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Write an essay on the following topic. Include an introduction, a conclusion, and at least three main paragraphs. Your essay will be evaluated for clarity, originality, supporting details, effective organization, and accuracy of English.

Some students choose to take a “gap year” between high school and college or even after starting college. According to the Gap Year Association, a gap year is a time of “experiential learning . . . in order to deepen your practical, professional, and personal awareness.” Possibilities for spending a gap year include hands-on career exploration, volunteer service, and the pursuit of personal goals and experiences.

Imagine that after being admitted to university, the university asked you to take a gap year prior to enrollment. How would you spend your gap year? You are free to pursue different objectives during the year, and to divide the year into parts. However, your plan must be coherent (logically interconnected), realistic, and related to your goals and values as an individual.

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Read through the passages below and choose the best answer to fill in each blank. (100%; 2 points each)

Part A.

(1) _____ the most important contribution made by African-Americans to world culture (2) _____ in the area of music, specifically in the unique form of modern music known (3) _____ jazz. Jazz is a synthesis of (4) _____ musical elements that came together in the first two decades of the twentieth century, but it was after World War I (5) _____ jazz came to full fruition as an art form. (6) _____ some music historians insist that jazz is the product of place, not race, the primary role of African-Americans in the origins and evolution of jazz (7) _____ indisputable.

Jazz is (8) _____ a performer's rather than a composer's art. (9) _____ by Afro-Caribbean rhythmic styles, it incorporates a wide (10) _____ of European and African-American concepts of harmony, melody, and tone color. In (11) _____ evolution, jazz absorbed the musical idioms of the marching band, the minstrel stage, the blues, and the piano style known as ragtime. But if jazz manifests any single (12) _____ quality, that quality would have to be improvisation. Most jazz performances are based in standard melodies—often familiar popular tunes; the individual performers “improvise” on the base melody. They invent passages while in the process of performing them—a form of “composing (13) _____ you go”—or they incorporate bits of other (often familiar) melodies (14) _____ their solos. Most scholars agree that improvisation, (15) _____ individual or collective, (16) _____ the single element that most distinguishes jazz (17) _____ other musical idioms.

Jazz (18) _____ a unique variation on standard rhythms that performers term “swing.” (19) _____ it is virtually impossible to define the concept of “swing,” it may be described as the practice of playing just off the beat—(20) _____ ahead or behind.

(Taken from Fiero, Gloria K. *The Humanistic Tradition*. 5th ed. Vol. II. McGraw-Hill, 2006. pp. 916-917.)

Part B.

In her research, Deborah Tannen, professor of sociolinguistics at Georgetown University, found that (21) _____ from women about their husbands often focused not on (22) _____ inequities such as having given up the chance for a career, or (23) _____ more of the household chores. (24) _____, they focused on communication. Most wives want their husbands to be, (25) _____, conversational partners, but (26) _____ husbands share this expectation of their wives.

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Why do men and women have (27) _____ different expectations about communication in marriage? Tannen believes that (28) _____ male-female interaction as cross-cultural communication allows us (29) _____ the problem and forge solutions without blaming (30) _____ party.

For women, as for girls, intimacy is the fabric of relationships, and talk is the thread from which it is (31) _____. Little girls create and maintain friendships by exchanging secrets; (32) _____, women regard conversation (33) _____ the corner-stone of friendship. So a woman expects her husband to be a new and (34) _____ version of a best friend. (35) _____ is important is not the individual subjects that are discussed (36) _____ the sense of closeness, of a life shared, that emerges (37) _____ people tell their thoughts, feelings, and impressions.

Bonds between boys can be as intense as (38) _____, but they are based less on talking, more (39) _____ doing things together. (40) _____ they don't assume talk is the cement that binds a relationship, men don't know what kind of talk women want, and they don't miss it when it isn't (41) _____.

Boys' groups are larger, more inclusive, and more hierarchical, (42) _____ boys must struggle to avoid the (43) _____ position in the group. This may (44) _____ a role in women's complaints that men don't listen to them. Some men really don't like to listen, because (45) _____ the listener makes them feel one-down, like a child (46) _____ to adults or an employee to a boss.

Switching topics is another habit (47) _____ gives women the impression men aren't listening. In Tannen's study, the girls tended to talk at length about one topic, but the boys tended to jump (48) _____ topic to topic.

Tannen believes that once a couple see their differences as cross-cultural (49) _____ right and wrong, they won't make unreasonable (50) _____ on each other and will even alter their own behavior to achieve better communication.

(Adapted from Tannen, Deborah. "Sex, Lies, and Conversation." *Essays from Contemporary Culture*, edited by Katherine Anne Ackley. 5th ed. Wadsworth, 2004, pp. 231-235.)

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1.	A. Possible	B. Possibly	C. Possibility	D. Impossibility
2.	A. occurred	B. occurring	C. to occur	D. occurrence
3.	A. for	B. to	C. against	D. as
4.	A. collect	B. hesitant	C. suspect	D. diverse
5.	A. which	B. that	C. unless	D. due to
6.	A. Although	B. Until	C. What	D. Despite
7.	A. to be	B. are	C. is	D. was been
8.	A. prime	B. primary	C. primarily	D. premiere
9.	A. Dominate	B. Dominated	C. Dominating	D. To dominate
10.	A. random	B. ceremony	C. vary	D. range
11.	A. its	B. whose	C. his	D. their
12.	A. define	B. definition	C. definitely	D. defining
13.	A. but	B. as	C. because	D. that
14.	A. into	B. beyond	C. above	D. for
15.	A. both	B. however	C. either	D. nor
16.	A. constitution	B. constitutes	C. constituting	D. constituent
17.	A. on	B. for	C. from	D. under
18.	A. employs	B. contact	C. analysts	D. invests
19.	A. When	B. Whether	C. However	D. While
20.	A. ironically	B. slightly	C. dramatically	D. unfortunately
21.	A. complains	B. complaining	C. complaints	D. complained
22.	A. superior	B. wealthy	C. trustworthy	D. tangible
23.	A. done	B. doing	C. to do	D. did
24.	A. Therefore	B. Moreover	C. To sum up	D. Instead
25.	A. first and foremost	B. all of a sudden	C. at most	D. on the contrary
26.	A. little	B. a little	C. few	D. majority
27.	A. so	B. such	C. alike	D. so much
28.	A. see	B. saw	C. seeing	D. seen
29.	A. understand	B. understood	C. understanding	D. to understand
30.	A. either	B. none	C. nor	D. both
31.	A. weave	B. weaving	C. woven	D. wove
32.	A. due to	B. suppose	C. if only	D. similarly
33.	A. against	B. be	C. as	D. by
34.	A. improve	B. improved	C. improving	D. improvement
35.	A. This	B. Which	C. That	D. What
36.	A. but	B. although	C. however	D. otherwise
37.	A. when	B. and	C. such	D. consequently
38.	A. girl	B. theirs	C. girls'	D. girl's
39.	A. with	B. for	C. to	D. on
40.	A. So	B. Since	C. Due to	D. Thanks to
41.	A. their	B. appear	C. there	D. nowhere
42.	A. following	B. therefore	C. until	D. so
43.	A. subordinate	B. humorous	C. affordable	D. arrogant

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44.	A. action	B. play	C. model	D. performing
45.	A. be	B. been	C. being	D. been to
46.	A. listen	B. listening	C. listened	D. to listen
47.	A. that	B. it	C. in which	D. what
48.	A. by	B. with	C. from	D. on
49.	A. in addition	B. rather than	C. opposite	D. likewise
50.	A. reservations	B. conflicts	C. reactions	D. demands

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Section I: Context clues are hints in the writing that helps readers determine approximate meanings of words. Each question below has hints within the sentence. Use them to choose the best meaning for the boldface word. (20%; 2 points for each question)

1. People believe that if the government lowers taxes so that people can keep more of the money they earn; it will be an **incentive** for them to work harder.

A. <i>a reason to do something</i>	B. <i>a good job</i>	C. <i>a reward</i>	D. <i>a small amount of money</i>
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2. Most of America's Founding Fathers did not believe in women's **suffrage**. Only men could vote in the United States until 1920.

A. <i>physical pain</i>	B. <i>the right to vote</i>	C. <i>freedom</i>	D. <i>statements</i>
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3. The general demanded that all soldiers not mention a word about the military action to others. In order to succeed, the operation must be **clandestine**.

A. <i>public</i>	B. <i>dangerous</i>	C. <i>useful</i>	D. <i>secret</i>
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4. There is a legal battle raging and the judges are concerned that time is running out. Lawyers are being asked to **expedite** the matter.

A. <i>sue</i>	B. <i>object</i>	C. <i>quicken</i>	D. <i>postpone</i>
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5. "Emily, I'm very upset about what you said," Alexandra stated firmly. "You didn't come right out and accuse me of eating all your candy. On the other hand, your remarks about my love of chocolate were made for a purpose. You are **insinuating** that I am the candy thief!"

A. <i>to keep something hot or cold</i>	B. <i>to suggest without directly saying</i>	C. <i>to do something evil</i>	D. <i>to protect something from harm</i>
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6. We knew he couldn't hold out much longer, because he had been doomed from the beginning. One night he met his **ineluctable** fate.

A. <i>forgotten</i>	B. <i>inevitable</i>	C. <i>hidden</i>	D. <i>unhappy</i>
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7. It is difficult to imagine a **surfeit** of talent in one individual, yet Dr. Armstrong simply does not have the time to make complete use of her talent as a professor, writer, and actress.

A. <i>excess</i>	B. <i>variety</i>	C. <i>superiority</i>	D. <i>lack</i>
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8. As a child, she liked to be alone and was fearful of people; but as an adult, she was remarkably **gregarious**.

A. <i>reserved</i>	B. <i>aggressive</i>	C. <i>sociable</i>	D. <i>gauche</i>
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9. Forced to sell their lands and homes, Japanese Americans were herded into detention camps in the most desolate areas of the west. Sadly, few Americans protested the **incarceration** of their Japanese-American countrymen.

A. <i>community</i>	B. <i>social event</i>	C. <i>imprisonment</i>	D. <i>military service</i>
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10. A combination of fog and industrial smoke, called smog, has **vitiating** the air in and around many cities.

A. <i>concentrate</i>	B. <i>fill up</i>	C. <i>replace</i>	D. <i>contaminate</i>
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Section II: Choose the best answer to complete each sentence below. (20%; 2 points for each question)

11. Mr. Lin has two children have a talent for art.

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| A. , and both of whom | B. , both of who | C. , both of them | D. , both of whom |
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12. I Allen at the airport yesterday. He to San Francisco.

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| A. had seen; went | B. was seeing; was going | C. saw; was going | D. saw; went |
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13. I didn't know Kristy was in town. I didn't call her.

A. *If I had known Kristy was in town, I would have called her.*B. *I had called Kristy if I would have known she was in town.*C. *If I knew Kristy was in town, I would call her.*D. *I called Kristy if I would know she was in town.*

14. Since the outbreak of the pandemic, lots of restaurateurs social-distancing lest customers viruses from one another.

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| A. practiced; contracted | B. has practiced; contracting | C. have practiced; contract | D. practice; to contract |
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15. The woman she wrote a letter is her biological mother.

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| A. whom | B. for whom | C. to who | D. to whom |
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16. The first impression they had in their minds "Wow, what a nice apartment!" They were

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| A. were; amazing | B. was; amazed | C. was; amazing | D. were; amaze |
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17. In the previous press conference, the CDC officer no new confirmed cases of the coronavirus andthe likelihood of lifting the lockdown.

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| A. has reported; discussed about | B. was reporting; discussed | C. reported; discussed | D. reports; discusses |
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18. Not only keeping a balanced diet but also exercising important when it comes to better health.

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| A. are; promote | B. is; be promoted | C. are; promotion | D. is; promoting |
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19. Plagiarism is considered an intellectual crime that the career of a scholar.

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| A. x; make | B. x; ruins | C. to be; makes | D. x; ruin |
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20. One of the class requirements active participation, such as group discussions.

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| A. is; join | B. are; to join | C. is; joining | D. are; to be joined |
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Section III: Transitional words (20%; 2 points for each question)

For question 21 to 25, identify the nature of the boldface transition.

21. Telephone interviewing allows for a large number of responses in a short time and at relatively low cost. **Moreover**, the method permits interviewers to reach respondents at specific times of the day; this is an important consideration in the study of radio and TV listening habits.

- A. addition | B. time | C. contrast | D. comparison

22. Residents complain bitterly about potholes in the streets and sloppy trash pick-up, **yet** these same people resist paying higher taxes for the improvement of these services.

- A. time | B. contrast | C. comparison | D. illustration/example

23. Some people in New Jersey built their houses very close to the shoreline. **Consequently**, they have had to spend a lot of money trying to protect their property from the sea.

- A. addition | B. contrast | C. cause and effect | D. illustration/example

24. There are ways you can make boring tasks more pleasant. **For instance**, bring a portable radio and listen to music on the earphones while you work.

- A. contrast | B. comparison | C. illustration/example | D. cause and effect

25. The lazy checkout clerk forced the six-pack of cola into the bottom of the bag, tearing it. **Then** she shrugged her shoulders and said, "I guess you'll have to carry the bag from the bottom."

- A. time | B. illustration/example | C. contrast | D. cause and effect

From question 26 to 30, select the transition that makes the sentence logical.

26. When I first met her, I thought she was a generous and easy-going person., she is selfish and difficult to get along with.

- A. On the other hand | B. On the contrary | C. Consequently | D. Similarly

27.the hustles and bustles of Taipei, the atmosphere of Hualien is charged with calm and tranquility.

- A. Due to | B. With a view to | C. In contrast to | D. Despite

28. Mandy people go abroad for further studies., they can gain qualifications in foreign universities.

- A. In addition | B. Because of this, | C. However | D. Because

29. A lot of patients of the virus have been tested., these test results will be valuable to the study of epidemiology.

- A. Consequently | B. Ultimately | C. Likewise | D. By contrast

30.my allergy to flowers, my husband still bought me a bouquet of roses.

- A. Even though | B. Despite | C. Because of | D. As

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Section IV: Some of the following sentences contain an error in grammar, usage, punctuation, or word choice. If there is an error, select the underlined part that must be changed in order to make the sentence correct. If there is no error, choose the final answer, E. (20%; 2 points for each question)

31. Serena, who had just eaten, thought concerning having a chocolate bar or a glass of milk. No error.
 A B C D E
32. It was not until I bought a house and having a steady income that I dared even to consider buying a house. No error.
 A B C D E
33. Employees are to report to work as usual, however, they will be excused between 12:00 and 1:00 p.m. to attend events or observances of their choosing. No error.
 A B C D E
34. For many years now, we volunteered at a nursery home, ever since we lost our parents back in 1972. No error.
 A B C D E
35. When I was in Iraq, I recall, the pressure was insurmountable. Because every minute there was dangerous. No error.
 A B C D E
36. Successful entrepreneurs are always on the lookout for ideas, that will help them increase profits and stay competitive. No error.
 A B C D E
37. Dr. Wu, a noted biologist, was intrigued by the mysterious fish kill in the lake and undertook to study the reasons for why it occurred. No error.
 A B C D E
38. As the director had anticipated, with some foreboding, the leading lady was so self-absorbent that she made rehearsals excruciating for the rest of the cast. No error.
 A B C D E
39. Family income, ethnicity, and even geography affect one's educational opportunity; however, income is clearly more influential. No error.
 A B C D E
40. All candidates strive for the same result: you try to make the opponent look bad. No error.
 A B C D E

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Section V: In each of the sentences here, one portion is underlined. Choose the answer that produces the most effective sentence – clear and exact, without wordiness and ambiguity. Do not make a choice that changes the meaning of the original sentence. (20%; 2 points for each question)

41. Heavy smoking and to overeat are activities which heart disease patient must forego.
- A. Smoking heavily and to overeat
 - B. To smoke heavily and overeating
 - C. Smoking heavily and overeating
 - D. Smoking heavy and to overeat
42. Less than a minute after he had finished steam cleaning the carpet, Steve's dog tracked mud all through the house.
- A. he steam cleaned the carpet, Steve's dog had
 - B. he finished steam cleaning the carpet; Steve's dog
 - C. Steve had finished steam cleaning the carpet, his dog
 - D. Steve steam cleaned the carpet, his dog had
43. Actors who look badly on stage probably perform badly in movies.
- A. badly on stage probably perform bad in movies.
 - B. bad on stage probably perform as bad in movies.
 - C. bad on stage probably perform badly in movies.
 - D. bad on stage probably perform bad in movies.
44. Some couples are forbidden to divorce by religion, other are forbidden by social custom.
- A. social custom forbids other couples.
 - B. other couples are forbidden by social custom.
 - C. others by social custom.
 - D. social custom forbids others.
45. Walking in the woods, spring wild flowers were seen.
- A. , we saw spring wild flowers.
 - B. Spring wild flowers were seen.
 - C. , spring wild flowers could be seen blooming.
 - D. wild flowers were springing to life.

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46. When a person moves every year, one cannot expect them to develop civic pride.

- A. When a person moves every year, he or she cannot expect them
- B. When people move every year, they cannot expect him or her
- C. When people move every year, one cannot expect them
- D. When you move every year, one cannot be expected

47. A tornado is a violent wind. One that claims lives of people.

- A. wind, one
- B. wind; one
- C. wind, it is one
- D. wind,

48. The basement smelled musty and sometimes almost a rotten smell.

- A. The basement smelled mustily and sometimes almost rottenly.
- B. The basement smelled musty and sometimes almost rotten.
- C. The basement sometimes smelled musty and rotten.
- D. The basement smelled musty, and, sometimes, almost a rotten smell.

49. The reason he failed the quiz is that the assigned chapter wasn't read.

- A. that the assigned chapter was not properly read.
- B. because the assigned chapter was not properly read.
- C. that he didn't read the assigned chapter.
- D. because of the fact that he didn't read the assigned chapter.

50. The sun rising over the horizon and spread a warm glow over the meadow.

- A. rising over the horizon, and spread
- B. rose over the horizon and spread
- C. rising over the horizon, spread
- D. rising over the horizon and spreading

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