综合能力测评(五)

Unit 5

Ⅰ.阅读理解(共两节,满分35分)

第一节(共10小题;每小题2.5分,满分25分)

A

You wake up in the morning. The day is beautiful and the plans for the day are what you have been looking forward to for a long time. And then the telephone rings, you say hello, and the play starts. The person on the other end has a sad tone in his voice as he starts to tell you how terrible his morning is and that there is nothing to look forward to. You are still in a wonderful mood(心情)? Impossible!

Communicating with negative(消极的) people can wash out your happiness. It may not change what you think, but communicating long enough with them will make you feel unhappy for a moment or a long time.

Life brings ups and downs, but some people are trapped in the wrong idea that life has no happiness to offer. They only feel glad when they make others feel bad. It is not strange that they can hardly win others’ pity or respect.

When you communicate with happy people,you will stay happy. When the knife of a negative person is put in you, you feel the heavy feeling that, all in all, brings you down.

Sometimes we have no choice but to communicate with negative people. This could be a co-worker, or a relative. In this situation, say what needs to be said as little as possible. Sometimes it feels good to let out your anger back to the negative person,but all this cannot reduce your bad feelings and they won’t feel ashamed(羞愧) of themselves about that.

Unhappiness often influences happiness without even being realized. The depressing(令人沮丧的) words of another at the start of the day can be with you throughout the rest of your day,which makes you feel bad and steals your happiness. Life is too short to feel unhappy.

1.The purpose of the first paragraph is to 　　　　.

A.make a comparison(比较) B.offer an evidence(证据)

C.introduce the topic D.describe a daily scene

2.How can negative people have an effect on us?

A.By influencing our feelings.

B.By telling people the nature of life.

C.By changing our way of thinking.

D.By comparing their attitude to life with ours.

3.What do some negative people base their happiness on?

A.Other people’s pity for them.

B.Making other people unhappy.

C.Holding an active attitude.

D.Other people’s respect for them.

B

What makes a gift special? Is it the price you see on the gift box? Or is it the look on the recipient’s face when he receives it that determines the true value? What gift is worth the most?

This Christmas I was wondering what to give my father when I came across a message on my phone. The message was from my father. My eyes fell on a photo of a flower and underneath(在……下面) a poem by William Blake. The dandelion(蒲公英) standing against the bright blue sky gave me an idea. My dad had been reading those words to me since I was a kid. That may even be the reason why I love writing. I decided that those words would be my gift to my father.

I called back. I told my mum to go without me and that I had already made my gift. I sent the photo of the cream-coloured flower to my computer and typed the poem on top of it. As I was arranging the details, another poem came to my mind. The poem was written by Edgar Allan Poe; my dad read it as much as he did the other. I typed that out too and searched online for a background to the words of it. As I watched both poems passing through the printer, the white paper was coloured with words that shaped my childhood. I felt that this was a gift that my father would truly appreciate.

Christmas soon arrived. The minute I saw the look on my dad’s face as he opened the gift, I knew I had given the perfect gift full of my love.

4.Why does the writer become interested in writing?

A.Because of his teacher’s education.

B.Because of his mother’s effect.

C.Because of his father’s influence.

D.Because of his love to nature.

5.The author’s idea for the gift came from 　　　　.

A.a photo of a flower B.a story about a kid

C.a call from the mother D.a text about Christmas

6.How did the author made the gift?

A.By searching for the poems online.

B.By drawing the background by hand.

C.By painting the letters in three colours.

D.By matching the words with pictures.

C

Peter and John are really singing for their supper. The self-taught singers say they are desperate to win to make a better life for themselves and their mother. Due to a lack of finance, Peter and John couldn’t finish school so they were kicked out in Grade Nine. Before the competition, they performed at several small competitions, and with that income they were able to put bread on the table.

“We know what it is like to go to bed hungry because we’ve done it so many times. Our mum is unemployed but always does her best, so we would like to win this thing to make a better life for her too,” says Peter.

Then there’s Van Canvin Wyk, a waiter from Franschhoek in Cape Town. The 21-year-old was raised by his aunt and grandmother. Van Wyk told the audience and judges that both his aunt and grandmother had passed away and he had to drop out of school to look for a job to support his two young siblings. He devoted his dance performance to his two “mothers”.

Then there is Domkop & Clowns—Fikile Mphore, Levy Makola and Samuel Mokati—from the Free State. The group is clearly not here to clown around. They are not sure they are in it to win. Mphore, the founder of the group, says because he’s not too bright, his schoolmates gave him the nickname Domkop. Mphore says he started by watching cartoons, then taking a doll and creating a puppet based on what he saw on TV, then making up songs to fit their actions.

“Many people like what we do and believe we can win this thing. If we do win, I want to go back to school and become brighter, especially in English, and also learn to make what we do for a business,” he says.

Their aim is also to promote a clean and green lifestyle by using recycled material for their puppets.

7.What is the main idea of the passage?

A.The children are singing for their supper.

B.Many children take interest in singing.

C.A singing competition will be held soon.

D.Many children need to be taken care of.

8.Peter and John dropped out of school 　　　　.

A.because they were eager to learn to sing

B.because they wanted to help their mother

C.because they were living a poor life

D.because they entered for competitions

9.According to Peter we can know that 　　　　.

A.their mother has been offered a job

B.they have more confidence to win

C.their mother is too busy to help them

D.they are always suffering from starvation

10.What do you know about the waiter from Franschhoek?

A.He was brought up by his mother and grandmother.

B.He had to leave school in order to feed his family.

C.He learned how to perform from his mother.

D.He was sure he had the ability to get the first prize.

第二节(共5小题;每小题2分,满分10分)

根据短文内容,从短文后的选项中选出能填入空白处的最佳选项。选项中有两项为多余选项。

I’m 30 years old, and there are several things that life has taught me that I want to share with you. Here are the 4 lessons that life has taught me in the past 30 years.

Take care of your body.

Life is “unfairly” biased (偏向的) towards people who “look good”, like it or not. So it’s important that you do all that is in your power to look your best. 　11　 You will live longer, and you will live happier, if you take care of your body; you may even get promoted faster on your job. Remember that your health is really your greatest wealth.

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No one taught me to save when I was growing up; no one told me the importance of saving. Fortunately, I was able to learn the value of saving through reading great books like *The* *Millionaire* *Next* *Door*. What I want to teach others is to save at least twenty per cent of your income. If you are to be wealthy, you must not just earn a lot, you must save a lot.

Think in the long term.

In high school I was thinking about college, and in college I was thinking about life after college. I’m designing my life and I’m making decisions today that will enable me to live the life I desire when I’m in my 40’s, 50’s and 60’s. You have to think in the long term; you have to see the “big picture”. 　13

Realize the power of focus.

Focus, focus, focus…　14　 If you fail in this lifetime, you will fail because of broken focus. If you focus on the goals that are most important to you, you will achieve them. The problem is that there are so many distractions(使人分心的事). 　15　 Winners decide to major on majors, and they even let important things slip, because they just focus on achieving what is critical(极重要的) to their goals.

A.Save your money.

B.The importance of saving.

C.If you plan your future properly, you will live into your plans.

D.I mean dressing nicely, working out and eating right.

E.It’s critical that you pursue relationships with individuals who are good first.

F.Nothing is more critical than focus.

G.What separates the winners from the losers is that the winners learn to focus on their goals.

Ⅱ.完形填空(共20小题;每小题1.5分,满分30分)

We rarely get a chance to see pure care and love for those who need it most. And this story will 　16　 serve to let us remember there is still lots of good in the world and that we are responsible for 　17　 that goodness.

Ms Noriza, 49 years old, was walking in the street when she smelt a(n) 　18　 smell. She noticed many people were holding their 　19　 and hurried by. Looking around she found an old man in a wheelchair vomiting (呕吐) and his clothes were made 　20　.

“Nobody was helping him even though he looked so 　21　,” Ms Noriza explained. She found some people were not only not doing anything about it, but were complaining .The 　22　 was more than she could stand. 　23　, she went up to help.

She went and bought a pair of shorts and a T-shirt in a nearby store and helped the old man get 　24　. After that, she walked him back to his flat 　25　 she went to work. There was kindness shown by some other 　26　, including Mr Goh. He was so 　27　 by what Ms Noriza had done that he got his friend to 　28　 the press of this story.

“Her 　29　 towards a stranger moved me. It was 　30　 and complete kindness,” said Mr Goh.

Sometimes we are so focused on conflicts, arguments and all sorts of 　31　 things that we forget that the world is what it is because of us. If we want to see a society full of love, we should deliver that 　32　 through our actions and our lives.

So next time we are given this priceless 　33　 to touch someone else’s life, let us 　34　 the moment and do something good, not just for the society, but for ourselves 　35　.

16. A.gradually B.hopefully C.finally D.simply

17. A.spreading B.praising C.searching D.discovering

18. A.strong B.weak C.sweet D.unpleasant

19. A.ears B.eyes C.noses D.mouths

20. A.wet B.dirty C.wrinkled D.broken

21. A.pitiful B.kind C.hopeless D.merciful

22. A.action B.smell C.word D.sight

23. A.However B.Besides C.Therefore D.Otherwise

24. A.cleaned B.dressed C.changed D.shaved

25. A.before B.until C.after D.when

26. A.customers B.passers-by C.women D.salesmen

27. A.attracted B.encouraged C.inspired D.touched

28. A.warn B.convince C.remind D.inform

29. A.politeness B.honesty C.selflessness D.carefulness

30. A.pure B.simple C.common D.unusual

31. A.mental B.negative C.positive D.practical

32. A.motto B.message C.speech D.solution

33. A.gift B.situation C.experience D.opportunity

34. A.seize B.find C.celebrate D.seek

35. A.in return B.at last C.as well D.instead

非选择题部分

Ⅲ.语法填空(共10小题;每小题1.5分,满分15分)

When talking about classical music, what can you think of? Is it a big orchestra with an old guy in a black suit 36. 　　　　waves a stick in front? You are 37. 　　　　(part) right. But there is a lot more to it. Classical music can be as simple as just one singer singing a song. It can also mean 38. 　　　　orchestra with hundreds of musicians. Classical music can express an idea, explore a theme or let out emotions. It has roots in the traditions of 39. 　　　　(Europe) art and concert music with a history of more than 1,000 years. Classical music is usually 40. 　　　　(serious) than other types of music. Listeners are supposed 41. 　　　　(stay) quiet and still.

Nowadays, more and more students are crazy about classical music 42. 　　　　(composer), such as Mozart, Chopin and Beethoven. They think their music can make them calm down, sleep well 43. 　　　　become smarter. They can perform better in tests as well. Besides, according to 44. 　　　　(they) musical preference, it is possible to tell the types of their personalities. Professionals like teachers can use the personality information to determine whether they have particular music talent, which they never 45. 　　　　(know) before.

Ⅳ.写作(共两节,满分40分)

第一节　应用文写作(满分15分)

假如你是英才中学学生会主席李华,你校将举办一次英语歌曲演唱比赛(English Song Contest ),你写信邀请Black 先生来担任评委。邀请信的内容请参照以下比赛通知。

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| 英语歌曲大赛  参赛歌曲主题:热爱大自然,乐观励志  时间:1月20号上午9:00~11:00  地点:学校礼堂  参赛选手:15名学生  联系人:李华 (电话44876655)  欢迎大家光临 |
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　　注意:可适当发挥,词数80左右。

参考词汇:礼堂auditorium 　参赛选手contestant

学生会 the Students’ Union

Dear Mr Black,

Li Hua

第二节　读后续写(满分25分)

阅读下面短文,根据所给情节进行续写,使之构成一个完整的故事。

Everybody knows that honesty is human’s virtue, but to be honest sometimes is a little difficult, especially when you are young.

Many years ago, I was a boy of nine years old coming from a poor family. Every morning, before I came to school, I would have to deliver the newspapers to some families in our street.

I knew all my customers, and so did they. I never delivered late, I always smiled to greet everyone, although I could only earn a little money.

On a winter afternoon,there was no class at school. A friend and I were competing who could throw stones onto the roof of an old lady’s house. The roof was too high for both of us, and all the stones landed in the garden behind her house. Luckily, I found myself a perfectly smooth rock and threw it. The stone was too smooth, so it slipped from my hand as I let it go and headed straight for a small window. At the sound of broken glass, we knew we were in trouble. We ran faster than any of our stones flew off her roof.

I was too scared about getting caught that first night to be concerned about the old lady with the broken window in winter.I knew that old lady, who was one of my customers. I said hello to her every morning, and I was certain she could recognize me by viewing my back. However, a few days later, when I was sure that I hadn’t been discovered, I started to feel guilty for her trouble. She still greeted me with a smile each day when I gave her the newspaper, but I was no longer able to act comfortable when seeing her.I regretted for what I had done. How stupid I was! If only I had admitted and made an apology to her that afternoon!

注意:

1. 所续写短文的词数应为150左右;

2. 至少使用5个短文中标有下划线的关键词语;

3. 续写部分分为两段,每段的开头语已为你写好;

4. 续写完成后,请用下划线标出你所使用的关键词语。

Paragraph 1:

*I* *decided* *I* *must* *do* *something* *for* *the* *old* *lady.*

Paragraph 2:

*The* *next* *morning*, *when* *I* *handed* *her* *the* *newspaper*, *she* *stopped* *me.*