**台北市立松山高中105學年度第2學期高三英文期末考**

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**I. English Digest Vocabulary 12% (March week3-4 April week1-2)**

1. Shoppers \_\_\_\_\_ to healthier diets, and may benefit from ideas about how to use food to help them manage health conditions.

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| (A) plunge | (B) object | (C) excel | (D) aspire |

2. Brunch is a \_\_\_\_\_ of breakfast and lunch eaten usually during the late morning to early afternoon, generally served from 11 am to 3 pm.

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| (A) collision | (B) combination | (C) adaptation | (D) distinction |

3. For many people, staying in a hospital can seem \_\_\_\_\_ and frightening, especially for children and adolescents.

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| (A) intimidating | (B) hostile | (C) intimate | (D) insulting |

4. By \_\_\_\_\_ quality over quantity, the company’s long-term benefits will include a better reputation and stronger loyalty.

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| (A) representing | (B) scanning | (C) prioritizing | (D) defining |

5. Police in central Japan are offering elderly people cut-price meals if they agree to \_\_\_\_\_ their driving licenses. They are discouraged from driving.

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| (A) retrieve | (B) enhance | (C) surrender | (D) convey |

6. In certain cultures, the elephants have a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ meaning of strength, wisdom, and courage.

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| (A) symbolic | (B) abundant | (C) advanced | (D) additional |

7. It is believed that global warming is at least partly to blame for especially \_\_\_\_\_ and cruel winter weather.

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| (A) tranquil | (B) influential | (C) isolated | (D) harsh |

8. After the plane crash, many people were missing and \_\_\_\_\_ dead.

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| (A) presumed | (B) resumed | (C) disregarded | (D) interpreted |

9. To win its consumers back, Samsung makes some \_\_\_\_\_ changes to their new cellphone. It’s the most drastic redesign Samsung has ever done.

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| (A) radical | (B) tolerable | (C) available | (D) respective |

10. You have to think about the [problem](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english-chinese-traditional/problem) from every \_\_\_\_\_ before making a decision.

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| (A) peek | (B) aspect | (C) ritual | (D) substance |

11. Those areas have been urged to \_\_\_\_\_ their medical resources to improve the quality of health services.

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| (A) conserve | (B) suspend | (C) integrate | (D) eliminate |

12. Environmental groups are \_\_\_\_\_ a ban on plastic microbeads, which are too small to be filtered and will end up in our rivers and oceans.

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| (A) standing out | (B) disposing of | (C) pushing for | (D) taking off |

**II. English Digest Cloze 25%**

A.

Found on sheer cliffs above 1800 meters \_\_13\_\_ the Alpine ibex, a wild goat perfectly suited to the death-defying rock faces. Ibexes’ split hooves help them navigate the steep mountainsides, as each side of the hoof works independently of \_\_14\_\_. Ibexes’ soft bellies also help cushion impacts \_\_15\_\_ they stumble while they’re climbing. Furthermore, their relatively low heart rates help them save energy when little food is to be found in the severe winter months. \_\_16\_\_, some alpine creatures prefer to pass the freezing winter sleeping underground. Marmots spend over six months a year deep in the ground, completely unaware of the chaos above. During the summer, they need to \_\_17\_\_ themselves \_\_17\_\_ flowering-plants to ensure they put on enough weight to live through these conditions.

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| 13. | (A) is | (B) are | (C) be | (D) does |
| 14. | (A) another | (B) the other | (C) others | (D) one |
| 15. | (A) even though | (B) as if | (C) if | (D) as far as |
| 16. | (A) All in all | (B) In other words | (C) In short | (D) In contrast |
| 17. | (A) exert…to | (B) gorge…on | (C) refer…to | (D) associate…with |

B.

One of the most controversial scientific research methods in the world today is animal testing. It is used to find out \_\_18\_\_ medications, cosmetics, and other products that come into close contact with humans are safe to use. There are arguments both \_\_19\_\_ and against animal testing. Many of the world’s most important medical discoveries \_\_20\_\_ possible without animal testing. Vaccines, antibiotics, and artificial insulin have all been produced \_\_21\_\_ research on animals. Yet, the animals are often denied food and water. They’re usually \_\_22\_\_ small cages and experience severe psychological and physical trauma in the experiments. Many governments strictly control animal testing. Some countries restrict animal testing even further. \_\_23\_\_ one’s view on animal testing, ensuring strict regulations on the practice is an absolute must.

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| 18. | (A) X | (B) whether | (C) while | (D) that |
| 19. | (A) in response to | (B) responsible for | (C) in favor of | (D) in exchange for |
| 20. | (A) wouldn’t be | | (B) wouldn’t have made | |
|  | (C) won’t be | | (D) won’t have made | |
| 21. | (A) as a result of | (B) in addition to | (C) as well as | (D) on top of |
| 22. | (A) admitted to | (B) rewarded from | (C) confined to | (D) set out to |
| 23. | (A) Instead of | (B) Due to | (C) In spite of | (D) Regardless of |

C.

American Pastoral is written by Philip Roth, one of the leading American writers. This long novel explores the course of American history from the late 1940s, \_\_24\_\_ Nathan Zuckerman regards as a golden period. The story \_\_25\_\_ a Jewish character called Swede Levov, an outstanding man in every respect—a brilliant athlete, a successful businessman, and a devoted husband and father. His only goal is to live a \_\_26\_\_ pastoral life in rural Old Rimrock, New Jersey. \_\_27\_\_, his rebellious sixteen-year-old daughter, Merry, gets caught up in the anti-Vietnam War movement and plants a bomb at the local post office, \_\_28\_\_ people. Swede's peaceful life is shattered forever. \_\_29\_\_ the novel develops its way back and forth in time, Swede finally understands that life can’t be perfect.

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| 24. | (A) what | (B) which | (C) when | (D) from which |
| 25. | (A) portrays | (B) savors | (C) regulates | (D) applauds |
| 26. | (A) material | (B) significant | (C) crucial | (D) tranquil |
| 27. | (A) Eventually | (B) Otherwise | (C) Nevertheless | (D) Accordingly |
| 28. | (A) killing | (B) killed | (C) kills | (D) and killing |
| 29 | (A) Despite | (B) With | (C) Though | (D) As |

D.

The concept of clown doctors was introduced in 1986 by Michael Christensen, a professional clown. The idea \_\_30\_\_ and “clown care” soon spread across the US and around the world. Clown doctors are much more than volunteers who dress up clowns, \_\_31\_\_. They attend rigorous, six-month-long training programs, \_\_32\_\_ they learn about performance art, medicine, and psychology.

Ma Chao-Chi has long been \_\_33\_\_ and fascinated by clown doctors. When she heard there were courses offered, she jumped at the chance to join. \_\_34\_\_ returning to Taiwan, she launched the “Dr. Red Nose” program, which now delivers zany performances at several hospitals around Taiwan. \_\_35\_\_ the clown doctors in the Dr. Red Nose program mainly perform for children, they are also trained to interact with parents dealing with heavy emotional burdens. Today, clown doctor programs continue to expand. Such a program \_\_36\_\_ The Humour Foundation has introduced clowns into elderly care facilities. These efforts have shown significantly positive results in the emotional and physical well-being of residents. \_\_37\_\_, “Laughter is the best medicine.” Clown doctors are truly making a difference.

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| 30. | 1. took over | 1. took up | 1. took out | 1. took off |
| 31. | 1. yet | 1. though | 1. as | 1. although |
| 32. | 1. where | 1. when | 1. what | 1. which |
| 33. | 1. rescued | 1. stunned | 1. intrigued | 1. domesticated |
| 34. | 1. As | 1. Upon | 1. As soon as | 1. With |
| 35. | 1. Until | 1. Once | 1. While | 1. Since |
| 36. | 1. as | 1. like | 1. of | 1. that |
| 37. | 1. Likewise | 1. Afterwards | 1. By and large | 1. Indeed |

**III. Focus on Vocabulary 15% (Level 5 pp.19-47, Level 6 pp.31-50)**

38. The Afghan forces are well-prepared to \_\_\_\_\_ the terrorists in the country by receiving more weapons from the international partners.

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| (A) ripple | (B) suppress | (C) shun | (D) disregard |

39. Although \_\_\_\_\_ by critics, the movie attracted a wide audience.

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| (A) despised | (B) propelled | (C) certified | (D) publicized |

40. The American upper class is the highest socioeconomic bracket in the social \_\_\_\_\_ and is defined by its members’ great wealth and power.

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| (A) hypocrisy | (B) autonomy | (C) hierarchy | (D) symmetry |

41. The construction of dams can have a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ effect on the environment since it can flood the habitats of wildlife and the villages.

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| (A) redundant | (B) devastating | (C) ultraviolet | (D) emphatic |

42. [Donald Trump](https://www.thebalance.com/donald-trump-economic-plan-3994106) promised to be the greatest job-producing president. He \_\_\_\_\_ to create 25 million jobs in the next ten years.

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| (A) intimidated | (B) forged | (C) faltered | (D) pledged |

43. Getting \_\_\_\_\_ in an elevator can be scary, especially if you aren't a fan of enclosed spaces.

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| (A) groveled | (B) expelled | (C) doomed | (D) stranded |

44. You'll need to \_\_\_\_\_ your differences with your date to form a harmonious relationship.

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| (A) diversify | (B) degrade | (C) reconcile | (D) dismantle |

45. The world’s oldest person dies at 117. Her \_\_\_\_\_ was attributed to eating 3 eggs a day, which she had begun as a child.

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| (A) complexion | (B) longevity | (C) warranty | (D) masterpiece |

46. The government should pay \_\_\_\_\_ to the pension crisis and resolve the matter as soon as possible.

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| (A) hunch | (B) heed | (C) veto | (D) vanity |

47. Robert Downey Jr. gives his \_\_\_\_\_ performance as Iron Man. The movie was truly a box office success.

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| (A) feeble | (B) hardy | (C) parallel | (D) superb |

48. There were gang members hanging in front of resident’s apartments, getting drunk, causing a(n) \_\_\_\_\_, and making residents not want to live there.

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| (A) asylum | (B) fracture | (C) disturbance | (D) suspension |

49. Most citizens support education reform but are \_\_\_\_\_ about its effectiveness, wondering whether it will succeed or not.

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| (A) skeptical | (B) hysterical | (C) obstinate | (D) shrewd |

50. We are already witnessing an \_\_\_\_\_ of influenza in birds — the H7N9 strain in China — that could be the source for the next human epidemic.

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| (A) upbringing | (B) antibody | (C) agony | (D) outbreak |

51. \_\_\_\_\_ expressions, in a piece of literature, may give us deep insights into the writer’s society. They tell us about how people really talk in their real life.

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| (A) Credible | (B) Colloquial | (C) Coherent | (D) Cordial |

52. Although the events in a story may \_\_\_\_\_ in different ways, all plots generally include four stages: a conflict, the rising action, the climax and the resolution.

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| (A) rehearse | (B) overflow | (C) unfold | (D) recollect |

**IV. Textbook Cloze Test 42%**

A.

Jerry Yang, a Taiwanese-born American Internet entrepreneur, is best known as the cofounder and the former CEO of Yahoo!. He moved to San Jose, California, with his mother and younger brother at the age of 10, when he didn’t know any English word \_\_53\_\_ “shoe.” However, he was placed into an Advanced Placement English class for gifted students, and became fluent in just 3 years. After graduating from high school, he then went to Stanford University and \_\_54\_\_ earned a bachelor’s as well as master’s degree in electrical engineering in 1990. While studying for his PhD., he met David Filo. At that time, the Internet had just been introduced and they both soon became hooked on the new technology. Sensing that it was difficult to \_\_55\_\_ the web because it was then a mixture of uncategorized data, they \_\_56\_\_ the brilliant idea of designing software that organized the web pages by subject, and launched their own website, which was later renamed “Yahoo,” and they made \_\_57\_\_ out of it.

With these experiences, Jerry Yang gave some advice to the young graduating class. Firstly, he advised them not to be discouraged by the news \_\_58\_\_ the future was bleak for the young. \_\_59\_\_, they should be brave in throwing away the \_\_60\_\_ and doing everything in new ways. Secondly, he advocated the “10,000-Hour Rule.” By \_\_61\_\_ his experiences of adjusting to American society, he thought his achievements \_\_62\_\_ his perseverance with hard work and preparation. Thirdly, he encouraged them to take a chance on what they loved and give it their all even if it might be a \_\_63\_\_ from their master plan. On the other hand, Yang urged the graduates that not only \_\_64\_\_ curious about the world \_\_64\_\_ should appreciate how great their potential was. His last and perhaps the most important advice was－try not taking themselves too seriously. If they could not \_\_65\_\_ those heavy pressure or burdens, then they were pushing themselves too hard.

53. (A) besides (B) in addition (C) aside from (D) other than

54. (A) successively (B) simultaneously (C) strikingly (D) prospectively

55. (A) navigate (B) mimic (C) erect (D) revise

56. (A) inquire into (B) dig up (C) hit upon (D) log onto

57. (A) triumph (B) compensation (C) endeavor (D) capital

58. (A) which (B) that (C) in which (D) what

59. (A) Whereas (B) As a result (C) Instead (D) Still

60. (A) horse sense (B) status quo (C) master plan (D) free rein

61. (A) bailing out (B) taking apart (C) looking down on(D) patching together

62. (A) gave rise to (B) broke into (C) came down to (D) bode well for

63. (A) paradox (B) departure (C) descendant (D) shrink

64. (A) they should be …but (B) they should be…but they

(C) should they be…but (D) should they be …but they

65. (A) clear away (B) tune out (C) come down to (D) pass through

B.

Becoming pregnant is thought to be a marvelous experience of a woman’s life. With the fetus growing in her womb, the mother-to-be will undergo a series of \_\_66\_\_ changes in her body. Usually, during pregnancy, ob-gyns will conduct essential examination to ensure the wellness of the mother-to-be and the unborn baby. Suppose they discover any signs of serious genetic diseases, she as well as her family will be recommended a surgical solution, or abortion. Of course, they will be \_\_67\_\_ and be put in great agony. In some cases, parents will \_\_68\_\_ by aborting the baby, because they worry if the baby \_\_69\_\_ , the bringing up of such a baby might cost them an arm and a leg \_\_70\_\_ the defective child are very much likely to be \_\_71\_\_ to other people’s bullying or discrimination for life. However, some parents hold that regardless of how taxing it might be to take care of it, each human life is inviolable and should deserve the right to exist in the world. It should be treated as a gift, an end itself, rather than a means \_\_72\_\_ they gain or dodge something. At this point, the parents-to-be \_\_73\_\_ prudent in making the decision to have an abortion \_\_74\_\_ they should feel bitter regret for the rest of their life.

66. (A) obscure (B) rigorous (C) subtle (D) grim

67. (A) taken aback (B) bailed out (C) tuned out (D) tucked away

68. (A) take aback (B) take seriously (C) take apart (D) take the easy way out

69. (A) is born (B) was born (C) was to be born (D) were to be born

70. (A) and (B) and if (C) and that (D) and which

71. (A) sentimental (B) vulnerable (C) relevant (D) terminal

72. (A) which (B) that (C) for which (D) through which

73. (A) can’t be (B) shouldn’t be (C) can’t be too (D) shouldn’t be too

74. (A) if only (B) in case (C) for fear of (D) so that

C.

The development of technology has put modern people in intriguing virtual world, which has \_\_75\_\_ the real world little by little. Virtual world fascinates people because it offers them a way to forget about their worries and \_\_76\_\_ the life temporarily. For people whose confidence is \_\_77\_\_ by repeated failure, they might gain satisfaction they can’t get in reality by playing heroes \_\_78\_\_ the gangsters. For those who are burdened with heavy pressure and yearn for novelty, the excitement of running virtual shops or chatting with “friends” from all over the world indeed adds much spice to their monotonous life. What’s more appealing is that they can get immediate and positive feedback, such as “like” or “point,” which is as addictive as drink or drugs and acts as a great \_\_79\_\_. However, we still should keep in mind that whatever we do in virtual world, those happening in there can’t \_\_80\_\_for what we are confronted with in reality. Although the boundaries between virtual world and real world are being \_\_81\_\_, we should not be enslaved to the very technology but use it \_\_82\_\_ our advantage. After all, though a virtual life is easier than the real life, it is really no life at all.

75. (A) outweighed (B) distracted (C) substituted (D) halted

76. (A) bode well for (B) pass through (C) wear down (D) shrink from

77. (A) erected (B) expired (C) undermined (D) exploited

78. (A) consenting (B) combating (C) intruding (D) mimicking

79. (A) synonym (B) stimulus (C) nourishment (D) ambush

80. (A) mimic (B) outweigh (C) extend (D) substitute

81. (A) obscured (B) coordinated (C) tackled (D) expired

82. (A) for (B) of (C) to (D) with

D.

The whole campus was thrown into a mad sensation, for HBL championship went to SSSH basketball team again this year! SSSH basketball team has set a \_\_83\_\_ in HBL history by winning the HBL championship 3 times in \_\_84\_\_, and this is the fifth one it ever won. This \_\_85\_\_ achievement should be attributed to Roman Huang, a tough, demanding, and a \_\_86\_\_ coach who has a tremendous passion for basketball and \_\_87\_\_ to SSSH basketball team. Since SSSH is a public school unable to \_\_88\_\_ players, said Huang, what he should do over the course of training is \_\_89\_\_ defensive skills, because defense is the best way to help cement solidarity and boost the \_\_90\_\_ among players. That’s why “Green Shield” \_\_91\_\_ as the team culture and spirit. Over the last two decades, Roman has \_\_92\_\_ to elevate SSSH basketball team to an international level. He would watch abundant NBA videos to absorb playing tactics and strategies of those professional players. He also took them abroad to receive more training and sharpen their playing skills and experiences. Besides being a \_\_93\_\_ coach, he also instills in them his philosophy of life: “Never conceal your confidence when \_\_94\_\_ matters, but always keep a low profile when getting along with people.” Thanks to Roman, SSSH basketball has won widespread respect and praise; it is undoubtedly the honor of SSSH!

83. (A) triumph (B) precedent (C) deed (D) bunch

84. (A) succession (B) triumph (C) caption (D) prospect

85. (A) bleak (B) spectacular (C) obscure (D) despicable

86. (A) acquainted (B) simultaneous (C) intact (D) rigorous

87. (A) forbids (B) yearns (C) commits (D) consents

88. (A) pull ahead of (B) bode well for (C) come about (D) single out

89. (A) improve (B) improving (C) improved (D) to improving

90. (A) status quo (B) coordination (C) expiration (D) renewal

91. (A) has established (B) has to establish

(C) has been establishing (D) has been established

92. (A) rumbled (B) undermined (C) endeavored (D) commenced

93. (A) mobile (B) vulnerable (C) conscientious (D) disposable

94. (A) whisking (B) mimicking (C) exploiting (D) tackling

**V. Reading comprehension 6%**

Facebook currently dominates the world of social networking. It already has close to one billion active users, and it allows users to sign in to other Web sites through Facebook, a method known as social log-in. None of this has kept Google from attempting to break into the market with their latest social media platform, Google+.

The most obvious feature that both services provide is a platform for sharing content with people. Within each of them, you can share photos, videos, and links to external content on the Web. Social gaming and chat are also available on both Google+ and Facebook. Similarly, they both have mobile apps that allow users to connect on the go. Another feature they both share is the ability to categorize social contacts into groups. Google calls them “Circles,” whereas Facebook calls them “Links.”

However, users of Google+ can organize friends and acquaintances into circles in a way that is more natural and intuitive than Facebook’s list function. Facebook was even forced to change the way lists worked on the site to better compete with Google+. Options were added to make lists more flexible. In terms of status updates, users of Google+ can control the content they choose to see using sliders. Facebook, however, uses drop-down menus. Google’s service has also been praised for one of its most popular features, Hangouts. These are video chat rooms that multiple friends can join once you invite them. Facebook also has video chat, but it is only one-on-one. While Google Hangouts have a more positive reputation, they may be overloaded with too many features. In our experience, Facebook’s simple interface proved more elegant and less prone to crashing.

Facebook has long been the target of criticism for its inability to provide adequate privacy to its users. Many complain that their information has been shared without their knowledge and agreement. Google, in contrast, has learned from its rival’s mistakes. Unlike Facebook’s privacy settings which can be tedious to find and use, those of Google+ are much more user-friendly. The end result: Google + earns more trust. People are more willing to share information online when they are confident it won’t get into the wrong hands. Nevertheless, these problems have not kept Facebook from growing. The social media giant stills holds a considerable lead over its challengers in the number of active users it has. It may be difficult to convince long-term users to switch to Google+ if all their friends are already on Facebook.

95. Which of the following contrasts are NOT found in the article above?

(A) Facebook uses drop-down menus, whereas Google+ has sliders to control content viewing.

(B) Google+ has a better reputation for online privacy than Facebook.

(C) Google Hangouts provide more functions.

(D) Facebook users have more social connections.

96. According to the article, which change did Facebook make to compete with Google+?

(A) Facebook altered how users log in.

(B) Facebook changed the way gamers work on the site.

(C) Facebook adjusted how its lists work.

(D) Facebook added drop-down menus.

97. How do Google Hangouts compare with Facebook’s video chat functionality?

(A) Hangouts allow users to chat with more than one friend, whereas Facebook chat does not.

(B) Google’s service provides more online security than Facebook chat does.

(C) More people use Hangouts than Facebook video chat.

(D) Facebook’s video chat has a better reputation.