of the total world supply of ice. The icecap is very thick, averaging nearly 8,000 feet. At one spot, scientists have found the distance from the surface to the rock underneath the ice to be more than 13,000 feet. If this great volume of ice were to melt, the volume of the world oceans would increase, and sea level would rise. Extreme atmospheric changes would have to take place for this to happen.

- ___ 30. The coldest area in the world is
(A) The Arctic (B) Antarctica (C) Siberia (D) Greenland
- ___ 31. Compared to the United States, Antarctica is
(A) The same size
(B) Twice the size
(C) Four times the size
(D) Five times the size
- ___ 32. The author develops his point through
(A) comparison and contrast
(B) theories and proof
(C) characters and actions
(D) figures of speech
- ___ 33. The author implies that if Antarctic's ice melted,
(A) coastal areas of the world would be flooded.
(B) ocean currents would shift direction.
(C) climate would change drastically everywhere.
(D) species will disappear.
- ___ 34. The name Antarctica, meaning "opposite to the Arctic," was based on
(A) insufficient exploration.
(B) inaccurate information.
(C) adequate knowledge.

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(D) insufficient reason.

___ 35. We may conclude that

- (A) life at the North Pole is more tolerable than at the South Pole.
- (B) the Arctic is a solid land mass.
- (C) penguins could not live at the North Pole.
- (D) Antarctica is a terra incognita.

Part III. Composition. 30%

In recent years, concern about the environment has been growing, and the public has become aware of many common, dangerous dumping practices. What, then, are the effects of dumping hazardous wastes?