A. 词彙與結構（就每一句子中的空格，請由所附之選項中選一個最合適的答案）

1. Be a gentleman and ____ the door open for the ladies.
   (A) fold  (B) hold  (C) loose  (D) close

2. Split the chocolate bar in half and ____ it with your sister.
   (A) share  (B) serve  (C) show  (D) send

3. The temperature will continue to ____ as we head into July.
   (A) raise  (B) raising  (C) rise  (D) risen

4. Don’t ____ me any promise that you don’t intend to keep.
   (A) save  (B) take  (C) talk  (D) make

5. David was so tired ____ he had to all and cancel his date.
   (A) because  (B) though  (C) that  (D) but

6. I would ____ stay home on a rainy day than go out and get wet.
   (A) then  (B) more  (C) rather  (D) whether

7. Can you put ____ sugar in my coffee? I like it really sweet.
   (A) over  (B) many  (C) less  (D) some

8. Can you ____ me that I have to call my mom before I go to sleep?
   (A) remind  (B) mind  (C) offer  (D) accept

9. You have to stop her ____ drinking so much. It is bad for her health.
   (A) toward  (B) with  (C) against  (D) from

10. Your final exam is in a week. You better start studying ____ you might fail.
    (A) unless  (B) neither  (C) or else  (D) until
11. If you are going to argue with me on the phone, I will ____ immediately.
   (A) dial (B) listen (C) hang up (D) call

12. Why can't I eat? Am I ____ punished for not doing the dishes?
   (A) being (B) been (C) for (D) to

13. There are 20 different pencil boxes here, but Betty likes ____ them.
   (A) all (B) none of (C) either (D) neither

14. My dad doesn't like to be ____ when he is talking.
   (A) listened (B) disagreed (C) waited (D) interrupted

15. Have you ____ what it was like to be a teenager?
   (A) forget (B) forgot (C) forgetful (D) forgotten

16. The CEO announced a hiring freeze and told managers that they would ____ the personnel they had.
   (A) have to make do with (B) have it made (C) have to bend over backwards for (D) have to keep an eye on

17. Since graduating last spring, Xiaoming ____ for thirty jobs.
   (A) is already applying (B) has already applying (C) has already applied (D) is already applied

18. This restaurant's food is the best because they only use the freshest ____.
   (A) ingredients (B) menus (C) chefs (D) appetite

19. Xingjian Gao won the Nobel Prize for literature in 2000, ____ him in to a national hero.
   (A) turn (B) turning (C) turns (D) turned

20. Harry did not become a great student overnight; on the contrary, the change was ____.
   (A) gradual (B) advantageous (C) predicted (D) unpopular

21. ____ everything was on sale, it seemed that there were few bargains.
   (A) Because (B) While (C) Although (D) Since

22. Our financial advisor suggested that we ____ our portfolio so that not all of our assets were in the stock market.
   (A) rebalance (B) will rebalance (C) should rebalance (D) rebalancing

23. The museum is interested in acquiring several sculptures for its upcoming ____.
   (A) exhibit (B) expedition (C) expulsion (D) elevation
24. Although the orchestra was ____ during rehearsal, there were a number of problems during the actual performance.
   (A) awful  (B) melody  (C) lullaby  (D) flawless

25. Waverly liked her new job more than her old one, the only ____ was her new job was in a bad neighborhood.
   (A) kickback  (B) drawback  (C) backup  (D) outback

26. Tzuchi and the Red Cross worked ____ to ensure that relief supplies were delivered quickly to the areas hardest hit by the earthquake.
   (A) together  (B) remarkably  (C) leisurely  (D) impersonally

27. There are more universities in Taiwan than ____.
   (A) there never was  (B) every before  (C) there are now  (D) there used to be

28. Although she did not study as much as she ____ for the exam, she still passed.
   (A) will be  (B) did  (C) should not have  (D) would have liked

29. After her husband lost his job, Mrs. Chen took a second job to ____ the family income.
   (A) surpass  (B) supplement  (C) salary  (D) sway

30. Even after taking her medication for two weeks, Amy is still ____.
   (A) on pins and needles  (B) as good as new  (C) above board  (D) under the weather

31. (A) put on  (B) put up  (C) put in  (D) put by

32. (A) written  (B) was written  (C) writes  (D) writing

33. (A) closed  (B) in  (C) out  (D) up

34. (A) as  (B) than  (C) for  (D) and

35. (A) after  (B) during  (C) when  (D) while

36. The extinction of the passenger pigeon is a ____ example of what happens when the interests of man clash with the interests of nature. The passenger pigeon was once the most
(37) bird on the planet. It is believed that this species once constituted 25 to 40 per cent of the total bird population of the United States. It is estimated that there were 3 billion to 5 billion passenger pigeons at the time Europeans discovered America.

These birds were seen as a (38) supply of meat. Americans hunted the bird to extinction. The passenger pigeon was a highly sociable animal that (39) large communities to breed and nest. Early hunting techniques scattered the passenger pigeon into small groups that could not maintain the social structures needed (40) the population to reproduce. The populations of these groups collapsed (41) never recovered. The passenger pigeon believed to have been the most abundant land bird (42) was wiped from the face of the earth.

36. (A) heartbreaking  (B) joyous  (C) proliferating  (D) shrinking
37. (A) numerous  (B) numbering  (C) numbered  (D) numbers
38. (A) limitless  (B) aimless  (C) jobless  (D) lifeless
39. (A) required  (B) require  (C) to require  (D) requires
40. (A) in  (B) for  (C) of  (D) from
41. (A) in addition to  (B) but also  (C) but  (D) and
42. (A) always  (B) ever  (C) still  (D) never

C. 閱讀理解（下面列有兩篇短文，於閱讀每一篇後，請就接續的每個問題在所附的選項中圈選一個最合適的答案）

In modern times, people can get a lot of information from the television, radio, newspaper, and magazine. Like magazine, newspaper is a kind of mass media through words and pictures printed in paper for people.

Unlike magazine, newspapers usually provide people updated information every day. People can read and get what they really want to know through stories, headlines, pictures or even advertisements in the newspapers. Some readers of newspaper may not realize that news can be reported through pictures.

Most readers will need headlines and news stories to understand news, but pictures can also tell us a lot about what is happening in the world.

43. What cannot tell reader about what is happening in the world?
   (A) Headlines. (B) News stories. (C) Telephone numbers. (D) Pictures.

44. What does this article tell us?
   (A) It tells us the news can be reported through pictures.
   (B) It tells us how to read the newspaper.
   (C) It tells that most people don’t understand headlines.
   (D) It tells us the importance of reading the newspaper.

45. What can we read and get in the newspapers?
   (A) News stories. (B) Pictures. (C) Advertisements. (D) All of the above.
46. What is a headline in the newspaper?
(A) The name of the reporter who writes the news story.
(B) The date of the news story.
(C) The news of foreign countries.
(D) The title of a news story, printed in large letters at the top of the story.

47. Which answer is correct?
(A) Every reader of newspaper understands that picture can tell us a lot about what is happening on earth.
(B) Most readers read headlines and news stories to understand news.
(C) No one likes pictures.
(D) Most readers of newspapers don't want to know what is happening in the world.

Finally, in local business news, an agreement on controversial minimum business income tax rates has yet to be finalized, as groups stepped up pressure on the government to have the rates lowered.

In order to foster economic development, the government has enacted numerous corporate tax breaks since the early 1990s. In doing so, more than 5,000 corporations in Taiwan have been exempted from paying taxes.

Now that the government has begun running budget deficits, the Ministry of Finance would like to establish a minimum business income tax. The Ministry of Finance had originally stated the tax would not be less than 10 percent.

Business leaders have been adamant that they would not be willing to pay more than 6 percent. The Ministry of Finance is now working on a compromise. Analysts believe a deal will be worked out by the end of the week. We will continue to keep you posted on this story as it develops.

48. What is the news report mainly about?
(A) The stock market.
(B) Establishing a minimum business tax.
(C) Interest rates.
(D) Ways the government can encourage growth.

49. Why has the government exempted some corporations from paying taxes?
(A) To curry political campaign contributions.
(B) To stimulate the economy to grow.
(C) To reward companies that encourage recycling.
(D) To encourage charitable donations.

50. How much can you infer the compromised minimum business tax rate will be?
(A) Under five percent.
(B) Between six and ten percent.
(C) Ten percent.
(D) More than ten percent.