I. Vocabulary (20%)

1. People in this country failed to take the necessary ____ to avoid the disease infection.
   (A) lesson  (B) precaution  (C) tools  (D) issues

2. Mary's ____ caused her friends cancel the trip.
   (A) promise  (B) reluctance  (C) prevail  (D) pause

3. Serving in the army is ____ to male citizens in many Asian countries.
   (A) subjective  (B) unforced  (C) arbitrary  (D) mandatory

4. For the sake of the environment, please ____ from spitting in public.
   (A) reserve  (B) prevent  (C) forbids  (D) refrain

5. John was ____ after he lost all his money on the investment.
   (A) on his uppers  (B) painting the lilies  (C) turning upside down  (D) holding his horses

6. This pilot study is ____ the formal one will be carried out next week.
   (A) tentative  (B) temporary  (C) constant  (D) permanent

7. Henry ____ so that the teacher didn't know who started the fighting.
   (A) showed off  (B) put forward  (C) beat about the bushes  (D) took over

8. A diver said the search operation for the airplane crashed into the river, could only move slowly
   because of low ____ across the river bed.
   (A) pressure  (B) feasibility  (C) substance  (D) visibility

9. The document offers an overview of how western classical music was Introduced to Taiwan
   and ____ by generations of local musicians.
   (A) adopted  (B) has adopted  (C) adapted  (D) being adapted

10. This well-known company ____ a major plan to nurture young local people in cooperation
    with other enterprises.
    (A) fostered  (B) concealed  (C) unveiled  (D) incarnated

II. Close (20%)

In Taiwan, the first case of German measles in 2015 __11__. The Ministry of Health today
announced the __12__ person was a middle-aged man from northern Taiwan who __13__ with
121 individuals. This man has already been released from isolation. It was reported this man went to a clinic for treatment on Jan. 16\_14\_ the appearance of a fever and cough among other symptoms. Few days later he \_15\_ German measles in a medical center. In this case there is no history of foreign travel during the \_16\_ period; therefore, it is judged to have been a case of \_17\_ in infection. The probable \_18\_ is still under investigation. This disease can be caught through physical contact with a patient or sprayed particles. However, \_19\_ is effective, especially for children and old citizens, in preventing the disease from spreading out. Members of the public, who \_20\_ the related symptoms, should seek immediate treatment.

11. (A) has confirmed   (B) confirms   (C) has been confirmed   (D) confirmed

12. (A) addicted   (B) influenced   (C) convicted   (D) infected

13. (A) had come into contact   (B) came into contact   (C) has come into contact   (D) comes into contact

14. (A) based on   (B) due to   (C) in relation with   (D) namely

15. (A) attached   (B) affected   (C) diagnosed   (D) measured

16. (A) critical   (B) temporary   (C) exposure   (D) contact

17. (A) domestic   (B) national   (C) island-wide   (D) internal

18. (A) effect   (B) stance   (C) origin   (D) circumstance

19. (A) vaccination   (B) evaluation   (C) survey   (D) discovery

20. (A) confront   (B) experience   (C) reckon   (D) identify

III. Reading (20%)

Christina Rossetti was the youngest child among four in an extraordinarily gifted family. Her father, Gabriele Rossetti, was an Italian poet and political exile who immigrated to England in 1824. He established a career as a Dante scholar and teacher of Italian in London. Her mother had been trained as a governess and was committed to cultivating intellectual excellence in her four children. She read to them, favoring religious texts such as the Bible, John Bunyan's the Pilgrim's Progress and other moralistic tales. Mainly the Rossetti children had fruitful and delightful years, enjoying reading with their mother or by themselves.

With parents' affectionate care and companionship of older siblings, Christina's character developed to be vivacious and open to pleasurable impression, later a woman of expansive heart, fond of society and diversion. She wrote her first poem, "To my Mother on her Birthday", when she was eleven. The children produced a family newspaper, and later a periodical titled "The Illustrated Scrapbooks." Christina's early poetic efforts included experiments in lyric, devotional, pastoral, ballad, and fantasy forms. By her sixteen birthday, Christina had written more than fifty poems that were transcribed into a notebook by her sister. In 1847 a collection of her poems, titled Verses, was privately printed by her grandfather. With such a loving family and her talent, she became one of the Victorian age's finest poets.

21. Below concerning Christina's family which one is correct?
(A) Her parents were originally from Italy.
(B) All their life they lived in London.
(C) Her father was interested in literature.
(D) There were five children in the family.
22. Christina’s mother
   (A) was a poet.
   (B) was a school teacher.
   (C) worked as her husband's assistant.
   (D) was devoted to nurturing her children.

23. Which book was not recommended by Christina's mother to her children?
   (A) Writings of St. Augustine.
   (B) The Bible
   (C) The Arabian Nights
   (D) It was not mentioned.

24. What does "vivacious" mean?
   (A) animated
   (B) slothful
   (C) malicious
   (D) egocentric

25. Regarding Christina's personality in her youth, she was
   (A) obstinate
   (B) narrow-minded
   (C) pathetic
   (D) exploring.

26. We can be sure that
   (A) the Rossettis had a strong family bond.
   (B) the father migrated to England in the beginning of 18th.
   (C) the mother was strict and harsh.
   (D) the children were not pleased with one another.

27. To whom did Christina Rossetti write her first poem?
   (A) Her mother
   (B) Her father
   (C) Her brother
   (D) Her sister.

28. Below which statement is wrong?
   (A) Christina Rossetti had a sister to help her in poem writing.
   (B) Christina's grandfather printed her poem collection to show the public.
   (C) Christina' poems had varied forms.
   (D) Christina, her brothers and sister worked out a family newspaper.

29. Christina Rossetti was
   (A) a modern American poet.
   (B) a British poet in Victorian age.
   (C) an Italian poet in the 19th.
   (D) not famous in her time.

30. What is the topic of this passage?
   (A) Christina's poems.
   (B) How the family life fostered Christina Rossetti to be a poet.
   (C) Parents and children.
   (D) The Rossetti family.
IV. Translation (15%)

Directions: Please translate the following Chinese paragraphs into English.

(1) Paragraph 1:
書店的老闆認為，書店不只是買書、閱讀的地方，也是以書會友，讓人與人相遇的場所。因此在一些書架的平台上，他除了放置新書與暢銷書，也根據春、夏、秋、冬不同的主題擺設藝術品與海報。讀者走動瀏覽時，可以看到對面的人。有的讀者喜歡把書拿到高度及胸、光線明亮的平台上閱讀，三兩陌生書友一起倚台讀書，彷彿書中也充滿了人情。」

(2) Paragraph 2:
在家受教的意思，就是在家裡教導孩子學校裡的科目。這在美國已經是很重要的學習方式，2002 年就有 150 萬名學童在家受教。它的起源是一群篤信宗教的家長，不滿公立教育中的世俗本質，而希望依照自己的宗教信仰來教導孩子。如今起而效之的家長千百樣，卻都相信這是教育孩子的最有效方式。」

V. Composition (25%)

Directions: Please write an English composition with 300 words at least.

Topic: "Is there anything in your past that you would like to change? How would you change it if you could?"