一、請從(A)(B)(C)(D)四個選項中，選出最適合劃線部份題意的字或詞。（共十題，每題二分）

1. Unlike the common cold, flu tends to start ______.
   (A) mysteriously  (B) seasonally  (C) suddenly  (D) continuously

2. Throughout most of their lives, human beings ______ perpetually learn and increase their mental capacities.
   (A) readily  (B) constantly  (C) eventually  (D) excessively

3. In deference to his age and position, the group decided to give him a chance to speak.
   (A) association  (B) preference  (C) reaction  (D) respect

4. Her speech is so ______ that the audience is becoming restless from listening to her.
   (A) wordy  (B) disputed  (C) tacit  (D) versatile

5. Many fossils are ______ by changes in the surface of the earth.
   (A) ruined  (B) formed  (C) revealed  (D) transformed

6. At the party, try not to ______ yourself from everyone else.
   (A) asseverate  (B) separate  (C) regulate  (D) integrate

7. In textbooks, graphs are used to illustrate further details and assist text comprehension.
   (A) verify  (B) list  (C) deter  (D) explain

8. The government seeks to prevent ______ and misleading advertising.
   (A) deceitful  (B) noticeable  (C) unnecessary  (D) radical

9. Soil formation is extremely slow, especially in its ______ stages.
   (A) premature  (B) early  (C) modern  (D) latent

10. I need something that will ______ this print so that I can see it better.
    (A) confine  (B) examine  (C) compact  (D) enlarge

二、請就句意與文法，從(A)(B)(C)(D)四個選項中選出最適當的答案完成各句。（共十五題，每題二分）

11. Usually young people ______ new things from other countries.
    (A) are interesting with  (B) interest with  (C) interests in  (D) are interested in

12. Television advertising costs ______ print advertising.
    (A) more than  (B) the most  (C) most  (D) much more

13. Before the dam ______, the river overflowed its banks every spring.
    (A) was built  (B) built  (C) was building  (D) builds

14. If we ______ earlier, there would have been tickets available.
    (A) have inquired  (B) inquired  (C) will inquire  (D) had inquired

15. Ms. Nelson always arrives on time, ______ her long commute.
    (A) because of  (B) because  (C) since  (D) in spite of

16. ______ a liquid changes to a solid, heat is given off.
    (A) That  (B) Sometime  (C) Whenever  (D) From

17. Copperplate, a highly ornate form of handwriting, is ______ in common use.
    (A) no one  (B) no longer  (C) no matter  (D) none of

18. ______, all animals need oxygen, water, food, and the proper range of temperatures.
    (A) To survive  (B) Their survival  (C) Surviving  (D) They survive

19. Dry farming is a type of agriculture used in areas ______ less than 20 inches of rainfall.
    (A) there are  (B) in which is  (C) where there is  (D) which has

20. ______ get older, the games they play become increasingly complex.
    (A) For children to  (B) Children  (C) As children  (D) Children, when they

21. Although drama is a form of literature, ______ from the other types in the way it is presented.
    (A) it but is different  (B) it differs  (C) is different  (D) despite the difference

22. ______ species of wild goats, only one, the Rocky Mountain goat, is native to North America.
    (A) The ten  (B) Ten of the  (C) Of the ten  (D) There are ten
23. (B) That a

24. (B) so they

25. (B) other ones

三、以下兩篇短文中各有幾個空格，每格有四個選項，請依文意選出最適當的答案完成文中各句。

Medical research has shown that mothers are right when they tell children to eat their vegetables. Fruits and vegetables have been shown to contain (26) compounds that (27) the body to stay healthy. Experts think that some of these compounds may even help fight off (28) such as cancer. They recommend that people (29) a minimum of five servings of fruits and vegetables each day. Of course, for maximum benefit, this should (30) an overall reduction of dietary fat (including meats and cheeses) and a regular program of physical activity.

31. (B) Have

32. (B) taking

33. (B) embrace

34. (B) for

35. (B) striking

36. (B) defendant

37. (B) careful

38. (B) which

39. (B) who

40. (B) as much as
In the beginning of the nineteenth century, the American educational system was desperately in need of reform. Private schools existed, but only for the very rich, and there were very few public schools because of the strong sentiment that children who would grow up to be laborers should not “waste” their time on education but should instead prepare themselves for their life's work. It was in the face of this public sentiment that educational reformers set about their task. Horace Mann, probably the most famous of the reformers, felt that there was no excuse in a republic for any citizen to be uneducated. As Superintendent of Education in the state of Massachusetts from 1837 to 1848, he initiated various changes, which were soon matched in other school districts around the country. He extended the school year from five to six months and improved the quality of teachers by instituting teacher education and raising teacher salaries. Although these changes did not bring about a sudden improvement in the educational system, they at least increased public awareness as to the need for a further strengthening of the system.

41. Which of the following would be the most appropriate title for the passage?
(A) A Fight for Change  
(B) Nineteenth-Century Reform  
(C) American Education  
(D) The Beginnings of Reform in American Education

42. It is implied in the passage that to go to a private school, a student needed
(A) a high level of intelligence  
(B) a strong educational background  
(C) good grades  
(D) a lot of money

43. The word *sentiment* in line 3 is closest in meaning to
(A) action  
(B) opinion  
(C) sensation  
(D) disagreement

44. Why is the word “waste” in line 4 punctuated in this manner?
(A) The author wants to emphasize how much time was wasted on education.  
(B) The author is quoting someone else who said that education was a waste of time.  
(C) The author thinks that education is not really a waste of time.  
(D) The author does not want students to waste their time on education.

45. What are *reformers* in line 6?
(A) people who try to change things for the better  
(B) people who really enjoy teaching  
(C) people who believe that education is wasted  
(D) people who work for the government

46. According to the passage, why did Horace Mann want a better educational system for Americans?
(A) Education at the time was so cheap.  
(B) In a republic, all citizens should be educated.  
(C) People had nothing else to do except go to school.  
(D) Massachusetts residents needed something to do with their spare time.

47. The word *initiated* in line 9 is closest in meaning to
(A) regretted  
(B) broadened  
(C) overturned  
(D) started

48. The word *matched* in line 10 could best be replaced by
(A) observed  
(B) equaled  
(C) fitted  
(D) burnt

49. According to the passage, which of the following is a change that Horace Mann instituted?
(A) better teacher training  
(B) increased pay for students  
(C) the five-month school year  
(D) the matching of other districts' policies

50. The word *they* in line 13 refers to
(A) teachers  
(B) reformers  
(C) changes  
(D) students