

※ 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」。

*Directions: Choose the best answer for each question and mark the corresponding space on your computer card with a 2B pencil.*

**Vocabulary 60%**

*Choose the word that best completes the sentence.*

1. I often download movies to my laptop as it has \_\_\_\_\_ of memory.  
a. plenty                      b. much                      c. lot
2. I don't think Phil has the \_\_\_\_\_ to listen. He's far too self-obsessed.  
a. ability                      b. skill                      c. talent
3. Hurry up and \_\_\_\_\_ your point. We haven't got all day.  
a. give                      b. have                      c. make
4. When I first went to Germany, I couldn't \_\_\_\_\_ a sentence together without making loads of mistakes.  
a. string                      b. pull                      c. fit
5. I was so embarrassed and really \_\_\_\_\_ when I met the President, I just didn't know what to say.  
a. tied up                      b. tied down                      c. tongue-tied
6. Chris never lets me get a word in \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. forwards                      b. edgeways                      c. sideways
7. The prime minister's decision had all kinds of consequences \_\_\_\_\_ the car industry.  
a. on                      b. for                      c. with
8. The decision to strike was a direct consequence \_\_\_\_\_ the new legislation.  
a. at                      b. of                      c. for
9. The new pizzeria is \_\_\_\_\_ the main square.  
a. just off                      b. right off                      c. nearby
10. Josh can recite so many poems \_\_\_\_\_ memory. It's really impressive.  
a. by                      b. from                      c. with
11. We have a lot of home-grown \_\_\_\_\_ in this country, especially when it comes to cycling.  
a. ability                      b. skill                      c. talent
12. What is the \_\_\_\_\_ point of the new public gardens?  
a. central                      b. focal                      c. major
13. I had my hair \_\_\_\_\_ to make it less mousy.  
a. added                      b. highlighted                      c. enhanced
14. Queen Victoria is usually \_\_\_\_\_ as a stern woman.  
a. represented                      b. depicted                      c. symbolized
15. The documentary I watched last night called the 'placebo \_\_\_\_\_' was very interesting.  
a. effect                      b. test                      c. performance
16. The main street is \_\_\_\_\_ with beautiful lime trees.  
a. surrounded                      b. bordered                      c. lined
17. The flowers in my garden \_\_\_\_\_ love, peace and harmony.  
a. show                      b. represent                      c. portray

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18. All of these places are \_\_\_\_\_ familiar to me, even though I've never been here before.  
a. critically      b. reassuringly      c. strangely
19. \_\_\_\_\_ of children ran through the gates as soon as the park opened.  
a. Cliques      b. Hordes      c. Teams
20. Honestly, you've got a memory like a \_\_\_\_\_. I don't know why I tell you anything!  
a. drain      b. hole      c. sieve
21. Maria has this extraordinary \_\_\_\_\_ to know what I'm thinking even before I do!  
a. ability      b. skill      c. talent
22. The hotel has rooms \_\_\_\_\_ the cathedral gardens.  
a. lining      b. overlooking      c. surrounding
23. The model's skin was deliberately \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. lengthened      b. reduced      c. enhanced
24. When we arrived at the station it was \_\_\_\_\_ quiet.  
a. pleasantly      b. critically      c. obstinately
25. Dr. King has \_\_\_\_\_ an experiment to test our perception of time.  
a. proved      b. measured      c. devised
26. \_\_\_\_\_ rule is similar to a state of lawlessness.  
a. Horde      b. Gang      c. Mob
27. Mark's motor \_\_\_\_\_ are poorly developed for a six-year-old.  
a. skills      b. abilities      c. effects
28. Caffeine has never had a \_\_\_\_\_ effect on my levels of alertness.  
a. measured      b. tested      c. significant
29. So many people nowadays believe that clothes \_\_\_\_\_ your attitude to life.  
a. feel      b. define      c. make
30. Maria is always \_\_\_\_\_ cheerful even when things are going really badly for her.  
a. eerily      b. resolutely      c. irrepressibly

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**Reading 40%**

Read the following article about animals and natural disasters. Add a sentence to each gap. 24%

Many animals escaped the great Asian tsunami on 26 December 2004. Elephants in Sri Lanka and Sumatra moved to high ground before the giant waves struck; they did the same in Thailand, trumpeting before they did so. According to a villager in Bang Koey, Thailand, a herd of buffalo were grazing by the beach when they 'suddenly lifted their heads and looked out to sea, ears standing upright'.

\_\_\_\_(31)\_\_\_\_ Similar reactions were observed elsewhere. At Ao Sane beach, near Phuket, dogs ran up to the hill tops, and at Galle in Sri Lanka, dog owners were puzzled by the fact that their animals refused to go for their usual morning walk on the beach. \_\_\_\_ (32) \_\_\_\_ How did they know? The usual speculation is that the animals picked up tremors preceding the tsunami. \_\_\_\_ (33) \_\_\_\_ They would not have taken place in the coastal areas alone. And if animals can predict earthquake-related disasters by sensing slight tremors, why can't seismologists?

Animals seem to know when other kinds of calamities are about to strike, for example before earthquakes in Kobe, Japan and Assisi, Italy. \_\_\_\_ (34) \_\_\_\_ The same is true of the 1999 earthquake in Turkey, with its epicenter near Izmit. Dogs were howling for hours before the earthquake, and many cats and birds were behaving unusually. On 28 February 2001, a 6.8-magnitude quake struck the Seattle area, and once again animals behaved unusually beforehand. Some cats were said to be hiding for no apparent reason up to 12 hours before; others were behaving in an anxious way, or 'freaking out' an hour or two before; some dogs were barking 'frantically' before the earthquake struck; and goats and other animals were showing obvious signs of fear.

No one knows how some animals sense earthquakes coming. Perhaps they pick up subtle sounds or vibrations in the earth; maybe they respond to subterranean gases released prior to earthquakes, or react to changes in the Earth's electrical field. \_\_\_\_ (35) \_\_\_\_ Unusual animal behavior also occurs before avalanches. On 23 February 1999, an avalanche devastated the Austrian village of Galtur in the Tyrol, killing dozens of people. \_\_\_\_ (36) \_\_\_\_ Through surveys in alpine villages in Austria and Switzerland, it was found that these animals are the most likely to anticipate avalanches, along with ibexes and dogs.

With very few exceptions, the ability of animals to anticipate disasters has been ignored by Western scientists, who dismiss stories of animal anticipations as anecdotal or superstitious. \_\_\_\_ (37) \_\_\_\_ In several cases, they have issued warnings that have enabled cities to be evacuated hours before devastating earthquakes struck, saving countless lives. \_\_\_\_ (38) \_\_\_\_ By doing it, we would be sure to learn something and it would enable us to save many lives.

Choose the best sentence (a-c) to add to each gap.

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Read the following review. 16%

## ALL WE NEED

An exhibition on human needs, resources and fairness

**A**  
It is impossible to get through a day without reading or hearing something about the impact of man's profligate behavior upon the fragile environment of our planet. Could we really be in part to blame for the recent spate of natural disasters, from the devastating earthquake in Haiti to the volcanic eruption in Iceland? Many would have us believe that these events are a direct result of the way we have treated, or mistreated, planet Earth.

**B**  
I have always kept an open mind when it comes to the relationship between our behavior and the state of our planet. It is, after all, hard to pick your way through all the conflicting accounts to find your own solution. I am, however, always looking for new and challenging arguments so it was with great interest that I bought my ticket for an exhibition entitled *All We Need* at the Halle des Soufflantes in Belval, Luxembourg.

**C**  
As soon as I walked in I knew that this was going to be no ordinary exhibition. I was greeted by a huge dilapidated steelworks with bare girders and pipes and the strange creaking noises of an abandoned space. What better mirror could there be of the bleakness of much of human existence?

**D**  
I was impressed by the exhibition's aims and rationale: "*All We Need* explores the world as a global market through the human efforts to dream, imagine and live a happy life. The exhibition shows, in particular through the fair trade example, alternatives in consumption and life styles. It provides reflections and proposals for action on the essential questions touching the future of mankind: which are our fundamental needs, and how can we satisfy them without endangering either the survival of our planet, or human rights?"

**E**  
Human needs are the same the world over. Chilean economist Manfred Max-Neef, recipient of the 'Right Livelihood Award', also known as the 'Alternative Nobel Prize', identified nine basic categories: subsistence, idleness (leisure), affection, freedom, protection, identity, understanding, creation and participation. However, while basic human needs might be the same wherever you live, the disparity between those who achieve these aims and those who do not is great and growing.

**F**  
This exhibition sets out to present a series of alternative concepts, ideas and answers to the eternal question of how to live a happy life and is divided into a series of 'spaces', each reflecting one of the human needs.

While each space was incredibly thought-provoking, challenging and often upsetting, the two which hit home most were the spaces dedicated to affection and understanding. In the former, those traditional tokens of love, roses, gold and diamonds, are juxtaposed with images of the harsh reality behind these symbols: the flower plantations and conflicts fuelled by greed. Equally thought-provoking is the *understanding* space.

The performance group *Stan's Café* have created a unique vision of the world by using piles of rice whereby each grain represents one human being. These mounds represent a wide range of human statistics and provide an extraordinary visual insight into the inequalities of this world.

**G**  
The sheer volume of information in this multi-media exhibition is quite overwhelming. Anyone who is passionate about the future of the planet owes it to themselves and to the future of the world to include *All We Need* in their itinerary. I walked out feeling so many conflicting emotions.

Coming from one of the most privileged countries in the world, I was reminded once again just how much there is to do to restore a sense of balance.

Which paragraph mentions the following?

39. the perfection of the exhibition's setting  
a. Paragraph A    b. Paragraph B    c. Paragraph C    d. Paragraph D
40. the widening gap between rich and poor  
a. Paragraph E    b. Paragraph F    c. Paragraph G    d. Paragraph A
41. human involvement in environmental damage  
a. Paragraph D    b. Paragraph C    c. Paragraph B    d. Paragraph A

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42. the exhibits that had the greatest impact on the writer  
a. Paragraph E    b. Paragraph F    c. Paragraph G    d. Paragraph B
43. a way to attain a sustainable future  
a. Paragraph A    b. Paragraph B    c. Paragraph C    d. Paragraph D
44. a recommendation to visit the exhibition  
a. Paragraph F    b. Paragraph G    c. Paragraph A    d. Paragraph C
45. the writer's personal thirst for knowledge  
a. Paragraph E    b. Paragraph A    c. Paragraph B    d. Paragraph F
46. Choose the best summary of the exhibition, according to the writer.  
a. *All We Need* showcases the work of artists from the developing world.  
b. *All We Need* seeks to highlight inequalities in the living conditions of peoples all around the world.  
c. *All We Need* focuses on the divisive issue of climate change and attempts to sort out the facts from the rhetoric.



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