I. Vocabulary: (2 points each, 30%)
Directions: Complete each of the following sentences with the most appropriate answer.

1. The conference will have to be _____ to a later date.
   A. rescheduled  B. prepared  C. planned  D. arranged

2. Ms. Wang was known in the business for her _____ attitude and astute business sense.
   A. internal  B. positive  C. artificial  D. prevalent

3. The public’s _____ to the advertising campaign was very encouraging.
   A. competition  B. rejection  C. reaction  D. submission

4. The hotel is very popular with many visitors and thus it has no _____ at present.
   A. reservation  B. vacancies  C. options  D. booking

5. Dr. Lucas has made _____ contributions to the field of chemistry.
   A. significant  B. gentle  C. sincere  D. adequate

6. The restaurant was badly _____ in a fire last year and is currently under refurbishment.
   A. damaged  B. removed  C. injured  D. managed

7. Janice has maintained good working _____ with her colleagues.
   A. relations  B. order  C. conditions  D. solutions

8. The shop couldn’t fix my new computer so they _____ my money.
   A. exchanged  B. refunded  C. charged  D. kept

9. Millions of children still don’t have _____ to primary education.
   A. excess  B. success  C. recess  D. access

10. My sister is _____ about her appearance. She thinks of nothing else.
    A. careless  B. stunning  C. obsessive  D. indulgent

11. Smoking is not _____ in public areas in Taiwan.
    A. illegal  B. offensive  C. acceptable  D. regular

12. Only those _____ who are qualified for this post will be invited to attend an interview next week.
    A. applications  B. interviewees  C. candidates  D. employees

13. They _____ to visit Mr. Yamamoto when they are in Japan.
    A. pretend  B. consider  C. persuade  D. intend

14. We are often told to change our computer passwords _____.
    A. relatively  B. frequently  C. shortly  D. excessively
15. The customer called three times this morning to _____ a meeting.
   A. set up  B. sum up  C. fill out  D. take over

II. Grammar and Structure: (2 points each, 20%)

Directions: Choose the correct answer to complete each sentence.

16. It’s cold here. Would you mind _____ the heater?
   A. turn on  B. to turn on  C. turning on  D. turned on

17. If I had known you were in hospital, I _____ to see you.
   A. would go  B. would have gone  C. have gone  D. had gone

18. When will dinner be ready? I’m as _____ as a bear.
   A. hungry  B. hungrier  C. hungriest  D. more hungry

19. Ms. Jenkins is the teacher _____ class I enjoy most.
   A. who  B. whose  C. which  D. that

20. I _____ this same page in my math book three times, and I still don’t understand it.
   A. have read  B. read  C. am reading  D. will read

21. The guests were very _____ in the quality of our service.
   A. disappointed  B. disappointing  C. disappointment  D. disappoints

22. The restaurant is famous for its delicious food _____ its friendly staff.
   A. but  B. nor  C. for  D. and

23. The rise in oil prices has resulted in a _____ increase in our production costs.
   A. considerably  B. consideration  C. considers  D. considerable

24. The trip was cancelled _____ the weather was too bad.
   A. although  B. while  C. as  D. until

25. I insist that Alex _____ to the rehearsal with us. We need his feedback.
   A. comes  B. to come  C. come  D. came

III. Fill in the blanks (2 points each, 30%)

Questions 26-30

A man’s life occupies, at best, but a limited 26. _____ of time in the universe; every bit of time wasted in idleness means a 27. _____ of success and prosperity to the man himself and to the world as a whole. If we wish to achieve success; therefore, the sure way is to 28. _____ to full use every single minute we may have 29. _____ our disposal. In my view, we should spend as much of our leisure as possible in reading. The time spent in reading will add greatly to our stock of knowledge and prepare us for greater work in our 30. _____ fields of activity.

26. A. space  B. air  C. amount  D. number
27. A. addition  B. reduction  C. sensation  D. production
28. A. put  B. make  C. take  D. send
Questions 31-40

All of us are exposed to stress in some form: physical, emotional or psychological. But 31. ___ exactly it meant by stress? It is a difficult concept 32. ___ in a scientific way and the best 33. ___ that has come up with is the rate of wear and tear on the body. We 34. ___ from this wear and tear but how we react to 35. ___ is what 36. ___ and not all us react in the same 37. ___. The difficulty is 38. ___ little research 39. ___ into our responses and 40. ___ we have to go on is experiments with animals.

31. A. how    B. which    C. what    D. why
32. A. show    B. indicated    C. telling    D. present
33. A. none    B. one    C. anyone    D. something
34. A. suffer    B. enjoy    C. protect    D. benefit
35. A. us    B. them    C. it    D. all
36. A. depends    B. considers    C. matters    D. functions
37. A. way    B. habit    C. model    D. choice
38. A. which    B. that    C. it    D. where
39. A. does    B. will do    C. is done    D. has been done
40. A. any    B. one    C. some    D. all

IX. Reading (2 points each, 20%)

Passage One

In the 1960s, a leading British newspaper, the Daily Mirror, ran an article about the office of future. In the 1980s, it said, machines will do all the office work. There will be machines to record and then type the boss’s letters. Machines will be able to put away letters and papers in order and then find the paper that is needed. There will be no more secretaries; they will be unnecessary.

41. When was the newspaper article written?
   C. In the 1980s.    D. It isn’t mentioned in the passage at all.

42. The Daily Mirror article said that
   A. machines will do everything in the house.
   B. machines will forecast the news.
   C. machines will replace secretaries.
   D. machines will translate one language into another.
Passage Two
Besides providing an ideal environment for sea plants and animals to live in, seawater has other valuable properties, one of which is that it constantly moves. And its movements produce energy.

The most obvious movements are the waves and tides. Winds cause the waves, and the gravitational pull of the moon and the sun causes the tides. In places like the Bay of Fundy in Canada, the difference between the high and low tide level can be as much as 40 feet.

France and Britain are now trying to use energy in the tides to produce electricity. Waves can produce electricity and some small scale experiments are taking place to learn more about this. One of the most encouraging areas of research uses the difference between the temperature of seawater at the surface and deep down to produce electricity.

43. One of the valuable properties of seawater is that
   A. it has no plants in it.
   B. it pulls the sun and the moon.
   C. it flows all the time.
   D. it feeds all kinds of animals.

44. Waves and tides are caused by
   A. the same forces.
   B. their own movements.
   C. different forces.
   D. plants and animals.

45. According to the passage, which of the following statements is NOT true?
   A. The temperature difference of seawater can produce electricity.
   B. The energy in the tides can produce electricity.
   C. Waves can produce electricity.
   D. The plants and animals in the ocean can produce electricity.

Passage Three
Music which is original is individual and personal. That is to say, it can be identified as belonging to a particular composer. It has particular qualities, or a style, which are not copied from another. If you can recognize the style of a composer, you will probably be able to tell that a certain composition belongs to him or her even though you have never heard it before.

A basket-maker has the skill of weaving and interweaving his materials to create colorful patterns. Similarly, in music a composer organizes his melodies and rhythm and combines sounds to create harmony. A composer may be capable of thinking up very good, original tunes, yet if tunes are poorly organized, that is, if the workmanship is poor, the final result will not be up to standard. Good music expresses feelings in a way that is suitable to those feelings. These may be joy, sorrow, fear,
love, anger, or whatever. Bad music, on the other hand, may exaggerate some feelings and make them vulgar, that is, cheap and ugly.

Good music will stand the test of time. It will not go out of fashion but will continue to be enjoyed and respected long after it is first introduced. It will gain a kind of permanent status while bad music will disappear and be forgotten quickly. In pop music, where the general rule seems to be "the newer the better," the test of time is the hardest of all to pass.

46. A piece of original music _____.
   A. has a personal style
   B. is copied from another composer
   C. is one whose style you cannot recognize
   D. can not be recognized as belonging to any composer

47. A piece of music can be said to be good if ________.
   A. it weaves colorful patterns
   B. it belongs to a particular composer
   C. it expresses a certain feeling in a proper way
   D. it exaggerates people's sorrows and worries

48. We can see good workmanship in ________.
   A. vulgar shapes and sizes
   B. materials without colorful patterns
   C. a piece of music with all of its tunes randomly mixed together
   D. a piece of music with its melodies and rhythms all in harmony

49. In the last paragraph, the sentence "the test of time is the hardest of all to pass" suggests that ________.
   A. good music needn't pass the test of time
   B. pop music will always stay in fashion after it is introduced
   C. it is most difficult for music to gain a kind of permanent status
   D. the more recent the music is, the easier it can pass the test of time

50. This passage is concerned mainly with ________.
   A. how to enjoy music
   B. how to compose music
   C. how good music is performed
   D. how good music is judged