I. Vocabulary Words and the Parts of Speech (30%)

1. This competition is not limited to professionals only. It opens for ____ to participate.
   A. clerks     B. amateurs     C. characters     D. entertainers

2. The glass belongs to a ____ material. When we carry it, we need to be more careful. Otherwise, it might fall into pieces.
   A. blunt     B. brittle     C. blurring     D. sparking

3. The sign of the ‘vicious dog’ on the fence ____ people to stay away from this area.
   A. catered     B. cautioned    C. abandoned    D. abolished

4. John emigrated to Japan. Now, he is a(n) ____ of Japan.
   A. alien     B. protagonist    C. antagonist     D. immigrant

5. Upon seeing a ball flying toward me, I ____ in order to avoid getting hit.
   A. ducked     B. endured    C. protested     D. assembled

6. Frogs and salamanders live both in the water and land. They are called ____.
   A. ambiguities     B. amphibians     C. ambivalences    D. amphitheaters

7. After she mistakenly ate the poisoned mushroom, the crew immediately fed her an ____.
   A. antidote     B. orthodox     C. antiseptic     D. antithesis
8. The plantation is bleak. Only _____ grasses can be spotted.
   A. bushy     B. pointed    C. sparkling     D. sporadic

9. Don’t let me ever _____ you in my office, or I’ll give you a really good punching.
   A. catch sight of   B. catch breath of   C. catch up with   D. catch on

10. When I first came to this college, I didn’t know what to do as I _____ its environment.
    A. usedn’t to  B. didn’t accustom to  C. was not used to  D. accustomed to

11. John _____ Mary’s plight. He thus allowed her to move into his house.
    A. took pity on     B. took part in    C. took down    D. took away

12. All contestants must _____ the rules; otherwise, the game cannot go on.
    A. abide by     B. pass by    C. make up for    D. come forward with

13. My manuscripts had been finished. I must have them _____.
    A. type     B. typed    C. typing    D. to be typing

14. He _____ the TV for two hours. Still, no signs show that he is going to quit.
    A. gazed     B. gazing    C. has been gazed    D. has been gazing

15. _____ in Europe, I met a friend of mine.
    A. Traveled     B. Being traveling    C. While traveling    D. Having traveled
II. Instruction: Translate the following into Chinese (30%)

My friends: No one not in my position can appreciate my feeling of sadness at this parting. To this place, and the kindness of these people, I owe everything. Here I have lived a quarter of century, and have passed from a young to an old man. Here my children have been born, and one is buried. I now leave, not knowing when or whether ever I may return, with a task before me greater than that which rested upon Washington. Without the assistance of that Divine Being who ever attended him, I cannot succeed. With that assistance, I cannot fail. Trusting in Him who can go with me, and remain with you, and be everywhere for good, let us confidently hope that all will yet be well. To His care commending you, as I hope in your prayers you will commend me, I bid you an affectionate farewell.

III. English Writing (40%)

Option one:
Think of an experience or event in your life in which you felt the emotions of “embarrassment.” Then write a short English passage within 200 words to describe this experience of “embarrassment.”

Option two:
Write a short English passage within 200 words on the controversial subject, “the death penalty,” to compare and contrast your own view with those of someone else.