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- I. Vocabulary (30%): Please choose the word that best completes each sentence below and write its corresponding letter (A, B, C, or D) on the answer card.  
 選擇題請在答案卡上作答，否則不予計分。
- Despite repeated warnings, the company continued its \_\_\_\_\_ use of personal data.  
 (A) judicious (B) meticulous (C) reckless (D) prudent
  - The professor's explanation was so \_\_\_\_\_ that even first-year students could follow the argument easily.  
 (A) obscure (B) lucid (C) prolix (D) equivocal
  - Her research proposal was rejected because it lacked a clear \_\_\_\_\_ and methodological justification.  
 (A) premise (B) digression (C) ventilation (D) apparel
  - His remarks were carefully worded to \_\_\_\_\_ public criticism without engaging with the substance of the complaint.  
 (A) deflect (B) provoke (C) operationalize (D) fabricate
  - After hours of intense discussion, the committee reached a decision that was \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (A) impromptu (B) unanimous (C) immoderate (D) excessive
  - Throughout the article, the author adopts a tone that is \_\_\_\_\_, carefully avoiding emotional language.  
 (A) irrevocable (B) effusive (C) dispassionate (D) incendiary
  - Without sufficient evidence, the claim remains largely \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (A) corroborated (B) authenticated (C) speculative (D) determinative
  - The private school mainly serves \_\_\_\_\_ families who can afford high tuition and extensive extracurricular programs.  
 (A) negligible (B) ubiquitous (C) unsightly (D) affluent
  - To encourage honest feedback, the university guaranteed that the evaluation forms would remain \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (A) deceptive (B) anonymous (C) alleged (D) duplicitous
  - The committee rejected the proposal as \_\_\_\_\_ because its claims were internally contradictory: it promised "zero cost" and "instant results" at the same time.  
 (A) deep-rooted (B) ingrained (C) preposterous (D) brilliant
  - The government introduced new water-saving policies to \_\_\_\_\_ the impact of the drought on agriculture.  
 (A) scorch (B) mitigate (C) induce (D) overestimate
  - The budget meeting quickly turned tense when departments argued over the \_\_\_\_\_ of limited research funds.  
 (A) allocation (B) coalition (C) enunciation (D) ornamentation
  - After years of not speaking, the two colleagues finally \_\_\_\_\_ during a project that forced them to collaborate again.

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- (A) evaporated (B) conceived (C) embarked (D) reconciled
14. Although the work was demanding, the contract proved \_\_\_\_\_ due to high royalties and long-term licensing rights.
- (A) lucrative (B) dappled (C) stagnant (D) adverse
15. When pressed for details about the data leak, the spokesperson tried to \_\_\_\_\_ the question by shifting to safer topics.
- (A) encompass (B) evade (C) laud (D) resign
- II. Grammar (20%): In each of the following sentences, there is a blank where a word, phrase or clause is omitted. Choose for each blank the most appropriate answer, and mark its corresponding letter (A, B, C, or D) on the answer card.
16. Many residents objected to \_\_\_\_\_ a highway through the protected wetlands.  
(A) build (B) building (C) to build (D) built
17. All personal data must be processed \_\_\_\_\_ the university's privacy policy.  
(A) in accordance with (B) in contrast to (C) by virtue of (D) in exchange for
18. I wish I \_\_\_\_\_ more carefully before I sent that email to the entire department.  
(A) would check (B) had checked (C) could have checked (D) have checked
19. The committee requested that every applicant \_\_\_\_\_ a writing sample with the application.  
(A) submits (B) submitted (C) submit (D) has submitted
20. Before the final decision is made, the department chair invited all faculty members to \_\_\_\_\_ on the proposed curriculum changes.  
(A) weigh in (B) weigh at (C) weigh out (D) weigh over
21. \_\_\_\_\_ had the meeting begun when several participants raised objections.  
(A) No longer (B) No later (C) No more (D) No sooner
22. Hardly \_\_\_\_\_ to explain the sudden change in policy.  
(A) has anything been offered (B) anything has offered (C) has been anything offered (D) anything was offered
23. \_\_\_\_\_ the evidence been stronger, the conclusion would have been more convincing.  
(A) Had (B) Were (C) Should (D) If
24. No account was given as to \_\_\_\_\_ the discrepancy had arisen.  
(A) what (B) how (C) which (D) that
25. The speaker paused repeatedly, lest the audience \_\_\_\_\_ her remarks.  
(A) misinterpret (B) misinterpreted (C) would misinterpret (D) had misinterpreted

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III. Reading Comprehension (20%): Choose the most appropriate answer, and mark its corresponding letter (A, B, C, or D) on the answer card.

Passage 1

Stingless bees from the Amazon have become the first insects to be granted legal rights anywhere in the world, in a breakthrough supporters hope will be a catalyst for similar moves to protect bees elsewhere. It means that across a broad swathe of the Peruvian Amazon, the rainforest's long-overlooked native bees – which, unlike their cousins the European honeybees, have no sting – now have the right to exist and to flourish.

Cultivated by Indigenous peoples since pre-Columbian times, stingless bees are thought to be key rainforest pollinators, sustaining biodiversity and ecosystem health. But they are faced with a deadly confluence of climate change, deforestation and pesticides, as well as competition from European bees, and scientists and campaigners have been racing against time to get stingless bees on international conservation red lists.

Constanza Prieto, Latin American director at the Earth Law Center, who was part of the campaign, said: “This ordinance marks a turning point in our relationship with nature: it makes stingless bees visible, recognizes them as rights-bearing subjects, and affirms their **essential role** in preserving ecosystems.”

Espinoza, a chemical biologist, first started researching the bees in 2020, after a colleague asked her to conduct an analysis of their honey, which was being used during the pandemic in Indigenous communities where treatments for Covid were in short supply. She was stunned by the findings. “I was seeing hundreds of medicinal molecules, like molecules that are known to have some sort of biological medicinal property,” Espinoza recalled. “And the variety was also really wild – these molecules have been known to have anti-inflammatory effects or antiviral, antibacterial, antioxidant, even anti-cancer.”

From this point, researchers have also highlighted the wider ecological role of stingless bees. Dr César Delgado described them as primary pollinators in the Amazon, contributing not only to plant reproduction but also to biodiversity, forest conservation, and global food security. However, research has revealed an additional and serious threat to their survival.

In the 1950s, a scientific experiment in Brazil aimed at producing a honeybee better suited to tropical conditions resulted in the Africanized honeybee, a more aggressive variety. These bees have since spread widely and are now outcompeting stingless bees in their natural habitats. During fieldwork in southern Peru, researchers documented particularly strong competition between the two species, based on accounts from Indigenous community members.

One such case was reported in Satipo, a municipality that later became the first to grant legal rights to stingless bees. Under the new ordinance, the bees are granted the right to exist and thrive, to maintain healthy populations, to live in a clean and stable environment, and to be legally represented when they are threatened or harmed. A second municipality, Nauta, soon passed a similar ordinance.

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<p>34. Why do critics question Tesla's safety claims?</p> <p>(A) Tesla's data show more crashes when FSD is used appropriately.</p> <p>(B) Regulators have banned Tesla from testing in the US.</p> <p>(C) The data are not independently verifiable and lack clear baselines.</p> <p>(D) Rival firms refuse to publish their safety statistics.</p> <p>35. The phrase 'a high-stakes gamble' most nearly implies that Tesla's strategy:</p> <p>(A) could be expensive yet still deliver only limited practical benefits</p> <p>(B) could lose momentum yet still continue despite overseas competition</p> <p>(C) could cut prices yet still fail to address core safety concerns</p> <p>(D) could bring big gains but also serious regulatory and reputational risks</p> <p>IV. Essay (30%):</p> <p>Read the following passage and write an approximately 300-word essay.</p> <p>"Universities rush to promise 'AI literacy' the way companies promise 'innovation.' The phrase sounds modern and responsible, but it often means nothing beyond 'try a few tools.'" Explain what you think "AI literacy" should include and whether it should be a required curriculum for university students.</p>					
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I. **Vocabulary (30%):** Please choose the word that best completes each sentence and write its corresponding letter (A, B, C, or D) on the answer card. 選擇題請在答案卡上作答，否則不予計分。

1. The professor clarified that the theory was not meant to replace existing models but to \_\_\_\_\_ them by addressing overlooked variables.

- (A) simplify
- (B) dismiss
- (C) contradict
- (D) supplement

2. Although the author's tone appears neutral, a closer reading reveals a \_\_\_\_\_ criticism of the prevailing methodology.

- (A) subtle
- (B) casual
- (C) random
- (D) excessive

3. Several assumptions underlying the study remain \_\_\_\_\_, raising concerns about the validity of its conclusions.

- (A) implicit
- (B) obsolete
- (C) irrelevant
- (D) excessive

4. The committee rejected the proposal because it lacked a \_\_\_\_\_ framework for evaluating long-term outcomes.

- (A) optional
- (B) coherent
- (C) decorative
- (D) superficial

5. The researcher warned that drawing conclusions from such a limited sample would be \_\_\_\_\_.

- (A) generous
- (B) inevitable
- (C) premature
- (D) redundant

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6. The speaker's remarks were deliberately \_\_\_\_\_, allowing multiple interpretations without committing to a specific stance.

- (A) candid
- (B) dogmatic
- (C) erroneous
- (D) ambiguous

7. The theory attempts to account for anomalies that traditional frameworks have largely \_\_\_\_\_.

- (A) resolved
- (B) amplified
- (C) neglected
- (D) replicated

8. The philosopher criticized the argument not for its logic but for its \_\_\_\_\_ use of language, which obscured key distinctions.

- (A) literal
- (B) imprecise
- (C) ornamental
- (D) economical

9. The policy was initially praised, but its long-term consequences proved far more \_\_\_\_\_ than anticipated.

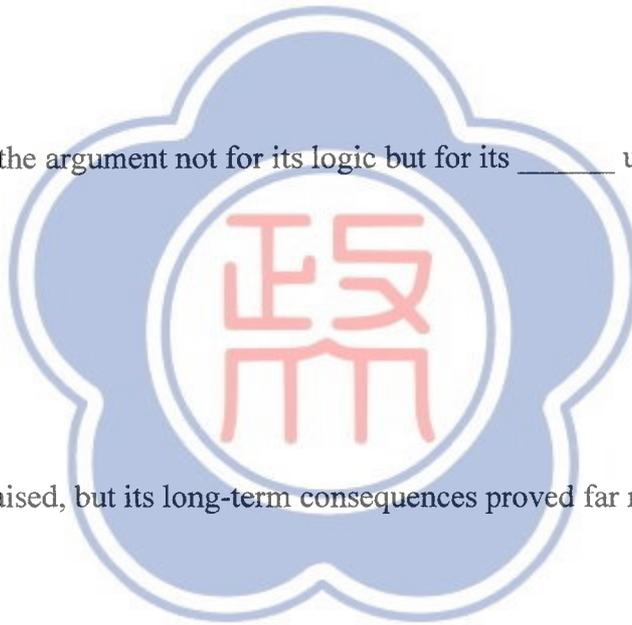
- (A) trivial
- (B) complex
- (C) reversible
- (D) transparent

10. Although the experiment was carefully designed, its conclusions remain \_\_\_\_\_ due to uncontrolled external variables.

- (A) tentative
- (B) conclusive
- (C) telegraphic
- (D) categorical

11. The items I need are \_\_\_\_\_: a pencil, a notebook, and three erasers.

- (A) as follows
- (B) on purpose



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(C) pros and cons

(D) at odds

12. The salesman tried his best to persuade a potential customer to buy the product. (Please choose the synonym of the underlined word.)

(A) major

(B) personal

(C) prospective

(D) confidential

13. Only the leaves of this plant are safe to eat. They are \_\_\_\_\_; other parts are poisonous.

(A) deliberate

(B) artificial

(C) edible

(D) productive

14. There is a growing discussion about climate change and other \_\_\_\_\_ issues.

(A) environmental

(B) horizontal

(C) judgemental

(D) digital

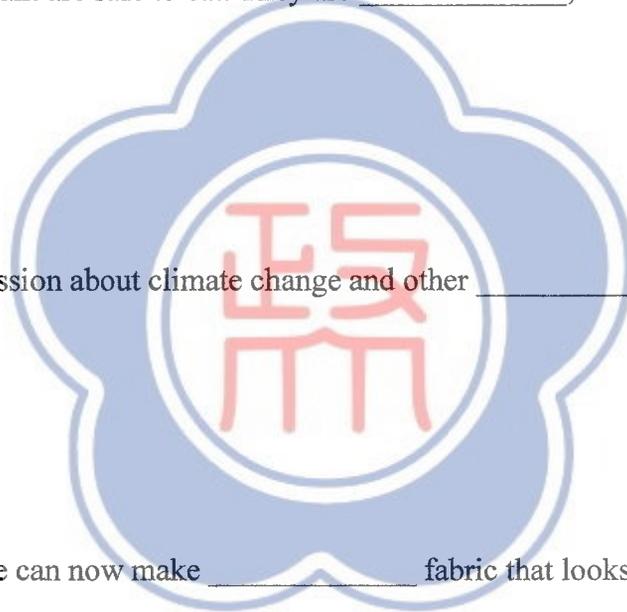
15. Thanks to technology, we can now make \_\_\_\_\_ fabric that looks and feels like silk.

(A) inaccurate

(B) artificial

(C) insurmountable

(D) monotonous



**II. Grammar (20%)** Please choose the most appropriate answer and write its corresponding letter (A, B, C, or D) on the answer card.

16. ( ) I wish I \_\_\_\_\_ harder on the final exams, because I would have passed them.

(A) studied

(B) had studied

(C) have been studying

(D) study

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- 17.( ) As a professional pilot, Tim says flying a plane \_\_\_\_\_ exciting.  
 (A) be (B) is (C) am (D) are
- 18.( ) \_\_\_\_\_ his pocket full of money, the man wants to buy some gifts for his family.  
 (A) At (B) To (C) With (D) By
- 19.( ) My mother was very proud \_\_\_\_\_ me when I finally graduated from college.  
 (A) of (B) to (C) at (D) into
- 20.( ) \_\_\_\_\_ fun of by the boys, the poor girl burst out crying.  
 (A) Making (B) Made (C) Be made (D) Make
- 21.( ) With the wind \_\_\_\_\_ so hard, the roof can be torn apart any time.  
 (A) blowing (B) blow (C) blown (D) be blown
- 22.( ) The boy \_\_\_\_\_ wolf in the story finally lost the trust of other people.  
 (A) to cry (B) crying (C) cried (D) cries
- 23.( ) The creative teacher went into the classroom with a jar \_\_\_\_\_ with rock and sand.  
 (A) fill (B) filled (C) full (D) filling
- 24.( ) After several years working overseas, Ed ended up \_\_\_\_\_ English in Seoul.  
 (A) to teach (B) teaching (C) to teaching (D) have been taught
- 25.( ) Ryan has a dog, \_\_\_\_\_ was adopted from an animal shelter.  
 (A) who (B) which (C) that (D) where

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III. Reading Comprehension (20%) Please choose the most appropriate answer and write its corresponding letter (A, B, C, or D) on the answer card.

**Passage 1**

Few faces or careers are as iconic as that of Hollywood star Christopher Reeve. Attractive, masculine, and brave, he came to embody the original archetype of Superman. However, May 27, 1995 was the day that everything changed for Christopher Reeve. The actor, who played this universally recognized character in the movies, fell off his horse while riding. Reeve's spine was seriously injured, and the incident left his head and neck disconnected. Reeve had to be in a wheelchair for the rest of his life.

Reeve's life became difficult ever since. At first, a tube had to go down his throat and into his lungs to help him breathe, and he had to have dangerous surgery to connect his head and his neck. Despite being seriously injured, Reeve didn't let this challenge stand in his way. He made every effort to lead a normal life. He even resumed acting and started directing. His wife, Dana, said that **this work** filled him with energy and improved his health. He created the Christopher Reeve Foundation, which is dedicated to raising funds for research on spinal injury, finding treatment, and improving the quality of life for the disabled. His autobiography, *Still Me*, was on the *New York Times* Best Seller list for eleven weeks, and he won a Grammy in 1999 for narrating his own book.

When the first Superman movie was released, Reeve was frequently asked, "What is a hero?" He would say that a hero is someone who thinks little of the consequences and rushes to act courageously. After his accident, his answer changed. He believed that a hero is an ordinary person with the strength to continue despite all the obstacles. Christopher Reeve is truly a hero—first as Superman in the movies and now as himself in real life.

(Adapted from *People Magazine*, Maddie Garfinkle and Nicole Pomarico, October 10, 2025)

Source: "What Happened to Christopher Reeve? Everything to Know About His Life-Altering Accident, 21 Years After His Death"

<https://people.com/christopher-reeve-accident-death-11827196>

26. ( ) According to the passage, the life of Christopher Reeve had become tough since \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (A) he started out as an actor (B) he played a role as a superman  
 (C) he missed a Grammy in 1999 (D) he got injured in a horse riding
27. ( ) According to Christopher's wife, **this work** stands for \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (A) acting and directing (B) horse-riding  
 (C) playing superman in films (D) raising a foundation
28. ( ) According to the passage, the Christopher Reeve Foundation goals are as follows EXCEPT \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (A) raising fund for spinal injury  
 (B) finding the treatment for spinal injury  
 (C) improving the quality of life for the disabled  
 (D) promoting the safety of acting

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29. ( ) According to the passage, which of the following is **NOT** true about *Still Me*?
- (A) It is a book Christopher Reeve wrote about himself.  
 (B) It took Christopher eleven weeks to finish the autobiography.  
 (C) It had been on the *New York Times* Best Seller list.  
 (D) Christopher won a Grammy by narrating it.
30. ( ) After the accident, Christopher Reeve considered a hero to be a person who \_\_\_\_\_.
- (A) acts like a superman as he did in the movie  
 (B) is determined to sacrifice himself for others  
 (C) takes an ordinary attitude toward whatever life challenge is  
 (D) has a courageous act without thinking of the results

### Passage 2

As museums worldwide celebrate the 250th birthday of J.M.W. Turner, it is time to reappraise his celebrated painting, *The Fighting Temeraire*. Turner's painting, first unveiled in 1839, became a national sensation, once voted Britain's favorite painting and has now featured on £20 banknotes. However, the widely accepted interpretation of its message may, in fact, contradict Turner's true intentions.

The title refers to a 98-gun British warship, HMS *Temeraire*, which played a heroic role during the Napoleonic Wars. In 1838, the ship was dismantled, and Turner's painting depicts her being towed down the River Thames by a steam-powered tugboat. Many observers interpret the work nostalgically: the *Temeraire* as the hero and the tugboat as the villain, insinuating faded national glory. In a sense, *The Fighting Temeraire* indeed achieves Turner's ambition to gain his unprecedented popularity by **harnessing** people's sense of national pride.

Turner, however, was in fact fascinated by new technologies. In this beloved and well-known painting, the tugboat represents the transformative power of industry and modernity. Unlike his rival John Constable, whose works often romanticized rural England, Turner embraced the irreversible changes of the industrial age. He believed artists had a responsibility to discover beauty and significance in newness, capturing objects and experiences previously absent from traditional art.

Through this approach, Turner created a painting that celebrates both national pride and modern progress, leaving a legacy of insight into human experience and historical change.

(Adapted from BBC, Matt Wilson, April 17, 2025)

Source: "*The Fighting Temeraire: Why JMW Turner's greatest painting is so misunderstood*"

<https://www.bbc.com/culture/article/20250415-jmw-turner-at-250-why-his-greatest-painting-the-fighting-temeraire-is-so-misunderstood>

31. ( ) What is the main idea of this article?
- (A) J.M.W. Turner is the greatest painter in English art history.

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<p>(B) This iconic painting's message might, in fact, contradict Turner's true intentions.</p> <p>(C) The HMS Temeraire was the most important ship during the Napoleonic Wars.</p> <p>(D) Steam-powered technology was universally disliked by artists in Turner's time.</p> <p>32. ( ) In the passage, the writer says Turner's painting achieves to "harness" people's national pride. What does the word "harness" mean in this context?</p> <p>(A) to control and use effectively</p> <p>(B) to build a mechanical device</p> <p>(C) to ignore or reject</p> <p>(D) to decorate or embellish</p> <p>33. ( ) What makes Turner's <i>The Fighting Temeraire</i> different from his rival John Constable and demonstrates his masterstroke?</p> <p>(A) Its focus on a nostalgic, rural landscape</p> <p>(B) Its compelling metamorphosis that combines the beginning of a new and post-industrial lifecycle in human history</p> <p>(C) Its meticulous depiction of classical architectural structures</p> <p>(D) Its use of bright colors to celebrate the British monarchy</p> <p>34. ( ) What is the main theme that artists usually fail to address, but Turner skillfully captures, making his paintings memorable?</p> <p>(A) To discover significance in newness that had not previously been depicted in art</p> <p>(B) To emulate earlier masterpieces as accurately as possible</p> <p>(C) To emphasize national pride and historical victories</p> <p>(D) To focus on landscapes and natural beauties</p> <p>35. ( ) Which of the following descriptions best depicts Turner's artistic style?</p> <p>(A) Being sensible to everyday life and capturing memorable, subtle nuances</p> <p>(B) Creating abstract ideas with little connection to reality</p> <p>(C) Focusing on historical battles with artistic manipulation</p> <p>(D) Using bold, iridescent colors to impress viewers</p>					
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**IV. Essay. (30%)**

While inclusion is widely regarded as a social good, some argue that unlimited inclusion may weaken shared norms, institutional coherence, or collective decision-making.

Write an at least **500-word essay divided into two paragraphs.**

In the first paragraph, explain the key arguments **for and against** expansive inclusion.

In the second paragraph, state **your own stance**, and justify it by explaining **why you disagree with the opposing position.**



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