I. Multiple choice: Write down the letter of the best answer of each question.

1. Tom is not the student ____ he used to be.
   a. who  b. whom  c. which  d. that

2. Large supermarkets are usually beneficial to the region ____.
   a. which they are located  b. where are they located
   c. located are they where  d. in which they are located.

3. To help your students the problems troubling them, ____.
   a. a teacher should be equipped with the knowledge required
   b. the students should be made known of their difficult situation
   c. nothing is better than the offering of a teacher’s money
   d. keeping a teacher’s promise is most important

4. Tom: Were you ever able to give John the message?
   Jane: Yes, I finally succeeded ____ by phone.
   a. to reaching him  b. of reaching him  c. to reach him  d. in reaching him

5. The capacity of a locomotive has a part ____.
   a. that train size is determined  b. in determining the size of a train
   c. to determine train size  d. the size of a train is determined by

6. It seems very difficult ____.
   a. to forbid Taiwanese from pollute this land
   b. to forbid Taiwanese to pollute this land
   c. to stop Taiwanese to pollute this land
   d. restraining Taiwanese to pollute this land

7. Beginners of a foreign language usually have a lot of difficulties ____ various details, and they need to spend a considerable amount of time mastering it.
   a. handling  b. to handle  c. handles  d. handles

8. Within the last year, astronomers have come closer than ever ____.
   a. to deciding which of the questions is right
   b. to decide which of the questions is right
   c. deciding whether the question is right or not
   d. and decide which of the questions is right

9. John’s wife must be looking forward as much to his return as he himself is to ____ her.
   a. see  b. have been  c. seeing  d. having seen

10. You have no business ____ to me the way you did yesterday.
    a. to talk  b. being talked  c. to be talked  d. talking

II. Multiple choice: choose the letter of the incorrect part underlined.

11. Long before human beings launched the first artificial satellites into space, the Russian scientists will have presented the possibilities of space colonization.
    a.  b. c. d.

12. An experienced psychiatrist knows very well that an adolescent usually become more or less anxious when he starts to mature sexually.
    a. b. c.

13. Asbestosis is defined as a chronic lung disease directly related to prolonged inhalation of asbestos particles. blocking the lungs with thick fibrous tissue.
    a. b. c. d.

14. Benjamin Franklin was known for his versatility and roles in American history. served the country as a statesman, diplomat, scientist. as well as inventor.
    a. b. c. d.

15. For alleviate the psychological pressure for workers to deal with the very tough daily work, psychiatrists have suggested some effective methods for them to adjust to their working conditions.
    a. b. c. d.
16. In 1978 Naomi Uemura became the **first man** travel **alone** to the North Pole only on foot and **by dog sled.**

17. The term "know-how" is an informal word **often used to referring to the knowledge** of the methods or techniques of doing something, especially something scientific or technical.

18. Since humans are **exploiting natural resources at the expense of our environment,** we must **make great efforts** for **preventing** it from **becoming progressively worse.**

19. Today many college students in Taiwan **look for the highest-paying jobs** during summer vacation **for to earn** some money for their **school expenses.**

20. We Taiwanese **must take immediate measures to prevent juvenile delinquency to become progressively worse.**

III. **Question 1-5**

It is not often realized that women held a high place in southern European societies in the 10th and 11th centuries. As a wife, the woman was protected by the setting up of a dowry or **decimum.** Admittedly, the purpose of this was to protect her against the risk of desertion, but in reality its function in the social and family life of the time was much more important. The **decimum** was the wife's right to receive a tenth of all her husband's property. The wife had the right to receive a tenth of all her husband's property. The wife had the right to withhold consent, in all transactions the husband would make. And more than just a right: the documents show that she enjoyed a real power of decision, equal to that of her husband. In no case do the documents indicate any degree of difference in the legal status of husband and wife.

The wife shared in the management of her husband's personal property, but the opposite was not always true. Women seemed perfectly prepared to defend their own inheritance against husbands who tried to exceed their rights, and on occasion they showed a fine fighting spirit. A case in point is that of Maria Vivas, a Catalan woman of Barcelona. Having agreed with her husband Miro to sell a field she had inherited, for the needs of the household, she insisted on compensation. None being offered, she succeeded in dragging her husband to the scribe to have a contract duly drawn up assigning her a piece of land from Miro's personal inheritance. The unfortunate husband was obliged to agree, as the contract says, "for the sake of peace." Either through the dowry or through being hot-tempered, the Catalan wife knew how to win herself, within the context of the family, a powerful economic position.

21. A **decimum** was
   A. the wife's inheritance from her father.
   B. a gift of money to the new husband.
   C. a written contract.
   D. the wife's right to receive one-tenth of her husband's property.

22. In the society described in the passage, the legal standing of the wife in marriage was
   A. higher than that of her husband.
   B. lower than that of her husband.
   C. the same as that of her husband.
   D. higher than that of a single woman.

23. What compensation did Maria Vivas get for the field?
   A. some of the land Miro had inherited
   B. a tenth of Miro's land
24. Could a husband sell his wife's inheritance?
   A. no, under no circumstances
   B. yes, whenever he wished to
   C. yes, if she agreed
   D. yes, if his father-in-law agreed

25. Which of the following is NOT mentioned as an effect of the dowry system?
   A. The husband had to share the power of decision in marriage.
   B. The wife was protected from desertion.
   C. The wife gained a powerful economic position
   D. The husband was given control over his wife's property

IV. Question 6-15

Ralph Earl was born into a Connecticut farm family in 1751. He chose early to become a pointer and looked for what training was available in his home state and in Boston. Earl was one of the first American artists to paint landscapes. Among his first paintings were scenes from the Revolutionary War battles of Lexington and Concord. In 1778 Earl went to London to study with Benjamin West for four years.

When Earl returned to the United States, he was jailed for fourteen months for outstanding debts. While still a prisoner, he painted portraits of some of New York City's most elegant society women and their husbands. After his release, he took up the trade of itinerant portrait painter, working his way through southern New England and New York. Earl didn't flatter his subjects, but his portraits show a deep understanding of them, perhaps because he had sprung from the same roots.

Among Earl's most famous paintings is his portrait of Justice Oliver Ellsworth and his wife, Abigail. To provide counterpoint to the severity of the couple, he accurately details the relative sunlit fields, well-kept fences, and a bend of the Connecticut River. One of Earl's paintings is something of an anomaly. Reclining Hunter, which for many years was attributed to Thomas Gainsborough, shows a well-dressed gentleman resting beneath a tree. In the foreground, he displays a pile of another of the hunter's victims. This outrageously funny portrait couldn't have been commissioned - no one would have wanted to be portrayed in such an absurd way. However, this painting uncharacteristically shows Earl's wit as well as his uncommon technical skills.

26. What is the author's main purpose?
   a. To discuss the life and work of an American painter
   b. To compare the art of Ralph Earl and Thomas Gainsborough
   c. To trace Ralph Earl's artistic influences
   d. To describe the art scene in New York in the late eighteenth century

27. Which of the following is NOT given in the passage as a subject of one of Earl's paintings?
   A. People
   B. Landscapes
   C. Battle scenes
   D. Fruit and flowers

28. According to the passage, Benjamin West was Ralph Earl's
   A. subject.
   B. teacher.
   C. student.
   D. rival.
29. Which of the following could be substituted for outstanding (line 9) without changing the meaning of the sentence?
   A. Excellent
   B. Shocking
   C. Unpaid
   D. Illegal

30. The word itinerant in line 10 is closest in meaning to which of the following?
   A. Traveling
   B. successful
   C. Talented
   D. Innovative

31. The author uses the phrase sprung from the same roots (line 12) to indicate the Ralph Earl and his subjects
   A. lived in the same town
   B. were about the same age
   C. were equally successful
   D. had the same background

32. According to the passage, one of the distinguishing features of the portrait of Oliver and Abigail Ellsworth is the contrast between
   A. the plainness of the figures and the luxury of the furnishings
   B. the two styles used to paint the two figure
   C. the sunlit fields and the dark interior
   D. the straight fences and the curving Connecticut River

33. Why does the author refer to Reclining Hunter as "something of an anomaly"?
   A. It is so severe.
   B. It is quite humorous.
   C. It shows Earl's talent.
   D. It was commissioned.

34. The word he in line 19 refers to
   A. Ralph Earl
   B. the farmer
   C. the hunter
   D. Thomas Gainsborough

35. The author's attitude toward Ralph Earl is
   A. admiring
   B. antagonistic
   C. neutral
   D. unflattering

V. Choose the correct English expression

36. [A] The police is on the track of the murderer.
    [B] His family is consisted of three members.
    [C] I am not believing what she told me.
    [D] An air crash happened in USA last week.

37. [A] The weather in Taiwan is better than America.
    [B] Her beautiful clothes are more beautiful than me.
    [C] Tom's and Helen's school lies in front of the train station.
    [D] It is of critical importance to maintain vigorous.

38. [A] He is as tall teacher as that one.
    [B] My salary is many times as much as yours.
    [C] There are two buildings on the street. One is the bus station, and another is the police station.
    [D] My furnitures are very expensive.
[B] Though he is very poor, but he studies very hard.  
[C] Because he is lazy, he fails the entrance examination.  
[D] During he stayed in New York, he got acquainted with many friends.

40. [A] The swimming team is consisted of three members.  
[B] She is dressed a charming clothing.  
[C] There are many crimes taking place during summer vacation.  
[D] It spends me twenty dollars to buy that dictionary.

41. [A] When I arrived New York, my first impression was the Statue of Liberty.  
[B] It was during the 1920’s that the friendship between Hemingway and Fitzgerald reached their highest point.  
[C] The decision to ration a commodity rests on a judgment, of its relative scarcity, it is important, and the feasibility of controlling it.  
[D] During a hurricane, there should be some windows partially opened to keep the air pressure equalized.

42. [A] About one-fourth of all the energy used in the United States it is changed into electric power.  
[B] One of the most useful abilities you can develop in college is to think for oneself.  
[C] The hammer has been used as a tool since the Neolithic period, when was invented.  
[D] For government positions in the field of environmental health, it is necessary to pass a civil service examination.

43. [A] In the past, the rulers of the country has been selfish, but the present king has great respect and concern for his people.  
[B] During the prolonged celebration, the village bell was audible to the ear more than two miles away.  
[C] Fireworks, which originated century ago in China, were brought to Europe by Marco Polo.  
[D] I didn’t go to the party, but I do wish I had been there.

44. [A] I study hard in order to passing the entrance examination held by Chao-Yang University.  
[B] To pass the exam, studying hard is necessary.  
[C] Looking out of the window, the sun is high above the sky.  
[D] Culture and imperialism are of importance in our study of post-colonial literature.

45. [A] The whale weighs more than twenty pounds.  
[B] Serial murder is now bothered our society.  
[C] That dictionary cost more than twenty dollars.  
[D] Air conditioners are sold good during summer vacation.

46. _____ theories have been advanced to account for the existence of many supernatural phenomena.  
[A] They have many  
[B] There have been many  
[C] Many  
[D] That many

47. _____ the fact that he was very shy, he volunteered to rescue those who were trapped on the mountains during the stormy days.  
[A] Though  
[B] Despite  
[C] In spite  
[D] Even although

48. A tariff is customarily collected on goods _____ into a country.  
[A] come  
[B] coming  
[C] came  
[D] have coming

49. Wood furniture does not depreciate in value _____ properly handled and protected.  
[A] if  
[B] has  
[C] and  
[D] that

50. One day the new idea for my dissertation came into my mind _____  
[A] while I was walking in the park  
[B] while walking in the park  
[C] when I went to walking in the park  
[D] when I walk in the park

VI. English Composition: Please write an article of about 150 words. The topic is “Does Taiwan Need to Build the Fourth Nuclear Power Plant?” You are asked to write at least three paragraphs: introduction, body and conclusion. (50 points)