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Part I Listening Comprehension (20%)

Section A:

Directions: In this section, you will hear three news reports. At the end of each news report, you will hear two or three questions. Both the news report and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet.

News Report One

1. A) Imported goods enjoy larger popularity than domestic goods. 国内  
B) Mobile purchase is more appealing to elderly people.  
C) Women aged 23 to 35 do most of their purchase online. C D  
D) Women make more contributions to online shopping than men.

2. A) 11 million dollars.  
B) 23 million dollars. A  
C) 35 million dollars.  
D) 70 million dollars.

News Report Two

3. A) About 180,000.  
B) About 220,000. A  
C) About 250,000.  
D) About 600,000.

4. A) Tax cuts. C  
B) Subsidy policies.  
C) Quality instead of quantity.  
D) The increase in production. ↑

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## News Report Three

5. A) It determines whether it is cold or not.  
 B) It determines whether it is poor or not.  
 C) It determines whether it has central heating or not.  
 D) It determines whether it is smoggy or not.
6. A) It often gives rise to smoggy weather.  
 B) It may not keep people warm as expected.  
 C) Its not cold enough in the south to receive heating.  
 D) It is hard to finish the task.
7. A) It will lower the quality of life in the south.  
 B) It may undermine China's energy supply.  
 C) It may worsen the smoggy weather in China.  
 D) It will receive little support of the industry experts.

## Section B

**Directions:** In this section, you will hear a passage. Both the passage and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet.

8. A) The equal rights of black people.  
 B) The political equality of women.  
 C) The better-off life of other people.  
 D) The political career of herself.
9. A) She enjoyed living with children in the neighborhood.  
 B) She hoped to make changes by educating children.  
 C) She was assigned the work of teaching after graduation.  
 D) She wanted to help children in poor areas.
10. A) Deal with changes confidently.  
 B) Find peace with those new immigrants.  
 C) offer more rights to the poor.  
 D) Respect the cultures of other groups.

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## Part II Vocabulary (20%)

## Section A

**Directions:** Complete each of the following sentences with the proper form of the word given in parentheses, and write your answer on the Answer Sheet.

1. The new test should enable doctors to \_\_\_\_\_ the disease early. (detective)  
 2. They became \_\_\_\_\_ of his behavior and contacted the police. (suspect)  
 3. There is no general agreement on a standard \_\_\_\_\_ of intelligence. (define)  
 4. A steady \_\_\_\_\_ in the popularity of two smaller parties may upset the polls. (grow)  
 5. More money is needed for the \_\_\_\_\_ of historic buildings and monuments. (preserve)

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## Section B

**Directions:** Match the following words or phrases in column A with their meanings in column B, and you are required to mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet.

Column A	Column B
6. cooperation <sup>D</sup>	A. the act of finding someone guilty of a crime in a court of law
7. feel isolated <sup>E</sup>	B. containing a lot of things or people
8. criminal conviction <sup>A</sup>	C. an understanding of what something is like
9. in dense cities <sup>B</sup>	D. working together for a common purpose
10. to have the most insight into <sup>C</sup>	E. lonely

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## Part III Reading Comprehension (30%)

## Section A

Directions: In this passage there are ten blanks. You are required to select one word for each blank from a list of choices given in a word bank. Each choice in the bank is identified by a letter. Please mark the corresponding letter for each item on Answer Sheet. You may not use any of the words in the bank more than once.

As the pace of life continues to increase, we are fast losing the art of relaxation. Once you are in the 6 of rushing through life, being on the go from morning till night, it is hard to slow down. But relaxation is 7 for a healthy mind and body.

Stress is a natural part of everyday life and there is no way to 8 it. In fact, it is not the bad thing. A certain amount of stress is vital to provide motivation and give 9 to life. It is only when the stress gets out of control that it can lead to 10 performance and ill health.

The amount of stress a person can bear depends very much on the 11. Some people are not afraid of stress, and such characters are 12 important for managerial responsibilities. Others lose heart at the first sign of unusual difficulties. When exposed to stress, in whatever form, we react both chemically and physically. In fact we make choice between "flight or fight", and in more 13 days the choices made the difference between life or death. The crises we meet today are unlikely to be so 14, but however little the stress, it involves the same response. It is when such a reaction lasts long, through continued exposure to stress, that health becomes 15. Since we can't remove stress from our lives (it would be unwise to do so even if we could), we need to find ways to deal with it.

V. a v n adv v. adj. n/a  
 A) protected B) confident C) avoid D) habit E) immediately F) prevent G) essential H) poor  
 I) primitive J) purpose K) part L) extreme M) obviously N) individual O) endangered  
 adj. n. adj. adv. adj. adj./v

## Section B

Directions: There are two passages in this part. The passage is followed by some questions or unfinished statements. For each of them there are four choices marked by A), B), C) and D). You should decide on the best choice and mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet.

## Passage 1

When we talk about intelligence we do not mean the ability to get good scores on certain kinds of tests or even the ability to do well in school. By intelligence we mean a style of life, a way of behaving in various situations. The true test of intelligence is not how much we know to do, but how we behave when we don't know what to do.

The intelligent person, young or old, meeting a new situation or problem, opens himself up to it. He tries to take in with mind and senses everything he can about it. He thinks about it, instead of about himself or what it



might cause to happen to him. He grapples with it boldly, imaginatively, resourcefully, and if not confidently, at least hopefully; if he fails to master it, he looks without fear or shame at his mistakes and learns what he can from them. This is intelligence.

If you look at children, you'll see a great difference between what we call "bright" children and "not bright" children. They are actually two different kinds of people, not just the same kind with different amounts of intelligence. For example, the bright child really wants to find out about life — he tries to get in touch with everything around him. But the unintelligent child keeps more to himself and his own dream world; he seems to have a wall between him and life in general.

1. What does the underlined phrase "grapple with" probably mean?  
A) keep up with  
B) put up with  
C) cope with  
D) agree with
2. If an intelligent person failed, he would \_\_\_\_\_.  
A) feel ashamed about the failure  
B) learn from his experiences  
C) try to find all he could  
D) make sure what's wrong with his outlook in life
3. According to the passage, what is the biggest difference between "bright" and "not bright" children?  
A) the amount of intelligence  
B) the different situations they face  
C) the different background of life  
D) the different attitudes to life
4. According to this passage, which statement is true of intelligent people?  
A) He is successful academically for sure.  
B) He behaves himself in school.  
C) He looks down upon unintelligent children.  
D) He adapts to life and solve problems efficiently.
5. What's the main idea of the passage?  
A) what does intelligence mean  
B) how will the bright children behave  
C) how to become an intelligent person  
D) how to live and behave in a new situation

#### Passage 2

Americans are proud of their variety and individuality, yet they love and respect few things more than a uniform (制服), whether it is the uniform of an elevator operator or the uniform of a five-star general. Why are uniforms so popular in the United States?

Among the arguments for uniforms, one of the first is that in the eyes of most people they look more professional than civilian clothes. People have become conditioned to expect superior quality from a man who wears a uniform. The television repairman who wears uniform tends to inspire more trust than one who appears in civilian clothes. Faith in the skill of a garage mechanic is increased by a uniform. What easier way is there for a nurse, a policeman, a barber, or a waiter to lose professional identity than to step out of uniform?

Uniforms also have many practical benefits. They save on other clothes. They save on laundry bills. They are tax-deductible. They are often more comfortable and more durable than civilian clothes.

Primary among the arguments against uniforms is their lack of variety and the consequent loss of

individuality experienced by people who must wear them. Though there are many types of uniforms, the wearer of any particular type is generally stuck with it, without change, until retirement. When people look alike, they tend to think, speak, and act similarly, on the job at least.

Uniforms also give rise to some practical problems. Though they are long-lasting, often their initial expense is greater than the cost of civilian clothes. Some uniforms are also expensive to maintain, requiring professional dry cleaning rather than the home laundering possible with many types of civilian clothes.

6. It is surprising that Americans who worship variety and individuality \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A) still judge a man by his clothes  
 B) hold the uniform in such high regard  
 C) enjoy having a professional identity  
 D) will respect an elevator operator as much as a general in uniform
7. People are accustomed to think that a man in uniform \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A) suggests quality work  
 B) discards his social identity  
 C) appears to be more practical  
 D) looks superior to a person in civilian clothes
8. The chief function of a uniform is to \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A) provide practical benefits to the wearer  
 B) make the wearer catch the public eye  
 C) inspire the wearer's confidence in himself  
 D) provide the wearer with a professional identity
9. According to the passage, people wearing uniforms \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A) are usually helpful  
 B) have little or no individual freedom  
 C) tend to lose their individuality  
 D) enjoy greater popularity
10. The best title for this passage would be \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A) Uniforms and Society  
 B) The Importance of Wearing a Uniform  
 C) Practical Benefits of Wearing a Uniform  
 D) Advantages and Disadvantages of Uniforms

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## Part IV Translation (15%)

Directions: Translate the following paragraph into English, and you are required to write your answer on the Answer Sheet.

在中国农历中，立秋（Start of Autumn）意味着夏天的结束和秋天的开始。立秋带来的首先是天气的变化，气温逐渐下降。人们看到树叶开始变黄飘落时，知道秋天已经来临。这就是所谓的“一叶知秋”。但此时酷热的天气并未完全结束，高温通常还会持续一段时间，被称为“秋老虎”。立秋对农民意义重大，这时各种秋季作物迅速生长、开始成熟，收获的季节即将到来。

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Part V Writing (15%)

Directions: Suppose you are going to write a proposal to your school canteen for improving its service. You are to write about its current problems and possible solutions to these problems with at least 120 words.

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