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注 意	1.本試題共有三頁。 2.標準答案：CADBA-BCABA-DDACB-ACDBA-DCACD ABDCC-ACBDA-CCDAB-DCCBB-ACDCB
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I. Vocabulary – 52% @2 points

Choose the word or phrase that best completes the sentences.

- His survival in the car crash _____ his belief in God.
(A) provided (B) tumbled (C) strengthened (D) resolved
- He begged me to stay, like an insecure child _____ attention.
(A) craving (B) glittering (C) executing (D) maintaining
- Public support is _____ if the government wants to successfully launch the new project.
(A) spiritual (B) metallic (C) realistic (D) essential
- The white-painted house is in stark _____ to all the other houses built with red bricks.
(A) resolution (B) contrast (C) means (D) harmony
- Biking is both a growing trend and a good, _____ family activity.
(A) wholesome (B) close-knit (C) temporary (D) opposed
- She suffers from _____ hearing and needs a hearing aid.
(A) departed (B) impaired (C) vigorous (D) conventional
- The rich man decided to donate his collection of Picasso's paintings and make them _____ to the public.
(A) sophisticated (B) monotonous (C) accessible (D) prohibitive
- The medicine must not be used in _____ with other drugs, or the result could be deadly.
(A) combination (B) ladder (C) blanket (D) association
- A loss of _____ is often the price to pay when one becomes famous.
(A) mattress (B) survival (C) liberation (D) privacy
- The new drug has significantly lowered the _____ rate of patients with lung cancer.
(A) mortality (B) expectancy (C) rarity (D) approval
- Seeing the stranger walking towards me, my _____ reaction was to run away.
(A) devastating (B) unconditional (C) military (D) spontaneous
- I couldn't help _____ after I accidentally sprinkled some pepper on myself.
(A) reproducing (B) omitting (C) meditating (D) sneezing
- The new device will not only cut down on the car's gas _____, it will also promote fuel efficiency.
(A) consumption (B) stability (C) turbine (D) welfare
- The changes to the tax system will be _____ next year.
(A) distributed (B) targeted (C) implemented (D) testified

- Brown bread is just a(n) _____ of white bread. They are not too different.
(A) aptitude (B) variation (C) storage (D) unification
- It's _____ here in the room. Let's open the windows.
(A) stuffy (B) geothermal (C) activated (D) remote
- A(n) _____ of this whale species is the blue stripe on their backs.
(A) spectrum (B) opponent (C) characteristic (D) genius
- Walk a mile in his shoes, and then you'll be able to _____ with him.
(A) assaults (B) isolate (C) undermine (D) empathize
- To tackle water _____ in the summer, the government calls on people to conserve water.
(A) frenzies (B) shortages (C) quirks (D) villains
- The mini-notebook was a success the first time it _____ the market.
(A) hit (B) entranced (C) cost (D) reserved
- The _____ of ethnicity and cultures makes New York a true melting pot.
(A) respite (B) trap (C) habitat (D) diversity
- Ancient people used to think that a _____ eclipse was caused by a monster that ate part of the moon.
(A) solar (B) planetary (C) lunar (D) universal
- There has been a big _____ surrounding the issue of human cloning ever since it was first introduced.
(A) controversy (B) wrangling (C) haggling (D) fertility
- Some paintings _____ from the shipwreck were miraculously found intact.
(A) originated (B) confirmed (C) salvaged (D) displayed
- Lightning split the sky and soon after thunder _____ in the distance.
(A) froze up (B) kept cool (C) dragged (D) growled
- Driven by _____, the little girl peeped into the box, trying to see what her "surprise gift" was.
(A) curiosity (B) isolation (C) author (D) generation

II. Cloze Test – 20% @2 points

Read the passage and fill in each blank with the correct word or phrase.

- One of America's greatest presidents, Abraham Lincoln, was born exactly 200 years ago today. He 27 among other presidents for many reasons. First, his beard. Many people today are familiar 28 the story behind his beard—a little girl wrote to him and suggested that he grow one to make him look less serious. It later became his trademark. Second, his eloquence. It's amazing that he, having been in school for less than a year, was a 29 debater. Third, his effort to bring slavery to an end. He firmly believed that every one was equal, and 30 advocated the abolition of slavery. It's understandable why Americans were deeply saddened when he was assassinated. He was 31 by the entire country, but today he is remembered by the entire world.
- (A) runs about (B) stands out (C) struggles within (D) rests assured
 - (A) to (B) as (C) for (D) with
 - (A) self-teaching (B) taught-self (C) self-taught (D) teaching-self
 - (A) on the contrary (B) in contrast (C) thus (D) nevertheless
 - (A) mourned (B) buried (C) accompanied (D) crowded

Thomas Watson was 32 when he heard his boss, Alexander Graham Bell yell, “Watson, come here; I need your help.” He jumped up and dashed to Bell’s aid. 33 though, that at that moment, communication changed forever. Initially, telephone service was very costly. In 1927 a three-minute call from New York to London cost US\$75, 34 US\$895 today. But with technological advances, the telephone, along with the phone calls, gradually became more 35 and efficient. Next, a revolution came with the invention of cellular phones. 36 weighing nearly one kilogram and costing a staggering US\$3,995, cell phones have since undergone several transformations. Now they are pocket-sized, and weigh two-thirds less than their “ancestors”.

32. (A) running short (B) beating around the bush
(C) dozing off (D) anyone’s guess
33. (A) Watson did little know (B) Little did Watson know
(C) Watson little know (D) Little Watson knew
34. (A) rather than (B) compared to (C) with a view to (D) equivalent to
35. (A) affordable (B) desirable (C) eager (D) practical
36. (A) Undoubtedly (B) Realistically (C) Originally (D) Frequently

III. Reading Comprehension – 28% @2 points

Read the paragraph. Then answer the questions.

Today, more and more individuals and organizations are using computer services on the Internet. Some of these services, like e-mail, are free, while others cost money. This approach to computing, known as “cloud computing,” helps businesses in many different ways. Take the medical care industry, for example. For health care companies, medical researchers, and public health officials, cloud computing offers new ways to cooperate and share information.

Internet medical services are being made available to the public. Companies like Microsoft and Google now have websites where people can open free accounts and use them to store copies of their medical records in electronic form. Users of these services can check their records from any location and share them with doctors whenever they wish.

These services seem convenient, but they are raising some deep concerns about privacy. Medical records contain private information that must be carefully protected. Many people worry that these websites might not be secure enough. They fear that their records could be stolen, or that the information in the records could be supplied to insurance companies. Because of these concerns, few people so far are using the services. Most experts agree, however, that these services will slowly continue to grow and that some day in the future, all of our medical records will be online.

37. How can people benefit from services provided by Microsoft and Google?
- (A) Improved medical treatment.
(B) Profit earned through such services.
(C) Easy access to one’s medical records.
(D) Medical advice available worldwide.
38. Why are some people worried about this service?
- (A) They might be charged unknowingly.
(B) There is not enough storage space in an account.
(C) Insurance companies may bill them for such service.
(D) Unauthorized people may look at the data.

39. This article deals with all of the following except _____ of cloud computing.
- (A) the average cost
(B) the spread
(C) the future
(D) the possible drawbacks
40. Which sentence can best summarize this article?
- (A) Keep your friends close, your enemies closer.
(B) One day, everything is in the air.
(C) Let sleeping dogs lie.
(D) Prevention is better than cure.

If you don’t get enough sleep, you might be at risk for a number of problems. Studies show that seven to nine hours of sleep a night is needed for a healthy heart. While you’re asleep, your blood pressure normally drops 10 to 20 percent, giving your heart a rest. Less sleep may lead to high blood pressure and an increased risk of heart disease. Your ability to maintain a healthy weight is also affected by how much sleep you get. A lack of sleep prevents two hunger-related hormones in the body from working properly.

To sleep better at night:

- ❖ Avoid caffeine after 2:00 p.m.
- ❖ Establish a regular bedtime.
- ❖ Make your bedroom as dark as possible.
- ❖ Keep noise to a minimum.
- ❖ Take a warm bath before bed.
- ❖ Listen to calming music for 45 minutes before going to sleep.
- ❖ Keep your work and your computer out of your bedroom.

Besides your physical health, sleep can also affect your mental capacity. Research shows that your brain remains active while you sleep. It works on challenges that you encountered the day before and ***solidifies*** memories of recent events. In certain studies, subjects who slept well performed better in problem-solving and memory tests, than those who didn’t sleep well. To enjoy the benefits of a healthy mind, you need to sleep six or more hours. Short naps during the day can also help. That’s the reason why companies like Google provide Energy Pods for their employees. These are reclining chairs with hoods that block out noise and light. After a nap in an Energy Pod, employees find themselves better able to solve the problems they face at work.

41. Based on this article, what is the best advice for someone having trouble with a question?
- (A) Drink some coffee. (B) Just do it.
(C) Take a walk. (D) Sleep on it.
42. We can infer from the article that to “***solidify***” something means to _____.
(A) erase it (B) keep it from happening
(C) make it stronger (D) stay away from it
43. Which of the following does NOT help improve sleep quality?
- (A) Soft, soothing music.
(B) Going to bed at the same time every day.
(C) A well-lighted room.
(D) Putting your computer in another room.

44. Energy Pods are used because Google administrators believe that _____.
 (A) reclining chairs make employees more comfortable at work
 (B) short naps do the employees good
 (C) the Pods relieve employees of their pressure
 (D) a six-hour sleep improves one's problem-solving skills

Last night, thousands of people watched the Bears defeat the Lions to win the soccer championship. Throughout most of the game, neither team could put the ball in the net. Then, with five minutes left in the game, a *flaw* in the Lions' defense allowed the Bears to score. The Bears' fans *went bananas*. When play resumed, the Lions went on the attack. They tried every *tactic* they could think of to score but couldn't, and finally *ran out of* time. When the game ended, thrilled Bears' fans *ran all over* the field. Their favorite team had *run up against* a strong opponent and won.

45. What did the Bears do?
 (A) They cheated their supporters.
 (B) They gained a fantastic victory.
 (C) They lost by just a few points.
 (D) They requested another match.
46. What does the speaker imply about the game?
 (A) It was attended by a lot of people.
 (B) It suffered a bit from bad weather.
 (C) It lasted even longer than expected.
 (D) It encouraged the Lions quite a bit.

Agatha Christie was born in England in 1890 and passed away in 1976. While Agatha was growing up, her mother often told her stories and encouraged her to write her own.

In 1914, Agatha married Archie Christie. During World War I, Christie wrote her first detective novel: *The Mysterious Affair at Styles*. The story includes a murder and a clever detective, Hercule Poirot, who solves it. Christie sent the book to a publisher, but it was rejected.

In 1920, Christie's book was finally published- by another company. She earned just £25 for it. But during the following years, Christie wrote more books and eventually gained fame as a writer of mystery novels.

Besides books, Christie also wrote a play called *The Mousetrap*. It was performed for the first time at the Ambassador's Theatre in London in 1952. In 1956, performances moved to St. Martin's Theater in London and have continued there ever since. Today, *The Mousetrap* is one of London's most popular tourist attractions. According to the *Guinness Book of World Records*, it is also the longest running play in the world. More than 300 different actors and actresses have helped perform it over the years. One of them, the actor David Raven, played the role of Major Metcalf in the play 4,575 times! Christie herself was rather surprised at the amazing popularity of the play. She concluded that it had just the right amount of mystery and humor to appeal to many people.

47. Christie's first book _____.
 (A) featured a female detective
 (B) was not published
 (C) didn't seem to be profitable
 (D) established her reputation as a mystery writer

48. We can infer from this article that Agatha Christie _____.
 (A) showed great talent for writing at an early age
 (B) lost her husband in World War II
 (C) didn't live to see the success of her works
 (D) got married in her mid-twenties
49. The author implies that *The Mousetrap* _____.
 (A) has been declining in popularity over the years
 (B) is the best-selling play in London
 (C) was quite an unexpected success for Christie
 (D) has been shown 4575 times
50. Which of the following is true?
 (A) Poirot was depicted as an absent-minded detective.
 (B) The Mousetrap features both humor and mystery.
 (C) The Mousetrap has been performed at the same theater since its debut.
 (D) David Raven was voted "the best Major Metcalf".