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I. Cloze Test: Choose the best answer to fill in each numbered blank. (50%)

(Passage #1)

Before we assume that the market for human clone consists mainly of narcissists who think the world deserves more of them or neo-Nazis who dream of cloning Hitler or mischief makers of all kinds, it is worth taking a tour of the marketplace. We might just meet ourselves there.

Imagine for a moment that your daughter needs a bone-marrow __1__ and no one can provide a match; that your wife's early menopause made her __2__; or that your five-year-old has drowned in a lake and your grief has made it impossible to get your mind around the fact that he is gone forever. Would the news then really be so easy to dismiss that around the world, there are scientists in labs pressing ahead with plans to __3__ a human being, __4__ the same technology that allowed Scottish scientists to clone Dolly the sheep years ago?

- 1. (a) transplant (b) transmit (c) transfer (d) transact
- 2. (a) futile (b) futility (c) infertility (d) infertile
- 3. (a) duplicate (b) complicate (c) suffocate (d) implicate
- 4. (a) deploying (b) deployed (c) employing (d) deploring

(Passage #2)

Our technology is evolving so rapidly that by the time we begin to adjust to one development, another is already surpassing it. The answer would seem to be slow down and devise the best course in advance, but that notion is a mirage. Change is __5__, not slowing, and even if we could agree on what to aim for, the goal would probably be unrealistic. Complex changes are occurring across __6__ broad a front to chart a path.

No one understood the power effects of the automobile or television at its __7__. Few appreciated that our use of antibiotics __8__ lead to widespread drug resistance or that improved nutrition and public health in the developing world would help bring on a population explosion.

- 5. (a) regressing (b) retarding (c) accelerating (d) aggravating
- 6. (a) very (b) over (c) at (d) too
- 7. (a) reception (b) inception (c) perception (d) conception
- 8. (a) would (b) will (c) had (d) have

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(Passage #3)

The era we are entering is one __9__ advertisers will work with media firms to create the electronic equivalents of gated communities. Marketers are aware that the American population sees itself marked by enormous economic and cultural tensions. Marketers don't feel, though, that it benefits them to encourage Americans to deal with these tensions head-on through a media brew of discussion, entertainment and argumentation __10__ broadly diverse audiences. Rather, new approaches to marketing make it increasingly worthwhile to separate audiences into different worlds __11__ distinctions that ad people feel make the audiences feel secure and comfortable.

Advertisers' most public talk about America consistently features a nation that is breaking up. Their vision is of a __12__ population of self-indulgent, frenetic, and suspicious individuals who increasingly reach out only to people like themselves.

- 9. (a) many (b) in which (c) more (d) as
- 10. (a) that (b) that are (c) aim at (d) aimed at
- 11. (a) without (b) according to (c) have (d) as the result of
- 12. (a) solid (b) fractured (c) fragrant (d) conglomerated

(Passage #4)

In a very important way, families help to regulate the social order. Family life, according to both law and custom, __13__ roles for man, women, and children. Although these roles are really the products of social and cultural forces __14__ biological imperatives and are therefore highly fluid in times of change, they appear to most people to be stable and __15__. The meaning of traditional family life is that people are conscripted into established roles. But such traditional roles exact a toll, as well. What promotes social harmony and order to the advantage of some produces severe constrains __16__ others. Women and children, whose roles in the family have traditionally been subordinate __17__ those of men, have sometimes resisted such prescriptive expectations and have led the charge for social change in both __18__ and covert ways.

- 13. (a) prescribes (b) describes (c) inscribes (d) conscribes
- 14. (a) as (b) with regard to (c) in relation to (d) rather than
- 15. (a) remissible (b) permissible (c) immutable (d) transmissible
- 16. (a) on (b) to (c) with (d) by
- 17. (a) on (b) to (c) in (d) by
- 18. (a) overt (b) pervert (c) convert (d) divert

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(Passage #5)

A few years ago, scientists announced alarming new evidence of the rapid melting of the perennial ice of the north polar cap, continuing a trend of the past several years that now confronts us __19__ the prospect that human activities, __20__ unchecked in the next decade, could destroy one of the earth's principal mechanisms for cooling itself. Another group of scientists presented evidence that human activities are responsible __21__ the dramatic warming of sea surface temperatures in the areas of the ocean where hurricanes form. New information from yet another team showed dramatic increases in the burning of forests __22__ the American West, a trend that has increased decade __23__ decade, as warmer temperatures have dried __24__ soils and vegetation. All these findings come at the end of a summer with record-breaking temperatures and the hottest twelve-month period __25__ measured in the United States, with persistent drought in vast areas.

19. (a) at (b) to (c) toward (d) with
 20. (a) unless (b) except (c) until (d) if
 21. (a) as (b) for (c) because (d) with
 22. (a) throughout (b) thorough (c) through (d) thought
 23. (a) and (b) plus (c) with (d) by
 24. (a) out (b) by (c) due to (d) owing to
 25. (a) never (b) however (c) ever (d) whatever

II. Idiomatic Expression: Choose the best idiomatic phrases to fill in the blanks and complete the sentences below. (20%)

- His nickname, The Big Mouth, suited him to a _____.
 (a) tee (b) bee (c) gee (d) knee
- We will not invite Teresa to our party because she is such a wet _____.
 (a) weather (b) feather (c) blanket (d) hair
- Survivors from the earthquake gathered to form a club for those who were in the same _____.
 (a) plane (b) basement (c) boat (d) room
- His being expelled from the school was a bolt from the _____ for his parents.
 (a) blue (b) red (c) white (d) black
- I was taken _____ when I heard the news of his death.
 (a) away (b) over (c) care of (d) aback
- The overall impact of the story is weakened by too many _____ being left inadequately unsolved.
 (a) bitter ends (b) hot ends (c) sharp ends (d) loose ends

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7. The glorious days of the empire have been long gone. Britain must realize that she does not call the _____ any more.
(a) guns (b) flags (c) shows (d) shots
8. She can sleep through anything and emerge fresh as a _____ at the end of it.
(a) salt (b) daisy (c) mint (d) fish
9. The old couple tied the _____ last year after 30 years of romance.
(a) knot (b) ribbon (c) hands (d) string
10. To earn people's admiration, you must learn to turn the other _____, no matter what the provocation.
(a) cheek (b) ear (c) palm (d) eye

III. Composition: Please write a brief responsive paragraph of about *150-200 words* to the statements below to show your creative interpretation of them. (30%)

Colleges and universities in Taiwan have become what high school used to be, and thanks to grade inflation, it's almost impossible to flunk out. At the undergraduate level at least, colleges and universities are now in the business of delivering consumer satisfaction.