

# 國立臺中教育大學 98 學年度大學日間部轉學招生考試

## 英文筆試試題

適用學系：英語學系二年級

### I. Reading Comprehension (20 points, 2 points for each question)

One small study by the American College of Sports Medicine showed strength training helped reduce hot flashes and headaches by 50 percent. Another small study published in the Journal of Advanced Nursing found exercise **boosted** overall health-related quality of life measures in menopausal women. And a third study in the Journal of the American College of Cardiology found exercise slowed the progression of hardening of the arteries, which is linked to lower levels of estrogen in women during menopause. Exercise can lower the risk for cardiovascular disease in general and strengthen muscle to prevent fractures—another risk factor that grows as estrogen decline. At the very least, staying active can **temper** secondary effects of menopause like insomnia and weight gain. Exercise seems to be a magic bullet for boosting everything from physical problems to mood.

1. Which of the following answers can best express the main idea of the above passage?
  - A. Jogging can relieve hot flashes and headaches.
  - B. Working out might tame several symptoms of menopause effectively.
  - C. Hardening of the arteries is linked to lower levels of estrogen in women during menopause.
  - D. Strength training can lower the risk for cardiovascular diseases.
2. What does the word “**boost**” mean?
  - A. decrease
  - B. downgrade
  - C. increase
  - D. constraint
3. What does the word “**temper**” mean?
  - A. lessen
  - B. heat up
  - C. intensify

D. strengthen

4. Which of the following statements is inferred in the above passage?
- A. The three small studies mentioned in the paragraph are collaborated studies.
  - B. Exercise can slow the progression of hardening of arteries, and, at the same time, the heart beats.
  - C. All menopausal women will have insomnia, fracture and weight gain.
  - D. Exercise overall can improve the quality of life.
5. According to the passage, which is not a symptom of estrogen decline?
- A. easy bone fracture
  - B. weight loss
  - C. hardening of the arteries
  - D. insomnia

Why are tales so attractive and appealing to us? Magic plays an important role in this phenomenon. It does not merely bring us amusement, but also creates a situation in which the characters in tales are depicted as people whose wishes come true. A well-known story that **features** the occurrence of magic is the tale of Meng Tsung. His mother was ill and wished to eat bamboo shoots. Meng Tsung went to the forest in the hopes that he would find bamboo to bring home for his mother to eat. As it was winter, this was not the time for bamboo shoots to grow, and Meng Tsung knew it. Feeling increasingly sad and desperate, he eventually came to hold onto bamboo plants, and started to cry. Moments later, the ground miraculously broke open, and shoots came out the earth, ready for picking. Before long, rumors that it was his devoted love for his mother that moved the earth and heavens started to spread, and he became a popular figure who was known to have been miraculously rewarded with what he wished for.

In this story, magic plays a significant role in granting a son's wish. This is what is alluring to us, and draws us to read these stories. Magic is linked to our deepest wishes and desires. Moreover, the idea of it brings us hope and the prospect of change. Influenced by the idea of the effects that we imagine magic can produce, magic thus brings a glimmer of hope that what we believe can bring us help when we are in need might be attainable. This explains why we love a story that has magic in it.

6. What is the main idea of the passage?
- A. Readers love to read a story because it entertains them.
  - B. Lots of factors influence readers to love to read a story.

- C. A story is appealing to readers because it portrays a wonderful hero.  
D. Magic can play an important role in influencing readers to love to read a story.
7. Which of the following can best replace the word **features** in the passage?
- A. airs
  - B. species
  - C. dictates
  - D. presents
8. According to the passage, which of the following statements was **Not True**?
- A. Meng Tsung is the lead character of the story.
  - B. Readers love magic in tales because it links to hope.
  - C. Meng Tsung uses his magic to acquire bamboo shoots.
  - D. Meng Tsung felt sad when he found out that he was unable to gain bamboo shoots.
9. What is the major moral of Meng Tsung's story?
- A. To tell of a son's love for an ill mother
  - B. To state the importance of loving wild plants
  - C. To tell of readers' sympathy for an ill mother
  - D. To state the importance of a mother's love for a son
10. How is this passage structured?
- A. It states why tales are appealing to readers, and then details the reasons why.
  - B. It states why tales are appealing to readers, and then gives an example to explain it.
  - C. It states how tales function first, and then explains why tales should provide entertainment.
  - D. It states how tales function first, and then explains various factors that cause tales to work on this way.

**II. Grammar & Vocabulary (20 points, 2 points for each question)**

11. A good speaker must be \_\_\_\_\_, or else his speech is likely to be boring.  
A. monotonous    B. eloquent    C. pessimistic    D. innocent
12. Intelligence does not \_\_\_\_\_ mean success. You need diligence as well.  
A. formally    B. similarly    C. necessarily    D. originally
13. The merciless mother doesn't seem to have any \_\_\_\_\_ for her little daughter.  
A. reservation    B. intention    C. confession    D. affection

14. Everyone in the class understood the function of the engine after the teacher \_\_\_\_\_ it to a man's heart.  
A. complimented      B. compared      C. contrasted      D. complained
15. A man's courage is not \_\_\_\_\_ by the things that he is able to do but by the things that he dares to do.  
A. composed      B. located      C. measured      D. sized
16. He worked very \_\_\_\_\_ on this project. No wonder, it was such a success.  
A. industrially      B. hardly      C. difficultly      D. hard
17. No doubt you would like to know how I have been getting along \_\_\_\_\_ I left school.  
A. since      B. before      C. after      D. once
18. It is doubtful \_\_\_\_\_ he will make it to his destination on time. Nobody can be sure.  
A. whether      B. what      C. when      D. how
19. \_\_\_\_\_ student has to hand in a report on the designated subject by the end of the month.  
A. Both      B. Each      C. Any      D. All
20. The city is four thousand meters \_\_\_\_\_ sea level, so it is a little difficult to breathe there.  
A. up      B. near      C. above      D. over

### III. Cloze (20 points, 2 points for each question)

The chess-board is the world: the 21 are the phenomena of the universe; the rules of the game are 22 we call the laws of nature. The player on the 23 side is hidden from us. We know 24 his play is always fair, just and patient. But also we know, 25 our cost, that he never overlooks a mistake, or makes the smallest allowance for ignorance.

21. A. pens      B. pencils      C. hands      D. pieces  
22. A. what      B. where      C. whether      D. how  
23. A. another      B. other      C. others      D. other's  
24. A. that      B. this      C. what      D. where  
25. A. on      B. in      C. to      D. with

They are a peculiar 26. They work like mad, then give away much of what they earn. They play 27 they are exhausted, and call this a vacation. They have the biggest of nearly everything including government, motor cars and debts, yet they are afraid 28 bigness. They are always trying to chip away at big government,

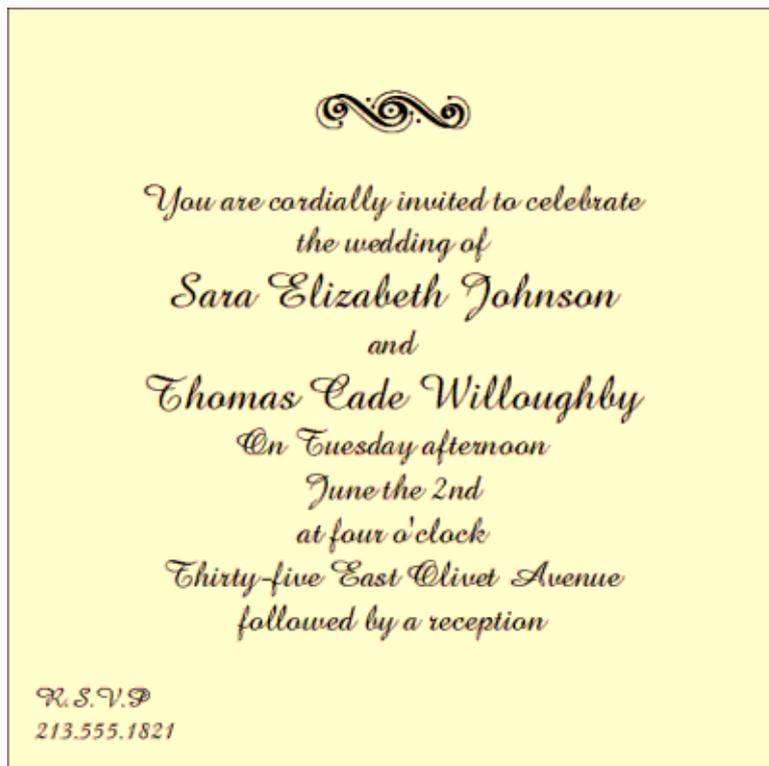
big business, big 29, big influence. They like to think of 30 as little people or average men. Yet they boast of their tall buildings, high mountains, long rivers, big states, etc.

26. A. people      B. peoples      C. person      D. persons  
27. A. to          B. until          C. than          D. through  
28. A. for          B. with          C. of            D. in  
29. A. unity        B. unions        C. unison        D. unities  
30. A. them        B. himself        C. him            D. themselves

**IV. Listening comprehension (40 points, 2 points for each question)**

**Part 1. Answer questions based on the pictures that are provided.**

**Questions number 31, 32 and 33 are based on the following picture.**



31.  
A. Birthday party  
B. Graduation party  
C. Wedding  
D. Funeral

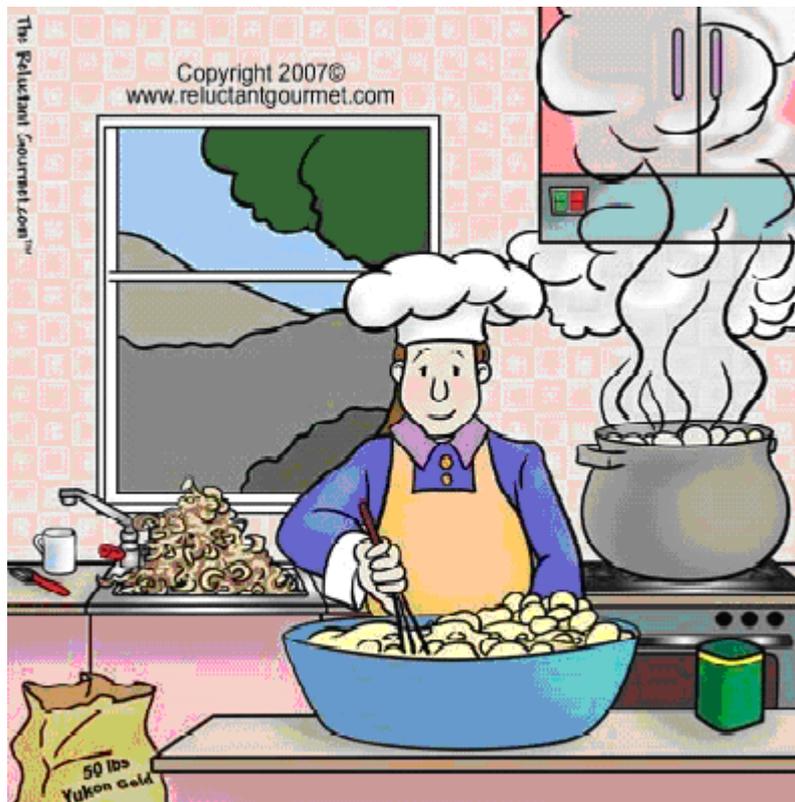
32.

- A. Sara Elizabeth Johnson
- B. Thomas Cade Willoughby
- C. East Olivet
- D. We don't know.

33.

- A. June the second at four o'clock
- B. June the third at four o'clock
- C. On Tuesday morning
- D. On Tuesday evening

**Questions number 34 and 35 are based on the following picture.**



34.

- A. Chopping
- B. Slicing
- C. Mixing
- D. Rolling

- 35.
- A. Tuna steak
  - B. Fried rice
  - C. Fruit pudding
  - D. Mashed potato

**Part 2. Appropriate Response**

You will first hear a question, which will only be read once. After you hear the question, read the four choices and decide which one is the best answer to the question you have heard.

- 36.
- A. At 10:30 in the morning.
  - B. It takes two and a half hours to arrive there.
  - C. Every 30 minutes.
  - D. It's six o'clock.
- 37.
- A. He likes ice cream.
  - B. He is very tall and has wavy black hair.
  - C. He is my youngest brother.
  - D. He has never been here.
- 38.
- A. It's where we can borrow books.
  - B. It's between you and me.
  - C. It's very large.
  - D. It's over there.
- 39.
- A. Yes, I've made up my mind.
  - B. No, it's made up of different parts.
  - C. No, it's real.
  - D. Yes, it's just.
- 40.
- A. They are nineteen ninety-five each.
  - B. I have a ten-dollar bill.
  - C. I don't have much money.
  - D. They are Richter playing Schubert.

### Part 3: Dialogues

There are ten questions in this section. You will hear a dialogue accompanying each question. After hearing the dialogue, choose the most appropriate answer from four selections A, B, C, or D. Each dialogue and question will only be read once.

41.

- A. She is not a good driver.
- B. The car broke down.
- C. She wanted to save money on fuel.
- D. She didn't drive today.

42.

- A. The woman should give it up.
- B. Sam's computer was broken.
- C. The woman should give a try.
- D. Sam has lent his computer to the woman's friend.

43.

- A. Because the man would be out of town.
- B. Because the man had to change his job.
- C. Because the man had no time.
- D. Because the man had to work.

44.

- A. The girl with the teddy bear on her T-shirt is his sister.
- B. The woman with a pair of glasses is his sister.
- C. The girl who is drinking orange juice is his sister.
- D. The woman with a teddy bear on the blouse is his sister.

45.

- A. Suit yourself!
- B. Of course not.
- C. Sure thing.
- D. To my relief.

46.

- A. A bike shop
- B. A garage
- C. The gym
- D. The gas station

47.

- A. descendent
- B. mentor

- C. stepson
- D. inheritor

48.

- A. Laura Bush is humorous sometimes.
- B. George Bush has a good sense of humor.
- C. Laura Bush likes to ridicule her husband.
- D. George Bush likes to be ridiculed.

49.

- A. It would be too late to join them.
- B. He would join them if his boss agreed.
- C. He didn't want to join them at all.
- D. He was busy with working, so he couldn't join them.

50.

- A. Peter has many other girlfriends.
- B. Peter likes to hang out with other friends.
- C. The woman is dating somebody else.
- D. The man is going to introduce someone to her.

Answer key:

BCADB	DDCAB
BCDBC	DAABC
DABAC	ABCBD
CBDCD	CBDCA
BCDAC	ADADA