完形填空（10分）  
 阅读下面短文，从短文后所给的 A、 B、 C、D 四个选项中，选出能填入相应空白处的最佳选项。（共 10 小题，每小题 1 分）

One day, a farmer was looking for a water source for his farm. So, he went to his neighbour and asked him if he could sell his well (水井) to him. His neighbour 　21　. The farmer bought the well happily. But the neighbour was a cunning (狡猾的) man.

The next day, as the farmer came to get water from his well, his neighbour came and 　22　 to let him take any water. The farmer was 　23　. He asked, “Why can’t I take water? I already bought the well from you.”

The neighbour replied, “I sold you the well not the water.”

The farmer went to the emperor to 24　 justice (公正). He explained what had happened.

The emperor called on Birbal, his 　25　 courtier (朝臣).

Birbal asked the 　26　, “Why don’t you let the farmer take water from the well? You did sell the well to the farmer.”

The neighbour 　27　, “I did sell the well to the farmer, but not the water in it. Therefore, he has no right to get water from the well.

”Birbal asked them to come later.

The next day, all went to the place where the well was. There Birbal said to the neighbour, “Look, you are 　28　 right, and you sold the well not the water. Since you sold the well not the water, you have no right to keep the water in the farmer’s well. Now you have two 　29　. Either you pay a high rent (租金) to the farmer or take it out immediately.” The neighbour realized that his plan had 　30　. He said sorry to the farmer and went home quickly.

Cheating will not get you anything. If you cheat, you will pay soon enough.

(  ) 21. A. believed B. laughed C. prevented D. agreed

(  ) 22. A. refused B. avoided C. complained D. offered

(  ) 23. A. stupid B. surprised C. excited D. interested

(  ) 24. A. ask for B. wait for C. look for D. pay for

(  ) 25. A. oldest B. closest C. wisest D. busiest

(  ) 26. A. farmer B. neighbour C. emperor D. courtier

(  ) 27. A. replied B. doubted C. asked D. ordered

(  ) 28. A. carefully B. smartly C. especially D. completely

(  ) 29. A. decisions B. choices C. methods D. directions

(  ) 30. A. succeeded B. finished C. failed D. changed