

**I. Multiple Choice 40%**

1. Miss Lin has made over a million dollars \_\_\_\_ she began investing in stocks.  
(A) while (B) as (C) since (D) for
2. \_\_\_\_ a fantastic show it is! (A) How (B) What (C) Where (D) Why
3. Dad made furniture in my room by \_\_\_\_\_. (A) he (B) his (C) him (D) himself
4. Nobody can succeed without \_\_\_\_ hard. (A) work (B) to work (C) working (D) for work
5. New York is \_\_\_\_ than any other city in the U.S., and it is one of the \_\_\_\_ cities in the world.  
(A) larger, large (B) larger, largest (C) the large, larger (D) the largest, largest
6. She has done only half of \_\_\_\_ she has to do. (A) that (B) which (C) it (D) what
7. Hundreds of \_\_\_\_ children are reported to the police every year. Their parents worry that some of them might have been killed. (A) pitching (B) missing (C) surprising (D) stingy
8. Jason plans to leave for Korea \_\_\_\_ May 1. (A) in (B) at (C) of (D) on
9. Most of the college students have learned English for several years, \_\_\_\_?  
(A) do they (B) have they (C) haven't they (D) didn't they
10. I tried to help him but \_\_\_\_\_ vain; he still failed to pass the course.  
(A) at (B) on (C) in (D) of
11. Jess made a chocolate cake in the \_\_\_\_ of a heart. (A) limit (B) spirit (C) shape (D) hobby
12. We need to \_\_\_\_ eye contact when we talk to teachers. (A) express (B) observe (C) keep  
(D) praise
13. Although Oliver \_\_\_\_ a poor family, he made up his mind to be a great businessman.  
(A) was born into (B) shut down (C) searched for (D) lined up
14. When people have a steak, they usually use \_\_\_\_ and forks. (A) knives (B) scoops  
(C) spoons (D) chopsticks
15. Playing sports \_\_\_\_ your circulation and is fun as well. (A) enhance (B) enhances  
(C) to enhance (D) enhancing
16. After the heavy shower, my shoes were \_\_\_\_ water. (A) full of (B) figure out  
(C) about to (D) at least
17. We were all happy when we received my cousin's wedding \_\_\_\_\_. (A) companion  
(B) invitation (C) criminal behavior (D) imagination
18. On the desk \_\_\_\_\_ the students' workbooks. (A) are (B) is (C) have (D) has
19. The cough medicine is not \_\_\_\_\_ now. I'm afraid you have to wait for some time.  
(A) sensible (B) reliable (C) available (D) adorable
20. Mead took out her pen \_\_\_\_ started to write. (A) and (B) but (C) or (D) instead

**II. Cloze 30%**

A. *The Adventures of Pinocchio* is a world-famous fairy tale (21) in 1883 by Carlo Collodi. At first, Pinocchio was just a pine log, from which a loving carpenter carved a wooden puppet. As soon

as Pinocchio had been finished, he (22) to act like a wild boy. However, there was one thing Pinocchio could not (23). Whenever he told a lie, his nose would begin to grow longer. And if he kept telling more lies, he would even not be able to turn around in his room (24). This is the reason (25) today we laugh at a liar by saying his or her nose is growing longer.

21.(A) write (B) wrote (C) written (D) writing

22.(A) begins (B) began (C) has begun (D) had begun

23.(A) enjoy oneself way (B) start his own way (C) make oneself own way with  
(D) get his own way with

24.(A) as a result (B) with pride (C) at large (D) for nothing

25.(A) when (B) because (C) why (D) if

B. Body mass index (BMI) was invented by a Belgian named Adolphe Quetelet. It is a measure of body (26) based on a person's height and weight. With BMI, people can get to know if they are healthy or not. A BMI of less than 18.5 is considered as underweight while a BMI greater than 25 is considered overweighted.

Some people do not think that BMI is a correct measure of weight, however. They (27) that BMI does not take muscle and bone mass into consideration. More incredibly, a study (28) in 2005 even showed that people (29) a high BMI actually had a lower death rate than those with a normal BMI.

Despite these arguments, BMI scales have been very popular since they were put on the market. They are accepted by many people as a way to know (30) they are in good shape.

26. (A) temperature (B) fiber (C) fat (D) size

27. (A) argue (B) fix (C) experiment (D) opinion

28. (A) made (B) making (C) make (D) to make

29. (A) from (B) into (C) with (D) down

30. (A) if (B) or (C) before (D) during

C. Today in school we continued to learn (31) the rainforests. The rainforests of the world are an important resource for many of the world's people, (32) Taiwanese. Many of the things we buy at the store and use every day (33) fruits, vegetables, and medicines come from the rainforest. Scientists believe that there are many species of plants and animals in the rainforest that haven't even been (34). These species may offer cures of many diseases. However, rainforests are disappearing at the rate of 3,800 acres a day because people are over-harvesting lumber, oil, and gold from the rainforests. Future generations (35) benefit from the rainforests' resources if this continues.

31. (A) that (B) about (C) on (D) at

32. (A) conclude (B) include (C) excluding (D) including

33. (A) such as (B) alike (C) for example (D) among

34. (A) invented yet (B) discovered yet (C) never found (D) seldom rediscovered

35. (A) will maybe (B) have to (C) will not be able to (D) should not be able to

**III. Conversation 10%**

36. **Jack: I didn't do my homework.**

**Carol: \_\_\_\_\_.** We will be punished later on.

- (A) So did I. (B) I did, too. (C) Neither did I. (D) I don't, either.

37. **Julie: I think we should break up, Colin!**

**Colin: \_\_\_\_\_**

- (A) Really? You are my Prince Charming, Julie.  
(B) You have become so humble, haven't you?  
(C) Well, you're so pretty and elegant, Lucy.  
(D) Why? Do you feel I'm not good enough for you?

38. **Ryan: Are you ready for today's big exam?**

**Victoria: \_\_\_\_\_.**

- (A) Yes, but I got a low score. (B) No, I am going to be late tomorrow.  
(C) Yes, but I am still nervous. (D) No, but I need more quizzes.

39. **Sunny: To be involved with someone sure brings a lot of problems.**

**Teddy: \_\_\_\_\_**

- (A) Tell me about it! (B) Things are not what they seem.  
(C) Change is not always good. (D) Change is good.

40. **Waiter: How would you like your steak, sir?**

**Dave: \_\_\_\_\_.**

- (A) I would like it in five minutes. (B) I would like it medium.  
(C) I like it very much. (D) It is disgusting.

**IV. Reading Comprehension 20%**

A.

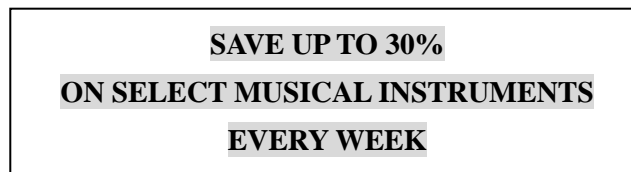
**NEWSPAPER CARRIERS WANTED**

The Tainan Weekly Newspaper is looking for eager boys and girls to join their team of newspaper carriers. No experience is required for this job. The Tainan Weekly Newspaper is delivered Mondays to Fridays before 8 o'clock in the morning. Our newspaper carriers need to get up very early to deliver all the newspapers on time. If you want to work for the Tainan Weekly Newspaper, please call us at 06-2110600. You must be at least 14 years old and live in Tainan City.

41. What will someone do if they get this job? (A) They will deliver newspapers to people.  
(B) They will send emails for the newspaper company. (C) They will collect the money for the newspaper company. (D) They will sell the newspapers on the street.

42. Which of the following is true? (A) Boys and girls need experience for the job.  
(B) Newspapers are not delivered on Saturdays. (C) Anyone who is interested in the job can email the company. (D) Students under 12 can apply for the job.

B.



43. What does the sign mean? (A) They fix at least 70% of broken tools every week. (B) They teach people how to play musical instruments. (C) They offer special items at a lower price every week. (D) More than 30% of the local companies did a business deal there.

C.

Human skin is exposed to UV rays practically every day and often without protection from the sun. A few minutes of exposure each day over many years can cause "noticeable" changes to the skin. When the skin loses the ability to repair itself, the damage accumulates. Overexposure to UV rays can be quite dangerous. The body is such an amazing machine that it can usually repair this DNA damage, but there comes a time when that repair may not take place. Too much sun exposure can cause this and later lead to skin cancer. That is why some individuals do not develop skin cancer until 30 or 40 years after they have had extensive sun exposure. Staying away from the sun is a good way to keep your skin healthy. But if you have to be in the sun, please remember to wear a hat and a long-sleeved shirt, and do not forget your sunblock.

44. The word "noticeable" means \_\_\_\_\_. (A) few (B) brave (C) obvious (D) attractive

45. Why don't some individuals develop skin cancer until 30 or 40 years after they have had extensive sun exposure?

- (A) Because skin is such an amazing machine.  
(B) Because people learn to stay away from the sun.  
(C) Because the sunlight is not as strong as it was before.  
(D) Because skin gradually loses its ability to repair itself when it is exposed to the sun over a long time.

46. \_\_\_\_\_ may not be a good way of avoiding skin cancer.

- (A) Wearing a hat (B) A few minutes of exposure to the sun  
(C) Wearing a long-sleeved shirt when you go out (D) Staying away from UV rays

47. Which statement is **NOT TRUE** according to this article?

- (A) A few minutes of exposure each day can cause skin problems.  
(B) The body is an amazing machine.  
(C) Skin always has the ability to repair itself. (D) UV rays damage DNA.

D.

As firefighters, it is our job to save lives and help people. We have to prepare ourselves for every emergency situation. Some said that we can't prepare ourselves for the first emergency situation; however, it is not true. The training the firefighters receive is professional and it really works.

Through the training, we can make rational decisions to save lives and property in an emergency. It is not hard to understand that our job can be dangerous and exhausting. But the rewards are great. The salary for a full-time firefighter is from NT\$45,000 to NT\$55,000. Professional training and development opportunities are also guaranteed. Some of our firefighters say that the best thing they get from the job is the job itself. Why not join us now?

48. What does the word "salary" in the paragraph mean? (A) wage (B) withdraw (C) saving (D) baking

49. Which of the following is the best title for the paragraph?

(A) Looking For a Great Job (B) Super Hero (C) Firefighter Wanted (D) Let's Save Lives

50. According to the paragraph, what kind of firefighters do they expect this time?

(A) Volunteers (B) Full-time firefighters (C) Part-time firefighters (D) None of the above.