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专 业：英语语言文学

考试科目：基础英语综合

重要提示：考生必须将所有答案写在答题纸上，本试题上的任何标记均不作判题依据

Part A Cultural Knowledge

I. Fill in the blanks (共 15 分, 每空 1 分)

1. The island of Great Britain is made up of England, _____ and _____.
2. In Britain, the official head of state is _____ while the real centre of political life is in _____.
3. Since the discovery oil and gas under the _____, Britain had gained a strong positioning in the offshore oil industry.
4. The two oldest universities in Britain are _____ and _____.
5. When the Second World War was over, Britain was active in setting up the United Nations and became of the _____ permanent members of _____.
6. New Zealand has a national identity that mixes _____ and _____ culture.
7. The first permanent settlement in North American was established in today's _____ in the year 1607.
8. In Canada, each province is led by a _____, who is, head of the provincial house, called the _____.
9. As a member of the Commonwealth, Canada used to unquestioningly assist _____ in its foreign policy.
11. Tell what you know about the following in your own words (共 15 分, 每题 3 分)
 1. the White Australia Policy
 2. the Bill of Rights of the US
 3. Service industry
 4. Taylorism and Fordiam
 5. Sept. 11 terrorist attack

Part B Basic English

I. Fill in the appropriate word (共 30 分, 每题 1 分)

1. His proposal is _____ to all of us and you do not need to tell US more about it.
 - A. apparent B. appearing C. approaching D. apart
2. This mountain range has many high _____ and fertile valleys.
 - A. peaks B. hills C. phases D. pink
3. He gave us a good _____ of his experience.
 - A. demonstration B. frequency C. description D. instruction
4. You have your choice of three _____ of ice cream.
 - A. varieties B. tops C. respects D. decks
5. This sick man was _____ in a blanket.

- A. input B. issued C. ensured D. wrapped
6. This is the military_____. Nobody is allowed to get in without permission.
 A. bond B. zone C. butter D. ZOO
7. Rock music usually_____ the young people in most countries.
 A. applies to B. appeals to C. amazes D. actress
8. Would he have seen you if you hadn' t_____ to him?
 A. intended B. waved C. expressed D. debt
9. Everyone_____ the right to his own opinion.
 A. imitates B. requests C. deserves D. outlines
10. I'm worried about the appearance of the floor. I need to
 A. clean B. fix C. wax D. oven
11. He felt_____ of what he had done in school.
 A. shy B. ashamed C. advisable D. ashamed
12. Milk, butter, and cheese are_____ here from the U.S.
 A. imported B. transferred C. transformed D. transported
13. I never realized that someday I would be married to a
 A. molecule B. oxygen C. genius D. rug
14. We all_____ your coming to help us.
 A. appropriate B. appreciate C. admit D. affect
15. What they are_____ about is which comes first: the chicken or the egg?
 A. summing B. striking C. stirring D. arguing
16. I certainly didn' t intend to_____ your plans.
 A. upset B. shake C. shave D. drag
17. If you want a pen, look inside the_____ of the desk.
 A. box B. drawer C. major D. melt
18. Under no_____ will I go there again.
 A. circumstances B. situation C. giant D. happen
19. This supermarket developed rapidly under his_____
 A. administration B. suggestion C. approach D. appearance
20. That is a_____ point of view. I don' t agree with you.
 A. crystal B. protein C. union D. conservative
21. That radio company is so big that it has a lot of_____ in foreign countries.
 A. introducers B. instructors C. conductors D. agents
22. I am afraid it was a_____ for you to do this.
 A. bother B. bitter C. bake D. band
23. During these ten years, many new methods have been_____ in the field of foreign language teaching.
 A. adopted B. adapted C. alarmed D. aided
24. That is_____ behavior and nobody likes it.
 A. whistle B. structural C. selfish D. fur
25. Yesterday was such a_____ day we decided to go for a drive.
 A. glorious B. dynamical C. avenue D. invitation
26. Two lines can form an infinite number of_____
 A. ankles B. angles C. angels D. adults

27. He needed a _____ operation.
 A. missile B. indirect C. income D. minor
28. Most people say that the new film is a _____
 A. mystery B. smart C. furniture D. custom
29. They serve _____ food in this restaurant.
 A. castle B. glue C. delicious D. wing
30. We are leaving this afternoon, but we have not _____ our suitcases yet.
 A. trapped B. insulted C. packed D. invited

II. Read the following passage and answer the questions by choosing the most appropriate choice. (共30分, 每题2分)

What It Would Be Like If Women Win

Any change is fearful, especially one affecting both politics and sex roles, so let me begin the. se utopian speculations with a fact. to break the ice.

Women don't want to exchange places with men. Male chauvinists, science-fiction writers and comedians may favor that idea for its shock value, but psychologists say it is a fantasy based on ruling—class ego and guilt. Men assume that women want to imitate them, which is just what white people assumed about blacks. An assumption is SO strong that it may convince the second-class group of the need to imitate, but for both women and blacks that stage has passed. Guilt produces the question: What if they could treat US as we have treated them?

That is not Our goal. But we do want to change the economic system to one more based on merit. In Women' S Lib Utopia, there will be flee access to good j obs—and decent pay for the bad ones women have been performing all along, including housework. Increased skilled labor might lead to a four-hour workday, and higher wages would encourage further mechanization of repetitive j obs now kept alive by cheap labor.

With women as half the country' s elected representatives, and a woman president once in a while, the country' s machismo problems would be greatly reduced. The old. fashioned idea that manhood depends on violence and victory is after all, an important part of our troubles in the streets. I' m not saying that women leaders would eliminate violence. We are not more moral than men; we are only uncorrupted by power so far. When we do acquire power, we might tum out to have an equal impulse toward aggression. Even now, Margaret Mead believes that women fight less often but more fiercely than men, because women are not taught the rules of the war game and fight only when cornered. But for the next 50 years or so, women in politics will be very valuable by tempering the idea of manhood into something less aggressive and better suited to this crowded, postatomic planet. Consumer protection and children' s rights, for instance, might get more legislative attention.

Men will have to give up ruling-class privileges, but in return they will no longer be the only ones to support the family, get drafted, bear the strain of power and responsibility. Freud to the contrary, anatomy is not destiny, at least not for more than nine months at a time. In Israel, women are drafted, and some have gone to war. In England, more men type and run switch-boards. In India and Israel, a woman rules.

In Sweden, both parents take care of the children. In this country, come Utopia, men and women won't reverse roles; they will be free to choose according to individual talents and preferences.

If role performing sounds sexually unsettling, think how it will change the sexual hypocrisy we have now. No more sex arranged on the barter system, with women pretending interest, and men never sure whether they are loved for themselves or for the security few women can get any other way. (Married or not, for sexual reasons or social ones, most women still find it second nature to Uncle—Tom.) No more men who are encouraged to spend a lifetime living with inferiors; with house-keepers. or dependent creatures who are still children. No more domineering wives, emasculating women, and "Jewish mothers, " all of whom are simply human beings with all their normal ambition and drive confined to the home. No more unequal partnerships that eventually doom love and sex.

In order to produce that kind of confidence and individuality, child rearing will train according to talent. Little girls will no longer be surrounded by air-tight, self-fulfilling prophecies of natural passivity, lack of ambition and objectivity, inability to exercise power, and dexterity SO long as special aptitude for jobs requiring patience and dexterity is confined to poorly paid jobs; brain surgery is for males.

Schools and universities will help to break down traditional sex roles, even when parents will not. Half the teachers will be men, a rarity now at preschool and elementary levels; girls will not necessarily serve cookies or boys hoist up the flag.

Athletic teams will be picked only by strength and skill. Sexually segregated courses like auto mechanics and home economics will be taken by boys and girls together.

New courses in sexual politics will explore female subjugation as the model for political oppression, and women' S history will an academic staple, along with black history, at least until the white-male—oriented textbooks are integrated and rewritten.

As for the American child' S classic problem—too much mother, too little father—that would be cured by an equalization of parental responsibility. Free nurseries, school lunches, family cafeterias built into every housing complex, service companies that will do household cleaning chores in a regular, businesslike way, and more responsibility by the entire community for the children: all these will make it possible for both mother and father to work, and to have equal leisure time with the children at home. For parents of very young children, however a special job category, created by Government and unions, would allow such parents a shorter work day.

The revolution would not take away the option of being a house-wife. A woman who prefers to be her husband' S housekeeper and / or hostess would receive a percentage of his pay determined by the domestic relations courts. If divorced, she might be eligible for a pension fund, and for a job-training allowance. Or a divorce could be treated the same that the dissolution of a partnership is now.

1. The second paragraph of the passage opens, vim a (n)
 - a. statement of the writer' s conviction
 - b. inductive conclusion
 - C. fact
 - d. fantasy
2. Words like "chauvinists, " "fantasy, " "ruling class, " "second class, " "guilt, " all of which appear in the second paragraph, are signs of the author' s____
 - a. objectivity
 - b. hatred ofmen
 - c. admiration of men
 - d. bias
3. The phrase "ruling class, " as used in the passage, most probably refers to_____
 - a. the American government
 - b. the rich people
 - C. white males
 - d. males both white and black
4. As used in the passage, the word "Utopia" means
 - a. an imaginary and indefinitely remote place
 - b. a place of ideal perfection especially, in laws, government and social conditions
 - C. an impractical scheme for social improvement
 - d. a matriarchal society
5. In the writer' s opinion, street violence is closely related to
 - a. male domination
 - b. the fact that a woman will be made President once in a while
 - C. old. fashioned ideas
 - d. an exaggerated sense of masculinity
6. By claiming that women are not more moral than men and no less aggressive, the writer_____
 - a. is using atactic to argue more forwomen
 - b. incidentally admits that women are just as bad as men
 - C. destroys aU conventional notions about the femininity Of women
 - d. seems to suggest that women would make equally competent politicians and equally fierce fighters
7. "Freud to the contrary, anatomy is not destiny" can be understood as_____
 - a. "In contrast, IVith what Freud believes, anatomy is not destiny"
 - b. "Despite what Freud believes, anatomy is not destiny' '
 - C. "Freud believes, in contrast, vim what others do, than anatomy is not destiny"
 - d. "Despite what others think, Freud believes that anatomy is not destiny' '
8. Which statement do you think the writer would agree to?
 - a. It is natural for women to play second fiddle in both social and sexual matters

b. Women, both married and single, find it more reassuring to defer to men under all circumstance.

C. It is more natural for women to coach men in social as well as sexual matters.

d. Owing to traditions and circumstances, most women still can't kick off the habit of submitting to men in both social and sexual matters.

9. The writer implies that epithets like, "housekeepers", "dependent creatures who still children", "domineering wives," "emasculating women" and "Jewish mothers" _____

a. are all literary stereotypes

b. are all figments of men's imagination

C. will cease to exist once men and women stand on an equal footing

d. result in untold sufferings for men

10. According to the writer, natural passivity, lack of ambition and objectivity, inability, to exercise power, and dexterity _____

a. constitute the born aptitude of a woman

b. are air-tight, self-fulfilling prophecies unlikely to be refuted by future evidence

C. are mere fabrications with which to indoctrinate small girls

d. are women's own excuses to shun their share of civic and military duties

11. According to the writer, male teachers at preschool and elementary levels in America _____.

a. are very few

b. possess rare talents

C. lack basic training

d. will surpass female teachers in number

12. In American schools at present, courses on auto mechanics and home economics are taken by _____

a. boys only

b. girls only

C. both boys and girls

d. boys and girls respectively

13. In the phrase "the American child's classic problem", the word "classic" means _____

a. characterized by a particular class

b. of the first or highest class

C. well-known in a stated way

d. historically memorable

14. In suggesting that "a divorce could be treated the same way that the dissolution of a business partnership is now," the writer wants to

a. imply that today's treatment of the dissolution of a business partnership is fair

b. point out that today's treatment of divorce is unfair

C. emphasize the similarities between the two things that have been ignored before

d. make a comparison SO a less well-known thing can be understood in the light of a well-known thing

15. Which of the following is the principle of the organization of the passage?

a. Stating the thesis at the beginning, then treating its various aspects and implications one by one.

b. Stating the pros and cons of the proposal at first, then subjecting them one by one to rigorous scrutiny.

c. Refuting the views held by other people first, then building her own arguments in a deductive way

d. Giving a rough outline of an overall picture, then fantasizing about its different implications.

III Translate the following paragraphs into Chinese. (共20分, 每题4分)

1. It is probably easier for teachers than for students to appreciate the reasons why learning English seems to become increasingly difficult once the basic structures and patterns of the language have been understood.

2. They (the poor) are the first to experience technological progress as a curse which destroys the old muscle-power jobs that previous generations used as a means to fight their way out of poverty.

3. Television, it is often said, keeps one informed about current events, allows one to follow the latest developments in science and politics, and offers an endless series of programmes which are both instructive and entertaining.

4. Although perhaps only 1 per cent of the life that has started somewhere will develop into highly complex and intelligent patterns, so vast is the number of planets that intelligent life is bound to be a natural part of the universe.

5. Modern scientific and technical books, especially textbooks, require revision at short intervals if their authors wish to keep pace with new ideas, observations and discoveries.

IV. Identify the name of the figure of speech used in the following sentences. You must write down English words. (共10分, 每题1分)

1. Greenwich Village set the pattern.

2. On certain levels of the American race, indeed, there seems to be a positive libido for the ugly, as on other and less Christian levels there is a libido for the beautiful.

3. And let every other power know that this hemisphere intends to remain the master of its own house.

4. Are they so frightful because the valley is full of foreigners, dull, insensate brutes, with no love of beauty in them?

5. You are the whole world to me, and the moon and the stars and the constellations of outer space.

6. Beautiful she was. She was not yet of pin-up proportions, but I felt sure that time would supply the lack

7. "I may do better than that," I said with a mysterious wink and closed my bag and left.

8. For only when our arms are sufficient beyond doubt can we be certain beyond doubt that they will never be employed.

9. We observe today not a victory of party but a celebration of freedom, symbolizing an end as well as a beginning, signifying renewal as well as change.

10. A crazy little church just west of Jeannette, set like a dormer—window on the Side of a bare leprous hill.

V. Writing (30分)

The information is not in logical order. Rearrange the sentences. (10分)

- a. The first railroads look nothing like those of today.
- b. Many short rail lines were laid during the 1830s in America.
- c. Steam locomotives had been developed, and cast iron was used for tracks in Europe.
- d. The first railroads were developed in Europe in the sixteenth century.
- e. These short lines were then linked one another, and by the early 1840s networks of rails connected all the eastern cities in America.
- f. The rails were of wood, and the cars, small wooden carts which hauled coal, were drawn by horses.
- g. The same year American's first known steam locomotive was run on a circular track at Hoboken, New Jersey.
- h. By the early nineteenth century, railroad technology had advanced considerably.
- i. In 1825 a railroad line began carrying passengers as well as freight.
- j. Soon American locomotives and railroads were multiplying rapidly.
- k.

2. Write on your ANSWER SHEET a composition of about 200 words on the following topic. (20分)

In the first part of your writing you should present your thesis statement, and in second part you should support the thesis statement with appropriate details. In the last part you should bring what you have written to a natural conclusion or a summary. Mark will be awarded for content, organization, grammar and appropriacy.

As the proverb says "No pains, no gains", what's your view on it.