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<b>閱讀測驗：請選出最適當的答案</b>													
Do you have 18 minutes of free time? If so, why not use it to watch a TED Talk? One of the best recent TED Talks is <i>The Secrets of Learning a New Language</i> by Lýdia Machová. Lýdia Machová is a language expert from Slovakia. She is also a “polyglot,” a person who can speak several languages. At the beginning of her talk, she mentions she is currently learning her eighth <b>one!</b> She then says people often ask her how she does it. Her usual reply used to be, “I just love it.” However, after asking other polyglots for their opinion, she came up with a better answer.	6. Which of the following is the key word in Sinek's speech? (A) Motivation. (B) Career. (C) Planning. (D) Discussion.  7. What does “ <b>this</b> ” refer to in this passage? (A) Having a discussion. (B) The methods of “how” or “what.” (C) Simon Sinek’s speech. (D) Knowing why we do certain things.  8. According to the passage, which of the following is a benefit of having a purpose for one’s life and career? (A) Making more money. (B) Making fewer mistakes. (C) Inspiring others more effectively. (D) Having more friends.  9. What does the word “inspire” mean? (A) 尋求 (B) 激勵 (C) 教育 (D) 監控  10. What is the meaning of the word “factor”? (A) 因素 (B) 會議 (C) 科技 (D) 觀眾	Through discussions with several other polyglots, a common <b>theme</b> became clear. They had all found ways to enjoy the language-learning process. Whether it was using <b>apps</b> or cooking with the help of foreign recipes, they all had ways to make it fun. To conclude her talk, Machová argues adopting effective learning methods, developing a good system for practice, exercising patience, and most importantly, making it all fun are the true secrets of learning a new language.	In 1848, a conference about women’s <b>rights</b> was held in Seneca Falls, New York. Although this was not the first meeting in support of women’s rights, it is considered by historians to be the start of the movement in the US. At that time, politicians were often not willing to listen to women because women could not vote. Hence, over time, women realized they needed to fight for the right to vote to improve their situation.										
1. What does “ <b>one</b> ”: in the first paragraph refer to?		(A) School. (B) Grade. (C) Talk. (D) Language.		2. What is not mentioned by Lýdia as a secret of learning a new language?		(A) Patience and practice. (B) Time and energy. (C) Fun in learning. (D) Effective learning methods.		3. Which of the following is not true?		(A) Lýdia Machová comes from Slovakia. (B) Lýdia Machová is a language expert.		(C) The language-learning process is not fun for polyglots. (D) A polyglot is a person who can speak several languages.	
4. What is the meaning of the word “ <b>theme</b> ”?		(A) 主題 (B) 賣座片 (C) 基金會 (D) 口號		5. What does the word “ <b>app</b> ” mean?		(A) 小說 (B) 共同創辦人 (C) 應用程式 (D) 著迷		TED Talks is a perfect way to inspire yourself to improve both professionally and personally. One video, in particular, that has touched lots of people is from a man named Simon Sinek on “How Great Leaders <b>Inspire</b> Action.” In his speech, Sinek discusses the importance of figuring out the “why” or reasons behind what you do before even thinking about the methods of “how” or “what.” He stresses this is equally important to yourself and to the job. Before you decide what it is that you want to do, you must know the <b>factors</b> which motivate you to do so and the ideas which inspire you. Once you are able to figure out those factors, your life and your career will have a purpose, which helps you to keep working towards your goal. Better yet, you will be able to inspire others more effectively.		11. What is the passage about?		(A) The history of the US. (B) Important female politicians.	
		(C) The struggle for women’s rights. (D) The achievements of the US government.		12. According to this passage, how did the Nineteenth Amendment help women		(A) It gave them the right to an education. (B) It raised their average wage.		(C) It allowed them to work. (D) It allowed them to vote.		13. What does the word “ <b>convince</b> ” mean in the second paragraph?		(A) Understand. (B) Persuade. (C) Cheat. (D) Punish.	
		14. What is the meaning of the word “ <b>Congress</b> ”?		(A) 國會. (B) 憲法修正案 (C) 聯合國 (D) 政策									

15. What does the word “right” mean?

- (A) 政治 (B) 平等 (C) 權利 (D) 聲明

The rights of women have **improved** in recent **decades**. For instance, nearly half of all workers around the world are now women, and we are now seeing female CEOs and presidents. Nonetheless, regarding whether women are truly equal today, the answer is not yet.

To begin with, there is still a pay gap between the sexes. According to a study of 83 countries, women still earn 10%-30% less than men. Furthermore, women are expected to take time off when they have babies, and thus they may lose their jobs or receive less income altogether. Second, even though there are women in high positions, the numbers are far from equal. Only 11 of the world’s 192 national leaders are women. Also, of the 500 largest companies in the United States, only 23 have a female CEO.

Last but not least, women are still not equal at home. Even though a lot of women have full-time jobs, they are still expected to do more than half of the housework and also mind the children at home. In sum, women’s rights have **come a long way** in recent decades, but it is clear there is still much room for improvement. We must continue to fight for true equality between the sexes.

16. What is the main topic of the passage?

- (A) Female presidents around the world. (B) The pay gap between the sexes.  
(C) Issues of equality between females and males. (D) Improvements in men’s rights.

17. Which of the following is not mentioned in this passage?

- (A) Equality does not exist between the sexes yet. (B) Female CEOs perform better than male ones.  
(C) Men are paid more than women at work. (D) Women with jobs are expected to do over half of the housework.

18. What does the phrase “**come a long way**” mean?

- (A) To make a lot of progress. (B) To travel to a distant place.  
(C) To walk for days without stopping. (D) To visit someone without giving them notice.

19. What does the word “improve” mean?

- (A) 禁止 (B) 發表 (C) 吸引 (D) 改善

20. What is the meaning of the word “decade“?

- (A) 槍手 (B) 武器 (C) 獎 (D) 十年

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