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## I. Cloze: Choose the best answer for each missing word or phrase in the passage.

Personification, the representation of an inanimate object or abstract idea in the 1 of a person, is an important technique in literature 2 in the visual arts. Fantasy illustrators, for instance, use 3 extensively to unsettle the viewer. 4 a tree with a human face is a fairly obvious maneuver. It is an archetypal belief 5 the possession of a face implies the possession of a soul. A suggestion of other human body parts may bring about the same effect. Roots crawling above the surface can represent crooked legs, while branches and “groping” twigs can be made to 6 arms and hands. 7 general, personification create a double vision that adds depth to our view of the world.

1. (A) meaning (B) form (C) signature (D) relationship
2. (A) both and (B) similar to (C) as well as (D) also
3. (A) it (B) them (C) which (D) to
4. (A) Show (B) Shown (C) Showing (D) That shows
5. (A) which (B) that (C) though (D) that is
6. (A) look (B) look alike (C) look like (D) look liking
7. (A) On (B) At (C) In (D) By

Water shortages are a chronic problem in Taiwan. Though rainfall around the island is relatively 8, it is 9 concentrated in certain areas and within certain months of the year to be put into effective use. To 10 with future water demands, the government has announced a plan to build eight seawater desalination plants, a welcome addition to two such plants already existing.

The method most likely to be adopted in these plants is reverse osmosis, one of 11 methods of turning seawater into fresh water. Osmosis refers to the tendency of water to pass through a semipermeable membrane into seawater where the saline concentration is higher, thus 12 the concentrations on either side of the membrane. Reverse osmosis makes water 13 in the opposite direction. If we put the seawater 14 pressure, the pure water molecules from the seawater will pass through the membrane, leaving the larger salt molecules 15.

8. (A) scarce (B) plentiful (C) primitive (D) original
9. (A) enough (B) nothing but (C) too (D) far
10. (A) come up (B) cope (C) end up (D) get away
11. (A) the little expensive (B) the less expensive (C) the least expensive (D) the none expensive
12. (A) equalizing (B) equal (C) being equal (D) to equalize
13. (A) moving (B) to move (C) have moved (D) move

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14. (A) in (B) under (C) for (D) with  
15. (A) over (B) alone (C) behind (D) on

## II. Vocabulary: Choose the answer that is closest in meaning to the underlined word.

16. Diamond is the hardest substance known.  
(A) metal (B) stone (C) carbon (D) material
17. The fundamental principles of the government of a nation are usually stated in its constitution.  
(A) desirable (B) basic (C) divergent (D) diverse
18. In wartime, laws governing aliens, particularly those from enemy countries, are usually stricter.  
(A) immigrants (B) foreigners (C) emigrants (D) expatriates
19. When an atomic bomb is exploded, destruction is produced by the intense heat, shock wave, and lingering radioactivity.  
(A) drastic (B) long-lasting (C) devastating (D) detrimental
20. The decade of the 1970s witnessed a marked dampening of the buoyant optimism which previously was widely held to characterize American attitudes.  
(A) malignant (B) perplexing (C) noticeable (D) pitiable
21. The novels of Charles Dickens are noteworthy for their rich panoramas of social scenes.  
(A) frowned upon (B) estimable (C) well-known (D) remarkable
22. Beer is one of the oldest known alcoholic beverages.  
(A) liquids (B) juices (C) drinks (D) products
23. Sociologists study not only complex urban societies but also many societies with comparatively simple social systems.  
(A) animated (B) energetic (C) commonplace (D) complicated
24. Chocolate is extracted from the seeds of cacao trees by a complex process of grinding, heating, and blending.  
(A) drying (B) condensing (C) mixing (D) pulverizing
25. European block books during the 15<sup>th</sup> century were often crude and inexpensive.  
(A) exquisite (B) roughly made (C) not published (D) small
26. Behaviorists consider that all emotions, aside from fear, love, and rage, are learned by conditioning and can be unlearned.  
(A) fury (B) disappointment (C) anxiety (D) exhilaration
27. Most of the humorist's writings of the 19<sup>th</sup> century Southern frontier were a result of the clash in language styles and usage.  
(A) rebuilding (B) collision (C) formation (D) realization
28. Australia is noted for its distinctive animal life which includes the kangaroo and the platypus.  
(A) extraordinary (B) varied (C) characteristic (D) outlandish
29. In all societies, primitive or civilized, means are provided to enforce rules, punish wrongdoers,

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settle disputes, and protect private and group property.

(A) lawsuits (B) quarrels (C) dissensions (D) wars

30. If a trait of one culture is to find acceptance in another culture, it must have utility, compatibility, and meaning in the adopting culture.

(A) originality (B) usefulness (C) consistency (D) congruity

### III. Grammar: Choose the answer that best completes the sentence.

31. In ancient times, the majority of landmass was used for growing food, but today, only a very small percentage of each country \_\_\_\_\_ farmland.

(A) to make up (B) made up of (C) are made up of (D) is made up of

32. According to studies, children can quickly lose their patience \_\_\_\_\_ when they surf the internet and wait to load the page that they want to view.

(A) and determined (B) determination (C) to determine (D) and determination

33. The medical world is constantly changing because of ever-ongoing inventions \_\_\_\_\_ patient care, such as life support machines.

(A) improve (B) that improve (C) which improves (D) they improve

34. Research on the benefits and harms associated with drinking coffee \_\_\_\_\_ contradictory findings.

(A) has produced (B) that have produced (C) it has produced (D) to have produced

35. When taking a walk in the park, Peter came across some of his junior high classmates, whom he \_\_\_\_\_ for a long time.

(A) had not seen (B) will not have seen (C) was not seen (D) was not seeing

36. Ice \_\_\_\_\_ because it is about 9% less dense than liquid water.

(A) is floated (B) floats (C) is floating (D) will float

37. Under most circumstances, wasps get furious and sting \_\_\_\_\_ provoked and feel threatened.

(A) because are (B) they are (C) because they are (D) so that are

38. \_\_\_\_\_ absorb and contain carbon dioxide, they can counteract global greenhouse effect.

(A) As plants (B) Plants (C) Where (D) Like plants

39. This non-profit organization is devoted \_\_\_\_\_ pollution, sustainability, and peace issues.

(A) to promote (B) promoting (C) to promoting (D) being promoted

40. Eating sufficient amounts of meat, egg, and vegetables \_\_\_\_\_ a healthful habit which he formed in his childhood.

(A) is (B) being (C) are (D) have

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## IV. Reading Comprehension

Anxiety is your mental watchman. Its default mode is to search for what may about to go wrong. It continually, and without your conscious consent, scans your life, even when you are sleep, in dreams and nightmares. It reviews your work, your love, your play, until it finds an imperfection. When it finds one, it worries it.

Along with depression and anger, anxiety is one of the three bad faces of dysphoria. These three common emotions, when out of control, are considered the cause of most mental illness. If you are dominated by anxiety, you feel a lack of security, self confidence, and calm. When anxiety is acute and debilitating, it can be a sign of a disorder, such as panic, obsession, or phobia.

Although anxiety seems to have a biological basis, it is habit-forming for many of us. Some of our anxious feelings are in fact wasted energy. Anxiety has gotten out of hand when it is pointless and recurrent. Then you find yourself waking up anxious, going through the day anxious and going to bed anxious, or you find you are usually anxious at work or around your family.

At times, you should listen to the message of your negative emotions, as uncomfortable as they may be, and change your external life rather than your emotional life. If you are always anxious about finishing your work, you might try getting to the office an hour earlier every day. If you are worried about the dangers of your brother's new hobby, hand gliding, perhaps you ought to tell him so. Taking action may mitigate your anxiety. If that doesn't work, then it's time looking for and dealing with any emotional triggers and automatic thoughts in yourself that might be provoking the sort of knee jerk anxiety you can do without.

### Questions:

41. What is the main purpose of the passage?  
(A) to compare anxiety with depression and anger  
(B) to discuss possible cures for anxiety  
(C) to discuss anxiety in general terms  
(D) to discuss clinical aspects of anxiety
42. In line 4, the word "it" (underlined) refers to  
(A) anxiety (B) love (C) imperfection (D) play
43. In line 8, the word "debilitating" could best be replaced by  
(A) weakening (B) obliterating (C) deficient (D) exhilarating
44. In line 8, the word "phobia" could best be replaced by  
(A) affinity (B) dread (C) inversion (D) addiction
45. Which of the following is NOT discussed in the passage?  
(A) dysphoria (B) euphoria (C) phobia (D) depression
46. Which of the following could best replace the word "mitigate" in line 17?  
(A) exacerbate (B) quantify (C) intensify (D) moderate

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47. In line 17, the word “that”(underlined) refers to  
(A) taking action (B) telling him so (C) anxiety (D) mitigating your anxiety
48. According to the passage, which of the following statements is NOT true?  
(A) Anxiety reviews our daily life.  
(B) Anxiety has a biological basis.  
(C) Anxiety is fundamentally inborn.  
(D) Anxiety is habit-forming.
49. According to the passage, anxiety is characterized by  
(A) feelings of security, self-confidence, and calm  
(B) panic, obsession, or phobia  
(C) a lack of security, self-confidence, and calm  
(D) emotional triggers, automatic thoughts, and knee jerks.
50. The author raises issues that would most concern which of the following groups?  
(A) parapsychologists (B) holistic practitioners (C) psychiatrists (D) psychotics