Q1

正确答案：A

解析：“a series of changes in the organization of human communities that culminated in the rise of large ancient empires ” 的大意是“一系列的人类群体组织的变化\_\_\_\_\_古代帝国的崛起”，选项中最符合句内逻辑关系的是reached a high point with，“达到高点”，与culminate in（达到顶峰）的意思也一致。

Q2

正确答案：A

解析：根据题目关键词early farmers定位到The first farmers, undoubtedly used simple techniques and still relied primarily on other forms of food production, such as hunting, foraging, or pastoralism（早期的农民使用简单的农耕技术，仍旧主要依靠其它方法获取食物，比如打猎放牧等）。A选项的表述与定位句意思一致。

第2段并没有描述早期农民是否被驱逐出社群和是洪水受害者的事，排除B和C；D选项的表述与原文表述意思相反：An additional benefit was that the sediment carried by the river waters deposited nutrients in the soil, thus enabling the farmer to cultivate a single plot of ground for many years without moving to a new location，排除D。

Q3

正确答案：B

解析：undoubtedly , “无疑地；确实地；千真万确地”，故选certainly (无疑；确定；肯定)。increasingly, “越来越多地；日益；格外”；in general, “通常，大体上；一般来说，总的来说”； apparently，“显然”。

Q4

正确答案：AB

解析：根据题目关键词chose river valleys for cultivation定位到原文：The advantage was that crops grown in such areas were not as dependent on rainfall and therefore produced a more reliable harvest. 这句话的大意是在河流域耕地对雨水的依赖较少，对应B选项：不完全依赖雨水灌溉；再定位到An additional benefit was that the sediment carried by the river waters deposited nutrients in the soil, thus enabling the farmer to cultivate a single plot of ground for many years without moving to a new location. 这句话的大意是河流域的水能在土壤中沉淀营养，对应 A 选项：土壤营养丰富。

Q5

正确答案：B

解析：第二段讲的都是在河流域种植作物的优势，词汇所在句子说的也是积极的意思。As time went on, such communities gradually learned how to direct the flow of water to\_\_\_\_\_ the productive capacity of the land，flow water对于productive capacity的作用应该是改善的作用，所以最符合上下文意的选项是improve(提高，改善)。enhance，“提高，增强”。

Q6

正确答案：D

解析：词汇所在句的核心结构是efforts provoked the first steps toward cooperative activities（“多方面的努力\_\_\_\_合作活动的第一步”）。最符合上下文意的选项是brought about（bring about，造成，引起）provoke，“激起， 引起， 招致，激怒”。secure，“获得安全，变得安全；保险；担保”；coordinate，“协调，协同”；model，“模仿；制作模型；塑造”。

Q7

正确答案：D

解析：定位到第3段第二句 The increase in food production in these regions led to a significant growth in population, while efforts to control the flow of water to maximize the irrigation of cultivated areas and to protect the local inhabitants from hostile forces outside the community provoked the first steps toward cooperative activities on a large scale. 这句话中， significant growth in population对应 A 选项；efforts to control the flow of water 对应 B 选项；protect the local inhabitants from hostile forces outside the community 对应 C 选项；D选项不是政府出现的原因。

Q8

正确答案：D

解析：定位到 The first clear steps in the rise of the first civilizations took place in the fourth and third millennia B.C. in Mesopotamia, northern Africa, India, and China，A选项对应定位句中出现的地点northern Africa, India and China ；定位到 As the communities continue to grow in size and material wealth, the “big men” assume hereditary status, B选项的意思就是定位句中所说的世袭制；定位到By means of their military prowess, dominant personalities, or political talents, these people gradually emerge as the leaders of that community， C 选项是对定位句大意的概括；定位到How the first governments took shape in these areas is not certain，D选项意思与定位句相反，因此选D 。

Q9

正确答案：A

解析：通过阅读可知，第3段的大意是说多方面的因素导致了精英阶级形成了政府形式，第4段的大意是讲人类学家研究了领导者成为领军人物的原因。A选项准确描述了两段之间的内容和关系。

Q10

正确答案：A

解析：**标出的句子中，**while 表示出对比转折。句子的核心是：城市中心的经济功能，和管理中心的仪式功能。A 选项的表述对应这两个核心，并且也使用了while表示对比转折关系。

Q11

正确答案：C

解析：定位到Within these cities, new forms of livelihood appeared to satisfy the growing need for social services and consumer goods. Some people became artisans or merchants, while others became warriors, scholars, or priests（在这些城市里，新的生活形式出现了，以满足不断增长的社会服务和消费品的需求。一些人成为了艺术家或商人，另外一些人成为了战士、学者或牧师）。C选项准确概括了定位句的大意，emergence=appeared, service=social service, consumer goods=production，service- and production related jobs指的就是作者举例说明的不同的工作。

Q12

正确答案：C

解析：定位到 In some cases, the physical division within the first cities reflected the strict hierarchical character of the society as a whole, with a royal palace surrounded by an imposing wall and separate from the remainder of the urban population（在某些情况下，早期的一些城市的外部形式反映了整个社会的严格的等级特征，宏伟的墙壁包围的宫殿，会将王宫和城市人口的其余部分隔开）。意思是说是通过建立高墙来反映严格的等级制度，将统治者和普通老板姓区分开来，C选项是对这个原因准确的同义改写。

Q13

正确答案：插入第四个方框中（D）

解析：这个插入句要做到与上下文联系上，与上文联系的关键词是this，与下文联系的关键词是professional specialization。根据上下文的意思，[D]句的this作为主语，指代的是new forms of livelihood appeared to satisfy the growing needs…的这个现象，[D]句的下一句就是professional specialization的若干具体举例。

Q14

正确答案：B D E

解析：B选项的表述主要概括了第2段讲的河流域种植作物的优势之一：农民不需要经常为了生计而迁移。An additional benefit was that the sediment carried by the river waters deposited nutrients in the soil, thus enabling the farmer to cultivate a single plot of ground for many years without moving to a new location. Thus, the first truly sedentary (that is, nonmigratory) societies were born. （因为土壤中含有丰富的营养，所以一块地农民可以种很多年，因此就不用迁移到别的地方，最后就定居了）；D选项的表述主要概括了第3段的核心主旨：政府的形成；E选项的表述主要概括了第5段的核心主旨：中央集权导致了社会阶层和不同功能城市的形成。