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應用外語系碩士班 應用英文試題

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本試題共50題，每題2分。每題皆為4選1之單選題，答錯不利扣。

第一部份、詞彙與結構：

1~3題，請選出與畫線部份最相近的答案；4~23題，請選出最適合題意的答案。

1. The company guarantees that every product is exhaustively tested before shipping.
(A) laboriously (B) thoroughly (C) thoughtfully (D) tiresomely
2. The course is designed to provide students with both theoretical and practical knowledge of the subject.
(A) empirical (B) factual (C) hypothetical (D) systematic
3. Reports showed that the sales of Japanese cars plummeted in China last year amid the territorial dispute over a set of islands.
(A) banned (B) climbed (C) diminished (D) inflated
4. According to research, French people are slimmer than Americans and about 15% of French people qualify as _____ compared to over 30 % of Americans.
(A) lean (B) obese (C) slender (D) slim
5. Nowadays many men and women are starting to have cosmetic surgery to reduce signs of aging and to enhance their job _____.
(A) fatigue (B) load (C) pressure (D) prospects
6. There are two _____ to eyestrain: drink more and blink more.
(A) appeals (B) origins (C) obstacles (D) remedies
7. The destruction of wildlife _____ due to population growth is a major threat to many species.
(A) habit (B) habitat (C) habitual (D) hobby
8. Anti-nuclear groups hold protests hoping to raise public _____ of the danger of nuclear power.
(A) awareness (B) contentment (C) proponents (D) recklessness
9. Employees in the government sector face possible allowance and pension cuts because of the country's _____ economy.
(A) worsed (B) worsen (C) worsted (D) worsening
10. One common cause of Osteoporosis, or thinning bones, is the _____ of nutrients such as calcium and Vitamin D.
(A) defiance (B) deficiency (C) definition (D) deflection

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11. Earlier this year, air pollution in the Chinese capital Beijing had reached levels judged as _____ to human health.
(A) inhale (B) hazard (C) hazardous (D) hazy
12. Thousands of jobs in the manufacturing industry are in _____ as a result of the increase in oil prices.
(A) desperation (B) dictation (C) jeopardy (D) minority
13. The recent school shootings caused the _____ of the debate over gun control in the United States.
(A) indulgence (B) ignorance (C) resistance (D) resurgence
14. _____ of death penalty argue strongly based on its deterrent effect on potential murderers.
(A) Adventures (B) Adversaries (C) Advice (D) Advocates
15. Corporate rules and policies on employees' lunch hour should be kept to an _____ minimum so that workers can have enough relax during this period.
(A) abnormal (B) absolute (C) additional (D) original
16. Driving in Taipei on a rainy day can be a stressful experience, so efforts to reduce _____ would clearly be welcomed by many of its citizens.
(A) condensation (B) congestion (C) conjunction (D) connection
17. A person who can speak more than 6 languages is considered a _____.
(A) linguist (B) polygamist (C) polyglot (D) therapist
18. Human mind loves to _____, that is, to give human attributes to other creatures and objects.
(A) anthropomorphize (B) authorize (C) empower (D) permit
19. I think I am _____ for a promotion to upper management if I don't start a family in the next few years.
(A) in addition (B) in advance (C) on track (D) other than
20. A survey shows that consumers are willing to pay more to buy a greener car _____ the economic downturn, which, in general, causes cut back on spending.
(A) due to (B) despite (C) even though (D) than
21. Recently in Taiwan, there has been an ongoing debate as to _____ capital punishment should be abolished.
(A) if or not (B) that (C) that if (D) whether or not

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22. It is essential for children to obtain an adequate amount of calcium in their diet _____ strengthen their bones.
(A) because of (B) for the reason (C) in light of (D) in order to
23. _____ a study of the performance of chimpanzees in a test, the human tendency to share may have more ancient evolutionary routes than previously thought.
(A) According to (B) In contrast with (C) On account of (D) On the basis

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第二部份、段落填空：請依照文意選出最適合的答案。

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(A) The renowned British fashion designer, Vivienne Westwood, was born in Derbyshire in England in 1941. She took an individualistic and rebellious attitude toward her clothing from her school days, customizing her uniform and creating an image of herself as an individual outside of the mainstream, yet quintessentially English. This is the same image that _____ (24) her fashion collections to this day.

_____ (25) a teacher in London, Westwood quit when _____ (26) and her second husband, Malcolm McLaren, opened a shop to showcase her outrageous fashions. This shop gained _____ (27) and was an inspiration for the look behind the punk rock movement in 1970s London. The clothing was individualistic, incorporating leather and torn T-shirts, but it also contained traditional patterns such as tartan checks. It was an instantly recognizable look, which caused a revolution in how young people dressed and eventually went from the streets to the fashion _____ (28).

24. (A) characterizes (B) employs (C) interrupts (D) protests
25. (A) Initially (B) Instantly (C) Intentionally (D) Intuitively
26. (A) her (B) it (C) she (D) she's
27. (A) famous (B) notoriety (C) popular (D) prosperous
28. (A) catwalk (B) sidevwalk (C) catwalk (D) workhouse

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(B) It is estimated that one language dies every 14 days. At this rate, half of the roughly 7,000 languages spoken on Earth will likely _____ (29) as language communities abandon their mother tongues _____ (30) English, Mandarin, or Spanish. Why do languages die out? _____ (31) human history, the languages of more influential groups have spread while those of smaller cultures have become _____ (32). This happens either through language policies, or through the allure brought by the high _____ (33) of speaking a dominant language. Such trends explain, for instance, why more language diversity _____ (34) in Bolivia than on the whole European continent, _____ (35) there has been a long history of large nations and imperial dominance.

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29. (A) accomplish (B) flourish (C) furnish (D) vanish
30. (A) in favor of (B) in lieu of (C) in spite of (D) instead of
31. (A) Besides (B) Among (C) Including (D) Throughout
32. (A) extinct (B) dynamic (C) pervasive (D) prevalent
33. (A) permission (B) persecution (C) prestige (D) prevention
34. (A) decreases (B) disappears (C) exists (D) explores
35. (A) when (B) which (C) where (D) whereas

第三部份、閱讀理解

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(A) The Ministry of Education (MOE) in Taiwan has responded to the increasing demand for competent English users in the current society by extending English education to the 3rd grade of elementary school since the 2005 academic year. Not only the government, but also parents and teachers are having growing awareness of the need to enhance pupils' English proficiency and help them "survive" in the competitive international society.

Studying learners' attitudes towards school English class is believed to be an effective way to understand learners' beliefs, feelings, and behaviours regarding school English class. Although the relationship between attitudes and behaviour is rather complex, a person's attitude toward a particular object may most certainly influence his or her behaviour toward the object.

Since the reform, little has been explored with regard to how an "earlier start" has influenced the elementary school students. The attitudes they have towards learning English in the context of Taiwan remain unclear.

The implementation of a reform concerning language can be regarded as successful when there is effective learning and teaching in the language classroom. To facilitate effective learning and teaching in the English classroom, it is beneficial to understand students' attitudes towards learning English as well as how they like the ways they learn English.

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36. How long has the MOE launched the reform?
(A) 5 years ago.
(B) During 2005.
(C) About 7 years.
(D) More than a decade.
37. What is the purpose of this passage?
(A) Arguing against a theory.
(B) Analyzing the collected data.
(C) Concluding the research findings.
(D) Providing an introduction to a study.

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38. According to the reading, who has **NOT** shown concern about pupils' English ability?
(A) English teachers.
(B) The parents.
(C) The government.
(D) Cram school owners.
39. What does the author believe to be the most important?
(A) Starting to learn English early.
(B) Investigating learners' attitudes.
(C) Enhancing pupils' English proficiency.
(D) Responding to the increasing demand for competent English users.
40. Which of the following statements is true?
(A) The relationship between attitudes and behavior is simple and clear.
(B) Government's implementation of the reform has proved to be a great success.
(C) In recent years, many studies have confirmed that "an earlier start" has positive influence on the elementary school students.
(D) Studying learners' attitudes towards school English class helps further understanding of learners' behavior in an English class.

(B) The results of this study show that such educational goals have been achieved, confirming the effectiveness of the blog-based blended model for the English for Hospitality and Tourism course. The findings of the study are discussed and presented as follows: (1) the blended model combining blog and face-to-face instruction can be an effective teaching and learning approach for L2 learners and instructors of Hospitality and Tourism related courses; (2) students' professional skills were improved through this blended approach, such as enunciation, facial expressions, posture, gestures, multimedia software usage, and filming applications; (3) students could benefit from the processes of autonomous learning, collaborative learning, reviews of their peers' and the instructor's feedback through blogging (Chen et al, 2011; Liu & Chang, 2010; Liu & Lin, 2007; Liu, Shih & Tsai, 2011; Lou, Wu & Shih, 2010; Shih, 2010) and (4) students are more willing to share their thoughts, ideas, and comments with peers on the blog for avoiding losing face in front of others and thus to ease their stage fright. Furthermore, the factors of the learning satisfaction survey questionnaire were confirmed, containing Factor I: Blended learning effectiveness; Factor II: Learning attitude towards the blog platform; Factor III: Operation of the blog platform; and Factor IV: The Design of the blog platform and the short film. Finally, using blended teaching approach into an ESP could be very time-consuming and it requires some extra efforts from both the instructor and students but its outcome can be very rewarding. (TOJET, 11(4))

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41. In this passage, the author mainly discusses _____
(A) the factors of blogging and blended learning
(B) the importance of Tourism and Hospitality course in college
(C) the advantages of applying media to hotel English learning
(D) the benefits of integrating blended teaching and blogging into an ESP course
42. According to the passage, which of the following is **NOT** true?
(A) Using blended approach is time-consuming.
(B) There are 4 factors found in the satisfaction survey.
(C) Students may ease their stage fright through this blended approach.
(D) Students can share their thoughts, ideas, and comments in the tourism course classroom.
43. According to the reading, what professional skills can students enhance through blended learning?
(A) Film-making, enunciation, gesture, and posture.
(B) Peer assessment, operation of the platform, and avoiding losing face.
(C) Peer assessment, operation of the platform, and autonomous learning.
(D) Peer commenting, film-making, operation of the platform, and design of a short film.
44. What is the theme of this passage?
(A) The development of L2 learner's professional skills.
(B) The course design of the Tourism and Hospitality course.
(C) The effects of integrating blended learning to an ESP course.
(D) The course implementation of the Tourism and Hospitality course.
45. What does blended learning mean in this passage?
(A) Combining blogs and peer assessments.
(B) Combining in-class instruction and blogs.
(C) Combining film-making and peer comments.
(D) Combining in-class teaching and peer and instructor's comments.

(C) After more than a decade of research, scientists at the University of Oxford, England, have identified the gene which they believe is involved in the development of language. And they believe this discovery may help explain **one of the most distinctive human attributes**. The research team, led by Dr. Anthony P. Monaco, published its findings in the journal *Nature*.

Dr. Monaco says that their finding is the first gene identified for a speech and language disorder, and the importance of their finding is that it “can take us forward into understanding the developmental pathways underlying speech and language.”

The gene came to light through studies of a large family of several generations in East London in

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which 14 out of the 29 family members suffer the same speech and language disorder. It is this half – all descendants of the same grandmother – that shares the mutated version of this gene. They have difficulty controlling the movements of their tongue, lips, and mouth and, as a result, have problems in communication. They also make frequent grammatical errors, indicating they have difficulty understanding grammatical rules. However, intelligence tests show that relatives with the defect have normal or above average intelligence, so the mutated gene seems **the culprit**.

According to Dr. Monaco, the gene's normal function is like a "master switch" which turns on other genes during the development of language. He believes that this gene and the genes with which it interacts may be part of a genetic network for language. "We think it's important in brain development, of certain areas of the brain, which are probably involved in the circuitry in the development of language," Mr. Monaco said.

Nonetheless, Mr. Monaco and other experts alike are reluctant to claim that these genes are solely associated with speech and language. Dr. Bruce Tomblin, a speech pathologist in University of Iowa, speculates that the gene and the ones it interacts with may have other functions as well; thus, assuming these genes control a special speech and language circuit would be risky. "It remains unclear whether we would want to say that this is a speech and language gene in that it does appear as though these people had often time probably other problems that may not be solely limited to language," said Dr. Tomblin.

Dr. Elizabeth Bates, the director of the Center of Language Research at the University of California at San Diego, agrees with this view. She mentions that it has been shown in other studies that the family with the language disorder has problems with musical pitch and rhythm and with hand movements, which suggests the gene is connected to more than just linguistic functions.

The Oxford team is also studying the molecular structure of the gene and comparing it with its analog in chimpanzees and other primates to see how far it has evolved. "Most genes will have changes over millions of years between the species," said Dr. Monaco. "Since language and speech is a characteristic human behavior, we would want to see if this gene evolved faster in humans than animals."

46. What does "one of the most distinctive human attributes" in paragraph 1 refer to?

- (A) Having a special gene.
- (B) Being able to do research.
- (C) Having language and speech.
- (D) Being able to identify the gene.

47. The boldfaced words "the culprit" in paragraph 3 can be substituted by which of the following?

- (A) The cause.
- (B) The defect.
- (C) The disorder.
- (D) The consequence.

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48. According to the reading, why are scientists reluctant to claim that these genes are dedicated to speech and language alone?

- (A) Other species may have the same genes, too.
- (B) Not all the genes found are related to language development.
- (C) The subjects seemed to show defect in areas other than language.
- (D) The other half of the family does not show the same language disorder.

49. What metaphor is used in this article to describe the structure of genes?

- (A) Puzzles.
- (B) Road maps.
- (C) Building plans.
- (D) Electric wirings.

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50. According to the reading, which of the following is true about the gene?

- (A) It is unique to human.
- (B) It is exclusively linked to language and speech.
- (C) It plays an important role in language development.
- (D) It was only found in the family whose members show language disorder.

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