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英语试题

（满分：150分；考试时间：120分钟）

注意事项：

1. 答题前，考生先将自己的姓名、班级、考场/座位号、准考证号填写在答题卡上。

2. 答选择题时，必须使用 2B 铅笔填涂；答非选择题时，必须使用 0.5 毫米的黑色签字笔书写；必须在题号对应的答题区域内作答，超出答题区域书写无效；保持答卷清洁、完整。

3. 考试结束后，将答题卡交回（试题卷学生保存，以备评讲）。

第一部分 听力（共两节，满分 30 分）

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。

1. What will the weather probably be like at the weekend?

A. Windy.   B. Rainy.   C. Snowy.

2. What is the total value of the toy cars'?

A. £50.   B. £130.   C. £150.

3. Why does the man refuse to get a rabbit?

A. He wants a toy instead.

B. He doesn't think it's cute.

C. He's got other animals to take care.

4. What will the man do before going into town?

A. Eat his breakfast.   B. Have his hair cut.   C. Visit a bookshop.

5. What is the conversation mainly about?

A. Skin problems.   B. Eating habits.   C. Health care.

第二节（共 15 小题；每小题 1.5 分，满分 22.5 分）

听下面 5 段对话或独白。每段对话或独白后有几个小题，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。听每段对话或独白前，你将有时间阅读各个小题，每小题 5 秒钟；听完后，各小题将给出 5 秒钟的作答时间。每段对话或独白读两遍。

听第 6 段材料，回答第 6、7 题。

6. What season is it most likely to be now?

A. Spring   B. Winter.   C. Autumn.

7. What gift will Linda get from the man?

A. A coat   B. A dictionary.   C. A mobile phone.

听第 7 段材料，回答第 8 至 10 题。

8. What's the relationship between the speakers?

A. Judge and competitor.　　B. Teacher and student.　　C. Poet and reader.

9. What does the man think of the woman?

A. Gifted.　　　　　　　　B. Supportive.　　　　　　C. Hard-working.

10. What does the woman suggest the man do?

A. Keep writing poems.　　B. Listen to others' advice.　　C. Create chances to show talent.

听第 8 段材料，回答第 11 至 13 题。

11. How much does the meal deal cost?

A. $9.99.　　　　　　　　B. $10.99.　　　　　　　　C. $12.99.

12. How can the woman be best described?

A. Friendly.　　　　　　　B. Casual　　　　　　　　C. Shy.

13. Where are the speakers likely to be?

A. At a bank.　　　　　　B. At a party.　　　　　　C. At a coffee shop.

听第 9 段材料，回答第 14 至 16 题。

14. Which language did David learn first?

A. English.　　　　　　　B. French.　　　　　　　　C. Arabic.

15. How long has Nancy lived in the US?

A. For her entire life.　　B. Less than three years.　　C. Since high school.

16. Which country would Nancy want to visit most?

A. Italy.　　　　　　　　B. France.　　　　　　　　C. Portugal.

听第 10 段材料，回答第 17 至 20 题，

17. Who is the speaker most likely talking to?

A. His friends.　　　　　B. His family.　　　　　　C. His tour customers.

18. When will the group leave the house?

A. At 5:00 a. m.　　　　　B. At 9:00 a. m.　　　　　C. At 10:00 p. m.

19. What does the speaker still need to do now?

A. Pack his bags.　　　　B. Find his passport.　　　C. Gather all national ID cards.

20. What does the speaker want to do most?

A. Visiting beaches.　　　B. Playing golf.　　　　　C. Hiking mountains.

第二部分 阅读（共两节，满分 50 分）

第一节（共 15 小题：每小题 2.5 分，满分 37.5 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

Invisible hearing aid uses advanced technology so powerful that it can pick up a whisper across the room. Here's how you can get them today to hear more clearly and stay engaged in conversations.

Most modern hearing aids have serious flaws:

· Everybody notices them-they'll make you look 20 years older the instant you put them on.

· They collect sounds from behind you-which makes hearing your friends in a restaurant or crowded room impossible.

• They use 10-year-old technology that amplifies（放大）everything, which can cause even more hearing loss!

Fortunately, there is a better way, the Soundwise Aria!

It is the world's most affordable, advanced in-ear hearing aid. Soundwise uses advanced technology that was specifically designed to pick up whispers so hearing your loved ones or the television so much clearer is virtually guaranteed. Thanks to Soundwise, you can hear your friends and enjoy life with no need to avoid noisy restaurants, movie theaters, or crowded places.

This hearing aid is incredibly advanced and packed with new technology:

• Advanced noise cancelation

• Ultra lightweight, hidden in the car completely

• USA-developed digital audio enhancement

• FDA registered

• Backed by Board Certified Hearing Specialists and Audiologists

• Free portable charging station so you'll never have to worry about batteries-the charge lasts 2 full days!

• Risk-Free Home Trial with ONE YEAR Guarantee-the only one of its kind in the industry!

And the best part: it costs a small part of what audiologists will charge you for hearing aids. Our patients are saving 90%!

Call 800-403-1325 or visit *GetSoundwise. com RD9*.

21. Which of the following statements is NOT true about most modern hearing aids?

A. They fail to collect sounds all around you.

B. They make you look older than your age.

C. They employ cutting-edge technology.

D. They have a negative influence on hearing.

22. What feature is associated with the Soundwise Aria hearing aid?

A. It is heavy and difficult to hide in the ear.

B. It charges more than audiologists will do.

C. It uses enhanced noise reduction technology.

D. It can be tried at home and returned at any time.

23. What is the main purpose of the text?

A. To promote a new product of hearing aid.

B. To highlight risks of untreated hearing loss.

C. To compare different brands of hearing aids.

D. To inform us of the latest hearing aid technology.

B

Eva, the Belgian Malinois, is home now, getting a well-deserved rest surrounded by new toys after nearly dying while protecting her human from a mountain lion.

The attack happened on May 16 in northern California when 24-year-old Erin Wilson headed down a path toward the Trinity River before she found herself cornered by a mountain lion. "I was just walking down the slope with the dog running ahead of me. I turned around and there was this cat just growling at me and it attacked me," Wilson told NPR.

"I screamed for Eva and she came running."

Mountain lion attacks on humans are incredibly rare. Since 1890, California has recorded only six fatal mountain lion attacks because of the animal's generally shy, reclusive（独处的）nature. Their preferred prey is deer, which are normally in abundance in their forested habitat, but recent drought conditions have made food scarce in some areas, Wilson thought that these conditions made the sudden appearance of a slim woman look like an attractive option.

To protect her human, Eva leapt between Wilson and the lion, tackling the wild cat and **embarked on** a life-and-death struggle between the two animals. After a short fight, the mountain lion got its jaws around Eva's head and Wilson fought to free her dog, hitting the lion with rocks in an attempt to break its grip. Eventually, Wilson ran back to her truck and flagged down passing motorist Sharon Houston. Fetching an iron bar from her truck, Wilson and Houston ran back down the trail and their combined efforts managed to frighten the big cat off.

Wounded herself and shaken by the experience, Wilson still managed to carry Eva back to the Animal Hospital. The 2-year-old dog didn't need surgery, but her wounds were still extensive Eva left the animal hospital on May 19 with surgical tape wrapped around both her front paws, and the veterinarian said she might lose sight in her left eye.

24. What made Erin Wilson the target of the mountain lion?

A. The abundant deer in their forested habitat.

B. The lack of prey due to extreme conditions.

C. The mountain lion's shy and reclusive nature.

D. The slim and attractive appearance of Wilson.

25. What do the underlined words "embarked on" mean in paragraph 4?

A. Proceeded with.　　　　　B. Dawned on　　　　　C. Wrapped up　　　　　D. Kicked oft

26. How did Wilson drive the mountain lion off?

A. She freed a dog and threw rocks at it fiercely

B. She stopped a passing driver and broke its grip

C. She gathered local people and shouted loudly at it.

D. She used a tool and scared it away with another driver

27. Which of the following can best describe Eva according to the passage?

A. Heroic and loyal　　　　　　　　　　B. Obedient and adorable

C. Friendly and dependable.　　　　　　　D. Courageous and naughty.

C

You are what you eat--and what you eat may be encoded in your DNA. Studies have indicated that your genes play a role in determining the foods you find delicious or disgusting But exactly how big a role they play has been difficult to figure out. "Everything has a genetic component. even if it's small," says Joanne Cole, a geneticist at the University of Colorado School of Medicine. "We know that there is some genetic contribution to why we eat the foods we eat Can we take the next step and actually locate the regions in the genome（基因组）?"

New research led by Cole has gotten a step closer. Through a large-scale genomics analysis, her team has identified 481 genome regions that were directly linked to dietary patterns and food preferences. The findings, which have not yet been peer-reviewed, were presented last month at the American Society for Nutrition's annual conference.

The team based the new study on a 2020 Nature Communications study by Cole and her colleagues that used data

from the UK. Biobank, a public database of the genetic and health information of 500,000 participants. By scanning genomes, the new analysis was able to identify 194 regions associated with dietary patterns and 287 linked to specific foods such as fruit, cheese, fish, tea and alcohol. Further understanding how genetics impact how we eat could reveal differences in nutritional needs or disease risks.

"One of the problems with a lot of these genomics studies is that they ' re very small They don't have enough people to really be able to identify genes in ways that are credible, This study had a huge group of people, so it's really powerful," says Monica Dus, a geneticist at the University of Michigan. "The other thing that l thought was really great is that there are so many different traits that they're measuring related to diet including cholesterol (胆固醇) the body and socioeconomic backgrounds." As the research advances, Dus says, such genome analysis could potentially assist health care providers and even policymakers to address larger issues that affect food access and health.

It's definitely true that it may contribute to making sure there aren't food deserts—areas which have limited access to fresh, healthy and affordable food—or to making sure that there's a higher minimum wage so that everyone can afford to eat, although the journey ahead remains lengthy and challenging.

28. How did researchers conduct the present study?

A. By involving a substantial number of participants.

B. By directly analyzing the data from a public database

C. By building on a previous study based on large-scale data.

D. By identifying genome regions associated with dietary patterns

29. Which statement will Monica Dus probably agree with?

A. Powerful participants were involved in the current study.

B. The methods employed for the previous studies were credible.

C. The genome analyses have helped address larger social issues.

D. Various features linked to diet Were considered n the present study.

30. What's the author 's attitude towards the present study?

A. Critical.   B. Optimistic.   C. Skeptical.   D. Indifferent.

31. What is the text mainly about?

A. The benefits of latest large-scale diet-related genome analyses.

B. The contribution of genes to diet patterns and food preferences.

C. The significance of o newly published diet-related genome discovery.

D. The introduction of a research on identifying diet-related genome regions.

<div align="center">C</div>

The future is electric. That means it will need a lot of batteries, motors and wires. That, in turn, means a lot of minerals with which to build them. Great times, then, for prospectors (探矿者), and particularly for any who think they can increase the efficiency of their profession. Several firms are applying artificial intelligence to the process, both to improve the possibility of mining and to detect underground ore (矿石) bodies that are invisible to current techniques.

KoBold Metals in Califorma, Earth Al in San Francisco and Verai in Boston are small fish at the moment But at least one bigger fish-Rio Tinto, an Australian-British firm—is also keen. They are gathering lots of geological (地质的), geochemical and geophysical data to feed software models. These. they hope. will spot patterns and draw inferences

about where to sink new mines. Some of the data are new. But a lot were kept in the archives(档案室) of national geological surveys and journals of geology or sat in the form of rock cores in various sheds around the world.

KoBold has transformed archive data from around the world, many of which are on paper and some of which go back to the 19th century, into machine-usable form That has permitted it to build maps of areas of interest all over Earth's surface Some of those maps are used to train the company's Al models Others are used to test those Al models"effectiveness by checking how good they are at predicting known ore deposits (矿藏) on maps that they have not previously seen. If they pass, they can be let loose on (放手做) under-explored places of interest and suggest the most effective places to drill. Thanks to that, last year KoBold announced its discovery of a rich copper deposit, in Zambia.

In spite of the success, Kurt House, KoBold's boss, observes that many of the exploration projects fail to turn into actual mines. Al therefore has plenty of room to improve: However, by greatly expanding the volume of rock which can be searched, it will enable new mining in our own countries. lessening the need to rely on other countries for future supplies.

32. Why is it great times for prospectors?

A. There is a high demand for plenty of minerals.

B. They want to increase their working efficiency.

C. There are many invisible underground ore bodies.

D. They can use Al to improve the possibility of mining.

33. Which of the following is not the data that the firms collect?

A. Newly collected geological data.　　　　　B. Geological data in the archives.

C. Data in the form of rock cores.　　　　　D. Data about the software models.

34. How did KoBold discover the rich copper deposit last year?

A. By transforming machine-usable archive data.

B. By building maps of all the known ore deposits.

C. By using AI models trained with maps of mines.

D. By drilling the under-explored places of interest.

35. What does Kurt House suggest in the last paragraph?

A. We can fully rely on AI to locate actual mines

B. AI could help improve mineral exploration.

C. AI will help increase the number of ore deposits.

D. We should join other countries on new mining

第二节（共 5 小题；每小题 2.5 分，满分 12.5）

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。

Houseplant collections have become a popular social media trend. For many people, tending to plants has surfaced as a hobby that enables them to experience greater comfort and beauty from the presence of living things sharing their space. "___36___ They include lowering stress, decreasing depression, improving productivity and uplifting mood, "says Jamie Jones, PhD, a psychotherapist in Washington, D. C.

___37___ Anyone starting to care for plants should be patient and allow themselves time to lean the basics. Here are

two plants that experts recommend for bringing mental health benefits.

Snake plant. These popular indoor plants have a striking appearance, with dark green sword-shaped leaves. It is very easy to care for, and it thrives in spaces with low sunlight and filters the air. __38__

Lavender. Well known for its relaxing scent, lavender has a calming effect, aids in reducing stress and promotes sleep. You can clip and dry the leaves and put them in a bowl or even sprinkle them into your bath.

Before you bring home a boatload of plants, Jones says it's not about how many plants you have. but rather how you interact with them. For instance, is there enough space for plants in areas where you spend a lot of time? __39__ If you have a small space or aren't sure how much time you're willing to invest in it, starting out with a lot of plants could be overwhelming. "Just one plant can make a difference. It can engage you by its smell or color that creates a positive mood response with every interaction." says Jones.

Remember that while indoor gardening can help with your mental well-being, it's not a cure-all. __40__ But caring for plants can be a useful and enjoyable part of an overall wellness routine.

A. It's a great first plant.

B. Do you have time to care for therm daily?

C. Are you willing to invest money in buying and caring for them?

D. Plants and gardening have been found to have multiple mental health benefits.

E. Having a plant doesn't immediately or directly impact mental health processes.

F. Like any new skill or hobby, taking care of houseplants comes with a learning curve.

G. Plant care helps one focus on the present moment and provides a feeling of accomplishment.

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）

Not long ago, I was at a grocery store, and an elderly man in front of me was using a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program card-what we used to call food stamps (食物券). The card reader kept __41__ his payment. He'd obviously gone over his __42__ for the month. He was confused about how it'd happened and more than __43__ about the situation.

While I was wondering whether the man would be displeased or __44__ if I stepped in and offered to pay the difference (差额), the young cashier said, "Sir, this happens all the time It's not a problem. I promise we can __45__ a solution together."

The line behind us was growing long, but the cashier didn't show any __46__ or anger. He confirmed the man was over his limit for the month but wasn't over by much, so he helped the customer __47__ which items he could make do without for the time being. Then he told his old customer that this was a common __48__ and not a problem at all. The elderly man left with his dignity __49__. He would __50__ have a sense of loyalty to that grocery-store chain.

When it was my turn, I took note of the cashier's name on his name tag. Arriving home, I sent an email to the manager of the store to __51__ the employee for his kindness and customer service. Soon, 1 received a reply with thanks from the manager, letting me know that my remarks would be __52__ in the employee's file and noted each time he was up for a __53__.

In the same way as his act of kindness brightened the life of the elderly man who was __54__ that day, I hope my

act of kindness could have a(n) __55__ influence on that cashier's career.

41. A. delaying   B. declining   C. searching   D. repeating
42. A. expectation   B. demand   C. limit   D. requirement
43. A. embarrassed   B. delighted   C. excited   D. frightened
44. A. proud   B. grateful   C. curious   D. peaceful
45. A. tun out   B. make out   C. work out   D. carry out
46. A. impatience   B. disbelief   C. disappointment   D. depression
47. A. share   B. deliver   C. remember   D. determine
48. A. complaint   B. occurrence   C. excuse   D. dilemma
49. A. discovered   B. increased   C. overlooked   D. preserved
50. A. undoubtedly   B. impossibly   C. coincidentally   D. hesitantly
51. A. recommend   B. forgive   C. compliment   D. comment
52. A. included   B. folded   C. measured   D. excluded
53. A. regulation   B. negotiation   C. investigation   D. promotion
54. A. defending   B. struggling   C. competing   D. starving
55. A. impressive   B. attractive   C. positive   D. decisive

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。

Science fiction, or sci-fi, has __56__（explosive）grown in popularity since the 21st century. Its impact on media, art, pop culture, film and technology has consolidated sci-fi as __57__ unique storytelling genre.

Before the 2000s, Chinese science fiction was a lesser-known and community-oriented genre. Few works were translated, and the western world took no interest __58__ it. But the once subgenre has become internationally recognized, mainly because of Ken Liu, a writer, __59__（translate）and computer scientist. Liu has done more work than anyone else to translate Chinese sci-fi. After he translated *The Three-Body Problem*, it became the first contemporary Chinese sci-fi novel in English. __60__（publish）in 2014, it proved to be a raging success.

Writing in Chinese is, of course, different from writing in English. The meanings and references used in Chinese sci-fi are unique to the genre. In the works Liu translated, multiple footnotes are used __61__（describe）the complexity western readers can't understand, and they explain why a word or sentence __62__（write）in a certain way The cultures and languages within China each have their own subtle differences, giving translated works a foreign and distinct feel __63__ no western novel can match.

The use of traditional and cultural objects, words and places in Chinese science fiction makes the genre a cultural and __64__（history）analysis of China. After reading The Three-Body Problem, for example, western readers discover some differences and __65__（similarity）between western and Asian cultures.

第四部分 写作（共两节，满分 40 分）
第一节 应用文写作（满分 15 分）
假如你是李华，就读于一所国际学校，你们学校准备筹办一些活动，以此来缓解学生的期末备考压力。请你给组织方写一封建议信。内容包括：
1. 你建议的活动（至少两项）；

2. 你的理由。

注意：1. 词数 100 左右（开头和结尾已经给出，但不计入总词数）；

2. 可以适当增加细节，以使行文连贯。

Dear committee members,

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<div align="right">Yours,
Li Hua</div>

第二节 读后续写（满分 25 分）

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

Sometimes I really doubt whether there is love between my parents. They don't act in the romantic way that I read in books or I see on TV. In their opinion, "I love you" is too luxurious（奢侈的）for them to say. Sending flowers to each other on Valentine's Day is even more out of the question. And my father has a bad temper.

One day, my mother was sewing a quilt（被子）. I silently sat down beside her and watched her for a moment, the wrinkle of concentration on her forehead softening as she noticed my presence.

"Is there love between you and Dad?" I asked her in a very low voice, my heart pounding with the weight of the question.

My mother stopped her work with the surprise washing over her face. Her eyes, wide and searching, met mine, and I could see a storm of emotions swirling within them—confusion, reflection, perhaps a touch of sadness. She didn't answer me immediately, and the silence stretched between us, filled with unspoken thoughts and fears.

I was very worried because I thought I had hurt her. The air felt heavy, filled with my anticipation and her delayed response. But at last, she spoke, her voice carrying the warmth of years of silent understanding and the strength of enduring affection.

"Lily," she said, her voice soft yet firm, "take a good look at this thread. Sometimes it comes out, but most of the time, it's hidden within the quilt Yet, it's this very thread that gives the quilt its strength and endurance. If life is like a quilt, then love is like this thread. It may not always be visible, but it's always there, woven into every part of our lives. Love resides within."

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

I listened carefully but I couldn't understand her until the next spring. _____

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My father gently told me, "Don't worry about me. I've fully recovered. I just really enjoy the time spent walking with your mother." _____

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