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PART TWO: USE OF ENGLISH (40 pts)

Choose the word or phrase (A, B, C, or D) that best completes the sentence. **(20 pts)**

1. The more important an exam is, _____.
   A. the more you'll get nervous B. the more nervous will you get
   C. the most nervous you'll be D. the more nervous you'll get
2. I wish they _____less noise; I'm trying to concentrate.
   A. are making B. could make C. would be making D. had made
3. There's no point _____him for money; he won't lend you any.
   A. asking B. to ask C. for asking D. in having asked
4. I'm sorry I _____your name again.
   A. forget B. have forgotten C. forgot D. am forgetting
5. There _____.
   A. came our new teacher B. is our new teacher coming
   C. is coming our new teacher D. our new teacher comes
6. I don't want to be hard on you, but you _____me before using my laptop.
   A. must have asked B. might have asked C. needn't have asked D. may as well ask
7. Hardly _____time to go to the cinema these days.
   A. should I find B. that I can find C. when I can find D. can I find
8. I met _____man in the conference.
   A. a tall American interesting B. an interesting tall American
   C. so tall an American interesting D. an American tall interesting
9. The whole place has been _____in such a way to provide the disabled with easy access to all the facilities.
   A. laid out B. put up C. set about D. arranged for
10. The doctor has been _____to deal with an emergency.
    A. cut out B. sent with C. called away D. told off
11. She watched _____fascination when he was sketching.
    A. in B. from C. with D. on
12. What is your response _____this forum?
    A. of B. with C. to D. about
13. A person's _____will determine what they believe is right or wrong.
    A. psychology B. civics C. ethics D. identification
14. It's possible to get a speeding ticket if you _____the speed limit.
    A. pass B. overcome C. extend D. exceed
15. The threat of failing an exam provides the _____to work harder.
    A. go-ahead B. incentive C. inspiration D. vitality
16. It is _____cold outside. Do not go out, please.
    A. bitterly B. scorching C. frozen D. ice
17. I did some _____around the house before I turned on the TV.
    A. pins and needles B. ups and downs C. ins and outs D. odds and ends

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18. It takes me a long time to save enough money for a nice vacation, so such trips are _____for me.

A. few and far between B. up and about C. big shots D. hot air

19. Yu Na: "I'll take part in the beauty contest." Father: "_____"

A. It is really kid's stuff! B. I'm sorry about that contestant.

C. You'll do nothing of the kind. D. I can't say it worries me!

20. Lucas: "_____" Sarah: "Isn't my pigeon."

A. That's a nice dove. B. Mike is in deep trouble.

C. What's the matter with you? D. What's the symbol of peace?

WORD FORMS

Use the correct form of the word given to fill in each blank. **(20 pts)**

1. He's a university student majoring in _____. (**climate**)
2. The teacher gave us a(n) _____lesson on conservation. (**introduce**)
3. To be completely fair, we need a(n) _____person. (**interest**)
4. The inauguration ceremony was given _____coverage. (**world**)
5. After working really hard for the examination, he deserved a(n) _____ holiday. (**earn**)
6. Such important work needs _____. (**exact**)
7. The article I read the other day was quite _____. That's why I keep it for later reference. (**inform**)
8. _____enough, no-one else has applied for the job. (**Amaze**)
9. Please check the _____of the language lab on that day. (**avail**)
10. The tendency now is to _____our cell phone ringtones. (**person**)

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