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考試別：調查人員

等別：三等考試

類科組：調查工作組（選試英文）

科目：外國文（英文）

考試時間：2小時

座號：_____

※注意：禁止使用電子計算器。

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）

Investigators often have to conceal their true identities in order to carry out highly sensitive assignments without attracting suspicion. While working undercover, they must carefully build trust with suspects, gather reliable intelligence, and document evidence without revealing their affiliation with the Investigation Bureau. Because even a minor mistake may compromise an entire operation, they are expected to remain exceptionally patient, observant, and adaptable under constant pressure. Their professionalism not only protects national security but also ensures that criminal organizations can be investigated thoroughly and brought to justice.

二、英文作文（30分）

Cognitive outsourcing refers to the practice of relying on technology to perform mental tasks that people once completed on their own, such as remembering information, solving problems, making decisions, or organizing daily activities. With the widespread use of artificial intelligence, many people now depend on AI to handle these cognitive tasks. While this may improve efficiency and convenience, some people worry that excessive reliance on AI could dull our minds.

Do you think cognitive outsourcing is beneficial or harmful? Write an essay of approximately 250 words to discuss both the advantages and disadvantages of relying on AI for thinking and decision-making, and then present your own opinion.

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。

- The athlete showed remarkable _____ after recovering from a serious injury.
(A) resilience (B) prosecution (C) testimony (D) surveillance
- The speaker's speech deeply _____ with the audience because it reflected their own experiences.
(A) complied (B) resonated (C) communicated (D) enforced
- To maintain public trust, the company decided to _____ the data breach immediately.
(A) support (B) incur (C) disclose (D) evade
- Online meetings have become a common feature of the modern _____ workplace.
(A) irrelevant (B) elusive (C) ridiculous (D) virtual
- The CEO formally _____ the concerns raised by shareholders in order to improve the company's profit.
(A) contradicted (B) enforced (C) acknowledged (D) prosecuted

- 6 The committee encouraged participants to practice _____ when they expressed opinions online to avoid mean personal attacks.
(A) aggression (B) prejudice (C) hostility (D) moderation
- 7 As people nowadays spend hours sitting at desks or looking at screens, doctors warn that long periods of physical _____ may quietly raise the risk of serious health problems.
(A) resilience (B) attribution (C) inactivity (D) mobility
- 8 To reduce bicycle theft near the train station, the city government installed brighter lights and more cameras to _____ thieves from targeting parked bikes.
(A) defend (B) delete (C) detect (D) deter
- 9 To support students from low-income families, the school decided to _____ part of its budget for free lunches and after-school tutoring.
(A) allocate (B) estimate (C) observe (D) restrict
- 10 After several schools reported similar data-security problems, the education board decided to _____ next week to compare findings and prepare a joint response.
(A) reduce (B) convene (C) decline (D) persist
- 11 Although the new sleep app was meant to help users relax, its bright late-night reminders had _____ effects, making many users wake up often and feel tired the next morning.
(A) adverse (B) excellent (C) neutral (D) regular
- 12 Under the city's new policy, residents with low household income are _____ for reduced bus fares if they submit proof of address.
(A) eligible (B) optional (C) payable (D) tangible
- 13 By ignoring repeated repair requests about a loose stair rail, the building owner may face legal _____ for any resulting injuries.
(A) coverage (B) immunity (C) liability (D) validity
- 14 After the horrible accident, managers were warned that they could not legally _____ safety reports when regulators requested them.
(A) compile (B) inspect (C) justify (D) withhold
- 15 When food prices rose for the third month in a row, economists saw the trend as a possible _____ of growing inflation pressure.
(A) oppression (B) indicator (C) priority (D) subsidy
- 16 To reduce plastic waste, the city offered a small cash _____ to stores that replaced disposable bags with reusable ones.
(A) complaint (B) incentive (C) obstacle (D) addition
- 17 Before collecting students' health data, the app must obtain _____ consent from parents, rather than rely on a general notice hidden in the terms.
(A) excessive (B) explicit (C) extended (D) external
- 18 Even with helmets and safety rules, there is an _____ risk in mountain biking because riders move quickly over uneven ground.
(A) identical (B) indirect (C) inherent (D) innocent
- 19 The court's decision to hold the company responsible for unsafe delivery routes may set a legal _____ for similar worker-injury cases.
(A) precedent (B) promotion (C) preference (D) production
- 20 The apartment elevator will be closed for scheduled _____ on Friday so technicians can replace worn cables before they cause problems.
(A) maintenance (B) management (C) membership (D) modification

請依下文回答第 21 題至第 25 題

Maintaining a healthy lifestyle is important for both physical and mental well-being. Many people understand the benefits of exercise, but they often find it difficult to develop healthy habits. Experts suggest starting with small 21 that can be maintained over time.

Regular physical activity can help people improve their health and reduce stress. In addition, good communication with family and friends can provide emotional 22 during difficult times. People who have strong social relationships are generally more likely to maintain positive attitudes toward life.

Another important habit is time management. Individuals should learn to 23 their daily responsibilities effectively and avoid unnecessary pressure. By setting realistic goals, people can gradually build self-confidence and improve their quality of life.

Although challenges are unavoidable, maintaining healthy routines can help individuals 24 with difficulties more successfully. As a result, they are better able to achieve a balanced and 25 lifestyle.

- 21 (A) changes (B) favors (C) fractions (D) amounts
22 (A) conflict (B) support (C) distance (D) complaint
23 (A) organize (B) assume (C) abandon (D) observe
24 (A) recover (B) interact (C) cope (D) persuade
25 (A) temporary (B) ordinary (C) anxious (D) fulfilling

請依下文回答第 26 題至第 30 題

Climate anxiety among younger generations reflects a profound sociopolitical tension. Surveys conducted worldwide reveal that a vast majority of teenagers experience severe worry regarding environmental 26, with over forty-five percent reporting that these distressing climate emotions actively disrupt their daily functioning. Interestingly, much of their emotional distress stems not from a lack of scientific awareness, but from a perceived lack of adult 27. Many youths express intense frustration when witnessing political leaders and corporate authorities failing to address systemic problems, forcing the younger demographic to inherit the catastrophic 28 of decisions they did not make. This generational disparity often traps students in a loop of powerlessness, particularly when formal schools emphasize tokenistic individual efforts like recycling rather than addressing broader industrial emissions. 29, when educational systems grant young people genuine decision-making power, this psychological paralysis dissolves. Implementing holistic frameworks like Youth Participatory Action Research provides authentic opportunities 30 community-engaged advocacy. This collective approach successfully transforms passive ecological fear into a powerful catalyst for systemic environmental stewardship.

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| 26 | (A) advancement | (B) degradation | (C) innovation | (D) production |
| 27 | (A) accountability | (B) coordination | (C) sustainability | (D) transparency |
| 28 | (A) arrangements | (B) consequences | (C) expectations | (D) requirements |
| 29 | (A) Conversely | (B) Likewise | (C) Meanwhile | (D) Additionally |
| 30 | (A) against | (B) for | (C) into | (D) with |

請依下文回答第 31 題至第 35 題

Short-video platforms have become increasingly popular in recent years. Many people spend a significant amount of time watching brief videos on topics ranging from entertainment to education. Because these videos are short and easy to access, they can quickly attract viewers' attention.

Supporters argue that short videos provide an efficient way to learn new information. Educational creators can explain complex topics in a simple and engaging manner. As a result, some students use short videos to supplement classroom learning.

However, critics believe that excessive reliance on short videos may reduce people's attention spans. Since information is often presented in a highly simplified form, viewers may not always receive a complete understanding of an issue. In addition, algorithms tend to recommend content that matches users' interests, which may limit exposure to different viewpoints.

Experts suggest that people should use short-video platforms responsibly and seek information from a variety of sources. By combining convenience with critical thinking, individuals can make better-informed decisions.

- 31 What is the main topic of the passage?
(A) The history of social media
(B) The influence of short-video platforms on information consumption
(C) The development of artificial intelligence
(D) The advantages of traditional newspapers
- 32 According to the passage, why do many people watch short videos?
(A) They can be watched conveniently. (B) They are more accurate than books.
(C) They are required in schools. (D) They can be free from advertisements.
- 33 What is one benefit of short videos mentioned in the passage?
(A) They eliminate misinformation.
(B) They replace classroom instruction.
(C) They help account for complicated issues simply.
(D) They encourage longer attention spans.
- 34 What concern do critics have about short-video platforms?
(A) They are too expensive.
(B) They discourage technology use.
(C) They provide excessive academic information.
(D) They may cause short attention spans.
- 35 Which of the following best reflects the author's view?
(A) People should avoid short-video platforms completely.
(B) Short videos are always harmful to society.
(C) Traditional media should replace online media.
(D) People should watch short videos critically and responsibly.

請依下文回答第 36 題至第 40 題

Modern recommender algorithms are changing how individuals discover new culture online. Historically, browsing an old library or exploring the early internet involved a high degree of surprise, as users might stumble upon obscure books or unusual websites entirely by accident. Before the rise of social media, a homespun and amateurish aesthetic dominated much of the online landscape, allowing users to customize chaotic profiles with personal music, images, and animations. Today, however, major online platforms prioritize corporate efficiency by implementing powerful ranking systems that act like digital librarians. These automated systems often hide less-popular items behind search bars while continuously promoting mainstream content. This movement toward a highly curated digital life results in a critical loss of **serendipity**. Instead of expanding user horizons, personalization technologies trap individuals inside predictable “you loops,” where platforms constantly reflect back tastes, opinions, and entertainment that users already prefer.

This continuous repetition of familiar content creates a stultifying environment that limits personal growth and intellectual transformation. When algorithms constantly filter out variation and difference, users are psychologically primed to reinforce their pre-existing behaviors rather than encounter alternative viewpoints. On modern interfaces like TikTok or Spotify, the traditional subscription model is increasingly overshadowed by automated recommendations, meaning that platforms play a larger role in deciding what passive users are likely to encounter. Beyond individual stagnation, this narrowing effect contributes to a broader flattening of contemporary culture. Because platforms reward content that generates predictable engagement, creative industries increasingly produce works designed to satisfy algorithmic metrics. For instance, visual artists and musicians may adjust their creative processes to fit specific platform profiles, leading to a widespread homogenization of global trends.

To counteract this predictability, platform designers face growing pressure to rebuild randomness into recommender networks. Intentionally introducing less-popular or unexpected items from the hidden corners of the catalogue can restore the sense of adventure and discovery that once made digital spaces feel alive and open-ended. This design shift can decrease the passive consumption caused by automation and revive the traditional browsing experience of physical record stores. In those physical spaces, consumers had to walk past entirely unfamiliar genres before making a conscious choice, an active engagement that allowed individuals to break free from algorithmic sameness and transform their personal worldviews.

- 36 What is the main idea of the passage?
 - (A) The early internet became less chaotic because users preferred corporate platforms.
 - (B) Artists and musicians should avoid adapting their work to digital interfaces.
 - (C) Subscription models are the main reason users encounter diverse online content.
 - (D) Recommender systems can limit cultural discovery, so platforms should reintroduce unexpected content.
- 37 According to the passage, how do modern online platforms differ from earlier forms of browsing?
 - (A) They use ranking systems that make some content easier to encounter.
 - (B) They allow users to build chaotic profiles with personal music and animations.
 - (C) They require users to walk through unfamiliar genres before choosing media.
 - (D) They mainly preserve obscure websites and amateur materials from the early internet.
- 38 Why might recommender algorithms contribute to cultural homogenization?
 - (A) They encourage users to leave major platforms and return to physical record stores.
 - (B) They make artists less dependent on audience reactions when producing new work.
 - (C) They reward predictable engagement, so creators adapt to platform preferences.
 - (D) They prevent mainstream content from reaching users who already have fixed tastes.
- 39 What does the word **serendipity** most likely mean in the passage?
 - (A) The accurate prediction of user preferences.
 - (B) The unexpected discovery of something interesting.
 - (C) The organization of content according to popularity.
 - (D) The repetition of familiar opinions and habits.
- 40 What solution does the author suggest for improving recommender networks?
 - (A) Platforms should add more unexpected content to recommendations.
 - (B) Platforms should ask users to subscribe only to channels they already know.
 - (C) Platforms should promote content mainly by engagement metrics.
 - (D) Platforms should remove all automated systems and return to manual browsing.