SECTION A (8.0 ms)
Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions or do as directed.

Question 1: Many ______ are made in the hope of preserving the species and maintaining the ecological balance.
   A. priorities    B. impacts    C. efforts    D. products

Question 2: - “I hope that your dreams will come true.” - “______”
   A. I don’t think so.  B. Thanks a lot.  C. Never mind.  D. You’re joking.

Question 3: My mother ______ to do all the housework and wanted me to focus on my studies.
   A. told    B. advised    C. invited    D. offered

Question 4: You ______ leave small objects lying around. Such objects may be swallowed by children.
   A. must    B. needn’t    C. shouldn’t    D. may

Question 5: Jim really ______ his father. They look the same, and even have the same laugh!
   A. gets over    B. takes after    C. tries out    D. holds up

Question 6: When Bill came here, we ______ on the endangered giant panda.
   A. are reporting    B. will report    C. have reported    D. were reporting

Question 7: We would have swum in the sea if there ______ so many sharks there.
   A. won’t be    B. wouldn’t be    C. haven’t been    D. hadn’t been

Question 8: Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from that of the others.
   A. secure    B. confidence    C. conservation    D. artificial

Question 9: Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word that has a different stress pattern.
   A. hacker    B. advice    C. mistake    D. career

Question 10: ______ is the existence of a wide variety of plant and animal species living in their natural environment.
   A. Biodiversity    B. Diversity    C. Endangerment    D. Conservation

Question 11: Many nations founded societies devoted ______ the aid of the wounded in wartime.
   A. for    B. in    C. to    D. on

Question 12: Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word whose underlined part is pronounced differently from that of the others.
   A. measure    B. feature    C. disease    D. treatment

Question 13: Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word that has a different stress pattern.
   A. habitat    B. survival    C. candidate    D. Internet

Question 14: A.I. robots are capable ______ having human emotions.
   A. on    B. of    C. for    D. in

Question 15: My parents ______ harder to get a good job in the future.
   A. tell me studying    B. remind me not to study
   C. advise me to study    D. permit to study

Question 16: - Lisa: “Do you mind my taking this seat?” - Bob: “______”
   A. No, of course not.    B. Yes, take it please.
   C. No, you can’t take it.    D. Yes, sit down please.
Question 17: I will keep studying hard ______ I pass the exam.
A. so  B. because  C. until  D. wherever

Question 18: ______, Peter came to see me.
A. While having dinner  B. When I am having dinner  C. When having dinner  D. While I was having dinner

Question 19: Of course you can come to the party. ______.
A. The more the merrier  B. The more and merrier  C. The more and merrier  D. The most the more merrier

Question 20: My mother ______ taking sugar in tea and coffee to lose weight.
A. turned off  B. gave up  C. filled in  D. put on

Question 21. Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the underlined part that needs correction.
Robotic machines can not only complete tasks faster than humans, but also make less errors.
A  B  C  D

Question 22. Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the underlined part that needs correction.
All of our compositions must write in ink. Our teacher won't accept papers written in pencil.
A  B  C  D

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct word for each of the blanks from 23 to 27.
An endangered species is a population of an organism which is at risk of becoming extinct because it is either few in numbers (23) ______ threatened by changing environmental or predation parameters. An endangered species is usually taxonomic species, but may be another (24) ______ significant unit. The World Conservation Union (IUCN) has (25) ______ the percentage of endangered species as 40 percent of all organisms based on the sample of species that have been evaluated through 2006. Many nations have laws (26) ______ protection to these species: for example, forbidding hunting, restricting land development or creating preserves. Only a few of the many species at risk of extinction actually make it to the lists and obtain legal protection. Many more species became extinct, or potentially will become extinct, (27) ______ gaining public notice.
A. nor  B. or  C. even  D. only

Question 24. A. evolution  B. evolutionist  C. evolutionarily  D. evolutionary

Question 25. A. calculate  B. calculation  C. calculated  D. calculating

Question 26. A. offering  B. preventing  C. protesting  D. affording

Question 27. A. without  B. but  C. and  D. for

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions from 28 to 32.
Ray Kurzweil is one of the world’s leading inventors, thinkers, and futurists, with a thirty-year track record of accurate predictions. Called "the restless genius" by The Wall Street Journal and "the ultimate thinking machine" by Forbes magazine, Kurzweil was selected as one of the top entrepreneurs by Inc. magazine, which described him as the "rightful heir to Thomas Edison." PBS selected him as one of the "sixteen revolutionaries who made America."

Kurzweil was the principal inventor of the first CCD flat-bed scanner, the first omni-font optical character recognition, the first print-to-speech reading machine for the blind, the first text-to-speech synthesizer, the first music synthesizer capable of recreating the grand piano and other orchestral instruments, and the first commercially marketed large-vocabulary speech recognition.

Among Kurzweil’s many honors, he recently received the 2015 Technical Grammy Award for outstanding achievements in the field of music technology; he is the recipient of the National Medal...
of Technology, was inducted into the National Inventors Hall of Fame, holds twenty honorary Doctorates, and honors from three U.S. presidents.

Ray has written five national best-selling books, including New York Times best sellers The Singularity Is Near (2005) and How To Create A Mind (2012). He is a Director of Engineering at Google heading up a team developing machine intelligence and natural language understanding.

Question 28. Ray Kurzweil’s predictions are described as _______.
A. irrelevant  B. precise  C. wrong  D. faulty

Question 29. Which of the following inventions is not Kurzweil’s?
A. The CCD flat-bed scanner  B. The omni-font optical character recognition  C. Other orchestral instruments  D. The print-to-speech reading machine for the blind

Question 30. How many honorary Doctorates does Ray Kurzweil have?
A. Five  B. Sixteen  C. Twenty  D. Thirty

Question 31. The word “best-selling” in paragraph 4 means “______”.
A. selling in great numbers  B. bought by some people  C. extremely readable  D. absolutely wonderful

Question 32. The author seems to ______ Ray Kurzweil’s achievements.
A. criticize  B. recognize  C. envy  D. admire

SECTION B (2.0 ms)

Rewrite the sentence so that it is closest in meaning to the original one or do as directed.

Question 1. The gorilla populations are declining rapidly. They are now on the verge of extinction.
(Use “so... that” to combine the sentences.)

⇒ The gorilla populations are declining so rapidly that they are now on the verge of extinction.

Question 2. Climate change becomes severe. Wildlife is seriously affected.
(Use Double Comparative to combine the sentences.)

⇒ The more severe climate change becomes, the more seriously wildlife is affected.

(Write a complete sentence with the words given.)

⇒ I’d like to work for the World Wildlife Fund.

Question 4. There /a lot of / measures that should / taken / protect endangered animals.
(Write a complete sentence with the words given.)

⇒ There are a lot of measures that should be taken to protect endangered animals.

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