

- I. Each of the following sentences consists of the four underlined parts marked A, B, C, and D. Choose the one which is unacceptable in standard English. Write down on your answer sheet only the letters of the answers you have chosen. (20%)
1. Free unrhymed verse has been practiced for some thousand years and reaches back to the incantation which linked verse with the ritual dance.  
A B C D
  2. The predominant pattern of poetry today is speech rhythm, composed in the sequence of the musical phrase, not in the sequence of the metronome, the regular beat.  
A B C D
  3. Freed of its exacting task of supporting lame verse, it could be applied to greater effect where wanted for some special effect.  
A B C D
  4. As we know the short story today, it is largely a product of nineteenth and twentieth centuries, and its development parallels the rapid development of industrialism in America.  
A B C D
  5. In all our efforts toward mutual appreciation we have to recognize that certain elements rooted in the tradition, race and indigenous practices are not transferable.  
A B C D
  6. If a mere interchange of books by means of translation, or the import and export of scholars, were the key to master of another nation's culture, it might easily be proved that cultures are alike except for languages.  
A B C D
  7. Acting, like many writings, is probably a compensation for and release from the strain of some profound maladjustment of the psyche.  
A B C D
  8. They are to make the audience understand what is passing through the mind of the character, not what, under the circumstance, he would have said aloud.  
A B C D
  9. Knowing how to read does not mean that one reads or thinks. Wisdom is the essential element of civilization, and of wisdom Chinese have much.  
A B C D

10. Readers in the past seem to have been more patient than today. There were few diversions, and they had more time to read novels of a length that seems to us now inordinate.

II. In each of the following incomplete sentences, decide which one of the four choices, marked A, B, C, and D, would most suitably complete the sentence if inserted at the space given. (20%)

1. Mr. Bush even admitted that the plan was financially impossible. This means that \_\_\_\_.
  - A. surprisingly, Mr. Bush also admitted that the plan was financially impossible.
  - B. besides admitting other characteristics of the plan, Mr. Bush went so far as to admit its financial impossibility.
  - C. Mr. Bush not only thought or felt that the plan was financially impossible, but went so far as to admit it.
  - D. Mr. Bush admitted the financial impossibility of other things, but also and perhaps surprisingly, that of the plan.
2. You can take his help for granted. This means that \_\_\_\_.
  - A. you are allowed to get his help.
  - B. his helping you would ascertain.
  - C. you can take his help which is allowed.
  - D. he would agree to help you.
3. The prisoners were fairly treated in the prison. This means that \_\_\_\_.
  - A. they were well treated.
  - B. they were decently treated.
  - C. they were justly treated.
  - D. the treatment was not too good.
4. "If Jack stole the confidential report-- not that I think he did-- it was a terrible crime." This means that the writer \_\_\_\_.
  - A. thinks that Jack has stolen the report.
  - B. does not think Jack has stolen the report.
  - C. thinks that Jack has stolen another report.
  - D. has to accuse Jack of stealing the report though he is not sure whether he has done it.
5. "To get the meaning of this letter, you have to read between the lines," Mr. Brown said. We can tell from this that the letter \_\_\_\_.
  - A. was full of implications.
  - B. had many words wrongly spelt.
  - C. had wrong expressions.
  - D. was full of quotations.
6. If he is a Jack of all trades, then he is \_\_\_\_.
  - A. an expert in all things.
  - B. not expert in any.
  - C. not interested in anything.
  - D. eager in learning.
7. It has been said that if people fought sin as they do middle age, earth would be a moral paradise. This means that the world would be moral if \_\_\_\_.
  - A. people fought sin as hard as people did so around AD 1100.
  - B. people gradually mended their ways as they matured.
  - C. people resisted sin as hard as they try not to appear old.
  - D. people accepted sin as they accept middle age.
8. Going at this speed, we will get there in no time. This means that if we do not change the present rate, \_\_\_\_.

- A. we will never get there. C. we will get there very soon.  
B. we will take an indefinite time D. we will take a long time to get there.
9. Your novel is very powerful and captivating, and I couldn't wait to read your next work. This means that the speaker \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. does not want to read any more of his friend's novels.  
B. is impatient because his friend takes too long to finish another work.  
C. wants to read his friend's next novel very much.  
D. has started reading other similar novels.
10. It is rather surprising that the play was anything but a success. This means that the play \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. was a failure. C. suited everybody.  
B. was certainly a success. D. was a success, except that only few people enjoyed it.

III. Each of the following sentences has a blank. From among the provided four answers marked A, B, C, and D, you are to choose the most appropriate word or phrase to fill the blank so that the sentence is complete, meaningful, and idiomatic. (10%)

1. My impression of him as a conscientious student and an independent researcher can be ---- by Mr. Samuel Sun's academic achievement.  
A. testified B. collaborated C. informed D. corroborated
2. In ---- of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s devotion to improving the conditions of the Negroes in the United States, a law was signed, making the third Monday of January a national holiday.  
A. observance B. appreciation C. celebration D. conference
3. The new secretary has stopped smoking in the office so as not to make herself an intolerable ---- to her colleagues in the department.  
A. nuisance B. indifference C. resistance D. perseverance
4. On seeing several highway patrols stopping every car, Sue, who had had three or four pitchers of draft beer, ---- her car to avoid a DUI (Driving Under Intoxication) citation.  
A. drove onto B. drew back C. took aback D. pulled over
5. On weekends people living in the metropolitan area of the city of Taipei flock to the suburbs to escape the ---- of Taipei's frenetic pace.  
A. hocus-pocus B. flip-flop C. hustle-bustle D. criss-cross

IV. After reading each of the following passages, choose from among the four answers marked A, B, C, and D the one on the basis of what is stated or implied in the passage. Write down on your answer sheet only the letters of the answers you have chosen. (24%)

"We celebrate tonight the memory of a great man of letters. What strike me most about that glorious group of New England writers -- Emerson and Longfellow, Hawthorne, Whittier, Thoreau, Motley, Holmes, and Lowell--is a certain measure and magnanimity. They were rare men and fine writers, of a temper simple and unafraid.

"I confess to thinking of James Russell Lowell as a critic and master of prose than as a poet. His single-hearted enthusiasm for letters had a glowing quality which made it a guiding star for the frail barque of culture. His humor, breadth of view, sagacity, and the all-round character of his activities have

hardly been equalled in your country. Not so great a thinker or poet as Emerson, not so creative as Hawthorne, so original in philosophy and life as Thoreau, so racy and quaint as Holmes, he ran the gamut of those qualities as none of the others did; and as critic and analyst of literature surpassed them all.

"But I cannot hope to add anything of value to American estimate and praise of Lowell-- critic, humorist, poet, editor, reformer, man of letters, man of State affairs."

1. The title that best expresses the ideas of this passage is:  
A. Rare Writers  
B. In Memory of Great Literary Men  
C. America's Greatest Poet  
D. In Memory of a Man of Letters
2. The New England group of glorious writers can be uniformly described as:  
A. poets  
B. great thinkers  
C. fine writers  
D. magnanimous men
3. The article suggests that James Russell Lowell was:  
A. poet, critic and statesman  
B. humorist and master of prose  
C. psychologist and reformer  
D. lawyer and critic
4. Of the following words, the one which best expresses the mood of the article is:  
A. derogatory  
B. humorous  
C. encomium  
D. sarcastic
5. The works of Lowell may best be described as:  
A. recondite  
B. variegated  
C. quaint  
D. racy
6. "The frail barque of culture" referred to in the second paragraph refers specifically to:  
A. poetry  
B. literature  
C. prose  
D. philosophy
7. According to the speaker John Galsworthy, Lowell was:  
A. a greater poet and thinker than Emerson  
B. more creative than Hawthorne  
C. as quaint as Holmes  
D. one of the greatest all around writers in America

An essay which appeals chiefly to the intellect is Francis Bacon's "Of Studies." His careful tripartite division of studies expressed succinctly in aphoristic prose demands the complete attention of the mind of the reader. He considers studies as they should be: for pleasure, for self improvement, for business. He considers the evils of excess study: laziness, affectation, and preciosity. Bacon divides books into three categories: those to be read in part, those to be read cursorily, and those to be read with care. Studies should include reading which gives depth, speaking which adds readiness of thought, and writing which trains in preciseness. Somewhat mistakenly, the author ascribes certain virtues to individual fields of study: wisdom to history, wit to poetry, subtlety to mathematics and depth to natural philosophy. Bacon's four-hundred-word essay, studded with Latin Phrases and highly compressed in thought, has intellectual appeal indeed.

8. Which of the following is the most appropriate title for the passage, based on its content?  
A. A Method for Reading Books  
B. Francis Bacon and the Appeal of the Essay

- C. The Categorization of Books According to Bacon  
D. An Intellectual Exercise: Francis Bacon's "Of Studies"
9. Which of the following words could best be substituted for "aphoristic" (sentence 2) without substantially changing the author's meaning?  
A. realistic                      C. abstruse  
B. pithy                          D. tripartite
10. The passage suggests that the author would be most likely to agree with which of the following statements?  
A. It is an affectation to use foreign words in one's writing.  
B. Scholars' personalities are shaped by the academic discipline in which they are engaged.  
C. "Of Studies" belongs in the category of works that demand to be read with care.  
D. Studies should be undertaken without thought of personal gain.

Visual recognition involves storing and retrieving memories. Neural activity, triggered by the eye, forms an image in the brain's memory system that constitutes an internal representation of the viewed objects. When an object is encountered again, it is matched with its internal representation and thereby recognized. Controversy surrounds the question of whether recognition is a parallel, one-step process or a serial, step-by-step one. Psychologists of the Gestalt school maintain that objects are recognized as wholes in a parallel procedure: the internal representation is matched with the retinal image in a single operation. Other psychologists have proposed that internal representation features are matched serially with an object's features. Although some experiments show that, as an object becomes familiar, its internal representation becomes more holistic and the recognition process correspondingly more parallel, the weight of evidence seems to support the serial hypothesis, at least for objects that are not notably simple and familiar.

11. According to the passage, Gestalt psychologists make which of the following suppositions about visual recognition?
- I. An object is recognized as a whole without any need for analysis into component parts.  
II. The matching of an object with its internal representation occurs in only one step.  
III. A retinal image is in exactly the same form as its internal representation.
- A. I only                              C. II and III only  
B. II only                              D. I and II only
12. It can be inferred from the passage that the matching process in visual recognition is  
A. not possible when an object is viewed for the very first time  
B. not a neural activity  
C. not possible if a feature of a familiar object is changed in some way  
D. now fully understood as a combination of the serial and parallel process

V. Translate passage 1 from English into Chinese and passages 2 and 3 from Chinese into English.

Passage 1 14%

It was a fine day in early spring. Bright sunshine flooded the street where a group of boys in Sunday clothes were playing ball. In most of the tenements the windows were up. Clean-shaven men in collarless shirts or in underwear, women with aprons or sloppy pink wrappers leaned on the sills and gazed with aimless interest at the street, the sky, those who were passing below. Thus they would spend most of every Sunday morning through the coming summer and now, in the first flush of mild weather, they had already taken up their posts. The street rang with the animated bickerings of the boys at their game, with the click of a girl's shoes as she skipped rope, with the muted sounds of a dozen unseen radios.

Passage 2 6%

我打開碗櫃的那一剎那，映入我眼簾裡的是好幾萬隻的螞蟻。這些螞蟻有的忙著搬運食物，有的忙著傳遞訊息，有的忙著發號施令，還有的，說真的，也說不上究竟在忙些什麼？

Passage 3 6%

交通路況簡直就是水泄不通。喇叭聲不停地響著，計程車司機們大聲吆喝著，小孩們頑皮地在路肩上玩著捉迷藏，公路警察們一邊吹著哨子，一邊揮舞著手臂。亂七八糟的！

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此張為參考樣張  
\*\* 答題請依此樣式  
在答案卷上作答。

ANSWER SHEET

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6. ---- 7. ---- 8. ---- 9. ---- 10. ----
- II. 1. ---- 2. ---- 3. ---- 4. ---- 5. ----  
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- III. 1. ---- 2. ---- 3. ---- 4. ---- 5. ----
- IV. 1. ---- 2. ---- 3. ---- 4. ---- 5. ----  
6. ---- 7. ---- 8. ---- 9. ---- 10. ----  
11. ---- 12. ----

V.  
Passage 1

Passage 2

Passage 3