Section I  Close Test (20 points)

**Direction:** Answer all of the following questions. Read each question carefully, choose the most suitable answer, and write them orderly on your answer sheet. Each question has exactly one correct answer.

1. She didn’t say anything but her smile meant __________ consent.
   - (A) impolitic
   - (B) implicit
   - (C) explicate
   - (D) explicit

2. I was looking forward to this holiday, but it has been spoiled by a _____ of rainy days.
   - (A) cession
   - (B) cessation
   - (C) secession
   - (D) succession

3. We were relieved to hear that the bomb was __________.
   - (A) diffused
   - (B) defused
   - (C) infused
   - (D) profused

4. Mr. Johnson is the head of the ________ department in his company.
   - (A) personal
   - (B) personnel
   - (C) personality
   - (D) permanent

5. Ben has been the ________ for his family since his father died five years ago.
   - (A) plumber
   - (B) butcher
   - (C) preacher
   - (D) breadwinner
6. The drunken man ________ over a stone and fell on his back.
   (A) stumbled
   (B) stomped
   (C) stumped
   (D) stunned

7. The sound of the door __________ all of a sudden cared me.
   (A) beating
   (B) crashing
   (C) slapping
   (D) slamming

8. I hope the government’s proposal to ________ a new tax on cigarettes will help reduce the number of smokers.
   (A) expose
   (B) impose
   (C) dispose
   (D) transpose

9. The ________ on this clock is not moving.
   (A) dooddum
   (B) pendulum
   (C) humdrum
   (D) tantrum

10. This dictionary ________ about 50,000 words.
    (A) contains
    (B) detains
    (C) retains
    (D) involves
Section II  Reading Comprehension Questions (30 points)

**Directions:** Answer all of the following questions. Read each question carefully, choose the most suitable answer, and write them orderly on your answer sheet. Each question has exactly one correct answer.

**Read the passage below and answer the 11-15 questions that follow:**

In an effort to produce the largest, fastest, and most luxurious ship afloat, the British built the Titanic. It was so superior to anything else on the seas that it was dubbed "unsinkable." So sure of this were the owners that they provided lifeboats for only 950 of its possible 3,500 passengers.

Many passengers were aboard the night it rammed an iceberg, only two days at sea and more than half way between England and the New York destination. Because the luxury liner was traveling so fast, it was impossible to avoid the ghostly-looking iceberg. An unextinguished fire also contributed to the ship's submersion. Panic increased the number of casualties as people jumped into the icy water or fought to be among the few to board the lifeboats. Four hours after the accident, another ship, the Carpathia, rescued the survivors—less than a third of those originally aboard.

The Titanic enjoyed only two days of sailing glory on its maiden voyage in 1912 before plunging into 12,000 feet of water near the coast of Newfoundland, where it lies today.

11. Which of the following is not true?
   (A) Only a third of those aboard perished.
   (B) The Carpathia rescued the survivors.
   (C) The Titanic sank near Newfoundland.
   (D) The Titanic was the fastest ship afloat in 1912.

12. How many days was the Titanic at sea before sinking?
   (A) 2
   (B) 4
   (C) 6
   (D) 12

13. Which of the following did not contribute to the large death toll?
   (A) Panic
   (B) Speed
   (C) Fire
   (D) Carpathia
14. How many passengers were aboard the night the Titanic rammed an iceberg?
   (A) 950
   (B) 3,500
   (C) About 1,200
   (D) More than three times as many as the survivors

15. The owner of the Titanic were apparently
   (A) Unsinkable.
   (B) Farsighted.
   (C) Overconfident.
   (D) Very generous.

Read the Following passage below and answer the 16-20 questions that follow:

   Even the fairest and most impartial newspaper is a medium of propaganda. Every daily newspaper has an editorial page. Here opinion is expressed on events and personalities in the news. But editorial judgment is so persuasively presented that many people accept these opinions as facts. Good journalists uphold a code of ethics which distinguishes between news and editorial opinion. This code holds that in an editorial column the publisher is entitled to advocate any cause he chooses. It is understood that there he is speaking as a partisan and may express any view he desires. Because a modern newspaper is so expensive to produce and so costly to establish, newspapers have increasingly become big business organizations. Although there are exceptions, these large newspapers tend to reflect the views of their owners in their editorials on economic and political matters. In the news columns, however, the complete and unbiased facts should be reported. The better metropolitan newspapers and the great press associations usually can be relied on to keep their news impartial. But the less ethical publications often deliberately “color” the news to favor or oppose certain groups of movements.

16. The author states that no modern newspaper
   (A) is free of propaganda
   (B) is controlled by big business interests.
   (C) separates fact from opinion.
   (D) operates according to a code of ethics.
17. According to the passage, all daily newspapers
   (A) have an editorial page.
   (B) follow a code of ethics.
   (C) are operated by an unbiased publisher.
   (D) are supported by a big business organization.

18. According to the journalistic code of ethics, a newspaper must
   (A) accept only responsible advertisers.
   (B) separate editorial from news.
   (C) interpret news according to its editorial viewpoint.
   (D) determine what the reader should know about the news.

19. According to the passage, a newspaper publisher may use the editorial page to support
   (A) only the cause which is most popular.
   (B) any cause supported by the advertisers.
   (C) any cause he believes in.
   (D) only the cause of the owners.

20. Newspapers have entered the category of large business organizations because of
   (A) their influence on the reading public.
   (B) their reports of stock market activity.
   (C) the millions of papers sold daily.
   (D) the tremendous costs of production.
Section III: Translation (20 points)

Direction: Read the following passages and translate it into Chinese.

Question:

Harvard considers cuts as financial crisis hits
"We must recognize that Harvard is not invulnerable to the seismic financial shocks in the larger world," Drew Faust wrote in an e-mail to faculty, staff, students and alumni. "Our own economic landscape has been significantly altered."

"Our principal sources of revenue are all likely to be affected by these new economic forces," she said, citing a report by U.S. credit-rating agency Moody's Investors Service that projects a 30 percent drop in the value of college and university endowments this fiscal year.

Like many institutions facing the prospect of a global recession, Harvard is examining the cost of its workforce — comprised of some of the best-paying jobs in academia.

Harvard was also assessing a multibillion-dollar campus expansion into Boston's Allston district across the Charles River from its main Cambridge campus that would include a science complex, museum, housing, parks and a public square.

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Section IV: Making Brief Description for yourself (30 points)

Direction: Please write an English Brief Description of your introduction and future research plan.