

畫答案卡：■是□否

一、字彙選擇（15 題共 30 分）

1. Although we could not speak the local language, we were able to use hand \_\_\_\_\_ to ask for water.  
(A) methods (B) gestures (C) agreements (D) wonders
2. The Dragon Boat Festival is an annual \_\_\_\_\_ event that includes dragon boat racing in major cities across the country.  
(A) cultural (B) advanced (C) brilliant (D) accurate
3. My parents consider \_\_\_\_\_ to be the most important value in our family, so they always remind me to tell the truth, no matter what has happened.  
(A) whisper (B) advice (C) honesty (D) budget
4. Madagascar is sometimes called the eighth continent because you can find so many amazing \_\_\_\_\_ there, such as hissing cockroaches.  
(A) creatures (B) nicknames (C) proposals (D) connections
5. The medical staff will be remembered for their selfless \_\_\_\_\_ to the rescue mission.  
(A) tragedy (B) devotion (C) disease (D) honesty
6. In the lab, the teacher gave \_\_\_\_\_, step-by-step instructions to make sure every student knew how to do the experiment.  
(A) awkward (B) regional (C) dominant (D) specific
7. If you go to the top of the tower, you can enjoy an incredible view of the surrounding.  
(A) firecracker (B) landscape (C) devotion (D) creature
8. With some creativity, humans may someday be able to find a way to live in \_\_\_\_\_ with wild animals and the natural environment.  
(A) suffering (B) community (C) harmony (D) territory
9. Living in a small town near the ocean, many people here rely on fishing as their \_\_\_\_\_ source of income.  
(A) primary (B) cultural (C) original (D) casual
10. Some teenagers hide their true opinions in order to seek the \_\_\_\_\_ and acceptance of their friends.  
(A) tactic (B) candidate (C) approval (D) resident
11. To \_\_\_\_\_ her daughter's interest in reading, Claire spends an hour reading books with her every night.  
(A) cultivate (B) qualify (C) challenge (D) represent
12. Afraid of being scolded by his dad for his poor grades, the boy \_\_\_\_\_ that he did not know the score yet.  
(A) established (B) symbolized (C) featured (D) pretended
13. Upon wearing the \_\_\_\_\_ reality glasses, you could see animals as if they were right in front of you.  
(A) virtual (B) previous (C) slippery (D) sufficient
14. Instead of only focusing on the \_\_\_\_\_, Amanda thinks the process of doing experiments is far more interesting.  
(A) disability (B) category (C) management (D) outcome
15. The company is \_\_\_\_\_ social media to advertise its product rather than using magazine ads or TV commercials.  
(A) overcoming (B) concentrating (C) employing (D) expelling

## 二、克漏字 (10 題共 20 分)

Decades of studies have 16 that doing chores in one's youth leads to positive outcomes later in life. Even though science proves that doing chores is good for teens, adults have to admit that few really enjoy chores. However, maintaining a house requires that many tedious and time-consuming tasks 17. Therefore, some parents use chore charts to get kids to do their share of household tasks like cooking and cleaning. External rewards, including allowances and points that can be 18 gifts or money, may be used to motivate the kids to do their chores. 19, this might seem like a good idea, but there's some debate about external rewards like these.

In 1972, social psychologist Edward Deci of the University of Rochester conducted an experiment on the sources of motivation. He 20 a group of students and had them play a puzzle game. Some of the students got paid for solving puzzles correctly, 21 the others did so without payment. Both groups were given free time afterward, with the choice to play the puzzle game or read magazines. Deci secretly observed them during their free time and saw that the paid group showed more interest in the magazines, while the unpaid spent 22 more time working on the puzzle games voluntarily. Deci's study thus indicated that payment had reduced the student's intrinsic\* motivation. 23 this research, we can see that parents who offer children rewards for doing chores may convey the message that doing household chores is not meaningful in itself. For the rest of their lives, they will see chores as being unattractive.

Other interesting studies show that when teens do chores voluntarily, it 24 their self-image. On finishing the tasks, their rewards are pride in a job well done and recognition as a 25 helper. However, when they are paid for doing work, even if they do an excellent job, that effect will disappear and their self-esteem suffers. So, to pay or not to pay is not a question anymore!

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| 16. (A) compromised            | (B) confirmed        | (C) conserved                | (D) concealed        |
| 17. (A) be done                | (B) are done         | (C) should do                | (D) should have done |
| 18. (A) varied with            | (B) exposed to       | (C) exchanged for            | (D) looked up to     |
| 19. (A) On the contrary        | (B) By no means      | (C) As a result              | (D) At first glance  |
| 20. (A) recruited              | (B) registered       | (C) regulated                | (D) related          |
| 21. (A) though                 | (B) unless           | (C) for                      | (D) while            |
| 22. (A) literally              | (B) consequently     | (C) significantly            | (D) undoubtedly      |
| 23. (A) Based on               | (B) In contrast with | (C) Instead of               | (D) On behalf of     |
| 24. (A) puts great emphasis on |                      | (B) has a positive impact on |                      |
| (C) gets along well with       |                      | (D) makes no difference to   |                      |
| 25. (A) redundant              | (B) competitive      | (C) rigorous                 | (D) capable          |

## 三、文意選填 (10 題共 20 分)

Dear Ann,

I have an 87-year-old grandmother who was 26 with Parkinson's several years ago. Last year, my parents decided to put her in a nursing home. Every week we visit her, and she always begs me to take her home. This makes me very confused and 27. Why did my parents put Grandma in a nursing home even though she doesn't want to stay there? Should I tell my parents that taking care of Grandma is their responsibility? I love my granny and would willingly help to care for her if my parents decide to take her home 28. Should I tell my parents what I think?

-- Gloomy Gabby in Taipei

Dear Gabby,

You can definitely share your thoughts with your parents. Remember, however, that they might 29 to keep your grandmother in a nursing home. I think taking care of aging adults at home is no easy job, especially when they have physical or mental problems to deal with. To me, if your granny is healthy and 30, staying at home or living alone is better than living in a nursing home. Depending on her condition, however, living at home without full-time caretakers, or living alone, might make her feel lonely and could even be dangerous.

Research shows that over a million seniors a year experience serious injuries living on their own. About 50 percent of all elderly people over the age of eighty, for example, fall more than once a year. Hence, a nursing home that offers quick and quality medical care might actually be a 31.

You can also 32 by calling her a few times a week, just to make sure she is doing well in between visits. Though she might be alone with her professional care most of the time, she doesn't have to be lonely. Older people are 33 to loneliness and social isolation, especially during holidays; so be sure to make these as 34 as possible for her. Discuss surprise or potluck party ideas with your parents and nursing home staff members. Or, try to invite other family members to celebrate Christmas with her this year. Plan games, hang up decorations, design and collect cards for your grandmother. Try to show her that 35 getting together in the nursing home can be a lot of fun!

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| (A) start off  | (B) instead | (C) diagnosed  | (D) have no choice but | (E) independent |
| (AB) depressed | (AC) even   | (AD) necessity | (AE) vulnerable        | (BC) festive    |

#### 四、配合題 (15 題共 30 分)

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| (A) tribal  | (B) distinct   | (C) applicants | (D) launched |
| (E) release | (AB) community | (AC) ensure    | (AD) tragedy |

36. Three astronauts were on the rocket that was \_\_\_\_\_ into space yesterday.
37. Without enough evidence, the police had no choice but to \_\_\_\_\_ the suspect and go through the whole case again.
38. It is such a \_\_\_\_\_ that Lisa's grandfather passed away right before her graduation.
39. The woman wore a traditional \_\_\_\_\_ costume to attend her daughter's wedding, attracting many people's attention.
40. Though Ken and Jim are twins, they are quite \_\_\_\_\_ from each other. For example, one is generous, while the other is stingy.
41. Martha has done a lot to help the neighborhood and is a very valuable member of the local \_\_\_\_\_.
42. The company had three positions available, but more than one hundred \_\_\_\_\_ sent their résumés in.
43. It is the government's duty to \_\_\_\_\_ the safety of its people.

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| (A) spur       | (B) productive | (C) zones        | (D) daydream |
| (E) creativity | (AB) seek      | (AC) ambassadors |              |

44. Emily is a very \_\_\_\_\_ writer. She once published three novels within a year.
45. The art teacher encourages students to think outside the box and show their \_\_\_\_\_ through painting.
46. Joyce was chosen as one of the language \_\_\_\_\_ of her school because she speaks English really well.
47. It is time that you took action to change your life. If you always stay in your bedroom and \_\_\_\_\_ all day, you will accomplish nothing.
48. Miss Lin's encouragement is a \_\_\_\_\_ for me. Without her motivating me, I would probably give up.
49. Before taking any further action, I think you had better \_\_\_\_\_ professional advice from a lawyer.
50. The national park is divided into different \_\_\_\_\_ based on the type of wildlife found there.