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I. Paragraph Structure. 10%
A. Topic Sentence

Passage 1

Captain Robert Barclay once went out at 5 in the morning to do a little grouse shooting. He walked at least 30 miles while he potted away, and then after dinner set out on a walk of 60 miles that he accomplished in 11 hours without a halt. Barclay did not sleep after this but went through the following day as if nothing had happened until the afternoon, when he walked 16 miles to a ball. He danced all night, and then in early morning walked home and spent a day partridge shooting. Finally he did get to bed—but only after a period of two nights and nearly three days had elapsed and he had walked 130 miles.

1. Where is the topic sentence in the following paragraph?
 - A. The topic sentence is the first sentence of the paragraph
 - B. The topic sentence is the last sentence of the paragraph.
 - C. The topic sentence appears in the middle of the paragraph.
 - D. The topic sentence is implied.

Passage 2

_____. Ordinary citizens, for example, could get to see Abraham Lincoln directly in the White House and make their requests to him in person. Now, all people must be cleared by the Secret Service before they can be in contact with the President. Even when the President visits people in their own homes, as Jimmy Carter sometimes did, the people and their homes are cleared by the Secret Service in advance. Citizens are even subjected to a search of their packages and clearance through metal detectors before they can be admitted to an event the President is attending. In fact, it requires a ticket and clearance through security devices to even enter the White House, and visitors can be sure the President will be nowhere in sight.

2. Choose the topic sentence that best fits the paragraph.
 - A. Protection is one of the key missions of the United States Secret Service.
 - B. Today, the President is more protected from contact with people than in earlier times.
 - C. The Secret Service investigates thousands of incidents a year of individuals threatening the President of the United States.
 - D. The Secret Service is responsible for security at the White House

B. Supporting Sentences

For the following questions, a topic sentence is given. Please choose the sentence that best develops or supports it.

3. Parents expect loyalty from their children.
 - A. Many children want to follow their own ideas even if these ideas are against their parents' wishes.
 - B. Most children still obey their parents when they are young.
 - C. If there is a dispute between families, parents expect their children to side with their own family.
 - D. Parents should be made aware how children would suffer if there were a conflict between parents.
4. One of the most basic advantages of being bilingual is purely linguistic.
 - A. Becoming bilingual increases one's knowledge of a new culture.
 - B. People who can speak more than one language can communicate with more people around the world.
 - C. Being able to speak another country's language makes people more sympathetic to the problems and situations in that country.
 - D. Speaking a second language allows people to experience another culture.

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5. Being the center of important scientific research, Antarctica must be preserved for this purpose.
- A. Botanists study the plant life to understand how a plant can live in such a harsh environment.
- B. There is no government to protect Antarctica.
- C. Tourists can damage Antarctica's environment.
- D. If we do not protect Antarctica from tourism, there may be serious consequences for us all.

II. Grammar and Rhetoric 40%

6. Iowa _____ of flat-topped hills erected by the ancient Mound Builder people as temples and burial sites.
- A. with a larger number B. has a large number
- C. having a large number D. that has a large number
7. To relieve pain caused by severe burns, prevent infection, and treat for shock, _____ immediate steps.
- A. taking B. to take C. take D. must to take
8. "Chicago" is a poem _____ in praise of one of the busiest industrial centers in the U.S.
- A. written by Carl Sandburg B. writing by Carl Sandburg
- C. wrote it by Carl Sandburg D. which written by Carl Sandburg
9. That witches cause disasters and misfortunes _____ among the colonists in Salem, Massachusetts.
- A. being widely believed B. was widely believed
- C. widely believed D. they widely believed
10. The word "ethics" _____ from the Greek word *ethos*.
- A. derived B. were derived C. derives D. is derived
11. Eventually Easter Island's growing population was cutting the forest more rapidly _____ the forest was regrowing.
- A. while B. as C. than D. after
12. Directors from Bollywood, _____ of Indian film-making in Bombay, had an impact on American cinema.
- A. it is the center B. which being center C. the center D. that is the center

Passage 1

Today, global interdependence is a reality. Whether it is the clothes we wear or the technology we use, our daily lives (13) _____ by what people on the other side of the planet are doing. It is important to know how our neighbors (14) _____, and what effect we have on them.

Citizenship is a term that _____ (15) back to the Ancient Greeks. Back then, a citizen was someone (16) _____ a role in advancing Greek society. Global citizenship is a new term, but it is based on an ancient concept—a global citizen is anyone (17) _____ the world a better place.

13. A. being affected B. are effected C. affected D. are affected
14. A. live B. living C. lived D. have living
15. A. date B. dates C. dating D. dated
16. A. who plays B. who playing C. who play D. who played
17. A. who works to make B. working and makes
 C. who working to make D. who works and making

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Passage 2

Few places are as overly stimulating as the rush-hour subway, yet some of the less overtly jittery spots where we spend far more time exact (18) _____ tolls as well. As we move further into the postmodern age of information, the workplace is changing fast, (19) _____ occupational safety specialists to focus on problems that would have seemed light-weight to their predecessors. Not long ago, (20) _____, "industrial fatigue" meant the hard-hat exhaustion of steelworkers and coal miners. Now it is just as likely (21) _____ the weariness, eyestrain, and aches and pains of computer operators who spend long periods with poorly designed VDTs, desks, and chairs. Environmental psychologists have shown that the proper adjustment of a single element at a computer station (22) _____ painstaking microanalysis. To evaluate the screen, for example, one must consider its height, tilt, and distance from the operator, the size and clarity of its characters, and its brightness, glare, and flickering. (23) _____, combined with other irritants, and bother us after exposure ceases, trying to pinpoint an environmental stressor is difficult for the layman. (24) _____, we often end up blaming its noxious influence on something else—the project, the boss, or "stress" in general—thus (25) _____ the dilemma.

18. A. its B. it's C. their D. our

19. A. causing B. cause C. caused D. it has caused

20. A. therefore B. for example C. in other words D. as a matter of fact

21. A. to referring to B. by referring to C. to refer to D. refers to

22. A. calling for B. called for C. call for D. calls for

23. A. Because of its effects are often subtle B. Because its effects are often subtle

C. Because its effects being often subtle D. Because its effects often subtle

24. A. However B. All in all C. Above all D. As a result

25. A. perpetuating B. to perpetuate C. will perpetuate D. have perpetuated

III. Writing Task 50%

Happiness is important in life, but people define it in different ways. How do you define happiness? What are the various ways of finding happiness? Please write an essay on happiness, including your definition of happiness and your ways of achieving happiness.