**Test Two**

**Part I Listening Comprehension (8%)**

**Directions:** *Listen to a short passage and choose the best answer to each question you hear.*

1. A) More than an hour. C) More than one and a half hours.

B) About an hour. D) About half an hour.

2. A) Over 10 percent of Americans spend less than an hour getting to work.

B) Only New York people spend more than 90 minutes getting to work.

C) More and more Americans spend over an hour getting to work.

D) Over 10 percent of Americans spend more than 90 minutes getting to work.

3. A) Because he can have his favorite lifestyle.

B) Because the commute is not tiring.

C) Because gas prices are not high.

D) Because he can attend a better school.

4. A) A tiring and boring trip. C) Poorer life quality.

B) Traffic jams. D) Expensive housing.

**Part II Dictation (22%)**

*(The words or phrases will be given by your teacher.)*

**Part III Vocabulary and Structure (40%)**

**Directions:** *There are 20 incomplete sentences in this part. For each sentence there are four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Choose the ONE answer that best completes the sentence.*

1. Almost half of that group will experience stress \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ enough to call for professional help.

A) tense B) moderate C) bearable D) intense

2. Women have a greater ability to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ names with faces than men do, and they are also better at recalling lists.

A) associate B)  compare C)  engage D)  involve

3. The lighthouse beam was quite \_\_\_\_\_\_ in the gathering dusk.

A) extinct B) instinct C) distinct D) distinglish

4. We should not \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ourselves to the classroom. We should go out of the classroom, see the world and talk to others as much as we can.

A) respond B) confine C) assign D) involve

5. The president’s visit and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ discussions led to a plan that aimed to improve the trade relations between the two countries.

A) emerging B) subsequent C) conflicted D) submerging

6. The police \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to emergencies in just a few minutes.

A) reply B) deny C) respond  D) rely

7. He was part of an extreme political group that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the complete overthrow of the political system.

A) reserved B) heightened C) advocated D) approved

8. There is great \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in all the writings of Tolstoy(托尔斯泰).

A) circumstances B) civilian C) victims D) humanity

9. Many parents find it hard to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ their children when they are teenagers.

A) sum up B) relate to C) make sense D) reserve for

10. We appreciate your efforts in making changes in your schedule and think that this new arrangement is now \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to us.

A) agreeable B) sustainable C) portable D) indispensable

11. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that new homes cost more than older homes, but that is not true across the country anymore.

A) It is used to be B) It used to be

C) It used to being D) It is used to being

12. Older people are less likely to be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ their negative emotions and more likely to focus on the positive.

A) reserved for B) caught up in C) beat up to D) counted on

13. He was always ready to help others and managed to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ his friends \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ being hurt.

A) expose … to B) confine …to

C) restrict … from D) shield … from

14. My brother and I managed to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with each other and we soon made peace after a week’s quarrel.

A) heal B) reconcile C) respond D) advocate

15. Having had little education herself, she had very high educational \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for her children.

A) inspirations B) experience C) aspirations D) imagination

16. The woman who died in a car crash last Saturday in the suburbs has been \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as Kate Johnson, a 25-year-old office clerk.

A) classified B) identified C) ignored D) submerged

17. Emily felt hurt and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ by a close friend who had borrowed a considerable sum of money to pay for a house and then took it as a gift, never thinking of giving back the money.

A) conflicted B) curbed C) swollen D) betrayed

18. In 1988 the old system was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the country and a new system was introduced to take effect in 1990.

A) transmitted B) assumed C) abolished D) compensated

19. It is really helpful to have someone like you that we can \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and count on during difficult times.

A) lean on B) get to C) hang on D) count for

20. When the driver heard that there was a bomb on the bus, he immediately \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the side of the highway and radioed the police.

A) put out B) took off C) pulled over D) slipped off

**Part IV Blank Filling (10%)**

**Directions:** Complete the passage with the exact words or phrases in the text.

The inspiring \_\_\_1\_\_\_ help \_\_\_2\_\_\_ us that ordinary people can do \_\_\_3\_\_\_ things, whether it is in the \_\_\_4\_\_\_ of their duties or \_\_\_5\_\_\_everyday life. We honor the fireman, the policeman, and the \_\_\_6\_\_\_ by \_\_\_7\_\_\_their heroism. Perhaps, even more importantly, we honor them by \_\_\_8\_\_\_the circumstances that led to their death. By \_\_\_9\_\_\_ them we can be inspired by them. Will we be heroes when circumstances call on us to \_\_\_10\_\_\_? Hopefully, we will!

**Part V E-C Translations (15%)**

**Directions:** *Translate the following sentences into Chinese.*

1. In an era of heightened heroism, we use *hero* to describe both victims and survivors of all kinds of difficulties and tragedies.

2. At the memorial service, the priest said: “Dory didn’t die a hero; he lived a hero.”

3. These are civilian heroes, who acted instinctively with courage and grace when caught up in extraordinary circumstances.

4. Many police and emergency responders marched solemnly through the streets to honor Russell(罗素), who believed deeply in his commitment to protect and serve.

5. Mandela, a larger-than-life leader, made the choice not to be bitter and worked hard to establish harmony and helped society reconcile its conflicted past.

**Part VI C-E Translation (5%)**

**Directions:** *Translate the following paragraph into English.*

郑和是中国历史上最著名的航海家（maritime explorer）。自公元1405年起，郑和带领船队七下西洋，前后出海的人员有10多万人，访问了30多个国家和地区。郑和下西洋是世界航海史上的壮举，它展现了明朝的国力和国威（national strength and prestige），加强了明朝和海外各国之间的关系。