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I. Read the following sentences carefully, and select the best answer for each of the blanks. (40%)

1. The doctor, _____, apologized.
A. his mistake realizing B. he realized his mistake
C. realizing his mistake D. realized his mistake
2. I wonder if you'd mind _____.
A. to get the engine started B. getting started the engine
C. getting the engine started D. to get starting the engine
3. _____ treatment is started early, complications may result.
A. Although B. Despite C. Since D. Unless
4. I don't know how you _____ such a noisy child; it would drive me crazy!
A. put up with B. put off C. take after D. take over
5. Because of safety concerns, building materials for the laboratory were chosen for their fire _____.
A. resistance B. opposition C. antipathy D. provability
6. _____ I known that you were coming, I would have made more cookies.
A. If B. Since C. Would D. Had
7. It is too late now; you _____ started earlier.
A. should B. should have C. had better D. would have
8. These two parties _____ a conclusion over how to settle the controversial issue after making mutual concessions.
A. implied B. arrived C. took D. reached
9. Long, long ago, people used fingerprints _____ signatures as a way of showing their identity.
A. by means of B. instead of C. in spite of D. as a result of
10. His _____ is to study abroad in order to improve his English and gain life experiences.
A. indecision B. intention C. pretension D. pension
11. The benefits of new technologies must be _____ against their potential dangers.
A. protested B. tried C. traded D. weighed
12. An individual needs to continually think of ways to _____ himself.
A. motivating B. motivation C. motivational D. motivate

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13. Don't meddle in my affairs, and I can handle them properly by myself.
A. interfere B. interest C. merge D. attend
14. He carefully read the _____ of the last meeting.
A. commodities B. controversies C. proceedings D. contributions
15. The first thing most employers look for in an employee is a good _____.
A. standing B. appearance C. attitude D. occupation
16. The weather is _____ cold for this time of year.
A. extreme B. exterminate C. extremely D. extra
17. In order to _____ goals, you must have faith in yourself.
A. accomplished B. accomplishing C. accomplishment D. accomplish
18. When I got home, nobody was there, but I found a note that my sister _____ on the door.
A. has left B. was leaving C. leaves D. had left
19. If you do not _____ more attention to your health, you may become sick.
A. put B. pay C. place D. throw
20. Due to poor _____ of the strategy, the final result was failure.
A. contingency B. embedding C. execution D. allotment

II. Please answer the following questions in English. (30%)

1. Please write about your "life plan".
2. What kinds of problems does obesity or overweight cause? How does wealth cause obesity or overweight?
3. What are some ways that people try to make money without actually working? Do you know anyone who tried to get rich quick and lost money instead?

III. Please write a summary with your feedback in English after reading from the text “Get-Rich-Quick Scams: Get Rich or Get Conned?” (30%)

Get-Rich-Quick Scams: Get Rich or Get Conned?

PHILADELPHIA—Would you like to make thousands of dollars a month without working? Then Greg Cheney wants to talk to you. You can see Creg on television every day. He is always selling something. Now he has a new product. He calls it the “greatest diet pill in the world.” However, the “greatest diet pill” is really the “biggest scam” in the world.

“This is the easiest way in the world to make a fortune,” says Cheney in his TV commercial. “If you get 20 people to try this product, we will send you a thousand dollars,” the con artist promises. And some people believe him. “It sounded so good,” says Kelly Eagan. “I signed up the same day.”

The rip-off works like this. Cheney isn’t really selling diet pills. He is selling Web sites that advertise diet pills. You buy a Web site. Then you wait for people to go the Web site and buy the diet pills. However, the numbers don’t work. The diet pills cost \$39.95 a bottle. Twenty bottles cost about \$800. How can Cheney pay the seller \$1,000 to make \$800? The answer is that he can’t,

Cheney sells the Web sites for \$35. But most people pay much more than that. After you sign up, he sells you a lot more things. Cheney says the extra things bring more customers to the Web sites. Hower, Kelly Eagan paid him \$5,175 and only one person visited her site.

Cheney has a list of people have made a lot of money. He says that he sends out checks every week--\$3,500, \$5,600, even \$22,782. But even some people on the list have lost money. For example, Susan Kauffman is on the moneymaker list. She says she spent \$5,000 and sold about 23 bottles of diet pills. Igor Spilsak is on the list, too. He paid \$2,000 and sold six bottles of diet pills. However, in the commercial he says, “This is the easiest thing I’ve ever done and I’m making more than \$100 an hour.” Why did he lie? Cheney paid him \$600 to be in the commercial.

Cheney insists that you can make money if you work hard and don’t quit. However, it seems that one person is getting rich quick and that’s Creg Cheney.