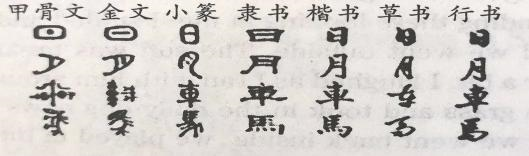
**初三英语学业水平评估试卷（第16周）**

**一、阅读下列短文, 从每小题所给的 A、B、C、D 四个选项中选山最佳选项, 并在答题卡上将相应字母编号涂黑。**

**Ancient and Modern Chinese**



①In the Beginning

When people write in English, they use letters. People who write in Chinese, however, use characters that stand for words or ideas. Historians believe Chinese writing began as early as 1500 BC．The earliest forms were called “oracle bones” These were animal bones marked with pictures and symbols. Besides writing on bones, the Chinese people also made marks on turtle shells. By 1400 BC, the Chinese writing system had become more difficult. It had more than 2,500 characters. Around 200 BC, Chinese characters became standardized（标准的）. This means that everyone used the same characters.

②Then and Now

Many modern Chinese characters are similar to those from 2,000 years ago. For example, the character that means “man” in the Lishu system from 200 BC is similar to the character that means “man” from the Jiantizi, or modern simplified system, of the twentieth century.

③A Simpler System

People have made efforts to change Chinese characters over the centuries. The most important changes happened in the twentieth century. The Chinese government made many characters easier so that more people could learn to read. This simpler system is used on the Chinese mainland and in Singapore. Traditional characters are used in Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan of China. Even with these changes, Chinese writing from 2,200 years ago is still understood today.

21．What do the three headings tell?

A．How Chinese characters changed.

B．The topic of each part.

C．A list of important Chinese characters.

D．Important events in the development of the Chinese language.

22．What are the earliest Chinese characters called?

A．Symbols. B．Letters.

C．Oracle bones. D．Standardized characters.

23．Which of the following supports the idea that ancient and modern Chinese characters are related?

A．Animal bones were used for writing.

B．There were once more than 2,500 characters.

C．The ancient Chinese wrote symbols and characters on bones and turtle shells.

D．Many of the characters from 2,200 years ago can still be read today.

24．What is the main idea of the passage?

A．Chinese writing uses an alphabet.

B．Few people in ancient China could write.

C．Modern Chinese characters are nothing like those used in ancient China.

D．Modern Chinese characters were developed from symbols used in ancient China.

25．Which of these would be another good heading for the third paragraph?

A．Provinces in China B．The Language of Singapore

C．Twentieth-century Changes D．A Language for Everyone

**二、以下是一则短文, 请阅读短文, 并从下列六个句子中选择五个还原到原文中, 使原文的意思完整、连贯。并在答题卡上将相应的字母编号涂黑。（共5 小题, 每小题1分）**

  Do you know what your friends watched on TV last night? Do your friends know what you had for breakfast today? Do you think you are using social media(社交媒体) too much?

    26.\_\_\_\_\_ It is reported that around 2,800 million people often use social media. That's almost 40 percent of the world's population. But how much time do we really spend on social media? And what exactly do we spend that time doing?

    Research shows that, worldwide, the average​(普通的) person spends two hours and 19 minutes on social media each day. 27.\_\_\_\_\_ An average person there spends four hours and 17 minutes a day on social media. Research also shows that women use social media more than men. In the United States, for example, women spend around two hours more a week than men on social media.

    28.\_\_\_\_\_ In general, it seems we spend more time looking at other people's pages than adding to our own. According to one survey, the most common social media activities are visiting friends' pages, reading their news, and commenting on their posts.

     29.\_\_\_\_\_ It has over 2,000 million users. In second place, however, is the Chinese site Qzone. In 2017, Qzone was China's most popular social media site, with around 600 million users worldwide. That's more than Twitter and Instagram.

    Social media continues to grow. 30.\_\_\_\_\_ And as Internet access(通道) becomes available to even more people around the world, this growth won't stop anytime soon.

A. What do most people do on social media?

B. Why do people communicate on social media?

C. People in Philippines are the most active users.

D. The most popular social media site is Facebook.

E. Right now, there are 5 new Facebook users every second.

F. Social media is now a part of many people's everyday lives.