

Choose the best answer. Indicate your choice for each question by blackening the appropriate space on your computer card with a 2B pencil.

- I. Vocabulary: Choose the answer that can best replace the underlined word or phrase without changing the meaning of the sentence.
- The company's remarkably diverse customer base actually enabled it to ride out the economic recession.
(A) thick (B) variant
(C) different (D) divided
 - Inflexible and rigid company regulations often stifle innovation and reduce efficiency.
(A) overwhelming (B) strict
(C) inconsistent (D) detailed
 - The former president tried very hard to retain control of the company's finances.
(A) regain (B) obtain
(C) sustain (D) keep
 - The amount of space an employee has is often related to the employee's status in the organization.
(A) estimation (B) position
(C) popularity (D) claim
 - Recent strikes have cost the company NT\$ 300 million in lost revenues.
(A) machinery (B) outcome
(C) income (D) goods
 - My men won't try very hard if there is no incentive.
(A) punishment (B) guarantee
(C) stimulus (D) impulse
 - Certain TV stations try to make as much money as possible from news departments, sometimes to the detriment of journalists who aspire to truthfulness in their reporting of stories.
(A) disappointment (B) damage
(C) determination (D) detraction
 - The teacher didn't say anything harsh, but his conclusion was seen as implicit criticism of the students' work.
(A) impassive (B) implied
(C) impartial (D) informed
 - My boss is a man of great moral integrity.
(A) uprightness (B) strength
(C) flexibility (D) principle

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10. Are you insinuating that I stole the money? How dare you!
(A) accusing (B) declaring
(C) implying (D) concluding
- II. Grammar and Usage:
11. Deteriorating _____, over-grazing, and the loss of moorland led to a decline in the number of game birds in this area.
(A) habit (B) habitant
(C) habitat (D) habitus
12. The expedition through the Amazon jungle was _____ danger. I don't know how we survived.
(A) fraught with (B) filled of
(C) abounded in (D) covered with
13. I'm very busy these days, but when things have _____ a little, I'll come and see you.
(A) eased away (B) eased down
(C) eased back (D) eased up
14. From time to time she _____ from under her long eyelashes. I think she was interested in him.
(A) stole a glance at Bruce (B) gave Bruce a long hard stare
(C) made a beeline for Bruce (D) caught a glimpse at Bruce
15. The committee wants us to put forward any suggestions we have about how to deal with the situation, so that they could _____ for a while.
(A) kick them around (B) consider them around
(C) see them over (D) check about them
16. The murderer had been living in another city, under a false name, for two years when the _____ arm of the law finally reached him.
(A) strong (B) determined
(C) stretchy (D) long
17. The office desk looks as if it had been there since _____.
(A) immemorial time (B) time immemorial
(C) memorable time (D) time memorable
18. We must do our best to fight political corruption for the _____ good.
(A) ordinary (B) share
(C) common (D) average
19. Believe it or not, many teachers have benefited from the _____ approach.
(A) carrot-and-stick (B) carrot-on-stick
(C) carrot-for-stick (D) carrot-with-stick

20. I sometimes fear that the Internet is turning us all into _____.
 (A) Peeing Toms (B) Peeping Toms
 (C) Peeing Jacks (D) Peeping Jacks
21. Jane wore a red linen dress to the dinner party, and she was _____ there.
 (A) prettier than any girls (B) the prettiest of girls
 (C) the prettiest girl (D) the prettier than any girl
22. Steve is one of those managers who _____ how to infuse a team with optimism.
 (A) knows (B) is knowing
 (C) had known (D) know
23. Exposure to excessive noise levels may cause varying degrees of inner ear damage
 _____ is initially reversible.
 (A) which (B) , which
 (C) that (D) , that
24. We want to have a beautiful garden, but we don't know how to proceed or _____.
 (A) the flowers we should plant (B) plant what flowers
 (C) what flowers to plant (D) what flowers we plant
25. The audience was sure that the bank robber would be _____ as soon as the
 marshal caught him..
 (A) hung (B) hanged
 (C) hanging (D) hunged

III. Cloze Test: 50%

Passage 1:

In England, six or eight wine glasses used to stand 26 by each person's plate 27 a dinner party, and they were used, not left 28 and empty; today there are but three or four in the group, and the average guest sparingly uses about two of them. We have not 29 this new fashion yet, but we shall do it presently. We shall not think it out; we shall merely 30, and let it go at that. We get our notions and habits and opinions from outside influences; we do not have to study them out.

26. (A) grouping (B) grouped (C) groups (D) group
 27. (A) after (B) of (C) at (D) for
 28. (A) idle (B) lazy (C) useless (D) used
 29. (A) chosen (B) transferred (C) received (D) adopted
 30. (A) confirm (B) conform (C) confess (D) confine

Passage 2:

31 southward from our shelter, we had this great torrent and the forested mountain wall above it on our left, the spiry ice-craggs on our right, and smooth gray gloom ahead. I tried to draw the marvelous scene in my note-book, but the rain 32 the page in spite of all my pains to shelter it, and the 33 was almost worthless. When the wind began to 34, I traced the east side of the glacier. All the trees standing on the edge of the woods were barked and bruised, showing high-ice mark in a very 35 way, while tens of thousands of those that had stood for centuries on the bank of the glacier farther out lay crushed and being crushed.

31. (A) If look (B) Look (C) Looking (D) Looked
32. (A) blocked (B) bolted (C) balked (D) blurred
33. (A) writing (B) sketch (C) representation (D) image
34. (A) abate (B) abide (C) abrupt (D) alight
35. (A) telling (B) told (C) tale-tell (D) tale

Passage 3:

The war against war is going to be no holiday 36 or camping party. The military feelings are too deeply 37 to abdicate their place among our ideals until better substitutes are 38 than the glory and shame that come to nations as well as to 39 from the 40 of politics and the vicissitudes of trade.

36. (A) incursion (B) occurrence (C) recurrence (D) excursion
37. (A) grounding (B) grounded (C) ground (D) grounds
38. (A) suffered (B) offered (C) deferred (D) referred
39. (A) individuals (B) commoners (C) persons (D) humans
40. (A) ups to downs (B) up to down (C) ups and downs (D) up and down

Passage 4:

To me, England is the country, and the country is England. And when I asked myself what I mean 41 England, when I think of England when I am 42, England comes to me through my 43 senses—through the ear, through the eye, and through certain imperishable scents. I will tell you what they are, and there may be 44 among you who 45 as I do.

41. (A) by (B) from (C) with (D) in
42. (A) aboard (B) abroad (C) around (D) awake
43. (A) vary (B) very (C) verified (D) various
44. (A) these (B) those (C) that (D) this
45. (A) felt (B) feel (C) should be feeling (D) feels

Passage 5:

I cannot think of a more 46 man—my power of imagination fails me to bring in to my 47 a more despicable man than the man that 48 the poor. Any man that leads you to believe that your lot in life is not all right, any man that conjures up for you a fancied grievance 49 your government or against the man at the head of it, to help himself, is breeding the 50 of an anarchy and a dissatisfaction more disastrous to the welfare of the community than any other teaching that I can think of.

46. (A) contemptible (B) contemporary (C) consistent (D) considerable
47. (A) eye's mind (B) mind's eye (C) eye mind (D) mind eye
48. (A) exploits (B) explodes (C) expounds (D) expends
49. (A) for (B) against (C) among (D) through
50. (A) flowers (B) trees (C) needs (D) seeds