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範圍: (1) New Far East:L1~L4 (2) Studio Classroom: Sep. 1~Oct. 9

(3) Vocabulary 4500: 27/28/29

(Note: 共 87 題: Q1-60 請劃記於電腦卡; Q61-87 請作答在答案紙)

I. Cloze: 28%

Ludwig van Beethoven, a German composer and pianist, is considered to have been the most crucial figure in the transitional period between the Classical and Romantic eras in western classical music. __1__ all Beethoven's works, *Quasi una fantasia* is one of the best-loved __2__ because it has a fascinating story behind it. __3__ the story is true doesn't matter; what's valuable about the story is the unflinching courage to pursue what one wants.

The story happened one night when the whole city lay __4__ under a full moon. It was at that time that Beethoven passed by a small house, __5__ came the sound of a piano. Beethoven recognized it was his work at once even though it __6__ well. Beethoven couldn't help __7__ and then he knocked at the door. After entering the candle-lit house, he barely made out a blind girl playing the piano __8__ in the dark. That night, Beethoven tried to describe for the girl what the moonlight was like and thus composed his famous production. It is said that at that time Beethoven had played so well that the girl thought it __9__ Beethoven himself. Indeed, it was Beethoven himself. The music composed that night __10__ be known as "Moonlight Sonata" and is still played today.

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| 1. (A) In | (B) With | (C) For | (D) Of |
| 2. (A) then | (B) ever | (C) since | (D) even |
| 3. (A) If | (B) Whether | (C) What | (D) That |
| 4. (A) asleep | (B) sleepy | (C) awake | (D) awoken |
| 5. (A) from which | (B) that | (C) which | (D) there |
| 6. (A) had not played | (B) didn't play well | | |
| (C) has not been played | (D) was not being played | | |
| 7. (A) to stop listening | (B) stopping to listen | | |
| (C) to stop to listen | (D) stopping listening | | |
| 8. (A) in living memory | (B) within living memory | | |
| (C) from memory | (D) to the memory | | |
| 9. (A) may be | (B) can't have been | | |
| (C) must be | (D) shouldn't have been | | |
| 10. (A) got to | (B) came to | (C) meant to | (D) tended to |

Pumpkins play a big part in American culture. They __11__ among the first food plants cultivated by the Native Americans. In the 1800s, the pumpkin became a healthy addition __12__ the settlers' diet, for it was rich in vitamins and minerals. Today, pumpkins remain as popular as ever. Every autumn there are pumpkin festivals __13__ nationwide. Prizes are given for the biggest and the best-__14__ pumpkins. Apart from being eaten, pumpkins also __15__ symbols of the harvest season. __16__ Halloween approaches, pumpkins pop up at doorsteps everywhere. They are not just part of the holiday decorations; __17__, they are the star of the show. Of all the uses of pumpkins, __18__ is as unique as the way they are made into jack-o'-lanterns. The custom originated 2,000 years ago with the Celts, who lived in __19__ is now the British Isles. The Celts believed ghosts roamed the earth during the dark months of the year. To protect themselves from evil spirits, they made turnip lanterns, which later evolved into the jack-o'-lanterns as we know them today. The cultural weight that a pumpkin carries, along with its good taste and nutrition value, has helped __20__ its status that no other garden vegetables can compare.

11. (A) were believed to (B) are believed to be
(C) believe that (D) believe to be
12. (A) for (B) of (C) to (D) on
13. (A) held (B) happened (C) taken place (D) occurred
14. (A) decorating (B) carving (C) cultivating (D) tasting
15. (A) appeal to (B) used as (C) serve as (D) make up
16. (A) With (B) Whenever (C) As (D) Though
17. (A) in fact (B) however (C) yet (D) afterwards
18. (A) all (B) none (C) what (D) little
19. (A) where (B) when (C) which (D) what
20. (A) draw on (B) come up with
(C) give rise to (D) result from

Almost 2500 years after his death, Confucius' words still live on and continue to be widely quoted. Confucius is considered one of the wisest men in human history for the writings and teachings that he __21__. Though born into the royal family of Shang, Confucius had a difficult life after his father died when he was only 3. As he grew older, he had to take on such __22__ jobs as caring for livestock to make a living. Yet, his thirst __23__ knowledge never ceased. He became known as a polite, smart and hard-working young man with a strong desire to learn. At 30, Confucius began his teaching career, sometimes __24__ from town to town while teaching students who accompanied him. __25__, his principles spread quickly, as did his __26__ as a great sage. Distressed by the political disorder of his day, he

decided to __27__ politics, hoping to make a difference. After he realized his ideas were not being accepted anywhere, he returned to his hometown and continued studying, writing and teaching. After his death, his sayings were __28__ by his followers in a now world-famous book, the *Analects*.

21. (A) left behind (B) went beyond
(C) illustrated below (D) mentioned above
22. (A) managerial (B) noble (C) secretarial (D) menial
23. (A) in (B) for (C) of (D) with
24. (A) to travel (B) travel (C) traveling (D) traveled
25. (A) On the contrary (B) In comparison
(C) As a result (D) To begin with
26. (A) reputation (B) personality (C) realization (D) prophecy
27. (A) involve (B) involve in (C) get involved by (D) get involved in
28. (A) thrown away (B) put together (C) torn down (D) embarked on

II. Word Usage & Idioms: 17%

29. Every classmate in our class felt a little disappointed because our team was _____ in the first round.
(A) conveyed (B) interacted (C) eliminated (D) dismissed
30. Drivers must _____ themselves with the traffic regulations, or they might violate them and receive tickets.
(A) persuade (B) assure (C) assume (D) acquaint
31. After a couple of rainy days, the sun eventually _____ from behind the clouds.
(A) commanded (B) assembled (C) deserved (D) emerged
32. The police have been _____ the murder for years; however, it remains a mystery.
(A) investigating (B) estimating (C) clarifying (D) distributing
33. By _____ with other European countries, car prices in the UK are very high.
(A) concept (B) innocence (C) evaluation (D) comparison
34. To make sure if there are cracks in the vase, a thorough _____ is essential before you buy it.
(A) prescription (B) inspection (C) illustration (D) indication
35. The new government is _____ with many financial problems during the recession.
(A) confronted (B) protested (C) forbidden (D) aroused
36. Responses from audience have been overwhelmingly _____. It is obvious that they love the performance.
(A) distinguished (B) informative (C) initial (D) favorable
37. Thousands of people live in close _____ to the damaged nuclear power plant. It is urgent that the residents be evacuated as soon as possible.

- (A) hospitality (B) request (C) proximity (D) vehicle
38. My uncle's latest _____ is a new bookstore on River Road.
 (A) counselor (B) venture (C) calligraphy (D) medication
39. The news about the baseball team isn't very likely to _____ much excitement among sports fans.
 (A) launch (B) consume (C) discard (D) generate
40. Frank's success in business is a _____ to his hard work.
 (A) testament (B) compromise (C) deception (D) mishap
41. It is reported that the car crash has _____ the road for several hours.
 (A) combined (B) obstructed (C) digested (D) converted
42. My car broke down this morning, and _____ that, my boss got mad because I missed an important meeting.
 (A) in spite of (B) on top of (C) instead of (D) in place of
43. The writer _____ his childhood memories for the material of his new novel.
 (A) drew on (B) caught on (C) brought about (D) set off
44. He _____ by the robbers, who took all his money.
 (A) was taken in (B) was looked upon
 (C) was set upon (D) was counted upon
45. Arabic is written in opposite direction to English; _____, it is written from right to left.
 (A) on the contrary (B) on the other hand
 (C) in contrast (D) that is to say

III. Discourse Structure: 5%

Dear God, I pray to you, please help my son grow into a man of courage. Make him strong enough to admit his weakness and brave enough to __46__. Build me a son of action, one who must __47__ and dare to go for it whatever the cost will be. In seeking to reach the goal, he should not choose the path of ease and comfort but strive under the stress of challenge so that he can learn to __48__. Dear God, I pray, make him humble so that he will __49__ and victory with humility. Help him master himself, setting a good example for others, before he can __50__. By the time these things have become all his, I shall dare to say I have not lived in vain!

- (A) take defeat with grace
 (B) set himself a high goal
 (C) stand up in difficulties
 (D) become a responsible leader
 (E) face his own fears

IV. Passage Completion: 10% (選填正確的字詞, 不必考慮大小寫)

Of all the finalists in the New7Wonders of Nature campaign, I would definitely vote for the Mud Volcanoes of Azerbaijan, and __51__ good reason, since there is nowhere else you'll find such a fun and muddy way to connect with nature. Filled with cool mud __52__ red-hot magma, the mud volcanoes invite people to come and stick their fingers into them. The mud is said to have healing properties and be good for health. Meanwhile, like all volcanoes, mud volcanoes provide a __53__ into the geological processes occurring deep below the Earth's surface. Azerbaijan __54__ over 300 mud volcanoes, __55__ half of all the mud volcanoes in the world. Once every 20 years or so, these __56__ calm, mud-filled cones erupt forcefully, spewing tons of mud and rocks from deep underground. The best place to see these wonders in Azerbaijan is the small town of Gobustan, __57__ a large field of mud volcanoes can be found just a taxi ride away. __58__ arriving, visitors will find themselves in a strange landscape dotted __59__ dozens of mud volcanoes. Then they can watch as the mud inside these vents and cones __60__ and pops. In my opinion, Azerbaijan's mud volcanoes should definitely make the list of the New7Wonders of the world.

- (A) approximately (B) boasts (C) for (D) gurgles (E) instead of
 (AB) seemingly (AC) upon (AD) where (AE) window (BC) with

V. Reading: 8%

Every summer, Monica suffers from hay fever because she is allergic to the pollen in the air. As the flowers are popping up, her nose fills up and she sneezes constantly. During this time, she cannot eat cantaloupes and plums—fruits she normally loves. If she tries, her mouth itches and she gags. Monica discovered that she was experiencing allergic “cross-reactivity”: The pollen in the flowers has chemical properties in common with certain fruits. <64>

Many of us think that we are allergic to lobster, or peanuts or have an intolerance for milk. But many people who are allergic to one particular food will be allergic to an entire family of related foods. Plants contain a complex mixture of chemical components, and these can be found in a number of plants. Hence, people allergic to pumpkins may react negatively to squash, cucumbers, and watermelon. Those who are allergic to carrots may wish to **eschew** other members of the carrot family, including parsley, celery, and dill.

A recent survey showed that 19% of Taiwanese have some sort of food allergy. The main food culprits are chicken, shellfish, milk, mangoes, peanuts, and eggs. Allergic reactions can vary, ranging from a mild itching in the throat and skin to a

full-blown anaphylactic attack—an inability to breathe and a sharp drop in the blood pressure that could become fatal.

However, the British Nutrition Foundation says that only a fraction of those who complain of food allergies actually have a serious condition. The Foundation concludes that fewer than 1% of adults worldwide have a serious food allergy, and that fewer than 2% have a food intolerance. Perhaps, claiming to have a food allergy is “in” right now. But if you think you’re allergic to pumpkin—well, stay away from cucumbers, too.

61. In the first paragraph, the author used Monica’s story to _____.
- (A) entertain the readers with a story
 (B) teach us how to choose wholesome food
 (C) illustrate how severe allergies can be
 (D) explain what allergic cross-reactivity is.
62. What does the word “**eschew**” in the second paragraph mean?
- (A) Consume (B) Trim (C) Embrace (D) Avoid
63. About food allergies, which of the following statements is TRUE?
- (A) Food allergies threaten quite a few people’s life.
 (B) Only fruits and plants will trigger food allergies.
 (C) About one-fifth population in Taiwan suffer from food allergies.
 (D) Food allergies usually develop into severe complications.
64. Which of the following sentences would best fit in the blank in the first paragraph?
- (A) However, such food intolerance occurs most frequently in summer and can be cured with a few shots.
 (B) To strengthen your immune system, you should get yourself exposed to these chemical properties.
 (C) Thus, if a person reacts negatively to the pollen, his body will reject those species of fruit as well.
 (D) Therefore, if you don’t want itching or gagging, you should stay away from plants and flowers.

VI. Vocabulary: 20%

65. Much to her e____t, she couldn’t remember her best friend’s name when they accidentally met each other the other day.
66. The clean s____ts, blankets and moderate temperature in my bedroom give me a good sleep every night.
67. The young couple bought new pieces of f____e for their small apartment.
68. I have lived near the airport since I was born, so I am used to the d____ning roar

of airplanes.

69. It is hard for me to m_____e all the new words that I just learned before the test; therefore, I often get poor grades.
70. Many farmers use chemical f_____rs on their farms, hoping that they can make their vegetables grow well.
71. Chinese New Year is a special o_____n on which people must say good words and send best wishes to others.
72. The beautifully-shaped statues c_____ed out of ice added great color to the wedding party.
73. The beggar's eyes g_____wed when he received a shiny coin from a stranger.
74. The weather bureau forecast that we would have fierce winds and a t_____s amount of rain when the typhoon Fanapi struck the island.
75. The plot of the story is good, but I find some descriptions of the c_____rs are rather unconvincing. For example, the lawyer Thomas is not likely to go shopping on a daily basis.
76. The opposing party was very c_____l about the peace conference and said the president was only there to boost his popularity.
77. Water is essential to existence of animals and plants; actually, few living c_____es can survive without water.
78. Please take your seats as soon as possible. The performance will begin p_____ly.
79. The Red Sox d_____ted the Yankees 6-3 in the final and won the championship.
80. The emperor was cruel, showing no concern and c_____n for his people who were suffering a lot from the fast-spreading plague.
81. His works attract readers of all ages because of the great s_____y in language. Even a grade student can read them without any difficulty.
82. It was predicted that the party would win a landslide v_____y in the presidential election.
83. The fierce typhoon s_____t over the island and caused a lot of damage.
84. "A piece of cake" is an e_____n which means a task that is very easy to accomplish."

VII. Translation: 12%

85. 或許她忘了曾經在七月中旬借你樂器。(It ...)
86. 要緊的不是我們是輸或是贏，而是我們如何打這場比賽。(It...)
87. 客人所期待的與其說是他們的南瓜派，不如說是服務生裝扮的方式。
(What...)
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