1. Jennifer had to go to the drugstore to get something for her _____ throat.
   A. strong  B. pretty  C. sore  D. short

2. Time and tide wait _____ no man.
   A. up  B. on  C. for  D. in

3. A: What do you think of Susan?
   B: She is not exactly my cup of _____ . She turns me off.
   A. type  B. coffee  C. tea  D. soup

4. A: Can I have my laundry back by Friday?
   B: I can’t make any promises, but I’ll have a _____ at it.
   A. crack  B. do  C. wash  D. person

5. Whenever she is in a difficult situation, Mary _____ an effort to do her best.
   A. does  B. finds  C. takes  D. makes

6. Please don’t forget _____ my check when you go to the bank.
   A. to deposit  B. deposited  C. deposit  D. depositing

7. Mr. Chen wants people to think he is in his fifties, but his _____ age is sixty.
   A. distinguished  B. intimate  C. candid  D. true

8. Samuel’s wife works part-time in order to _____ their income until his business improves.
   A. contribute to  B. bring about  C. look after  D. take over
9. I am sure I’ve met you before, but I can’t _____ you.
   A. like  B. place  C. forget  D. know

10. A: This article says that each year over 80,000 people leave Los Angeles for other states, especially to neighboring Washington and Oregon
   B: Really? Why?
   A: They are fleeing from air pollution and crime. They want to breathe cleaner air and don’t want to become a _____ in crime-ridden LA.
   A. number  B. statistic  C. history  D. mathematics

11. We think this country needs this new tax law. So, we’re going to pass this bill _____ your opposition.
   A. although  B. despite  C. for  D. if

12. A: Waiter! Give me another whisky!
   B: I am afraid you had _____ too many, sir.
   A. four  B. three  C. two  D. one

13. A: You are on crutches. What happened?
   B: I tripped over a rock and _____ my ankle.
   A. sprained  B. spraining  C. sprain  D. had sprained

14. The railway engineer hit the emergency brakes and narrowly _____ disaster.
   A. reverted  B. diverted  C. converted  D. averted

15. A: How much did you pay for your new car?
   B: Nineteen thousand dollars even. I _____ thirty-five hundred dollars off the price.
   A. took  B. haggled  C. spend  D. talk out

II Translate the following passages into Chinese (15%)

1. After the smoke streamed into the atmosphere, it was so polluted that people could hardly breathe.

2. As with so much of this new disease, scientists still don’t know why SARS seems to spread at varying rates in different areas, but this might be the result of the influence of so-called superspreaders, infected individuals who appear to be much more contagious than average SARS patient.
3. Bush’s decision to make war on Iraq may have been visionary and courageous or reckless and tragic or anything in between, but one thing it wasn’t urgently necessary.

III. Translate the following passages into English (10%)

1. 根据美国疾病控制中心的说法，篮球员在意外接触中感染到 AIDS 的机率为 8500 万分之一。
2. 网际网路用户的巨幅成长是大众传播近年以来最骇人的现象。

IV. Cloze Test: Read the following passages and choose an appropriate answer to fill in the blank. (18%)

Along the coasts of continents and the shores of small islands around the world there is more and more evidence that the sea levels are higher than before. In the Pacific Ocean, islands are flooded by mysterious high tides with neither rain nor wind. 1, the melting of the polar ice caps has contributed to higher sea levels. A study of seacoasts shows that if there were only a small increase in ocean depth, whole island nations could be swallowed. A country like Bangladesh could lose twenty percent of its land 2. Higher sea levels would also be 3 to the sea creatures who live in the coral formations.

Environmentalists warn us that the 4 seas are caused by global warming, 5 by fossil fuel pollutants that trap heat in the earth’s atmosphere. The extra heat is melting the polar ice caps. The big, industrialized nations produced most of the pollutants that have caused global warming, 6 it is the small island nations that face the greatest danger.

1. (A) Apparently   (B) Likely   (C) Consistently   (D) Paradoxically
2. (A) instead   (B) as well   (C) besides   (D) further
3. (A) interesting   (B) infuriating   (C) devastating   (D) humiliating
4. (A) rising   (B) widening   (C) flowing   (D) sinking
5. (A) passed up   (B) covered over   (C) brought on   (D) went about
6. (A) whereas   (B) where   (C) nevertheless   (D) thus
V. Reading Comprehension. Read the following passages; then answer the questions that follows:

An allergy is a sensitivity or overreaction of the body to a substance that is harmless to most people. This substance, called an allergen, might be the sap of a plant, the juice from the sting of an insect, a type of food, stale dust, or plant pollens. The reaction takes many forms, such as the sneezing and runny noses of hay fever, breathing difficulties as in asthma, or the swelling of the skins in hives.

In allergic individuals, cells in organs and tissues becomes sensitive to an allergen after one or more exposures. These cells become coated with a special antibody, immunoglobulin E (IgE). Normally these antibodies protect the body, but in allergic individuals, when the IgE reacts with the allergen on the cell’s surface, certain chemicals are released which cause the symptoms of allergy.

With proper care and treatment, allergies can be controlled. There are many kinds of medicines that can offer relief, but true remedy requires that exact allergen be identified. In some cases, allergy shots may minimize allergic reactions.

1. What would be an appropriate title for this article? (3%)
   A. A Description of Allergies
   B. Types of Immunoglobulin E
   C. Treatment of Asthma
   D. Remedies for Allergies

2. What causes allergies? (3%)
   A. Poor dietary habits.
   B. Abnormal reactions to allergens.
   C. Improper skin care.
   D. Vitamin deficiency.

3. What is IgE? (3%)
   A. A physical reaction.
   B. An allergy medicine.
   C. A peculiar allergen.
   D. A special antibody.

4. What happens to people with allergies? (3%)
   A. They are protected by IgE.
   B. They have difficulty breathing.
   C. They develop allergic reactions.
   D. They always sneeze.