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英 文 試 題

**I. From the four words or phrases, choose the one that best completes the sentence:  
(30 points, 2 points for each item)**

1. Animals \_\_\_\_\_ on Earth for at least 700 million years.  
a. living b. lived c. have lived d. have been lived
2. The widespread use of oil to make chemicals \_\_\_\_\_ during the 1920s.  
a. begins b. began c. has begun d. beginning
3. Samples of rock showed \_\_\_\_\_ 4600 million years old.  
a. how is the moon b. when is the moon c. that the moon is d. to be the moon
4. Where \_\_\_\_\_ is the commonest form of color-blindness.  
a. are the red and green not easily distinguished  
b. they are not easily distinguished red and green  
c. red and green are not easily distinguished  
d. are not easily distinguished red and green
5. The pepper plant bears a small, green berry \_\_\_\_\_ red as it ripens.  
a. it turns b. that it turns c. which turns d. turns
6. Billie Holiday, \_\_\_\_\_ unique signing style made her famous, was also known as Lady Day.  
a. she is a b. whom c. whose d. who
7. Spider monkeys are the best climbers in the jungle, \_\_\_\_\_ they do not have thumbs.  
a. nevertheless b. although c. for d. despite
8. Giraffes sleep only \_\_\_\_\_ an hour at a time and often do not sleep at all during 24 hours.  
a. by b. during c. for d. in
9. Temperature, the simplest weather element to measure, is probably \_\_\_\_\_ used than any other kind of data.  
a. as frequently b. most frequently c. more frequently d. frequently
10. \_\_\_\_\_ lay its eggs in the sand on the beach that it goes back to the sea.  
a. No sooner a turtle does b. A turtle does no sooner  
c. No sooner does a turtle d. Does no sooner a turtle
11. Blinking helps keep the surface of the eye clean \_\_\_\_\_ moist.  
a. to b. or c. and d. so
12. Recently doctors warned that too much animal fat in the diet can lead to heart disease, \_\_\_\_\_ special types of margarine made with vegetable oils are becoming popular.  
a. because b. so c. and since d. except
13. Hormones have many jobs, from promoting bodily growth to \_\_\_\_\_ to regulating metabolism.  
a. aid digestion b. an aid of digestion c. aiding digestion d. be of aid to digestion
14. Not only \_\_\_\_\_ in the field of psychology but animal behavior is examined

as well.

- a. human behavior is studied    b. is studied human behavior  
c. is human behavior studied    d. human behavior.
15. Albert Einstein's contributions to scientific theory were \_\_\_\_\_ those of Galileo and Newton.  
a. important than    b. more important    c. as important as    d. the most important

**II. Choose the correct answer: (20 points, 2 points for each item)**

16. Man: What seems to be the problem, ma'am?  
Woman: This sink is clogged up and the faucet is dripping.  
Question: What kind of work does the man probably do?  
a. He's an electrician.    b. He's an engineer.  
c. He's a mechanic.    d. He's a plumber.
17. Woman: Have you had an appointment with us before?  
Man: Yes, I came in for a flu shot last year.  
Question: What is the woman's occupation?  
a. She's dentist.    b. She's a hair stylist.    c. She's a nurse.    d. She's a teller.
18. Man: Did I miss anything while I was buying the hot dogs and sodas?  
Woman: Yes, our team scored a touchdown.  
Question: Where is this conversation taking place?  
a. At a café.    b. At the circus.    c. At a shopping center.    d. At a stadium.
19. Woman: The water looks great today.  
Man: I can't wait to jump on my surfboard.  
Question: Where is this conversation taking place?  
a. In a park.    b. At the cinema.    c. At a library.    d. At the beach.
20. Woman: Could you fill it up with unleaded?  
Man: Sure. Do you want me to check under the hood?  
Question: What kind of work does the man do?  
a. He's doctor.    b. He's truck driver.  
c. He's a travel agent.    d. He's a gas station attendant.
21. Woman: Will there be any breaks during this play?  
Man: Yes, there will be a short intermission after each act.  
Question: Where is this conversation taking place?  
a. At an amusement park.    b. In a supermarket.    c. At a bank.    d. In a theater.
22. Woman: Where can I find the course book for Spanish 202?  
Man: They're in aisle 4, under languages.  
Question: Where is this conversation taking place?  
a. In a hospital.    b. In a restaurant.    c. In a bookstore.    d. At a travel agency.
23. Man: Are you enjoying this modern art exhibit?  
Woman: Not really. I prefer the Impressionist painters.  
Question: Where is this conversation taking place?  
a. On a bus.    b. At a hair salon.    c. In a bookstore.    d. At a museum.
24. Man: Have you decided what you'd like?  
Woman: Yes, I'd like a cup of tea and a slice of peach pie.

Question: What is the man's occupation?

a. He's a baker. b. He's a carpenter. c. He's a store clerk. d. He's a waiter.

25. Woman: Could you have fresh towels brought to my room, please?

Man: Yes, Ma'am. I'll send someone right away.

Question: Where is this conversation taking place?

a. At an art gallery. b. At a concert. c. In a department store. d. In a hotel.

**III. Choose the answer that could best replace the underlined word or phrase without changing the meaning of the sentence: (20 points, 2 points for each item)**

26. A government's economic resources must not be depleted.

a. greatly reduced b. disorganized c. badly destroyed d. wasted.

27. A lie detector detects minute changes in the temperature of a person's skin.

a. declined b. tiny c. short d. wild

28. Prior to World War I, 20 percent of American homes had electricity.

a. Before b. During c. In d. Upon

29. Different kinds of beads are used to ward off evil.

a. avert b. anticipate c. catch d. froze

30. The brain uses up 25 percent of the oxygen you breathe in.

a. exhausts b. finds c. maintains d. restrains

31. The United States turns out 16.5 billion hot dogs each year.

a. produces b. controls c. returns d. delivers

32. Talks over the persisting war broke down as they could not reach an agreement.

a. cracked b. failed c. smashed d. transformed

33. Hypertension is one of the most widespread and potentially dangerous diseases.

a. common b. current c. singular d. vital

34. Guam, an island in the West Pacific, was ceded to the United States.

a. given over to b. attacked by c. ruled by d. influenced by

35. Previously, the economy of the United States was agrarian.

a. Formerly b. Frequently c. Occasionally d. Ultimately

**IV. Reading Comprehension: (30 points, 3 points for each item)**

**Passage A:**

Many people remember horrible years in their lives, times when nothing seemed to go right. Sometimes countries can also have years like this. To many Americans, 1968 was a truly terrible year for their country. More and more people were protesting the government's involvement in Vietnam. African Americans were continuing to demand equal rights as citizens. The country was in a tense, hostile mood.

In early April, the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., went to Memphis to lead a protest march of black sanitation workers. On the evening of April 4, as he was leaving his motel to go to dinner, he was shot and killed by an assassin. This senseless death provoked riots in many cities. Just two months later, another political assassination took

place. Robert Kennedy, brother of the late President, had decided to run for president himself. Many people saw Kennedy as a leader who might bring the country together. Kennedy won the California primary and had just made a victory speech. Then he too was shot. These two violent deaths frightened many people. But the Democratic National Convention in August was a final outrage. While the delegates bitterly debated to select a candidate, out on the Chicago streets police were clashing with antiwar protesters. Once again, violence ruled.

Looking at the United States today, it may be hard to believe this year of trouble occurred. But those who lived through it will never forget it.

36. A good title for this passage might be:
- a. A Year of Senseless Assassinations.
  - b. A Year of Senseless Violence.
  - c. The History of United States.
  - d. The History of Civil Rights Movement.
37. Martin Luther King, Jr., was killed in
- a. Vietnam
  - b. Memphis
  - c. California
  - d. Chicago
38. The author seems to feel that life in the United States
- a. is a constant battle between the rich and the poor.
  - b. has been more peaceful since 1968.
  - c. is never good for African Americans.
  - d. has always been violent.
39. What is the main idea of this passage?
- a. Everyone has bad years in their lives.
  - b. Three violent events made 1968 a terrible year.
  - c. Assassination is typical of the Civil Rights Movements in the United States.
  - d. Americans will never forget the terrible year.
40. The main idea of this passage is developed through
- a. biographies of King and Kennedy.
  - b. three examples.
  - c. vivid descriptions of locations.
  - d. vivid descriptions of assassinations.

### **Passage B:**

The young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) is an international community service organization providing positive social, physical and educational activities. Worldwide the organization has 30 million members in 110 nations; the American YMCA serves 14 million people a year. The YMCA was started in London in 1844 in response to the unhealthy social conditions in large cities at the end of the Industrial Revolution. The first American YMCA opened on December 29, 1851, in Boston. By 1854, 26 associations had formed in the U.S. and Canada. In 1862, the association formed the first civilian volunteer program to care for war prisoners and other servicemen in the Civil War. From 1878 to 1916, membership steadily increased, growing from 72,000 to 600,000 members. By the 1950s, most barriers against female participation had been dropped in the YMCA.

In every large American city, the YMCA built libraries, gymnasiums, pools, and developed special activities such as summer camps, exercise classes and social-action groups. In the past, notable contributions of the YMCA to American life include the invention and development of basketball and volleyball. It introduced the ideas of

overnight camping, night school, and the junior college, and it has also assisted in forming such groups as the Boy Scouts and Camp Fire (for girls). The current focus of the association is on strengthening the family, improving international understanding, promoting good health, and helping local community development. The YMCA is active in many important social issues, including substance abuse prevention, job training, refugee resettlement, and so on. The YMCA has always offered many programs for teens and youth groups.

41. Which of the following is closest in meaning to “care for” in line 6 of the first paragraph?
  - a. support for
  - b. hunt for
  - c. take after
  - d. look after
42. According to the passage, which of the following is true about YMCA membership?
  - a. The majority of YMCA members live in the U.S.
  - b. YJMCA membership grew rapidly among servicemen during the Civil War.
  - c. At first, YMCA members were unhealthy people from large industrial cities.
  - d. Women used to be prohibited from joining the YMCA.
43. Which of the following is **NOT** mentioned as a contribution of the YMCA?
  - a. Helping establish youth groups for boys and girls.
  - b. Creating new sports games to promote health among young people.
  - c. Offering new educational opportunities to Americans.
  - d. Creating new jobs for refugees, young people and others.
44. Which of the following is **NOT** true about the YMCA?
  - a. The origin of the YMCA is in the United Kingdom.
  - b. When founded, the YMCA was only for boys and men.
  - c. The YMCA also helps solve drug problems.
  - d. The major focus of the YMCA has always been on promotion of physical exercises.
45. Which of the following is most likely to be the topic of the paragraph following this passage?
  - a. Important social issues supported by the YMCA.
  - b. International events sponsored last year by the YMCA.
  - c. Notable men and women active in the YMCA.
  - d. Examples of YMCA youth activities.