

Please read each of the following passages, then select the word or words that BEST fit(s) in the blanks. ※ 注意：請用 2B 鉛筆 作答於答案卡，並先詳閱答案卡上之「畫記說明」。

*The following statements were made by Jane Goodall, the renowned conservationist, who is regarded as one of the world's authorities on chimpanzees:*

- It's awfully sad that with 1 clever brains, capable of taking us to the moon and 2 these sophisticated ways of communicating around the planet, that we seem to have lost wisdom; and that's the wisdom of the indigenous people who would make a 3 decision based on how that decision would affect people seven generations ahead. We're making decisions based on the 4 line. How will this affect me now? Me and my family, now. How will this decision I make today affect the next shareholders' meeting three months ahead? How will this decision I make today affect my election campaign? Something like that. So although we think we're caring about our children and grandchildren, we're actually 5 their future.
  1. A) our B) your C) their D) his
  2. A) disdaining B) pretending C) developing D) enticing
  3. A) flattering B) major C) clumsy D) brittle
  4. A) head B) straight C) bottom D) top
  5. A) paving B) applying C) campaigning D) stealing
- The most important thing that we can do to try to 6 the mess we've made on this planet, both social and environmental, is to spend a little bit of time learning and thinking about the 7 of the choices we make each day. What did we eat? How was it grown? Where did it come from? Did it affect the environment 8, or animal welfare? Is it good for human health? What do we wear? Where was it made? Does this involve slave-labor or sweatshops? How do we get from A to B? Could we do it in a way that is 9 to the environment? If we start to think like that, inevitably people make small changes, because very often they do things without having the faintest idea of the adverse consequences, and if people start making the small changes, then 10.
  6. A) get up to B) get out of C) get in with D) get in between
  7. A) consignments B) condolences C) consequences D) constructions
  8. A) adversely B) articulately C) leisurely D) tactfully
  9. A) more damaging B) less damaging C) more or less damaging D) somewhat damaging
  10. A) you become disappointed about the way things are.  
B) you start getting the major changes that we must have.  
C) you put the future behind you.  
D) you fail to meet the challenge.

*The following statements were made by Nelson Mandela, who endured 27 years of imprisonment before becoming South Africa's first democratically elected president in 1994:*

- Wounds that can't be seen are more 11 than those that can be seen or cured by a doctor.
- I learned that to 12 another person is to make him suffer an unnecessarily cruel fate.
- I learned that courage was not the absence of fear, but the triumph over it. I felt fear myself more times than I can remember, but I hid it behind a mask of boldness. The brave man is not he who does not feel afraid, but 13.
- 14 poverty is not a gesture of charity. It is an act of justice. It is the protection of a fundamental human right, the right to dignity and a decent life.
- If the experience of South Africa means anything to the world at large, we hope it is in having demonstrated that where people of good will get together and transcend their differences for the common good, peaceful and just solutions can be found even for those problems which seem most 15.

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11. A) neutral B) harmless C) painful D) painless
12. A) humiliate B) retaliate C) reconcile D) officiate
13. A) he who distorts fear B) he who convinces fear C) he who conquers fear D) he who appeases fear
14. A) Inviting B) Overcoming C) Describing D) Regarding
15. A) inadvertent B) indignant C) intractable D) inaccurate

The following is an excerpt from Malcolm Gladwell's essay, "Something Borrowed," included in his book *What the Dog Saw*:

- Words belong to the person who wrote them. There are few simpler ethical \_\_16\_\_ than this one, particularly as society directs more and more energy and resources toward the creation of \_\_17\_\_ property. In the past thirty years, copyright laws have been \_\_18\_\_. Courts have become more willing to grant intellectual-property protections. Fighting \_\_19\_\_ has become an obsession with Hollywood and the recording industry, and in the worlds of academia and publishing, plagiarism has gone from being bad literary manners to something much closer to a \_\_20\_\_. When, two years ago, Doris Kearns Goodwin was found to have lifted pages from several other historians, she was asked to resign from the board of the Pulitzer Prize Committee. And why not? If she had robbed a bank, she would have been fired the next day.

16. A) notions B) actions C) stations D) motions
17. A) mental B) intellectual C) factual D) actual
18. A) admitted B) directed C) donated D) strengthened
19. A) erosion B) globalization C) piracy D) pollution
20. A) consolation B) crime C) symposium D) petition

The following is an excerpt from *The New York Times* article "A Hospital How-to Guide that Mother Would Love" by Robin Marantz Henig:

- A hospital, as the saying goes, is no place for sick people. It's filled with \_\_21\_\_ to your health, not least of which are the myriad infections, missed diagnoses, dosage mistakes and other \_\_22\_\_ that arise from human error. And in a hospital, human error seems all but \_\_23\_\_. How can any one individual, or even any one team of individuals, \_\_24\_\_ the tasks straight and \_\_25\_\_ all eventualities 100 percent of the time?

21. A) benefits B) advantages C) hazards D) issues
22. A) complications B) complexes C) complements D) compliances
23. A) possible B) inevitable C) elusive D) conceivable
24. A) go B) act C) keep D) let
25. A) speculate B) anticipate C) expect D) reduce

The following excerpts are from Mary Catherine Bateson's essay, "Composing a Life Story":

- The availability of multiple interpretations of a life story is particularly important \_\_26\_\_ how different generations communicate with each other. When we, as parents, talk to our children about our lives, there is a great \_\_27\_\_ to edit out the discontinuities, to reshape our histories so that they look more \_\_28\_\_ than they are. But when we tell stories to our children with the zigzags \_\_29\_\_, it causes problems for many of these children.

26. A) in case of B) in terms of C) in place of D) in fear of
27. A) paradigm B) fallacy C) temptation D) recognition
28. A) coherent B) cognitive C) chaotic D) confusing
29. A) edited out B) rolled out C) made out D) thought out

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- A lot of young people have great difficulty 30 themselves to a relationship or to a career because of the feeling that once they do, they're 31 for a long, long time. On the other hand, they feel they've got to get on the right "track" because, after all, this is a long and terrifying commitment. I think it is very liberating for college students when an older person says to them, "Your first job after college need not be the beginning of an ascending curve that's going to take you through your life. It can be a 32. You might be doing something different 33 five years." That's something that young people need to hear: that the continuous story, where the whole of a person's life is 34 very early on, is a cultural creation, not a 35 of life as it is really lived.

30. A) consenting B) committing C) involving D) agreeing

31. A) exempt B) conscientious C) trapped D) afraid

32. A) pyramid B) plane C) zigzag D) triangle

33. A) on B) at C) [ \_\_\_ ] D) in

34. A) prefigured B) prevented C) preferred D) precluded

35. A) destruction B) reflection C) conversion D) fraction

The following are excerpts from Mark Hertsgaard's essay, "The Green Dream":

- 36 threats such as climate change, water scarcity, and loss of species pose dangers to security and prosperity no less 37 than those posed by terrorism, only less sudden. If terrorism continues to push environmental concerns to the back of the public 38, our civilization's breakdown may still come, just with a whimper 39 a bang.

36. A) Bilateral B) Economical C) Cultural D) Environmental

37. A) ominous B) hilarious C) auspicious D) industrious

38. A) attainment B) agenda C) arrangement D) agreement

39. A) rather B) rather than C) instead D) in spite of

- The crowning complication that darkens the environmental picture is how 40 consumption, especially in the wealthy North but increasingly in the impoverished South as well, threatens to push Earth's carrying capacity past the 41 point. Nowhere exemplifies the problem better than China. The market reforms China instituted in the early 1980s ignited one of the most fantastic economic 42 in modern history. Average real incomes doubled by 1997, as hundreds of millions of Chinese were lifted out of absolute poverty into mere ordinary poverty. Since then, living standards have continued to 43, and who would wish otherwise?

40. A) rise B) raise C) rising D) raising

41. A) racing B) breaking C) starting D) waiting

42. A) recessions B) busts C) booms D) hubs

43. A) lose B) fall C) stagnate D) improve

- The environmental effects, however, have been 44. China has the world's worst air pollution—nine of the ten cities with the most polluted air are in China—and water pollution is equally severe. According to World Bank figures, nearly one of every three deaths in China is 45 to the toxic air and water. And China's gigantic population—one out of every four humans is Chinese—ensures that the effects extend to the world at large. China is the second-leading emitter of greenhouse gases, and it is projected to 46 the United States by 2020.

44. A) catastrophic B) claustrophobic C) diplomatic D) enigmatic

45. A) contributable B) attributable C) accountable D) liable

46. A) trail B) prove C) overtake D) undertake

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- Yet virtually every Chinese I met was willing to \_\_47\_\_ these appalling environmental conditions in return for more jobs, higher incomes, and greater comfort. What else is China supposed to do, one senior government official asked me—go back to no heat in the winter? Impossible.

47. A) tolerate B) obliterate C) compensate D) berate

- And China is only part of the problem. Bear in mind that most people on Earth are desperately poor; 45% of them live on \$2 a day or less. As the \_\_48\_\_ two-thirds of humanity strive to improve their lot in the years to come, demanding such basics as adequate heat and food, \_\_49\_\_ cars and computers, our species' environmental footprint is certain to grow. The great challenge facing civilization in the twenty-first century is to accommodate this mass \_\_50\_\_ from poverty without wrecking the natural systems that make life on this planet possible in the first place.

48. A) top B) bottom C) above D) below

49. A) last but not least B) that is to say C) not to mention D) for example

50. A) descent B) ascent C) intent D) consent

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