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## I. Vocabulary 字彙與文法(30%)：請選出最適合劃底線字之意義的選項

1. The mayor's sarcastic answer provoked an outburst of rage among the city councilmen.  
(A)annihilated (B)stirred up (C)suppressed (D)distinguished
2. Through years of experience, he displayed laudable prudence in setting up his new business.  
(A)indulgence (B)impudence (C)indiscretion (D)discretion
3. George Eliot is a pseudonym for Mary Ann Evans.  
(A)pen name (B)novice (C)legendary (D)normality
4. If no indication of the rumored contagious disease is given, the quarantine won't last long.  
(A)infection (B)enforced isolation (C)epidemic (D)cholera
5. The FBI kept the house under strict surveillance in the hope of capturing all the criminals at one time.  
(A)close observation (B)morbidity (C)taciturnity (D)relief
6. Despite all their efforts to keep the meeting a secret, news of their conclusions transpired.  
(A)remained silent (B)kept unknown (C)leaked out (D)hibernated
7. Leonardo was a very versatile artist who was at home in almost any medium.  
(A)inadequate (B)all-around (C)narrow (D)limited
8. It is controversial whether amnesty should be granted to those criminals.  
(A)penalty (B)punishment (C)reward (D)pardon
9. Young people tend to be avid of new experiences.  
(A)averse to (B)desirous of (C)indifferent to (D)indisposed to
10. When he failed to arrive on time, she conjectured that he was drinking again.  
(A)complained (B)reprimanded (C)scolded (D)surmised
11. Frugality is a fine virtue many people have forgotten.  
(A)patience (B)industry (C)thrift (D)perseverance
12. Grace has abominable taste in clothes.  
(A)delightful (B)detestable (C)graceful (D)classy
13. The seamy side of the city has very poor hygienic conditions.  
(A)sanitary (B)hectic (C)hypocritical (D)hallowed
14. A modern ship has its prototype in the hollowed log used by savages.  
(A)posterity (B)descendant (C)offspring (D)original
15. His writings are so prosaic that few are patient enough to read them through.  
(A)fanciful (B)ornate (C)dull (D)metaphorical

## II. Reading Comprehension 閱讀測驗 (30%):

1. In the world of desserts, cakes have one of the largest ranges of complexity. Certain recipes can take an entire day to prepare, leading to grand confections that seem a shame to eat. Others are much

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more humble, the work of just an hour or so, and the emphasis is more on taste than looks. Any cake, however, will benefit from the highest quality ingredients. Cake flour, especially, is worth obtaining because it lends a texture that is more tender than provided by all-purpose flour. If cake flour isn't available, a mixture of seven-eighths all-purpose flour and one-eighth cornstarch is also an improvement over the all-purpose flour alone.

- (1) The author notes that texture is improved in cakes if
  - (A) certain ingredients are replaced with alternatives
  - (B) they take an entire day to prepare
  - (C) cornstarch is used instead of all-purpose flour
  - (D) the cook uses butter instead of margarine
  - (E) they are made from fresh and expensive ingredients
- (2) The purpose of the fourth sentence in the paragraph is to
  - (A) stress an indispensable point about method
  - (B) make a transition between two related topics
  - (C) provide evidence for an argument
  - (D) question an already stated conclusion
  - (E) resolve a discrepancy between two statements

2. If body hair is a unique and defining characteristic of mammals, then why are humans so bare? Technically, the average human being has about the same number of hair follicles as a similarly sized ape; but in comparison, humans do look rather nude. The most popular scientific theory states that hominids lost hair to keep cool after leaving their forest habitats for the savannah. However, that hypothesis does not account for the lack of hair loss of other savannah mammals such as lions. The newest explanation blames parasites: hairlessness would have helped to reduce disease from fleas and ticks. Charles Darwin even suggested that primitive depilatory practices such as tweezing, shaving, and singeing of hair began for disease prevention, rather than cosmetic purposes.

- (3) The description of body hair as “a unique and defining characteristic of mammals” in the first sentence suggests that it
  - (A) occurs rarely among mammals
  - (B) is the one trait that sets mammals apart
  - (C) distinguishes humans from other mammals
  - (D) is a recent evolutionary trait
  - (E) is not a typical occurrence in non-mammals
- (4) The word “depilatory” as used in the last sentence most nearly means
  - (A) disease protective

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- (B) body cooling
- (C) hair removal
- (D) hair grooming
- (E) ancient medical

3. Growing concern over the environment has led many people to make changes, some right at home. Environmentally friendly housing is an emerging specialty of many builders and developers who cater to an eco-conscious clientele. Some of the newest building features include solar panels for heating, recycled water used for climate control, and energy-efficient appliances. Plants that help cool the house by providing shade, that need little watering, and that require no pesticides are used for landscaping, and concrete is replacing wood as a more environmentally conscious (and more easily controlled) insulation system. The trend has even hit home furnishings. Rooms are covered with non-toxic paints. Sofas are covered in organic upholstery; floors are crafted from renewable bamboo. Carpets are even made from recycled plastic. Living “green” never looked so good.

- (5) The first sentence of the passage serves primarily to
- (A) pose a pressing environmental issue
  - (B) suggest a sweeping lifestyle change
  - (C) campaign for a cause
  - (D) broach a subject that will be elaborated upon
  - (E) present a controversial thesis that the author endorses
- (6) It can be inferred from the passage that
- (A) some eco-friendly materials and appliances reduce energy bills
  - (B) only materials found in nature can be used in eco-friendly homes
  - (C) eco-conscious people prefer recycling facilities in their homes
  - (D) wood does not provide good insulation
  - (E) house paint, which often contains lead, is usually toxic

4. Modern medicine originally conceived of the human immune system as inflexible and inadaptably — able to kill only those antigens to which it has already been exposed. This misconception prompted the development of vaccinations that strengthen the immune response by exposing the body to weakened or disabled diseases. But further exploration has revealed a more malleable system which transforms in order to attack almost any virus or bacteria. The immune system’s limitations, rather than residing in the element of recognition, result from the immune system’s response time. If an antigen reproduces faster than the system can produce antibodies to kill it, illness or death can occur. Vaccinations still strengthen the immune response, however, by promoting the development of antibodies. Once the immune system is

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exposed to an antigen, it begins producing antibodies, arming the system, and lessening the chance of the illness getting the upper hand.

- (7) The word “conceived” as used in sentence 1 most nearly means
- (A) adapted or evolved
  - (B) became pregnant with
  - (C) began or originated in a specific way
  - (D) weakened or disabled
  - (E) comprehended mentally
- (8) It can be inferred from the paragraph that the immune system
- (A) will eventually succumb to illness if vaccinations are not administered
  - (B) is completely adaptable to all diseases
  - (C) does not require vaccinations in order to eliminate some antigens effectively
  - (D) is more adaptable than it used to be to modern diseases
  - (E) takes longer to respond to some diseases than others

5. Literary biography presents unique problems for an author, especially when the subject is a poet. The thrust of such a biography is usually an examination of the works themselves in the context of the poet’s life. The literary biographer makes connections between the characters and events in the poems and the real life events that may have inspired the works. Unfortunately, some biographies are flawed because their authors assume that poems are merely a reflection of the poet’s direct experience. It is true that intimacy and power of the highly charged poetic language feels immediate and seems to speak directly to the reader. Nonetheless, the perception that the speaker of the poem is the poet is mistaken and reductionist. A painting feels similarly immediate and appears to communicate directly to the viewer, but few would accuse a painter of baring his heart in an abstract or landscape painting.

- (9) Which of the following best describes the structure of the passage?
- (A) A theory is presented and an argument against that theory is outlined and supported.
  - (B) An opinion is expressed, an alternate view is offered, and both views are then rejected.
  - (C) A problem is briefly introduced and evidence detailing that problem and its solution is presented.
  - (D) A difficulty is presented and competing theories are presented and subsequently dismissed.
  - (E) A difficulty is outlined, a view is expressed, and an analogy supporting the view is offered.
- (10) Which of the following, if true, would weaken the author’s argument?
- (A) Historians tend not to present direct experience from their lives as evidence in their

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essays.

- (B) Some novelists create worlds of fantasy using only their imaginations.
- (C) Not all readers of poetry believe that the speaker of a poem is actually the poet.
- (D) Jackson Pollack expressed his innermost feelings through his famous abstract paintings.
- (E) Many poets do not intend for their poems to be autobiographical.

### III. Composition 作文 (20%):

What personalities do you have that will help you succeed in your doctoral study? Write a concise and coherent essay to answer this question.

### IV. Translation of English into Chinese 中翻英(10%):

在中國常言道，「桂林山水甲天下，陽朔山水甲桂林」。對大多數人而言，遊桂林的精彩高潮，就是那沿著蜿蜒的漓江而歷程三小時、行程七十公里的水上旅程。

### V. Translation of English into Chinese 英翻中(10%):

Some consider imported culture a danger, since it may supplant the local culture, causing reduction in diversity or even assimilation. Others consider multiculturalism to promote peace and understanding between people. (from Wikipedia)