

# English Grade 8 • Unit 6 Assessment

⌚ Time: 90 mins

100 Total Score: 110

👤 Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## I. Listening Comprehension

**20 points**

Questions 1-20 are listening comprehension tasks.

☞ Please refer to the "Unit 6 Themed Listening Training" audio material and separate answer sheet.

## II. Single Choice

**10 points**

21. —My father's job is to build more beautiful and useful bridges for people.

—I guess he must be a(n) \_\_\_\_\_.

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|--------------|------------------------|
| A. scientist | B. computer programmer |
| C. engineer  | D. tour guide          |

22. —Excuse me, sir. You can't smoke here.

—Sorry, I didn't see the sign. I'll \_\_\_\_\_ my cigarette at once.

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| A. put away | B. put out |
| C. put up   | D. put off |

23. Mr Black, you are becoming healthier and healthier. Please keep on \_\_\_\_\_.

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|--------|-----------|---------|------------|
| A. ran | B. to run | C. runs | D. running |
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24. —Tina doesn't want people to talk about her weight.

—She must \_\_\_\_\_ hearing people say that.

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| A. be tired of      | B. be pleased with  |
| C. be excited about | D. be worried about |

25. —What are you saving money for?

—Father's Day is around the corner. I \_\_\_\_\_ a gift for my father.

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|--------------|--------------------|
| A. bought    | B. buy             |
| C. am buying | D. am going to buy |

26. —Our monitor keeps all his things in good order.

—That's true. He's so \_\_\_\_\_, and we should learn from him.

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| A. creative | B. generous  |
| C. modest   | D. organized |

27. —I think it's hard for us to realize our dreams.

—Yes, but we will make them come true if we \_\_\_\_\_ them.

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| A. find out   | B. stick to |
| C. look up to | D. show up  |

28. Jack's father was very happy because Jack \_\_\_\_\_ an "A" in the Chinese exam.

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| A. lost   | B. designed |
| C. missed | D. achieved |

29. —The doctor won't take any advice during the operation. He is arrogant (傲慢的)!

—I don't agree. Maybe he is just too \_\_\_\_\_ of himself.

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| A. honest    | B. mean   |
| C. confident | D. modest |

30. —Will it be sunny tomorrow?

—\_\_\_\_\_. I am going to have a trip to Hong Kong then.

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| A. Yes, I hope so | B. No, I hope not |
| C. Yes, it is     | D. No, it won't   |

## III. Cloze Test

**15 points**

When I was in Grade Eight, I worried a lot about my future. Every day, I thought, "What am I going to do when I leave 31?" I wasn't excited about the future. I just felt very 32. One reason was that I found studies 33. I often couldn't follow my teachers in class and never got good 34.

When I think back to those times now, I remember that sometimes I didn't 35 homework on time. This went on for a long time, 36 near the end of the year something happened. I 37 knew what my dream job was. I love animals and I 38 to become an animal doctor! To do that, I had to go to a good university. And to go to a good university, I had to do well in my 39.

From Grade Nine on, I 40 to work hard. I listened 41 the teacher carefully in class. I studied for hours at home and my parents even told me to work 42! At the end of that year, I 43 a prize for my good grades. My family were very happy for me and I felt 44.

Now I feel confident and I'm 45 the future!

- 31.** A. home B. office C. school D. town
- 32.** A. glad B. scared C. angry D. fresh
- 33.** A. tidy B. right C. difficult D. friendly
- 34.** A. luck B. ideas C. service D. grades
- 35.** A. finish B. print C. share D. choose
- 36.** A. so B. but C. if D. or
- 37.** A. quickly B. easily C. suddenly D. comfortably
- 38.** A. waited B. learned C. helped D. decided
- 39.** A. studies B. jobs C. programs D. photos
- 40.** A. led B. started C. advised D. stopped
- 41.** A. in B. to C. at D. for
- 42.** A. less B. worse C. louder D. faster
- 43.** A. saw B. kept C. won D. found
- 44.** A. sorry B. surprised C. worried D. great
- 45.** A. looking at B. looking for C. looking back on D. looking forward to

#### IV. Reading Comprehension

30 points

##### A

<b>Riddle 1</b>	<b>Riddle 2</b>
I carry a big bag every day. There are letters and parcels in the bag. I take <u>them</u> to people. Who am I?	I wear a uniform. I catch thieves. I make sure the neighborhood is safe. Who am I?
<b>Riddle 3</b>	<b>Riddle 4</b>
I work on a bus. I drive it around every day. I take people to different places. Who am I?	I work in a shop. Many children come to the shop. They buy sweets and chocolate. Who am I?

- 46.** What does the underlined word "them" in Riddle 1 refer to?
  - A. Big bags
  - B. Letters and parcels
  - C. People
  - D. Riddles
- 47.** What is the answer to Riddle 2?
  - A. A teacher
  - B. An engineer
  - C. A waiter
  - D. A policeman
- 48.** Where does the person in Riddle 3 work?
  - A. On a bus
  - B. In a zoo
  - C. At an airport
  - D. On a farm
- 49.** What is probably the shop in Riddle 4?
  - A. A bookstore
  - B. A fruit store
  - C. A flower store
  - D. A candy store
- 50.** What are the riddles about?
  - A. Children
  - B. Parents
  - C. Jobs
  - D. Places

##### B

**Follow Your Dream** is a famous show in America. It is mainly for children. It is designed to help children to follow their dreams. Many children came to take part in the show.

**Original** *Follow Your Dream* is a famous show in America.

One day, a seven-year-old girl named Mary came to the show. During the show, the host James asked Mary, "Hi, Mary! Welcome! What would you like to be when you grow up?"

"I want to be a pilot!" said little Mary.

"Being a pilot is really cool. Let's suppose (假设) that one day you are driving a plane above the Pacific Ocean, but your plane doesn't have enough fuel (燃料). What would you do?" James asked.

Everyone there was waiting for the little girl's answer. Mary thought for a few minutes and then said, "I would tell all the passengers to tie their seat belts first. And then I will jump out of the plane with my parachute (降落伞)."

Everyone was surprised. James was also surprised at the answer and couldn't believe that the answer came from such a lovely girl. However, he then saw the tears rolling (滚动) down the little girl's face. So he asked, "Why would you do that?"

"Because I will go to get fuel and then I will come back to save my passengers," said Mary.

**51.** Who is the show *Follow Your Dream* mainly for?

- A. The old
- B. Children
- C. Parents
- D. Teachers

**52.** What does the little girl want to be when she grows up?

- A. A host
- B. A scientist
- C. A teacher
- D. A pilot

**53.** The little girl wants to jump out of the plane to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. escape (逃跑) from the plane
- B. find the nearest airport
- C. find enough fuel for the plane
- D. get enough food for her passengers

**54.** Why did people feel surprised after they heard the little girl's answer?

- A. Because her answer was wrong.
- B. Because the little girl was sorry for the passengers on her plane.
- C. Because they misunderstood (误会) her.
- D. Because the little girl didn't know how to answer the question.

**55.** What do you think of the little girl?

- A. She is kind.
- B. She is shy.
- C. She is patient.
- D. She is humorous.

**C**

Each of us has dreams and goals for our future. What makes us study and make progress each day is closely connected with our personal dream and goal.

Why do you have dreams and goals, but you still end up with nothing? What separates (使分开) successful people from the dreamers is their persistent (锲而不舍的) action. When you learn your lessons in school, you must work hard and not give up. You will often find some of your lessons very hard. Try and keep trying, and you'll be sure to successfully deal with any difficulty you meet with. If we have a hard lesson today, let us try our best to learn it well and then we shall be prepared for a harder one tomorrow.

This is the famous formula (公式) for success:

**Dream > Believe > Achieve**

Most people have what they want (Dream) and think they can realize their dreams (Believe). And then they do nothing. They just imagine their dreams can come true. When they get tired of waiting and lose a lot, they get bored. They say angrily how terrible their life is.

I personally believe that if you really want to achieve your dreams and goals in life, you have to add one thing to your success formula:

**Dream > Believe > **Act** > Achieve**

For me, act is the most important thing for success, and that's to Take Persistent Action (Act). If you say, "I can't do it," and give up, you can never do anything valuable. However, "I'll try" creates wonders. Let's remember that there will be **obstacles** in our life. We must face them bravely and solve them. Success is not something that falls from the sky. Most successful people made their dreams come true because of their persistent action.

Please remember: Action is the bridge that connects our dreams and goals to reality.

**56.** What should you do when you find your lessons very hard?

- A. Ask people for help.
- B. Try and keep trying.
- C. Get ready to create wonders.
- D. Prepare for a harder one.

**57.** What does the writer add to the famous formula?

- A. Act.
- B. Feel.
- C. Connect.
- D. Create.

**58.** What does the underlined word "**obstacles**" mean?

- A. Dangers.
- B. Imaginations.
- C. Wonders.
- D. Difficulties.

**59.** New Method Why does the writer use the formula "Dream > Believe > Act > Achieve"?

- A. To support his idea.
- B. To ask readers to explain it.
- C. To show what his goals are.
- D. To compare it with a bridge.

**60.** Which of the following can be the best title for the passage?

- A. Doing Something Valuable
- B. Studying Hard and Making Progress
- C. Realizing Dreams with Persistent Action
- D. Separating Successful People from Dreamers

**V. Vocabulary & Grammar****10 points**

My friend Jane and I have lots of hobbies and interests. We really like going to the cinema at weekends. Both of **61.**\_\_\_\_\_ (we) like listening to music and we also like dancing at parties if the music is really good! Jane is **62.**\_\_\_\_\_ (good) at music than me. The Year of 2025 has already come, so we make a New **63.**\_\_\_\_\_ (year) resolution. We are going to take **64.**\_\_\_\_\_ a new hobby like playing the guitar. We like different **65.**\_\_\_\_\_ (sport) — Jane often goes running in the park in the morning, but I like playing soccer.

Last term, I tried my best **66.**\_\_\_\_\_ (make) the soccer team. And I helped the team win many games. Besides, I am interested in art. I want to be an artist **67.**\_\_\_\_\_ I grow up. So I keep on **68.**\_\_\_\_\_

(practice) painting pictures in my free time, but Jane's favorite subject is English because she enjoys singing English songs. There's one thing we dislike — playing computer games! It is really 69.\_\_\_\_\_ (meaning). I hope our dreams 70.\_\_\_\_\_ (come) true next year!

## VI. Dialogue Completion

10 points

A: Hi, Cindy. I know you like playing the violin in your free time. 71.\_\_\_\_\_?

B: No. I planned to be a violinist before, but now I hope to be a doctor like Zhong Nanshan to save people. He is a hero in my heart. 72.\_\_\_\_\_?

A: Well, I want to protect cultural relics (保护文物) like Fan Jinshi when I grow up.

B: That sounds great. 73.\_\_\_\_\_?

A: I am going to study history at university.

B: 74.\_\_\_\_\_.

A: Thank you. I am sure my dream can come true because I never give up.

B: You are right. 75.\_\_\_\_\_.

## VII. Writing

25 points

### Prompt:

青春,是心里有火,眼里有光。你们都有幸遇见这样的时代,但是时代更有幸遇见这样的你们。

青春路上,你对未来的憧憬是什么?请你以 "I want to be a/an \_\_\_\_" 为题写一篇短文。

- 词数 80 左右;
- 请根据以上的提示和要求,结合自己的实际情况表达你的观点,并适当发挥;
- 文中不得出现真实的人名、校名和地名;
- 字迹工整,语言流畅,表达正确,逻辑清晰。

I want to be a/an \_\_\_\_\_

My Dream

End of Assessment • Good Luck!