

2023 年常德市高三年级模拟考试

英 语

本试卷分为四个部分，共 12 页。时量 120 分钟。满分 150 分。

第一部分 听力（共两节，满分 30 分）

做题时，先将答案标在试卷上，录音内容结束后，你将有两分钟的时间将试卷上的答案转涂到答题卡上。

第一节（共 5 小题；每小题 1.5 分，满分 7.5 分）

听下面 5 段对话，每段对话后有一个小题。从题中所给的 A、B、C 三个选项中选出最佳选项，并标在试卷的相应位置。听完每段对话后，你都有 10 秒钟的时间来回答有关小题和阅读下一小题。每段对话仅读一遍。

例：How much is the shirt?

- A. £ 19.15 B. £ 9.18 C. £ 9.15

答案是 C。

1. What does Lily think of the new theater?

- A. It's satisfactory. B. It's disappointing. C. It's comfortable.

2. What is the man probably doing now?

- A. He's changing the bulb.
B. He's mending the desk.
C. He's dancing on the desk.

3. Where is the woman going to tonight?

- A. To a cinema. B. To Maggie's house. C. To a restaurant.

4. What are the speakers talking about?

- A. A park. B. The speakers' office. C. Shirley's new home.

5. What is probably the man?

- A. A waiter. B. A shop assistant. C. A librarian.

human form. Even those unfamiliar with the modern art history can likely identify a few of his best-known paintings.

The Old Guitarist

Completed: Late 1903 to early 1904

Where to see it: Art Institute of Chicago

The Old Guitarist has to be one of the most sorrowful paintings to ever capture the art world's imagination. The figure depicted (描绘) thin and cross-legged appears exhausted as he sits over his brown guitar.

Garçon à la Pipe

Completed: 1905

Where to see it: Private collection

With *Garçon à la Pipe (Boy With a Pipe)*, we move from Picasso's blue period to the more lively rose period. And while the figure in the oil-on-canvas portrait is clothed in blue, the background features happier shades of ochre and pink.

Girl Before a Mirror

Completed: 1932

Where to see it: Museum of Modern Art (New York)

If there's a single painting that screams Picasso, this might be the one. *Girl Before a Mirror* is alive with color, pathos and charming shapes that take cubism to its extremes. Picasso said he preferred this painting to any of the others, according to MOMA's founding director, Alfred H. Barr Jr.

Guernica

Completed: 1937

Where to see it: Museo Reina Sofia (Madrid)

Guernica is Picasso's best-known work. Its depiction of an aerial bombing attack on the Basque town of Guernica in April 1937, during the Spanish Civil War, was a visual prelude (序曲) to coming violent act of World War II. The muted tones of gray further emphasize the shapes of humans, their arms outstretched in extreme pain. *Guernica* has become one of the most recognizable anti-war paintings in history.

21. Where can we see *The Old Guitarist*?
- A. In Paris. B. In Chicago. C. In New York. D. In Madrid.
22. Which painting is Picasso's favorite?
- A. *The Old Guitarist*. B. *Garçon à la Pipe*.
C. *Girl Before a Mirror*. D. *Guernica*.

26. What can we learn about the Show Love Foundation?
- A. It is highly profitable. B. It was set up by Austin.
C. It will provide health care. D. It's funded by the government.
27. Which word can best describe Austin and his parents?
- A. Warm-hearted. B. Peace-loving.
C. Hard-working. D. Quick-minded.

C

The World Economic Forum predicts the global population will hit 9.8 billion by 2050, which means we might need to grow as much as double the amount of food we do today and do it without significantly consuming limited resources such as land and water.

But there are reasons to be positive. Historically, **human intelligence** has risen to the population challenge. 8,000 years ago in the first agricultural revolution, the plough (犁) transformed productivity. In the 1800s, inventions such as the seed drill brought a degree of mechanization to farming. Then, in the mid-20th century, there were major breakthroughs in artificial fertilizer and plant science.

Now, we are entering a fourth age of agriculture. Innovation is exploding. The digital transformation of agriculture is not theory. It's real. And it's having a huge impact across all aspects of farming.

In April 2020, Chinese drone (无人机) maker XAG organized a rice seeding demonstration in Guangdong province. First, it invited two workers to spread 5kg of rice seeds the traditional way—by wading across 1,200 square metres of waterlogged field. The laborious process took 25 minutes. Then it unleashed (释放) its XAG XPlanet drone on the same task. The unmanned aerial system followed a pre-programmed route and threw rice seeds from the air. It completed the job in 120 seconds. XAG claims its system can use up to 90 per cent less water and 30 percent fewer chemicals than traditional technique.

Barcelona-based startup Faromatics has also attracted a lot of attention for its EU-funded invention: a robot called the ChickenBoy. It lets chicken farmers autonomously monitor their stock. The robot glides along the ceiling and uses a set of sensors to measure temperature, air quality, light and sound in poultry housing. Farmers can use a cloud platform to set the ChickenBoy to send mobile alerts.

The task of feeding 9.8 billion mouths by 2050 is one of the greatest facing humanity, but thanks to technology, there is good reason to be confident for the future.

28. What is the purpose of paragraph 2?
- A. To express the author's confidence in the human wisdom.
 - B. To tell us some challenges in the agricultural development.
 - C. To show us the present situation of the world food shortage.
 - D. To call on the government to take some effective measures.
29. What is the advantage of XAG XPlanet drone?
- A. It saves more money than the manual seeding.
 - B. It's more efficient and environmentally friendly.
 - C. It can rapidly reduce wastage and improve yields.
 - D. It helps farmers make better decisions about seeding.
30. What can be inferred about the ChickenBoy?
- A. Its system needs to be improved.
 - B. It aims to attract farmers' attention.
 - C. It was invented by a chicken farmer.
 - D. It helps farmers look after the chicken.
31. What does "human intelligence" refer to in the passage?
- A. Smart farming.
 - B. Agricultural revolution.
 - C. Plant science.
 - D. Artificial intelligence.

D

Fragile. Oversensitive. Glued to their phones. Is this what comes to mind when we think of the teens of this generation? While this may be true, there might be more to this generation of teens than what is generally perceived.

Never before have the lives of any generation of teens been as flooded with mobile technology and social media as the teens of this generation. The popularity of social media has led to a world in which teens have to participate in Instagram, TikTok and Twitter, or else cause the social anger of their friends, some of whom communicate primarily via those online platforms. As compared to their parents or grandparents who were likely less connected and more isolated, these teens are constantly exposed to the highlight reels (高光时刻) of many in their social circles and beyond. It is no wonder that the self-esteem and mental health of this generation's teens **have taken a hit**.

Moreover, the teens today are more individualistic. This is in contrast to the kampong spirit of their parents' and grandparents' days. Gone is the friendship among neighbours who are friendly with one another and quick to offer a helping hand when they see another in need. In its

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place, we have teens who may not even have a clue as to who lives in the unit next to theirs, much less offer a friendly nod or wave when they happen to cross paths with a neighbour.

Yet, the effects of technology on this generation of teens are not all bad. Arguably, the very connectedness that social media brings about has led to being more progressive. Logging onto platforms where people of all walks of life gather means that one is exposed to those people and their distinctive ways of life. In comparison, the parents or grandparents of this generation of teens probably did not have the same opportunity to get to know people outside of their social circles at their age, and are thus more likely to have fixed, stereotypical (刻板的) opinions of people different from them. This generation of teens, on the other hand, has the chance to use this technology to understand the variety and diversity out there.

32. What does the underlined phrase “**have taken a hit**” mean in paragraph 2?
- A. Have been terribly hurt. B. Have improved a lot.
C. Have recovered soon. D. Have been ignored.
33. Which belongs to the kampong spirit according to paragraph 3?
- A. Telephone your parents regularly. B. Never say Hi to your classmates.
C. Share your food with neighbours. D. Borrow money from your teacher.
34. What good effect does social media have on the teens?
- A. They are more ambitious and active.
B. They are more friendly and generous.
C. They are more independent of their parents.
D. They are more open-minded and better informed.
35. How is the text developed?
- A. By giving examples. B. By showing statistics.
C. By making comparisons. D. By providing instructions.

第二节(共 5 小题; 每小题 2.5 分, 满分 12.5 分)

阅读下面短文, 从短文后的选项中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。

Tai chi has been studied scientifically in recent years. Evidence suggests that tai chi may offer numerous benefits beyond stress reduction. Wondering how to get started in tai chi? 36

A tai chi instructor can teach you some specific positions and how to control your

breathing. 37 Although tai chi is slow and gentle without side effects, it's possible to get injured if you don't know how to do tai chi properly. It's possible you could strain (拉伤) your muscles or overdo it when first learning, or you could worsen an existing condition.

38 There are no standard training programs for instructors. So check an instructor's training and experience, get recommendations if possible, and make sure that you're comfortable with his or her approach. 39 But if you like the social element, consider sticking with group tai chi classes.

Under the guidance of the tai chi instructor, you may find it helpful to practice tai chi in the same place and at the same time every day to develop a routine. 40 You can even draw on the comforting mind-body concepts of tai chi without performing the actual movements if you get stuck in stressful situations — a traffic jam or a contentious (争论不休的) work meeting, for instance.

If you want to reap the greatest stress reduction and other health benefits from tai chi, just find an instructor and practice it regularly!

- A. An instructor also can teach you how to practice tai chi safely.
- B. Keep in mind that tai chi instructors don't have to be licensed.
- C. Some qualified web-based distance education is also an option.
- D. Taking classes is one of the best ways to become a tai chi instructor.
- E. You can consider seeking guidance from qualified tai chi instructors.
- F. Eventually, you may feel confident enough to do tai chi on your own.
- G. But if your schedule is flexible, do tai chi whenever you have a few minutes.

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。

I've had Maggie since Valentine's Day 2015. I was in school, 41 to graduate in May, and I knew I probably shouldn't take on the responsibility. My sister had been scoping out (观察) a certain dog at the 42 and planned to get there on Saturday morning. However, one person was there before us, and they 43 her!

My sister and I still walked around the rescue to 44 the other puppies. Then we 45 Maggie. When they brought us into the room, she was so 46 but after 45 seconds of love from us she became the happy, lovely dog she is today. And the rest is 47 !

Maggie is half pointer (指示犬) and half mountain goat. One day we were hiking in

the foothills and I had her off leash (拴狗链). She instantly started 48 when she saw a herd of deer a few yards away. Before I could 49, she was gone. She chased those deer all over the mountains and was 50! I could only hear her barking.

51 after about 15 minutes, however it felt like eternity, I saw her running back my way with the biggest smile on her face. She had had the best 52 and couldn't wait to tell me. After I put my 53 back into my chest, I put her back on the leash and gave her all the love. Even though she is a 54 one, she still knows who 55 her and comes back.

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| 41. A. allowed | B. forced | C. prepared | D. convinced |
| 42. A. rescue | B. school | C. hospital | D. shop |
| 43. A. left | B. got | C. bought | D. met |
| 44. A. look after | B. play with | C. figure out | D. check out |
| 45. A. encountered | B. refused | C. received | D. helped |
| 46. A. pleased | B. scared | C. angry | D. curious |
| 47. A. history | B. pain | C. prejudice | D. ambition |
| 48. A. thinking | B. waiting | C. pointing | D. hesitating |
| 49. A. measure | B. witness | C. scold | D. react |
| 50. A. out of breath | B. out of sight | C. out of reach | D. out of practice |
| 51. A. Hopefully | B. Surprisingly | C. Thankfully | D. Unwillingly |
| 52. A. experiment | B. advantage | C. dream | D. adventure |
| 53. A. stomach | B. heart | C. hands | D. face |
| 54. A. wild | B. normal | C. natural | D. brilliant |
| 55. A. appreciates | B. discovers | C. feeds | D. follows |

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。

My brother and I have seen much of what China has to offer. But just when we thought we were starting to understand 56 this immense country was all about, we arrived in the coastal city of Yantai, East China's Shandong province.

You can imagine our complete surprise at hearing that Yantai is home 57 one of the world's leading wine brands. In fact, Yantai 58 (produce) as much as 40 percent of the wine in China. A number like that is no joke.

Over the next two days, we, along with a group of students from several

British 59 (university), toured the city's many wine-related sites. The most memorable place we visited was the Chateau Changyu-Castel, 60 Changyu's wine-making magic really happens. This unforgettable site consists of 135 hectares of vineyards, with a charming European-style castle 61 (locate) in the seemingly endless greenery. Luckily, we didn't find ourselves drowning in a sea of wine. Rather, we 62 (treat) to a fascinating tour of the facilities and witnessed all the advanced technology required to produce wine.

So, was the trip worth it? Absolutely. After all, who could miss out the opportunity 63 (visit) such a remarkable seaside city and try out some of the best wine in all of China? If you're ever in the area, or you'd love some nice wine, or if you 64 (simple) feel like exploring a beautiful city, give Yantai 65 try.

第四部分 写作 (共两节, 满分 40 分)

第一节 (满分 15 分)

假如你是李华, 上周末你校组织了一次“感恩父母行”的活动, 请你为学校英文报写一篇短文, 内容包括:

1. 活动目的;
2. 你的行动;
3. 你的感受。

注意: 1. 写作词数应为 80 左右;

2. 请按如下格式在答题卡的相应位置作答。

Gratitude to my parents

第二节 (满分 25 分)

阅读下面材料, 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。

That year I was ten years old and my father was away, leaving my mother and me behind. My mother was a surgeon and worked at the local clinic a few blocks from where we lived. It was a noisy and cold winter, when I learned a valuable lesson.

The bell rang and thoughts of Christmas were the only thing on my mind. I raced home from school. The apartment was empty when I arrived and a note was attached to the

refrigerator. My mother was working a double shift and left me instructions for the day. I became angry and tore the note in several pieces. We had planned on making Christmas biscuits together, but my mother spoiled it by working.

I suddenly realized my mother must have hidden the Christmas presents somewhere in her bedroom. I hunted through mother's closet, finding the gifts for Christmas wrapped but one, a model plane. At the thought of my loneliness on such a night I couldn't help but throw it onto the floor, its wings broken. I stood frozen with my eyes and mouth wide open, staring down at the plane...

Then my mother came through the door and saw the plane.

"Danny?"

"Yeah, Mom?"

"I came home to take the toy plane to one of my patients, but..." she said, her eyes moving from the floor to me. I stood still, unable to come up with a good explanation for the toy's ruin. The silence was terrible. I did not hear my mother scold me. She just leaned against the wall with her tired body. A feeling of guilt floating into my mind, I gathered my courage to tell her the horrible truth. She hugged me and asked me to put my coat on and follow her.

注意:

1. 续写词数应为 150 左右;
2. 请按如下格式在答题卡的相应位置作答。

<p><i>We pulled up at a store, and Mother handed me 5 dollars.</i> _____</p> <hr/> <hr/>
<p><i>With me carrying the toy plane, we came to a bed in the clinic.</i> _____</p> <hr/> <hr/>

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