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第一部分:知识运用(共两节,30 分)第一节 完形填空(共 10 小题;每小题 1.5 分,共 15 分)

Zhang Yupeng, once a “ troubled” youth, won the gold medal at the 47th World Skills Competition in France.

In 2018, things__1__ when he saw older students crafting delicate, sparkling jewelry. The process of designing and crafting jewelry with precious metals grabbed his interest, __2__ him to choose jewelry design as his path.

However, because Zhang had been inattentive to his studies before, he had to start from the beginning. He spent __3__ hours building his skills, practicing everything from drawing and cutting to welding(焊接)and polishing. “I don't even remember how many sheets of paper I used, how many pens I wore out, or how many failed pieces I made," he said. His__4__ finally woke his inborn talent, enabling him to quickly master important skills and get them down to a fine art. “Every time I create a piece, I feel like I'm having a conversation. That connection with art brings me immense joy, The sense of happiness is indescribable, especially when inspiration strikes, or when a piece is __5__ polished," he says, His work began to gain recognition at various events.

Zhang__6__ his progress to all the setbacks he encountered, and to weaknesses he discovered during each competition. He__7__ remembers his instructor telling him that results were secondary, and what was important was to observe the differences between himself and others, identify any issues, and think about how to improve. To him, there's no shortcut __8__ hard work to make it into the top arena(竞技舞台).

Zhang is now passing on his experience to younger students as a tutor “' If my experience is any__9__, young people should find what they are passionate about and understand that only with hard work can they realize their__10__ in their chosen field,” he said.

1. A. occurred　B. passed　C. appeared　D. changed
2. A. forcing　B. guiding　C. inspiring　D. convincing
3. A. happy　B. limited　C. countless　D. precious
4. A. effort　B. confidence　C. ambition　D. courage
5. A. quickly　B. perfectly　C. carefully　D. immediately
6. A. matches　B. relates　C. compares　D. owes
7. A. clearly　B. suddenly　C. proudly　D. occasionally
8. A. in spite of　B. apart from　C. due to　D. in terms of
9. A. reference　B. evidence　C. influence　D. convenience
10. A. vision　B. feature　C. value　D. impact

第二节语法填空(共 10 小题;每小题 1.5 分,共 15 分)

A

The Spring Festival was inscribed on the UNESCO Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity. China will take this opportunity to hold various forms of Spring Festival celebration activities globally. These activities,__11__ are expected to be participated in by people from different countries, will make the Spring Festival a happy time for people all over the world to enjoy and share together. So far, nearly 20 countries in the

world 12 (set) the Lunar New Year as an official holiday, and about one fifth of the global population celebrate it in different forms, This shows 13 popular the Spring Festival is around the world.

B

At the 13th " Taoli Cup" National Dancing Education Showcase of China, held on December 19 to 20, 2023, young performers from Xizang 14 (leave) the audience in awe. Dressed in traditional clothing, they skillfully danced 15 the rhythm of the dramyin, a traditional musical, instrument, Their version of the Guozhuang and the Xianzi dances was seamlessly(无缝地) integrated with elements of modern street dance styles. This integration created a 16 (surprising) harmonious blend that appealed to the audience

C

A city walk is a form of urban tourism 17 (originate) in the U.K., with a strong emphasis on digging deep into the city's history, culture and landscapes. The appeal of a city walk 18 (lie) in many aspects. Most obviously, the young generation gradually change their attitude toward life, pursuing quality leisure time while being occupied with demanding workloads, with 19 (limit) time for exploration. City, walks will become a huge trend because they have people abandon the tense tick-off-spots style of travel 20 (pursue) a deep theme-oriented tour that integrates personal thinking and aesthetic(美学) preferences,

第二部分:阅读理解(共两节,38 分)

第一节 语法填空 (共 14 小题;每小题 2 分,共 28 分)

A

With the arrival of digital technology, digital libraries now have a wealth of free resources, making information easily accessible at no cost. Knowing where to search helps you to uncover a diverse arrangement of free e-books, audio-books and other online materials.

Internet Archive

The Internet Archive, possibly the largest digital library, houses a treasure of over 36 million e books, alongside 778 billion web pages and millions of videos, concerts, audio files and software programs. Acting as a digital time machine, it preserves unique items from the1990s and earlier, E-books are carefully organized by category, collection, author, topic, or year. Users can rate and review books and even upload their own media after registration. **Open Library**

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an extensive description of the story and the author, as well as a book summary to understand the book you are considering.

21. Which library allows readers to upload their own digital materials?

A. Open Library. B. Smashwords. C. ManyBooks. D. Internet Archive.

22. Both Open Library and ManyBooks offer_____.

A. free software programs B. multiple e-book genres

C. individualized reading lists D. detailed authors' information

23. Where is the passage most likely chosen from?

A. A guide on how to borrow e-books.

B. An introduction of the benefits of digital libraries.

C. A review of various digital platforms for free resources.

D. An instruction on how to upload contents to online libraries

B

Tara grew up in a remote mountain region of Idaho, where her family led an unconventional lifestyle, avoiding modern society. Formal education was frowned upon, and Tara spent her childhood working alongside her parents mixing herbs with her mother and helping her father in his scrapyard(废料场). Books were rare in their home, and Tara's learning was limited to what her parents chose to teach.

As Tara grew older, she became aware of the world beyond her family's isolated home. Her curiosity about education deepened. At the age of 16, she decided to change her life and pursue formal learning, a decision that created tension within her family. With no formal schooling, Tara taught herself basic subjects, often studying late into the night. When she finally gained admission to college, she faced enormous challenges: she struggled to keep up with classmates and often doubted her ability to succeed.

College life was not easy. With no formal schooling background, she had to teach herself everything from basic math to history, it was a journey filled with obstacles and moments of self-doubt, The idea of sitting in a college classroom seemed almost impossible. Yet, she persevered, driven by a desire to understand and grow.

Entering college, Tara faced not only academic challenges but deep-seated fears from her upbringing. Every classroom discussion seemed overwhelming, every historical fact she hadn't learned made her feel out of place. But Tara found teachers who believed in her potential. They guided her, and she started to see herself as more than her past. Over time, Tara's endurance paid off. She earned a doctorate at Cambridge, transforming her life and redefining what was possible.

Looking back, Tara realized her journey was not just about gaining knowledge it was about facing challenges bravely and having the courage to redefine who she really was.

24. What prevented Tara from formal education during her childhood?

A. Her young age. B. Her lack of interest. C. Her parents' attitude. D. Her heavy workload.

25. What motivated Tara to seek an education?

A. Pressure from her life. B. Desire for knowledge.

C. Tension within her family. D. Encouragement from her parents.

26. What challenge did Tara face when she started college?

A. She struggled with making friends.

B. She had never attended school before.

C. She had difficulty adjusting to the urban environment.

D. She faced financial difficulties in paying for college tuition.

27. What can be learned from Tara's story?

A. Family support guarantees success.

B. Pursuing education is easy for everyone

C. Isolation helps individuals achieve their goals.

D. Overcoming difficulties leads to personal growth.

C

Generative Al Is Likely to Worsen the E-Waste Crisis

Every time generative artificial intelligence drafts an e-mail or creates an image, the planet pays for it. Making two images can consume as much energy as charging a smartphone, a single exchange with ChatGPT can heat up a server so much that it requires a bottle's worth of water to cool. By 2027, the global AI sector could annually consume as much electricity as the Netherlands. A study in Nature Computational Science identifies another concern? AI's contribution to the mounting heap of electronic waste. Generative Al applications alone could add 1.2 million to 5 million metric tons of e-waste by 2030.

This would add to the millions of tons of electronic products: the globe gets rid of annually. Cell phones, computers, and other digital products often contain mercury(汞) lead, or other toxins. If thrown away improperly, they can contaminate air, water, and soil. In 2022, the UN found that about 78% of the world's e-waste ended up in landfills or unofficial recycling sites, where laborers risk their health to collect rare metals.

AI rapidly consumes physical data storage devices and high-performance components which last only two to five years but are replaced quickly as newer versions emerge. Asaf Tzachor, a researcher at Reichman University, emphasizes the importance of monitoring
and reducing AI's environmental impacts.

Tzachor's study examined the volume of hardware used for large language models and its lifespan. It predicts that the adoption of generative Al could increase e-waste, although hardware innovations might help reduce this. Meanwhile, technological advances could make Al system more accessible, increasing their use.

This study's main contribution is highlighting AI's environmental consequences. Researchers like Shaolei Ren from UC Riverside suggest that Al companies should slow their pace to minimize these effects.

Currently, few countries have strict e-waste disposal laws. In the U.S., there's no federal requirement for recycling electronics, although some states have policies. A new bill, the Artificial Intelligence Environmental Impacts Act of 2024, aims to address AI's environmental impact but lacks compulsory reporting from companies. Microsoft and Google, however, have committed to reaching net-zero waste and emissions by 2030.

To limit e-waste, companies can extend the life of their servers through" regular maintenance or repurpose old hardware, which can reduce waste by 42%. More efficient design could cut the demand for hardware and energy, potentially reducing e-waste by 86%.

28. The phrase “the mounting heap” underlined in Paragraph 1 probably means ___?___

A. growing amount B. effective recycling C. fast consumption D. practical application

29. According to Asaf Tzachor, ___is likely to contribute to the growth of AI-related
e-waste.

A. the use of the rare metals

B. the improvement in language models

C. the increasing accessibility of Al technology

D, the reduction in the number of hardware components.

30. What is implied about the U.S, federal law on e-waste management?

A. It is inadequate due to the lack of enforcement.

B. It is effective in ensuring proper disposal of e-waste.

C. It has recently been updated to include Al regulations.

D. It forces companies to report their e-waste disposal practices.

31. What is the author's purpose in writing this article?

A. To showcase AI's potential for reducing e-waste

B. To explain the mechanisms behind Al technology.

C. To highlight the urgency of reducing AI's environmental impact.

D. To analyze the possibilities of lessening AI's environmental footprint.

D

We humans have a natural tendency to exaggerate our positive qualities, and compare ourselves favorably with others, which is called " self-enhancement effect". Famously, back in the 1980s, researchers showed that up to 80 percent of motorists considered themselves to have above-average driving skills. If you're a regular driver, you have to know that this cannot be true even if you persist in believing it about yourself.

One reason for this tendency is that it acts as protection against the mental pain that comes from negative comparisons with others. Neuroscientists writing in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences in 2013 used fMRI and PET scans to show that feeling superior to others boosts dopamine(多巴胺)release, which in turn suppresses(抑制) activity in parts of the brain associated with psychological discomfort.

However, although self-enhancement feels good in the short term, it is not a long-term solution to life's problems, Sooner or later, you're bound to be confronted with a painful adjustment to the truth. For instance, researchers writing in the Journal of Personality and Social Psychology showed that when college, students held an overestimated view of their own academic ability, it enhanced their mood and positive effect--that is, they enjoyed happier feelings. But the illusion (幻觉) of superiority did not translate into better academic performance. In fact, the students tended to fail at their academic expectations, and that in part led to lower self-esteem over the long term.

One suggestion: Reframe your imperfections, not as failings but as interesting puzzles to solve. If you like puzzles, you may have noticed that you initially enjoy the ones that are simple to crack, but quickly get bored and look for trickier alternatives. But if they're too hard, you simply grow frustrated. The zone of enjoyment moves up as you increase in skill and can tackle more difficulty. Life's challenges are like puzzles: A great deal of the present-day increase in unhappiness comes from the fact that when we use self-enhancement to avoid the discomfort .of struggle, we unintentionally get stuck below the zone of enjoyment in the fascinating game of self-improvement.

You don't need to make any improvements, because you're perfect already? How boring!

32. What does the "self-enhancement effect" refer to?

A. The ability to ignore negative traits.　　B. The tendency to compare with others.

C. The belief in one's superiority over others　D. The motivation to enhance inner qualities.

33. The potential consequence of holding a self-enhancement view is ____.

A. temporary satisfaction B. objective self-assessment

C. improved social connections D. long-lasting academic success

34. What can we learn from the last two paragraphs?

A. Playing games leads to long term enjoyment.

B. Pursuing simple solutions always keeps people happy.

C. Regarding weaknesses as challenges can promote personal improvement.

D. Comparing oneself favorably with others boosts self-esteem permanently,

第二节 七选五 (共 5 小题;每小题 2 分,共 10 分)

For college applicants, the essay is the place to showcase their writing skills and let their unique voice shine through. And it is a student's chance to really speak directly to the ad- missions office, to make a good impression and to boost their chances of being accepted. 35 . This can feel like a lot of pressure.

36 . They tend to be broad, open-ended questions, giving students the freedom to write about a wide range of topics. In fact, it's challenging to think of putting your whole life in one essay.

Students should narrow their focus and write about a specific experience or hobby that reveals something personal, like how they think, what they value or what their strengths are 37 . There are certain types of essays that typically stand out to admissions officers.

What's most important is that a college essay is thoughtful. 38. Think of the collage essay as a meaningful glimpse of who you are beyond your other application materials. After reading your essay, the reader won't fully know you---at least not entirely. Your objective is to excite the readers curiosity and make them eager to get to know you. But you should avoid hyperbole(夸张), which can lose the readers trust. 39.

If students are having trouble brainstorming potential topics, they can ask friends or family members for help. Students can ask pees or family members questions such as, " What are the things you think I do well?" Or, " What are my oddities?"

A. It's also wise to avoid using irrelevant adverbs and adjectives

B. But they have only several hundred words to make that happe

C. It tells a story that offers insight into who a student is as a person

D. However, college applicants usually encounter potentials in the essay

E. Students can also write about what illustrates an aspect of their background

F. So students need to outline their essay before jumping into the actual writing

G. There are usually several essay topics to choose from for a college application

第三部分:书面表达(共两节，32 分)

第一节 阅读表达(共 4 小题;第 40、41 题各 2 分,第 42 题 3 分,第 43 题 5 分,共 12 分)

1+1=MORE (or LESS)

Why does one plus one equal two? One possible answer is simply "It just does!" or" Because I said so!"--an answer that frustrates children for generations. But rather than asking why one plus one is two, let's question if it's always true.

Sometimes, one plus one equals more than two, For example, if two pairs of tennis players get together, there are more than two pairs because they can play in different combinations. If the first pair is A and B, and the second

is C and D, the possible pains are AB, AC, AD, BC, and CD--making six. Sometimes, one plus one equals just one, like when you combine two piles of sand or mix two colors there's only one pile or one color,

Math isn’t just about finding the right answer, it's about building solid reasoning. This is why children need to learn different "strategies" for the same problem. Though parents often wonder if they can do something one way, why they need to know all these other ways? But different ways of thinking lead to deeper understanding and provide more ways to check if what you're doing is secure. Consider designing a jungle gym. We'd want to test it in every way to ensure it's safe--by jumping, swinging, or puling it apart--rather than simply trusting that it's well-built. The strength of math comes from questioning its framework so deeply.

I hope that mathematics should be seen as a place to pose questions and explore answers, rather than a place where the answers are fixed. We should encourage curiosity and value those who pursue it, even when the journey is slow or uncertain.

40. According to the passage, when does one plus one equal just one?

41. What does the example of designing the jungle gym try to tell us?

42. Decide which part of the following statement is wrong. Underline it and explain why.

>***The strength of math lies in questioning its framework, so the math should be a place to explore fixed answers.***

43. When exploring answers or solutions, what quality/qualities do we need and why?

(In about 40 words)

第二节 写作 (20 分)

假设你是红星中学高三 1 班学生李华,得知你校交换生 Jim 对中国文化非常感兴趣,请你写一封邮件,邀请他参加即将举办的研学之旅。内容包括: 1.介绍研学的安排; 2.说明安排的理由。

注意:1.词数 120 左右; 2.开头和结尾已给出,不计人总词数。

Dear Jim,

Yours,

Li Hua

参考答案

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1-5 DCCAB 6-10 DABAC

第二节 语法填空(共 10 小题;每小题 1.5 分,共 15 分)

11. which 12. have set 13. how 14. left 15.to

16. surprisingly 17.originating 18. lies 19. limited 20. to pursue.

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35.B 36.G 37.E 38.C 39.A

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41. The example tries to tell us that different ways of thinking lead to deeper understanding and provide more ways to check if what we're doing is secure.

42. ***The strength of math lies in questioning its framework, so the math should be a place to explore fixed answers.***

According to the passage, the strength of math lies in questioning its framework, so the author thinks that math should be a place to pose questions and explore answers rather than a place with fixed answers.

43. When exploring answers or solutions, we need curiosity and an open mind. On the one hand, curiosity drives us to raise questions and seek knowledge for better solutions. And an open mind enables us to consider various possibilities and perspectives, which can enhance our motivation for further exploration with the fuel of curiosity.

第二节 写作 (20 分) v One possible version:

Dear Jim,

How are you? I am excited to invite you to join us on a remarkable journey through the heart of Chinese history and culture a study tour in Xi'an, the cradle of Chinese civilization next month.

The reasons for our selection is comprehensive. Firstly, Xi'an, as a thirteen-dynasty capital will make us experience China's past and present. Secondly, the sites we will visit are not only UNESCO World Heritage Sites but also serve as living classrooms where we can immerse ourselves in rich Chinese culture. Lastly, this journey is designed to provide an educational experience, blending historical insights with cultural immersion. I am sure that this study tour will match your passion for Chinese culture. Are you interested? Hope you can join us!

Yours,

Li Hua