I. Vocabulary (30%)

1. We have had plenty of rain so far this year, so there should be an ____ supply of fresh water this summer.
   (A) intense (B) ultimate (C) abundant (D) epidemic

2. Thousands of people flooded into the city to join the demonstration; as a result, the city’s transportation system was almost ____
   (A) testified (B) paralyzed (C) stabilized (D) dissatisfied

3. The speaker spent twenty minutes on one simple question. The explanation was so ____ that we could not see the point clearly.
   (A) coherent (B) crucial (C) various (D) lengthy

4. If you exercise regularly, your blood ____ will be improved, and you will feel more energetic.
   (A) fatigue (B) tranquility (C) fragrance (D) circulation

5. Nowadays people have to pass various tests for professional ____ so that they can be qualified for a well-paying job.
   (A) mechanics (B) permission (C) certificates (D) perseverance

6. Irene does not throw away used envelopes. She ____ them by using them for taking telephone messages.
   (A) designs (B) recycles (C) disguises (D) manufactures

7. Cheese, powdered milk, and yogurt are common milk ____
   (A) produces (B) products (C) productions (D) productivities

8. People believed in the ____ of the judges, so they were shocked to hear that he was involved in the bribery scandal.
   (A) inferiority (B) integrity (C) intimacy (D) ingenuity

9. To avoid being misled by news reports, we should learn to ____ between facts and opinions.
   (A) distinguish (B) complicate (C) reinforce (D) speculate
10. Identical twins have almost all of their genes in common, so any ____ between them is in large part due to the effects of the environment.
   (A) adoption (B) familiarity (C) stability (D) variation

11. This course will provide students with a solid ____ for research. It is highly recommended for those who plan to go to graduate school.
   (A) admission (B) circulation (C) foundation (D) extension

12. I am not sure exactly how much scholarship you will receive, but it will cover your major expenses.
   (A) recently (B) roughly (C) frankly (D) variedly

13. It is a pity that you have to leave so soon. I ____ hope that you will come back very soon.
   (A) sincerely (B) scarcely (C) reliably (D) obviously

14. Ruth is a very ____ person. She cannot take any criticism and always finds excuses to justify herself.
   (A) shameful (B) innocent (C) defensive (D) outgoing

15. Peter is now living on a ____ of NT$100 per day. He cannot afford any recreational activities.
   (A) division (B) guidance (C) measure (D) budget

II. Cloze (10%)

Experts say that creativity by definition means going against the tradition and breaking the rules. To be creative, you must dare __(1)__ and courageously express your own outlook and __(2)__ what makes you unique.

But does our society encourage children to break the rules? I am afraid the answer is no. The famous film director Ang Lee recalls his father’s disappointment with him when he was young. __(3)__ a small child, he would pick up a broom and pretend to be playing guitar for the entertainment of family guests. Then, when he was studying film in college, he would exhaust himself just for a performance tour. His father, __(4)__ always hoped that he would get a PhD and become a professor, __(5)__ with a scoff: “What is all this nonsense?!” But it later turned out that it was exactly his courage to “rebel” and to express his own ideas that marks his films with distinct creativity.

1. (A) rebel (B) to rebel (C) rebelling (D) be rebelled
2. (A) take pride in (B) fall short of (C) get out of (D) keep up with
3. (A) Since (B) For (C) To (D) As
4. (A) who (B) while (C) that (D) when
5. (A) relieved (B) relaxed (C) relied (D) reacted
III. Reading Comprehension (30%)

Directions: Choose the best answer to answer each question.

Passage One

On-line commerce has always been about making profit, but worldofgood.com exists for another reason. This website does sell products, but it also helps the people who made those products to earn a fair wage. This website, sponsored by eBay, is similar to other online megastores, and yet completely different. One of eBay’s marketing executives, Robert Chatwani, conceived this particular idea for a website that supported fair trade during a scouting trip in India. Yet it was an entrepreneur named Priya Haji who helped turn his vision into a reality. Haji founded World of Good with the intention of guaranteeing minimum prices for handmade products. This policy would ensure that craftsmen would receive fair pay for their work.

In spite of the good intentions behind such fair trade projects, people worry about the potential risk of adverse effects from them. They argue, for instance, that a product order that exceeds the working capacity of a working mother in India may force her to use her children as additional workers, thereby creating a new child labor problem. On the other hand, it’s fair to say that by giving this mother a chance to earn fair wages the good that worldofgood.com does far outweighs the bad.

1. Why did Priya Haji create the World of Good website?
   (A) She wanted to teach others about Indian traditions.
   (B) She wanted to teach better parenting techniques.
   (C) She wanted to guarantee the incomes of workers.
   (D) She wanted to stop the spread of diseases among poor mothers.

2. What makes worldofgood.com different from other websites?
   (A) It offers more kinds of legal services.
   (B) It places more restrictions on businesses.
   (C) It looks out for the rights of the consumer.
   (D) It looks out for the plight of producers.

3. According to the reading, which of the following is NOT true?
   (A) Worldofgood.com started out as a stock trading website.
   (B) The website eBay has invested in worldofgood.com.
   (C) The founder of worldofgood.com wanted to benefit poor laborers.
   (D) Worldofgood.com operates under the principle of fair trade.

4. From what point of view does the writer address the issue of fair trade?
(A) The writer can’t help but expose the lies behind this issue.
(B) The writer presents two ways of looking at the issue.
(C) The writer can’t find any negative aspects to the issue.
(D) The writer focuses on how this issue affects manufacturers.

5. According to the article, what could happen if worldofgood.com was not well supervised?
(A) Customers could be tricked out of their money.
(B) Women could be asked to stay at home.
(C) Parents could be forced to commute.
(D) Children could be forced to work.

Passage Two
Few can challenge Barbara Walters’ status in TV journalism. For one thing, no other woman in this field has had a longer career, with more hits and flops, praise and ridicule, acclaim and controversies. For another, at 79, she has no intention—and sees no need—of retiring. Walters started as a writer for NBC’s *The Today Show*. She made her on-air TV debut in 1956 and later moved on to co-hosting the *ABC Evening News*, an experience which proved disastrous. Her partner, Harry Reasoner, made no effort to conceal his contempt of her. Walters survived, hardly bothered by his disdain.

Walters has set many records. She was the first, and so far the only journalist, to put leaders of Egypt and Israel together in an interview. Ratings rose to a record high when Monica Lewinsky graced the show. Perhaps what Walters is most known for is her capability of squeezing tears out of her interviewees. Hardly any of them managed to walk out from the show dried-eyed. She is sometimes criticized for not posing enough of tough questions to interviewees, but rather using “softballs” that easily disarm them.

Her age is starting to show, however. A recently-shot video clip indicated some signs of her getting older. She is sometimes not very prepared for the interview, asking repeated questions or looking confused about some facts. Nonetheless, Barbara believes she knows for sure when to quit. For now, she has found her place.

6. What is the best title of this passage?
(A) Walters: A Philanthropist Who Shows How To Give.
(B) Barbara: Lifelong Passion for Journalism.
(C) Walters: Tears Never Run Dry With Her.
(D) Barbara: Better, Higher, Stronger Than Ever.

7. Which of the following is true about Walters’ career?
(A) She arranged a peace talk between Egypt and Israel.
(B) She is the longest serving female journalist.
(C) She was the first woman anchor of USA's evening news.
(D) She has never encountered negative reviews.

8. What does the word “graced” most likely mean?
   (A) Moved elegantly.
   (B) Hosted.
   (C) Snapped at.
   (D) Attended.

9. What can we infer from this passage?
   (A) Walters held Reasoner in contempt.
   (B) Walters first appeared on TV in 1956.
   (C) Walters is devoted to the disarmament campaign.
   (D) Walters was the first journalist to do an interview in the White House.

10. What has been true about Barbara Walters recently?
    (A) She has seldom made her interviewees cry.
    (B) She has been thinking about stepping down.
    (C) She has given a lot of thought to starting another show.
    (D) She has sometimes not been as sharp as before.

IV. Translation (10%)
    無論是跨國企業或小公司，人人都已經是地球村的一員。在當今的經濟體系下，只許成功，不許失敗。企業必須從一開始就了解它們的工作所置身的文化。

V. Composition (20%)
    Directions:
    The 2010 World Expo, the long-awaited global event, is being held in Shanghai. It welcomes more than 230 countries and international organizations and expects over 70 million visitors. What else do you know about this year’s Expo or the World Expo in general? Describe the Shang Expo or anything related to the World Expo. Would you like to go to Shanghai to participate in this event? Why or why not? At least 200 words are recommended.