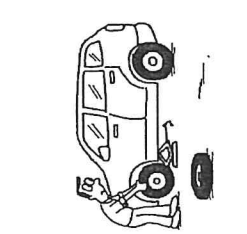

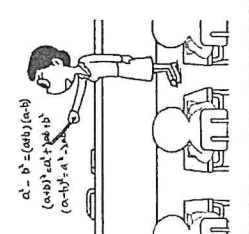

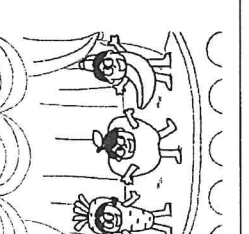


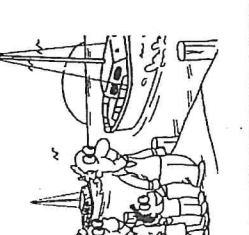
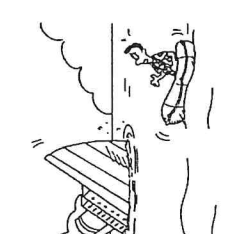



Part 1: Picture Questions (20%)

Look at each picture and answer the question.

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Part 2: Best Response Questions (20%)

Listen to the question or statement and choose the best response.

- () 11. (A) True. They had been enemies for a long time.
(B) Right. They were business partners.
(C) Yes. California used to belong to Spain.
(D) I know. California governed Spain.
- () 12. (A) I know. I couldn't even keep my eyes open.
(B) Yeah. It really made me want to work harder.
(C) True. Some of the ideas were quite confusing.
(D) I don't think so. I didn't find his jokes funny.
- () 13. (A) Joe can help. He is good at math.
(B) You should ask Tim. He paints well.
(C) All you need is a pair of running shoes.
(D) Me too. Cooking is an important skill to have.
- () 14. (A) Right. It's so much work.
(B) Yeah. It's a waste of time.
(C) I agree. It's very exciting.
(D) No. It won't cost you a lot.
- () 15. (A) Yes. What time does the movie start?
(B) Yes. I love seeing people marching down the street.
(C) Yes, I need to do some gift shopping.
(D) Sure. We'll go from house to house to get sweets.

- () 16. (A) Yeah. They're the best team right now.
(B) Indeed. Jack helped his team win.
(C) Yes. They held a party to celebrate.
(D) I know. The other team beat them.
- () 17. (A) People bought and sold goods here.
(B) It protected soldiers from enemies.
(C) Fruits and vegetables were grown here.
(D) People came here to see doctors.
- () 18. (A) Yes. They will slowly get better.
(B) I know. The doctor said not to worry.
(C) That's right. It's not serious at all.
(D) True. Her eyes will never be the same.
- () 19. (A) Yes. I think she truly cares about you.
(B) No. I don't think she would hurt you.
(C) Yes, because she lies to you all the time.
(D) No. She is not that popular at school.
- () 20. (A) I take them when my head hurts.
(B) I write my stories in them.
(C) They keep the table clean.
(D) They taste great on a salad.

Part 3: Conversation Questions (20%)

Listen to each conversation and answer the question.

- () 21. (A) It was a waste of money.
(B) They can turn it into a table.
(C) It doesn't take up much space.
(D) They should put it next to a table.
- () 22. (A) He hasn't finished writing his report.
(B) He thinks the project is a waste of time.
(C) He's nervous about presenting his report.
(D) He's very good at public speaking.
- () 23. (A) Get more items.
(B) Buy everything they want.
(C) Add up the prices.
(D) Pay by cash instead of credit card.
- () 24. (A) It's great for shopping.
(B) Traveling there isn't expensive.
(C) The weather is nice all year.
(D) It has many different cultures.
- () 25. (A) He spilled coffee on himself.
(B) Emma didn't get burned.
(C) Emma's burns weren't serious.
(D) He just had some hot soup.
- () 26. (A) By plane.
(B) By train.
(C) By boat.
(D) By car.
- () 27. (A) What comes with the meal she ordered.
(B) What the cost of the pancake is.
(C) What the man would like to eat.
(D) What flavors she can choose from.
- () 28. (A) He is worried about Millie too.
(B) Millie should go to a different school.
(C) Millie should try to make more friends.
(D) Millie will get used to her new school soon.
- () 29. (A) Eat some leftover food.
(B) Cook a light meal together.
(C) Have some food delivered.
(D) Go to their favorite restaurant.
- () 30. (A) A cake she made by herself.
(B) A blanket knitted by hand.
(C) A bunch of fresh roses.
(D) A bag of fruit.

Part 4: Short Talk Questions (20%)

Listen to the following paragraphs and answer the questions.

Paragraph A

- () 31. (A) A traditional cheese made from cow's milk.
(B) A cheese that tastes like cheddar or Brie.
(C) A Sardinian cheese made from sheep's milk.
(D) A cheese created in Italy in recent decades.
- () 32. (A) It contains harmful chemicals.
(B) It has live maggots inside.
(C) It contains too much salt and fat.
(D) It smells too strong.
- () 33. (A) Stomachache.
(B) Headaches.
(C) Muscle pain.
(D) Fever.
- () 34. (A) They wear glasses.
(B) They sit far from the cheese.
(C) They use a special fork.
(D) They put on a pair of gloves.
- () 35. (A) The most popular cheese in Europe.
(B) The oldest cheese in the world.
(C) The most dangerous cheese.
(D) The smelliest cheese.

Paragraph B

- () 36. (A) Sales at craft stores increased a lot.
(B) Hippie culture started to make a comeback.
(C) Sales at record stores increased quickly.
(D) Schoolchildren gave bracelets to strangers.
- () 37. (A) People who work for Swift.
(B) People from Swift's hometown.
(C) People who perform at Eras Tour.
(D) People who love and admire Swift.
- () 38. (A) Indigenous peoples.
(B) Taylor Swift fans.
(C) Schoolchildren.
(D) Hippies.
- () 39. (A) Schoolchildren started to adopt friendship bracelets.
(B) Friendship bracelets became popular with hippies.
(C) People started adding colorful beads to bracelets.
(D) Friendship bracelets made their way to the US.
- () 40. (A) They were invented by a group of music lovers.
(B) They originated in North America.
(C) They were created by Indigenous peoples.
(D) They were first made of metal.

Part 5: Vocabulary (12%)

- () 41. His strong _____ to become a successful artist encouraged him to practice drawing every day.
(A) anxiety (B) fame
(C) background (D) desire
- () 42. The old car was _____ and needed a lot of repair work before it could run properly again.
(A) tough (B) normal
(C) rusty (D) severe
- () 43. The company decided to raise the budget to _____ a new product line to attract younger customers.
(A) replace (B) weave
(C) launch (D) adapt
- () 44. The guests _____ on a wide selection of food and drinks at the wedding ceremony.
(A) feasted (B) released
(C) admired (D) transformed
- () 45. Having a good education is _____ for building a successful career in the future.
(A) fundamental (B) handy
(C) universal (D) habitual

- () 46. In many professional _____, communication skills are just as important as technical knowledge.
(A) content (B) options
(C) contexts (D) research

- () 47. The disease can be _____ from one person to another through physical contact, such as shaking hands or hugging.
(A) transferred (B) transformed
(C) exchanged (D) conveyed

- () 48. The platform ensures that inappropriate _____ is carefully removed to protect its users and maintain a safe online environment.
(A) slogan (B) outcome
(C) content (D) research

- () 49. The author used vivid descriptions to _____ the character's emotions with great detail.
(A) announce (B) portray
(C) scratch (D) sink

- () 50. Drinking a cup of hot coffee every morning has become a _____ part of her daily routine.
(A) intense (B) habitual
(C) moral (D) permanent

- () 51. She gently _____ her name onto the surface of this handmade wooden spoon as a way to leave a personal mark.
(A) sank (B) calculated
(C) scratched (D) coughed

- () 52. During this online course, students will learn how to _____ patterns using a variety of different materials.
(A) transfer (B) weave
(C) spray (D) wander

Part 6: Short Passage Questions (8%)

Read the paragraph and answer the questions.

Paragraph A

Rip Van Winkle lived in a village near the Catskill Mountains. He was known for his kindness and desire to help others. However, he avoided helping at home, which made his wife angry. One afternoon, Rip took his gun and went hunting to escape his wife's complaints. As he wandered through the forest with his dog, he suddenly heard someone call his name. Turning around, he spotted a strange man wearing old-fashioned Dutch clothing and carrying a heavy keg. The man seemed to be struggling, so Rip offered to help carry the keg.

- () 53. What was Rip Van Winkle known for?
(A) His kindness.
(B) His hunting skills.
(C) Being helpful at home.
(D) Being a hardworking man.

- () 54. Why did Rip Van Winkle go hunting one afternoon?
(A) To find food for his family.
(B) To avoid his wife.
(C) To meet a friend in the forest.
(D) To train his dog.

- () 55. What did Rip do when he saw the strange man in the forest?
(A) He taught the man how to hunt.
(B) He ignored the man and kept walking.
(C) He ran away from the man in fear.
(D) He offered to help the man carry the keg.

Paragraph B

New Orleans is a lively city located in the southern US state of Louisiana. Founded by the French in 1718, it was handed over to the Spanish in 1763 before becoming part of the United States in 1803. Over time, New Orleans developed a unique identity, influenced by its European roots, African cultures brought by slaves, and Native American traditions. This rich cultural blend gives the city a distinctive charm that sets it apart from any other place in the world.

The city's diverse influences are visible everywhere, with Spanish-style buildings housing voodoo temples and French-inspired bars. Mardi Gras, the city's most famous event, is a

large carnival celebrating the start of Lent. Held annually, the celebration lasts for weeks and typically ends in February or March. Locals and visitors alike get into the festival spirit by wearing colorful costumes and masks, attending street parades, and enjoying parties. With so much excitement, it's no wonder Mardi Gras attracts millions of visitors from around the world.

- () 56. What happened in 1763?
- (A) New Orleans became part of the United States.
 - (B) New Orleans was founded by Americans.
 - (C) New Orleans was handed over to the Spanish.
 - (D) New Orleans was taken by force by the French.
- () 57. What makes New Orleans unique?
- (A) Its diverse influences from previous rulers.
 - (B) It is currently controlled by three countries.
 - (C) The rich supply of seafood due to its location.
 - (D) The practice of owning slaves remains here.
- () 58. What is Mardi Gras?
- (A) A religious ceremony held in the city.
 - (B) A carnival celebrating the start of Lent.
 - (C) A festival celebrating the city's founding.
 - (D) A parade to mark the beginning of summer.
- () 59. How long does Mardi Gras usually last?
- (A) One week.
 - (B) Several months.
 - (C) A few days.
 - (D) Several weeks.
- () 60. What do people do during Mardi Gras, according to the passage?
- (A) Wear colorful costumes and masks.
 - (B) Visit historical sites.
 - (C) Take part in religious services.
 - (D) Watch fireworks.

Listening Section – 50%

I. Pictures 看圖辨義– 20%

Listen to the questions. Then choose the best answer according to each picture. Each question will be read twice.

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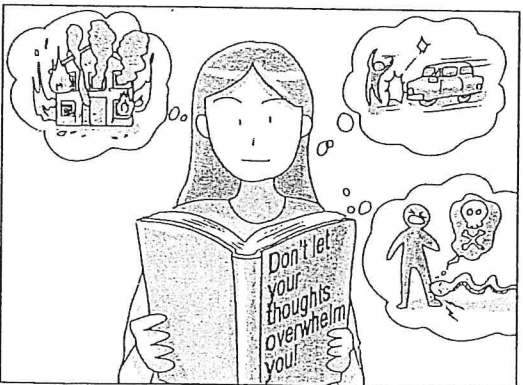
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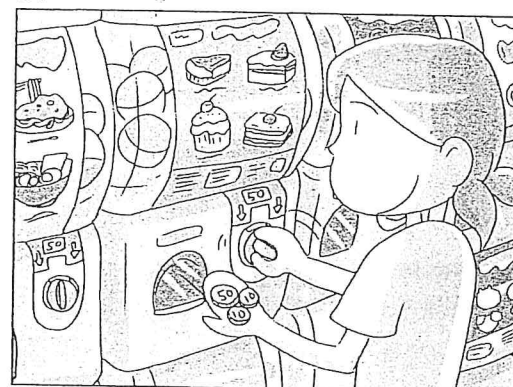
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II. Best Response 最佳回應句– 10%

Choose the best response to each question or statement. Each question will be read twice.

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| 11. A. No, I don't like publicity. | B. Yes, I haven't seen my family in months. |
| C. Sure, I'd like some rice noodles. | D. I'm not sure what I've seen. |
| 12. A. Yes, no one should change the original. | B. Yes, it really sounds modern this way. |
| C. Yes, I agree that our world is wonderful. | D. Yes, the painting looks colorful. |
| 13. A. Yes, I firmly believe in miracles. | |
| B. Yes, people need to take a break sometimes. | |
| C. Yes, they teach valuable lessons along the way. | |
| D. Yes, I think laughter is the best workout. | |
| 14. A. You can set your phone's alarm. | B. It's really raining hard right now. |
| C. Let's turn on the shower inside. | D. Maybe I should go swimming. |
| 15. A. You will stay far away from the police. | B. Right. You will follow all the rules. |
| C. Right. Everyone is in the same boat. | D. That's true. No one else understands. |

III. Short Conversations 簡短會話 – 10%

Listen to the conversations. Then answer the questions. Each question will be read twice.

16. A. If she's ever been on the Hudson River. B. If he can borrow the book.
C. If she could let him see her book. D. If it was a really good book.
17. A. Measure their feet size and weight. B. Decide to be the best they can be.
C. Become good at many sports. D. Lose a lot of weight.
18. A. Elvis doesn't want to talk about his problems.
B. The woman is having marriage problems.
C. The woman tries to avoid talking to Elvis.
D. Elvis is quite a fast runner.
19. A. She buys old houses and sells them. B. She teaches people how to clean.
C. She paints the inside of houses. D. She makes terrible rooms look clean.
20. A. Reminds her that life is short.
B. Restores her so she can return to her duties.
C. Rewards her for her life of hard work.
D. Rests her feet and legs from standing.
21. A. He used his favorite stuffed animal dogs. B. His dog shares the room with him now.
C. He put up some pictures of dogs. D. His wallpaper shows his favorite dog.
22. A. The table is hard to care for. B. She doesn't like the color of the table.
C. The table is from an expensive store. D. The color of the table makes her afraid.
23. A. Go visit the bee farm by the river.
B. Go find a place to eat by the river.
C. Walk around the busy area by the river.
D. Go look for a better Wi-Fi signal by the river.
24. A. Carpenter is a nice first name.
B. The man should become a carpenter.
C. People's last names should match their jobs.
D. People's job was often their last name.
25. A. To bury Japanese cartoons. B. To collect more Japanese cartoons.
C. To write about Japanese cartoons. D. To find Japanese cartoons underground.

IV. Short Talk 短文聽解 – 10%

Listen to the talk. Then choose the best answer to each question. Each question will be read twice.

26. A. Who is at the top of the class. B. Where to hold the ceremony.
C. What kinds of chairs to use. D. Who should be allowed to attend.
27. A. Someone who is extremely talented. B. Someone who can act well.
C. Someone who is very rich. D. Someone who is encouraging.
28. A. It is bright and sunny. B. It is very dirty.
C. It is very cheerful. D. It is wet and icy.

29. A. Its temperature. B. Its paint color.
C. Its furniture. D. Its location.
30. A. He knows the people performing.
B. He really enjoys this type of music.
C. He has been wanting to hang out with Tyler.
D. He doesn't have money for this kind of thing.

Reading Section – 50%

I. Vocabulary 詞彙 – 20%

Choose the word or phrase that best completes the sentence.

31. The server placed my burger on a _____ before handing it to me.
A. tray B. bulb C. routine D. hormone
32. The _____ of outer space has fascinated people for centuries.
A. refugee B. potential C. sonata D. exploration
33. The new skyscraper quickly became a(n) _____ in the city's skyline, recognizable from miles away.
A. institution B. surname C. landmark D. placement
34. The air in the dark basement is _____.
A. duke B. stale C. smooth D. capable
35. Proper guidance in education enables students to fulfill their true _____.
A. potential B. patch C. peep D. scenario
36. The new software update will _____ the cellphone's performance, making it more efficient.
A. legacy B. absorb C. volunteer D. enhance
37. Young children are very _____ and love outdoor activities.
A. digestive B. continuous C. energetic D. various
38. If you don't put in the effort necessary for possible success, failure is _____.
A. vending B. inevitable C. entertaining D. unforgettable
39. Teacher Lin _____ many good books to read during winter vacation.
A. rooted B. threw C. recommended D. built
40. The _____ of the partnership came after months of disagreements over the direction of the business.
A. dissolution B. abundance C. laundry D. electricity

II. Cloze Test 綜合測驗 – 20%
Read the passage and fill in each blank with the correct word or phrase.

A. In Eastern and Western cultures, people have different reasons for spring cleaning. In Chinese culture, it is believed that, by cleaning one's home before New Year's Day, people can get rid of bad luck that may have 41 during the year. In Western culture, homes were heated with wood or coal centuries ago. And spring was the best time for people to clean the soot and dirt that had built up inside their homes 42 the warmer weather brought a chance to wash away winter's dirt. Other than reasons rooted in culture, spring cleaning may have more to do with 43. During winter, people spend more time at home and receive less sunlight, leading to increased production of the sleep hormone in their bodies. This makes people less energetic so they may ignore the dirt in harder-to-reach places. When spring comes, more sunlight makes people have more energy, so it's time for a thorough cleaning to get rid of the dirt that has accumulated in their homes during winter. Tidying up our homes, according to a psychologist, can also be good for our mental health. When our homes are clean and 44, we feel in control. On the other hand, people who describe their homes as untidy are more 45 to feel unhappy and hopeless than those who don't. So, to stay positive, pick a room and begin cleaning it up. Make your living space as fresh as spring.

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| 41. A. warmed up | B. got past | C. piled up | D. thrown off |
| 42. A. but | B. though | C. if | D. since |
| 43. A. biology | B. privacy | C. potential | D. capacity |
| 44. A. being organized | B. organizing | C. to organize | D. organized |
| 45. A. unlikely | B. likely | C. unlike | D. like |

B. YouTube is a competitive place to create content. There are millions of channels out there, and each one is looking to gain more 46. Many YouTubers resort to 47 activities just to increase views, but Ryan Trahan is different. He has been credited with "saving YouTube." He uses his remarkable storytelling ability to make inspiring videos that cause viewers to laugh and think.

Born in 1998 in the small town of Eagle Lake, Trahan originally planned to 48 a running career. During high school and college, he became a cross-country runner. However, he was not just a student athlete; he was also a young entrepreneur. He and a friend started a sports water bottle company. This initiative actually gave birth to his YouTube channel, where he shared running videos while promoting their business. Recognizing the possibilities of YouTube, Trahan eventually made the difficult decision to quit college. Through dedication and innovation, his popularity quickly exploded and he stood out in the crowded world of content creators. Yet, he was 49 the happier for all the wealth and fame. He began searching for deeper meaning in life, leading him to faith in Jesus.

The new 50 inspired him to reassess his content and focus on delivering positivity to his viewers. His videos now encourage viewers with topics like exercise, self-confidence and motivation. In addition, Trahan creates videos to raise funds to assist people in need. Trahan is much more than a YouTuber. He is a content creator with a heart of gold.

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| 46. A. valedictorians | B. subscribers | C. influencers | D. dreamers |
| 47. A. outrageous | B. evident | C. supportive | D. apparent |

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| 48. A. increase | B. handle | C. pursue | D. evaluate |
| 49. 59. A. all | B. none | C. once | D. never |
| 50. A. joystick | B. clickbait | C. baby step | D. point of view |

III. Reading Comprehension 閱讀理解-10%
Read the paragraph. Then answer the questions.

A. Do you often find yourself stressed and unsure of how to cope? Modern life can make worry feel like an unavoidable challenge, but Dale Carnegie's *How to Stop Worrying and Start Living* offers practical methods to reduce stress and live a more balanced life.

Carnegie highlights how excessive worrying can harm both mental and physical health, leading to conditions like heart issues, digestive disorders, and even depression. Yet, many people worry about situations that may never happen. His advice? Focus on today. By concentrating on the present moment, people can avoid feeling weighed down by past regrets or future fears.

One key strategy involves staying engaged in purposeful activities. Busy people often have less time to dwell on their concerns. Carnegie also advises addressing fear directly by asking, "What's the worst that could happen?" Once the worst-case scenario is accepted, it's easier to take positive steps toward improvement.

In addition, making small changes can build momentum. Tackling tasks in order of priority, clearing unnecessary distractions, and seeking help when needed can boost productivity and reduce stress.

Ultimately, Carnegie emphasizes that developing consistent habits fosters resilience. This resilience enables individuals to handle life's unavoidable challenges with greater confidence, bringing them closer to a life of control and reduced anxiety.

51. Why should people try to stop worrying?
- A. It can make you unable to help others.
B. It leaves you less time to be fearful.
C. It prevents you from doing the right research.
D. It can cause physical illnesses.
52. What one idea for decreasing worries is mentioned?
- A. Keep yourself occupied with things that bring meaning.
B. Find someone to tell all of your concerns to.
C. Think about your problems right before you go to bed.
D. Read books about worrying too much.
53. Why should people start by taking baby steps to eliminate worries?
- A. It's difficult for people with worries to do what normal people do.
B. It's easier to see results if they steadily make improvements.
C. It might make it harder to relieve any anxiety they have.
D. It helps because most people don't have a lot of time.

B.

Morocco can be magical and mysterious. You never know what you will see as you explore its busy cities and beautiful natural places. A visit to the country offers an incredible variety of experiences. Start your journey in Marrakech, known as the “Red City” for its beautiful colored buildings. Here, you can explore the bustling Jemaa el-Fnaa square, filled with snake charmers, street performers, and food vendors.

Next, visit Fes, home to one of the world’s oldest universities. Going to the Fes Medina, a UNESCO World Heritage site, is like stepping back in time. Wander through its narrow, winding streets, full of shops selling everything from spices to handwoven carpets.

For a burst of color, head to the Blue City, Chefchaouen. It is a really unique place where the buildings and streets are painted blue. While no one knows for sure why, there are theories. One is that Jewish refugees did it as a reminder of God’s presence, as blue represents the sky and heaven. Others claim that the blue paint keeps mosquitoes away because the color reflects light. These buildings painted in shades of blue create a dreamy atmosphere. It’s a perfect spot for photos and relaxing in cozy cafes.

No trip to Morocco is complete without experiencing the Sahara Desert. You can ride a camel across the golden dunes and spend the night in a traditional Berber camp, gazing at a sky full of stars.

With its mix of vibrant cities, rich culture, and stunning natural beauty, Morocco is an adventure you’ll never forget!

54. Why might the author have called Morocco mysterious?

- A. Because it has a lot of hidden charm.
- B. Because its people don’t really like visitors.
- C. Because it was a closed country for so long.
- D. Because its government doesn’t welcome tourists.

55. What is true about a trip to Morocco?

- A. You can buy anything you want because everything is affordable.
- B. You can experience both urban and rural life.
- C. You need a guide to be able to enter historical places.
- D. You need to get a visa before traveling to the country.