I. Vocabulary & Phrase: Choose the correct answer. 40%

1. Frank bought his bed online at a(n) _____ site.
   A. blog       B. auction       C. accessory       D. social network

2. Rick is the guy standing over there, wearing the blue tank _____.
   A. T-shirt     B. top           C. shirt           D. coat

3. If you're interested in bargain _____, I know the perfect place for you.
   A. hunting     B. hunter       C. to hunt        D. hunted

4. Besides rings, what other _____ are you wearing?
   A. cameras    B. sections      C. footwear       D. accessories

5. The Cleavers took advantage _____ the cheap prices.
   A. over         B. for          C. in            D. of

6. How _____ dumplings can you eat?
   A. many         B. little       C. much         D. big

7. Could you please give me a(n) _____ of your product?
   A. description  B. creation     C. excuse       D. pressure

8. Here comes the waitress. Are you ready to _____?
   A. order        B. receive     C. serve        D. buy

9. I'd like a steak and a(n) _____ of French fries.
   A. entree       B. bread       C. appetizer      D. side order

10. We travel once _____ year.
    A. during     B. in           C. for          D. a

11. My daughter studies Spanish once _____ two days.
    A. every       B. for        C. around    D. already

12. If you have a _____, you should take some aspirin.
    A. stomachache B. headache    C. cold         D. runny nose

13. Jenny loves _____ all kinds of music.
    A. listening       B. to listen  C. listening to  D. a listen

14. Everyone ran for the _____ when the fire broke out in the hall.
    A. poster       B. box office    C. emergency exit D. restroom

15. Carrie's favorite _____ is Nicole Kidman.
    A. director     B. leading actress C. audience member D. leading actor

16. Wayne's computer is broken, so he needs to get it _____.
    A. returned    B. repaired      C. sold          D. bought
17. Mike has already _____ the road test.
   A. taking  B. take  C. took  D. taken
18. The _____ from the top of Yangming Mountain is great.
   A. height  B. space  C. view  D. screen
19. If you wear that orange T-shirt, you'll really stand _____ in a crowd.
   A. out  B. up  C. near  D. over
20. Mary: That comes to NT135. Susan: Here you _____.
   A. go  B. have  C. can  D. need

II. **Fill in the Blank: Choose the best answer for each blank. 20%**

Today, the class did a research__(21)__ on marketing. As usual, I was having ____(22)__ understanding what to do. I'm really not interested in this subject. Anyway, my partner, who's a ____(23)__ nice girl, helped me a lot. She also said she would study with me after class. She's from ____(24)__ , so her English isn't that good. We've decided that I'll help her with the language and she can help me with my schoolwork. We both live in the university ____(25)__ , so it's convenient to meet. We'll probably just go over to the library.

21. A. program  B. project  C. system  D. club
22. A. major  B. focus  C. trouble  D. ease
23. A. very  B. usually  C. simply  D. little
24. A. France  B. America  C. Australia  D. New Zealand
25. A. house  B. dorm  C. hotel  D. building

Last week was Pamela and Steve's ____(26)__ wedding anniversary. To celebrate, they decided to eat in an expensive restaurant. The evening should've been romantic, but it ____(27)__ . First, Steve forgot to bring his wallet and Pamela had to pay for the meal with her credit card. Then, something happened when Pamela ordered dessert. She said, "I'd love to have the chocolate cake, but I'm afraid it's too ____(28)__ . What do you think, honey?" "I like it now that you're bigger," Steve answered. Much to his surprise, Pamela became angry and ____(29)__ . "You should learn how to ____(30)__ me better; if not, you could find your next wedding anniversary is a bit lonely!"

26. A. number five  B. five  C. the fifth  D. fifth
27. A. was  B. could not  C. wasn't  D. isn't
28. A. oily  B. spicy  C. light  D. fattening
29. A. said  B. says  C. has said  D. saying
30. A. afford  B. treat  C. spend  D. care

III. **Reading Comprehension: Answer questions based on the texts. 40%**

As technology improves, people are gradually catching on to shopping online. Shopping online is now seen as simpler, faster, and cheaper than street shopping. One of the most popular kinds of shopping sites is the Internet auction. People can both buy and sell things on it, including clothing and accessories. But that's not all. We can now purchase cars, books, computers, and homes at such sites. One elderly guy
even bought an airplane online. In the early days, these sites were frequented by housewives hoping to get rid of unwanted items. A lot has changed since then. Internet auctions are most often used by university students. They take advantage of Internet auctions to pick up discounted items. Some also run their own online retail and wholesale businesses through them. A few students have even started their own businesses. You know what they are? If you guessed Internet auction sites, you've got it.

31. What is one factor, according to the article, causing more and more people to shop online?
   A. Progress in technology       B. Too much unwanted stuff       C. More university students
   D. A lack of accessories

32. The writer says people like online auctions for all of the following reasons BUT because they are ____.
   A. easier         B. quicker       C. less expensive        D. more fun

33. What is the most incredible thing bought online?
   A. A plane         B. A house       C. Accessories        D. An elderly man

34. In the past, why did people often use online shopping sites?
   A. To buy things       B. To do wholesale       C. To start a business       D. To clear out things

35. Which group of people are online sites most popular with?
   A. Housewives       B. The elderly       C. Young adults       D. It doesn't say.

Brad has graduated from university and wants to find a job as soon as possible. Kenny knows that not every job is suited for him. First, he's not good at communicating with strangers. And he doesn't like it when people make jokes about him. He does, however, have good math and computer skills. He can even write complicated computer programs. At the moment, Brad is reading through the classified ads of the local newspaper. Nothing has caught his eye, but he can't afford to be picky. If he doesn't find work soon, he's not going to have enough money to pay the rent. Finally, Brad circles a few positions that he might be suitable for. One is working for an investment company. Another is bookkeeping for a chain of hotels. Working in a bank also looks interesting.

36. When does Brad need to find a job?
   A. Not until he graduates       B. Immediately       C. Anytime       D. Eventually

37. Which of the following best describes Brad's personality?
   A. Funny and outgoing       B. Passionate and creative       C. Quiet and sensitive       D. Loud and impolite

38. Brad can do everything BUT _____.
   A. use a computer       B. solve math problems       C. write programs       D. talk well

39. Why can't Brad take his time finding a job?
   A. He's tired of living in a hotel.       B. He's been out of school too long.       C. He is having financial problems.       D. His wife has told him to hurry up.

40. How will Brad find a job?
   A. By asking his parents       B. By asking a friend       C. By looking in the newspaper       D. By making an investment
The Martinez Grill attracts customers with its pleasant seating area. This patio is decorated with cacti and the picnic tables are all in the shade. The delicious smell of grilled chicken steak coming from inside is enough to make anyone stay. The restaurant's atmosphere is warm, noisy, and festive. I chose the nachos to start, the vegetarian burritos for an entree, and deep-fried ice cream for dessert. The dishes were beautifully presented. The nachos were covered with cheese and jalapenos. The salsa, which I had on the side, was very spicy. It was just how I liked it. And the burritos melted in my mouth. Even though I was full, I still managed to eat the sweet, tasty deep-fried ice cream. Despite being expensive, the Martinez Grill makes me want to go back. I want to try everything on the menu.

41. Where are the picnic tables?
   A. Outdoors    B. In the kitchen    C. Inside    D. It doesn't say.

42. The restaurant's atmosphere is described as all of the following BUT _______.
   A. friendly    B. loud    C. crazy    D. quiet

43. What did the writer have for main course?
   A. Jalapenos    B. Burritos    C. Nachos    D. Deep-fried ice cream

44. How does the writer like the salsa to taste?
   A. Hot    B. Sour    C. Sweet    D. Salty

45. What was the only thing the writer didn't like about the Martinez Grill?
   A. The spicy food    B. The taste    C. The cost    D. The feeling

These days, people are asking, "Why blog?" Well there are many reasons, including fame, fortune, having a say, and keeping in touch with old friends. First of all, blogging can make you famous. It doesn't happen that often, but it has happened. You might know something about a famous person. Or, your topic could be especially meaningful. Fortune is another reason for blogging. Painters, writers, and singers have all managed to attract attention through blogs. People also use blogs as a means of having their say. They're passionate about something, like the environment or sports, and want the world to know it. Finally, blogs help you stay in touch with old friends. You can use them to share pictures or give updates, or even find a long-lost chum.

46. Which of the following is NOT included as a reason for blogging?
   A. Communicating with old friends    B. Making your name known
   C. Translating meaningful documents    D. Spreading your ideas

47. How often does blogging make people famous?
   A. All the time    B. Never    C. Regularly    D. Seldom

48. What have painters, writers, and singers done through blogging?
   A. Sold some of their work    B. Actually, nothing at all    C. Got people to notice them
   D. Written something interesting

49. What does "chum" mean in this passage?
   A. Family member    B. Lover    C. Friend    D. Teacher

50. What is the most suitable title for this passage?
   A. I Found My Chum    B. Post a Picture on Your Blog Now
   C. The Ins and Outs of Blogging    D. How He Got Famous
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