

# 國立基隆高級中學 2013 年教師甄試英文科試題

## I. 詞彙 Vocabulary(30%)

1. Exhausted after a long day's work, the waiter gave us only a \_\_\_\_\_ greeting before taking our dinner orders.  
(A) peripheral (B) percolating (C) perforated (D) perfunctory
2. With these professional development opportunities, Susan is now \_\_\_\_\_ of her role as a teacher and has come to realize the effects she has on her students.  
(A) cognizant (B) reminiscent (C) indicative (D) emblematic
3. Far from being a man of his word, he is a \_\_\_\_\_ guy ; someone not trustworthy at all.  
(A) lucid (B) righteous (C) mendacious (D) personable
4. Prompted by \_\_\_\_\_ motives, Mr. White put all his money in the stock market. Unfortunately, it proved to be a bad investment.  
(A) monochromatic (B) mercenary (C) methodical (D) metrical
5. In my conversation with Lisa, I \_\_\_\_\_ the information that she was born in Bangkok.  
(A) elicited (B) divulged (C) heeded (D) reconciled
6. The weird \_\_\_\_\_ shrieks and groans coming from the house led us to believe that a madman lived there.  
(A) maniac (B) maniacal (C) kleptomaniac (D) pyromaniac
7. The sheet of water we thought we saw on the road ahead turned out to be only a \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) mélange (B) impasse (C) debacle (D) mirage
8. Walt Whitman was no conservative; his daring innovations in poetry place him in the \_\_\_\_\_ of 19<sup>th</sup> century writers.  
(A) nouveaux riches (B) bon mot (C) avant-garde (D) laissez-faire
9. The headwaiter was \_\_\_\_\_ with the guests but firm with the waiters.  
(A) elite (B) chic (C) naive (D) debonair
10. Everything in the \_\_\_\_\_ palace was made of gold - except the toilet-paper holder, which was made of platinum.  
(A) orthodox (B) opaque (C) opulent (D) obsequious
11. The lawyer \_\_\_\_\_ the contract for many hours, looking for a loophole that would enable his client to back out of the deal.  
(A) perused (B) skimmed (C) skipped (D) permeated
12. The hungry dog refused to \_\_\_\_\_ the enormous beef bone that he had stolen from the butcher's shop.  
(A) relinquish (B) reiterate (C) refute (D) remonstrate
13. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the stock market were too much for me; I decided to look for a job that would stay the same from one day to the next.  
(A) verisimilitude (B) vicissitude (C) veracity (D) virtuoso
14. The candidate's credentials were \_\_\_\_\_, but I didn't like the color of his necktie so I didn't recruit this young man.  
(A) nebulous (B) irreproachable (C) aloof (D) vitriolic
15. Those \_\_\_\_\_ houses won't survive this typhoon. We should ask the inhabitants to leave right away.  
(A) rickety (B) rickrack (C) rickshaw (D) rickettsia
16. Surely you are not still hungry; you're just \_\_\_\_\_. (= unsatisfied; gluttonous)  
(A) innocuous (B) insatiable (C) tenacious (D) pertinacious
17. The committee's suggestions will be \_\_\_\_\_ immediately.(= carried out)  
(A) complimented (B) complemented (C) implemented (D) supplemented

18. It's a popular \_\_\_\_\_ that success always brings happiness. (= a false idea or belief)  
 (A) empathy (B) sympathy (C) autopsy (D) fallacy
19. The athlete's hearing was \_\_\_\_\_ after the explosion in the Boston Marathon. (= weakened)  
 (A) impaired (B) repaired (C) compared (D) despaired
20. The millionaire finally \_\_\_\_\_ his claim to the land. (= gave up; yielded)  
 (A) denounced (B) extinguished (C) distinguished (D) relinquished
21. The party was a total \_\_\_\_\_. (= a complete failure)  
 (A) feat (B) feast (C) scrutiny (D) fiasco
22. We must \_\_\_\_\_ her the costs of the journey. (= pay back)  
 (A) remit (B) reminisce (C) reimburse (D) remonstrate
23. I am \_\_\_\_\_ now; ask someone else for help. (= I have little/no money now...)  
 (A) inadvertent (B) impecunious (C) scrumptious (D) scurrilous
24. CPR stands for Cardio-vascular Pulmonary \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (A) Resuscitation (B) Resurrection (C) Reincarnation (D) Rendezvous
25. Sickness was \_\_\_\_\_ in this country.  
 (A) stampede (B) rampage (C) rampant (D) rampart
26. It's rather sad to see the fierce \_\_\_\_\_ between the two companies. (= competition)  
 (A) revelry (B) rivalry (C) reverie (D) reverse
27. A \_\_\_\_\_ is an airline employee who coordinates flight schedules and operations within a given area. (A) chauffeur (B) dispatcher (C) gladiator (D) predator
28. Sitting under the tree, the old man began to reminisce.  
 (A) talk about the past (B) raise questions (C) contemplate (D) stutter
29. A \_\_\_\_\_ is one who provides any of a variety of beauty services, such as manicures, haircuts, and hairstyling.  
 (A) meteorologist (B) cosmetologist (C) neurologist (D) geologist
30. The term "\_\_\_\_\_" means the crime of intentionally setting a fire.  
 (A) burglary (B) foible (C) malfeasance (D) arson

II. 諺語釋義 *Proverbs Paraphrased* 8%

1. A straw will show which way the wind blows.
2. Sow the wind and reap the whirlwind.
3. The proof of the pudding is in the eating.
4. The mills of God grind slowly.
5. Zeal without knowledge is a runaway horse.
6. Hide not your light under a bushel.
7. Let the cobbler stick to his last.
8. Truth is stranger than fiction.

- (A) Don't try to teach someone else his business. A plumber doesn't welcome the advice of an electrician; likewise, an electrician doesn't welcome a plumber's.
- ~~(B) The enthusiasm of an inexperienced person may do more harm than good.~~
- (C) More curious things happen in real life than have ever been invented by writers of sensational stories.
- (D) Don't be too modest to set others a good example.
- (E) We cannot judge the wisdom or prudence of any action until it has been put into practice.
- (F) The proverb is a warning of divine retribution, which may take time but will overtake us in the end.
- (G) Small events can be a guide to momentous happenings.
- (H) The greatness of a man doesn't depend on his physical stature.
- (I) It's natural for human beings to take the easiest course.
- (J) There is no such thing as free lunch in the world.
- (K) One evil leads to a worse.

### III. 篇章結構 (Discourse Structure) 10 %

#### Loneliness Can Hurt More Than the Heart

(by Jane E. Brody)

~ adapted from *The New York Times International Weekly* (Dec 11, 2012)

Now I know why I gained more than 30 pounds in my early 20s: I was lonely. I had left for school and a job in the Upper Midwest and I knew no one. I filled my lonely nights and days with food, especially candy, cookies and ice cream. I couldn't rein in my eating until I returned to New York and my family, and began dating my future husband.

Loneliness, says John Cacioppo, an award-winning psychologist at the University of Chicago, undermines people's ability to self-regulate. In one experiment he cites, \_\_\_\_ (1) \_\_\_\_.

In a real-life study of middle-aged and older adults in Chicago, Cacioppo found that those who scored high on the University of California, Loneliness Scale, a widely used assessment, ate more fatty foods than those who scored low.

"Is it any wonder that we turn to ice cream or other fatty foods when we're sitting at home feeling all alone in the world?" Cacioppo said in his book, *"Loneliness,"* written with William Patrick. He said \_\_\_\_ (2) \_\_\_\_\_. They may overeat, drink too much, smoke, speed or engage in indiscriminate sex.

A review of research published in 1988 found that "social isolation is on par with high blood pressure, obesity, lack of exercise or smoking as a risk factor for illness and early death," he wrote. Even without the presence of unwholesome behaviors, Cacioppo and others have shown that \_\_\_\_ (3) \_\_\_\_\_. The damage can be wide-spread, affecting every bodily system and brain function. Lisa Jaremka of Ohio State University reported that people who are lonely have higher levels of antibodies to certain herpes viruses, indicating more activated viruses in their systems. In another study, she found higher levels of inflammation--inducing substances in the blood of lonely people. Chronic inflammation has been linked to heart disease, arthritis, Type 2 diabetes, and even suicide attempts, Dr. Jaremka noted.

Loneliness has also been linked to cognitive decline. A Dutch study published last year in

*The Journal of Neurology, Neuro-surgery & Psychiatry* found that \_\_\_\_ (4) \_\_\_\_\_. The Dutch study suggests that \_\_\_\_ (5) \_\_\_\_\_. Divorced people have reported feeling lonelier in a bad marriage than they do being single. And people who live alone may still have a large network of friends and family that helps.

People are fundamentally social beings who require meaningful connections with others to maximize health and well-being. Cacioppo suggests reaching out to others with "random acts of kindness": doing something that helps them physically or emotionally, maybe something as simple as complimenting a stranger's outfit or helping an old person cross the street.

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- (A) participants who reported feeling lonely were more likely to develop dementia than those who lived on their own but were not lonely.
- (B) how people perceive their situation may have a stronger impact on health than whether they live alone and lack social connections.
- (C) lonely individuals tend to do whatever they can to make themselves feel better, if only for the moment.
- (D) loneliness can impair health by raising levels of stress hormones and increasing inflammation.
- (E) participants made to feel socially disconnected ate many more cookies than those made to feel socially accepted.

IV. Cloze Test. Choose the best answer. (10%)

Tokyo Electric Power Company (Tepco) said tests showed Strontium-90 was \_\_1\_\_ at 30 times the legal rate dated June 20, 2013. The radioactive isotope tritium has \_\_2\_\_ at elevated levels. The plant, crippled by the 2011 earthquake and tsunami, has recently seen a series of water leaks and power failures.

The tsunami knocked out cooling systems to the reactors, which melted down. Water is now being pumped in to the reactors to cool them but this has left Tepco with the problem of how to safely store the \_\_3\_\_ water. There have been several reports of leaks from storage tanks or pipes. Detecting increasing levels of the highly radioactive substance Strontium-90 indicates that Tepco is still struggling to contain the Fukushima reactors. Water continues to be a massive problem \_\_4\_\_ the company is running out of storage space for the large amounts of the liquid they use every day as to cool the plant.

On top of that around 400 tonnes of groundwater flow into the reactor buildings every day. They \_\_5\_\_ 12 relief wells near the site in an effort to halt the ingress. As to the high levels of Strontium-90 detected, it has a half-life of 29 years. This means that in humans it can continue to irradiate them for many years. It can be ingested from food or water and tends to concentrate in the bones and is believed to cause cancer there.

- ( ) 1 (A) present (B) presentable (C) presented (D) processed
- ( ) 2 (A) been also detecting (B) also been detecting  
(C) also been detected (D) detected
- ( ) 3. (A) contagious (B) contaminated (C) contaminating (D) catching
- ( ) 4 (A) that (B) ,which (C) as (D) whereas
- ( ) 5 (A) even dug up (B) even had dug up  
(C) have even been digging up (D) have even dug up

III. Translation 中英互譯 (22%)

1. Critics believe his days are numbered because the audience are tired of watching him.

2. Are those prescription sunglasses?

3. There is nothing wrong making mistakes. Just don't respond them with encores.

4. My good friend's three children are quite a handful, and I can always hear them screaming when I call her on the phone.

5. You do whatever it takes! Our future is depending on you.

6 Excuse me! Are you decent? I don't wish to find you here in your birthday suit.

7 Somebody broke wind. It stinks.

8. Lolita is certainly easy on the eyes. Her beauty is at its peak.

9. 唯你有足夠時間照顧寵物，才能考慮去飼養他它

10. 他心機很重

11. 低調一點！好嗎？

VI. 申論題 (Essay Question) 20%

How will you make learning English more *pleasant* to students? And how will you define a good English teacher?