

# 國立彰化師範大學103學年度碩士班招生考試試題

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## I. Vocabulary 字彙 (20%)

Choose the best answer (A, B, C, or D) to complete each of the following questions.

1. A young female complains to a journalist, "Gender \_\_\_\_\_ in employment still widely exists."  
(A) pronunciation (B) discrimination (C) spectacle (D) commodity
2. Many companies use \_\_\_\_\_ to attract clients.  
(A) consequence (B) repression (C) pavement (D) celebrities
3. Far from being \_\_\_\_\_, the U.S. political drama "House of Cards" is widely available.  
(A) censored (B) reckoned (C) prepared (D) described
4. Russia's President Vladimir Putin is a popular but polarizing figure who has \_\_\_\_\_ Russian politics for more than a decade.  
(A) dominated (B) appared (C) contrasted (D) specified
5. Some estimates put the global market for Bitcoins, a \_\_\_\_\_ currency created, or "mined" through complicated computer algorithms, at about seven billion dollars.  
(A) hopeful (B) crossed (C) virtual (D) deafening
6. You should \_\_\_\_\_ your lawyer before signing the contract.  
(A) polish (B) incline (C) consult (D) admire
7. Developers make good profits on home in \_\_\_\_\_ areas.  
(A) anxious (B) agreeable (C) tentative (D) impatient
8. It is difficult to \_\_\_\_\_ the two approaches to cinema, roughly art versus commerce.  
(A) reconcile (B) clench (C) implore (D) distress
9. There are \_\_\_\_\_ people in this world who do not much care about human life.  
(A) quivered (B) perpetual (C) reckless (D) grateful
10. When prices started to fall last year, investors rushed to \_\_\_\_\_ their holdings.  
(A) solemn (B) despise (C) brighten (D) redeem

## II. Grammar 文法 (20%)

Choose the word or expression (A, B, C, or D) that best completes each of the following sentences.

1. The hotel \_\_\_\_\_ for the conference featured a nine-hole golf course.  
(A) selected it (B) that the committee selected  
(C) that the committee selected it (D) it that the committee selected
2. Members of the committee agreed that they found the presentation \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) convinced (B) convincingly (C) convincing (D) with conviction

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3. More and more doctors are finding that natural treatments relieve pain \_\_\_\_\_ drugs, but without the occasional serious side effects.  
(A) better (B) the best (C) quickly than (D) as well as
4. With affection and humor, the poet \_\_\_\_\_ of ordinary life.  
(A) praised the virtues (B) the virtues were praised  
(C) she praised the virtues (D) her praise of the virtues
5. The purpose of the investigation is \_\_\_\_\_ the suspect's degree of involvement in the crime.  
(A) ascertained (B) to ascertain (C) ascertaining (D) to ascertaining
6. Quasars \_\_\_\_\_ emitting extremely intense radio waves and visible radiation.  
(A) starlike objects are (B) starlike, they are objects  
(C) are starlike objects (D) they are starlike objects
7. \_\_\_\_\_ has been a topic of continual geological research.  
(A) Did the continents originate (B) How did the continents originate  
(C) Have the continents originated (D) How the continents originated
8. Coral reefs are \_\_\_\_\_ that teem with an abundance of exotic sea life.  
(A) underwater the landscape (B) underwater landscapes  
(C) when underwater landscapes (D) landscapes being underwater
9. Controlling the way you spend money is often a more effective way to meet a budget than \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) try to make more money (B) you try to make more money  
(C) trying to make more money (D) you are trying to make more money
10. The oldest city in the state, \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) the Hudson's Bay Company founded Vancouver, Washington, in the early nineteenth century  
(B) the founding of Vancouver, Washington, by the Hudson's Bay company in the early nineteenth century  
(C) Vancouver, Washington, was founded by the Hudson's Bay company in the early nineteenth century  
(D) in the early nineteenth century with the founding of Vancouver, Washington, by the Hudson's Bay Company

### III. Reading Comprehension 閱讀測驗 (20%)

Read the following passages and choose the best answer (A, B, C, or D) for each question.

She said she took "great pride in her work" and was "excited" to be part of a "lovely team," but, on Tuesday last week, as Hollie Gazzard finished her shift at the hair salon in southwest England she worked at, a young man stuck a blade into her flesh and stabbed her to death. Colleagues screamed as

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they watched her fall; paramedics tried, but could not save her. People passing by stared, as they always do when tragedies unfold in front of their eyes. When there is screaming and crying, and blood flowing as a life ebbs away, it is hard not to stare. Yet some of them did more than just gawp at the scene, they whipped out their phones and videoed it.

One might think people would guess that those whose hearts have been broken might not want their daughter's last moments to become an online hit, but it looks as though they did not. It is hardly news that people like a bloody thrill — Romans lined up to watch wild animals tear prisoners into chunks, while Elizabethans thought a public hanging was a good way to follow a Sunday stroll. Yet at most times, watching people die has been something for a special occasion, not an opportunity to increase one's Twitter following, or get Facebook likes.

According to a report by the Kaiser Family Foundation, eight-to-18-year-olds are now spending nearly eight hours a day online and are so good at **multitasking** that they are packing that time with nearly 11 hours of "content." There are advantages to this, of course. Young brains are receptive and if a person is really good at flicking between windows, they can probably learn a few languages while Snapchatting to their friends. However, they probably do not do that, instead choosing to spend a lot of time posting things online that are all about themselves. If a person posts a photograph of themselves — with their friends, or in a new outfit looking hot — it is pretty clearly all about them. Yet if that person posts footage of breakdancing kittens, it might as well be too — "Yes, the kittens are cute, but look at me: I'm funny and ironic and cool." So what about posting footage of a soldier being cut down in the street? It could be about the soldier, but it could also be: "God, this is awful and I got there first."

According to a new book called *The App Generation* by Harvard psychologist Howard Gardner and digital media expert Katie Davis, young people spend 80 percent of their time on social media talking about themselves. If that figure is true, it has to be called narcissism; if it's 80 percent, it is narcissism on a sociopathic scale. Sociopaths are not great at putting themselves in other people's shoes, or, if they are, they would rather not. Most people are not sociopaths, but the ability of young people to empathize might not be quite as well developed as their ability to post selfies on Instagram. It is not yet clear whether a digital diet is what has caused this decline, but there is quite a lot of evidence to show that, as people spend more time online, they read books and stories about other people's lives less. It is already hard to imagine a world where one does not have a universe at the click of a mouse and most people would not want to. As Pip in *Great Expectations* might have said: What larks, to be alive in this revolution. Yet where there are gains, there are also losses, so let us do what we can to limit those losses.

(By Christina Patterson, excerpted from *The Guardian* Feb, 2014)

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1. What is the main idea of this article?
  - (A) The young generation is good at social-networking applications.
  - (B) Too much time spent online appears to be reducing empathy.
  - (C) The family of the victims would never want to see any footage online related to the incident.
  - (D) The new technology always comes with pros and cons.
  
2. Why does the author mention the examples of Romans and Elizabethans?
  - (A) To justify passers-by whipping out their phones and videoing a murdering scene.
  - (B) To demonstrate teenagers' zest for the cyberspace.
  - (C) To illustrate a dark side of human nature, namely, watching a devastating accident out of curiosity.
  - (D) To review the history of people's desire for a bloody thrill.
3. What is the author's attitude toward teenagers spending nearly 8 hours a day online?
  - (A) They should never spend so much time online.
  - (B) The time they spend online could never be too long given the popularity of smartphones.
  - (C) They should spend their time online wisely rather than focusing on their own personal lives only.
  - (D) They will be just fine as their behaviors are not narcissism on a sociopathic scale.
4. What does the author mean by "multitasking"?
  - (A) The young generation knows how to increase their Facebook likes.
  - (B) The young generation is eager to share footage online.
  - (C) The young generation can flick between programs on the laptop and do many chores at the same time.
  - (D) The young generation has developed their ability to post selfies on Instagram and Facebook at the same time.
5. Which of the following statement is **NOT TRUE**?
  - (A) A sociopath is defined as one who tends to put himself in other people's shoe.
  - (B) The digital diet has lead to the fact that people tend to spend less time reading books and stories about other people's lives.
  - (C) By saying "It is already hard to imagine a world where one does not have a universe at the click of a mouse," the author implies that the computer has now become indispensable.
  - (D) The example at the beginning of the article highlights the author's concerns for people, being a bystander and not offering any immediate help to the victims at the scene of an accident.

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## IV. Translation 英翻中 (20%)

Translate the following passage into Chinese and write your answer on the writing test answer sheet. 請將下列英文小段落翻成中文並在答案紙上作答

1. At GOOGLE they call it the toothbrush test. Shortly after returning to being the firm's chief executive in 2011, Larry Page said he wanted it to develop more services that everyone would use at least twice a day, like a toothbrush. Its search engine and its Android operating system for mobile devices pass the test. Now, with a string of recent purchases, Google seems to be planning to become as big in hardware as it is in software. (10%)
2. Eating fast food has pretty much become routine for many families, the researchers found. One-third of children and teens reported consuming fast food at least once a week, and 16% to 17% of adolescents' caloric intake came from fast food restaurants. On an average visit to a fast-food restaurant, teens ordered 800 to 1,100 calories in a single meal, 30% of which came from saturated fat or sugar. That's half of their recommended daily caloric intake. (10%)

## V. English Composition 英文作文 (20%)

Write your composition on the writing test answer sheet. 請在答案紙上作答

In the Chinese year of the Horse, what are some positive and negative characteristics of the horse that we should keep in mind for this new year? Write a 10 to 15 sentence paragraph about such relevant characteristics.

For a second and closing paragraph (10 to 15 sentences), in what practical ways can we make the most of this information to have a prosperous and successful new year, especially for university life?