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**Part I. Reading Comprehension (30%)**

**Passage 1**

There are many older people in the world and there will be many more. A little-known fact is that over 60 percent of the older people live in developing countries. According to the World Health Organization, by 2020 there will be 1 billion, with over 700 million living in developing countries.

It is a surprising fact that the population ageing is particularly rapid in developing countries. For example, it took France 115 years for the proportion of older people to double from 7 percent to 14 percent. It is estimated to take China a mere 27 years to achieve this same increase.

What are the implications of these increased numbers of older folk? (76) One of the biggest worries for governments is that the longer people live, the more likelihood there is for diseases and for disability. Attention is being paid to the need to keep people as healthy as possible, including during old age, to lessen the financial burden on the state.

(77) Another significant problem is the need for the younger generations to understand and value the older people in their society. In some African countries, certainly in Asia, older people are respected and regarded as the ones with special knowledge. Yet traditions are fading away daily, which does not ensure the continued high regard of older people. As society changes, attitudes will change.

Much needs to be done to get rid of age discrimination (歧视) in employment. Life-long learning programs need to be provided to enable older people to be active members in a country’s development.

Social security policies need to be established to provide adequate income protection for older people. Both public and private schemes are vital in order to build a suitable safety net.

1. The proportion of older people \_\_\_\_\_.

A. is bigger in developed countries than in developing countries

B. is one-seventh of the population in developing countries

C. will increase much faster in China than in France

D. will be sixty percent in developing countries by 2020

2. According to passage, which of the following are governments most worried about?

A. The diseases and disability of older people.

B. The longer life and good health of people.

C. The loss of taxes on older people.

D. The increasing respect for older people.

3. It is stated directly in the passage that older people should \_\_\_\_\_\_.

A. be treated differently in different cultures

B. enjoy a similar lifestyle

C. be ignored as society changes

D. the valued by the younger generations

4. Which of the following measure is NOT mentioned to solve the population ageing problem?

A. Getting rid of age discrimination in employment.

B. Ensuring adequate income protection for older people.

C. Providing free health care for sick older people.

D. Supplying life-long learning programs to older people.

5. The author concludes in the last paragraph that \_\_\_\_\_\_.

 A. governments have spent lots of time in solving the ageing problem

 B. population ageing is a hard problem, but it needs to be solved urgently

 C. people are too busy to solve the population ageing problem

 D. much time and effort will be lost in solving the ageing problem

**Passage 2**

The multi-billion-dollar Western pop music industry is **under fire**. It is being blamed by the United Nations for the dramatic rise in drug abuse worldwide, “The most worrying development is a culture of drug-friendliness,” says the UN’s International Narcotics Control Board in a report released last year.

The 74-page study says the pop music, as a global industry, is by far the most influential trend-setter for young people of most cultures. “Some songs encourage people to take drugs. (78) Certain pop stars make statements and set examples as if the use of drugs for non-medicinal purposes were a normal and acceptable part of a person’s lifestyle,” the study says.

Surprisingly, says the Board, the effect of drug-friendly pop music seems to survive despite the occasional shock of death by overdose (过量用药). “Such incidents end to be seen as an occasion to mourn (哀悼) the loss of a role model, and not an opportunity to face the deadly effect of drug use,” it notes. Since the 1970s, several internationally famous singer and movie stars—including Elvis Presley, Janice Jophlin, John Belushi, Jimi Hendrix, Jonathan Melvin and Andy Gibbs—have died of either drug abuse or drug related illnesses. With the globalization of popular music, messages promoting drug abuse are now reaching beyond their countries of origin. “In most countries, the names of certain pop stars have become familiar to the members of every household,” the study says.

The UN study also blames the media for its description of certain drug incidents, which encourages rather than prevents drug abuse. “Over the past years, we have seen how drug abuse is increasingly regarded as being acceptable or even attractive,” says Hamid Ghodse, president of the Board. “Powerful pressure groups run political campaigns aimed at legalizing controlled drugs,” he says. Ghodse also points out that all these developments have created an environment which is tolerant (容忍的) of or even favorable to drug abuse and spoils international drug prevention efforts currently under way.

The study focuses on demand reduction and prevention within an environment that has become tolerant of drug abuse. The Board calls on governments to do their legal and moral duties, and to act against the pro-drug (赞成吸毒) messages of the youth culture to which young people increasingly are being exposed.

6. Which of the following statements does the author tend to agree with?

A. The use of drugs for non-medicinal purposes is an acceptable part of a person’s lifestyle.

B. The spreading of pop music may cause drug abuse to beyond country boundaries.

C. No efforts have been made to prevent the spreading of drug abuse.

D. Governments have no ability at act against the pro-drug messages of the youth culture.

7. The expression “under fire” in the first paragraph means \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

A. in an urgent situation

B. facing some problems

C. being criticized

D. in trouble

8. From the third paragraph, we learn that the youth \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

A. tend to mourn the pop stars who died of overdose as role modes

B. are shocked to know even pop stars may abuse drugs

C. try to face the deadly effect of drug use

D. may stop abusing drugs

9. Which of the following is NOT mentioned as tolerant of drug abuse?

A. The spreading of pop music.

B. The media.

C. Political campaigns run by powerful pressure groups.

D. The low price of some drugs.

10. According to the passage, pop music \_\_\_\_\_.

A. has a great influence on young people of most cultures

B. attracts a small number of young people

C. is not a profitable industry

D. is alone responsible for drug abuse

**Passage 3**

(79) Extensive new studies suggest that the world has made extraordinary progress in reducing poverty in recent decades. The research suggests that the pace of economic progress has been rapid and continued for decades, built on the foundations of relative political stability, rising trade, and economic liberalization (自由化) after two world wars. One new study, published recently by the Institute for International Economics in Washington, find that the proportion of the 6.1 billion people in the world who live on $1 a day or less shrank from 63 percent in 1950 to 35 percent in 1980 and 12 percent in 1999. By some other measures, the progress has been more modest. Still, economists agree that poverty has plunged in key nations such as India and especially China, thanks to slowing population growth as well as economic freedom. “This is a huge success for the world as a whole,” says Harvard University economist Richard Cooper. “We are doing something right.”

The news comes as the World Bank is about to open its annual meeting in Washington- an event that has been troubled in recent years by protests that the Bank and its sister Institution, the International Monetary Fund (IMF国际货币组织), have done too little for the world’s poor. (80) The new economic research will not put an end to that dispute. Vast populations remain poor, and many still question the wisdom of World Bank policies. Nonetheless, the research findings are helpful to understand what policies should be followed by those institutions and hundreds of other development groups working very hard to hasten the pace of world economic progress. If dramatic gains are under way, the present policies — calling for open markets, free business activities, and tight monetary control — are working and correct.

But critics of IMF and World Bank policies maintain that such economic success stories as Japan, China, South Korea and Singapore are rooted in more than just “free” markets. These nations have managed to grow rapidly, and thereby reduce poverty, by limiting imports when their domestic industries were young, pushing exports to rich nations, and putting controls on purely international financial flows. They have been open to foreign-owned factories but have often insisted that those investors share the knowledge and skill on modern technologies.

11. The word “plunged” in the first paragraph means \_\_\_\_\_.

A. decreased

B. climbed

C. increased

D. dropped into water

12. From the passage, we learn that \_\_\_\_\_\_.

A. World Bank has done nothing to help the poor in the world

B. IMF only helps the rich in the world

C. World Bank controls all the banks in the world

D. There are some demonstrations against World Bank in recent years

13. According to this passage, in \_\_\_\_\_, the world had the largest number of poor people.

A. 1999

B. 1980

C. 1950

D. 1990

14. According to the author, the economy of East Asian countries grew very fast because of the following measures EXCEPT \_\_\_\_\_\_.

A. encouraging export

B. opening up to foreign investments

C. limiting international financial flows

D. controlling import

15. The best title for this passage might be \_\_\_\_\_\_.

A. China’s Contribution to the Reduction of Poverty in the World

B. World Bank’s Extraordinary Progress in Recent Decades

C. India’s Leading Role in Reducing Global Poverty

D. Global Progress in Reducing Poverty

**Part II. Vocabulary and Structure (30%)**

16. It was hard for him to learn English in a family, in which \_\_\_\_\_ of the parents spoke the language.

A. none

B. neither

C. both

D. each

17. You’d better go there by train. The train ticket is \_\_\_\_\_ the plane ticket.

A. as cheap three times as

B. as three times cheap as

C. three times as cheap as

D. cheaper three times than

18. This new machine is technically far \_\_\_\_\_ to the previous type.

A. superior

B. junior

C. senior

D. equal

19. There is a great deal of evidence \_\_\_\_\_ that music activities engage different parts of the brain.

A. indicate

B. indicating

C. indicated

D. to be indicating

20. She became the first woman to enter the school but withdrew after a few days \_\_\_\_\_ stress.

A. because of

B. in spite of

C. instead of

D. in honor of

21. \_\_\_\_\_ is known to us all is that the 2012 Olympic Games will be held in London.

A. It

B. What

C. As

D. Which

22. The discovery of these tombs is \_\_\_\_\_ for scholars’ studying Chinese history.

A. of very important

B. great significant

C. of great significance

D. greatly importance

23. Sean’s strong love for his country is \_\_\_\_\_ in his recently published poems.

A. relieved

B. reflected

C. responded

D. recovered

24. Would you please keep silent? The weather report \_\_\_\_\_ broadcast and I want to listen.

A. is

B. is being

C. has been

D. had been

25. The teacher stressed again that the students should not \_\_\_\_\_ any important details while retelling the story.

A. bring out

B. let out

C. leave out

D. make out

26. The man moved \_\_\_\_\_ forward and looked over the edge, shrinking his shoulders.

A. accurately

B. cautiously

C. brilliantly

D. disappointedly

27. The police are trying to find out the \_\_\_\_\_ of the woman killed in the traffic accident.

A. evidence

B. recognition

C. identity

D. status

28. By no means \_\_\_\_\_ to her parents.

A. this is the first time has she lied

B. this is the first time does she tell a lie

C. is this the first time she has lied

D. is this the first time she was lying

29. Climate change will greatly \_\_\_\_\_ wheat and rice production if nations don’t take steps now.

A. fall

B. leak

C. lack

D. reduce

30. She always buys \_\_\_\_\_ my birthday.

A. something awful to

B. anything awful to

C. something nice for

D. anything nice for

31. He failed to live up to \_\_\_\_\_ had been expected of him.

A. what

B. which

C. that

D. all

32. It is very \_\_\_\_\_ of you to arrange an early meeting between your boss and our team.

A. considerate

B. considerable

C. considering

D. considered

33. I would have told him about the change of time for the class, \_\_\_\_\_ to class last time.

A. did he come

B. he came

C. had he come

D. he had come

34. The wind was so strong last night that is tore the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of the ship into two or three pieces.

A. mask

B. mine

C. sail

D. satellite

35. \_\_\_\_\_ all the money people here spend eating out, restaurants’ profit is still below five percent.

A. Despite

B. Thanks to

C. Since

D. Like

36. Many a man \_\_\_\_\_ life is meaningless without a purpose.

A. thinks

B. thinking

C. have thought

D. think

37. John left home twenty minutes ago. It is usually half an hour’s drive from his home to the office here. So he \_\_\_\_\_\_ soon.

A. should have arrived

B. need arrive

C. must have arrived

D. may arrive

38. \_\_\_\_\_\_ Hong Kong is often regarded as \_\_\_\_\_\_ international center for business, finance and tourism.

A. / ; an

B. An ; /

C. The ; /

D. / ; the

39. They went \_\_\_\_\_ the schedule for the conference again and again until they felt satisfied with every detail of it.

A. out

B. up

C. over

D. by

40. Schools should teach our kids various subjects, and moreover teach them how to \_\_\_\_\_\_ right from wrong.

A. run

B. take

C. tell

D. put

41. By the time you finish your homework, all of us \_\_\_\_\_\_ ours at hand, I’m sure.

A. will finish

B. will have finished

C. have finished

D. have been finishing

42. In time of trouble Charlie could always \_\_\_\_\_\_ a solution.

A. put aside

B. look down upon

C. break out

D. come up with

43. Before building a house, you will have to \_\_\_\_\_\_ the government’s permission.

A. get from

B. follow

C. receive

D. ask for

44. The director had her assistant \_\_\_\_\_ some hot dogs for the staff members.

A. picked up

B. picks up

C. pick up

D. picking up

45. \_\_\_\_\_\_ their hats into the air, the fans of the winning team let out loud shouts of victory.

A. To throw

B. Thrown

C. Throwing

D. Being thrown

**Part III. Identification (10%)**

46. When you’ve finished with that book, don’t forget to put is back on the shelf, won’t you?

                               A                                   B                     C                                       D

47. The workers in the factory demanded that their pay would be raised by 20 percent.

              A                                       B                                 C                  D

48. It remains to see whether Jim will be fit enough to play in the finals.

            A         B                            C                            D

49. I invited Joe and Linda as well as Tom to dinner, but neither of them came.

           A                                  B                       C                  D

50. Over the past 20 years, the internet has helped change our world in either way or another

                    A                                                     B                                    C

for the better.

    D

51. How and why this language has survived for more than a thousand years, while spoke by very

               A                               B                                                                         C

few, is hard to explain.

                          D

52. Nearly half of Americans aged 25 and old take part in some form of continuing education.

          A                                  B                C                                D

53. Many parents feel they need to keep a closer eye to their children because of concerns about

                                               A                              B                          C                        D

crime and school violence.

54. For married mothers, the time spend on child care increased to an average of 12.9 hours a

       A                                               B                         C                   D

week in 2009.

55. There is an increasingly amount of evidence that more and more young people are taking an

                                A                                            B                                                   C

active interest in politics.

                       D

**Part IV. Cloze (10%)**

Of all the websites, one that has attracted attention recently is myspace.com. Most of this attention has come from the media and tells every reason 56 the website should be 57. The threat of Internet predators (窃掠者) is indeed a tough reality, 58 shutting down the site is not the answer. If myspace.com 59 shut down, another site would quickly 60 its place. Therefore, the right way is to teach teens how to use the site safely and educate them 61 who may be predators and how to 62 them.

The key to 63 safe on the Internet is to make sure that your profile (个人资料) is secure. The 64 way is to change the privacy setting on your profile to “private”, which protects your information 65 only the people on your friend list can view it. Although this is 66, it is not perfect. Predators can find ways to view your profile if they really want to, 67 through hacking in (黑客入侵) or figuring out their way onto your friend list. Thus, you should never post too much personal 68. Some people actually post their home and school addresses, date to birth, and so on, often 69 predators know exactly where they will by and 70.

The most information that is safe is your first name and province. Anything more is basically 71 a predator into your life.

Another big problem is photos. I suggest 72 skipping photos and never posting a photo of a friend online without his or her 73.

Most important, never, 74 any circumstances, agree to a real-life meeting with anyone you meet online, 75 how well you think you know this person. There are no guarantees that they have told the truth.

56. A. what

B. how

C. why

D. which

57. A. shut down

B. open up

C. get into

D. turn on

58. A. but

B. even

C. despite

D. since

59. A. is

B. are

C. was

D. were

60. A. get

B. make

C. take

D. push

61. A. as

B. about

C. for

D. in

62. A. avoid

B. get

C. benefit

D. hide

63. A. stay

B. staying

C. stayed

D. staying

64. A. difficult

B. simplest

C. simple

D. most difficult

65. A. as to

B. no matter

C. so that

D. because

66. A. efficient

B. interesting

C. effective

D. impressive

67. A. if

B. whether

C. however

D. whatever

68. A. information

B. documents

C. files

D. messages

69. A. let

B. make

C. allow

D. letting

70. A. what

B. why

C. when

D. how

71. A. introducing

B. inviting

C. investing

D. interrupting

72. A. partly

B. mostly

C. lastly

D. completely

73. A. favor

B. rule

C. information

D. permission

74. A. above

B. under

C. below

D. at

75. A. no matter

B. even if

C. unless

D. also

**Part V. Translation (20%)**

76．One of the biggest worries for governments is that the longer people live, the more likelihood there is for diseases and for disability.

77．Another significant problem is the need for the younger generations to understand and value the older people in their society.

78. Certain pop stars make statements and set examples as if the use of drugs for non-medicinal purposes were a normal and acceptable part of a person’s lifestyle.

79. Extensive new studies suggest that the world has made extraordinary progress in reducing poverty in recent decades.

80. The new economic research will not put an end to that dispute.

81. 今天早上他起床晚了，所以没有赶上火车。

82. 你们昨天的会议得出什么结论了吗？

83. 我在回家的路上，买了一本英汉词典。

84. 一直到12月下旬，他们才让我加入他们小组。

85. 我父亲在找工作，我母亲在医院照看外祖母。