

新北市立新北高級工業職業學校 114 學年度第 1 學期 第一次段考 試題										班別		座號		電腦卡 作答
科 目	字彙 與閱讀	出題 教師	吳冠宇	審題 教師	王靜宜	適用 科別	應英	適用 年級	一	姓名			否	

注意事項：

- 全數題目：於答案卷(P. 6)上作答
 - 第一至二張考卷(第1-4頁)：對折後再繳交給監考老師；第三張考卷(第5-6頁)：無須對折，直接繳交給監考老師
 - 第5頁務必要填寫班別、座號、姓名（任一項未填寫者，總分以0分計算）

一、詞彙題 (每題3分，共30分)

二、閱讀測驗 (每題3分，共24分) (注意：第16至18題，請以完整的句子回答問題，否則不予計分)

Have you ever felt so upset that even a small kind word could instantly lift your spirits? For many people in Japan, that kind word comes from a middle-aged man simply known as Uncle Praise. His unusual job is to walk the streets and offer genuine compliments to strangers, reminding them of their value and brightening their day. What seems like a simple gesture has, in fact, become both his career and **a source of healing for himself** and others.

Uncle Praise did not arrive at this role easily. In his earlier years, he struggled with an addiction to gambling, which led him into heavy debts he could not repay. These financial troubles cost him his job and even caused him to fall out with his family. At one point, his savings had shrunk to only four dollars, leaving him hopeless yet very eager to turn his life around. Although he had always dreamed of becoming a street performer, he lacked the talents usually required, such as singing, dancing, or magic tricks. Then, he came up with a new idea—why not encourage people with words? That decision became the turning point of his life.

Every day, Uncle Praise spends hours on the street complimenting passersby. At first, few people approached him, and he often stood for long stretches without attention. Over time, however, his sincerity attracted many loyal supporters who now seek him out regularly. On average, he earns about sixty U.S. dollars a day, proving that even in a busy city, kindness can become a way of making a living. His words are not empty flattery but heartfelt observations about someone's appearance, effort, or character. Many who hear him leave with a smile, their spirits lifted by his presence.

Uncle Praise's story shows that even after failure, people can start over and find a new path. Instead of allowing his mistakes to define him, he chose to create meaning out of encouragement. Today, his good name stretches far beyond Japan, as international media outlets share his inspiring journey. Strangers who once hurried past now pause, listen, and sometimes even pay to hear a few warm words. What began as a survival strategy has become a symbol of hope, reminding us that kindness, when offered freely, has the power to heal both the giver and the receiver.

11. What is the best title for the passage?

- (A) Uncle Praise: Turning Kind Words into a Life's Work
- (B) Uncle Praise: A Famous Street Performer from Japan
- (C) Uncle Praise: Doing Magic Tricks for the Sick
- (D) Uncle Praise: A Man Who offers Free and Silent Hugs

12. What does the phrase "**a source of healing for himself**" in the first paragraph mean?

- (A) What he has done for passersby has also helped him recover from his own painful past.
- (B) What he has said to passersby has magically cured their mental illnesses overnight.
- (C) His compliments have surprisingly made him not only mentally healthier but also physically stronger.
- (D) His generous encouragement has allowed him to earn millions of dollars within just a few months.

13. Why did Uncle Praise want to make his life different?

- (A) He was hopeless with debts, but he did not want to give up and decided to change his future instead.
- (B) He wanted to earn back the money he lost because of gambling by gambling again, believing that he was just unlucky before.
- (C) He had been a successful magician since he youth, but he was not satisfied with his career, which led him to change.
- (D) He was praised by his family for anything he did well when he was little, and he found it helpful in building confidence.

14. How did people walking past him react when he just started praising them?

- (A) Everyone laughed loudly with a satisfied look and praised him back in return.
- (B) His family found this interesting, supported his idea and even joined him.
- (C) Most people did not notice him, and few responded to his compliments.

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(D) Some people immediately stopped and gave him money due to his kindness.

15. What main message does the passage try to convey?

(A) Money is the only solution to repair broken family relationships and overcome the pain of past mistakes.

(B) Success is usually achieved by showing your kindness through offers of free hugs in places filled with people.

(C) Failure does not necessarily destroy someone; instead, kindness freely given can heal both receivers and givers.

(D) Media attention is one of the most important factors in turning an ordinary person into someone admired and respected.

When people go to a concert to watch an orchestra perform, their eyes often focus on the conductor standing in front. This person holds a baton and moves their hands in the air to guide the musicians. Even though the conductor does not play any instrument, he or she has one of the most important jobs. The conductor helps the orchestra stay together, showing the musicians when to begin, how fast to play, and how loud or soft the music should be. Without a conductor, the music could easily sound messy and confusing.

Another important role of the conductor is interpreting the score, which is the written music for all the instruments. While the same score can be used by different orchestras, each conductor brings a personal style to it. This makes every performance sound unique. Before a concert, the conductor studies the score carefully and leads rehearsals to help the orchestra improve. Their leadership allows the musicians to create beautiful and powerful performances.

In Taiwan, becoming a professional conductor is not simple. Large orchestras, such as the National Symphony Orchestra (NSO), use strict rules to select conductors. Candidates usually need strong experience, such as working with other professional orchestras or being recommended by musicians. They often submit resumes, video recordings, and program notes, and sometimes go through live auditions. Younger conductors may begin by assisting senior conductors, joining youth programs, or studying abroad to learn advanced techniques.

Taiwan also has several famous orchestras. The National Symphony Orchestra (NSO) is the leading symphony orchestra, made up mostly of professional adult musicians with international backgrounds. On the other hand, groups like the Taipei Philharmonic Youth Orchestra give opportunities to younger musicians, including high school and college students, to train and perform on stage. Together, these orchestras show how conductors and musicians of all ages can work to keep classical music alive and growing in Taiwan.

16. What role does the conductor of an orchestra play during a concert?

17. How is a conductor chosen by large orchestras?

18. What are the differences between musicians of the National Symphony Orchestra and those of the Taipei Philharmonic Youth Orchestra?

三、混合題（共16分）

If it is a clear night on September 8, anyone in Taiwan who looks up at the sky will be able to see an incredible event. On that night, a shadow will slowly move across the Moon and cause it to appear red. This is because a lunar eclipse will be taking place.

Lunar eclipses are rather regular events that can occur all around the world. During a lunar eclipse, the Earth is positioned directly between the Sun and the Moon. When this happens, the Moon's access to the Sun's light is blocked and the Earth casts a shadow over its surface. As a result, the Moon appears darker. Many people describe the Moon's appearance during a total lunar eclipse as glowing red. This is why these lunar eclipses are also called blood moons.

Although the name "blood moon" may sound spooky, there is nothing to fear. The Moon appears red because sunlight must pass through the Earth's atmosphere before reaching the Moon during a lunar eclipse. As the light travels through the atmosphere, shorter wavelengths of light like blue and green are scattered in all directions. Longer wavelengths such as red can pass through more easily. This red light is then bent around the Earth and shines onto the Moon, which makes it look red.

Thanks to modern science, we now understand the reasons behind blood moons. However, ancient civilizations had no idea what really caused them. Throughout history, many myths and stories have been created to explain why the Moon suddenly became an unusual color.

In the Incan Empire of South America, the Moon was considered to be a goddess named Mama Quilla. The Incas believed that an animal was attacking Mama Quilla during a blood moon. The red color of the Moon was the result of the animal's violent attack. To scare away the beast, the Incan people made as much noise as possible and even got their dogs to bark along with them.

A similar myth appeared in ancient Mesopotamia. The people there also believed that the Moon was being attacked during a lunar eclipse. They feared this event could also bring danger to their king, so he was kept out of sight during blood moons. The Mesopotamians, who were able to discover patterns in the Moon's changes, could predict when lunar eclipses would occur and would hide their king before the event took place.

Today, we no longer fear the blood moon. However, it still gives us the same sense of wonder and mystery as it did thousands of years ago.

請根據選文內容，從文章中選出兩個單詞，分別填入下列句子空格，並視句型結構需要做適當的字形變化，使句子語意完整、語法正確，且符合全文文意。每格限填一個單詞 (word)。(填充，6分)

. On September 8, people in Taiwan will see a lunar eclipse, an event where Earth blocks sunlight and gives the Moon a red
19 _____. Although the color once seemed ____ 20 ____ mysterious to ancient cultures, modern science now provides a clear ____ 21 ____ of why this phenomenon occurs.

From (A) to (F) below, choose the **ONES** that are correct statements. (多選題，6分)

22. _____

- (A) Lunar eclipses are common, but they can only be seen in limited areas such as northern Europe and East Asia.
- (B) When sunlight passes through Earth's atmosphere, the longer waves scatter widely while shorter ones reach the Moon.
- (C) Modern science explains that the Moon looks red when the Sun, Earth, and Moon are lined up in a special way.
- (D) The Incan people believed their moon goddess, Mama Quilla, was under attack from an animal during an eclipse.
- (E) In Mesopotamia, people worried that the ruler's safety was at risk during a blood moon, so he was kept hidden.
- (F) Even today, people in South America continue to scare away animals with noise whenever the Moon looks red.

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23. _____

Which **word** from the passage refers to “the layer of air and gases that covers the Earth”? (簡答，2分)

24. _____

Which **phrase** from the passage refers to “making sure someone or something cannot be seen by others”? (簡答，2分)

四、文意字彙 (每題3分，共30分) (拼字、時態、單複數、大小寫，全對才給分)

25. Tracy's teacher d_____ed her writing project as outstanding, noting that she had not only researched carefully but also presented her findings clearly and creatively.
26. Sunlight can t_____l through glass windows, warming the room during winter and reducing the need for artificial heating systems.
27. Witnessing the birth of a baby whale in the open ocean was truly an i_____e event, one that impressed people who saw it and could be one of their memorable experiences.
28. The abandoned house on the hill looked especially s_____y at night, with broken windows and shadows stretching across its walls.
29. It is u_____l for John to arrive late, since he normally sets his alarm early and double-checks his schedule every morning.
30. Passengers were asked to place their p_____l belongings under the seat or in the overhead compartment before the airplane took off.
31. Their friendship was a p_____t mix of trust, shared interests, and complementary personalities, which kept them close for many years.
32. She was c_____s about her grandparents' love stories, asking detailed questions about how they met each other, what they did together, and when they decided to get married.
33. He exercises on a r_____r basis, believing that going jogging every morning can not only help him lose weight but also improve his health.
34. The marathon welcomes anyone interested in group running, allowing every participant to join and experience the joy of running together, r_____s of age.

答案卷

一/二、詞彙題/閱讀測驗 (每題3分，共45分)

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三、混合題

19.		20.		21.		22.	
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四、填空式翻譯 (每格1分，共20分) (注意題號順序、拼字、時態、單複數、大小寫等，全對才給分)

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