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### 英文閱讀 試題

**Please read the following three short passages and choose the most appropriate choice to the questions provided after the passage.**

#### **Abuses**

Many incidents of abuse took place throughout the island of Taiwan last year, including both sexual and physical abuse. The victims were both male and female, with ages ranging from newborn to over 60 years old. In some cases the abuse had persisted for more than 20 years, with severe blows the victims received leaving them physically and mentally scarred for life. Some died as a result of their abuse. When a death occurs, society may briefly take notice of the fate of the victim. But society's memory is short and everything will "blow over" until the next death.

These victims were battered by their supposed loved ones. Many were children, beaten to death by their parents in the name of discipline or poisoned by suicidal parents not wishing to leave them behind. Other, even more irrational reasons, have led parents to kill their children in terrifying ways. The following are two examples of these tragic incidents.

Case 1, in order to get his estranged wife back, this man forced his daughter, who was less than 5 years old, to drink poisoned coffee. His two sons witnessed the event. The father quickly sent the child to the hospital, but she died there. The father claimed to have no idea what happened to his little girl. The two boys told a policeman the following day that their father had given their sister a cup of something to drink and soon she had begun to vomit and turn to green.

Case 2, a woman killed herself and her three young children in a park. Both the husband and his brother came, after heard the news, and repeatedly kicked the woman's body, all the while cursing her in front of cameras, newsman, and the police. One wonders what kind of life she was living before she decided to commit suicide. What kind of monstrous family did she marry into? Where was her family? Why did she not contact a help-line or assistant system? Why did she also kill her children?

Young abused victims are never asked if they want to live or to die. They never have the chance to experience a full life. When one reads or watches news

reports of the horrifying ordeals these victims go through, and sees the pictures of the battered bodies, one cannot help but ponder on the cause of such irrational rage and violence. How ironic that criminal rights of these victims. We think about our respect of life, women, and children. We ask, “what are appropriate parenting behaviors?” Are children the property of their parents or do they own their own lives?

**Questions: (please answer the questions based on the content of the above article.)**

- (1) (a. Kissing b. Hugging c. Kicking d. Patting) is a form of physical abuse.
- (2) In the 1<sup>st</sup> case, the little girl died of (a. poison b. disease c. bleeding d. suffocation).
- (3) In the 1<sup>st</sup> case, the reason for the father killed his daughter was (a. to get rid of his daughter b. to get his wife back c. for money d. daughters are not important).
- (4) In the 2<sup>nd</sup> case, the woman chose to kill herself because (a. she has nothing better to do b. to get away from the money worry c. suicide is a romantic thing to do d. to get away from a miserable life).
- (5) Committing suicide is to (a. beat oneself b. shout at someone c. kill oneself d. exercise oneself).
- (6) A controversial issue is (a. one where people hold contradictory viewpoints from others b. one which everybody agrees c. one which everybody hates d. one that nobody care about one way or the other).
- (7) Most abuse is committed by (a. strangers b. beloved ones c. enemy d. peers).
- (8) In the 2<sup>nd</sup> case, the husband and his brother cursing at the woman’s body loudly would be considered a case of (a. verbal abuse b. sexual abuse c. physical abuse d. non-verbal abuse).
- (9) Discipline is the most common motivation for the abuse of children. Examples of the abusive discipline could include (a. standing in a corner for 20 minutes b. hitting the child with a lethal instrument c. writing 300 times that “I will not do it again” d. cleaning up the mess they create).
- (10) The common reason that Chinese parents also kill their children when committing suicide is (a. the parents do not want their children to be alone in this world b. the parents should take their children to wherever they are going c. the parents are bored and have nothing else to do d. the parents usually consider their children as property that they own).
- (11) Society follows incidents of abuse (a. closely b. intensively c. inattentively d. carefully).
- (12) The victims ages range from (a. 0-30 b. 31~ c. none of the above d. all of the above).

- (13) Society usually (a. remember constantly b. forget shortly c. remember spasmodically d. forget spasmodically) the lessons it learns from the many incidents of abuse.
- (14) The gender(s) of the victims is/are (a. women b. men c. none of the above d. all of the above).
- (15) “Blow over” in the opening paragraph means that the news will (a. be gone like the wind b. stay persistent c. remember spasmodically d. all of the above).
- (16) The (a. little girl b. policeman c. two boys d. father) told the truth and revealed the cause of the little girl’s death.
- (17) An example of physical abuse is (a. the actions of the husband in case2 b. the cursing of the husband in case2 c. the father forcing his daughter to drink the poison water d. parents playing chess with their children).
- (18) The mental states of these victims (a. can change their course of lives b. can be damaged forever c. can be an ongoing nightmare d. all of the above).
- (19) Many of the battered bodies are covered with (a. tattoos b. freckles c. bruises d. spots) all over the bodies.
- (20) The father in the first case put (a. water b. tea c. coke d. poison) in a cup of coffee to kill his daughter.
- (21) The many incidents of abuse that take place indicate that our attitude towards life is (a. disrespectful b. respectful c. honorable d. treasured).
- (22) In Case 2, when the father told the policemen that he had no idea what had happened to his little girl. He was (a. lying b. telling the truth c. telling a white lie d. joking).
- (23) The chance of life was (a. promised to b. blessed to c. given to d. taken away from) those little battered-to-death children.
- (24) Criminals should have the right to keep their dignity, however, looking at those horrified bodies, the issue becomes (a. joyful b. ironic c. funny d. angry).
- (25) Persistent abuse will (a. disappear eventually b. last forever c. last only for a short while d. pass quickly).

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