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When you say “soft drink,” most people will think of “cola.” Cola is sold all over the world, and it’s the best-selling soft drink in many countries. But guess what? Cola was never just a soft drink!

Cola first appeared in 1886. At that time, it was sold as a medicine. Two of its main ingredients, coca leaves and kola nuts, could help cure headaches and coughs. Today many people still believe that cola has medical benefits.

Over the years, people keep finding new uses for cola around the house. For example, it can be used for cleaning. The acid in it can make dirty pots or toilets clean. So, the next time you wash your coffee pot, pour some cola in it first. Hours later, you will be able to clean it easily. In addition, cola is great for cooking. When you cook meat, add some cola in the pot. It will give the meat a sweet taste. Also, the soda in it will make the meat tender and soft.

Cola can be used in many different ways, and you should really try some of them. However, if you just feel like drinking some, remember that there is a lot of sugar in it. After all, drinking too much of it is not very healthy and that’s no secret at all.

- () 1. What is this article mainly about?
 - (A) How the Coca Cola company was founded.
 - (B) The person who invented Coca Cola.
 - (C) The unknown and interesting facts about Coca Cola.
 - (D) How Coca Cola became the word-famous drink.
- () 2. When Coca Cola first appeared, it was used as _____.
 - (A) a drink
 - (B) a medicine
 - (C) a game
 - (D) a detergent
- () 3. Which ingredient inside Coca Cola makes it perfect for cleaning the toilets?
 - (A) The coca leaves.
 - (B) The bubbles.
 - (C) The acid
 - (D) The sugar
- () 4. Which of the following is NOT the expected effect (效果) if we cook the meat with Coca Cola?
 - (A) The meat will taste sweet.
 - (B) The meat will taste bitter.
 - (C) The meat will be soft.
 - (D) The meat will be tender.
- () 5. What does the underlined sentence in the last paragraph mean?
 - (A) There is nothing wrong to drink Coca Cola.
 - (B) We should never drink Coca Cola.

(C) Drinking too much Coca Cola will bring us bad luck.

(D) Drinking too much Coco Cola is not good for one’s health.

(2)

The Taiwanese like to give gifts, but keep in mind that there are many taboos that forbid giving certain objects as gifts. For instance, do not give anyone scissors, knives, or anything used for cutting. These indicate to the Taiwanese that you want to cut off the relationship. Do not give clocks, handkerchiefs, or straw sandals. They are associated with death. Do not wrap gifts in white, blue or black paper. White flowers, such as chrysanthemums, usually mean death and should not be given as gifts. Umbrellas and fans should be avoided because in Chinese, the word for “umbrella” or “fan” sounds like the word “to scatter.” This implies breaking apart a friendship. It is also not a good idea to give someone a pair of shoes as it implies that you want him or her to walk away. Pears are the fruit to avoid giving to people because the word for “pear” sounds like the word for “to leave” in Chinese. Plan carefully when you want to give someone a gift, or you may offend him or her.

- () 6. Which of the following is the best title for the passage?
 - (A) Not Every Gift is a Good Gift
 - (B) The Importance of Giving Gifts
 - (C) Gift Giving Taboos Around the World
 - (D) Choosing the Best Gifts for Family
- () 7. According to the passage, which color of wrapping paper may be acceptable?
 - (A) Blue.
 - (B) Green.
 - (C) White.
 - (D) Black.
- () 8. According to the passage, which of the following gifts is NOT good due to its pronunciation?
 - (A) A pair of shoes.
 - (B) A pair of scissors.
 - (C) A fan.
 - (D) A handkerchief.
- () 9. According to the passage, which of the following gifts is NOT associated with death or funerals?
 - (A) A basket of pears.
 - (B) An alarm clock.
 - (C) A bunch of white flowers
 - (D) A pair of straw sandals
- () 10. According to the passage, which of the following gifts is NOT a good one to give your lover?
 - (A) A beautiful box of chocolates
 - (B) A bunch of roses
 - (C) An expensive watch
 - (D) A fancy umbrella.

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Have you ever thought of making a family album? The first thing to do is to find an album. A nice, big, and strong album is the best. Make sure that the album has pages made of paper, not plastic. It's hard to paste things onto plastic. The next thing to do is to collect family treasures to paste in the album. Some treasures you might collect are photographs, tickets, programs from special events, or postcards. After that, you'll want to organize the treasures. You could give each family member one page, or try to put things in time order. Finally, label each treasure and write something about it. Ask a family member to help you finish it.

- () 11. What is the best title for this passage?
 - (A) Taking a Family Picture. (B) Making a Family Album.
 - (C) Planning a Family Trip. (D) Making a Family Trip.
- () 12. What is the first step of making a family album?
 - (A) Putting things in order. (B) Talking to the family.
 - (C) Pasting things onto paper. (D) Finding an album.
- () 13. According to the writer, why is an album with paper pages better than an album with plastic pages?
 - (A) Because paper is cheaper than plastic
 - (B) Because plastic does harm to our health
 - (C) Because it's easier to paste things on paper
 - (D) Because we can recycle paper, not plastic
- () 14. Which of the following is NOT listed as a family treasure by the writer?
 - (A) report cards (B) photographs (C) postcards (D) tickets
- () 15. What is the third step in the process?
 - (A) Organizing the treasures (B) Asking for treasures
 - (C) Collecting treasures (D) Labeling each treasure

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What could you do with old newspapers besides recycling them or using them to wrap up items that break easily and need to be moved?

We could tear up these pages and use them to start a campfire. We could also use these pages to wrap fruits such as tomatoes and bananas. It helps them to get ripe more easily. If our shoes get wet, we could stick some newspaper in them overnight. It can absorb the water and help the shoes dry out much faster. Also, newspaper can be used to clean mirrors or windows, and it is quite effective in doing this.

Put some newspaper at the bottom of your vegetable drawer in your refrigerator. It will help absorb the moisture, keeping your veggies dry and fresh much longer. Newspaper also makes great animal bedding. It is warm and resistant to bacteria. Most importantly, if your pet eats it, it's non-toxic.

- () 16. Which of the following is the best title for the passage?
 - (A) Todays' New Inventions (B) How to Recycle Waste Materials
 - (C) You Cannot Teach an Old Dog New Tricks (D) New Uses for a Familiar Thing
- () 17. Which of the following is NOT a new way of using the newspaper introduced in the passage?
 - (A) To absorb the water in shoes. (B) To wrap the objects that break easily like glass.
 - (C) To keep the vegetables fresh (D) To wrap fruits like tomatoes and bananas.
- () 18. What does the word **ripe** in the second paragraph refer to?
 - (A) Flexible. (B) Mature. (C) Soft. (D) Dry.
- () 19. The effect of sticking the pages of a newspaper into wet shoes is similar to that of _____.
 - (A) using them as pet's bedding (B) wrapping fruits with them
 - (C) wrapping objects with them (D) placing them in refrigerators
- () 20. Why are newspapers suitable for dog's bedding?
 - (A) Because they are soft (B) Because dogs like to eat them
 - (C) Because they are warm (D) Because bacteria are found on them