

成人高等学校专升本招生全国统一考试

英语

I. Phonetics(5 points)

Directions: In each of the following groups of words, there are four underlined letters or letter combinations marked A, B, C, and D. Compare the underlined parts and identify the one that is different from the others in pronunciation. Mark your answer by blackening the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet.

- () 1. A. pattern B. package C. palace D. parade
 () 2. A. prescription B. observation C. preserve D. deserve
 () 3. A. nowhere B. nuclear C. declare D. millionaire
 () 4. A. double B. found C. doubt D. southwest
 () 5. A. subuay B. relay C. survey D. turkey

II. Vocabulary and Structure(15 points)

Directions: There are 15 incomplete sentences in this section. For each sentence there are four choices marked A, B, C and D. Choose one answer that best completes the sentence and blacken the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet.

- () 6. —Are you satisfied with her work, sir?
—Not at all. It couldn't be any _____.
A. better B. best C. worse D. worst
- () 7. He is not a stranger for me. I have met him on several _____.
A. situations B. environments C. occasions D. positions
- () 8. We had borrowed two VCDs but didn't have time to watch _____ of them.
A. some B. either C. all D. neither
- () 9. Some urgent business has _____, which will take up the whole morning.
A. turned up B. run up C. mixed up D. filled up
- () 10. This disease is second only _____ heart attack as a cause of death all over the world.
A. to B. of C. with D. from
- () 11. Allen _____ any good job since he came to New York City years ago.
A. doesn't find B. hasn't found C. didn't find D. hadn't found
- () 12. The house, _____ was completed in 1856, was famous for its huge marble staircase.
A. where B. that C. what D. which
- () 13. —I'm afraid I have to go now, Jim.
—I'd rather you _____ go alone. It's already too late.
A. don't B. didn't C. wouldn't D. shouldn't
- () 14. The profit-sharing plan is designed to _____ the staff to work hard.
A. arouse B. excite C. motivate D. assist
- () 15. This is _____ for ten of us to sit at. Please get us a larger one.
A. too small a table B. a too small table

- C. a such small table D. such small a table
- ()16. Air pollution, together with littering, _____ many problems in our large industrial cities today.
- A. cause B. caused C. causes D. causing
- ()17. The deadline for the job is the end of the month. _____ we can't get it done on time?
- A. What if B. How if C. Only if D. Even if
- ()18. If you're looking for a fully-furnished room to rent, I think there's a(n) _____ apartment in my building.
- A. empty B. bare C. vacant D. don't I
- ()19. He is already an hour late. I don't think he will come, _____?
- A. do I B. will he C. won't he D. don't I
- ()20. The manager promised to keep me _____ how our business was going on.
- A. informing B. informed C. to inform D. to be informed

III. Close(30 points)

Directions: For each blank in the following passage, there are four choices marked A, B, C and D. Choose the one that is most suitable and mark your answer by blackening the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet.

On our first day's driving on the Scottish island of Mull, my husband and I came to a stretch of water that we had to cross on a small ferry boat. The ferryman asked if we would 21 waiting ten minutes while he transported a family of cows 22 the water to their summer pasture. This 23 with the cows stuck in my mind as a 24 of Mull, a place far removed from the hurried confusion of city life.

For travelers in 25 of a quiet, peaceful place, there can be few better ends. We 26 the island to be a charming mix of mountains, castles and sandy beaches. One of the best days of our trip was 27 we joined a nature tour of the island, and had the 28 fortune to see a 29 of rare creatures, including red deer and golden eagles.

But no visit to Mull is 30 without a trip to the small island of Iona. Iona has great historical 31 because it is the place where early Scottish kings were 32 . Our first attempt to get to Iona had to be 33 owing to the heavy rain which is 34 characteristic of the island. It was another three days before we could get to Iona, but in the end it was well 35 the wait and was the highlight of our trip.

- ()21. A. bother B. care C. object D. mind
- ()22. A. across B. from C. over D. beyond
- ()23. A. accident B. event C. chance D. act
- ()24. A. signal B. sign C. mark D. symbol
- ()25. A. aim B. search C. hope D. interest
- ()26. A. found B. learned C. experienced D. realized
- ()27. A. how B. when C. why D. what
- ()28. A. good B. lucky C. bad D. ill

- ()29. A. sum B. number C. deal D. part
- ()30. A. considerable B. complicated C. concrete D. complete
- ()31. A. record B. sense C. significance D. contribution
- ()32. A. kept B. buried C. placed D. unearthed
- ()33. A. abandoned B. rejected C. left D. deleted
- ()34. A. same B. such C. another D. other
- ()35. A. worth B. costly C. worthy D. valuable

IV. Reading Comprehension (60 points)

Directions: There are five reading passages in this part. Each passage is followed by four questions. For each question there are four suggested answers marked A, B, C and D. Choose one best answer and blacken the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet.

Passage One

One of the most interesting experiments in electronic communication I've ever seen is coming from Wave. It's real-time e-mail. What that means is that as you're typing a message in Wave, either a new message or a reply, the person you're writing to can see what you're typing as you type it, Sounds awful, right?

You don't have to use Wave in this real-time way. It also works as a standard e-mail. What's really different about Wave is that if you're replying to a message and the person you're replying to happen to be online, they can jump into the conversation at that point, and change what is an e-mail conversation into an instant message conversation or a chat.

Wave right now is still closed to most users. And Wave isn't yet connected to other communication systems, like regular e-mail, which means that the only people we can Wave with are other people on Wave as well. So we don't yet know what using Wave will be like once it gets crowded like e-mail. Also, the technology behind Wave is far more demanding on servers and the Internet itself than regular e-mail or chat, so we don't know if the technology will work at scale.

But Wave really is a current re-think of e-mail. A lot of people won't like it. A lot of people didn't like e-mail either when it first showed up. But people will find real uses for Wave or whatever it becomes, and it's one of the most interesting new takes on communication. Even if you don't like it, it will make you think differently about e-mail.

- ()36. What is special about Wave?
- A. It makes people see each other online.
- B. It enables people to send real-time e-mails.
- C. It allows you to send more e-mails at the same time.
- D. It can be easily connected to other communication systems.
- ()37. It is uncertain that Wave will work on a large scale because _____.
- A. people cannot find practical uses for it
- B. it will be a challenge to regular e-mail
- C. the technology it needs is more complicated

- D. many people do not understand how it works
- ()38. We know from the last paragraph that _____.
- A. Wave is a basis for face-to-face communication on line
B. Wave allows people to look at e-mail from a new angle
C. most Internet users will have access to Wave
D. Wave is now as popular as standard e-mail
- ()39. What is the author's attitude toward Wave?
- A. Optimistic. B. Indifferent. C. Pessimistic. D. Critical.

Passage Two

Well, it could not have got better for young Kavya Shivashankar, a 13-year-old student from Olathe, Kansas as she came out very successfully at the Scripps National Spelling Bee 2009 (2009 全美 拼写大赛). On Thursday night she defeated the other 11 finalists to win the 82nd Scripps National Spelling Bee, taking home more than \$40,000 cash money along with other prizes.

Kavya Shivashankar, whose parents migrated to the United States from India, and who aims to become a doctor, enjoys playing the violin, bicycling, swimming and learning Indian classical dance.

Thing came a bit late in Kavya's life since she could win the championship with her fourth appearance in the competition. The last three times when she had taken part in the same competition she had finished Tenth, Eighth and Fourth.

However, this time Kavya proved her courage and determination by winning the title she had been competing for so long. Her last challenge was to spell out "Laodicean". The word "Laodicean" means one who is indifferent, mostly in religious matters. She spelled it correctly and a big smile appeared on her face. Kavya wrote the words on her palm each time and spelled every word correctly.

After winning Kavya exclaimed, "I can't believe it happened It feels kind of unreal. " Her family was there to support her through the competition. Her father, Mirle Shivashankar said, "The competitiveness is in her., but she doesn't show that. She still has that smile. That's her quality. " He went on to say that this was" the moment" they had been waiting for so long. It was like" a dream come true" for them.

- ()40. Who is Kavya Shivashankar?
- A. One of the 11 finalists at the spelling competition.
B. A 13-year-old girl planning to become a star dancer.
C. Champion of the Scripps National Spelling Bee 2009.
D. An Indian girl enjoying playing various musical instruments.
- ()41. The second time Kavya took part in the same competition, she took the _____ place.
- A. third B. fourth C. eighth D. tenth
- ()42. Before spelling out the last word "Laodicean", Kavya _____.
- A. wrote it down in her hand B. hesitated for a moment

- C. smiled at her father
D. knew that she could win
- ()43. The father's words show that _____.
- A. the family needed the prize money to support Kavya's education
B. the family were too worried to be present at the competition
C. Kavya was very good at expressing her feelings
D. Kavya had a strong sense of competition

Passage Three

Nothing says "Happy Birthday!" like having a coin released in your honor by the United States Mint(铸币局), and 2009 has become an especially festive year as the Mint rolled out nine different coins in honor of Abraham Lincoln's 200th birthday.

Four pennies with new designs on the reverse side were issued starting February 12. The image of a cabin represents his birthplace. Because Lincoln's family was poor, and no one could have predicted his later importance, the actual cabin is long gone. Therefore the design is based on the "symbolic cabin" displayed at the Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historic Site in Kentucky.

The other designs show Abraham taking a break to read a book, the young lawyer Lincoln in front of the Illinois state capitol and a Lincoln-free image of the half finished U. S. Capitol dome as it looked during his time in office. These four coins-produced with today's standard mix of 97.5 percent zinc and 2.5 percent copper-are intended for general circulation.

The Mint also released five collectible coins that sell for more than their face value. Special editions of the four penny designs were produced with the metal content used in 1909 ; a mix of 95 percent copper and 5 percent tin and zinc. In addition, in the world of "bigger" money,2009 has brought the Lincoln Commemorative One-Dollar Coin-made up of 90 percent silver and 10 percent copper-with an image that has a Gettysburg Address theme.

- ()44. What does Paragraph 2 tell about the cabin on the coins?
- A. It is a symbolic cabin rebuilt in Kentucky.
B. It is newly built for producing new coins.
C. It has been protected well for over 200 years.
D. It is exactly the one where Lincoln was born.
- ()45. Special editions of the 4 collectible coins _____.
- A. are made of copper and silver
B. sell at a price same as their face value
C. are likely to be used for circulation in the future
D. have different metal content from the one-dollar coin
- ()46. The one-dollar coin has a design of _____ on it.
- A. a cabin
B. Abraham reading
C. the Illinois state capitol
D. the Gettysburg Address theme
- ()47. What is probably the best title for the passage?
- A. Abraham Lincoln's 200th Birthday
B. Coins Issued with Metal Content in 1909

- C. Coins in Honor of Abraham Lincoln D. Collectible Coins for Abraham Lincoln

Passage Four

Laura and Anthony Valois are a young New York couple who have been trying in vain to have their first child. Several years ago, Belinda Ramirez read an Internet adoption listing and quickly contacted them from her home in Texas, telling them they could adopt her unborn baby. Excited, Laura and Anthony spent weeks communicating with Ramirez and got regular updates on her pregnancy.

Before long, Ramirez began to ask them for financial support. That took the Valoises by surprise. But they were willing to do a lot to ensure a smooth birth. They sent more than \$1,000 to Ramirez over several months.

Laura and Anthony finally drove to Texas so they could be on hand for the birth. But once they arrived, Ramirez avoided their daily phone calls. After three weeks, the couple drove back to New York emptyhanded and emotionally crushed.

They later learned Ramirez had been cheating about ten other people for such things as Wal-mart gift cards in states ranging from California to Ohio to Florida. From start to finish, it was a scam. In fact, Ramirez was never even pregnant. She was sentenced to 24 months in prison as she deserved.

"When you find out you can't have children, it's just depressing," Laura Valois told a Texas TV station. "But when somebody intentionally does this to you, it's 15 times worse."

- () 48. What has been troubling the Valoises?
- A. They lost their first child in an accident.
B. No one responded to their adoption demand.
C. They have been trying to have a child but failed.
D. They are not qualified to adopt a child.
- () 49. The couple were excited because _____.
- A. several babies were available for adoption
B. an adoption agency in Texas contacted them
C. their name was put in an Internet adoption listing
D. a woman offered them her unborn baby for adoption
- () 50. The underlined word "scare" in Paragraph 4 is closest in meaning to _____.
- A. joke B. game C. kidnap D. cheat
- () 51. What was depressing for the couple according to Laura?
- A. They didn't have time to meet Ramirez.
B. Ramirez caused them a financial loss of \$1,000.
C. Their eagerness to have a child was taken advantage of.
D. Ramirez committed many crimes before she was caught.

Passage Five

Doctors say anger can be an extremely damaging emotion, unless you learn how to deal with it. They warn that angry hostile feelings can lead to heart disease, stomach problems, headaches,

emotional problems and possible cancer.

Anger is a normal emotion that we all feel from time to time. Some people express anger openly in a calm reasonable way. Others explode with anger, and yell. But other people keep their anger inside. They can not or will not express it. This is called repressing(压制) anger.

For years many doctors thought that compared with expressing anger, repressing anger was more dangerous to a person's health. It may speed the heart rate, raise blood pressure or sugar into the blood and narrow the blood vessels. To avoid these problems, doctors thought a person should let the anger out by expressing it freely. But recently some doctors disputed this. They said that people who express anger repeatedly and explosively did cause, in fact, more and not less anger. They said these too can cause medical problems.

Some doctors say that both repressing and expressing anger can be dangerous. Expressing anger intensively may be more likely to develop heart disease, and keeping anger inside may face a greater danger of high blood pressure. Doctors say the solution is learning how to deal with anger. They say the first step is to admit that you are angry and to recognize the real cause of the anger, then decide if the cause is serious enough to get angry about. If it isn't, they say, " Don't express your anger while angry. Wait until your anger has cooled down and you are able to express yourself calmly and reasonably. "

Doctors say that a good way to deal with anger is to find humor in the situation that has made you angry. They said that laughter is much healthier than anger.

- ()52. The passage mainly focuses on _____.
- A. the causes of anger
B. the medical treatment of anger
C. the health problems caused by anger
D. reasonable ways of dealing with anger
- ()53. It can be concluded from the passage that _____.
- A. keeping anger inside is better than expressing it intensively
B. both repressing and expressing anger cause health problems
C. keeping anger inside is more likely to cause heart disease
D. expressing anger freely can avoid medical problems
- ()54. The author of the passage is most probably a(n) _____.
- A. patient B. editor C. psychologist D. surgeon
- ()55. According to the passage, a good way to control anger is _____.
- A. to do sports B. to be high-spirited
C. to turn it into laughter D. to discuss it with doctors

V. Daily Conversation (15 points)

Directions: Pick out five appropriate expressions from the eight choices below and complete the following dialogue by blackening the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet.

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| A. It doesn't matter | B. How come |
| C. You're welcome | D. I'm so sorry to hear that |
| E. What shall I do | F. What is it |
| G. Well, nothing | H. Come on |

Linda: Hey, what's wrong, dear? You don't look quite yourself today.

Silvia: 56. I am just tired.

Linda: 57! Tell me. Maybe I can help.

Silvia: Well, I just couldn't fall asleep these days.

Linda: 58? I don't remember you have sleeping problems. What's bothering you?

Silvia: I can't find a job. I failed in a number of job interviews.

Linda: 59. Take it easy, babe. Everything will be fine.

Silvia: 60? You know, I really need a job to make life going.

Linda: Don't worry. Keep on trying and I will keep an eye on the job ads for you, too.

Silvia: Thanks, I will.

VI. Writing(25 points)

Directions: For this part, you are supposed to write a composition of about 100—120 words based on the following situation. Remember to write it clearly.

61. 你(Li Yuan) 刚收到购的一件商品, 但是发现质量有问题, 请你写一封投诉信, 内容包括:

- 商品名称、订购时间、地点和价格;
- 何时发现质量问题、何种质量问题;
- 你所希望的解决方式。

Manager

Customer Service Department

Dear Sir or Madam,

Sincerely yours,

Li Yuan

参考答案

I. Phonetics

1. D 2. A 3. B 4. A 5. D

II. Vocabulary and Structure

6. C 7. C 8. B 9. A 10. A

11. B 12. D 13. B 14. C 15. A

16. C 17. A 18. C 19. B 20. B

III. Cloze

21. D 22. A 23. B 24. D 25. B

26. A 27. B 28. A 29. B 30. D

31. C 32. B 33. A 34. C 35. A

IV. Reading Comprehension

36. B 37. C 38. B 39. A 40. C

41. C 42. A 43. D 44. A 45. D

46. D 47. C 48. C 49. D 50. D

51. C 52. D 53. B 54. C 55. C

V. Daily Conversation

56. G 57. H 58. B 59. D 60. E

VI. Writing

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