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科目：外國文（英文）

考試時間：2 小時

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甲、申論題部分：（50 分）

(一)不必抄題，作答時請將試題題號及答案依照順序寫在申論試卷上，於本試題上作答者，不予計分。

(二)請以藍、黑色鋼筆或原子筆在申論試卷上作答。

一、英譯中：請將以下英文翻譯成中文（20 分）

In Taiwan, the Citizen Judges Act was passed by the Legislative Yuan in 2022 and was implemented in the next year. Under the act, lay people are to be randomly selected as citizen judges who would participate in trial proceedings and adjudicate cases alongside professional judges in certain felony cases. The purpose of inviting all walks of life into involvement of this legal system is to enhance the transparency of the judiciary, account for the public's opinion toward the law, promote public confidence in the judiciary, provide the public with a better understanding of the judiciary and honor the ideal of popular sovereignty.

二、英文作文（30 分）

Citizen reporting refers to the act of citizens reporting or informing authorities about illegal activities, violations, or misconduct. This can involve reporting crimes, traffic violations, environmental violations, or any other infractions to the relevant authorities, such as the police, regulatory agencies, or local government.

Do you support citizen reporting in Taiwan? Write an essay of approximately 250 words to analyze the pros and cons of this practice, and then give your comments on it. It is suggested that the writing include examples of citizen reporting drawn from real-life cases, news reports, or personal experiences.

乙、測驗題部分：（50 分）

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(一)本試題為單一選擇題，請選出一個正確或最適當答案。

(二)共40題，每題1.25分，須用2B鉛筆在試卡上依題號清楚劃記，於本試題或申論試卷上作答者，不予計分。

- 1 Lower-income consumers are struggling to pay their _____ on time, reducing their spending and searching for deals.
(A) accounts (B) bills (C) breaks (D) visits
- 2 Given no _____ on how to handle charging, Jeff found himself trying to use Tesla chargers for his Volkswagen rental car, not initially realizing they would not work.
(A) abduction (B) construction (C) formation (D) instruction
- 3 More than 300 million children a year are _____ of online sexual exploitation and abuse, according to the first global estimate of the scale of the problem published yesterday.
(A) contenders (B) nominees (C) victims (D) winners
- 4 Britain's National Crime Agency _____ an alert to hundreds of thousands of teachers, advising them to be aware of the threat their students might face.
(A) chaired (B) deducted (C) issued (D) stimulated
- 5 High power usage is the "Achilles' heel" of AI applications, as power _____ increases with the greater computing power needed for new-generation AI chips.
(A) combustion (B) conduction (C) congestion (D) consumption
- 6 Over the years, music technology has _____ from records to cassette tapes to CDs to MP3s to streaming, but this hasn't caused the three-minute duration of pop songs to fall out of fashion.
(A) archived (B) evolved (C) involved (D) resolved
- 7 Italy has placed a temporary ban on ChatGPT, a chatbot and _____ assistant, over privacy concerns and has made plans to penalize the misuse of AI.
(A) vicious (B) viral (C) virtual (D) visual
- 8 Scrubbing the toilet and bathtub does not usually top most people's list of _____ chores, but knowing how to clean a bathroom the right way can help make the job easier.
(A) sensible (B) favorite (C) handy (D) traditional
- 9 Over time, cleaning products and tools can turn into clutter; instead of helping you clean, they become a _____.
(A) hindrance (B) disability (C) benefit (D) catalyst
- 10 Any air travel can be stressful, but facing a long-haul flight can be especially _____.
(A) incredulous (B) indisputable (C) invincible (D) intimidating
- 11 The sad story he shared seemed to _____ deeply with the audience. Almost everyone who heard the story was left in tears.
(A) play (B) comply (C) resonate (D) cope
- 12 Tiffany's entire family perished in a severe car accident. Upon hearing the tragic news, Mary immediately wrote her a heartfelt letter of _____ to express her strong sympathy and support.
(A) endorsement (B) resignation (C) acceptance (D) condolence

- 13 The ticket prices for this concert are considered _____. Most fans either can't afford them or have to settle for seats that are way far from the stage.
(A) reasonable (B) competitive (C) outrageous (D) acceptable
- 14 This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to get a promotion. Seize it tightly and don't let it _____ away.
(A) slip (B) take (C) pass (D) faint
- 15 Even when the light is green, looking down at your phone while crossing the street is still _____.
(A) lucrative (B) urgent (C) messy (D) risky
- 16 A factory ignoring safety protocols will _____ fines from regulatory agencies.
(A) reward (B) incur (C) penalize (D) donate
- 17 Animal rights activists protested against the merciless _____ of animals for their fur and called for stricter regulations on the methods used to obtain it.
(A) exchange (B) training (C) slaughter (D) purchase
- 18 Completing her doctoral dissertation proved to be a _____ process, requiring countless hours of research, writing, discussing with her supervisor, and revisions.
(A) detective (B) formal (C) strenuous (D) due
- 19 Cancer is still the leading cause of death in Taiwan. According to the latest figure for 2024, cancer ranked first for the 43rd consecutive year straight, _____ 26% of just over 200,000 deaths.
(A) accounting for (B) figuring out (C) counting on (D) dropping to
- 20 It clearly wasn't John's fault, but the supervisor still called him over and scolded him harshly. John felt very _____ when he walked out of the office dejectedly.
(A) pleased (B) guilty (C) indifferent (D) wronged

請依下文回答第 21 題至第 25 題

The prevalence of food allergies in the nation has nearly doubled within a decade, while peanut sensitivity is on the 21 among young children, according to Linkou Chang Gung Memorial Hospital. From 2004 to 2017, the percentage of those aged 4 to 18 with food allergies 22 from 7.7 to 10.4 percent, Director Su, Kuan-wen of the Division of Pediatric Allergy, Immunology, and Rheumatology told a news conference. Among adults, the percentage increased from 6.4 to 12.5 percent over the period, he said, citing a survey with 16,800 23 responses. The percentage increases are roughly on a par with global trends, as most nations have seen a two to fivefold increase in recent decades, Su said.

Genetics cannot fully account for the rapid increase, meaning that environmental factors are a 24 cause, he said. The top three food allergies among elementary school students treated at the hospital were shellfish, peanuts, and eggs, he said. However, among junior high school students and adults, the top three were shellfish, fish, and peanuts 25, he added. "This shows that nut allergies are becoming more common among the younger generation, negating the belief that such allergies are only prevalent in other nations," Su said.

- 21 (A) rise (B) decline (C) mend (D) fence
- 22 (A) implied (B) improved (C) increased (D) interpreted
- 23 (A) false (B) dubious (C) unsound (D) valid
- 24 (A) like (B) likelihood (C) likely (D) liking
- 25 (A) respectably (B) respectedly (C) respectfully (D) respectively

請依下文回答第 26 題至第 30 題

The recent controversies surrounding priority seats on public transportation in Taiwan have highlighted the need for clearer guidelines and better public understanding of their purpose. While the “People with Disabilities Rights Protection Act” 26 the provision of priority seats on public transportation, the law does not specify who is eligible to 27 them.

Despite the frequent news of people fighting over priority seats, the Welfare Ministry in Taiwan has stated that priority seats will not be abolished, but 28 to the law may be considered. In the face of recent controversies, it’s about time to consider expanding the definition of “those with actual needs” to include more groups, which has been proposed but was not passed by the previous legislature.

In addition to top-down legal regulations, it is also important to 29 a spirit of mutual understanding from the bottom up through public education. Everyone needs to learn to identify who is most in need, and should not hastily judge who is eligible to sit in priority seating based solely on age and appearance. To better avoid unnecessary conflicts and misunderstandings, clearer guidelines, public education, and a spirit of mutual respect among passengers are all 30. Only through collective effort can we create a more inclusive and considerate public transportation environment.

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| 26 | (A) restricts | (B) mandates | (C) prohibits | (D) reduces |
| 27 | (A) access | (B) possess | (C) acquire | (D) own |
| 28 | (A) questions | (B) hazards | (C) replies | (D) modifications |
| 29 | (A) break | (B) foster | (C) disrupt | (D) represent |
| 30 | (A) indispensable | (B) considerate | (C) predictable | (D) unreliable |

請依下文回答第 31 題至第 35 題

How do we know if the economy is in decline? The answer might be on our lips. Estee Lauder chairman Leonard Lauder created the “lipstick index” during the economic downturn following September 11, 2001. He noticed that the purchase of cosmetics, particularly lipsticks, tends to be inversely related to the economy because women replace more expensive purchases with small pick-me-ups. In the fall of 2001, US lipstick sales increased by 11%. During the Great Depression, cosmetics sales overall increased by 25%.

In 2020, at the height of the Covid economic downturn, Estee Lauder’s CEO Fabrizio Freda said that the lipstick index had been replaced by a skincare item as customers donned masks and worked from home. “The lipstick index has been substituted with the moisturizing index,” said Freda. “But the concept of the index is still there.”

Now we may be seeing that phenomenon rear its ugly head once more. The retailer Sephora recently announced a record sales year, and data from consumer research group Circana shows that prestige beauty growth has outpaced mass beauty sales, growing 9% and 2%, respectively in the first quarter of the year. Of course, the so-called lipstick index is a less technical — and more fun — measure of economic

downturn and is not always entirely accurate. But as the free-spending post-pandemic party comes to an end in the US, it's something worth exploring.

Before the Bell (the CNN business newsletter) spoke with Neela Montgomery, CEO of Overeon (a collective of premium cosmetics brands including BareMinerals and Laura Mercier), about the outlook for beauty in an uncertain economic climate in an interview below.

Before the Bell: What do you see dominating the beauty market in the second half of the year?

Neela Montgomery: Clean has become a real buzzword in this industry, but this whole idea of no-tox (anti-botox) remains a really important thing. The market is bifurcating between this very authentic, real look and people who are getting more cosmetic work done. What we see is a need for more of these kinds of efficacious products for people who don't want to go down the cosmetic procedure or injectables route. And then we continue to see that sort of clean girl with a pop of color look. So, you know, we have this sort of red lip...We continue to see that grow and expand.

- 31 What is the main idea of this passage?
- (A) The cosmetics sales increased during the Great Depression in the U.S.
(B) Estee Lauder's CEO explained the concept of the index.
(C) Economists say we look at women's lips to see if a recession is coming.
(D) *Before the Bell* interviewed the CEO of Overeon.
- 32 According to the passage, which index replaced the lipstick index during the COVID-19 pandemic?
- (A) Moisturizing. (B) Mask. (C) Work from home. (D) Economics.
- 33 What does "rear its ugly head" in the passage mean?
- (A) To appear very tall and big above the head. (B) Something unpleasant to appear.
(C) To approach at the back of an object. (D) To follow the trend significantly.
- 34 According to the passage, what had been compared by the consumer research group Circana?
- (A) The lipstick index and moisturizing index.
(B) Sephora record and Circana data.
(C) The less technical measure and more fun measure.
(D) Mass beauty sales and prestige beauty sales.
- 35 According to the passage, what is the catchword in the beauty market in the second half of the year?
- (A) Botox. (B) Clean. (C) Injectables. (D) Pop.

請依下文回答第 36 題至第 40 題

Goblin mode is a concept that has gained significant attention in recent years, particularly in the aftermath of the COVID-19 pandemic. During the coronavirus lockdown, going into goblin mode refers to enjoying being stuck at home with minimal social contacts. With the progression of the pandemic, this term gradually evolved. It eventually came to refer to a state of being where individuals embrace a more unapologetic and self-indulgent way of living, often showing no deference to societal expectations and norms.

One of the primary strengths of goblin mode is that it can serve as a form of self-care and a way to recharge. In a world that often demands constant productivity, success, and the presentation of a perfect version of oneself, goblin mode can be a liberating experience. It allows individuals to embrace their “inner goblin” and engage in activities that bring them comfort and pleasure, without the pressure to conform to societal expectations.

However, the weakness of goblin mode as a way of life are also significant. While embracing one’s inner goblin can be a form of self-care, it can also lead to unhealthy habits, seclusion, alienation and a lack of self-improvement. Completely rejecting societal norms and expectations can have negative consequences, such as development of addictions, poor holistic health, and strained relationships.

In conclusion, goblin mode is a complex concept that reflects the stiff challenges and unrelenting pressures of modern life. While it can serve a form of self-care, it is important to strike a balance instead of completely breaking from societal norms. Embracing goblin mode in moderation can be a healthy way to recharge and reconnect with oneself, but it should not become a permanent way of life.

- 36 According to the passage, what is the word “unapologetic” in the first paragraph closest in meaning to?
(A) Remorseful. (B) Unrepentant. (C) Conscientious. (D) Scrupulous.
- 37 Which of the following cannot be considered a benefit of goblin mode for an individual?
(A) It allows for complete rest after strenuous work.
(B) It helps build up a trouble-free relationship.
(C) It teaches you how to let go and bravely be yourself.
(D) It allows you to break free from the constraints of socially accepted values.
- 38 Which of the following is not a disadvantage of goblin mode?
(A) Lack of interaction with others can lead to a state of isolation over time.
(B) Living entirely in one’s own world can negatively affect physical and mental wellness.
(C) Living in one’s own way might result in stagnation and a lack of personal growth.
(D) It can make people become cynical, eventually turning them into rebels against the social order.
- 39 According to the passage, what is the word “moderation” in the fourth paragraph closest in meaning to?
(A) Overindulgence. (B) Self-control. (C) Excess. (D) Intemperance.
- 40 Overall, what is the author’s view on goblin mode?
(A) To avoid being overwhelmed by a highly competitive society, we should always keep this mode activated.
(B) Social norms can guide us in the right direction on our life journey, and we should unreservedly embrace them.
(C) Humans can’t avoid social expectations, but we must defend our autonomy and not be controlled by others.
(D) Balancing personal autonomy with social norms is crucial to avoid unforeseen harms and achieve well-being.