Part I: Incomplete Sentences (90%)  

1. There has been strong competition _____, the company had made great profits.  
   (A) instead (B) Then (C) Although (D) Nevertheless  

2. The city government ____ to build a new sports stadium in preparation for the coming Olympics.  
   (A) is going to plan (B) which plans (C) is planning (D) planning  

3. The popularity of portable CD players has waned ____ the arrival of the iPod.  
   (A) for (B) by (C) with (D) as  

4. Increases in the cost of raw materials -- ____ 50% so far this year -- will inevitably lead to price increases for our customers.  
   (A) up (B) equal (C) beyond (D) top  

5. The new software allows us to download music on a ____ system.  
   (A) share (B) sharing (C) shared (D) shares  

6. It is the policy of the company to maintain a work environment free of gender discrimination, ____ equal employment.  
   (A) it impedes (B) impedes (C) which impeding (D) which impedes  

7. Their performance in the marketing arena is more than _____, especially with regard to maximizing consumer interest.  
   (A) required (B) ever (C) adequate (D) expectation  

8. In ____ of relinquishing the wireless market, Kyotec Mobile still remains a leader in the telecommunications industry.  
   (A) case (B) light (C) consideration (D) spite  

9. As a matter of fact, China's recent currency changes ____ a much more unstable world economy.  
   (A) led to (B) resulted from (C) due to (D) stopped from  

10. Online auctions have become an ____ to regular shopping, with more people than ever before using the web to purchase products.  
    (A) anticipate (B) alternative (C) expectation (D) invest  

11. ____ prejudice being influenced by social and cultural factors, there is evidence that it is also taught.  
    (A) In addition to (B) Inclusive of (C) In case of (D) in terms of  

12. This school admits more professionals with general backgrounds than with ____ ones.  
    (A) concrete (B) specialized (C) developed (D) personal  

13. New innovations in research and development have ____ from traditional approaches to designing the product.  
    (A) departure (B) departed (C) departing (D) depart  

14. Something as simple as recycling office waste paper is an effective ____ of protecting the environment.  
    (A) vehicles (B) agency (C) manners (D) means  

15. Please detail the correct ____ for installing this software so that I will know how to do it properly.  
    (A) position (B) procedure (C) performance (D) proceeding  

16. This system is a ____ of the clever combination of simple mathematics with complex electronics.  
    (A) product (B) program (C) performance (D) project  

17. The high speed rail is a joint ____ between Taiwanese and Japanese companies.  
    (A) union (B) corporation (C) venture (D) division  

18. The Feather light ____ the latest in digital photo technology. If you are a digital photography
enthusiast, it is for you.
(A) requests  (B) responds  (C) represents  (D) retails
19. Using the computer to ______ unwanted or objectionable messages or to disturb other users may result in disciplinary action.
(A) contribute  (B) distribute  (C) attribute  (D) retrieve
20. New computer technology has ______ changed the way Hollywood movies are made.
(A) sincerely  (B) dramatically  (C) idly  (D) greedily
21. One industry that has been ______ by computers is the motion picture industry. Computers have forever changed the way movies are made.
(A) promoted  (B) created  (C) revolutionized  (D) upgraded
22. Intel Corp. has combined several top positions as part of restructuring designed to ______ the company’s management structure.
(A) ramify  (B) simplify  (C) indemnify  (D) intensify
23. ______ many desirable qualities which make it a commercially very useful metal.
(A) Aluminum has  (B) That aluminum has  (C) Aluminum having  (D) Aluminum to have
24. Local government may require individuals to limit the carbon dioxide they produce to ______ global warming.
(A) decorate  (B) inflame  (C) combat  (D) resume
25. Scientists want to improve communications around the world by using robotic airship ______ a substitute to telecom towers.
(A) as  (B) with  (C) on  (D) to
26. ______ newspaper reports, flooding in the area near the river due to the storm has been much more serious than expected.
(A) As  (B) For  (C) Including some  (D) According to
27. The NDC documentary “The Age of All-Mart” ______ larger audiences than any other business program on the network that week.
(A) reacted  (B) embarked  (C) attracted  (D) asserted
28. Microsoft, which is gearing up to release new versions of its two most important products, is ready itself for a slowdown with its ______ Apple.
(A) rival  (B) ally  (C) partner  (D) enemy
29. Defensive drivers ______ their driving mirrors frequently so that they know at all times if there are other vehicles or people nearby.
(A) see to  (B) look in  (C) check into  (D) watch out
30. The Federal Reserve chairman ______ on Monday that the campaign of raising interest rates may be coming to an end.
(A) lulled  (B) signaled  (C) stifled  (D) toiled

Part II : Text Completion  Questions 31-35 (10%)

A growing number of people around the world enjoy using the Internet often. ______ a recent study showed that ______ use of the Internet can actually lead to depression. It seems ______ as people devote more and more time to using the Internet — ______ browsing for information, playing games or chatting with other people — they spend less and less time with their families and friends. For many of these people, the result is that their most important relationships ______, which can cause them to feel depressed.
31. A. Therefore  
   B. Because  
   C. However  
   D. Since  

32. A. excessive  
   B. pondered  
   C. admonished  
   D. supportive  

33. A. to  
   B. yet  
   C. where  
   D. that  

34. A. unless  
   B. whether  
   C. due to  
   D. except  

35. A. weaken  
   B. form  
   C. expose  
   D. improve