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## 英语

### Part I Vocabulary and Structure (35%)

**Directions:** There are 35 incomplete sentences in this part. For each sentence, there are four choices marked A, B, C and D. Choose the one that best completes the sentence, and then mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet.

- Nearly two thousand years have passed \_\_\_\_\_ the Chinese first invented the compass.  
A. when                      B. before                      C. since                      D. after
- They lost their way in the forest, and \_\_\_\_\_ made matters worse was night began to fall.  
A. that                      B. it                      C. what                      D. which
- \_\_\_\_\_ leisure was generally considered a waste of time.  
A. Not until recently      B. Not recently              C. Until recently              D. Recently until
- \_\_\_\_\_ that this region was so rich in natural resources.  
A. Little he knew              B. Little he did know  
C. Little did he know              D. Little he had known
- After a meal in a restaurant, one asks the waiter for the \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. pay                      B. bill                      C. charge                      D. note
- If you are walking away from a clock tower, you will hear the ticking of the clock fade to a point \_\_\_\_\_ it cannot be heard.  
A. which                      B. what                      C. where                      D. how
- To our disappointment, Bill \_\_\_\_\_ to win the very important game.  
A. served                      B. failed                      C. managed                      D. enjoyed
- For the whole period of two months, there \_\_\_\_\_ no rain in this area. Now the crops are dead.  
A. is                      B. was                      C. has been                      D. have been
- You must try to \_\_\_\_\_ looking after yourself.  
A. get accustomed to      B. get along with              C. get by                      D. get off
- I know this job of mine isn't well paid; \_\_\_\_\_, I don't have to work long hours.  
A. on the one hand              B. on the contrary              C. however                      D. otherwise
- The \_\_\_\_\_ and more educated people in the East have, to a great extent, taken up the table manners and customs of the West.  
A. rich                      B. richer                      C. poor                      D. poorer
- \_\_\_\_\_ suggestions you make, he will turn a deaf ear to them.  
A. What                      B. Which                      C. Whatever                      D. However



13. Mr. Johnson, together with his wife and two daughters, \_\_\_\_\_ to arrive on the evening flight.  
 A. are going                      B. are                              C. will                              D. is
14. The meeting is for the \_\_\_\_\_ purpose of discussing how to prevent crime.  
 A. detailed                      B. specific                      C. limited                      D. sophisticated
15. The \_\_\_\_\_ of College English Tests is to help students learn English better, isn't it?  
 A. objective                      B. subject                      C. objecting                      D. aiming
16. The newspaper \_\_\_\_\_ severe punishment for all who had been involved in this incident.  
 A. applied for                      B. called for                      C. looked for                      D. paid for
17. By trading, both countries get good products from abroad for \_\_\_\_\_ they would cost if made at home. **TM**  
 A. less than                      B. more than                      C. little than                      D. fewer than
18. He was \_\_\_\_\_ by the army because of his poor eye-sight.  
 A. rejected                      B. stopped                      C. declined                      D. prevented
19. At the \_\_\_\_\_ moment, people from all corners of the country offered their help to the earthquake survivors.  
 A. meaningful                      B. critical                      C. beneficial                      D. useful
20. I was \_\_\_\_\_ when I learnt that your application for the post of secretary had been unsuccessful.  
 A. regretful                      B. regretted                      C. regrettable                      D. regretting
21. Who is the greatest man \_\_\_\_\_?  
 A. living                      B. lively                      C. live                      D. alive
22. I never had the \_\_\_\_\_ to hear him play the piano.  
 A. contact                      B. contest                      C. possibility                      D. opportunity
23. \_\_\_\_\_ of money prevented us from taking a holiday this year.  
 A. Limitation                      B. Freedom                      C. Expense                      D. Lack
24. These shops normally \_\_\_\_\_ in old antique (古董) items, not in modern ones.  
 A. major                      B. pull                      C. specialize                      D. get
25. Physics is the equivalent of \_\_\_\_\_ used to be called natural philosophy.  
 A. that                      B. all                      C. which                      D. what
26. The government uses opinion polls to learn what people think about many social \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. issues                      B. subjects                      C. questions                      D. objects
27. Her father \_\_\_\_\_ nothing in her education that might make her the most accomplished (有造诣的) woman of the age.  
 A. omitted                      B. thought                      C. paid                      D. thanked
28. Many difficulties have \_\_\_\_\_ as a result of the exchange over to a new type of fuel.  
 A. existed                      B. raised                      C. arisen                      D. aroused
29. We moved to the front row \_\_\_\_\_ we could hear and see better.  
 A. so as                      B. so that                      C. because                      D. such that



30. My father \_\_\_\_\_ me by saying that I could win in the speech contest, so I took part in it.  
 A. discouraged      B. encouraged      C. prevented      D. asked
31. While \_\_\_\_\_ your imagination, you should be alone and completely undisturbed.  
 A. exercising      B. exercises      C. to exercise      D. exercised
32. You must have said something to \_\_\_\_\_ her, as she was crying after talking with you.  
 A. defend      B. offend      C. confuse      D. offer
33. The roommates should \_\_\_\_\_ to clean their dormitory.  
 A. take sides      B. take turns      C. give up      D. give off
34. We will manage to \_\_\_\_\_ all the debt within two years.  
 A. pay for      B. give back      C. give away      D. pay off
35. Jack and Jane announced their \_\_\_\_\_ to their colleagues and everyone is waiting for their marriage.  
 A. engagement      B. investment      C. appointment      D. arrangement

## Part II Reading Comprehension (40%)

**Directions:** In this section, there are four passages, each of which is followed by five questions or unfinished statements. Choose the best and mark the corresponding letter on the answer Sheet.

### Passage 1

Once it was considered good to keep the car engine idling a minute or two following cold starts. Today, with modern technology, the opposite is true. An engine operating under road conditions will warm up faster and run more efficiently than the one that is idling. Idling just burns gas (on average, about a gallon an hour).

When you have a full tank of gas, park the car downhill. This will prevent any gas from coming out of the tank. Parking in areas of less or no sunlight helps prevent the gas from steaming that would occur if you parked in the hot sun. Your car will stay cooler, too, and that means less gas consuming work for the air conditioner once the engine is started.

Stay away from wide-track tires if you want top mileage (汽车耗费 1 加仑油所行驶的路程)。Narrow-track tires produce less friction and thus less rolling resistance. The same effect is achieved by adding three to five pounds above recommended pressure to each tire; while this won't noticeably affect your car's sliding quality, it will increase tire life and gas mileage.

Check tire pressure often, especially when the weather turns cold. The difference between winter and summer tire pressure can be as much as eight pounds. This could cost you two miles per gallon.

36. The main purpose of the passage is to tell us \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. how to drive faster  
 B. how to drive a car properly  
 C. how to make a car run smoothly  
 D. how to make your car consume less gas



37. According to the passage, keeping the engine running idly \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. will just waste gas  
B. will warm it up more quickly  
C. will make it work more efficiently  
D. is necessary in cold weather
38. Parking your car in a cool place \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. will take it longer to warm up the engine  
B. means less gas consumption for the air conditioner  
C. prevents any gas from coming out of the tank  
D. helps start your car more easily
39. Wide-track tires \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. won't noticeably affect your car's sliding quality  
B. can increase tire life  
C. will increase rolling resistance  
D. helps attain top gas mileage
40. Tire pressure changes \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. in different weather conditions  
B. when narrow-track tires are used  
C. in different road conditions  
D. when wide-track tires are used

### Passage 2

A major incentive (动力) for college attendance is the belief that it will prepare you for a career. Chances are that the career you want, whether in nursing, counseling, law, or management, requires a college education. Even if the return of your education isn't as great as it used to be, you would probably rather be a relatively poorly paid lawyer than a secretary or a construction worker; you would probably rather be a manager than a manag<sup>e</sup>. In the sense that a degree is increasingly required for even middle-level jobs, your investment in a college education will still pay off.

It can pay off in other ways too. It is a value judgment to say that a college education will make you a better person, but it is a value judgment that the vast majority of college graduates are willing to make. Survey after survey demonstrates that people feel very positive about their college education, believing that it has made them better and more tolerant people.

Whether it makes you a better person or not, a college education is likely to have a lasting effect on your knowledge and values. If you finish college, you will sit through 30 to 45 different courses. Even the least *dedicated* student is bound to learn something from these courses. In addition, students learn informally. Whether you go to college in your hometown or across the country, college will introduce you to a greater diversity of people than you're likely to have experienced before. This diversity will challenge your mind and broaden your horizons.

As a result of formal and informal learning, college graduates are more knowledgeable about the world around them, more tolerant and less prejudiced, more active in public and community affairs, and, more open to new ideas.

41. It is apparent from the passage that people go to college mainly because they believe \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. a college education will provide them with a guarantee of success in life  
B. the economy of their country can't absorb an army of untrained youngsters



- C. a college education will make them better qualified for a career  
D. the investment in a college education can bring a higher economic return than before
42. We can learn from the second paragraph that \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. college can hardly help people become better citizens  
B. most college graduates refuse to make any comment on their college education  
C. a college education may not be the best thing for everyone  
D. people consider their college education to be of great worth
43. The word "dedicated" (Line 3, Para. 3) could best be replaced by \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. hardworking      B. competent      C. intelligent      D. conservative
44. According to the passage, which of the following statements is NOT true?  
A. A college student can enrich his knowledge and broaden his mind through formal and informal learning.  
B. A college education is likely to be a required credential (文凭) for the career a person wants.  
C. A college student who doesn't work hard can get nothing out of the courses he takes.  
D. A college education tends to have long-range effects on a person's knowledge and values.
45. This passage is primarily concerned with \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. the change of people's attitude toward their college education  
B. the benefits of a college education  
C. the result of formal and informal learning  
D. the intercommunication among college students

### Passage 3

For the most part, rapid economic development has been a favor. But there is a down side to development -- health problems such as overweight are all becoming more common, as more people take taxis to work instead of riding their bicycles, and other labour-saving devices become more popular.

An increasingly fast pace of life makes it difficult for people to spend time playing sports. "I know exercise is good for your health," a young lady said. "But after a busy work week, the only thing I want to do is watch some TV and go to sleep." That attitude may explain the results of a recent nationwide study, which suggested 15 percent of urban adults in China have heart problems.

Local researchers found that 31.2 percent of elderly respondents (受访者) were getting enough exercise, but less than 9 percent of youngsters and the middle-aged got enough physical activity.

Elderly people understand the importance of protecting their health. The young people, however, are busy working and use this as an excuse to avoid exercise. In fact, physical exercise



doesn't require much time, money or a special gymnasium. People can make use of any time and any place at their convenience to take part in sports. Walking quickly, cycling, climbing the stairs and dancing are all helpful methods to improve one's health.

The benefits of adding a little more activity to your life are priceless. "There is no need to be an athlete (运动员), however," a local doctor said. People should walk for 30 minutes a day and take part in some other physical activity three to five times a week. He warns, however, that people in poor physical shape should start slowly, and build up over time.

46. By referring to rapid economic development as "a favor" at the beginning of the passage, the author means that \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. it has benefited the general public greatly
- B. it has done harm to people's health nationwide
- C. it is going faster than anyone could have imagined
- D. it has helped to establish a healthy lifestyle of the public

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47. Rapid economic development has resulted in all the following EXCEPT \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. an increasing number of taxi passengers
- B. the wide use of labour-saving devices
- C. an increasing fast pace of life
- D. people's awareness of the importance of exercise

48. The young people do not have enough exercise because \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. they don't have the time for it
- B. they are ignorant of the benefits of exercise
- C. they are too weak to participate in physical activity
- D. they are short of money

49. According to the passage, who need regular exercise most?

- A. Only young and middle-aged ladies.
- B. Urban adults with full-time jobs.
- C. Elderly people suffering from high blood pressure.
- D. Local doctors and youngsters.

50. What is the main idea of the last paragraph?

- A. Many people are still unable to afford the cost of physical exercises.
- B. Nobody should take part in physical activity in order to be an athlete.
- C. Moderate physical exercise is usually enough for ordinary people.
- D. Old or sick people should only take part in physical exercises of the slowest type.



#### Passage 4

When he was young, Jacob Lawrence often walked more than sixty blocks from his home in the Harlem section of New York City to the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Jacob wanted to be an artist, and he believed that studying the famous painting hanging in that museum would help him.

The year was 1930. The depression (经济萧条) had brought hard times.

As he walked through Harlem, Jacob noticed the people on the sidewalks. He looked hard at the churches, the funeral parlors and barbershops. Jacob stored those images in his mind, along with the images of paintings he saw in the museum.

Jacob came from a poor family. His mother believed there was little chance that her son could grow up to be a successful painter. She wanted him to aim for something more practical. But Jacob's teacher in an after-school art program saw that the youngster was talented. Alston showed him how to use poster paints and crayons (蜡笔) to make masks and stage sets.

As time passed, Alston let Jacob rent work space in his own studio. That was an exciting place for a young black man struggling to become an artist. Many creative people gathered there to talk about art and literature and history.

From these conversations, Jacob learned that history books often ignored the accomplishments of African Americans. He decided to paint a series of pictures dramatizing the story of a black hero. He chose Toussaint, a slave from the Caribbean island of Haiti, who had helped free his people from French ruling.

Many people admired Jacob's pictures, but he needed more than admiration. To help his family, he often had to work at jobs that took him away from painting. Then something encouraging happened. The government set up the Federal Art Project to help struggling artists survive the depression, and a sculptor (雕刻家) named Augusta got Jacob a job with the project. For eighteen months, Jacob was paid a salary to paint pictures. For the first time, he felt like a professional artist.

51. All of the following are TRUE about Jacob EXCEPT that \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. he often visited the Metropolitan Museum of Art on foot when he was young
  - B. he grew up in poor circumstances
  - C. he took art classes in art programs
  - D. his mother loved him and supported him to become an artist
52. Walking a long distance, Jacob \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. wasted a lot of time
  - B. felt tired and hungry
  - C. had a good time sightseeing
  - D. gained useful experiences for his painting
53. Jacob decided to paint a series of pictures dramatizing the story of a black hero because \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. the achievements of African Americans were neglected in history books.



- B. no one had ever painted black heroes
- C. he wanted black people to write books
- D. he was a black man from the Caribbean island of Haiti
54. The government set up the Federal Art Project to \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. provide a chance for all creative people to display their abilities
- B. finance those poor artist through depression
- C. offer permanent (永久性的) jobs to talented painters and sculptors
- D. pay artists salary during eighteen months
55. It can be inferred from the passage that \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. Jacob gained both fame and wealth from painting
- B. Jacob could never become an artist if he did not live in Harlem
- C. Jacob often went to the barber shop to have his hair cut
- D. Jacob was a very popular black painter

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**Part III Cloze (10%)**

**Directions:** There are 20 blanks in the following passage, for each blank there are four choices. Choose the one best answer grad mark the corresponding letter on the answer Sheet.

Hare you 56 asked yourself why children go to school? You will probably say that they go 57 languages, arithmetic, history, science and 58 subjects. That is quite true; but why do they learn these things? And are these things 59 that they learn at school?

We 60 our children to school to 61 them for the time 62 they will have to work 63 themselves. Nearly everything they study at school has some 64 use in their life, but is that the only reason 65 they go to school?

There is 66 in education than just learning facts. We go to school 67 all to learn how to learn, 68 when we have 69 school, we can continue to learn. A man who really knows 70 will always be successful, because 71 he has to do something new which he has never had to do 72, he will rapidly teach himself how to do it in the best 73. The uneducated person, 74, is probably unable to do something new, or does it badly. The purpose of schools, therefore, is not just to teach languages, arithmetic, etc., 75 to teach pupils the way to learn..

56. A. either B. whether C. ever D. as well
57. A. learn B. to learn C. and leaning D. and to learn
58. A. all another B. the other all C. all the other D. the all other
59. A. those B. ones C. every D. all
60. A. send B. present C. appoint D. select
61. A. rely B. prepare C. make D. get





62. A. that B. when C. while D. as
63. A. for B. on C. with D. to
64. A. true B. fortunate C. lucky D. practical
65. A. why B. which C. because D. what
66. A. much B. most C. a lot D. more
67. A. above B. over C. on D. in
68. A. so as B. and that C. so that D. such that
69. A. remained B. left C. got out D. sent
70. A. how learned B. how to learn C. to how learn D. how learning
71. A. whenever B. whichever C. whatever D. however
72. A. ago B. later C. before D. after
73. A. path B. course C. road D. way
74. A. on another hand B. on other hand C. on the other hand D. in the other hand
75. A. and B. that C. but D. so

#### Part IV Writing (15%)

**Directions:** This part is to test your ability in practical writing. Now you are required to write a letter according to the information given in Chinese. Your writing should contain over 100 words and you should write it on the Composition Sheet.

76. 你叫王宏，将于7月份毕业。今年全国有600多万大学毕业生，加上国际金融危机(financial crisis)，国内就业市场比较严峻。到目前为止，你已经参加了多次招聘会(job fair)，却未收到多少满意的答复。但是，你不会放弃，仍将继续努力，争取找到自己满意的工作。请给你的父母或好友写一封信，汇报一下你目前找工作的情况。内容要积极乐观，对前途充满信心，请收信人放心。

**温馨提示：**格式要符合英文信件要求；你的作文可以包括但不只限于上述内容；请勿直接将上述说明译成英语，要结合自身的情况写。不要署自己的真实姓名。

