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Directions: Suppose your school is organizing an orientation program (新生训练; 新生练习) to help the freshmen adapt to the new environment and academic studies. You are now to write a proposal, which may include its aim, duration, participants and activities.

参考范文:

To whom it may concern,

I'm a junior from Law School. The new semester will begin and a group of newbies are about to arrive. In order to help them adapt to the new environment and academic studies, I propose that an orientation program should be held during the first week of this September.

The program is to help freshmen learn what they will confront in the coming college life by passing out necessary materials and explaining their questions about campus activities. So volunteers needed in this program should be those who are sophomores or juniors and are ready to help others. The program will start on 1st of next month and all participants should gather at 7 in the morning at the northeast corner of the Main Square to prepare for the leaflets and handbooks which will be distributed to freshmen. As new students are stepping onto the campus, volunteers should help them to carry their luggage, pass out manuals, answer their possible questions and take them to their own dormitories.

I believe this program will be successfully held and it will greatly help freshmen to feel welcomed and warm in a strange but friendly environment.

Best wishes,

Bill

听力原文

News report 1

Q1 United Airlines has apologized for mistakenly shipping an American family's pet dog in the wrong direction to Japan. The dog owner's beloved 10-year-old dog named Buddy, took an unexpected 16-hour flight to Tokyo following a mix-up by the airline. The dog owner's family are currently in the process of moving. They were meant to be reunited with the pet in their new home city in Texas. But, when they arrived at the United Airlines cargo facility in the southern US state, they found a stranger's dog waiting in Buddy's place. Both of the dogs had been sent to the wrong destinations on connecting flights from Denver, with Buddy mistakenly being sent to Japan instead. Buddy was given a physical check-up when he arrived at Tokyo's International Airport. The dog was then sent back to the US on a private chartered jet. "I'm so glad he's alive and coming home soon," said the relieved dog owner. "An error occurred during the connections in Denver. Q2 We have notified our customers that their pets arrived safely. We will arrange to return the pens to them as soon as possible," a spokesperson of United Airlines said.

Q1 What does the news before say about United Airlines?

Q2 what did the spokesperson for United Airlines say they would do after the incident?

News Report 2

Officials at Reid Park Zoo in Tucson, Arizona, are celebrating the birth of a baby elephant. Zoo officials say the baby was born on Monday. It is a female, and she weighs nearly 130 kilograms. Q3: Samba, her mother is a 30-year-old African elephant. The pregnancy lasted 22 months. Officials describe the baby elephant as healthy, standing and nursing.

The baby hasn't been given a name yet. Samba has given birth before. Zoo officials said during this pregnancy, she was closely monitored through physical exams and blood tests. Doctor Sue Tagalsky is the zoo's director of the zoological operations. Q4: She said the elephant's birth went smoothly and, that there were no complications. The new baby expands the zoo's elephant herd to six. That includes the baby's parents, a sister, a brother, and an adult female.

Question three and four are based on the news report you have just heard.

Q3: What do we learn about the mother elephant Samba?

Q4: What does the report say about the birth of the new baby elephant?

News report 3

Three years ago, a couple was enjoying a meal at a beach restaurant. The restaurant was built on a wooden structure above the sea water. During the meal, the man's wedding ring slipped off his finger. It fell through the wooden floorboards apparently lost forever. Recently, the restaurant manager Ron Krivoy decided to replace the wooden deck, and he found an old gold coin, some \$100 bills and a silver wedding ring while replacing the deck. The restaurant's waitress, Sasha F Mecca posted a picture of the ring on Facebook. The post was shared about 5,000 times. 3 days later, the happy wife called to claim the ring. She even tested pictures of her and her husband eating there in 2017 as proof. The restaurant mailed the ring back to the happy couple. Meanwhile, Krivoy discovered that the gold coin was very rare. It was from 1855 and worth as much as \$2,000.

Questions 5 to 7 are based on the news report, you have just heard.

Q5: What do we learn about the restaurant?

Q6: What did the restaurant manager decide to do recently?

Q7: What did the waitress do about the recovered ring?

Conversation one (暂无)

Conversation two

M: Okay, Miss Bright. I finished calculating. I estimate you have between 210 and 240 square meters of walls and ceiling.

W: So how much would the paint job cost?

M: That would depend on the quality of paint you choose. We carry two brands - one cost 60 cents every square meter, and the other 90 cents. The second is guaranteed to look great for about 10 years, whereas the cheaper one will start to dull after around 6 or 7 years.

W: In that case, we would prefer the more expensive option.

M: All right, then. So including labor costs, taxes, and everything, this job would come to \$3,000.

W: Emm, to be perfectly honest, that's more than I expected.

M: Please bear in mind that the price includes moving all the furniture, and the whole task would take 2 days.

W: Really? Why?

M: Well, we can't paint the walls without clearing all the furniture first. So every time we paint a room, we first have to move the furniture to another room. So that takes more time. Plus, it requires two people, which works out more expensive.

W: I see. But does that mean I could not live here in my own house during those 2 days [13]?

M: That is correct.

W: Oh well, that changes everything I'm afraid. I would have to stay with a friend or check into a hotel [14]. I hadn't considered any of that. I'm starting to realize that painting my house [12] is far more troublesome than I had anticipated [15].

M: This is usually the case. Most of our clients go through the same realization.

W: I see.

M: You have my number. Please feel free to call me for any further questions.

W: Thank you.

12. What is the woman planning to do?

13. What is the woman's chief concern?

14. What does the woman have to do while the paint job is being done?

15. What has the woman come to realize at the end of the conversation?

Passage 1

Homework is an important part of schooling, but the purposes of giving children

homework will change as they grow older. Q16: At the primary level, the main aim is to cultivate good habits, like learning to plan and exercising self discipline. During the secondary school years, extending what is learned at school is positively related to academic achievement. So the content of homework becomes more important. So how can you help your child do their best? Q17: Creating an ideal working environment will make it easier for them to get down to their assignments quickly. Make sure it's free of distractions. And for primary school children at least somewhere near you. So you can answer questions and offer encouragement. You probably have to help younger children plan their session. But it's important that by the end of primary school, it's second nature get them to tell you everything they have to do, then encourage them to establish an order in which they do work. Q18: When there are several different assignments, make sure they begin with one they enjoy. So it seems easy to get started. It's best to take on the most difficult task second. Once they're settled, but before they get tired, if older children have more than an hour of homework, encourage them to schedule a short break to stretch. If you encourage them to tell you what they've learned, they'll absorb the information more deeply and remember it more readily.

Question 16 to 18 are based on the passage you have just heard.

Q16. What is the main aim of homework for primary school kids?

Q17. What does the passage suggest parents do to help their children?

Q18. What should children do to deal with multiple assignments?

Passage 2

Workers at Mexican Oil Company will receive a health incentive of almost \$300 a year if they meet certain body weight standards. To qualify for the bonus, Q19: they must

maintain a healthy weight. For those who are overweight or obese, they can receive the bonus if they reduce their weight by 10 % during the year. Some applaud the policy as fair, because it rewards both individuals who maintain a healthy weight and those who are working towards achieving it.

Q20: But critics say the policy contradicts recommendations by many health experts who warned that a person's weight is influenced by genetic and environmental factors. That means weight can be hard for individuals to control, which makes the bonus unfair. Some experts say the policy is inconsistent with the science of what we know about body weight regulation. These experts argue that focusing on wage is the wrong approach. Q21: A more productive method of encouraging health among employees is to promote healthy behaviors. For example, companies can give workers gym memberships, or encourage participation in lectures on healthy eating and living. They can also reduce sweets and provide healthier snacks in the office and healthier meals at the company canteen. Or they can give employees more time during their lunch break to exercise. These are much better and much more productive ways for companies to move forward on their employees' well being.

Questions 19 to 21 are based on the passage you have just heard.

Q19. Who will qualify for the bonus in Mexican Oil Company?

Q20. What do critics think of Mexican Oil Company's bonus policy?

Q21. What do experts propose companies do about workers' well being?

Passage 3

Campaigners have warned that the Q22: British government is not doing enough to prevent left-handed pupils from falling behind their peers. They claim that thousands of

children are still being penalized for being left-handed. This is due to a lack of action from ministers who failed to take any meaningful action for years. It is feared that a failure to address early year challenges such as poor handwriting is too much more serious problems down the line with these pupils facing reduced career prospects. Q23: Studies in recent years show that left-handed children are more likely to suffer with learning difficulties, and their scores are lower on IQ tests. Campaigners feel it's strange that children and British schools are penalized because they happen to be left-handed. They don't understand why successive governments have failed to act on this. Q24: They want the Department of Education to record which children are left-handed and what their educational attainments are since they make up some 10 % of the population. In early year education, left-handed children are struggling and making a mess of their handwriting. Educators don't know how to deal with this. In many cases, there's no active help and a lack of teacher training. Q25: Campaigners point out that a high percentage of the prison population is left-handed. They say that these prison numbers are unusually high and ask why it is the case.

Questions 22 to 25 are based on the passage you have just heard.

Q22. Why are some people criticizing the British government?

Q23. What do studies in recent years show about left-handed children?

Q24. What do the campaigners demand the Department of Education do?

Q25. What do the campaigners want to know about left-handed prisoners?

参考答案

1.C) It sent two dogs to the wrong destinations.

2.A) Correct their mistake as soon as possible.

3.B) She has had babies before.

4.C) It was smooth.

5.D) It was built above the sea-water.

6.B) Replace the restaurant's wooden deck.

7.C) She posted its picture on Face books.

8.D) Duck hunting remains legal in many parts of the world.

9.A) Droughts.

10.B) Their neat is not that popular.

11.D) They poisoned wild ducks in large numbers.

12.A) Have her house repainted.

13.B) How much the work will cost.

14.C) Stay somewhere else.

15.B) Painting a house involves more trouble than she thought.

16.A) To cultivate good habits.

17.B) Create an ideal study environment for them.

18.C) Start with something they enjoy.

19.A) Workers who meet its body weight standards.

20.D) Unfair.

21.C) Encourage healthy behaviors.

22.A) It has not done enough to help left-handed children.

23.D) They tend to have more difficulties in learning.

24.D) Keep track of left-handed children' s school performance.

25.B) Why their numbers are so high.

选词填空第一套:

The sheets are damp with sweat.You are cold,but your heart is.....

26.G) fear

27.C) avoid

28.H) limited

29.D) aware

30.B) answer

31.O) typically

32.J) result

33.L) rigorous

34.K) review

35.M) tend

信息匹配

There's a stress gap between men and women...

36.[H] Like Ms, Li, many women try to manage the added stress to reach what Dr Joyce said was an unattainable ideal. "Some professional women aim to do it all They want to reach the top of the corporate ladder and fly like supermom,"she said.

37.[E] ference, however, is in the nature and scope of these responsibilities in the home ent in particular, "Dr Joyce said. For example, the United Nations reported that nearly three times as much unpaid domestic work as men.

38.[C] It's a common story-one we frequently ridicule and readily dismiss, for example, by claiming that women tend to complain more than men, despite the growing sum of research that underlines the problem.

39. [K] Disconnecting from work and home responsibilities is also obviously important. But it's much casier said than done. It is important to understand what causes your stress in the first place.

40.[F] it s not just inside he home, though. Research from Nova Southeastern University found that female managers were more likely than male managers to. display <surface. acting> or forcing emotions that are not wholly felt.

41.[I] The stress problem extends beyond mental health when you consider the link between stress a anxiety and heart health. Worse, most of what we know about heart disease comes from studies involving men...

42.[B] Ms. Li said her stress led to sleeplessness. When she did sleep, she experienced " problem-solving dreams, "which left her feeling unrested when she woke up. After I became a first-time mother, I quickly realized i was so busy caring for other people and work that I felt like I'd lost myself,.. .

43.[G] Surface acting is a prime example of " emotional labor"a concept that the writer Jess Zimmerman made familiar in a 2015 essay. The essay sparked a massive thread,on the Internet community blog Meta Filter. .

仔细阅读

As many office workers adapt to remote work, cities may undergo fundamental change if offices remain under-utilized.

46.C) It benefits employers at the expense of employees.

47.D) It negatively impacts productivity.

48.A) To provide convincing data for serious discussion.

49.C) Employers' gain from remote working should go to employees as compensation.

50.A) It should be avoided if possible.

The human thirst for knowledge is the driving force behind our successful development as a species.

51.B) It is the force that pushes human society forward.

52.A) It motivates people to seek information.

53.D) They work in conjunction with the environment.

54. B) They prefer to go after all that is novel.

55.A) The cost of humans' curiosity to explore.

翻译

都江堰(Dujiangyan)坐落在成都平原西部的岷江上，距成都市约 50 公里，始建于公元前三世纪。它的独特之处在于无需用堤坝调控水流。两千多年来，都江堰一直有效地发挥着防洪与灌溉作用，使成都平原成为旱涝保收的沃土和中国最重要的粮食

产地之一。都江堰工程体现了我国人民与自然和谐共存的智慧，是全世界年代最久、仍在使用的无坝控水的水利工程。

Dujiangyan, whose construction was started in the 3rd century BC, is located across the Minjiang River in west Chengdu Plain, about 50 kilometres away from Chengdu. What impresses people most is the damless water control. For over 2,000 years, it has been playing an effective role in flood prevention and irrigation, turning the Chengdu Plain into a fertile land guaranteed for harvest against drought or flood and one of the most significant grain production areas in China. Dujiangyan serves as the oldest water conservancy project in the world, which is still used to control water without the help of dam, embodying the Chinese wisdom that people and nature co-exist in harmony.