I. Vocabulary and Sentence Structure — Choose the best answer for each question

1. There is a _____ about an immortal creature that lives in this forest.
   (A) civilization  (B) reservation  (C) legend  (D) symptom

2. The students’ _____ to learn made the teacher very proud.
   (A) bid  (B) blaze  (C) enthusiasm  (D) flames

3. Jennifer was ____ when a traffic jam made her miss her flight to Hawaii.
   (A) filthy  (B) flourish  (C) immature  (D) furious

4. Once you _____ all of the requirements of the school, you can graduate.
   (A) fulfill  (B) abolish  (C) reverse  (D) liberate

5. Rita _____ sends handwritten letters to her foreign friends, but she usually just sends e-mail.
   (A) occasionally  (B) revolutionary  (C) frequently  (D) readily

6. My grandfather is _____. but I still have great memories of him.
   (A) decreased  (B) deceased  (C) depressed  (D) acquainted

7. When the patient gained _____ once again, the doctor asked him many questions.
   (A) promptness  (B) consciousness  (C) confession  (D) conflict

8. To express my _____ for everything the family had done for me, I sent them some flowers.
   (A) demands  (B) contempt  (C) frustration  (D) gratitude

9. The police are trying to find a(n) _____ for the terrible crime.
   (A) inspiration  (B) motif  (C) motion  (D) motive

10. The decision to pass the new tax law is still _____.
    (A) galloping  (B) pending  (C) punishing  (D) departing

11. People stood under a small _____ while waiting for the bus on a rainy day.
    (A) shelter  (B) sphere  (C) sponsor  (D) encounter

12. You will have to _____ to vote when you move to the new state.
    (A) register  (B) record  (C) recognize  (D) smash

13. Due to the horrendous weather, the _____ was made to postpone the meeting.
    (A) consequence  (B) verdict  (C) result  (D) decision

14. Could you tell Sue Haig that if we _____ the delivery by noon we will have to cancel the order.
    (A) will not have received  (B) do not receive  (C) were not receiving  (D) had not received

15. Is this the candidate _____ resume you forwarded to me in an e-mail?
    (A) who  (B) whom  (C) whose  (D) which

16. Snacks and drinks will be served, but participants are welcome to bring _____ they like on the field trip.
    (A) whatever  (B) however  (C) wherever  (D) forever

17. Technicians employed in the aerospace industry tend to be _____ skilled and very well qualified.
    (A) highly  (B) tightly  (C) wholly  (D) nearly

18. In the ten years that the company has been trading, we have _____ an excellent reputation for both quality and customer service.
    (A) gained  (B) granted  (C) loaded  (D) prospered

19. To avoid any public fears, reports of financial mismanagement need to be dealt _____ quickly.
    (A) to  (B) with  (C) about  (D) in
20. Mr. Larson announced that the construction work was expected to be ____ in the early spring.
   (A) completed (B) completion (C) completes (D) completing

II. Cloze Test 克漏字 — Choose the best answer for each blank 請選出一個最正確答案

Are You a Stressed-Out Student?
* Sleep or nap: Some people are OK with three or four hours of sleep a night, but most people _____. You should try to sleep eight hours a night. If you can’t, then take a ____ in the afternoon. You may ____ in on the weekend, but you shouldn’t stay in bed all day. Sleeping too long isn’t good, either.
* Eat and drink right: Students often gain weight because they eat a lot of ____ and also because they eat late at night. You should also try to drink a liter of water a day – at least – and ____ soda.
* Stop and get away: Sometimes you have to stop what you’re doing. _____. Turn off the TV and computer, walk around the room, and breathe deeply. You should do this four or five times a day.
* Walk or bike: Walk as much as you can. Walking is the best way to _____. Or get a bicycle, but remember that ____ a bike can be dangerous. You should always wear a ____ and bright clothes. Never ride without them.
* Get ____ : Do you have gym nearby? You should use it. You don’t have to exercise every day, but you should do something three times a week.

21. (A) is (B) are (C) isn’t (D) aren’t
22. (A) napkins (B) note (C) nest (D) nap
23. (A) sleep (B) jog (C) run (D) shop
24. (A) junk food (B) water (C) vegetables (D) jewels
25. (A) have (B) acquire (C) avoid (D) purchase
26. (A) Break your leg (B) Take a break (C) Break up (D) Break even
27. (A) sleep (B) jog (C) run (D) shop
28. (A) ride (B) sit (C) riding (D) sitting
29. (A) lamp (B) helmet (C) planner (D) receipt
30. (A) exercise (B) caught (C) paid (D) permission

Deadly Gas Explosion Rips Southern Taiwan Neighborhood
A downtown district of the southern Taiwanese city of Kaohsiung was ripped apart just before midnight Thursday by a series of explosions ____ killed at least 24 people and injured hundreds more, state news agency CNA reported. The ____, which were triggered by underground gas leaks, tore a trench through main roads, ____ cars and trucks and sent flames leaping into the air in the city’s Qianzhen district. Witnesses said they saw vehicles flung into the air by the force of the explosions -- one car was found on the roof ____ a three-story building. Zong-Han Li was driving when the explosion happened directly in front of him, and his ____ caught the moment the gas ignited.

31. (A) who (B) that (C) where (D) whose
32. (A) beverages (B) blasts (C) bliss (D) bands
33. (A) overturned (B) overturning (C) over turns (D) overturn
34. (A) on (B) of (C) at (D) by
35. (A) front door (B) back seat (C) dashboard camera (D) seat belt

Scottish Voters Choose to Remain in United Kingdom
Scotland will remain part of the United Kingdom -- along with England, Wales and Northern Ireland -- following a historic ____ vote. A majority of voters rejected the possibility of Scotland breaking away and becoming an ____ nation. With 31 of 32 councils declared, the "No" campaign has won the referendum on Scottish independence. Scottish First Minister Alex Salmond admitted defeat in Scotland's independence referendum Friday and ____ the rest of Scotland to do the same. In a televised statement, he thanked Scotland "for 1.6 million votes for Scottish independence." A turnout of 86% is one of the highest ____ the democratic world for any such vote, he said. Voters in Scotland made their ____ Thursday -- remain part of the United Kingdom or form their own independent nation. They chose to remain.

36. (A) referendum (B) reinforce (C) recitation (D) retreat
37. (A) independent (B) identical (C) indifferent (D) imperial
38. (A) utensil (B) upset (C) urged (D) urgent
39. (A) on (B) by (C) with (D) in
40. (A) choose (B) choosing (C) chosen (D) choice