I. Listening Comprehension 15%

Part 1. Picture Questions (5%)
Look at each picture and answer the question.
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Part 2: Conversation Questions (10%)
Listen to each conversation and answer the question.
6. (A) It looks pretty and special.  
   (B) It fits her very well.  
   (C) It is simple and normal.  
   (D) It is really cheap.
7. (A) It is always cold at night.  
   (B) He likes the cold weather outside.  
   (C) It will probably be cold outside.  
   (D) He wants to know if it’s cold tonight.
8. (A) It’s a great color.  
   (B) It looks expensive.  
   (C) It feels very soft.  
   (D) It fits the woman well.
9. (A) She doesn’t like dancing.  
   (B) She can’t dance well.  
   (C) She has to go somewhere else.  
   (D) She listens to her parents.
10. (A) He doesn’t know what to study abroad.  
     (B) He can’t decide whether to study abroad.  
     (C) He is definitely going to study abroad.  
     (D) He has decided not to study abroad.

II. Vocabulary of Live Magazine 10%

(A) ancient  (B) cycle  (C) dramatic  (D) heartbreaking  (E) industry  
(AB) metal  (BC) organized  (CD) passion  (DE) slaves  (AE) throughout

11. Albert has been working in the film ______ for 10 years and made several good movies.
12. Many people have a ______ for chocolate but are afraid of getting fat if they eat too much.
13. Whenever reading ______ stories, I can’t help weeping a lot.
14. The four seasons of the year make one ______. They come back again and again in turn.
15. The pyramids were built in ______ times. They are at least 5000 years old.
16. Paper, glass and ______ can be recycled.
17. Many ______ used to be sold like merchandise from Africa to Europe and America.
18. You don’t need to be so ______ about breaking a nail. It’s not a big deal at all.
19. I think we can work faster in a well-________ office.

20. Hans drank a cup of tea for breakfast to keep himself awake ______ the morning.

III. Cloze(25%)

A group of boys hung around near my house one quiet afternoon. Probably out of boredom, they started entertaining themselves by throwing stones onto my roof. Among them, I was surprised to see the newsboy who delivered the newspaper to me every day. I saw him throwing a stone to my house, and then, I heard a loud crash and found my window __21__. All the boys, afraid __22__, ran away at once. Having known the newsboy for a while, I decided that I would believe in his better nature __23__ I would patiently wait for him to clear his mind. Three weeks passed. One night, when I sat near the window __24__ my favorite book, I saw the newsboy stealing toward my house and pushing something under the front door. It turned out to be an envelope. In the envelope were seven dollars and a note. The boy finally came to apologize and tried to right a wrong. I was __25__ proud of him that I decided to give the seven dollars back to him. After all, a mistake admitted is a mistake omitted. I am happy he conquered himself and chose to do the right thing.

21. (A) break       (B) breaking      (C) broke     (D) broken
22. (A) of being punished       (B) that they be punished   (C) to be caught   (D) they would be caught (選錯的)
23. (A) now that      (B) so that      (C) and that       (D) for that
24. (A) read         (B) reading      (C) to read      (D) and read (選錯的)
25. (A) very       (B) really       (C) too   (D) so

Dulcie is good at giving people advice. When people have difficulty fixing their problems, they sometimes __26__ her for help. Take Sam, for example. He is a high school student who is under great pressure from his parents. His parents want him to be a doctor and ask him to do nothing but study all day long. __27__, that is not what he wants. All he wants is some free time to do __28__ he wants to do. To solve his problem, Dulcie suggests that he try telling his parents __29__ and making a deal with them to get a day or two off each week. People of Sam’s age could face the same problem. But if they __30__ Dulcie’s advice and show some respect for their parents when communicating with them, they will stand a good chance of getting what they want and at the same time enjoy a good relationship with their parents.

26. (A) ask for    (B) cry for   (C) wave to   (D) turn to
27. (A) However   (B) Moreover   (C) Otherwise   (D) In addition
28. (A) which     (B) whatever   (C) what      (D) the things that (選錯的)
29. (A) how does he feel  (B) what does he feel (C) how he feels  (D) what he feels
30. (A) ask    (B) receive   (C) give    (D) follow

“The Selfish Giant” is a children’s story written by Oscar Wilde. It’s about a giant who was too selfish to share his pretty garden with children. Whenever he found them playing in his garden, he would angrily shout out loud to them. To keep them from __31__ into the garden, he built a wall around it and erected a sign that read “No Trespassing. Keep Out!” __32__, without the presence of children, his garden turned into a cold silent place. The birds stopped singing, the trees stopped blossoming, and the wind roared around. Then one morning, he was surprised to see a happy __33__. The children played happily, the birds sang beautifully, and the trees covered __34__ with blossoms. Suddenly, he came to realize that it was the children who brought back the spring. He finally understood the meaning of sharing and enjoyed playing with them __35__.

31. (A) delighting    (B) creeping      (C) producing     (D) disappearing
32. (A) Besides     (B) However   (C) In addition   (D) Beside
33. (A) symbol     (B) cloak  (C)hole  (D) sight
34. (A) them       (B) theirs        (C) themselves    (D) itself
35. (A) at present       (B) from now on  (C) from then on  (D) since then
When people want to get their messages across, in addition to using language, they can also use gestures. An important part of communication, people all over the world use gestures. In spite of this, the same gesture may have different meanings in different countries. Take the “V” sign for example. When a person forms it by both the index finger and the middle finger and if the palm is turned inward, the “victory” sign carries the same meaning in many areas of the world, including Britain. However, in Britain, if a person makes a similar gesture but turns the palm outward, he is likely to offend the people his hand gesture is pointing at. For this reason, it is surely wise to make sure that we learn the right gestures in the culture that we travel to. If not, we may closing the door on communication rather than open it.

36. (A) cross        (B) crossing        (C) across         (D) to cross
37. (A) With        (B) For            (C) To            (D) As
38. (A) rousing      (B) raising         (C) rising          (D) arising
39. (A) backward    (B) forward         (C) inward        (D) outward
40. (A) take up      (B) pick up         (C) end up         (D) put up

Are you a fan of Finding Nemo, Mr. Incredible or Up? If your answer is YES, then you should never miss the fun and exciting exhibition at the Taipei Fine Arts Museum – Pixar, 20 Years of Animation. (皮克斯動畫20年展)

You might be when you see the long line in front of the entrance of the venue; however, everything inside is definitely . Once you get in the exhibition hall, you will probably run to the 3-D model of your favorite cartoon character and marvel at it. Besides, the storylines are shown either on the huge, colorful storyboards or on the screens. You can see how the animators create and build up the stories and show how the characters and their world from the sketches.

In addition to the exhibits mentioned above, there is also an amazing Toy Story Zoetrope (幻影箱) that catches everyone’s eyes. You would see the 3-D characters from Toy Story on a large disc. the zoetrope turns at the rate of 18 frames per second, the viewer's mind fuses the images together as one, thus producing the illusion that the characters are moving! Sounds fun? Join us in celebrating the art and artists of Pixar at the Taipei Fine Arts Museum. But act quickly because the exhibition is only until November 1st!

41.  (A) shock            (B) shocked       (C) shocking             (D) shook
42. (A) seizing the day (B) worth the wait (C) catching the moment (D) turning back time
43. (A) come to think of it (B) come in handy (C) come to life       (D) come what may
44. (A) spin             (B) span             (C) spun                 (D) spinning
45. (A) As              (B) So                (C) Along                (D) With

IV. Reading Comprehension (20%)

1. A Star Has Fallen

He is one of the most talented, gifted superstars of all time. He is an icon, a legend. He is Michael Jackson, the King of Pop. On the night of June 25th, 2009, he was found dead in Los Angeles. Though he lived a difficult and controversial life, we were really lucky to have him with us for the past 50 years.

R. Taraborrelli once described Michael Jackson as the real-life Peter Pan, the boy who refused to grow up. Indeed, his terrible childhood life probably made him want to pursue innocence in his adulthood. For example, the surgeries to make him look younger, the amusement park he lived in, and the children playing around him. He simply wanted to buy back the lost childhood.

However his life was, Jackson’s dance and his music were influential to almost every singer and every entertainer in the past decades. His music videos and music even helped break down racial barriers in the US at that time. In late 2007, Jackson once said, “Music has been my outlet,
my gift to all of the lovers in this world. Through it, my music, I know I will live forever.”

Now, Michael has left us. Even though the world will never see Michael Jackson make the comeback he promised, what he created belonged to him. People will continue to worship him for another 50 years or so. And then when we see more people doing his moves or singing his songs, we would remember that they all came from him. That's his legacy, and he would live in our heart forever.

46. According to the article, which of the following fact is TRUE?
   (A) The author might not like Michael Jackson very much.
   (B) Michael Jackson had a lot of money, but his parents didn’t like him.
   (C) Michael Jackson is gone, and he didn’t leave anything for us to worship him.
   (D) Michael Jackson was an influential person to musicians, despite the fact that he didn’t have a peaceful childhood.

47. Which statement is WRONG about this article?
   (A) Michael Jackson thinks that his legacy would be his children and the amusement park.
   (B) The author quoted someone who compared Michael Jackson to Peter Pan.
   (C) Michael Jackson’s music videos helped improve interracial relationship in the US.
   (D) Being a great musician, Michael Jackson is confident about his music.

48. What could be the BEST summary of this article?
   (A) It is about Michael Jackson’s life and afterlife.
   (B) It is about the tragic and mysterious death of the superstar.
   (C) It is about how strange but smart Michael Jackson was.
   (D) It is about what changed Michael Jackson and how he changed the world with his music and dance.

2. A Man Who Learns How to Forgive

The following is a story about Larry Brown, a man who is willing to forgive, and live happily with a mended heart.

My name is Larry K. Brown, Jr. I am 33 years old, a prisoner at Waiawa Correctional Facility. I'm getting treatment to fix my addiction and my criminal conduct, but most importantly to learn more about myself.

During my childhood and early adult years, forgiveness was a way to get back at someone. If someone did something to me, I would forgive them until they thought everything was alright, and then I would turn around and do it back to them twice as bad. For me, forgiveness was a tool for revenge.

On January 1, 1981, my family had a house warming party in Waialua. The party started off well and everyone was having a good time. Then all I heard was BANG.

I remember that when I ran over to my dad, I thought he was sleeping. He was still alive and breathing at the time, so I tried shaking him to wake him up. He grabbed me in his arms and told me he loved me. I fell back asleep in his arms. And the next thing I remember was the paramedics lifting me off of him. Then later on that morning, I found out my dad and aunty died, and my mom was in the hospital fighting for her life.

Since my father's death, I have felt nothing but hate for the man who did this to my family and me. I carried this bitter anger and frustration through my adult life. All I wanted to do was to meet up with this man someday and pay him back for the pain he had caused. My negative thoughts led to negative behaviors, which led to crime and prison. I now realized that it was all a vicious circle.

Today, after the treatments I received in jail, I feel that I finally have forgiveness in my heart. It was not easy at all, but I know I want to be free of the hate that has been stopping me from pursuing the life I was wanted to live. Now, I consider myself lucky to be alive and I have come to realize that the vicious circle can be broken and that the power to do this is inside of me.

Adapted from the story of Larry Brown in Hawaii Forgiveness Project, 2009

49. What does the underlined phrase vicious circle probably mean?
(A) The same bad thing happens over and over again.
(B) A bad guy keeps spinning around and making everyone else do bad things.
(C) Something bad cause you to do something bad and this thing makes you do another bad thing again.
(D) A round, evil thing that turns.

50. According to Larry, what was EASY to do?
   (A) Forgiving people, especially the person who killed his dad and aunt.
   (B) Hating the man who shot his dad and his aunt.
   (C) Watching his mother fighting for life.
   (D) Pursuing the life he wants to live and doesn’t look back.

51. What can we learn from the story?
   (A) Revenge is a sweet.
   (B) We should use forgiveness as a way to get back at the ones we love.
   (C) The power and courage of forgiveness is already inside everyone.
   (D) Though forgiving others is difficult, we should still do it because we don’t have to go to jail if we forgive others.

3. Maybe you have heard something from your parents, your friends and even read in e-mails, but are you sure they are true? Let’s see some common myths (迷思), and maybe you’ll be surprised!

First Myth: Eating at night makes you fat.
Actually, it doesn’t matter what time of day you eat. As long as you eat only the total calories that you burn each day, you will not gain weight. If you eat fewer calories than you burn, you will lose weight, and if you eat more calories, you will gain. It is as simple as that.

Second Myth: Swimming is a great weight loss activity.
While swimming is a great exercise, professionals say the surprising truth is that unless you are swimming for hours a day, it may not help you lose a lot of weight. Because the water is supporting your body, you're not working as hard as you do when you run. Furthermore, people usually feel ravenous after swimming, so it may actually cause you to eat more than you normally would!

Third myth: It takes seven years for gum to pass through your digestive system (消化系統).
Mom always says that if you ever swallowed gum, you would have to wait for seven years to see it again! However, the truth is that the gum doesn’t stick to your insides, it just continues along with any food you have eaten and pops out the other end. Although gum is indigestible, which actually just means your stomach acids (胃酸) are unable to break down the components (成份) of gum.

Fourth Myth: It's easier to catch a cold when it's cold outside.
Mom always says, “Put on a jacket or you’ll catch a cold!” But is it true? There’s a link between cold weather and colds, but it’s not what you think. You see, the “common cold” is caused by the rhinovirus (鼻病毒), and temperature has no effect on them. So why do people get a cold when it's cold outside? Because cold weather usually makes people stay indoors, which might increase the chance for people to catch other people’s virus. So, if your mother were smart, she would kick you outside when it’s winter!

52. From your understanding, what could the underlined word ravenous probably mean?
   (A) very sad    (B) very hungry   (C) very bored   (D) very thirsty

53. Which of the following fact is TRUE?
   (A) Swimming cannot help us lose weight at all.
   (B) Wearing an extra jacket can stop you from catching a cold.
   (C) Gum is hard to be digested by your stomach acids.
   (D) Snacks at night are worse than snacks in the morning.

54. What can we learn from this article?
   (A) What our parents or friends told us are not always true.
   (B) If you swallow a gum and you see it a week later, there’s something wrong with you.
(C) Swimming more and avoiding mid-night snacks are effective ways for people to lose weight.
(D) Temperature can influence rhinovirus a lot.

55. What could be the title of this article?
   (A) Actually, Your Parents Are Wrong.
   (B) Some New Ideas That Changed the World.
   (C) Never Believe What Others Tell You!
   (D) Common Medical Myths That You Should Know.

V. Vocabulary (14%)

1. When I asked Jimmy why he failed to pass the test, he shook his head silently and gave no evidence of it, so I still don’t know what happened to him.
2. David crashed his car accidentally, but the car is as good as new now after he spent a lot of money repairing it.
3. I advised her not to marry in a haste, but she wouldn’t listen. I wish I knew how to tell her to do what I think is better for her.
4. When we need to change our clothes, we all want to be alone and have some privacy. No one likes to be watched when dressing or undressing.
5. Taking a vacation now and then will help us reduce our stress. After taking a good rest during the vacation, we always feel less stressful.
6. When we say a person is born with a silver spoon in his mouth, we mean the person is born into a rich family.
7. When I traveled to South Korea for the first time, I encountered a great many cultural shocks. There are a lot of differences between Taiwan and South Korea.
8. For the Chinese, red signifies good luck. Therefore, red is used on many special occasions, like weddings and New Year decorations.
9. When you say something offensive and make people feel angry, you should make an apology and say sorry to them immediately.
10. You all must have studied very hard in junior high school; otherwise, it’s impossible for you to be admitted to HSNU, the best senior high all over Taiwan.
11. Mother Teresa is surely respected in what she has devoted to the world.
12. I prefer buying products made in Taiwan since they receive better quality control.
13. The student, who skipped the class yesterday, was found lying against the tree in sleep afterward.
14. No offense, but I think the spaghetti tastes like rubber.

VI. Translation 16% （根據提示的句型作答）

1. 我所要的是在校和多一點人相處，這樣我在別人面前才不會感到害羞或緊張。
2. 隔天，那位陷入麻煩的男孩將報紙交給老太太，快樂地回應她溫暖的笑容。 (V1, Ving)
3. 抽屜內有一個心型的金鎖（Adv.+V+S），它看起來像是愛的象徵。
4. 由於這些差異，如果我們想打開溝通之門的話，使用正確的手勢就變得很重要。
Part 1. Picture Questions (5%)  
Look at each picture and answer the question.

(A) 1. What’s wrong with the man? (9-p. 15)  
(A) He feels pain.  
(B) He is bleeding.  
(C) He has a fever.  
(D) He cut himself.

(C) 2. What is the man doing? (9-p. 25)  
(A) Giving a speech.  
(B) Giving a presentation.  
(C) Giving a performance.  
(D) Giving some advice.

(B) 3. Where are the students? (9-p. 29)  
(A) In an alley.  
(B) In the hallway.  
(C) On the playground.  
(D) In a forest.

(B) 4. What is the boy doing to the toy? (9-p. 37)  
(A) He is pulling it.  
(B) He is spinning it.  
(C) He is dropping it.  
(D) He is cleaning it.

(B) 5. Who is the man in the picture? (9-p. 47)  
(A) A dentist.  
(B) A scientist.  
(C) A detective.  
(D) A barber.

Part 2: Conversation Questions (10%)  
Listen to each conversation and answer the question.

(A) 6. M: That’s a really fancy dress you have on! (9-p. 15)  
F: Oh, I got it on sale at the mall.
Q: What does the man say about the dress?
(A) It looks pretty and special.
(B) It fits her very well.
(C) It is simple and normal.
(D) It is really cheap.

(C) 7. M: Are you ready to go yet? (9-p. 23)
F: Almost. What time do we have to be there?
M: I think 6pm. Bring a coat, it's likely to be cold tonight.
F: OK. I'll wear my new one.
Q: What does the man mean?
(A) It is always cold at night.
(B) He likes the cold weather outside.
(C) It will probably be cold outside.
(D) He wants to know if it's cold tonight.

(A) 8. M: Is that a new dress you are wearing? (9-p. 31)
F: Yes, it is. What do you think?
M: It's a very nice shade.
F: Thank you very much.
Q: What does the man say about the dress?
(A) It's a great color.
(B) It looks expensive.
(C) It feels very soft.
(D) It fits the woman well.

(D) 9. M: Why can’t you go to the dance? (9-p. 49)
F: My parents say I can’t.
M: Can’t you go and not tell them?
F: No, I want to obey them.
Q: Why won’t the woman go to the dance?
(A) She doesn’t like dancing.
(B) She can’t dance well.
(C) She has to go somewhere else.
(D) She listens to her parents.

(B) 10. F: Are you going to study abroad? (9-p. 56)
M: I haven’t made up my mind yet.
F: What are you thinking of?
M: Well, it’s very expensive.
Q: What is TRUE about the man?
(A) He doesn’t know what to study abroad.
(B) He can’t decide whether to study abroad.
(C) He is definitely going to study abroad.
(D) He has decided not to study abroad.