

# 台北市立師範學院八十四學年度

## 初等教育研究所碩士班研究生入學考試英文科試題

### I. vocabulary 30%

Choose the one word or phrase that best keeps the meaning of the original sentence if it is substituted for the underlined word or phrase.

1. Helen Keller's achievements as an author and lecturer were an inspiration to millions.  
(A) speaker (B) editor (C) director (D) correspondent
2. Postal fees are determined primarily by the class and weight of the parcel mailed.  
(A) labels (B) deliveries (C) rates (D) inspections
3. Writing evolved gradually as the need for more detailed permanent records expanded.  
(A) freely (B) slowly (C) inevitably (D) gracefully
4. Wet clays can be easily molded into a form that they retain.  
(A) placed (B) shaped (C) compressed (D) combined
5. Hurricanes usually move toward the west during their formative stages.  
(A) critical (B) essential (C) developmental (D) tranquil
6. The conflict between romantic dreams and harsh reality has been the theme of many great novels.  
(A) revelations (B) perceptions (C) fantasies (D) affairs
7. The rapid expansion of cities during the Industrial Revolution created a housing crisis.  
(A) avoided (B) aggravated (C) started with (D) brought about
8. When the glaciers thawed after the last ice age, the five Great Lakes of North America were formed.  
(A) melted (B) advanced (C) evaporated (D) exploded
9. Certain pine trees are deliberately dwarfed for ornamental purposes.  
(A) diverse (B) decorative (C) constructive (D) medicinal
10. Most of the islands of northern Canada lie beyond the temperate zone.  
(A) on (B) toward (C) outside (D) beside
11. Bats fly, rather than glide, and thus are the only mammals capable of true flight.  
(A) straight (B) safe (C) rapid (D) real
12. The wheels of the first road vehicles were fashioned from crude stone disks.  
(A) heavy (B) flat (C) roughly made (D) hand-carved
13. In literature, caricatures usually contain verbal exaggeration through which the writer achieves comic and often satiric effects.  
(A) interaction (B) humor (C) overstatement (D) banter
14. Most motels are located near busy interchanges of major highways, on the outskirts of towns, or near airports.  
(A) at the crossroads (B) at the edges (C) in the commercial centers (D) in the scenic areas
15. Solid geometry has enabled astronomers to calculate the positions of the heavenly bodies relative to one another.  
(A) in spite of (B) on top of (C) with respect to (D) next to



Choose the one word or phrase that best completes the sentence.

1. in history when remarkable progress was made within a relative short span of time.  
(A) Periods (B) There have been periods  
(C) Throughout periods (D) Periods have been
2. in ornithology.  
(A) In (B) Until (C) Not until (D) Not since  
1895 did Cornell University begin to offer a degree
3. All of the plants now raised on farms have been developed from plants wild.  
(A) once they grew (B) that once grew (C) they grew once  
(D) once grew
4. Essentially, a theory is an abstract, symbolic representation of reality.  
(A) what it is conceived (B) that is conceived  
(C) that is being conceived of (D) what is conceived to be
5. People's expectations for a higher standard of living increase
6. conditions in their community improve  
(A) since conditions in their improving community  
(C) as conditions in their community improve (D) conditions prove  
Gorillas are quiet animals, they are able to make about twenty different sounds.  
(A) how (B) even though (C) in spite of (D) because of
7. In 1961 the entertainer Chubby Checker introduced a new dance is the twist (B) new dance, the twist  
to New York's rock 'n' roll fans.  
(A) new dance is the twist (B) new dance, the twist  
(C) twist, was the new dance (D) twist, the dance that
8. Mary Cassatt specialized paintings (C) who painted (D) painted  
(A) in painting (B) paintings (C) who painted (D) painted  
by transferring the blame to others is often called
9. scapegoating.  
(A) Problems are eliminated (B) Eliminating problems  
(C) The eliminated problems (D) Eliminate problems
10. Effective teachers and understand the needs of  
their students.  
(A) their subjects are thoroughly known  
(B) subjects are thoroughly known  
(C) know their subjects thoroughly  
(D) thoroughly know their subjects are

Identify the one underlined word or phrase that must be changed in order for the sentence to be correct.

11. The mandolin, a musical instrument that has strings, was probably copied from the lute, a many older instrument.  
A B C D
12. Sea turtles date back 100 million year and are the only ancient sea reptiles to survive to the present day.  
C D A B
13. At a first the scientific method may appear to be a narrow and restrictive way of gaining understanding.  
A B C D



14. How many people realize that agriculture is a source of raw <sup>A</sup> materials for clothing and to shelter? <sup>B</sup>
15. Mahogany is often considered the finest cabinet wood because <sup>C</sup> they has most of the qualities desired for furniture making. <sup>D</sup>
16. In adolescence, a young person may experience some stress <sup>A</sup> emotional due to conflicting and confusing social demands. <sup>B</sup>
17. The scientific revolution of the early 1900's affected educa- <sup>C</sup> tion by change the nature of technology. <sup>D</sup>
18. The Statue of Liberty was originally proposed in 1865 to <sup>A</sup> commemorate the alliance of France with the American colonies <sup>B</sup>
19. Alike light waves, microwaves may be reflected and concentrated. <sup>C</sup>
20. Behavior modification techniques work best with problems that <sup>A</sup> manifest itself in overt actions. <sup>B</sup>

### III. Reading Comprehension 20%

Answer all questions following these passages on the basis of what is stated or implied in the passages.

Choose the one best answer, (A), (B), (C), or (D) to each question.

- Artificial flowers are used for scientific as well as for decorative purposes. They are made from a variety of materials, such as wax and glass, so skillfully that they can scarcely be distinguished from natural flowers. In making such models, painstaking skill and artistry are called for, as well as thorough knowledge of plant structure. The collection of glass flowers in the Botanical Museum of Harvard University is the most famous in North America and is widely known throughout the scientific world. In all, there are several thousand models in colored glass, the work of artist-naturalists, Leopold Blaschka and his son Rudolph.
- The intention was to have the collection represent at least one member of each flower family native to the United States. Although it was never completed, it contains more than seven hundred species representing 164 families of flowering plants, a group of fruits showing the effect of fungus diseases, and thousands of flower parts and magnified details. Every detail of these is accurately reproduced in color and structure. The models are kept in locked cases as they are too valuable and fragile for classroom use.



1. Which of the following is the best title for the passage?

- (A) An Extensive Collection of Glass Flowers
- (B) The Lives of Leopold and Rudolph Blaschka
- (C) Flowers Native to the United States
- (D) Materials Used for Artificial Flowers

2. Which of the following statements about Leopold and Rudolph Blaschka is true?

- (A) They were farmers. (B) They were florists.
- (C) They were artists. (D) They were brothers.

3. It can be inferred from the passage that the goal of Leopold and Rudolph Blaschka was to

- (A) create a botanical garden where only exotic flowers grew
- (B) do a thorough study of plant structure
- (C) make a copy of one member of each United States flower family

(D) show that glass flowers are more realistic than wax flowers

4. In line 14, the word "it" refers to which of the following phrases?

- (A) "each flower family" (line 13)
- (B) "the collection" (line 12)
- (C) "one member" (line 13)

(D) "The intention" (line 12)

5. Which of the following is NOT included in the display at the Botanical Museum of Harvard University?

- (A) A group of diseased fruits
- (B) Models of 164 families of flowering plants
- (C) Several species of native birds
- (D) Magnified details of flower parts

6. Which of the following statements is true of the flowers at Harvard University?

- (A) They are authentic representations.
- (B) They form a completed collection.
- (C) They are loaned to schools for classroom use.
- (D) They have a marvelous fragrance.

Line (5)

The railroad was not the first institution to impose regularity on society, or to draw attention to the importance of precise timekeeping. For as long as merchants have set out their wares at daybreak and religious services have begun on the hour, people have been in rough agreement with their neighbors as to the time of day. The value of this tradition is today more apparent than ever. Were it not for public acceptance of a single yardstick of time, social life would be unbearably chaotic: the massive daily transfers of goods, services, and information would proceed in fits and starts; the very fabric of modern society would begin to unravel.

7. What is the main idea of the passage?

- (A) Society judges people by the time at which they conduct certain activities.
- (B) In society we must make more time for our neighbors.
- (C) The traditions of society are timeless.
- (D) An accepted way of measuring time is essential for the smooth functioning of society.

8. In line 6, the phrase "this tradition" refers to

- (A) people's agreement on the measurement of time
- (B) the practice of starting the business at dawn
- (C) the railroad's reliance on time schedules
- (D) cordial relations between neighbors



9. The author implies that which of the following is a consequence of the greater complexity of today's society?

- (A) People agree about time more readily.
  - (B) Traditional values are of greater importance to the society's well-being.
  - (C) The role of the railroad has become more vital.
  - (D) Agreement on the measurement of time is more important.
10. What did the paragraph preceding the passage most probably discuss?
- (A) The sale of clocks and timepieces by merchants.
  - (B) The times at which religious services used to be held.
  - (C) The need to regulate the railroads.
  - (D) The regulatory effect of the railroad on society.

#### IV. WRITTEN ENGLISH 10%

Write two to three short paragraphs, using 100-150 words, talking about:

---Some parents have the opinion that children should be strongly pushed to achieve, while other parents have the opinion that it is best to allow children to progress at their own space. Discuss each position. Then indicate which you agree with and why.

or

---People are watching more and more television, and as a result television is having an increasing effect on society. Discuss the beneficial and harmful effects of television on society. Then indicate what you believe the role of television should be and why.

#### V. TRANSLATION 10%

Translate the following into Chinese:

Perhaps if schools were to drop their screening procedures, to stop sorting out children on the basis of tests results, and to refrain from predicting success or failure for entering students, they would be free to accept all children as learners with unique and interesting abilities. Staffs and small groups of teachers could work together to support each other's strengths, and thus support children's strengths, instead of dwelling on problems. Public education can only succeed when all children are accepted equally as contributors in a classroom community and when teachers work together, trusting themselves to teach and children to learn.