

graduate degrees and/ or multi-language abilities are highly regarded-though not required. Please note: this is a volunteer position, but voyage expenses are covered

*All successful applicants must be able to attend the pre-voyage meeting to be held in Tokyo roughly one week before the official departure date.

*For Spanish teachers: Please note that all teacher-related GET Programme administrative activities and correspondence are conducted in English. All application material should be presented in English.

21. What is the application deadline?

A. August 1, 2023.

B. August 31, 2023.

C. August 29, 2023.

D. September 2, 2023.

22. What is required of the applicants?

A. They must have full-time teaching experience.

B. They must have graduate degrees.

C. They have to pay for their voyage expenses themselves.

D. They have to work with native speakers for over 18 months.

23. What should Spanish applicants pay attention to?

A. Learning about sea areas around Japan.

B. Taking a voyage around Japan before the departure date.

C. Keeping in close touch with GET administrative staff.

D. Writing their application material in English.

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B

A few years ago I went shopping with a friend for a new motorcycle. He didn't have a particular make or model in mind. His only two criteria? A big engine —since too much horsepower is never enough— and since he's tall, a relatively relaxed riding position.

I suggested a Hayabusa, which met his criteria. Or an XS-14R. Both were within his budget, especially the Hayabusa since the dealer was offering a \$2,500 discount on a previous year's model.

He rode them both and loved them both.

Then he became very interested in a ZX-6R KRT. Great motorcycle, sure. But a much smaller motor. And a riding position that made him look like a contorted mantis (变形的螳螂). It seemed like an odd choice.

Until it hit me. The purchase of any motorcycle 750cc and under came with a free helmet.

Since my friend also wanted a new helmet, getting one for free was extremely appealing.

After all, the math didn't work. We eventually negotiated \$3,200 off the price of the Hayabusa. The free helmet was only worth \$250.

A 2017 study published in Marketing Science found that people tend to significantly overvalue "free". When faced with a choice of selecting one of several available products, people will choose the option with the highest cost-benefit difference, however, decisions about free (zero-price) products differ, in that people do not simply take away costs from benefits but instead consider the benefits associated with free products as

Two months later my friend traded in his 6R for a 14R. But don't think badly of him. We've all been blinded by the power of "free".

So whenever something is free, stop and consider the intent, and see "free" as a reason to do even more math.

24. What kind of motorcycle did the author's friend intend to buy?

A. A good second-hand one.

B. A previous year's Hayabusa.

C. A highly fashionable XS-14R.

D. A powerful and comfortable one.

25. What aspect of the ZX-6R KRT deal attracted the author's friend most?
 A. Its price. B. Its free gift.
 C. Its 750cc engine. D. Its classical design.
26. Why does the author mention the 2017 study?
 A. To offer his friend a better purchase plan.
 B. To stress the importance of negotiating skills.
 C. To tell readers how to get more zero-price products.
 D. To explain why his friend made such an unwise choice.
27. What would be the best title for the text?
 A. It's time to stop doing the math B. Getting something for free is so fun
 C. "Free" is sometimes the worst deal D. We all love to buy something on sale

C

A team of researchers from the University of Groningen, the University of Tuscia, Roflight, Lemselobrink and the Royal Netherlands Air Force has designed, built and tested a robot named RobotFalcon fashioned to look and fly like a peregrine falcon(游隼) as a means of driving off flocks(群) of birds around airports.

Birds, whether alone or in flocks, are a menace to flying planes. When a plane strikes a bird, damage will be caused - occasionally with disastrous results. The plane that famously landed on the Hudson River in 2009, for example, was damaged by birds entering the plane's engines accidentally, causing their failure.

Scientists have been working on ways to prevent birds from entering flight spaces but thus far have met with only partial success. Currently drones(无人机) are used to scare birds away, as are trained falcons and systems that make sounds of birds in great pain.

In this new effort, the researchers took a new approach - they designed a remote-controlled flying robot just like a peregrine falcon that catches and kills other birds, which therefore try to avoid it.

The result is the RobotFalcon, which is painted to look like a real peregrine falcon and is powered by an internal engine. To capably copy the flying patterns of a falcon, the researchers studied the flying characteristics of real birds and then added features to their robot bird that would allow it to fly in similar ways.

During field tests, the robot bird scared away entire flocks of birds within five minutes of arrival: on half of these flights, it was able to clear the field within 70 seconds. The team conducted multiple tests with the same flock of birds over three months and found no habituation - they were afraid of it no matter how often they saw it.

28. What does the underlined word "menace" in paragraph 2 mean?
 A. Wonder. B. Threat. C. Limit. D. Target.
29. Which of the following has been used to scare birds away?
 A. Selected wild falcons. B. Drones in the shape of birds.
 C. Systems producing birds' bitter cries. D. Specially designed plane engines.
30. What contributes to the researchers selecting a peregrine falcon for their design?
 A. It is scary B. It can be easily caught.
 C. It is typical in Roflight. D. It has unique flying patterns.
31. Why was the robot tested repeatedly with the same flock of birds?
 A. To predict its service life. B. To improve its efficiency.
 C. To work out a service schedule. D. To measure its long-term effectiveness.

D

As the year 2023 is the Year of the Rabbit in China, many brands have rolled out an array of rabbit-themed goods. Wang Chuchun, an 18-year-old freshman from Xiamen University in Fujian, bought a pair of shoes from the rabbit collection made by Huli, a domestic brand, during the Spring Festival holiday.

"I would like to see Chinese culture be more incorporated into consumer goods that carry a variety of beautiful connotations (内涵)," Wang told journalist.

Guochao, the combination of Chinese traditions with modern designs, has become a keyword for this year's Spring Festival product consumption, according to statistics from Vipshop (also known as weipinhui in Chinese), an online retailer (零售商). The sales volume of 361 Degrees, a sports equipment company, saw a rise of 188 percent on a year-on-year basis during the Spring Festival with their rabbit collection.

Who is behind the surge of sales for guochao products? According to a report released by data service provider Aurora, the proportion of young people interested in the guochao products accounted for more than 70 percent of consumers.

Thus the target market of the guochao products is China's 400 million-strong army of young consumers, Tom Harper, a lecturer in international relations at the University of East London, said to The Conversation.

Like their peers in Western countries, China's Gen Z consumers are enthusiastic users of social media; but that is where the similarities end.

This generation has grown up during China's rapid economic development in the 2000s and 2010s, which is a marked contrast to their peers in the West, who came of age in the shadow of the 2008 financial crisis. As a result, they have been characterized as being more confident and better educated than previous generations.

"Complex and profound social and cultural factors have contributed to the rise of guochao. But it all comes down to decades of stable development in China. As our country enters an era of prosperity (繁荣), our cultural confidence gets boosted as well," said Wang.

32. Why is Wang Chuchun's experience mentioned at the beginning of the text?

- A. To illustrate what young people like to buy.
- B. To lead up to the topic of the guochao trend.
- C. To show the popularity of rabbit-themed goods.
- D. To stress the rising influence of domestic brands.

33. What aspect of guochao products does paragraph 3 focus on?

- A. Their targets.
- B. Their features.
- C. Their popularity.
- D. Their market potential.

34. What can be inferred about China's Gen Z consumers?

- A. Their shopping habits are mainly driven by social media.
- B. They have benefited from rapid growth in economy.
- C. They're more confident than their Western peers.
- D. They've been deeply affected by the financial crisis.

35. What is the fundamental reason for the rise of guochao, according to Wang?

- A. China's stable development.
- B. China's social and cultural factors.
- C. The popularity of social media.
- D. Young people's rising cultural confidence.

第二节 (共 5 小题; 每小题 2.5 分, 满分 12.5 分)

阅读下面短文, 从短文后的选项选出可以填入空白处的最佳选项。选项中有两项为多余选项。

It is easy to get carried away in an argument. While having a rational (理性的) conversation with someone who has a different opinion might seem like a challenge, it is possible. 36.

The Empathy (同理心) Challenge is an exercise created by Zoe Chance, senior lecturer at the Yale School of Management. At Yale, Chance teaches a course called "Mastering Influence and Persuasion" where students learn to communicate more effectively. 37. "As they explain their position, you listen for their underlying (潜在的) values. Finally, you look for common ground as you reflect those values back. That's it."

38. As she couldn't understand why many people chose to vote for Donald Trump, she found three Trump's voters and spoke with them. Through asking questions, Chance was able to empathize with them and realize they had similar feelings. One man, an Orthodox Jew, explained that he supported Trump because Trump's daughter and son-in-law are Jewish. 39. The third was a lawyer who believed that authenticity (真实性) was important in political leaders.

Although Chance and those people had different political beliefs, they were able to relate to the life values of others. 40.

- A. One way is to approach the other person with empathy.
- B. Chance first took this challenge herself before asking her students to try.
- C. The next man was a Russian immigrant passionate (热爱的) about freedom.
- D. And that's the point of the exercise – to understand others as fellow human beings.
- E. A research suggested that carrying conversation can boost people's empathy for others.
- F. In her blog, Chance explains that it's important to listen to people who disagree with you.
- G. Another man tried to explore reasonable persuasion without carrying away her underlying values.

第三部分 语言运用 (共两节, 满分 30 分)

第一节 (共 15 小题 每小题 1 分, 满分 15 分)

阅读下面短文, 从短文后各题所给的四个选项 (A、B、C、D) 中, 选出可以填入空白处的最佳选项, 并在答题卡上将该项涂黑。

I can't miss the little old lady standing at a bus stop. With her kerchief (方头巾) on her head, a black umbrella 41 all over, I can tell she is freezing. I'm driving by, late for my early morning shift (轮班). I decide to stop and offer her a 42.

43, she declines, but when I ask again and 44, finally, she gets in the car. I take her to her 45, and by the time she gets out of my car, she is smiling and thanks me.

I was 46 for work that day, but I was so glad that I stopped. That was 40 years ago, and the beginning of a new 47, one that continues when I'm out driving in bad weather.

If there's someone at a bus stop, especially if it's an elderly person waiting at 48 hours and in bad weather, I will 49 and ask if they need a ride. Once a woman jumped in without hesitation, which made me feel good.

The best part of my ride offers is the 50. I do tend to ask a lot of questions: where are you from, where are you going, family, background, pets and whatever else comes to mind. 51, everyone wants to chat. We are usually laughing by the time the ride is over. "What a shame!" I often think when they hop out, as the stories were just getting 52.

As the years 53, perhaps I will be the one standing at the bus stop. Perhaps there will be somebody who 54 down a window and offers me a seat for a little ride. I will continue to take that leap of 55 in the kindness of strangers.

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| 41. A. holding | B. blowing | C. taking | D. sharing |
| 42. A. ride | B. drive | C. cash | D. luck |
| 43. A. In addition | B. Or rather | C. Of course | D. After all |
| 44. A. conserve | B. insist | C. recommend | D. instruct |
| 45. A. departure | B. terminal | C. institute | D. destination |

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| 46. A. late | B. loyal | C. cute | D. punctual |
| 47. A. habit | B. period | C. action | D. shift |
| 48. A. for | B. over | C. off | D. by |
| 49. A. drive out | B. come across | C. switch up | D. pull over |
| 50. A. feedback | B. conversation | C. understanding | D. inquiry |
| 51. A. Surprisingly | B. Constantly | C. Actually | D. Basically |
| 52. A. improved | B. started | C. created | D. constructed |
| 53. A. prove | B. end | C. pile | D. pass |
| 54. A. bends | B. falls | C. rolls | D. pours |
| 55. A. conscience | B. mercy | C. faith | D. integrity |

第二节 (共 10 小题: 每小题 1.5 分, 满分 15 分)

阅读下面短文, 在空白处填入 1 个适当的单词或括号内单词的正确形式。

China's No. 1 Central Document, which is the first policy statement released by the country's central authorities each year, 56 (put) an emphasis on agricultural and rural development for 2023. This is also the 20th No. 1 Central Document of this century to focus on agricultural and rural 57 (affair).

Dedicating 58 (he) to agricultural development, based on his scientific research, Zhou Lei, 40, aspires (渴望) to make sure that Chinese people not only get enough to eat, but also eat well, 59 (reflect) one of the most important tasks in the No. 1 Central Document — strengthening agriculture 60 science and technology.

Zhou is working with a group of highly educated and skilled young people, most of 61 hold doctorate degrees. According to Zhou, it usually takes people more than 10 years of 62 (academy) training to become qualified for the research job. Zhou has been offered opportunities to go abroad and exchange experiences 63 peers overseas. Upon returning to China, Zhou determined to apply 64 he had learned to solving the problems faced by the nation's agricultural industry. He and his team now work more than 300 days a year. They 65 (address) the hardest problem in rice-breeding technology — the cloning of cold-tolerant genes in rice — for the first time ever. Such breakthroughs effectively tackle the risks of grain reduction.

第四部分 写作 (共两节, 满分 40 分)

第一节 (满分 15 分)

假定你是李华, 正作为交换生在美国加州的一所学校学习, 学生会主席 Kevin 邀请你在校园文化节上展示中国优秀传统文化, 形式、内容自选, 请你给他回一封邮件, 内容包括:

1. 感谢邀请;
2. 介绍将展示的具体内容;
3. 表达期待。

注意: 1. 词数 80 左右;

2. 可以适当增加细节, 以使行文流畅。

Dear Kevin,

Yours,
Li Hua

第二节 (满分 25 分)

阅读下面短文, 根据其内容和所给段落开头语续写两段, 使之构成一篇完整的短文。

I put one last box into the back seat and closed the car door. It felt as if I were closing the door on my whole life. At first, I was excited when Mom told me she'd gotten a fantastic new job at an animal hospital. Then, because she always saves the bad news for last, she told me the really terrible part. The hospital wasn't in our city; it was miles away in the middle of nowhere. And I'm definitely not a country girl.

I stood beside the car, taking a last look at our building. To most people, it probably just looked like any other old apartment house, but I loved every brick. Just then, I saw my best friends, Hana and Leo, come to see me off. While Hana played a cool riff (重复乐段) on her trumpet (小号), Leo sang, "We will miss you, Celia." I hugged them tightly and jumped into the car fast so no one could see me tear up. As Mom drove away, I waved goodbye to my friends, my neighborhood, and my life.

We rode a while in silence, and I held my violin case for comfort. Leo, Hana, and I had been writing songs for our band, but that was all over now. "Don't think of this as an ending," Mom said, with her knack (技能) for reading my mind. "It's an exciting beginning. It's normal to be a bit anxious about unfamiliar things, but you don't need to be afraid of them." I kept silent and looked out the window as crowded, exciting city streets turned first into tasteless suburban shopping strips (商业街) and then into endless, boring trees and fields of corn. We finally arrived at our new home, a two-floored wooden farmhouse. Mom said I could go explore. Mom never let me go out alone in the city, so maybe a bit more freedom would be one consolation (慰藉) of living here.

注意: 1. 续写词数应为 150 左右;

2. 请按如下格式在相应位置作答。

Feeling that country life might turn out okay, I wondered off, taking my violin with me. _____

I couldn't resist, so I took out my violin and began to play along. _____
