

## **Section A: Comprehension**

### **Read the article and choose the best answer to the question**

1. Hong Kong police deployed up to 12,000 officers across the city to boost security for the revamped district council election on Sunday, 10 December, 2023. The election is the first since the municipal-level polls were overhauled in line with Beijing’s principle that only “patriots” should be in charge. About 2,500 officers, including plain-clothes detectives and personnel from the Police Tactical Unit, were mobilised in each of the five police regions to prevent any potential disruptions at more than 600 polling stations. The deployment accounted for more than a third of the 33,288-strong force. During the Legislative Council election in 2021, 10,000 officers were dispatched, while 7,000 were mobilised for the chief executive poll last year.
2. Two uniformed officers were posted at each voting station and dozens of teams comprising five to six personnel would carry out patrols in vehicles in each police region. Several of the quick response teams would take action within minutes if there was a disruption, such as a dispute, at a polling station. Officers from the elite teams such as the Counter Terrorism Response Unit also carried out high-profile patrols at other locations, such as railway stations and infrastructure facilities. Hundreds of auxiliary officers had also been deployed in each of the regions to carry out election-related duties, as well as normal policing, to support personnel from the patrol subunits.
3. The large-scale deployment was necessary given the more than 600 polling stations and also because of recent incidents involving the confiscation of 30kg of chemicals capable of producing explosives and the arrest of two men found with anti-government fliers.
4. Officers from the cybersecurity units had been assigned to monitor online chat groups and social media platforms to check for any signs of illegal activity during the coming election. While there was no intelligence indicating that anyone was planning to cause trouble, it was important to be prepared.
5. “We have to prepare for the worst-case scenario,” an insider said. “Officers on patrol would be equipped with stab-proof vests and other equipment, such as pepper ball-loading guns and anti-riot gear, would be kept in the police vehicles.” Authorities decided to include the vests as part of their protective gear after an officer was stabbed outside the Sogo department store in Causeway Bay in 2021 on the anniversary of Hong Kong’s return to Chinese rule.
6. Some of the officers would also carry out patrols in vehicles around the polling stations at about 10pm on Saturday, with the full team to be ready as \_\_\_\_\_ as 7am on Sunday. “In order to ensure the safe and smooth conduct of this election, police will carry out random and high-profile counterterrorism patrols at important infrastructure and densely populated areas,” the Police Force had

said. “They will be prepared for any situation and work together to safeguard our wonderful community.”

1. The underlined word, ‘revamped’ in paragraph (1) implies that the election is
  - A. an entirely new one.
  - B. an improved and better one.
  - C. a traditional one without much changes.
  - D. an important one.
  
2. Why are there two figures, ‘10,000’ and ‘7000’ at the end of paragraph (1)?
  - A. It shows that police officers are always deployed for major functions.
  - B. Hong Kong Police Force can maintain the security of the city.
  - C. Hong Kong police deployed much more officers in this year’s election than that in those two years.
  - D. It indicated insufficient police officers were deployed in those years.
  
3. According to paragraph (2), which of the following would patrol at Hong Kong International Airport on the election day?
  - A. Uniformed officers
  - B. Quick response teams
  - C. Counter Terrorism Response Unit
  - D. Auxiliary officers
  
4. Why is it important to carry out the large-scale deployment of officers?
  - I. There are a large number of polling stations across the city.
  - II. There has been a recent explosion.
  - III. Two men were charged of having anti-government fliers lately.

The correct combination is

- A. All of them
  - B. I and II
  - C. II and III
  - D. I and III
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5. In paragraph (4), we understand that
    - A. the duty of the officers from the cybersecurity unit is to make sure there would not be disturbance to the forthcoming election from the internet.
    - B. someone was trying to cause trouble during the coming election.
    - C. the officers from the cybersecurity unit were busy investigating the illegal activities of the online chat groups and social media platforms.
    - D. it was difficult for the police to trace the illegal online activities.

6. What does it mean by ‘the worst-case scenario’ in paragraph (5)?
- A. The election has to be cancelled.
  - B. There are attacks and disturbances during the election day.
  - C. Some officers get injured or even killed during patrolling.
  - D. All the officers have to come out to carry out duties.
7. The underlined word, ‘their’ in paragraph (5) refers to
- A. authorities’
  - B. vehicles’
  - C. equipment’s
  - D. officers’
8. Which word is best to be filled in the blank in paragraph (6)?
- A. early
  - B. late
  - C. soon
  - D. yet
9. In paragraph (6), it mentions that the Police Force would carry out random and high-profile counterterrorism patrols at various places because
- A. there might be a lot of attacks and disturbances during the election day.
  - B. the Police Force wanted to show how determined and persevere it would to protect the community.
  - C. it could scare anybody or organization if they wanted to commit crime or any illegal activities.
  - D. citizens would appreciate the work of the Police Force.
10. The main theme of this article is
- A. the Police Force would deploy a great number of officers to prevent any disruptions to the council election on 10 December 2023.
  - B. the Police Force is strong and powerful enough to tackle any great danger and disruptions.
  - C. the council election would be carried out smoothly and safely thanks to the Police Force.
  - D. how workforce would be distributed during the election day.

### **Section B: Error Identification**

Your task is to identify which part of the question (as underlined) contains a language error.

11. The Hong Kong Police Force proactively raises public awareness of the important of crime prevention as well as encouraging citizens to establish a good rapport with their neighbours.
- A. proactively
  - B. important
  - C. well
  - D. rapport
12. Having participated in volunteer work, Peter feels much more relaxed and satisfying with his sympathetic attitude towards the elderly.
- A. Having
  - B. relaxed
  - C. satisfying
  - D. towards
13. When the current governor took office 2 months ago, he was thought of as a steady but uninspiring politician, lacked major accomplishments.
- A. office
  - B. of
  - C. uninspiring
  - D. lacked
14. If something is done to save the polar bears, the continued effects of climate change will likely drive the species closer to extinction.
- A. something
  - B. continued
  - C. likely
  - D. closer
15. After the earthquake and subsequent tsunami in 2011, the ageing Fukushima Daiichi nuclear power plant suffered from a total power failure, causing the cooled system to shut down.
- A. subsequent
  - B. ageing
  - C. causing
  - D. cooled

### Section C: Sentence Completion

Your task is to choose an option that can appropriately be inserted in the blank.

16. Paul \_\_\_\_\_ his brother's laziness.
- A. unlikes
  - B. dislikes
  - C. is unlikely
  - D. is alike
17. Crazy House, \_\_\_\_\_ unique architectural design by Ms Dang, is \_\_\_\_\_ interesting hotel in Vietnam
- A. a, a
  - B. a, an
  - C. an, a
  - D. an, an
18. I am angry \_\_\_\_\_ Jenny's laziness and unpunctuality.
- A. to
  - B. on
  - C. about
  - D. with
19. The policeman felt completely \_\_\_\_\_ after the whole night operation.
- A. hilarious
  - B. excited
  - C. depressed
  - D. exhausted
20. The "Old Yau Ma Tei Police Station 100th Anniversary" Open Day is an event \_\_\_\_\_ aims to showcase the rich history of the Hong Kong Police Force.
- A. who
  - B. whose
  - C. where
  - D. that
21. The policemen need to beat the \_\_\_\_\_ to complete the operation.
- A. clock
  - B. drum
  - C. gong
  - D. opponents

22. \_\_\_\_\_ was wounded but the car was badly damaged.
- A. Somebody
  - B. Nobody
  - C. Everybody
  - D. Anybody
23. Pass me the pen, \_\_\_\_\_?
- A. shall we
  - B. do you
  - C. won't you
  - D. aren't you
24. Jenny has very \_\_\_\_\_ friends here so she usually stays at home alone at weekends.
- A. most
  - B. many
  - C. a few
  - D. few
25. This house went unoccupied for nine years \_\_\_\_\_ John moved in last month.
- A. though
  - B. if
  - C. until
  - D. unless
26. It is the result that we want the \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. least
  - B. last
  - C. latest
  - D. late
27. The witness \_\_\_\_\_ the truth, doesn't he?
- A. says
  - B. tells
  - C. speaks
  - D. talks

28. It is \_\_\_\_\_ doubt that he will become the president as the board of directors support him.
- A. with
  - B. in
  - C. beyond
  - D. under
29. He asked the traffic policeman \_\_\_\_\_
- A. whether the road had been blocked.
  - B. weather the road had been blocked.
  - C. whether had the road been blocked.
  - D. weather had the road been blocked.
30. Monetary awards \_\_\_\_\_ to members of the public who render positive assistance to the Police in prevention of crimes since the Good Citizen Award was introduced in 1973.
- A. had been given
  - B. have been given
  - C. were given
  - D. are given
31. I had \_\_\_\_\_ take this chance to join the competition as there are not many strong opponents.
- A. rather
  - B. never
  - C. ever
  - D. better
32. \_\_\_\_\_, police constables have to wear uniform while on patrol.
- A. Needless to say
  - B. As a result
  - C. No wonder
  - D. Because
33. If you want to book the artificial grass football \_\_\_\_\_, you need to be a member first.
- A. pitch
  - B. course
  - C. rink
  - D. court

34. The boy is \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. enough old to get a driving licence.
  - B. old enough to get a driving licence.
  - C. too old to get a driving licence.
  - D. so old to get a driving licence.
35. Some enthusiastic retired police officers work as volunteers at the Police Museum to provide visitors with a \_\_\_\_\_ sightseeing experience.
- A. live
  - B. alive
  - C. living
  - D. lively



### **Section D: Paragraph Improvement**

Your task is to read the two passages and choose the best option for the questions followed.

#### Passage A

1.I am an extrovert, out-going and easy-going person. 2.Perhaps, I developed this trait of character due the fact that I have many cousins and my parents liked to bring me out when I was small, \_\_\_\_\_ I could chat and play with them. 3.I remember parents often brought us to the parks in different districts. 4.The facilities in the parks were different and we could explore each of them. 5.Besides playing the slide or the swing, the children also played hide-and-seek, resulting \_\_\_\_\_ sweating a lot. 6.We ran around the park, jumping here and there, shouting at the top of our noise. 7.Sometimes I fell down and got hurt. 8.I did not cry. 9.it was painful. 10.\_\_\_\_\_ my cousins usually did was to comfort and cheer me up. 11.Taking part in various kinds of extra-curricular activities is definitely one of the major parts in my school life.

36. Where should the word, 'to' be inserted in Sentence 2?

- A. Between 'developed' and 'this'.
- B. Between 'due' and 'the'.
- C. Between 'me' and 'out'.
- D. Between 'chat' and 'and'.

37. Which is best to be inserted in the blank in Sentence 2?

- A. in case
- B. unless
- C. because
- D. so that

38. Which can replace the underlined word, 'Besides', in Sentence 5?

- A. Apart from
- B. Next to
- C. Counting
- D. As soon as

39. Which preposition is best to be filled in the blank in Sentence 5?

- A. on
- B. from
- C. in
- D. at

40. Which of the underlined word/words in Sentence 6 is/are incorrect and how should it/they be corrected?
- A. 'there' is incorrect and the correct word is 'here'
  - B. 'noise' is incorrect and the correct word is 'voice'
  - C. 'there' is incorrect and the correct word is 'here' and 'noise' is incorrect and the correct word is 'voice'
  - D. Both two words, 'there' and 'noise', are correct
41. Which of the following statement is appropriate if the two underlined sentences are combined together?
- A. It was painful so I did not cry.
  - B. I did not cry because it was painful.
  - C. It was painful so that I did not cry.
  - D. Even though it was painful, I did not cry.
42. Which is best to be filled in the blank in Sentence 10?
- A. How
  - B. When
  - C. What
  - D. Where
43. Which statement should be removed to improve the overall unity of the passage?
- A. I am an extrovert, out-going and easy-going person.
  - B. The facilities in the parks were different and we could explore each of them.
  - C. Sometimes I fell to the ground and got hurt.
  - D. Taking part in various kinds of extra-curricular activities is definitely one of the major parts in my school life.

Passage B

- 1) Since its establishment in July 2017, the Police Anti-Deception Coordination Centre (ADCC) has received over 160 000 calls from the public, prevented 2 000 on-going deception cases and intercepted defrauded money as much more as \$11.79 billion. \_\_\_\_\_, with assistance from different units, the ADCC has mounted 632 operations and arrested 661 persons, involving at least 614 deception cases as at 31 May 2023.
- 2) 1. In an effort to step up anti-deception publicity to address the trend of deception cases, the ADCC also launched several anti-deception promotional campaigns from late July to August 2023. 2. SILVERSHIELD ambassadors were recruited and trained in \_\_\_\_\_ with various government departments, public and private organisations. 3. To facilitate the interaction with the public and encourage organisations from different sectors in the community to help convey anti-deception messages, “Project SILVERSHIELD” was launched in June 2023. 4. The number of anti-deception events were held to spread anti-deception messages and promote “Scams are rampant; Tell everyone.”

44. In the first sentence in paragraph (1), which word should be deleted to make the sentence grammatically correct and the meaning is clearer?

- A. its
- B. over
- C. deception
- D. more

45. Which is best to be filled in the blank in paragraph (1)?

- A. However
- B. Moreover
- C. As a result
- D. Finally

46. Which is the correct sequence for the four sentences in paragraph (2)?

- A. 4→3→1→2
- B. 1→3→4→2
- C. 3→2→4→1
- D. 2→3→1→4

47. Which is better to replace the underlined word, ‘several’ in Sentence 1 in paragraph (2)?

- A. abundant
- B. a sense of
- C. unique
- D. a series of

48. Which is best to be filled in the blank in Sentence 2 in paragraph (2)?
- A. deal
  - B. collaboration
  - C. turn
  - D. return
49. Where should the word, 'better' to be inserted in Sentence 3 in paragraph (2)?
- A. Between 'To' and 'facilitate'
  - B. Between 'the' and 'interaction'
  - C. Between 'different' and 'sectors'
  - D. Between 'help' and 'convey'
50. Which of the underlined word/words in paragraph (2) is/are incorrect and how should it/they be corrected?
- A. 'The' is incorrect and the correct word is 'A'.
  - B. 'promote' is incorrect and the correct word is 'promoted'.
  - C. 'The' is incorrect and the correct word is 'A' and 'promote' is incorrect and the correct word is 'promoted'.
  - D. both two words, 'The' and 'promote' are correct.

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## KEY (Test 6)

### Section A: Comprehension Passage 1

Total: 20 marks (2 marks @)

1. B	2. C	3. C	4.D	5. A
6. B	7. D	8. A	9. B	10. A

### Section B: Error Identification

Total: 10 marks (2 marks @)

11. B	12. C	13. D	14.A	15. D
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### Section C: Sentence Completion

Total: 40 marks (2 marks @)

16. B	17. B	18. C	19. D	20. D
21. A	22. B	23. C	24. D	25. C
26. A	27. B	28. C	29. A	30. B
31. D	32. A	33. A	34. B	35. D

### Section D: Paragraph Improvement

Total: 30 marks (2 marks @)

36. B	37. D	38. A	39. C	40. B
41. D	42. C	43. D	44. D	45. B
46. C	47. D	48. B	49. A	50. A