海淀区高三年级第一学期期末练习英语试卷

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本试卷分第 I 卷(选择题)和第 II 卷(非选择题)两部分。共 150 分。考试时间 120 分钟。

第 I 卷(选择题，共 115 分)

第一部分：听力理解(共两节，30 分)

第一节(共 5 小题；每小题 1.5 分，共 7.5 分)

听下面 5 段对话。每段对话后有一个小题，从每题所给的 A、B、C 三个选项中选出最佳选项。听完每段对话后，你将有 10 秒钟的时间来回答有关小题和阅读下一小题。每段对话你将听一遍。

1. How is David going to the park?
   A. On foot. B. By bus. C. By bike.
2. What will the man do while the woman is away?
   A. Clean the house.
   B. Buy some plants.
   C. Water the plants.
3. What is the man's favorite free-time activity?
   A. Going fishing.
   B. Playing chess.
   C. Listening to music.
4. How long will the man wait at the airport?
   A. Forty-five minutes.
   B. Fifteen minutes.
   C. Half an hour.
5. What is the weather like?
   A. Sunny but cold.
   B. Windy but warm.
   C. Cloudy and freezing.

第二节(共 15 小题；每小题 1.5 分，共 22.5 分)

听下面 6 段对话或独白。每段对话或独白后有几个小题，从每题所给的 A、B、C 三个选项中选出最佳选项。听每段对话或独白前，你将有 5 秒钟的时间阅读每小题。听完后，每小题将给出 5 秒钟的作答时间。每段对话或独白你将听两遍。

听第 6 段材料，回答第 6 至 7 题。

6．Why does Mary have to work late?

A．To watch a game.　　B．To write a report.　　C．To visit her friend.

7．When will Mary probably arrive at the game?

A．7：00 pm～8：00 pm.

B．8：00 pm～9：00 pm.

C．9：00 pm～10：00 pm.

听第 7 段材料，回答第 8 至 10 题。

8．What is Carol like?

A．She's sociable.　　B．She's serious.　　C．She's shy.

9．Which is likely to be Bob?



A.　　B.　　C.

10．How does the woman know Bob?

A．She is taking tennis lessons from him.

B．They met at a party two months ago.

C．They learn tennis in the same class.

听第 8 段材料，回答第 11 至 12 题。

11．What is the woman doing?

A．Talking to her boss.　　B．Waiting for a phone call.　　C．Exercising in the garden.

12．What's the relationship between the two speakers?

A．Neighbors.　　B．Good friends.　　C．Husband and wife.

听第 9 段材料，回答第 13 至 14 题。

13．Where did the man get his knowledge about computers?

A．From a video game．　B．From a magazine．　C．From an article．

14．What are the two speakers talking about?

A．Different uses of computers．

B．Software for accounting systems．

C．Booking tickets through computers．

听第 10 段材料，回答第 15 至 17 题。

15．What does the girl think of the movie?

A．Disappointing．　B．Amazing．　C．Boring．

16．What kind of movie are they talking about?

A．Comedy．　B．Action movie．　C．Science fiction.

17．Where does this conversation take place?

A．At a movie theater．

B．At the speakers'home．

C．In the neighbor's house．

听第 11 段材料，回答第 18 至 20 题。

18．What service is being advertised?

A．Carpet cleaning．　B．Food service．　C．House repair．

19.What is the cost of the service if customers call now?

A．$4．49．　B．$25．46．　C．$29．95．

20．Who is most likely to call for the service?

A．Master Cleaners．　B．Repair workers．　C．Housewives．

第二部分：知识运用(共两节，45 分)

第一节　单项填空(共 15 小题；每小题 1 分，共 15 分)

从每题所给的 A、B、C、D 四个选项中，选出可以填入空白处的最佳选项。

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例：It is generally considered unwise to give a child_____he or she wants.

A．however　　B．whatever　　C．whichever　　D．whenever

答案是 B。

21. —Peter，you know what? Mother says we can have a dog!

—Great! But I'd rather have a cat.It is_____to take care of.

A. the easiest　　B. easiest　　C. easier　　D. easy

22. —Haven't seen you all for ages!_____all right?

—Not good.We've got problems with sales.

A. Something　　B. Everything　　C. Anything　　D. Nothing

23. —We should get together next week.

—Sounds like a plan! I_____you a call.

A. will give　　B. would give　　C. have given　　D. give

24. —Gina has a sweet tooth and loves meat more than anything else.

—No wonder she_____weight so fast.

A. gains　　B. gained　　C. had gained　　D. is gaining

25. —Please carry a cell phone to make it easier for me to get hold of you.

—OK，Dad.But I am eighteen.You_____worry so much.

A. can't　　B. mustn't　　C. shouldn't　　D. wouldn't

26. Teamwork is very important in modern society._____an effective team member，you need to develop a teamwork attitude.

A. Become　　B. Becoming　　C. Having become　　D. To become

27. All his attention_____on the computer game he was playing，so he even didn't notice his mother enter the room.

A. has been fixed　　B. was fixing　　C. was fixed　　D. fixed

28. With the development of its economy，Beijing has changed_____recognition in the last five years.

A. without　　B. beyond　　C. over　　D. with

29. The Chinese government has made the Mid-autumn festival a legal holiday，_____ people will have a day off.

A. when　　B. which　　C. where　　D. what

30. It was only when I reread his poems recently_____I began to appreciate their beauty.

A. so　　B. as　　C. then　　D. that

31. The No.5 subway line，_____in October 2007，has greatly improved the traffic conditions in Beijing.

A. opened　　B. was opened　　C. being opened　　D. to be opened

32. These children are wild.I feel sorry for_____has to be their babysitter.

A. who B. whom C. whoever D. whomever

33. She did not allow her failure in the exam to discourage her._____， she began to work twice as hard.

A. In addition B. On the whole

C. In conclusion D. On the contrary

34. Despite the great success of Chang'e-1，experts say，it will be at least ten years_____our astronauts can land on the moon.

A. while B. before C. since D. until

35. Environmental groups intend to_____the pressure until the government changes the law.

A. keep up B. make up C. pick up D. bring up

第二节 完形填空(共 20 小题；每小题 1.5 分，共 30 分)

阅读下面短文，掌握其大意，从每题所给的 A、B、C、D 四个选项中，选出最佳选项。

To Be Lucky，Be Prepared

I remember the exact moment I learned the principle of preparing for luck.

I was on the wrestling team．Now，if there's one thing I can tell you about any sport，it is that wrestling is probably the sport that has the least__36__．There are only two people out on the mat，so you cannot__37__it on your teammates or your coach．And guess what? There is no__38__because we do the whole thing indoors，so you can't say，"It was raining"or"It was snowing．"It makes__39__to say wrestling is the sport with the least luck．

On our team were two world champions；one of them had been a world champion five times．We__40__had five people who were national champions．One of them was a guy__41__the name of John．

John had never been__42__in any high school wrestling competition that I could remember，__43__he was a national champion．There was nobody locally who could touch him．

One day，we__44__a match with our biggest opponent(对手)．John went out on the mat，and about a minute and 30 seconds into the match he tried to make a particular__45__．He rolled over, and his opponent__46__him halfway through his roll．He was pinned__47__!

The match was over．

I remember on the bus on the way home，one of our teammates tried to__48__John by saying，"Oh，he just got lucky."And John said，"That's so stupid．The opportunity presented itself，__49__he exploited it．"

We used to have this big sign in our wrestling room that the coach had__50__there："Luck is what happens when opportunity__51__preparation."

John's opponent was prepared to exploit this opportunity. The probability of__52__John was not strong, and he knew it. But he paid attention to the__53__opportunity to present itself, and he defeated and pinned a five-time national champion.

In other words, the real__54__is"Be prepared!"It's not just finding the opportunity; you have to be prepared to__55__it.

36. A. 1uck	B. risk	C. difficulty	D. opportunity
37. A. accuse	B. blame	C. doubt	D. keep
38. A. stress	B. injury	C. weather	D. standard
39. A. judgment	B. progress	C. sense	D. way
40. A. also	B. even	C. only	D. once
41. A. under	B. for	C. in	D. by
42. A. hurt	B. chosen	C. trained	D. defeated
43. A. although	B. because	C. unless	D. until
44. A. went for	B. waited for	C. fought for	D. played for
45. A. sign	B. step	C. task	D. move
46. A. fixed	B. threw	C. caught	D. carried
47. A. accidentally	B. fortunately	C. unfairly	D. instantly
48. A. calm	B. comfort	C. convince	D. forgive
49. A. so	B. or	C. and	D. but
50. A. set	B. put	C. left	D. used
51. A. meets	B. suits	C. gets	D. fits
52. A. striking	B. beating	C. knocking	D. controlling
53. A. equal	B. exact	C. rest	D. right
54. A. message	B. passage	C. decision	D. suggestion
55. A. receive	B. follow	C. seize	D. save

第三部分：阅读理解(共 20 小题；每小题 2 分，共 40 分)

阅读下列短文，从每题所给的 A、B、C、D 四个选项中，选出最佳选项。

A

My teacher held up a piece of broken glass and asked，“Who broke this window?”Thirty boys tried to think about not only what they had done，but also what our teacher may have found out．She seldom became angry，but she was this time．

“Oh，”I thought．I was the one who broke the window．It was caused by a naughty throw of a baseball．If I admitted guilt，I would be in a lot of trouble．How would I be able to pay for a big window like that? I didn't even get an allowance.“My father is going to have a fit，”I thought．I didn't want to raise my hand，but some force much stronger than I was pulled it skyward．I told the truth.“I did it．”It was hard enough to say what I had.

My teacher took down a book from one of our library shelves and I had never known my teacher to strike a student，but I feared she was going to start with me．

“I know how you like birds，”she said as she stood looking down at my guilt-ridden face．“Here is that field guide about birds that you are constantly checking out．It is yours now．It's time we got a new one for the school anyway．You will not be punished as long as you remember that I am not rewarding you for your misdeed，I am rewarding you for your truthfulness.”

I couldn't believe it! I wasn't being punished and I was getting my own bird field guide—the very one that I had been saving up money to buy.

All that remains of that day is my memory and the lesson my teacher taught me．That lesson stays with me every day and it will echo forever.

56．From the story，we can learn that the boy_____.

A．didn't break the window on purpose

B．lacked the strength to admit his guilt

C．tried to think about what he had done

D．didn't know what the teacher would find out

57．If the boy admitted guilt，he thought he would NOT_____.

A．be punished by the teacher　　B．make his father angry

C．pay for the broken window　　D．get a bird field guide

58．Which of the following best describes the changes in the boy's feelings?

A．Afraid — Surprised — Thankful．

B. Frightened — Amazed — Proud.

C. Regretful — Guilty — Excited.

D. Nervous — Afraid — Satisfied.

59. What is the lesson the boy's teacher taught him?

A. Every coin has two sides.　　B. Honesty is always valued.

C. Bad luck never comes alone.　　D. It's never too late to be careful.

B

ANY VOLUNTEERS?

MORE WAYS TO GET INVOLVED WHILE HAVING GREAT FUN

GLOBAL VOLUNTEERS

What it is: Volunteers can choose from 20 countries year-round. Projects include teaching English, caring for children, building and repairing community buildings and assisting with health care.

Length of Stay/Cost: 1- 3 weeks / $695 and up, airfare not included.

Living Conditions: Local homes, simple hotels. Comfortable.

Vibe: Famous organization with plenty of media coverage from People magazine to Oprah.

Web site: globalvolunteers. org

ENKOSINI ECO EXPERIENCES

What it is: Projects in South Africa. Volunteers work in conservation, rehabilitation and research projects with animals ranging from penguins to lions.

Length of Stay/Cost: 2- 4 weeks / $795- $2,195 w /o airfare.

Living Conditions: Not for the high-maintenance types.

Vibe: Does the idea of feeding baby monkeys from a bottle make you feel excited?

Web site: enkosiniecoexperience. com

HABITAT NEW ORLEANS

What it is: Rebuilding / building affordable housing. Training is done on site; no experience is required.

Length of Stay/Cost: One day or more /Free to participate.

Living Conditions: Up to you. Group living in "Camp Hope," an elementary-school-turned-volunteer-housing or stay at the Ritz-Carlton.

Vibe: Easygoing. Potential for celeb spotting, for instance.

Web site: habitat-nola.org

EARTH WATCH INSTITUTE

What it is: A number of environmental volunteer projects, such as the one in The Bahamas where do-gooders snorkel (潜水) remote islands to survey and document the health of the coral reefs.

Length of Stay/Cost: Eight-day Bahamas trip costs $2,446 w /o airfare.

Living Conditions: Shared rooms at Gerace Research Center (a former U. S. Navy base). Simple meals provided.

Vibe: Volunteers are definitely there to work. But it's The Bahamas. So how bad can it be?

Web site: earthwatchexpeditions. org

60. All of the volunteers will_____in the four activities.

A. teach young kids　　B. have a lot of fun

C. experience nature　　D. beautify the environment

61. If you are short of money, which group would you like to join?

A. ENKOSINI ECO EXPERIENCES　　B. EARTH WATCH INSTITUTE

C. HABITAT NEW ORLEANS　　D. GLOBAL VOLUNTEERS

62. According to the advertisement, which of the following is true?

A. You have to cook yourself in EARTH WATCH INSTITUTE.

B. You need to have experience to join HABITAT NEW ORLEANS.

C. You may learn to feed a baby in ENKOSINI ECO EXPERIENCES.

D. You have a chance to serve in a community in GLOBAL VOLUNTEERS.

C

In Britain and other countries, young people sometimes take a"gap year," a year off between high school and

college. This idea never gained a big following in America. Recent news reports have suggested that interest may be growing, though there are no official numbers.

Charles Deacon, Dean of Admissions at Georgetown University in Washington, D. C., estimates that in the current first-year class of 1600 students, only about 25 decided to take a year off. He says this number hasn't changed much over the years.

Mr. Deacon says the most common reason for taking a"gap year"is to have a chance to travel, but he says international students may take a"gap year"to meet requirements at home for military duty.

Some high school graduates see a year off as a chance to recover after twelve years of required education, but it can also give students a chance to explore their interests. Students hoping to be doctors, for example, could learn about the profession by volunteering in a hospital.

Many colleges and universities support gap-year projects by permitting students to delay their admission. Experts say students can grow emotionally and intellectually as they work at something they enjoy.

The Harvard admissions office has an essay on its Web site called"Time Out or Burn Out for the Next Generation". It praises the idea of taking time off to step back, think and enjoy gaining life experiences outside the pressure of studies. It also notes that students are sometimes admitted to Harvard or other colleges partly because they did something unusual with that time.

Of course, a"gap year"is not for everyone. Students might miss their friends who go on directly to college, and parents might worry that their children will decide not to go to college once they take time off. Another concern is money. A year off, away from home, can be costly.

Holly Bull's job is to specialize in helping students plan their"gap year". She notes that several books have been written about this subject. She says these books along with media attention and the availability of information on the Internet have increased interest in the idea of a year off, and she points out that many gap-year programs cost far less than a year of college.

63. What is the passage mainly about?

A. More and more American students are choosing to take a year off.

B. If you want to go to an American university, take a"gap year"first.

C. It is likely that taking a"gap year"is becoming popular in America.

D. Americans hold different opinions towards students'taking a"gap year".

64. How many reasons for students'taking a"gap year"are mentioned in the passage?

A．2. B．3. C．4. D．5.

65．The essay“Time Out or Burn Out for the Next Generation”suggests that_____.

A．every student must take a“gap year” before applying for a famous university

B. some famous universities encourage students to gain more life experiences

C．taking a“gap year”can make students free from life learning

D．the stress of studies does harm to the students’health

66．What can we learn from the passage?

A．Books and media have contributed to the students’interest in school learning.

B．Charles Deacon doesn’t support the idea of the students’taking a“gap year”.

C．Parents might disagree with the program，concerned about their children’s future.

D．Experts agree taking a year off will benefit the students emotionally and physically.

D

I was working with a client who was completely burned out on her career and life and then ready for a career change．As we were talking，she said，“I just wish I had meaningful work．I don’t feel like I am making a difference．I am just wasting my life．”This is the theme I hear most often from clients who have been in the workforce awhile．All of us want to feel like we are making a difference．We want to believe our work means something．The problem comes in defining“meaningful work．”What is it? That answer is different for everyone．For some meaningful work might be helping others organize their office．For others it may mean making a million dollars.

What really matters is how you see it．What is meaningful work to you? Take out a piece of paper and answer these questions．How do you define meaningful work? When do you feel like you are really making a difference? What work have you done so far that feels the most meaningful? Write down whatever comes to mind.

It is very easy to start judging yourself as being selfish. Stop！Allow yourself to be honest. The fact is when Picasso painted，he was doing it because he liked to paint. He was not thinking，“Oh，I hope this brings joy to others’lives.”He painted because he wanted to. When Beethoven composed, he did it because he loved music. Even scientists searching for a cure for cancer are immersed in their work because it fascinates them.

It is easy to downplay the importance of work that feels meaningful. I remember Tony Robbins told a story of talking with the

owner of a major company. The man said to Tony. "I wish I could do what you do because it makes such a difference in people's lives."Tony said." You've got to be kidding! Look at what a difference you make. You provide work, health insurance and security for thousands of people!"Don't underestimate the value you provide.

Take a look at what you have written about meaningful work. Do you see any themes? How do you wish to contribute to this world? Whatever you choose, remember that the greatest gift you can give is to find work that makes you feel fulfilled and joyful. Honor your preferences because giving your gifts to the world, whatever they look like, is the most meaningful action you can ever take.

67. Which should come first to see whether you are doing something meaningful?

A. What is meaningful work to you?

B. Where can you find meaningful work?

C. How do you wish to contribute to the world?

D. How can you make a difference in your work?

68. What does the writer mean by mentioning the famous people?

A. Famous people are selfish to start work for themselves.

B. Doing meaningful work requires our interest in it.

C. Interest is the best teacher in learning.

D. Honesty makes for the greatest people.

69. When you downplay the value of your work, you tend to think it is_____.

A. quite different B. very successful

C. not meaningful D. less important

70. According to the passage, what meaningful job does the writer advise us to take?

A. The one which is popular in society.

B. The one which brings you profits.

C. The one which wins you fame.

D. The one which interests you.

71. The article is intended to_____.

A. explain the most important aspect in changing one's career

B. advise taking a preferable action to find meaningful work

C．suggest we should show confidence and talent in work

D．show us how to give our greatest gift to society

E



Have you pulled your car up to the gas pump lately and been shocked by the high price of gas? As the pump clicked past $50，$60，$70 or even $80,maybe you thought about trading in your car for something that gets better mileage．Or maybe you're worried that your car is contributing to the greenhouse effect.

The car industry has the technology to address these concerns. It's the hybrid car. There are a lot of hybrid models on the market these days，and most automobile manufacturers have announced plans to manufacture their own versions.

To be useful to you，a car must meet certain minimum requirements. The car should be able to drive at least 300 miles(482 km)between refueling，be refueled quickly and easily，and keep up with the other traffic on the road.

A gasoline car meets these requirements，but produces a relatively large amount of pollution and generally gets poor gas mileage. An electric car，however，produces almost no pollution，but it can only go 50 to 100 miles(80 to 161 km)between charges，and the problem has been that the electric car is very slow and inconvenient to recharge．

The hybrid is a compromise. It significantly increases the mileage and reduce the emissions of a gas-powered car while overcoming the shortcomings of an electric car．

Most hybrid cars on the road right now are gasoline-electric hybrids，although French car maker Citroen has two diesel-electric hybrid（柴油电动混合）cars in the works.

In fact，hybrid vehicles are all around us．For example，an electric bike is a type of hybrid because it combines the power of electricity with the pedal power of its rider. Most of the locomotives we see pulling trains are diesel-electric hybrids．Cities like Seattle have diesel-electric buses — these can draw electric power from overhead wires or run on diesel when they are away from the wires. Submarines are also hybrid vehicles — some are nuclear-electric and some are diesel-electric. Any vehicle that combines two or more sources of power that can directly or indirectly provide propulsion power is a hybrid．

72. From the passage，we know the hybrid cars can do the following EXCEPT_____.

A. going 50 to 100 miles between charges

B. recharging quickly and conveniently

C. reducing environmental pollution

D. driving farther between refueling

73. The writer didn't directly tell us_____in the passage.

A. what the shortcomings of gasoline cars and electric ones are

B. what solutions have been found to bring gas prices down

C. what basic features people expect their cars to have

D. what car drivers are concerned about today

74. What can be learned from the last paragraph?

A. Developing hybrid vehicles is a new trend.

B. Only modern cities can provide hybrid cars.

C. A hybrid is more powerful and energy saving.

D. What general characteristics a hybrid vehicle has.

75. What may be the best title for the passage?

A. Hybrid Car — Best Seller in the Car Market

B. Hybrid Car — Reputation in the Car Industry

C. Hybrid Car — A Better Choice for the Future

D. Hybrid Car — A New Technical Invention

第Ⅱ卷(共 35 分)

第四部分：书面表达(共两节，35 分)

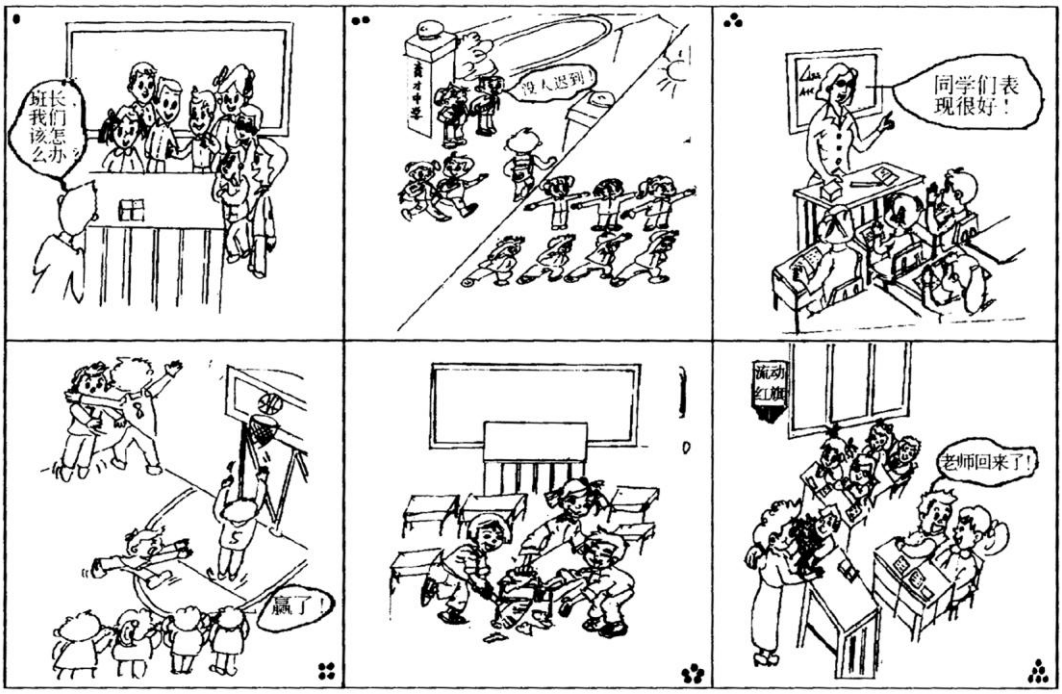
第一节 情景作文（20 分）

某英文报以 Learn to Manage on Our Own 为题向中学生征文，请根据下列图片，讲述上周你们的班主任生病期间你班同学的表现，写一篇短文投稿。

注意：1.词数不少于 60。

2.短文内容必须包括图片所提供的主要信息（可适当增加内容）。

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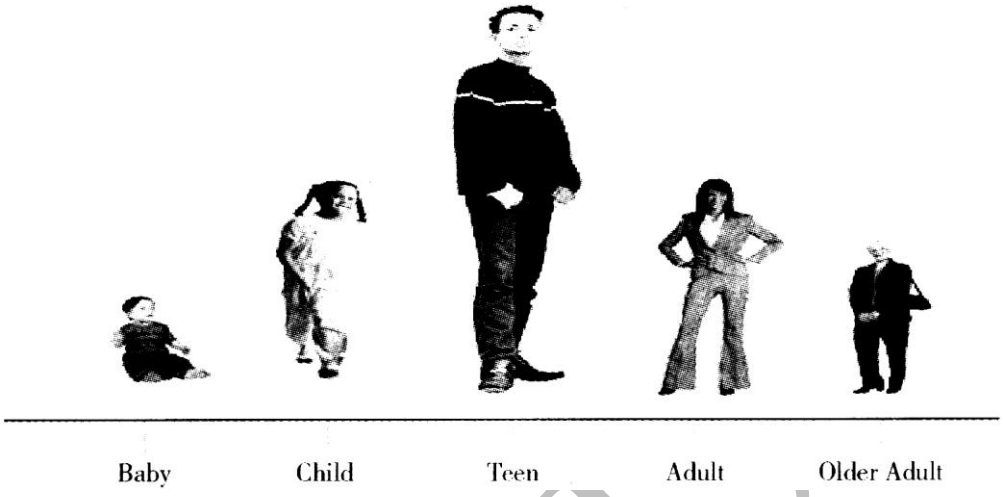


Learn to Manage on Our Own

第二节 开放作文（15 分）

请根据下面提示，写一篇短文，词数不少于 50。

In your English class，you are given the following topic to discuss：*If I Could Be Any Age*，…Which age would you like to be and why？Please give at least two reasons and explain them.



If I Could Be Any Age，…

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海淀区高三年级第一学期期末练习

英 语

参考答案及评分标准 **2008.1**

选择题答案

第一、二、三部分

1．A 2．C 3．B 4．A 5．A 6．B 7．C 8．A 9．C 10．A

11．B 12．C 13．C 14．A 15．B 16．C 17．B 18．A 19．B 20．C

21．C 22．B 23．A 24．D 25．C 26．D 27．C 28．B 29．A 30．D

31．A 32．C 33．D 34．B 35．A 36．A 37．B 38．C 39．C 40．A

41．D 42．D 43．B 44．A 45.D46．C 47.D48.B49．C 50．B

51．A 52．B 53．D 54．A 55．C 56．A 57．D 58．A 59.B60．B

61．C 62．D 63．C 64．C 65．B 66．C 67．A 68．B 69．D 70．D

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非选择题答案

第四部分 书面表达

情景作文 One possible version：

Last week，we felt sorry to hear that our head teacher was ill．Afterwards, we had a discussion and decided to manage on our own.

During the following days，all of us did a good job．None of us was late for school and we did morning exercises better than ever．In class，we listened to the teacher attentively．Besides，we won the school basketball match．The day before our teacher came back，we gave the classroom a thorough cleaning to welcome her．Our monitor presented a bunch of flowers to her when she stepped onto the platform．Seeing the red flag for Weekly Model Class，she was happy and moved．

We were greatly inspired，too，because we succeeded in managing on our own，which proves we have grown up．(130)

开放作文 One possible version：

If I could be any age，I would like very much to be an adult．First of all，as an adult，I can enjoy much more freedom and follow my interests to do whatever I like．I will travel around the world，as I have always been

dreaming of．Besides, by that time I will have finished my school education．I can depend on myself and take the responsibility to take care of my parents．I will buy my parents a big house with a beautiful garden．What is more important is that I can make my contributions to society，helping more children who are in need of enough food，medical treatment and good education． (115)

附：听力录音原文

Text l

W：David，are you coming to the park by bus or by bike?

M：I prefer to walk there.

Text 2

W：If I buy some plants for our new house，will you water them while I’m away?

M：Sure，I will．

Text 3

W：Can you tell me what you like doing in your free time?

M：Well，I listen to pop music，but most of all I like playing chess．It’s better than going fishing．

Text 4

W：What time does the plane take off?

M：Not until 9:30，but I want to get to the airport by 8：45．

Text 5

W：The weather is so changeable these days．The forecasts never seem to be exact．

M：You are right．It must be the wind that makes it so cold．I’m freezing．

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W：Me，too.

M：It's cold standing out here，though the sun is shining.

Text 6

［Phone ringing...］

Bill：Hey，this is Bill. I'm sorry I'm not in. Just leave a message.

［Beep］

Hi！Bill！This is Mary. I'm just calling to let you know that I'll be a little late for the game tomorrow evening. I have to work a few extra hours to finish a report. I should finish things sometime between seven and eight，though. Oh，then I'm planning on dropping by Lisa's house for about an hour since she's been ill recently. And，one more thing，I'll go back to my house to pick up some food for the game. See you then.

Text 7

W：Hi！Mike！Good to see you could make it. Come on in.

M：Wow. It looks like the party is in full swing.

W：Yeah. And they're eating me out of house and home. Oh，I'd like you to meet my sister，Carol. She's visiting for the weekend.

M：Oh！Which one is Carol?

W：She's sitting on the sofa over there. Let me introduce her to you. I just know you two will hit it off. You're both so outgoing and adventurous.

M：Uh，and who's the man sitting next to her? Uh，the man with a jacket and a green tie?

W：Oh，that's Bob，my tennis teacher.

M：Your tennis teacher！I never knew you were into tennis.

W：Yeah，I started about two months ago. Come on. I'd like you to meet them.

Text 8

W：Did you hear the telephone ringing?

M：I didn't hear anything.

W：I thought I heard it ring two or three times.

M：Sometimes when the windows are open，you can hear the neighbors’phone.

W：Well，I’m expecting an important phone call，and I don’t want to miss it.

M：Is it anything I should know about?

W：Not really. It has something to do with my work and doesn’t really affect us here at home.

M：Well，why don’t you go ahead and do what you want to do outside？I’ll call you if the phone rings for you.

W：Thanks. I’ve been waiting so long；now I’m getting nervous. I need to relax in the garden.

Text 9

M：Do you know much about computers?

W：Not a great deal，but I enjoy a magazine called Computer World and often play video games.

M：I’ve just read an article about them. They are used for all sorts of things now.

W：For accounting systems and things you mean?

M：Yes，but they’re used for other things，too. Do you remember when we went to buy our tickets for the flight to Greece?

W：Yes.

M：The man asked where we wanted to go，and then he typed out the information on a form. A few moments later he gave us our tickets.

W：Of course. His machine must have been connected to a computer.

M：That’s right.

Text l0

W：Dad！The movie is over. You slept through the best part.

M：Ah，ah，I must have fallen asleep during the last few minutes.

W：Right. You were gone for so long. You should have brought your pillow and blanket. So，what do you think of it?

M：Well，overall，I’m a little disappointed with the movie. I mean，the story was a little strange， you have to admit. How believable is a plot about a captain who directs his spaceship to the far reaches of the Mars and comes across a race of frog people?

W：I thought it was amazing. I mean the special effects were terrific， and the acting wasn’t bad，either.

M：Ah，come on．What about the ship's communication officer？What do you think of him?

W：Well，he was a little unusual，but the ship's doctor was great．It was so cool when he brought the captain back to life during the battle．

M：That was pretty realistic，but the rest of the movie just went from bad to worse．

W：How do you know？You were snoring so loud that the neighbors probably had to close their windows．

M：Ah，well, let's go to bed．

Text 11

Hey you! This is your carpet speaking．Hello！Hey，I take a real beating from you and your family every day. The kids track mud all over me；the dog leaves a bunch of fur balls everywhere. You spilt coffee the other day while entertaining guests，and your husband left a trail of potato chip crumbs from the sofa to the kitchen last night while watching the football game．Don't you think it's about time to give me a good cleaning?

Now pick up that phone and call Master Cleaners now．I see them on the TV all the time．They'll clean any three rooms for $29.95， and any connecting hall is free．Plus, they'll throw in a free bottle of their amazing spot remover． And if you call now, you'll receive a 15％ discount off their already low prices．So，come on! Give them a call at 637-5001,and make life a little easier．Uh，nice doggie，nice doggie...

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