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I. Vocabulary : 20%**A. Choose the word(s) that best fills the blank of the sentence(s) with context clues.**

1. The wastewater is treated before it is discharged into _____, rivers or lakes. Then, some of the water is cleansed again at drinking water treatment plants and piped to consumers.
(A. resettle B. reservoirs C. biofacies D. conservation)
2. To relieve _____ credit problems, the US Federal Reserve announced that it would increase the amount of loans it plans to make available to banks in March to \$100 billion.
(A. persistent B. craving C. stylish D. distraction)
3. The Beijing City was installing thousands of _____ cameras in and around Olympic venues and collecting intelligence on potential troublemakers.
(A. haunting B. dilemma C. surveillance D. dreary)
4. Yao Ming, the Houston Rockets star, assured fans that his operation to repair a stress _____ in his left foot was successful and he'll be fit to play in August despite missing the rest of the NBA season.
(A. fiction B. splendor C. fracture D. terminal)
5. The honor to become South Korea's first _____ will belong to a woman, when and if Yi So-yeon eventually goes aboard the Soyuz capsule.
(A. shuttle B. spacecraft C. substitute D. astronaut)

B. Choose the word(s) that best keeps the meaning of the original sentence(s) if it is used to substitute the underlined word.

6. A Saudi woman activist marked this year's International Women's Day by defying a ban on women driving in the ultra-conservative kingdom and posted a video of her act on You Tube.
(A. confronting B. shrinking C. thriving D. relating)
7. Microsoft Corp would not rush to merge its technology platform with Yahoo Inc's after a takeover of the Internet company, according to the Financial Times, citing an interview with Microsoft chief software architect Ray Ozzie.
(A. alternate B. boom C. combine D. endure)
8. As the car trudged up along the serpentine road to the Hehuanshan National Forest Recreation Area, the progress was painstakingly slow, mostly due to heavy traffic, but occasionally the road got so slippery that it became difficult to drive and required utmost caution.
(A. uninhabited B. timely C. exquisite D. crooked)
9. Obama, who has a lead in the overall race for delegates, has decisively won a majority of black voters in his bid to become the country's first African-American president.
(A. revolutions B. representatives C. whimsy D. zenith)
10. Malaysia's prime minister took the oath of office for a new five-year term, rejecting calls to resign after unprecedented electoral setbacks eroded the ruling coalition's two-thirds majority and shook the country's political landscape.
(A. unification's B. willingness's C. process's D. obedience's)

II. Grammar & Structure: Choose the answer that best fits the blank(s) in each sentence. 20%

1. Members of the Russian and Americans space programs _____ working together on the space station.
(A. was B. were C. to be D. has been)

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2. Three-quarters of gasoline _____ already spent.
(A. is B. are C. were D. seem to be)
3. Oil pollution is now _____ common cause of death among sea birds.
(A. no B. any C. the most D. as well as)
4. I regret _____ all my time on TV games.
(A. having spent B. to have spent C. to spend D. to use)
5. It is worth _____ that students need to read all the questions carefully and do the easy ones first.
(A. mention B. mentioning C. to mention D. to be mentioned)
6. The computer program was written by Michael _____ we are grateful for assistance.
(A. who B. that C. whom D. to whom)
7. The only explanation _____ I can offer is that she got the job because she worked harder than anybody else in this company.
(A. that B. with that C. whom D. in which)
8. The fact that it is now easier to get a divorce _____ the rise in the number of single-parent families.
(A. contributes to B. contribute to C. are contributing to D. having contributed to)
9. _____ the close relationship between language and culture, language learning necessarily involves culture learning.
(A. Because of B. For C. Because D. Even though)
10. Students should be _____ overly dependent on _____ overly lazy about dictionary use.
(A. not only; but also B. both; and C. either; or D. neither; nor)

III. Reading Comprehension: Read the passage and answer the questions. 20%

A.

Writing in an article for *Internet Australasia* magazine, psychologist Morris Jones explains that, as is the case with all addictions, Internet addiction is essentially “social” in nature. In other words, the needs that underlie the addiction are unmet interpersonal needs: to be recognized, to belong, to be powerful, and to be loved. While all addicts are driven by unmet interpersonal needs, the exact nature of these needs and the manner of satisfying them seems to vary.

One variable of interest is gender. This factor seems to influence both the underlying reasons for the addiction and the types of applications chosen to feed it. Men tend to seek out feelings of power, status, dominance, and sexual fantasy online. Therefore, men typically become addicted to online sources of information overload, aggressive interactive games, and sexually explicit materials. Women, (*), seem to be motivated by a need to search for supportive friendships and romantic relationships. Women welcome the fact that the Internet allows them to hide their appearance while searching for such things. It seems to be a natural conclusion that the stereotypes men and women have in society are also played out in cyberspace.

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1. Which of the following most accurately reflects Morris Jones' opinion about the underlying reasons for Internet addiction?
 - (A) Internet addiction is essentially variable.
 - (B) The underlying reasons differ according to one's culture.
 - (C) Internet addiction is caused by unmet interpersonal needs. *
 - (D) Stereotypes cause addiction in cyberspace.

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2. Which of the following words would best fit in the space in the passage marked by the asterisk (*)?
- (A) consequently
 - (B) moreover
 - (C) however
 - (D) fortunately
3. According to the passage, how do female Internet addicts satisfy unmet interpersonal needs?
- (A) By accessing sites where they can enjoy friendships or find romantic partners
 - (B) By engaging in violent interactive games
 - (C) Through behaving in the same stereotypical way
 - (D) Through not being recognized
4. Which of the following is NOT mentioned as a way of feeding men's Internet addiction?
- (A) Destructive games
 - (B) Pornography
 - (C) Interpersonal advice
 - (D) Too much information
5. From the information in paragraph 2, what can be inferred about female Internet addicts?
- (A) They lack confidence.
 - (B) They are unmarried.
 - (C) They are not very attractive.
 - (D) They all act the same way in cyberspace.

B.

Past decades have seen a fundamental reliance on visual output from computer systems. Computer monitors, used in combination with the keyboard and mouse for data input, remain the most popular form of output device. The introduction and recent developments of graphical user interfaces (GUI's) highlight a clear tendency towards over-reliance on visual information. However, this seems about to change, as Human Computer Interaction (HCI), the study of computer practice and usability, looks to develop software and other technologies that promote non-visual information.

As the ability of technology to handle both audio and video improves, increasing attention is being paid to the role multi-sensory data (for instance, odors, tactile information, and so on) might play in improving human-computer interaction. The prediction is that the introduction of more of the user's senses should enable better quality of interaction, easier use, and increased speed. HCI expects to develop systems able to adapt to a wide range of users including but not limited to, disabled, multicultural, and multilingual user populations. As anyone who has ever had trouble using websites or programs developed in a foreign language knows, this would be a very welcome development.

6. What does the second paragraph mainly discuss?

- (A) Human populations
- (B) Future developments in HCI technology
- (C) Multi-sensory audio and video data
- (D) Introduction of the term HCI

7. What is the meaning of "play" as it is used in paragraph 2, line 3?

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(A) Do for fun

(B) Pretend

(C) Take on

(D) Explain

8. Which of the following is expected to make computers easier to use in the future?

(A) Interactive technologies using multi-sensory data

(B) Introduction of improved audio and video channels

(C) A basic reliance on the visual channel

(D) Adaptable education

9. Computer technology has traditionally relied upon which of the following?

(A) Hearing

(B) Touching

(C) Tasting

(D) Seeing

10. What can be inferred from the passage?

(A) Many people currently have difficulty using computers effectively.

(B) Everyone should learn English.

(C) It is not important for everyone to be able to use computers effectively.

(D) Most user feedback about HCI has been very positive.

IV. Translation: Translate the following excerpts into Chinese. 20%

1. The research is still at an early stage in evaluating teachers' beliefs about teaching children English, not to mention a paucity of literature on this subject. (8%)
2. In rural areas, where accessing health care is often a challenge, the doctors and patients of the future will increasingly be linked by virtual interstates. That's the vision of Dr. Dale Alverson, who predicts clinics, hospitals and private doctors' offices will routinely be hooked into a computerized network for telemedicine, allowing specialists to review records of faraway patients, analyze tests remotely and consult doctors elsewhere. (12%)

V. Essay Writing: 20%

Cell phones are a large part of our society today. Almost everyone has a cell phone. Cell phones may help in some situations, but are they also making troubles in some ways? For example, "talking and driving" has caused a lot of car accidents. Please give your opinions about how to use cell phones wisely.