Part One: Vocabulary (20%) Choose the one answer that best completes each sentence

1. If you like to learn a language well, it is best to ________ yourself in it completely.
   A. employ    B. ensure    C. immerse    D. stigmatize

2. It was said that Edward Snowden, who ________ top-secret US surveillance data, asks Ecuador for asylum after flying to Moscow from Hong Kong.
   A. imposed    B. leaked    C. jammed    D. sloped

3. ________ is a powerful emotion, and we feel it when we blame ourselves for things that turned out badly.
   A. Regret    B. Obesity    C. Sympathy    D. Grudge

4. Drinking one glass of this energy drink is the ________ to eating a large steak and a plate of salads.
   A. substantial    B. commission    C. confinement    D. equivalent

5. More and more college students need to take out a student ________ under domestic economic recess.
   A. loan    B. dorm    C. refund    D. venue

6. Fill out this form if you are a ________ subscriber and have changed your mailing address.
   A. contemporary    B. current    C. prevailing    D. gregarious

7. Experts say walking for 30 minutes three times a week is one of the best ways for a person to ________ healthy.
   A. preserve    B. remain    C. consider    D. maintain

8. We have increased the class size and ________ the facilities we offer to our students.
   A. expanded    B. enlarged    C. impressed    D. reduced

9. Giving young children daily vitamin D ________ may reduce their risk of type 1 diabetes.
   A. supplements    B. substitution    C. replacements    D. tabloids

10. TNN Investments has announced that all of its clients are ________ for a complimentary membership at a nearby gym.
    A. allowable    B. desirable    C. eligible    D. suitable

Part Two: Sentence Structures and Written Expressions (20%)

11. ________ his injury, Mickey Smith stopped weight lifting and started his culinary career.
    A. Due to that    B. As to    C. Instead of    D. As a result of

12. To ensure security, Mr. Lee has his van ________ once a year.
    A. tuned up    B. being serviced    C. to fix    D. get repairing

13. Most nomads of this country have chosen not to go to cities, ________.
    A. attend schools or get jobs    B. attending schools or quitting jobs
    C. and attend schools and jobs    D. attend school and getting a job

14. Ms. Chen deeply believes the theory ________ gain something good in return.
    A. for people to give    B. that those who give
    C. that those people    D. those who enjoy to give

15. By the time I arrived at the wedding reception, most of the guests ________.
    A. pretending not have seen me    B. had already left
    C. would have been leaving    D. are about to leave
16. Those senior citizens would stay in this retirement home for good. ______________ they are permanent residents of this facility.
   A. Otherwise B. Unfortunately C. Nevertheless D. In other words
17. After the movie Twister came out, there was a sudden increase in travel to places ___________.
   A. where violent storms are common B. which has violent and common storms
   C. where visitors and storms are common D. which has common visitors and violent storms
18. ______________ in movies and TV shows, companies are still looking for new places to market their products.
   A. Without spreading products B. With product placement already so widespread
   C. With widespread products D. Without product placement overly spread
19. Only after you devote more time to your practicing ______________ a good violinist.
   A. you will be B. will you become C. so that you can become D. you will definitely be
20. Hemingway became part of the “Lost Generation” writers in Paris, ______________ that also included F. Scott Fitzgerald.
   A. a prominent group B. it was a prominent group C. so there is a prominent group D. while the prominent group

Part Three: Cloze Test (30%) Choose ONE best answer to fill in each blank

For Questions 21-25, please read the following passage retrieved from http://www.taipetimes.com
The Ministry of Justice is proposing stiffer punitive measures for drunk drivers involved in fatal accidents amid efforts to address a public outcry following a number of fatal accidents caused by driving ____(21)____. If the amendments were adopted, drunk drivers ____(22)____ hit and kill a person would face a prison term of between three and 10 years, with no possibility of commuting the sentence to probation or a fine. For drunk drivers not involved in a ____(23)____ accident, the new penalty for drunk driving would be between two months and two years, and the sentences also could not be commuted. The ministry said it believes imposing stricter punishments on drunk drivers ____(24)____ people from driving while under the influence. The proposed measures will be delivered to the Executive Yuan ____(25)____ before being sent to the legislature for adoption.

21. A. with the alcohol B. under the influence C. within the impact D. hangover effect
22. A. have B. seriously C. who D. would
23. A. deadly B. minor C. traffic D. dangerous
24. A. deter B. may have deterred C. may deter D. for approval
25. A. to conduct B. for conduction C. to applaud D. for approval

For questions 26-30, please read the following passage.
Some Americans ____(26)____ the 911 terrorist attacks to Japan's attacks on Pearl Harbor in 1941. They were similar because both were surprise attacks. However, there were several differences as well. In the case of Pearl Harbor, ____(27)____ is not part of the US mainland, most casualties were military personnel. The enemies were known to be from Japan. ____(28)____, in the September 11
attacks, the terrorists were not from one nation. Besides, the World Trade Center towers and the Pentagon, ____(29)____ of American capitalism and military power, are located in the US mainland. With the exception of some of those who died in the Pentagon, all the other victims were innocent civilians, from as many as 70 countries. Both the total number of deaths and the cost of destruction far exceeded ____(30)____ of Japan’s attacks on Pearl Harbor.

26. A. compete  B. compare  C. combine  D. confine
27. A. where  B. what  C. that  D. which
28. A. If so  B. In general  C. On the other hand  D. As a matter of fact
29. A. symbols  B. images  C. characteristics  D. signals
30. A. that  B. those who  C. those  D. in spite

Part Four: Reading Comprehension (30%)
For Questions 31-32, please read the following information adopted from New TOEIC: 9 Full Practice Tests

CHECK OUT PERIODS:
Books ... 21 days (1 renewal)
DVDs & Videos ... 14 days (no renewal)
Reserves ... 3 hours (in-library use only)

An overdue notice will be sent 1 day after the item is due. There is a 7 days grace period to return the item with no charges.

If the item is not returned within the grace period, you will be billed an NT$500 replacement cost and NT$100 non-refundable fee. When the item is returned after the bill has been sent, the replacement fee can be waived, but the NT$100 non-refundable fee cannot.

Patrons are responsible for all items checked out under their name. You may check the

31. Jason checked out a DVD on 8 June and returned it on 30 June. How much will he need to pay?
   A. NT$500  B. NT$100  C. NT$0  D. NT$600
32. The underlined word is closest in meaning to the following EXCEPT ________ in the context.
   A. users  B. clients  C. readers  D. librarians

For Questions 33-36, please read the following passages retrieved from http://blog.ulisesmejias.com
Although a lot is said about the endless possibilities and futures that technology can place at our feet, and the innovative opportunities for “identity production” that it affords the networked self, I sometimes get the feeling that technology can in fact guarantee only one possible outcome: uniformity (i.e. more of the same, as in standardized futures and homogenous identities at the service of a single driving force). How dare I say this, when we live in a period of endless innovation and relentless progress? Well, in part precisely because of the endless and relentless nature of
change. Yes, it is more than obvious that the world is changing as a result of our use of technology. But is this the kind of change that signifies new horizons for humanity, or merely a continuation of changes that, since the Industrial Revolution, are predictable and (more forebodingly) unstoppable? In other words, is "Human 2.0" really a testament to the greatness of the spirit, or simply a collection of useless features that not only fail to improve on the original, but in fact bar the doors to any kind of evolution that deviates from a particular path?

Such are the concerns that, although framed differently, also seem to preoccupy Theodore John Rivers in his book Contra Technologiam. The book is not constructed as a traditional scholarly work, replete with references and research data to support the arguments. If anything, it is more of a polemic, a philosophical paralogy for a society obsessed with technology; and it is because of this and its rhetorical power that I appreciate it (which does not mean I agree completely with it). In Rivers we find no superficial neo-Luddism, but an insightful analysis of how technology limits our choices even while proclaiming to expand them. In the context of our current narratives about how technology can redefine social structures and enhance our ways of knowing, I think these are critiques that need to be taken seriously. Rivers forces us to confront the Faustian bargain we have made with technology and ask: Are we in fact not accelerating our de-humanization while believing we are struggling for our freedom?

33. According to the contents, the article is most probably written for _______.
   A. a research report    B. a declaration    C. a book review    D. an advertisement

34. Which of the following would best indicate the purpose of Rivers' critique of technology?
   A. to deny the importance of technology and praise humanity
   B. to explain technology according to technological advancement
   C. to call into attention the negative impact of technology back in the 19th century
   D. to reflect on potentials and limits of technology in our time, especially when it is related to humanity

35. According to the passages, the author shows an attitude against _______.
   A. the progress of humanization    B. the change and innovation of technology without end
   C. the application of technology    D. the belief of modernization

36. The underlined word in the second paragraph is closest in meaning to _______.
   A. contention    B. disagreement    C. concentration    D. marvel

For Questions 37-40, please read the following passages adopted from New York Times.

For readers, the most valuable information in the report may be the results of a survey asking college admissions officers what criteria they most prize in a transfer applicant. "The postsecondary grade point average is clearly the most important factor for transfer admission," the researchers report. Also, Andrew Flagel, associate vice president for enrollment development and dean of
admission at George Mason University, says, "Colleges, particularly driven by some of the policies of the current administration, are realizing that transfer students are a tremendous source of quality students and diverse students, and as a result many colleges are finally beginning to adjust to more rational transfer policies."

Mr. Flagel has also written a dissertation on the subject, through Michigan State University. Among the reasons he identifies for transferring is students’ desire to move from a community-college setting to that of a more traditional four-year college.

37. What “reality” is lost in those statistics about university admission and graduation rates?
   A. Many transfer students don’t know community colleges are 2-year setting.
   B. Many community college graduates will enroll in a 4-year college.
   C. Many college students do stick to their school until graduation.
   D. Many people don’t know there are so many transfer students in college.

38. Which of the following is NOT true about those transfer students?
   A. They are in fact better in academic performances.
   B. They come from all different areas and with various interests.
   C. Their GPA score in high school must be higher in order to transfer successfully.
   D. They prefer studying in a 4-year college or university.

39. According to Mr. Flagel’s research, what motivates most students to transfer?
   A. prize and scholarship
   B. desire to study in a four-year college
   C. to find new identities
   D. to get higher grade point average

40. The underlined word in Line 6 is closest in meaning to _____.
   A. standards
   B. challenges
   C. blunders
   D. foundations

This is the end of the test.