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第二節

英文 試題

一、 **Vocabulary** : For each sentence below, choose the word that best maintains the meaning of the underlined word. (20%)

1. **Clumps** of daisies grow wild in the field.
a. Bunches b. Herds c. Flocks d. Packs
2. I have never seen such s **gorgeous** mink coat in all my life!
a. tawdry b. plain c. beautiful d. cheap
3. The will **entitles** the heirs to live in the family mansion.
a. permits b. inspires c. persuades d. unfetters
4. Wearing evening gowns all day is just part of her **eccentric** behavior.
a. customary b. stunning c. peculiar d. typical
5. **Heredity** played a role in his temperament.
a. Inheritance b. Diligence c. Acquisition d. Endurance
6. Border raiding resulted in even more **contention**.
a. confusion b. confrontation c. accord d. allegation
7. Memorial Day marks the **inception** of summer for most people.
a. adjournment b. duration c. tantrum d. commencement
8. The quick arrival of fire fighter **averted** a major forest fire.
a. availed b. avoided c. avouched d. avowed
9. Housing developments are **burgeoning** in recent years.
a. decreasing b. forming c. plummeting d. thriving
10. Malaria is still **rampant** in some swampy regions.
a. elaborate b. prevalent c. restrained d. tenuous

二、 **Sentence Structure** : The following are incomplete sentences. Choose the word or period in which phrase that best complete the sentence. (30%)

1. _____ as a masterpiece, a work of art generally must surpass the ideas of the period in which it was created.
a. To be ranked
b. For the ranking

- c. The ranking
- d. Ranks

2. Advanced technology has significantly changed _____ photographic lenses are made.
 - a. of way
 - b. that of way
 - c. the way
 - d. that the way
3. Computer plays a major role in _____ future lifestyles.
 - a. shaping
 - b. to shape
 - c. to shaping
 - d. shape of
4. Of all the factors affecting Taiwan's economy, political instability is the one _____ the most.
 - a. why the economy affects
 - b. the economy that is affects
 - c. that affects the economy
 - d. it affects the economy
5. Much of _____ about the behavior of porpoises is based on observation made at Sea World _____ in Florida.
 - a. what was reported
 - b. it reported what
 - c. report what was
 - d. what was it reported
6. Considered one of the leading novelists in the U.S. today, _____.
 - a. a number of poems have also been written by him
 - b. he has also written a number of poems
 - c. a number of his poems haven been written
 - d. there have been a number of poems written by him
7. Gorillas are quiet animals, _____ they can make around twentydifferentounds.
 - a. in spite of
 - b. due to
 - c. because

d. even though

8. In the animal kingdom, _____ bigger than elephant.
- a. only is whale
 - b. only whale is
 - c. whale is only
 - d. is whale only
9. Nearly all paper contains cellulose, a constituent _____ in all plants.
- a. is found
 - b. has found
 - c. which found
 - d. found
10. _____ on water depends on the density of the object.
- a. An object floats
 - b. Whether an object floats
 - c. If an object floats
 - d. That an object floats

≡ 、 **Close Test** : Read the passage below and choose the best one to fill in each blank.

(20%)

Circus has been around since ancient Greece. However, _____1_____ an Englishman, Philip, Astley, who was credited _____2_____ the creation of modern circus. _____3_____, Astley built the first circular track for horses after noting that it was easier for a performer to stand on horseback when they were galloping in a small circle. His arena was 42 _____4_____ diameter, _____5_____ is the standard measurement of a modern circus ring.

Demand for performing horses has declined in recent years _____6_____ the growth of animal welfare movement and the Strong objections to the use of animals in circuses. _____7_____, some circuses still have horses, which are trained to respond to their names, walk on command, reverse and skip. Most horses have been with the circus since the age of two, _____8_____

it is much easier to train a young horses.

Horse trainers believe that _____9_____ today, a circus cannot be a circus without horses.
_____10_____ the strong objections, they insist that circus horses have a better quality of life, as compared to some horses which are locked up in stables most of the time.

- 1. a. there was b. there had c. it was d. he was
- 2. a. at b. in c. for d. of
- 3. a. As a result b. In addition c. After all d. However
- 4. a. at b. in c. with d. of
- 5. a. in which b. which c. of which d. it
- 6. a. in spite of b. due of c. despite d. because
- 7. a. Moreover b. However c. Only if d. As a matter of face
- 8. a. but b. as c. that d. so
- 9. a. for b. even c. by d. to
- 10. a. Because of b. Despite c. In case d. On account of

▣ · **Reading Comprehension** : Read the following passages. Each passage is followed by several questions. Choose the best answer for each question. (30%)

Passage A :

The Anasazi Indians were an ingenious, vigorous, adaptable whose well developed society prospered in spite of a highly inhospitable surroundings. They are best known for their elaborately built stone towns. The most noted Pueblo Bonito, northeast of Gallup, New Mexico, is probably the largest prehistoric architectural complex in the United States. It housed about 1000 people in a vast structure of 800 spacious rooms stretching more than 3 acres. Shaped like an amphitheater, this large mansion was about five stories high, with rooms arranged in a terraced semicircle around a central plaza.

Anasazi society appears to have been complex and well organized. The master builders who designed Pueblo Bonito built 12 other huge, walled-in complex in the Chaco area. In addition, Anasazi “engineers” surveyed and then constructed over

250 miles of wide, straight roads to link their communities to each other and to the outside world.

Well established by A.D. 500, the Anasazi built dams and irrigation canals to water the corn, squash, and beans they

Were able to grow in this desert-like land, and they providently stored their crops against drought years.

They hunted rabbit,

Deer, antelope, and bighorn sheep for food. In addition, Artisans wove yucca plant fibers into sturdy sandals and baskets,

made cotton into clothing, and fashioned feathers and fur into winter ponchos.

1. What is the main topic of the passage?
 - a. The society of Anasazi Indians
 - b. The architecture of Anasazi Indians
 - c. The farming of Anasazi Indians
 - d. The fashion of Anasazi Indians
2. What of the following is **NOT** the characteristic of Pueblo Bonito?
 - a. It was made of wood.
 - b. It was arranged in a semicircle.
 - c. It was located northeast of Gallup.
 - d. It was a five-story building.
3. Which of the following was **NOT** mentioned by the author?
 - a. The Anasazi knew how to irrigate for farming.
 - b. The Anasazi used yucca fiber to make footwear.
 - c. Part of their food supply was from hunting.
 - d. The Anasazi constructed underground dwellings.
4. According to the passage, which of the following word may be **INAPPROPRIATE** to be used when describing the personality of the Anasazi?
 - a. Energetic
 - b. Inventive
 - c. Flexible
 - d. Unoriginal
5. Which of the following is closest in meaning to the word “inhospitable” in line 2?
 - a. healthy
 - b. sick

- c. society
- d. unfriendly

6. What can be inferred from the passage?

- a. The weather condition for Anasazi society was dry.
- b. Anasazi society seemed to be very isolated from outside regions.
- c. The Anasazi were best known for their fashion.
- d. The buildings built by the Anasazi were quite simple but pretty.

7. Which word is closest in meaning to the word “providently” in paragraph 3?

- a. foresightedly
- b. unwarily
- c. injudiciously
- d. intelligently

Passage B :

Why birds migrate is not easy to explain. According to some scientific studies, migratory birds are able to withstand cold

Weather. The feather of birds serves as an insulator protecting them from the cold. Since birds are warm-blooded, their body

Temperature always remains constant, even if the temperature of their environment may change.

The migratory behavior in birds appears to be instinctive, not learned. For example, many species of birds from the north

leave their summer shelter while the weather is still warm and there is no shortage of food. Young arctic terns born at the Arctic

will migrate with the flock for distant place they have never been before.

Scientists believe that bird migrations are probably regulated by their glandular system. Some studies found that the

changing length of the day is an important determinant causing migratory behavior. In an experiment, scientists put migratory

birds in artificially lighted rooms. They found that if they lengthened the period of darkness, the glands of the birds would

become active. These glands give out hormones, which are chemicals that control many body functions. In addition, shorter

period of daylight seem to alter the hormone balance of birds, so that they can keep more fat inside their bodies. This stored

fat is the material that generates the energy necessary for long-distance flight. The experiment also

revealed that the birds

become more excited as the artificial night was lengthened. This may be the reason why most flocks begin their migratory flights during the night.

8. What is the main topic of the passage?
 - a. The lifestyle of birds.
 - b. Common migratory paths for birds.
 - c. Bird migration in cold weather.
 - d. The reason for bird migration.

9. According to the passage, which of the following keeps birds from cold weather?
 - a. artificial light
 - b. glands
 - c. hormones
 - d. feather

10. In paragraph 2, the author mentions young arctic terns as an example of birds that _____.
 - a. adapt to cold weather
 - b. leave home in summer
 - c. acquire to migrate
 - d. migrate innately

11. In the experiment mentioned in the passage, the scientists mainly adjusted
 - a. exposure to light
 - b. temperature in weather
 - c. body temperature
 - d. amount of food supply

12. Which of the following did **NOT** occur when the birds were subject to longer period of darkness?
 - a. decreased body temperature
 - b. activated glands
 - c. excited behavior
 - d. retention of more fat

13. Which word is closest in meaning to the word “constant” in the first paragraph?
 - a. Invariable
 - b. Persistent

- c. Predictable
- d. Reliable

14. Based on the passage, which of the following is correct?
- a. The longer the daylight is, the less fat the birds can store.
 - b. The longer the daylight is, the higher the birds' temperature becomes.
 - c. The shorter the daylight is, the less agitated the birds become.
 - d. The shorter the darkness is, the more hormones the birds produce.
15. What of the following is closest in meaning to the word "regulated" in paragraph 3?
- a. controlled
 - b. triggered
 - c. reset
 - d. refined

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