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注意：本試題共 7 頁，請依序在答案卡上作答，否則不予計分。

I. Vocabulary: Choose the word that best completes the sentence. (2 points each; 30 points in total)

1. Is there a _____ or someone who could help me with my bags?
(A) smoker (B) bellhop (C) customer (D) caretaker
2. When everyone worked _____ as a team, the project was completed quickly.
(A) meticulously (B) manually (C) collectively (D) beneficially
3. Make sure the software is _____ with your computer before you buy it.
(A) comfortable (B) responsible (C) humble (D) compatible
4. Ian was known to be quick-witted and _____, always using puns to make people laugh.
(A) humorous (B) sarcastic (C) gigantic (D) considerate
5. Mark doesn't have the _____ to apply for the program.
(A) medicines (B) prerequisites (C) criticisms (D) arguments
6. Henry wastes a lot of money buying _____ shoes and belts.
(A) high-end (B) ill-tempered (C) high-rise (D) last-minute
7. This terrain is rough and slippery and should definitely be avoided in _____ weather.
(A) desirable (B) inclement (C) temperate (D) exhausted
8. There are dire _____ for businesses in this country after the President released the country's budget.
(A) instances (B) instruments (C) inquiries (D) consequences
9. It's time to leave work and then we can have free _____ to do anything we want!
(A) drug (B) task (C) rein (D) game
10. Lila was able to start her business with capital _____ from a crowdfunding campaign.
(A) founded (B) counted (C) generated (D) manipulated
11. It's _____ to leave someone stranded on the side of the road when it's freezing outside.
(A) clever (B) suitable (C) compassionate (D) inhuman
12. This oil is very expensive, so please use it _____ sparingly.
(A) extremely (B) sort of (C) somehow (D) more or less
13. A country with free speech means that there is no _____ of the media.
(A) promotion (B) censorship (C) protection (D) preservation
14. Jessica became very successful by emulating wealthy, _____ businessmen.
(A) stressful (B) indulgent (C) hard-working (D) inspiring
15. My parents frown on my choice to study history in college because they think it'll have poor _____ on my future.
(A) recollections (B) necessities (C) ramifications (D) personalities

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II. Cloze: Choose the word that best completes the passages. (2 points each; 30 points in total)

Passage A: Questions 16-20

Companies are more __16__ of how helping their workforces stay healthy can help their companies be more productive and efficient. Employees at Helwig Carbon Products in Milwaukee, for example, have a cafeteria. What is __17__ about it is that a doughnut or something unhealthy like that costs significantly more than something healthy, like a piece of __18__. The goal is to entice staff to eat healthier food. At Robert W. Baird & Co., the business __19__ fitness classes, fitness challenges and even health cooking demonstrations within the office itself. And at Pyramax Bank, employees can get discounts on their health insurance. But to obtain the discount, they have to meet three of the five health measurements: blood pressure, triglycerides, glucose, cholesterol and waist circumference. If someone can't meet three of the five __20__, the company provides a coach to work with the employee.

- 16. (A) sanctioned (B) determined (C) belligerent (D) aware
- 17. (A) likely (B) certain (C) unusual (D) incredulous
- 18. (A) cake (B) fruit (C) pizza (D) candy
- 19. (A) offers (B) instills (C) inspires (D) perpetuates
- 20. (A) temperatures (B) requirements (C) guesses (D) desires

Passage B: Questions 21-25

If a company is said to be "people-oriented," you might naturally __21__ that it's a company where the employees are content and happy. People might think that it's a place that's fun to work at, where people take __22__ in their jobs. That definition seems trite, so you need to make sure you know what you're defining when you __23__ your workplace "people-oriented." Your team should decide on what this phrase __24__ to your business. Does it mean your company promotes from within? Are you a company that encourages employees to socialize outside of work? __25__ are you a people-oriented company in that management is seen as friendly and approachable? Make sure that you look closely at your definition so that it's not ambiguous to you or your employees.

- 21. (A) aspire (B) apply (C) partake (D) assume
- 22. (A) steps (B) offence (C) pleasure (D) charity
- 23. (A) deride (B) cancel (C) supply (D) dub
- 24. (A) directs (B) means (C) contributes (D) matters
- 25. (A) Or (B) Still (C) But (D) Therefore

Passage C: Questions 26-30

Disneyland didn't always used to be the happiest place on earth. On its opening day, July 17, 1955, the amusement park __26__ by the media as a nightmare that would meet a quick demise. But

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visitors to the long-awaited theme park thought __27__. They came in droves, and within a few weeks of that bad first day, Disneyland was well on its __28__ to success. __29__ two months, the park had seen its one millionth customer. By its first anniversary, over 3.6 million people had visited the park, despite rides breaking down on opening day. Restaurants ran out of food and drinks. Long lines were forming everywhere and things like attractions and even footpaths weren't completely finished. But Walt Disney was determined to make an amusement park that was clean and imaginative. And many of us thank him now, sixty years __30__, for creating this place of wonder.

- 26. (A) dubs (B) is dubbing (C) was dubbed (D) has dubbed
- 27. (A) the same (B) differently (C) courageously (D) defensively
- 28. (A) compass (B) flight plan (C) trek (D) way
- 29. (A) Within (B) About (C) Next to (D) While
- 30. (A) before (B) later (C) less (D) more

III. Reading Comprehension: Choose the most appropriate answer. (2 points each; 40 points in total)

Passage A: Questions 31-35

Technology is everywhere, and it can help you sleep better and travel more smoothly. You can turn your bedroom into a hotbed of technology and make it the perfect hideaway. Just link your surround sound system to your visual entertainment systems by using a central master control. It'll eliminate the need for a slew of remote controls. While entertainment in the bedroom can be fun and relaxing, it probably won't help you sleep. That's why Louise Farrar-Wegener, an interior designer, recommends installing zonal temperature control systems. This way, your bedroom can be as warm or as cool as you'd like without affecting the rest of the house. And instead of making a trip all the way to the kitchen for a midnight snack, she suggests creating a personal refreshment nook inside your bedroom. She would include appliances such as an espresso/coffee maker, an electric tea kettle, a small fridge and a microwave/convection oven. As for technology when traveling, a new report suggests that by 2030, travel will become more personalized. There will be instantaneous language translations. Virtual-reality devices that will allow travelers to preview their destinations as if they were really there.

- 31. Why should you link your sound and visual electronic systems together?
 - (A) So there's seamless entertainment.
 - (B) So that it's easy for any user to use.
 - (C) So the remote controls don't get mixed up.
 - (D) So you don't need so many remote controls.
- 32. What recommendation does Ms. Farrar Wegener give to help a person sleep better?
 - (A) Add underground heating in your bedroom.
 - (B) Put in thermostats that regulate temperatures in one area of your bedroom.

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- (C) Make sure your TV has an auto off-switch.
 - (D) Find out if your doctor has any suggestions.
33. What does Ms. Farrar-Wegener do for a living?
- (A) She helps people plan and decorate the inside of their homes.
 - (B) She finds technology solutions for bedrooms.
 - (C) She sells entertainment industry products.
 - (D) She optimizes a person's home so they can sell it.
34. What is the point of a personal refreshment nook?
- (A) To create storage for kitchen appliances.
 - (B) To create a space for your pets.
 - (C) To avoid having late-night food cravings.
 - (D) To avoid making a trek to another part of the house.
35. What is one prediction for the future of travel?
- (A) A device that smells foods from another country will be available.
 - (B) Airplane seats will be completely eliminated.
 - (C) There won't be a need to learn new languages.
 - (D) People will receive food by mail.

Passage B: Questions 36-40

While the news speaks of large numbers of people fleeing the civil war in Syria, there are also large, if not larger, numbers of people running from Africa. Eritrea, a country in Africa, is one place people are fleeing from. One of the reasons is the country's national military conscription, where people have to serve from around the age of 18 until around 50, and are paid too little to really live. There's also no freedom. There are government informants everywhere, and anything can send someone to prison. So many people are becoming migrants, running to countries such as Libya. Because there's no government authority in the country, the situation there is dangerous for migrants. There are smugglers, human traffickers and kidnappers. Eritreans find themselves on boats that are cramped and basically unseaworthy. Many migrants are now dying on these dangerous sea journeys, all in the hope of reaching freedom. But many European countries are turning their backs on these refugee crises, hoping that by not helping, the migrant problem will stop. Instead, migration and refugee claims continue to grow. And meanwhile, people are dying needlessly.

36. Why are Syrians running away from their country?
- (A) Because the government is corrupt.
 - (B) Because a war is within its borders.
 - (C) Because of the lack of food and water.
 - (D) Because of the war in the Middle East.
37. What is one reason people don't want to live in Eritrea?
- (A) Because you have to join the army.

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- (B) Because it's mandatory to pay the government.
 - (C) Because officials kill people randomly.
 - (D) Because there are no jobs left.
38. What's another problem in Eritrea?
- (A) The government will be overthrown.
 - (B) There isn't enough infrastructure to sustain everyone.
 - (C) There's always a threat of being thrown in jail.
 - (D) There is a famine in the country.
39. Why are there so many issues in Libya?
- (A) Because there's no one ruling the country.
 - (B) Because there's a cultural misunderstanding.
 - (C) Because Libya has an ocean at its border.
 - (D) Because boat-building is its main industry.
40. What are many European countries doing to help migrants?
- (A) Nothing; they believe that the problem will worsen if they help.
 - (B) Sending money to help revive various governments.
 - (C) Funding various governments war efforts.
 - (D) Creating jobs for people in difficult situations.

Passage C: Questions 41-45

Four Seconds is a book authored by consultant Peter Bregman. His book describes a litany of common mistakes and actions that most people make and then offers solutions to them. Bregman talks about how the reactions and behaviors we have are actually self-deflating. For example, blaming others for mistakes makes people appear weak and dishonest, hurts one's self-esteem, and takes away opportunities to learn. Instead, he says the first step to responding to mistakes and actions is to take a breath. Bregman says that in the four seconds it takes to inhale and exhale, there is enough time to figure out how to act or react in a constructive manner. Each of the fifty chapters of the book is filled with engaging personal stories. Each chapter discusses a mistake. For example, in chapters about working on relationships, he tells people not to write people off, but to work on changing your expectations of others, and also, to give people the benefit of the doubt if they're suddenly behaving poorly, because there's likely something else happening.

41. Why is the title of the book called *Four Seconds*?
- (A) It took Bregman four seconds to write it.
 - (B) Bregman thought of it four seconds before he fainted.
 - (C) The answer to preventing errors is a breath that takes four seconds.
 - (D) The idea is that four seconds will save a life.

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42. About how many common mistakes does Bregman write about?
- (A) Twenty.
 - (B) Fifty.
 - (C) Four.
 - (D) Five hundred.
43. Why does Bregman think blaming others is bad?
- (A) Because it makes a person look vulnerable.
 - (B) Because it makes a person look confident.
 - (C) Because it increases a person's self-esteem.
 - (D) Because it allows a person to learn more.
44. What can you read about in the book?
- (A) Bregman's philosophy on careers.
 - (B) Bregman's narratives about common mistakes that most people make.
 - (C) Bregman's grasp of parenting skills.
 - (D) Bregman's autobiography about how he became famous.
45. What is one piece of advice on relationships that Bregman gives?
- (A) He says to think of everyone as useful or important.
 - (B) He says that a person should only believe someone is good when he is kind.
 - (C) He says to decide on which friends to keep and which to cut off.
 - (D) He says that a person should change the way others behave.

Passage D: Questions 46-50

Japan is trying to refuel its economy by fostering the burgeoning subculture of entrepreneurship. In a culture dominated with a different concept of a success, risky moves that involve starting businesses become that much more risky. The Japanese government is trying to change this mentality because of its economic stagnation and even deflation. Prime Minister Shinzo Abe has made it one of his key goals to increase business startups. In the late 1940s, startups helped Japan rise up after the war. Brands such as Sony and Honda are just two examples. But a decade ago, Takafumi Horie tarnished the appeal for entrepreneurship because he was a new business owner who was arrested on securities fraud charges.

There's a glimpse of hope as places like Samurai Startup Island offer Japanese entrepreneurs somewhere to go. The hub's founder, Kentaro Sakakibara, invests in many of the startups that are started here. There are about 50 resident startups, but they also include well-known brands who try to start new businesses as well. For example, Ricoh sent five employees to Samurai Startup Island to work on a new travel branch for their business. This is a great place to network, as the hub helps organize workshops and seminars each year.

46. Why is Japan encouraging new business ideas?
- (A) Because Japan wants to attract foreigners.

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- (B) Because Japan is a forerunner in technology.
 - (C) Because the country is running into financial troubles.
 - (D) Because the country's leaders like to shop at brand new companies.
47. Why are Sony and Honda mentioned?
- (A) They're instances of new businesses that helped Japan's economy.
 - (B) They don't outsource anything.
 - (C) They're famous Japanese politicians.
 - (D) They make cases for Japanese to study.
48. What did Mr. Horie do?
- (A) He saved Japan from an economic downfall.
 - (B) He started a business and was charged with a crime.
 - (C) He invested in some of Japan's key startups.
 - (D) He is the founder of an entrepreneur hub.
49. Why does Samurai Startup Island exist?
- (A) Japanese people like Samurais.
 - (B) It's a place for business people to congregate.
 - (C) It's a place to go to get grants for business.
 - (D) Japanese people like relaxing by the water.
50. What is Ricoh an example of?
- (A) An old company that's not able to change.
 - (B) An organization that employees are proud of.
 - (C) A brand new company that is just launching.
 - (D) An established business that's branching off.