

**Cloze passage: Read the following passage and fill in the blanks by choosing the appropriate words you have been given. Mark your choices on the answer sheet.**

The Internet continues to grow, .....25 by ever greater amounts of online information and knowledge, commerce, entertainment and social .....26. During the late 1990s, it was .....27 that traffic on the public Internet grew .....28 100 percent per year, while the mean .....29 growth in the number of Internet users was .....30 to be between 20% and 50%. This growth is often .....31 to the lack of central administration, which allows organic growth of the network, .....32 the non-proprietary open nature of the Internet protocols, which encourages vendor interoperability and .....33 any one company from exerting too much control .....34 the network. As of 31 March 2011, the estimated total number of Internet users was 2.095 billion (30.2% of world population). It is estimated that in 1993 the Internet carried only 1% of the information .....35 through two-way telecommunication, by 2000 this .....36 had grown to 51%, and .....37 2007 more than 97% of all telecommunicated information was carried over the Internet.

25.

- a. driven      b. entangled      c. deteriorated      d. shaken

26.

- a. intention      b. collaboration      c. networking      d. aspect

27.

- a. prolonged      b. doubted      c. supposed      d. estimated

28.

- a. up      b. in      c. as      d. by

29.

- a. annual      b. domestic      c. gross      d. financial

30.

- a. condemned      b. thought      c. diverged      d. cocealed

31.

- a. attended      b. attributed      c. sought      d. searched

32.

- a. rather than      b. other than      c. as well as      d. in order to

33.

- a. peers      b. prevents      c. persuades      d. pipes

34.

- a. beyond      b. over      c. above      d. up

35.

- a. for flowing      b. to flow      c. flowing      d. flow

36.

- a. percent      b. digit      c. foot      d. figure

37.

- a. whereby      b. by      c. as      d. with