I. Multiple Choice: 23% (1-11: 1% 12-17: 2%)

1. The president vowed to _______ to power though tens of thousands of protestors took to the street demanding him to resign from his post.
   A. cease  
   B. cling  
   C. confess  
   D. consult

2. Those who suffer from _______ shopping are caught in a vicious circle. They always buy more than they need, regret it when returning home, go back to the store to return the items, and then buy some more stuff there again.
   A. courteous  
   B. crushing  
   C. compulsive  
   D. cozy

3. While the idea of _______ only vegetarian food on Monday is being promoted in Taichung, many people just can’t _______ of a meal without meat or fish.
   A. consuming, conceive  
   B. clutching, condemn  
   C. corrupting, convert  
   D. claiming, compliment

4. Prince William had to ask his grandmother’s _______ to marry because of a law dating from the 18th century; otherwise his marriage would be invalid.
   A. committee  
   B. consultant  
   C. consent  
   D. conception

5. The government is trying to put a _______ on the rise of the bus fares but in vain. We have to pay more for the same bus ride from next month.
   A. crib  
   B. chore  
   C. credit  
   D. curb

6. Twins often possess a very special and unique _______; they are familiar to each other even before they are introduced to the world.
   A. bond  
   B. bound  
   C. bind  
   D. bunch

7. I was grounded for coming home too late. Daddy made it clear that under no _______ could I go out without his permission.
   A. circulation  
   B. constitution  
   C. correspondence  
   D. circumstances

8. The murderer was asked to stare at the victim’s body to see if he could do so with a clear _______.
   A. conservation  
   B. conscience  
   C. consciousness  
   D. consonant

9. Workaholics tend to _______, and some of them may end up dying from overwork.
   A. apply the brake  
   B. be on the brink  
   C. hit the ceiling  
   D. burn the candle at both ends

10. Christopher Reeve was held in high _______ for his perseverance and his iron will.
    A. escort  
    B. estate  
    C. esteem  
    D. endeavor

11. It is both illegal and immoral to _______ against minorities and women.
    A. dispense  
    B. distress  
    C. discriminate  
    D. despise

12. Choose the wrong statement.
    A. Easter Island is believed to have collapsed drastically because of overpopulation, deforestation, and the overuse of resources on an isolated island that had few to begin with.
    B. Knowing that Mount Rushmore National Memorial will attract tons of visitors from all over America as well as the world, the director of this mammoth project, from the very beginning, spent money not only on carving but also on building an amphitheater, a museum, dining facilities and parking lots.
    C. The Galapagos Islands are famous not only because the whalers used to hunt tortoises there but also because the scientist Charles Darwin spent a great deal of time there making observations which contributed to his famous theory of evolution by natural selection.
    D. Body language is subtler than spoken language, and we all unconsciously pick it up and react to it, even if we don’t realize we are doing so.
    E. After reading the article “Is Pluto a Planet,” we learn that while keeping abreast of the new scientific discoveries and theories, it is a good idea to remember that nothing is set in stone.
13. Choose the **wrong** statement.
A. Owing to the fact that Pluto has shaped itself into a sphere, it was originally classified as a planet, but because its orbit is quite littered and it hasn’t shown the ability to keep its orbit unpolluted, it has fallen out of the same category of the other eight planets and should be classified as a dwarf planet.
B. Easter Island is pretty low key in tourism these days. In the port town of Hanga Roa, there’s not much for travelers to do. Visiting the Moai, however, justifies the trek out to this remote and isolated island, and definitely makes the journey worthwhile.
C. In attempts to foster toleration and acceptance between the two groups, the Mughal Emperor Akbar encouraged debate between Muslims and Hindus in order for them to learn about each other’s religions.
D. Despite Akbar’s attempts at developing a state of tolerance between the Muslim and Hindu populations of India, friction between the two groups once again heightened after Akbar’s death.
E. Angkor Wat was a place of worship for both Hindus and Buddhists, but it was not an administrative hub.

14. Choose the **correct** statement.
A. Shinjuku is divided into Shinjuku West, which is the business area, and Shinjuku East, which is the entertainment and shopping area.
B. The music festival in Montreal is held every Sunday afternoon and named “Tam-tam”—referring to an African drum—because a company manufacturing this musical instrument sponsors this festivity.
C. After graduating from medical school, Caleb Bradham took over his father’s pharmacy and started serving the customers Pepsi-Cola in bottles.
D. The Vikings was able to endure cold and hunger because they often experienced those hardships in their own countries, and they often took their wives and children on ships because they had no places to live on land.
E. Colonel Harland Sanders opened a restaurant called “Sanders Court and Café” upon receiving a retirement check for one hundred and five dollars in 1955.

15. Choose the **correct** statement.
A. On weekends, I love to go hiking near Sun Moon Lake which visitors from Mainland China also love to go.
B. David has made up his mind, and therefore whatever you say or do, won’t reverse his decision.
C. All what the baby has to do now is to eat and sleep.
D. The prize will be awarded to whoever the judge thinks creates the best music.
E. The lighthearted tone of the comedies and the humorous situations that the characters find themselves of make this Shakespearean genre, in many ways, more accessible to the modern reader.

16. Choose the **correct** statement.
A. A theater is one of the places where are crowded with young people on holidays.
B. Spring is the season whose flowers are in blossom.
C. Sam is one of the students who has been caught cheating on the exam.
D. The police arrested a man whose suitcase was left in the house where the murder took place.
E. My best friend canceled the trip because of her boyfriend, that made me furious.

17. Choose the **correct** statement.
A. Michael is the only man, whom I have ever been in love.
B. The photographs you have been looking were taken by me.
C. The committee is made up of twelve members, and all of whom are required to be urban-planning majors.
D. Once used, the bags are sealed and stored for the flight back to the earth, which they are disposed of.
E. Self-confident people are not affected by what others think they “should” do.

**II. Fill in the blanks: 14%** 選取最適合的答案填入空格中，不必考慮大小寫，每個答案只用一次，有多餘選項

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A. When most people envision a New Year’s celebration, they think of huge fireworks extravaganzas or the final 10-second countdown. But in Thailand, it’s not really the New Year until you find yourself __18__ in H2O. The Songkran Festival is the Thai New Year celebration, which runs from April 13th to 15th. The water symbolizes that people can wash off the misfortune and problems of the past and __19__ to a fresh start.

B. Mackay, a Canadian missionary sent to Asia in the late 19th century, took a keen interest in all things Taiwanese and __20__ an encyclopedic knowledge of Taiwanese culture. However, few of Taiwan’s people, at that time, had come in contact with foreigners, so they __21__ Mackay.

C. For those who want to learn more about Mackay’s experiences in Taiwan, his book is an excellent resource. It gives readers a __22__ what life and society were like in Taiwan during the late 19th century. In 2008, the Taiwanese government __23__ a production which __24__ Mackay’s extraordinary life: a Taiwanese-English opera entitled Mackay: The Black Bearded Bible Man. It was a fitting tribute to a selfless man who gave his life to Taiwan.

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D. Growing unrest in Tunisia __25__ on December 17th, 2010, after an unemployed youth set fire to himself in an act of protest against the lack of jobs in the north African country.

E. Inside the Globe Theater, the stage was surrounded by a standing area. People who watched from the “pit” paid a penny for their tickets. The seated galleries were more expensive, __26__ the higher classes. The whole event could get pretty wild as people often drank, jeered, argued, and fought. After the performance, there might even be some bear __27__ or cock fighting to entertain the spectators.

F. When it comes to clever, bold, unconventional art, few artists can __28__ Salvador Dali. Elephants with skinny legs, tigers leaping from fish mouths, and humans hatching from eggs were just some of the weird themes __29__ in his work.

G. When Erica and Matt were trying to think of a way to buy their dreamland, Erica __30__ the idea of building a tree house and inviting others to join them to live a more environmentally sustainable lifestyle in the forest. Today, the ambitious development is starting to __31__.

III. Cloze Test: 32%

I. You are walking down the road, minding your own business, when all of a sudden you’re forced to swerve out of the way. The place where the pavement once was is now an enormous deep crevasse. From its edges, stones crumble off and tumble into __32__ seems to be a bottomless pit. Has the Earth opened up? Don’t worry! It’s just a piece of street art by Edgar Mueller, __33__ work has been hitting whole new levels. Three-dimensional street artists create unbelievable optical illusions __34__ a grand scale in public places. These pictures are often fantastical, but painted in such a realistic way __35__ confused pedestrians stop in their tracks. Whether it’s a killer shark bursting from the sidewalk, or a river rushing down a residential road, these public art displays are __36__ awesome. Street artists love the fact that their work reaches such a wide audience, some of whom may never normally go inside an art gallery. Whatever works these artists create, they always manage to get people talking.

32. A. which  B. it  C. what  D. that
33. A. who  B. his  C. which  D. whose
34. A. on  B. in  C. of  D. by
35. A. which  B. as  C. how  D. that
36. A. anything but  B. nothing but  C. nothing less than  D. nothing more than

II. There are few surviving records of Shakespeare’s life. He was born in Stratford-upon-Avon __37__ John Shakespeare and Mary Arden in April 1564, and it is thought that he attended a good school in that area where he learned to read and write. When he was eighteen, he married Anne Hathaway, and the couple had three children. In 1585, Shakespeare moved to London and began to work as an actor and a dramatist, quickly gaining fame and becoming the public’s favorite playwright. __38__ Shakespeare passed away in 1616, he had written 37 plays and 154 sonnets.

Twelfth night, __39__ all Elizabethan comedies, ends happily. However, one character gives a darker tone to the action, the “notoriously abused” Malvolio. He is Olivia’s steward and tricked into believing that Olivia is in love with him. When it is
revealed that Malvolio has been the victim of a wicked ___40___, he feels deeply wronged. As the play concludes, the lovers are joyfully united, but Malvolio is, ___41___, left angered and alone, and looking like a fool.

37. A. from  
38. A. Not until  
39. A. as such  
40. A. sacrifice  
41. A. by contrast with  

B. to  
B. By the time  
B. as if  
B. conspiracy  
B. contrary to

C. by  
C. The moment  
C. as with  
C. deception  
C. in contrast

D. of  
D. As long as  
D. as the case  
D. intimidation  
D. in contrast to

III. Christopher Reeve, with a successful acting career and a loving family, enjoyed his life to the fullest until 1995. On May 27, that year, he fell off his horse and broke two bones in his neck. Unable to move or breathe on his own due to the fractures of his spine, the man with a promising future and ___42___ his super power in the film was paralyzed from his neck down. When Reeve woke up in the hospital, he heard a man speaking with a Russian accent: it was his friend, the actor Robin Williams, ___43___ a doctor. Reeve laughed and felt uplifted. ___44___, he was still alive. After months of therapy, he trained himself to breathe without a machine. ___45___ his doctors said that he would never move again, Reeve continued to work hard and was finally able to move his index finger. Reeve was encouraged by this exciting progress and decided to “go forward,” ___46___ he had once said. His goal was to walk again. “I don’t mean to be reckless, but ___47___ that seems a bit daunting actually is very helpful toward recovery.” While struggling for his own recovery, Reeve and his wife Dana also established the Christopher Reeve Paralysis Foundation to help those who suffered from spinal fractures and to find a cure ___48___ paralysis. Though he passed away in 2004, his spirit lives on. With the everlasting light of hope and courage, he is a star that will never fall.

42. A. known as  
43. A. imitated  
44. A. All in all  
45. A. Though  
46. A. according to  
47. A. to reach a goal  
48. A. of  

B. known for  
B. imitating of  
B. as a result  
B. Even  
B. which  
B. set a goal  
B. for

C. was known as  
C. made an imitation of  
C. After all  
C. As though  
C. reaching a goal  
C. to

D. was known for  
D. doing an imitation of  
D. Hence  
D. Regardless of  
D. setting a goal  
D. with

IV. I’m a 16-year-old girl. I see life as torture. Other girls of my age are surrounded by friends and laughter. I walk by myself. Being an outsider watching life as others live it, I wonder when it is going to be my turn to enjoy life ___49___. My worst nightmare is that the awful pain inside me will never go away. Maybe I have done something awfully wrong in my past lives, and that’s why ___50___ this punishment. Sometimes, I can’t help but take my anger and frustration out on my parents and friends, and so I say or do things to them that I regret only moments later. Foolishly, after shedding tears of regret, ___51___ bring it to an end. It’s quite natural that regret, frustration, and depression all become parts of my daily routine. Eventually, friends turn into enemies or strangers. For an outcast like me, having a conversation with a peer is ___52___. All this led to my visit with Dr. Katz, who spent fifty minutes with me in his office. After he listened to me talking about my anger, depression and frustration, he asked me if I had ___53___ something called “brain chemical imbalance” that often causes mental disorders. I shook my head. He told me that I had suffered from a particular disorder, ___54___ me to replay unpleasant social situations in my mind over and over again like a broken record. That’s why I am standing here with my mom, waiting nervously to ___55___. For the first time, I feel sort of hopeful and relieved because something can lead me back to a normal life.

49. A. like any girl does  
50. A. I’m unworthy of  
51. A. I seem not be able to  
52. A. the last thing to endure  
53. A. heard from  
54. A. and made  
55. A. make my prescription be filled  

B. as everyone else does  
B. it is worthwhile to get  
B. it seems that I can’t  
C. can’t be too painful to endure  
B. heard out  
B. which allowed

C. like any girl is  
C. I deserve  
C. it seems that I’m able to  
C. the last thing to be endured  
C. heard of  
C. causing

D. as everyone else is  
D. I’m worth  
D. I can’t seem to  
D. cannot be too painful about endurance  
D. heard off  
D. that caused

B. have my prescription filled  
D. get my prescription be filled
V. After spending 19 years in prison, I, a bitter man, was released in 1815. However, the taste of freedom was so sweet that [56]. I arrived at the town of Digne at night and entered the best inn in Digne, hoping to get some rest. The innkeeper knew there was something fishy about me from my appearance, so he sent a boy to the police station to [57] me. After the boy returned, he handed the innkeeper a note, from which he had [58] my name and my identity as an ex-criminal. [59]. I was kicked out of the inn shortly after that. Luckily, the bishop of Digne, giving all his money to the poor and keeping very little for himself, [60] me. He welcomed me into his house, dined with me, and provided a room for me. Yet I stole his possessions of value and ran away. This time, I didn't get far. I was soon caught by the police and taken back to the bishop. Instead of turning me in, he lied to the police for me. [61] in the bishop's words, was how he bought my soul for God. I left the bishop's house, and I wandered in the countryside. My thoughts were [62] prison and [62] my wasted life. As I dwelled on my misfortune, I deliberately put my foot on a coin dropped by a boy passing me. I even yelled at him when he asked me to remove my foot. It was the look of terror on his face when he ran away that triggered a flame of regret inside of me. I began to cry and pray for forgiveness. From that moment on, I was truly free for the first time in my life. I, Jean Valjean, became a [63] man.

56. A. it filled me with joy  B. I'm full of joy  C. it is filled with joy  D. I filled with joy
57. A. inquire about  B. inquire after  C. make inquiries of  D. inquiry into
58. A. learned  B. informed  C. found out  D. discovered
59. A. As a matter of fact  B. Furthermore  C. For sure  D. Sure enough
60. A. took pity of  B. pitied  C. taking pity on  D. pity on
61. A. that  B. what  C. which  D. but it
62. A. about  B. on  C. in  D. of
63. A. changed  B. changing  C. changeable  D. change

IV. Reading Comprehension: 8%

The trend towards eco-tourism holidays, presented as sustainable, nature-based and environmentally friendly, is now subject to considerable controversy. It is the tourism industry's fastest growing subsector, with an estimated world-wide annual growth of 10-15%. Governments as well as the tourism industry promote eco-tourism, with its claims of economic and social sensitivity. But there are well-founded concerns that it lacks adequate scientific foundations, and is not viable as a solution to the world's social and environmental problems.

Many eco-tourism claims concerning its benefits are exaggerated, or owe more to labeling and marketing than true sustainability. Such projects not only are repeatedly planned and carried out without local agreement and support, but often threaten local cultures, economies, and natural resource bases. Critics regard eco-tourism as an 'eco-facade': a tactic concealing the mainstream tourism industry's consumptive and exploitative practices by 'greening' it.

Of particular concern is the sidestepping of crucial questions in the promotion of eco-tourism, regarding the global economy and widening gap between North and South, particularly in Third World countries. Significant social and political issues such as the maldistribution of resources, inequalities in political representation and power, and the growth of unsustainable consumption patterns are marginalized or ignored.

Eco-tourism may sound benign, but one of its most serious impacts is the expropriation of virgin territories - national parks, wildlife parks and other wilderness areas - which are packaged for eco-tourists as the green option. Eco-tourism is highly consumer-centered, catering mostly to urbanized societies and the new middle-class 'alternative lifestyles'. Searching for 'untouched' places 'off the beaten track' of mass tourism, travelers have already opened up many new destinations.

Mega-resorts, including luxury hotels, condominiums, shopping centers and golf courses, are increasingly established in nature reserves in the name of eco-tourism - in many cases protested as 'eco-terrorism'. Such projects build completely artificial landscapes, tending to irretrievably wipe out plant and wildlife species - even entire eco-systems.

Diverse local social and economic activities are replaced by an eco-tourism monoculture. Contrary to claims, local people do not necessarily benefit from eco-tourism. Tourism-related employment is greatly overstated: locals are usually left with low-paying service jobs such as tour guides, porters, and food and souvenir vendors. In addition, they are not assured of year-round employment: workers may be laid off during the off-season. Most money, as with conventional tourism, is made by foreign airlines, tourism operators, and developers who repatriate profit to their own economically more advanced countries.
Eco-tourism's claim that it preserves and enhances local cultures is highly insincere. Ethnic groups are viewed as a major asset in attracting visitors; an 'exotic' backdrop to natural scenery and wildlife. The simultaneous romanticism and devastation of indigenous cultures is one of eco-tourism's ironies.

Given a lack of success stories, and sufficient evidence of serious adverse effects, the current huge investments in eco-tourism are misplaced and irresponsible. Research, education, and information for tourists is needed, and the countering of eco-tourism's demeaning of local cultures.

Adapted from http://www.gdrc.org/sum/eco-tour/negative.html

64. What is the best title of this article?
   A. Benefits From Eco-tourism
   B. How to Improve Eco-tourism
   C. Eco-tourism or Eco-terrorism
   D. The Development of Eco-tourism

65. Which of the following words has the closest meaning to the word “sidestepping”?
   A. avoidance
   B. fertility
   C. confrontation
   D. boast

66. Which statement is true according to this article?
   A. Eco-tourism helps to preserve and enhance local cultures because it attracts visitors.
   B. More and more local people are hired as tour guides, porters or souvenir vendors so that they can make more money and live a better life.
   C. To accommodate the increasing number of eco-tourists, mega-resorts are built, which may in turn devastate the local eco-system.
   D. People are becoming aware of the downsides of eco-tourism and that results in an annual decline of 10-15% in the tourism industry.

67. What might not be the author’s suggestion towards the investors and visitors?
   A. Before putting in more money, governments and investors should make sure that they are truly helping conserve the environment instead of destroying it.
   B. Tourists should be educated the true meaning of eco-tourism.
   C. Local culture should be respected rather than seen as a tool to attract visitors.
   D. Local people should get year-round employment no matter what their jobs are.

V. Vocabulary: 10%
I. An unknown disease has claimed more than 100 lives. To stop this 1. e________ c from spreading, it is commanded that all the villagers should 2. e________ e themselves in their own homes for a week. Those who don’t act in 3. o________ e to this rule will be severely punished.

II. Unable to quiet the 4. o________ g desire to make friends with his dream lover, Kelly, Harry successfully sought out her telephone number and 5. s________ ed up his courage to ask her out. On their first date, they had a serious car accident. In order to protect Kelly, Harry suffered serious 6. i________ s and spent 2 weeks in the hospital. Kelly visited him every day after school. In 7. c________ e, Harry and Kelly fell in love with each other. That accident is really a blessing in disguise.

III. Despite the dealer’s repeated 8. a________ e that the vase was a 9. g________ e antique produced in the Chin dynasty, I still didn’t purchase it. For one thing, it’s way beyond my budget. For another, careful and daily 10. m________ e is required so that the vase will stay in the best condition. As a career woman with two kids, I really can’t afford such a precious vase.

VI. Translation: 13%
   番述部分用兩次月考範圍內的單字、片語、句型

   Hello, everyone. I’m an actress. A few months ago, I got caught in an accidental explosion when rehearsing for a play. I was sent to the hospital immediately and my life was in grave danger. Luckily, I was saved. Miserably, I had to receive physical therapy for many years, or even the whole life. I remember the first time I saw the scars all over my legs, I couldn’t help but burst out crying 1. ________ becoming a disabled person. 2. ________ (acting career) I then lay in bed... 3. ________ (Only... I couldn’t... I wanted...) Now, after months of therapy, I’ve made great improvements. 4. ________ (不敷於) the road, and I will fulfill my parents’ expectations. (Not...) I promise.