

## 一、字彙題

說明：第 1~8 題，每題均有一個劃底線的字或片語，請在四個選項中，選擇一個與劃底線的字或片語意義最接近的答案。第 9~15 題，請選擇一個最適當的答案，以完成該句。

1. A female employee danced alone in the office the night before she quit her job, and the case turned out to be a popular video on the YouTube.  
(A) signed (B) resigned (C) designed (D) assigned
2. Undeniably, parents as well as teachers have a great effect on their children and students respectively.  
(A) resource (B) depression (C) influence (D) suspicion
3. Many people took to the street to show their dissatisfaction and anger toward the government.  
(A) demonstrate (B) disturb (C) destroy (D) determine
4. There are debates whether casinos should be allowed in Taiwan. It is expected that casinos will boost economic growth, but some people worry about the social and environmental problems.  
(A) arguments (B) amusements (C) compliments (D) treatments
5. The baseball game attracted tens of thousands of viewers to cheer for their favorite teams.  
(A) tourists (B) champions (C) dentists (D) audience
6. Though Nick Vujicic was born without hands and legs, his optimism inspired readers around the globe.  
(A) conserved (B) required (C) isolated (D) encouraged
7. The passer-by could hardly move and was seriously hurt after he was hit by a truck.  
(A) occasionally (B) scarcely (C) eventually (D) swiftly
8. The world mourned the death of Nelson Mandela, South Africa's former president, who promoted the campaigns for equality and justice between the black and the white people in his lifetime.  
(A) intention (B) departure (C) candidates (D) activities
9. China successfully \_\_\_\_\_ the first satellite into the space in 2012 and became the third country to send a spacecraft to the moon.  
(A) launched (B) combined (C) separated (D) ignored
10. The parent \_\_\_\_\_ and scolded his child for failing the exam when receiving the report card.  
(A) grinned (B) winked (C) frowned (D) blushed
11. The artist suffered from both physical and \_\_\_\_\_ problems so that he lost his will to live.  
(A) mental (B) metal (C) miraculous (D) modest
12. Due to the peak season of tourism, many hotel rooms and plane tickets have been \_\_\_\_\_ without any openings.  
(A) urged (B) sued (C) booked (D) cursed
13. The ozone layer \_\_\_\_\_ all the animals and plants on earth from the direct UV radiation from the sun.  
(A) escapes (B) protects (C) distinguishes (D) dissuades
14. With political chaos and economic recession, the factory has \_\_\_\_\_ thousands of workers and may shut down in the near future.  
(A) laid off (B) corresponded to (C) taken pride in (D) looked into

15. Diligence doesn't guarantee success, but it's the only way to success. As long as you keep striving hard for your goal, your hardship will \_\_\_\_\_ in the long run.  
 (A) stand out (B) set up (C) tell apart (D) pay off

## 二、對話題

說明：第 16~25 題，請依對話內容，選出一個最適合的答案，使其成為有意義的對話。

16. Peter: It's so great to see you. I miss you so much.  
 Maggie: Same here. So, how was your flight?  
 Peter: \_\_\_\_\_ It was bumpy because of the turbulence. I had to stay in my seat during the entire flight.  
 Maggie: I'm just glad you landed safely.  
 (A) Don't even ask. It was awful. (B) Over my dead body.  
 (C) Don't tell a soul. (D) How marvelous!
17. Sylvia: I am really worried about my accounting exam.  
 Vivian: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sylvia: Yes, but I don't think I got all the answers right.  
 Vivian: Well, at least you tried your best. Just keep your fingers crossed for the results.  
 (A) How about going out for relaxation?  
 (B) When is the date of your exam?  
 (C) Would you mind my checking your homework?  
 (D) Didn't you finish the exam in time?
18. Adam: Hurry! I am afraid we may be late for the concert.  
 Sunny: When will the concert start?  
 Adam: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sunny: Then we should just skip the dinner and rush to the concert hall.  
 Adam: Let's go!  
 (A) Forty minutes ago. (B) For a couple of hours.  
 (C) In thirty minutes. (D) Until the end of this month.
19. Christine: I think the medium steak tastes yummy.  
 Greg: I couldn't agree more.  
 Christine: By the way, would you please pass me the salt? I think it will add flavor to the meat.  
 Greg: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Christine: Thanks!  
 (A) I am sorry I can't. (B) Certainly. Here you are.  
 (C) No, thank you. (D) Yes, I would, but I can't take it.
20. Guest: Excuse me, this is room 907. Could you do me a favor?  
 Desk clerk: What seems to be the problem, sir?  
 Guest: I can't flush the toilet. Plus, the sink is stuck.  
 Desk clerk: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (A) Well, it's nice to hear you say so.  
 (B) Oh, I am sorry. I'll have it fixed right away.  
 (C) Sorry. We ran out of the hot water yesterday.  
 (D) Please fill out the form for us.

21. Tina: Hello! May I talk to the marketing director, Mr. Walter?  
Cynthia: Sorry, he is not in right now. \_\_\_\_\_  
Tina: That's all right. Do you know when he'll be back?  
Cynthia: He should be back by four.  
(A) May I have his cell phone number?  
(B) Shall I take a message?  
(C) I'd like to leave a message.  
(D) May I call back later?
22. Teresa: Have you finished your paper yet?  
Michael: Oh, yes. It is far from being satisfactory, though. The professor gave me a "C".  
Teresa: \_\_\_\_\_ I told you to work on it earlier many times but you kept fooling around.  
Michael: I know. I have learned my lesson.  
(A) It serves you right.  
(B) You are telling me.  
(C) I appreciate it.  
(D) Take your time.
23. Shirley: I think this skirt is much prettier than that one, isn't it?  
Christy: I don't know. I like them both. Why do you like this one better?  
Shirley: Well, the design is more fashionable and the colors are brighter. Also, it's not that expensive, either.  
Christy: Oh, \_\_\_\_\_ Besides, the colors suit you more.  
(A) it's my pleasure.  
(B) beat it!  
(C) pardon me?  
(D) I see what you mean.
24. Billy: Hi, Charles. How are you doing?  
Dave: Alright, I guess. The operation went well though the wound is still painful.  
Billy: \_\_\_\_\_ So great to hear that.  
Dave: Doctors will do more tests and further check-up tomorrow. If the results are O.K., I should be able to go home soon.  
(A) What's the difference?  
(B) What a coincidence!  
(C) What a relief!  
(D) What a shame!
25. Joan: Excuse me. I'm a bit lost. Can you help me?  
Peter: \_\_\_\_\_  
Joan: I'd like to reach Taipei 101.  
Peter: You can take the MRT. Just go down from the exit one over there. Taipei 101 is 7 stops away from here.  
Joan: I see! Thanks a million.  
(A) When is the departure time?  
(B) Why not ask someone else?  
(C) How do you get there?  
(D) Where are you trying to get to?

### 三、綜合測驗

說明：以下三篇短文，共有十五格空格，為第 26~40 題，每題有四個選項，請依各篇短文文意，選出一個最適合該空格的答案。

▲ 下篇短文共有 5 個空格，為第 26 至 30 題，請依短文文意，選出一個最適合該空格的答案。

Ramadan is the ninth month of the Islamic lunar calendar. Every day during this month, Muslims around the world spend the daylight hours in a complete 26. During the blessed month of Ramadan, Muslims are not allowed to eat or drink during the daylight hours 27 the patients with the prescription of doctors. As a time to purify the soul, focus their mind on God, and 28 self-sacrifice, Ramadan is much more than just not eating and drinking. Muslims are to 29 those who have wronged them, strengthen ties with family and friends, do away with bad habits. One interesting thing is that the date is what Muslims eat during Ramadan, which provides nutrients once fasting for the day has ended. Traditionally, dates are known 30 the food Muhammad ate when he broke from his fast.

26. (A) fast                                      (B) feast                                      (C) flesh                                      (D) flash
27. (A) beside                                      (B) besides                                      (C) except                                      (D) expect
28. (A) practice                                      (B) practicing                                      (C) practiced                                      (D) have been practiced
29. (A) come down with                                      (B) come up with                                      (C) fight against                                      (D) make peace with
30. (A) to                                      (B) as                                      (C) with                                      (D) in

▲ 下篇短文共有 5 個空格，為第 31 至 35 題，請依短文文意，選出一個最適合該空格的答案。

The Dutch artist behind the giant rubber duck, Florentijn Hofman, hopes to bring the simplest joy to people around the world. A 6-story tall Rubber Duck is used to drift across the harbors in Taiwan, 31 the interest of tourists who snap photos. Affection for this cheerful duck has spread around the world, including U.S.A, Australia, France, Brazil, and Netherlands, etc. Some people think the gigantic duck reminds them of their childhood memory and has a healing effect, while 32 wonder why it turns out to be so popular. Undoubtedly, during its stay in Taiwan, the duck attracts more than a million tourists and generates high revenues. Local businesses have benefited by selling not only duck toys 33 duck-themed foods. However, some problems 34. It has difficulty 35 strong winds in Taoyuan and quickly deflates. In Keelung, the creator is angry over too many goods without authorization, which contradicts with his idea of simplicity.

31. (A) attract                                      (B) attracted                                      (C) to attract                                      (D) attracting
32. (A) another                                      (B) the other                                      (C) others                                      (D) the others
33. (A) but                                      (B) and                                      (C) or                                      (D) rather
34. (A) rise                                      (B) raise                                      (C) arise                                      (D) arouse
35. (A) battle                                      (B) battling                                      (C) battled                                      (D) to battle

▲ 下篇短文共有 5 個空格，為第 36 至 40 題，請依短文文意，選出一個最適合該空格的答案。

The representative word of year 2012 in Taiwan was voted to be “fake,” 36 expresses people’s greatest concern and lack of confidence in the food and products we use every day. Ranging from toxic starch to the poisonous oil, everything we eat may 37 harmful substances and cause great damage to our body. 38, doctors proposed consuming various kinds of natural food 39 processed food to avoid chemical additives. Moreover, some legislators suggested the laws 40 revised to impose heavier fines on those illegal businessmen and enforce more detailed investigations on the products.

36. (A) that (B) what (C) which (D) who  
 37. (A) demand (B) exclude (C) contain (D) command  
 38. (A) Contrarily (B) Consequently (C) However (D) Nonetheless  
 39. (A) instead (B) with regard to (C) so as to (D) rather than  
 40. (A) be (B) being (C) are (D) were

#### 四、閱讀測驗

說明：以下有二篇短文，共有 10 個題目，為第 41~50 題，請閱讀短文後，選出最適當的答案。

▲閱讀下文，回答第 41-45 題。

Every stray animal sent to the animal shelters faces a 12-day mercy killing countdown if it is not adopted. Terrible surroundings of the shelter push a majority of animals inside to go toward the destination of their lives. The documentary, “*Twelve Nights*,” proposes the notion of “adopting instead of abandoning animals.” The director hopes to reduce the chance for animals to end up dying miserably in shelters. What’s more, it intends to help every animal find its way home.

The director says, “Most people entering the shelter for help were shocked by what they see. They couldn’t do anything but cry. It’s not shameful to cry when they witness the **deteriorating** situation of animals inside the shelters. But crying is of no help. It will be more helpful if they pull themselves together and do something practical for those animals.” The reality is revealed to the public in order to see everyone’s action in return. The executive producer as well as a famous writer, Giddens, added, “The tiny part of help will be the start of the bigger change. We hope there are angels among the audience, lighting up the darkness.” What can we do? We can share the concept on the social website networks like Facebook, Twitter, or Plurk. Either donating money to the related associations or adopting animals can be very beneficial. Also, rather than buy animals in pet shops, we can adopt stray animals to avoid the repeated occurrences of tragedies. There is still one thing we can do. If you keep pets, never desert them at will and treat them like your family members.

Hopefully, in the near future, the tragedies will never happen again.

41. According to the passage, what will happen to the dogs if they are sent to the shelters and not adopted?  
 (A) They will be killed twenty days later.  
 (B) They are trained to make a countdown.  
 (C) They are doomed to die after twelve days.  
 (D) All of them die within twelve days.
42. According to the passage, the purpose of the movie is to \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (A) shock the audience with the horrible environment of shelters.  
 (B) make all the viewers of the movie burst into tears.  
 (C) improve the facilities to light up the dark animal shelters.  
 (D) convey the correct attitude of raising animals.
43. Which of the followings is **NOT** the methods we can use to help save the stray animals?  
 (A) Informing others of the concept of “adopting instead of abandoning animals” on the Internet.  
 (B) Purchasing animals from the pet shops to decrease the number of stray animals.  
 (C) Giving money to help the Animal Association or similar organizations.  
 (D) Simply going to shelters to adopt stray animals to avoid their death.
44. In line 7, the underlined word “**deteriorating**” refers to \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (A) enormous (B) worsening (C) organized (D) delightful

45. What can we infer from the passage?

- (A) Some animals inside the shelters were raised but later deserted by their owners.
- (B) The tragedy of the stray animals will certainly never happen again.
- (C) It is shameful to cry when seeing the poor animals in the documentary.
- (D) It is possible for a person to lead to some changes of the current situation.

▲閱讀下文，回答第 46-50 題。

What is Bitcoin? Bitcoin is a digital currency created in 2009 by an engineer, Satoshi Nakamoto. It is the first decentralized digital coin you can send through the Internet. Compared with other currencies, there is a lot of advantages. It is transferred directly from person to person without going to the banks. This means the processing fees are low or zero especially when you use it among different countries. And your account can never be frozen.

Bitcoins are **generated** all over the Internet by “mining.” Bitcoin mining is the process of making computer hardware, like GPU (more powerful than CPU), do mathematical calculations for the Bitcoin network to confirm transactions and increase security. As a reward for their services, Bitcoin miners can gain the bitcoins for the transactions they confirm. To put it simply, if you share some of your own computer facilities, resources or data to help solve the problems on the Internet, you can earn bitcoins in return.

Bitcoins are already used in daily life. You can use it to buy many things like video games, or gifts. One couple, Austin and Beccy Binham-Craig, even traveled around three continents during their 101-day honeymoon and paid for everything with bitcoins, from rent, food to gas. With the rising worth of Bitcoins, it seems to be more and more popular in the future.

46. What is Bitcoin?

- (A) It is one of the traditional currencies.
- (B) It is an engineering software.
- (C) It is the latest application on the cell phones.
- (D) It is the digital coin mainly used on the Internet.

47. Which of the followings is **NOT** the advantages of Bitcoins?

- (A) Users don't need to go to the bank for transactions.
- (B) Never will your account be frozen.
- (C) Users never worry about the danger of being stolen.
- (D) The processing fees are relatively low.

48. According to the passage, what is Bitcoin mining ?

- (A) An action of getting the precious metal out of the underground.
- (B) Earning a large sum of prize money by joining mathematical contests.
- (C) Using your computer hardware to help do calculations and earn money.
- (D) A training to increase your peace of mind and profit from it.

49. In line 5, the underlined word “**generated**” refers to \_\_\_\_\_.

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|--------------|-------------|
| (A) produced | (B) doubted |
| (C) bought   | (D) denied  |

50. Which of the following statement is **NOT** correct?

- (A) Bitcoins were created 5 years ago by an engineer.
- (B) It is unlikely for us to live more than 3 months only by using bitcoins.
- (C) The buying and selling bitcoins can be done totally through the Internet.
- (D) The author holds a positive attitude toward the future of bitcoins.