A. MULTIPLE CHOICE TEST (80 points)

Choose the word whose underlined part differs from the other three in pronunciation in each of the following questions.

Question 1: A. sports  B. develops  C. roofs  D. floods

Question 2: A. great  B. steak  C. beach  D. break

Choose the word that differs from the rest in the position of the main stress in each of the following questions.

Question 3: A. important  B. special  C. generous  D. favourite

Question 4: A. persuade  B. threaten  C. conserve  D. suggest

Choose the correct answer to each of the following questions.

Question 5: When I was at the primary school, my grandmother ______ me to school every day.
A. took  B. is taking  C. takes  D. was taking

Question 6: Chinese ______ by more than one billion people all over the world.
A. was spoken  B. speaks  C. is spoken  D. is speaking

Question 7: If she ______, tell her to leave a message.
A. called  B. will call  C. calls  D. would call

Question 8: She asked her boy friend ______.
A. where her hat was  B. where was her hat  C. was where her hat  D. her hat was there

Question 9: Smoke and waste chemicals make the air and water ______.
A. pollution  B. polluted  C. pollutant  D. pollute

Question 10: In the 18th century, workers liked wearing jean cloth because it was strong and did not ______ easily.
A. wear off  B. wear out  C. wear on  D. wear down

Question 11: The film wasn’t really good, ______?
A. was it  B. wasn’t it  C. doesn’t it  D. does it

Question 12: I wish I ______ enough money to buy a laptop.
A. will have  B. have  C. have had  D. had

Question 13: Where are the photos ______ were taken at the Christmas party?
A. who  B. which  C. whom  D. what

Question 14: The word “jean” comes from a kind of ______ that was made in Europe.
A. material  B. substance  C. plant  D. cotton

Question 15: Nowadays, ______ can watch a variety of local and international programs on different channels.
A. viewers  B. spectators  C. audiences  D. seers

Question 16: Practising English with native speakers is a good way to ______ the speaking skill.
A. comment  B. change  C. improve  D. order

Question 17: Thousands of lives were saved ______ the scientists had warned them about the tsunami.
A. although  B. because  C. however  D. therefore

Question 18: We won’t eat vegetables ______ the whole area is cleaned.
A. until  B. when  C. while  D. since

Question 19: Many people become ______ because of the natural disaster.
A. homeless  B. homeland  C. homesick  D. homework

Question 20: Scientists can usually ______ when a volcano will erupt.
A. report  B. guess  C. estimate  D. predict

Question 21: Why not ______ garbage bins around the schoolyard to keep it clean?
A. putting  B. put  C. to put  D. we put

Question 22: Christians usually have a special dinner ______ Christmas Day.
A. on  B. at  C. in  D. during
Choose the underlined part that needs correction in each of the following questions.

Question 23: The participants said that they have to separate the rice from the husk and then cook the rice.
A. participants   B. cook   C. have to   D. from

Question 24: Jane looked sadly and worried this morning. I wonder what happened to her.
A. happened   B. worried   C. what   D. sadly

Question 25: Sleeping well is as important to good health as to eat well.
A. well   B. to eat   C. to   D. health

Choose the word(s) which is CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in the following sentences.

Question 26: I am disappointed that people have destroyed this land.
A. dissatisfied   B. happy   C. pleased   D. interested

Question 27: Tet is a festival which occurs in late January or early February.
A. causes   B. begins   C. happens   D. carries

Choose the word(s) which is OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in the following sentence.

Question 28: If you want to save money, you should cut down the amount of water your family use.
A. increase   B. reduce   C. decrease   D. repair

Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the most suitable response to complete each of the following exchanges.

Question 29: Susan and Denis are talking about their favourite sports.
Susan: “Do you like playing soccer, Denise?”
Denise: “______”
A. That’s right.   B. What for?
C. You like it.   D. Yes, but I prefer playing tennis.

Question 30: Hana: “I think we should take a shower instead of a bath to save water.”
Jenifer: “______”
A. How do we save energy?   B. That’s a good idea.
C. Let’s take a shower.   D. What do you save?

Read the following passage and choose the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks.

The human civilization underwent many changes and development with the passage of time. In course of time, cities became the major centers of livelihood. A city has large population compared to a town and a village. Life is full (31) ______ activities in a big city. It is a center of education, trade and industry, (32) ______, etc. Life in a big city starts early in the morning. School children, office-workers, and others fill (33) ______ roads, bus-stops and the vehicles. The market places get crowded with people. Life in the city has certain charms. The factories and the industrial centers give employment to thousands of people. Those (34) ______ work hard in cities rise in life. Here, neighbors live like (35) ______. Everyone finds himself in hurry and worry. The atmosphere is polluted. There is competition in every sphere. However, cities add to the economic development of a nation.

(http://www.publishyourarticles.neileng/articles2)

Question 31: A. of   B. on   C. in   D. terrorism

Question 32: A. recreation   B. pollution   C. crime   D. against

Question 33: A. an   B. the   C. a   D. much

Question 34: A. whose   B. whom   C. which   D. who

Question 35: A. family   B. enemies   C. strangers   D. friends

Read the following passage and choose the correct answer to each of the questions.

SAVING THE ENVIRONMENT: ONE HOME AT A TIME

Pollution can be seen not only throughout the world, but also in our own homes. It comes from household chemicals, the amount of water people use and the waste people produce and throw away. What can be done to stop this pollution? Surprisingly, a person can help save the environment by doing simple things.

First, we need to recycle, which allows products to be used over and over again. Recycling can also reduce the number of trees cut down to produce paper products. It takes very little effort. It is not hard to place plastic and glass bottles, aluminum cans and paper in a bin. Anyone can do it.
Second, we need to watch the amount of water used in the home. It can be conserved by taking short showers instead of baths, repairing leaky faucets, using the dishwasher or washing machine only when fully loaded, or simply turning the faucet off while brushing your teeth.

Third, we need to reduce waste. We need to recycle whenever possible, but should also try to use this waste effectively. For example, grass clippings and food scraps can be made into compost for plants. The average person produces 4.3 pounds of waste every day, but we can reduce that amount by recycling and reusing.

If we do our part in our own homes, we can help keep the planet from becoming more polluted. (http://www.teenink.com/hot_topics/environment)

Question 36: Pollution can be caused from the following sources EXCEPT _______.
A. water in rivers B. water from households C. wastes D. household chemicals

Question 37: Recycling can help us _______.
A. never cut down trees B. use products again and again C. place garbage bins easily D. produce more paper products

Question 38: In order to save water, we can do all of the following things EXCEPT _______.
A. take short showers instead of baths B. repair leaky faucets C. fully use the washing machine D. turn the faucet off while brushing your teeth

Question 39: Recycling helps to reduce waste because _______.
A. plants need to develop B. a person can do it in his home C. waste can be recycled and reused D. an average man produces compost for plants

Question 40: The word "It" in paragraph 2 refers to _______.
A. cutting down B. the number C. recycling D. effort

B. WRITTEN TEST (20 points)

Part 1. Finish the second sentence in such a way that it means exactly the same as the sentence given.

Question 41: I haven’t seen that man before.
→ It’s ____________________________ .

Question 42: Although Bill took a taxi, he still arrived late for the concert.
→ Despite ____________________________ .

Question 43: I don’t know how to design a website.
→ I wish ____________________________ .

Question 44: He often gets bad marks because he is lazy.
→ If he ____________________________ .

Question 45: She would rather read a book than watch TV.
→ She prefers ____________________________ .

Part 2. Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between THREE AND FIVE words, including the word given.

Question 46: The owner of that sports car is very rich. (WHO)
→ The man ____________________________ is very rich.

Question 47: There has been a considerable improvement in the quality of life in the countryside. (CONSIDERABLY)
→ The quality of life in the countryside ____________________________ .

Question 48: Harry reads faster than his little sister. (READER)
→ Harry ____________________________ his little sister.

Question 49: Her parents don’t want her to smoke at home. (OBJECT)
→ Her parents ____________________________ at home.

Question 50: The vet examined my brother’s pet dog last week. (HAD)
→ My brother ____________________________ last week.