

Choose **ONE** best answer for each question.

I. Vocabulary

- Genes determine what your children look like. Therefore, if your eyes are blue, your **offspring** will all have blue eyes. It is impossible for you to give birth to a baby with black eyes.
Your **offspring** are your _____.
(A) ancestors (B) relatives (C) children (D) friends
- The **odor** of garbage made the people near the landfill sick. They could not stand it; they all wore masks.
When something gives off an unpleasant **odor**, it _____ bad.
(A) looks (B) sounds (C) smells (D) tastes
- Working hard is not enough. We must be able to find new ways of thinking, new ways of doing things, and new ways of marketing. But how can **novelty** be cultivated? Among other things, the most effective way is to put ourselves in a life-or-death situation. As the saying goes, "Necessity is the mother of invention."
Novelty is the quality of being _____.
(A) conservative (B) cheerful (C) creative (D) aggressive
- Peter looks gentle, but in fact he can be as **stubborn** as a mule. Once he has made up his mind, it is impossible to get him to change it.
If you are **stubborn**, you show _____ will.
(A) a strong (B) a weak (C) good (D) ill
- Jack is a boy with a nervous **temperament**. When he is taking a test, he stiffens with nervousness. When he is talking to his teacher, he cannot help shaking.
Your **temperament** is your _____.
(A) training (B) habit (C) nature (D) strategy
- When struck on the head from behind, Jane **uttered** a cry of pain and then fell to the ground. No one heard her cry on the deserted street.
If you **utter** sounds or words, you _____ them.
(A) repeat (B) analyze (C) hear (D) say
- The reading room was very quiet when I was about to cough, so I tried hard to **repress** it. I was afraid that my coughing might disturb the other people who were absorbed in studying.
If you **repress** an impulse, you _____ it.
(A) follow (B) sense (C) direct (D) curb
- In children's books, wolves are always **portrayed** as cruel and greedy whereas sheep are described as kind-hearted and gullible. So, if you are compared to a wolf in sheep's clothing, you pretend to be friendly, but in fact, you are dangerous.

If you **portray** someone or something, you _____ him/it.

(A) describe (B) admire (C) use (D) imagine

9. We found out there was a serious accident two miles ahead. We were **trapped** in the long line of cars for five whole hours.

If you are **trapped** in a place, you are kept in it and you cannot _____.

(A) retire (B) resign (C) escape (D) graduate

10. We must set up a system in which promotion should be based on **merit** rather than on seniority. That is, what counts is how well you work rather than how long you have been with the company.

If something has **merits**, it deserves _____.

(A) criticism (B) study (C) observation (D) praise

II. Grammar

11. A nickname is often _____ a person.

(A) characteristic in (B) characteristic of
(C) characterize by (D) character of

12. _____ a nickname may be, it is used by your family or close friends.

(A) Whoever (B) Whatever
(C) Whenever (D) Wherever

13. _____ driving has become a form of murder.

(A) Drink (B) Drunken
(C) Drinking (D) Drank

14. Heavy drinking _____ an acceptable part of the American masculine image.

(A) used to being (B) used to be
(C) used for being (D) used in being

15. 1960 was the year _____ her son died in a car accident.

(A) where (B) when
(C) in (D) at

16. His job was _____ all offices in that building.

(A) to clean (B) clean
(C) cleaner (D) cleaned

17. This machine _____ to provide various kinds of services to the customers.

(A) is programming (B) has programmed
(C) was programmed (D) will program

18. The store sells both Epson and HP jet ink printers, but I prefer the _____.

(A) other (B) latter
(C) later (D) latest

19. Tom chose death over treason _____ his deep commitment to John.

(A) because (B) because of

- (C) since (D) in preference to
20. Mary always does her shopping in that store _____ it is far away from her house.
(A) since (B) afterwards
(C) although (D) when

III. Conversations

21. A: Have you located your new apartment yet? B: _____.
(A) Yes, the location is everything.
(B) No, presents are not appropriate here.
(C) Not yet, but I've looked at quite a few.
(D) I hope you can locate here.
22. A: Would you mind telling me your middle name, please? B: _____.
(A) I think I'll name myself Tom.
(B) Yes, go ahead.
(C) It's my policy to be kind and nice to everyone.
(D) Not at all. It's Michael.
23. A: How often do you change the filter for that air conditioner? B: _____.
(A) The filter is a very important part to the air conditioner.
(B) Sure, it must be changed occasionally.
(C) I need to put a new one on about every 3 weeks.
(D) Keep the change!
24. A: Tom's income is not big enough to support his family. B: _____.
(A) I read today's newspaper headlines.
(B) There are not any more left in his house.
(C) Then maybe he should get another job.
(D) Yes, he earns a lot.
25. A: Wasn't your brother a basketball star in college? B: _____.
(A) Stars are invisible today.
(B) He always said he would.
(C) No, but he played football.
(D) I won't know that until next year.
26. A: We've already been here before, haven't we? B: _____.
(A) You're right. We've made a complete circle.
(B) I've been to London three times.
(C) No, I prefer there.
(D) We can come here again, if you insist.
27. A: I'm starving. Let's grab a bite. B: _____.
(A) No, thanks. I had a big lunch. (B) OK. Let's grab her purse first.
(C) One more bite is fantastic. (D) Starving is terrible.

28. A: I think I'd better go back home now. B: _____.

- (A) You used to go there often.
- (B) Oh, yes. I didn't notice the time.
- (C) Yes, my mom is at home now.
- (D) Before the dawn, I would be the happiest person in the world.

29. A: What would you like to do next winter? B: _____.

- (A) Yes, seeing a movie is a good idea.
- (B) No, I haven't given it a thought.
- (C) There are too many of them already.
- (D) I was thinking of going to Tokyo, Japan.

30. A: I need to keep your ID here until you bring the books back. B: _____.

- (A) No problem. Here it is.
- (B) I'll bring it back as soon as possible.
- (C) This is an awesome ID.
- (D) I can't read your ID from here. Sorry.

IV. Reading Comprehension

Read the paragraph and choose the most appropriate answer.

The six year old is about the best example that can be found of that type of inquisitiveness that causes irritated adults to exclaim, "Curiosity killed the cat." To him, the world is a fascinating place to be explored thoroughly, and it is constantly expanding through new experiences, which bring many eager questions from members of any group of first graders, as each one tries to figure out his place within the family, the school, and the community. There are adults who find it quite annoying to be presented with such inquisitiveness. But this is no purposeless prying, no idle curiosity! It is that quality, characteristic of the successful adult, inherent in the good citizen — intellectual curiosity.

31. Which of the following is the most proper title for this paragraph?

- (A) Curiosity Killed the Cat
- (B) The First Graders
- (C) Idle Curiosity and Intellectual curiosity
- (D) Curiosity: Childhood Secret to Success

32. According to this paragraph, inquisitiveness is

- (A) an annoying quality
- (B) only found in the six year olds.
- (C) killing the cat.
- (D) characteristic of the successful adult.

33. The author's attitude toward curious children in this paragraph is

- (A) despaired.
- (B) positive.
- (C) critical.
- (D) indifferent.

34. _____ is the synonym of inquisitiveness.

- (A) Prying
- (B) Characteristic

- (C) Curiosity (D) Ignorance
35. "Curiosity killed the cat" as used in this paragraph probably means to suggest that an inquisitive person is likely to
- (A) succeed. (B) suffer injury or harm.
(C) raise many eager questions. (D) become a good citizen.
36. A word that could meaningfully replace "prying" as used in this paragraph is
- (A) exploring. (B) expanding.
(C) support. (D) fascination.
37. In writing this paragraph, the author's purpose is
- (A) to defend inquisitiveness of the child.
(B) to criticize such inquisitiveness.
(C) to discuss the pros and cons of curiosity.
(D) to report the result of a study on curiosity.

(II) Read the news about the entrance-exam scandal and decide whether each of the followed statements is T (true) or F (false).

Police arrest 22 over entrance-exam scandal

(By Rich Chang STAFF REPORTER Monday, July 04, 2005)

Police made raids in connection with the university entrance examination cheating scandal yesterday, arresting 22 people, including the primary suspect in the case.

Huang Tai-ming, the owner of a *bushiban*, or cram school, seven university students and thirteen senior high school graduates, were arrested under suspicion of cheating during the nationwide university entrance exam on Saturday.

"Huang Tai-ming, a private school owner in Pingtung County, set up the cheating system. Most students cheating on the exam were students at Huang's school," said Tsai Cang-bo, a police official from the Criminal Investigation Bureau (CIB) in charge of the case. "More than 20 students paid Huang between NT\$400,000 and NT\$600,000 (US\$12,900 to US\$19,350) for his help in cheating on the exam. Huang received in total about NT\$7.5 million," said Tsai. Tsai said police were also looking for several more senior high school graduates that they believe paid Huang for help in cheating on the exam.

Police said a university student named Wang Hsin-hong had acted as a broker in the cheating scam. He introduced seven university students to Huang's school to help with cheating on the exam. Tsai said Huang paid seven university students from different universities nationwide a total of NT\$1.75 million for their help in the cheating ring. Police arrested the seven university students, as well as thirteen high school graduates at test sites in Kaohsiung on Saturday afternoon.

Police said the seven university students, who had registered to take the entrance exam at a number of test sites, used coughs as signals to pass answers to the questions

on the tests to the thirteen high school students, who were at the same test sites. Police said the thirteen high school graduates were taking the exam to enter physical education programs. The vice director of a task force in charge of the nationwide university entrance exam, Lee Zhong-yuan, said yesterday that the thirteen students would be suspended from the exam. An official from the Ministry of Education, Chen De-hua, yesterday said Wang and the seven students would be asked to quit their universities.

Police said the students had spent one year studying at Huang's school, and then paid Huang to arrange the cheating ring. Police said they had found there were eighty-one people that had attended Huang's school taking the exam. Suspicion was raised when it was discovered that some of the students from Huang's school who had registered to take the exam were already enrolled in universities. Police therefore launched an investigation against Huang and uncovered the cheating ring. Police said Huang had ran the private school from 1997, and the students from his school have had good admission rates on the different types of nationwide exams. Police said Huang's school offered classes for many different types of nationwide exams, so they suspect Huang may have helped a number of other students cheat on the nationwide exams. Police added that they had raided Huang's office and held a number of his documents. Police said the documents might reveal more instances of cheating.

38. () The cram school of the primary suspect in this case is in Pingtung County.
39. () Some of the students cheating in the exam have never been the members of the Huang's school.
40. () "CIB" is the abbreviation for the Criminal Investment Bureau.
41. () All the suspects in the cheating ring are under arrested.
42. () The broker in the cheating scam is a university student.
43. () The seven university students who helped with cheating on the exam are from the same university.
44. () The test sites of all the under arrested students were in Kaohsiung.
45. () The seven university students used electrical equipments to pass answers to the questions on the tests to the thirteen high school students.
46. () The thirteen high school graduates were taking the exam to enter medical programs.
47. () The seven students would be asked to quit their universities.
48. () Suspicion was raised in the test sites.
49. () The primary suspect had run the cram school for more than ten years.
50. () The police suspect Huang may have helped a number of other students cheat on other nationwide exams.