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等 別：三等關務人員考試

類(科)別：各科別

科 目：英文

考試時間：2 小時

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※注意：禁止使用電子計算器。

**甲、申論題部分：(50 分)**

(一)不必抄題，作答時請將試題題號及答案依照順序寫在申論試卷上，於本試題上作答者，不予計分。

(二)請以藍、黑色鋼筆或原子筆在申論試卷上作答。

**一、翻譯：請將下列的英文句子譯成中文，中文句子譯成英文。(20 分)**

(一) Your ticket is scanned at the automatic barrier, and then your luggage goes through an x-ray scanner. The arrival and departure time on your ticket should be fairly accurate but there are sometimes unforeseen delays due to weather, etc.

(二) 保育類野生動物、珍貴稀有植物及其製產品，未經中央主管機關之許可，不得出口。

**二、英文作文：(30 分)**

Write an English essay of approximately 250 words on an experience of passing through a customs inspection.

**乙、測驗題部分：(50 分)**

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(一)本測驗試題為單一選擇題，請選出一個正確或最適當的答案，複選作答者，該題不予計分。

(二)共 25 題，每題 2 分，須用 2B 鉛筆在試卡上依題號清楚劃記，於本試題或申論試卷上作答者，不予計分。

- 1 Delayed by a traffic jam, we were terribly late for a concert and had to wait until the \_\_\_\_\_ to enter.  
(A) intermediate (B) intermission (C) intersection (D) interpretation
- 2 The waiter is \_\_\_\_\_ for us to follow him. He must have found a table for us.  
(A) beckoning (B) attempting (C) invoking (D) pretending
- 3 The newly published book written by the former president contains many \_\_\_\_\_ issues on public policy and has aroused public argument and disapproval.  
(A) contributive (B) contemplative (C) contagious (D) controversial
- 4 To this day, Annie will sit still through many books \_\_\_\_\_ given the opportunity. Maybe her mother instilled in Annie her love of books.  
(A) although (B) if (C) nevertheless (D) unless

The power of the information age descended on China in 1989. 5 authorities clamped down on activists after the carnage at Tiananmen Square, protesters around the world clogged fax machines with foreign-news coverage and messages of solidarity. For officials accustomed to a monopoly on information, it was a startling lesson—and 6 they answered with typical low-tech efficacy. Guards were posted at fax machines across the country. The trickle of information stopped.

It has become commonplace, in this digital era, that electronic 7 will spell doom for authoritarian regimes. Information, the techno-libertarians say, is now too 8 to control. It flows in over airways, via satellites, through microwave relays to cellular phones, faxes, televisions, radios, beepers, and modems. Information will mean more openness, as the logic 9, and openness will mean more freedom.

- 5 (A) Though (B) With (C) For (D) As
- 6 (A) it (B) one (C) when (D) information
- 7 (A) communication (B) control (C) controversy (D) war
- 8 (A) fluid (B) spatial (C) receptive (D) bureaucratic
- 9 (A) comes (B) goes (C) says (D) speaks
- 10 Fighting wildfire is often likened to a military campaign, with personnel deployed strategically on the ground and air support striking from above.
- (A) Demands for manpower and air support are increasing in wildfire fights.
- (B) Wildfire control is like fighting a war in many ways except its demand for manpower on the spot and air assistance.
- (C) It is hard to put out wildfire without military support: its diverse workforce and well-equipped aircrafts.
- (D) Combating wildfire is like a battle fought by armed forces that requires collaborative work on the ground and from the air.
- 11 Abortion, intertwined with religious convictions and hopelessly at odds with traditional values, remains today the single moral issue on which Americans are most bitterly divided.
- (A) Abortion is so closely linked with spiritual beliefs and completely against traditional values that it is unethical to discuss it; otherwise, the American society will unfortunately be split into halves.
- (B) The American society cannot agree upon the morality of abortion because it is completely against God's will and traditional values.
- (C) Abortion has been the most bitter and divisive ethical issue in the American society, an issue that is deeply involved with religious beliefs and completely incompatible with traditional values.
- (D) Today, abortion remains the bitterest topic among Americans. Many Americans cannot accept abortion because it is so interlocked with religious beliefs and traditional values.
- 12 The ancestors of the Native Americans in the state of Oklahoma today came to Oklahoma on the infamous Trail of Tears after being forced to march to the west by the US government.
- (A) The ancestors of the Native Americans left a trail of tears when they arrived at Oklahoma.
- (B) The US government forced the Native Americans to shed tears when they were moving west.
- (C) The US government forced the Native Americans to Oklahoma on a grueling trail that is now named Trail of Tears.
- (D) The Trail of Tears is famous and highly recommended by the US government because the Native Americans walked on it.
- 13 The talks on Bosnia bogged down in differences over borders among the three parties.
- (A) The conflicts on Bosnia had to do with border disputes among the three parties.
- (B) The talks on Bosnia among the three parties became stuck over border disputes.
- (C) Border disputes brought the Bosnians back to the negotiation table among the three parties.
- (D) The talks on Bosnia among the three parties helped resolve border disputes.

- 14 Do not go where the path leads; go instead where there is no path and leave a trail.
- (A) Don't just follow conventions; dare to try new ways for others to follow.
  - (B) Go where a path and a trail will appear.
  - (C) Follow your instinct.
  - (D) Just go on the right path and everything will be alright.
- 15 People who took vitamin E were no less likely to have a heart attack than those taking the placebo.
- (A) People who took vitamin E were more likely to have a heart attack than those taking the placebo.
  - (B) People who took the placebo were less likely to have a heart attack than those taking vitamin E.
  - (C) People who took vitamin E and people who took the placebo had the same likelihood of getting heart attack.
  - (D) Not all the people who took vitamin E and the placebo were less likely to have a heart attack.
- 16 The media frenzy over the scandal did not rise to the level of courtroom spectacle offered by a similar case a decade ago.
- (A) The open media coverage over the scandal did not come close to the level of uncensored drama of a similar case a decade ago.
  - (B) The media craze over the scandal did not come near to the level of excitement in the courtroom offered by a similar case a decade ago.
  - (C) The media scandal did approach the spectacular level of a similar case taking place a decade ago.
  - (D) The media fantasy over the scandal is not compatible to the courtroom speculation offered a decade ago.
- 17 Love does not require that two people look at each other, but that they look together in the same direction.
- (A) Lovers do not care much about each other's appearance, but share the same ideals and goals.
  - (B) Lovers do not need to see each other all the time as long as they trust each other.
  - (C) Lovers have not only the same looks but also the same ideals and goals.
  - (D) Lovers do not have to look at each other, but they have to spend time together.
- 18 Pearls are produced by nature; nearly-round or organic-shaped pearls have character and may be easier on the wallet.
- (A) Natural pearls which are not completely round have their own features, and they are also more affordable.
  - (B) Nearly round pearls and those of organic shapes are easier to be matched with a wallet.
  - (C) There are different shapes of pearls because they are the products of nature.
  - (D) Pearls of organic shapes cost as much as the nearly round ones do.

Contrary to common opinions, megaliths are rarely crude or unplanned. If observers are careful enough, they will detect on the giant stones the traces of those supposedly refined carvings, now worn down by rainwater and frost. And even when the shape of the stone is irregular, its overall appearance shows it was selected and quarried with care. The Fairies' Rock at Essé, the finest dolmen in Brittany, is made of enormous blocks of red shale taken from a rock bed two and a half miles away. While fairies were carrying stones in their aprons—so the story goes—one stone slipped from the aprons, and dropped from the sky to the ground; the result is this isolated dolmen.

The texture and color of a stone used in the dolmen often bespeak a good knowledge of local geology. Priest-architects would have taken the best that was available in the area. In chalky earth at Bougon, the dolmen's pillars match one another and are made of the local rock. The covering slabs, however, are of a different texture. One is a 32-ton block of Bathonian flint from an outcropping two and a half miles away, and the other is a fossiliferous coralline massif weighing 90 tons that was excavated at a distance of several hundred yards.

- 19 What is the author's opinion about the overall structure of megaliths?  
(A) Crude (B) Not overdone (C) Primitive (D) Not unplanned
- 20 According to the passage, what caused the stone carvings to be blurred nowadays?  
(A) Earthquake (B) Excavation (C) War (D) Weather
- 21 According to the 2nd paragraph, what knowledge did a local priest always possess?  
(A) Biology (B) Geology (C) Mythology (D) Sociology

編號第 22 題至第 25 題為篇章結構，各題請依文意，從四個選項中選出最合適者，各題答案內容不重複。

Basically, two pivotal notions about the nature of the brain have been nullified. 22 The second is that the brain steadily loses brain cells after age twenty or so and consequently relentlessly declines in mental capacities.

23 But scientists thought older brains lost the capacity to grow, and were fixed and static after puberty. It is now known that brain cells can sprout new dendrites and new synapses, forming new communication networks at any age. Thus, although everyone is born with a fixed number of brain cells, that innate figure does not define mental capacity. 24 Brains with fewer cells can have just as much, or more, mental capacity than larger brains, depending on the lushness of neurons. The idea that a massive and progressive loss of neurons is an inevitable consequence of aging has also been thoroughly disproved.

According to Russell L. Blaylock at University of Mississippi Medical Center, "The process by which the brain is 'wired' and even 'rewired' is referred to as plasticity. 25 We now know that even the brains of adults are constantly changing and being rewired."

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