一、字彙與慣用語：請在每題四個選項中，選一個最適合的答案，以完成該句。(每題 2 分)

1. Continual _____ is being done by scientists.
   (A) restriction  (B) research  (C) restraint  (D) result

2. Few people recognize the _____ that noise pollution has on health.
   (A) illusion  (B) impress (C) infect (D) impact

3. If you want to lose weight, you must _____ candy and desserts.
   (A) reduce  (B) realize  (C) confuse  (D) contract

4. It takes a lot of _____ to be a successful scholar.
   (A) comforts   (B) reforms    (C) efforts  (D) affronts

5. I consider this my own business and you have no right to _____.
   (A) interfere  (B) interface (C) interrupt  (D) disturb

6. This fresh product is _____ No chemicals are used.
   (A) original (B) organic  (C) fragile  (D) aboriginal

7. Even though he wouldn’t admit it, he was still a little _____ of her.
   (A) serious   (B) obvious   (C) jealous   (D) gracious

8. Their failure may _____ the lack of practice.
   (A) commit to  (B) give up to  (C) lead to  (D) contribute to

9. English is used all over the world now. It has become a _____ language.
   (A) global  (B) national  (C) typical  (D) local

10. The mayor has made a _____ for a special budget of $50 million dollars to help reconstruct the disaster area.
    (A) property  (B) protein  (C) proposal  (D) pension

11. The two brothers look alike; that is, they _____ each other.
    (A ) miss (B) resemble  (C) refer  (D) reflect

12. Football players wear strange-looking _____ to protect them because it is a rough game, which can be dangerous.
    (A) unguarded  (B) unhallowed  (C) uniforms  (D) unicorns

13. It was easy for the solicitor to _____ his innocence.
    (A) verify  (B) vary  (C) volunteer  (D) vibrate

14. The U.S. government is looking for a few good men and women who happen to be computer hackers, not to arrest them but to _____ them in the fight against computer crimes.
    (A) recruit  (B) reinforce  (C) reject  (D) repudiate

15. The students wanted to have a class trip, but eight students _____ the idea. They didn’t want to take a trip.
    (A) offended  (B) reflected  (C) affected  (D) opposed
16. At first, Mr. and Mrs. Lin thought the man hit their car by accident, but then they realized he did it ______.
   (A) cyclically  (B) vulnerably  (C) helplessly  (D) intentionally

17. Taipei 101 is easily seen from a distance. It is the _____ of Taipei.
   (A) laboratory  (B) landmark  (C) landscape  (D) landslide

18. The important secrets for a long life are regular exercise and _____ from worry.
   (A) hope  (B) happiness  (C) freedom  (D) fear

19. When we make a place beautiful, we can say we _____ the place.
   (A) decorate  (B) celebrate  (C) show  (D) introduce

20. Mary is an _____ supporter of human rights, which she thinks should be protected at any cost.
   (A) awkward  (B) enthusiastic  (C) intensive  (D) occasional

二、綜合測驗：請依文意，在每題四個選項中，選出最適當答案。(每題 2 分)

   It is __21__ for the bride to wear dress as a symbol of __22__. The __23__ of wearing a special white dress only for the wedding ceremony started around 150 years ago. Before that, most women could not __24__ to buy a dress that they would only wear once. Now, bridal dresses can be bought in a __25__ of styles and fabrics. In certain countries, red and orange are considered symbols of joy and happiness. In Asia it is not __26__ for the bride and groom to change clothes more than once as the ceremony __27__.

21. (A) custom  (B) customer  (C) costume  (D) customary

22. (A) puberty  (B) purify  (C) purity  (D) pure

23. (A) transition  (B) tradition  (C) transportation  (D) transmission

24. (A) affect  (B) afford  (C) admit  (D) alive

25. (A) variety  (B) valid  (C) vessel  (D) victim

26. (A) uncommon  (B) uplifted  (C) urgent  (D) unfortunate

27. (A) regresses  (B) predicts  (C) probates  (D) progresses
Stonehenge is a 28 of large stones arranged in two circles—one inside the other. Although only 29 of the original formation exist today, archaeologists believe that the inner circle of bluestones, each weighing about four tons, was built first. The giant stones that form the outer circle, 30 sarsen stones, each weigh as much as 50 tons.

Exactly why Stonehenge was constructed 31 a mystery. Research 32 that the enormous stones were transported from places around the country---some up to 240 miles away---to their present site on Salisbury Plain in England. Work on the monument is thought to have started around 2000 B.C. and 33 to 1500 B.C. Today, engineers 34 that approximately 600 people were needed to transport each sarsen stone from its point of origin to Salisbury. Scientists consider this a remarkable feat, given that heavy lifting 35 used in modern construction was not available at that time.

28. (A) collection (B) cooperation (C) conclusion (D) compassion
29. (A) risks (B) repairs (C) ruins (D) repentances
30. (A) known about (B) known as (C) known at (D) known from
31. (A) reminds (B) responds (C) requests (D) remains
32. (A) scores (B) suggests (C) skips (D) sponsors
33. (A) continued (B) consisted (C) combined (D) contrasted
34. (A) estimate (B) export (C) expire (D) educate
35. (A) environment (B) employment (C) equipment (D) excitement
三、閱讀測驗：請閱讀短文後，每題選出最適合的答案。(每題 2 分)

(A)

In India the first storms begin with dramatic displays of thunder and by the end of July the rains sweep across the entire country. The rainy season, which lasts until October, brings cooler temperatures, new life to the dry, brown fields, and often floods in the wettest areas. This is the monsoon, traditionally a joyful and very important time for Indian agricultural workers. It has been less happy for those who work in the tourist trade, because the number of visitors in this season tends to drop by half. For the last few years, however, there has been a movement to increase tourism, both foreign and domestic, during this normally slow time of the year. The agreed-upon goal is to bring more tourists to selected parts of the country. According to a report issued by an Indian industry group, appropriate destinations for the monsoon season must remain accessible by road during the wettest months and have a countryside that looks its best during the rains.

36. The rainy season in India is _____ months long.
   (A) four  (B) three  (C) five  (D) two

37. The monsoon season is traditionally a happy one for Indian _____.
   (A) agricultural workers  (B) scientists  (C) educators  (D) construction workers

38. Which of the following statement is NOT true?
   (A) The temperatures are cooler during the monsoon season.
   (B) India wants to increase tourism from foreign countries.
   (C) There are fewer tourists during the monsoon season.
   (D) During the rainy season, there are often floods in the driest areas of India.

39. Tourism in India tends to _____ when the rainy season comes.
   (A) increase to 50%
   (B) remain the same
   (C) drop by 50%
   (D) increase by 50%

40. An Indian report states that _____.
   (A) the monsoon season is the best traveling season for domestic tourists
   (B) suitable locations for traveling must be accessible by road
   (C) all the countryside are the best places to visit during the wettest season
   (D) all the roads remain accessible during the rainy season
In many industrialized countries, the cost of living is higher than ever. One of the main reasons for this is demand. Over the last twenty years, for example, housing prices in many of the world’s cities have soared. The main reason is that the population has become very dense in certain areas, but there is a smaller supply of available housing there for sale or rent. For example, in the U.S., the average housing price in the state of Arizona in 1995 was approximately $160,000. The average price in 2006 was $400,000. Now, because more people live in the area, the cost of property has risen dramatically. Apartments in many city centers are also more expensive now than in the past. In the recent past, people often moved from a city center to other city neighborhoods or the suburbs in order to escape overcrowding and noise. Today, people want to be closer to their workplace, and many are now moving back into the city center. As a result, living in or near this area costs more than ever.

41. The purpose of this paragraph is____.
   (A) to compare the cost of living in the city with that in the suburbs
   (B) to explain how the cost of living has increased rapidly
   (C) to talk about the benefits of living in the cities
   (D) to encourage people to live near the workplace

42. According to the paragraph, which of the following statement is NOT true?
   (A) Now, living in or near city center costs more than ever.
   (B) The average housing price in Arizona in 1995 was about $160,000.
   (C) Housing prices have increased dramatically during the past two decades.
   (D) People moved to the city center to escape overcrowding and noise.

43. Which of the following is NOT the reason behind the high cost of living in city centers?
   (A) dense population
   (B) smaller supply of housing
   (C) lack of property buyers
   (D) more people moving into the city center
Movies such as Stanley Kubrick’s 2001: A Space Odyssey explored the possibility of sustaining human life in outer space, and presented a very realistic portrayal of spaceflight. In reality, although most astronauts do not spend more than a few months in space, many experience physiological problems when they return to Earth. Some of these ailments are short-lived; others may be long-lasting. More than two-thirds of all astronauts suffer from motion sickness while traveling in space. In the gravity-free environment, the body cannot distinguish up from down. They body’s internal balance system sends confusing signals to the brain, which can result in nausea lasting as long as a few years. A body that is deprived of gravity also experiences changes in the distribution of bodily fluids. More fluid than normal ends up in the face, neck, and chest, resulting in a puffy face, bulging neck veins, and a slightly enlarged heart.

Through the duration of a mission, astronauts’ bodies experience some potentially dangerous disorders. One of the most common is loss of muscle mass and bone density. Another effect of the weightless environment is that astronauts tend not to use the muscles they rely on in a gravity environment, so the muscles gradually atrophy. This, combined with the shift of fluid to the upper body and the resulting loss of essential minerals such as calcium, causes bones to weaken. Bond density can decrease at a rate of one to two percent a month and, as a result, many astronauts are unable to walk properly for a few days upon their return on Earth. Exposure to radiation is another serious hazard that astronauts face. Without the Earth’s atmosphere to protect them, astronauts can be exposed to intense radiation from the sun and other galactic bodies, leaving them at risk of cancer.

44. The movie A Space Odyssey has a realistic description of ______.
   (A) spaceflight
   (B) the painful effects of spaceflight
   (C) planetary motion
   (D) the physiological problems of astronauts

45. The word “ailment” in the first paragraph is closest in meaning to________.
   (A) allergy  (B) affection  (C) infection  (D) pain

46. What is the main idea of the first paragraph?
   (A) The psychological problems caused by the spaceflight.
   (B) The long-lasting brain problems caused by the gravity-free environment.
   (C) The physical problems caused by the gravity-free environment.
   (D) The problems the astronauts have in the outer space.

47. The word “duration” in the second paragraph is closest in meaning to________.
   (A) period of time  (B) travel plan  (C) radiation  (D) completion
48. What is the main idea of the second paragraph?
(A) The disorders the astronauts’ bodies would definitely have in the outer space.
(B) Many astronauts are unable to walk due to the decline of their bone density.
(C) The weakened bone of astronauts are merely due to the loss of calcium.
(D) The rate of bone density is only one percent after a month in space.

49. The word “hazard” in the second paragraph is closest in meaning to ______.
(A) damage  (B) blizzard  (C) safety  (D) risk

50. According to the paragraphs, which of the following statement is true?
(A) The slightly enlarged heart is because of the lack of fluid.
(B) Without gravity, the body doesn’t know the difference between right and left.
(C) The astronauts might be in danger of having cancer without the protection of the Earth’s atmosphere.
(D) All astronauts suffer from motion sickness while traveling in space.