四月份测试题(A卷)

第一部分:知识运用(共两节,45分)

第一节 语法填空 (共10小题;每小题1.5分,共15分)

阅读下列短文,根据短文内容填空。在未给提示词的空白处仅填写 1 个适当的单词, 在给出提示词的空白处用括号内所给词的正确形式填空。

A

Tom and Jerry, with its funny violence and dark comedy, <u>1</u> (remain) popular around the world today. In the 80 years <u>2</u> their creation, the cat and mouse have appeared in everything from a "kids" version to a 1992 musical movie <u>3</u> they sang and spoke. Warner Brothers, who now own the rights to *Tom and Jerry*, <u>4</u> (release) a new live-action film just before Christmas this year. Fans are filled with expectations for the film.

B

A lonely Japanese billionaire <u>5</u> (plan) to fly to the moon on Elon Musk's rocket is looking for the love of his life to join him on his journey. He just hasn't found her yet.

Yusaku Maezawa, the first paying passenger on Space X's maiden tourist voyage to the moon in 2023, tweeted a link on Sunday to a website where women can apply to be his companion 6 the week-long space flight. "I'm 44 now," Maezawa said on the website. "As feelings of 7 (lonely) slowly begin to surge(1) upon me, there's one thing that I think about: Continuing to love one woman."

С

This aging of the population is driven by two factors. The first is declining birth rates, which means old generations are large $_8_$ (compare) to younger generations, and so, on average, the population becomes older than before. This is $_9_$ (especial) true in the US. The second reason is $_10_$ people are living longer. A child born in the US today has a very realistic chance of living beyond 100 and needs to plan accordingly.

第二节 完型填空(共20小题;每小题1.5分,共30分)

Christmas was near a season that we took seriously in our house. But a week or so before the 25th, my father would give each of his children \$ 20. This was the 1970s, and \$ 20 was quite a bit of money.

But I saw it ______. My father trusted me to have the _______ to spend money wisely. Even better, he gave me the ________ to get it. On a very basic level ,my father was giving me a shopping spree $(\underline{3}\underline{3}\underline{3}\underline{3})$ every year. But he was also giving me charge over my own fun, trusting my ability to _______ money and making me feel like a/an _______. He didn't buy me Sherlock Holmes, but he gave me the means to walk into the bookstore and choose it for myself, so it felt like a gift from him.

My mother had a/an <u>16</u> for giving me what I needed, usually <u>17</u> at the moment I needed it most. This was when I was 25, I <u>18</u> at being an adult on my very first try. I had quitted my <u>19</u> job but had no new one. But when my mother <u>20</u> me a visit, I <u>21</u> a good show, telling her I had started my own company

My mother knew that I was trying hard and failing at that time. It wasn't until __22__ she left that I noticed at the foot of my bed an envelope thick with __23__. She knew how __24 I needed it. She knew that had she just shown up with groceries, or __25__ to pay my rent, she would have made me feel much __26__. The cold, hard cash meant she was helping me. And, funnily enough, the __27__ with which she gave the gift felt like she was giving me space to 28__ my life and preserve my dignity. My mother and father both did the same thing. One was giving me the means to take my own __29__, and the other was giving me a second __30 when those decisions had cost me dearly.

	11. A. positively	B differently	C. naturally	D. originally
1	12. A intelligence	B. passion	C. power	D. potential
	13. A. courage	B. suggestions	C. discipline	D. means
>	14. A. spend	B. carry	C. manage	D. use
	15. A. grown-up	B. teenager	C. adventurer	D. pioneer
	16. A. habit	B. gift	C. approach	D. tradition
	17. A. approximately	B. about	C. right	D. slightly
	18. A. failed	B. fooled	C. dropped	D. fell
	19. A. important	B. creative	C. challenging	D. previous



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 - A. order a special stairway B. ensure constant power supply
 - C. remodel one's living room D. schedule an in-home assessment

32. Jenny may use the Coupon (优惠券) to save some money only if she

- A. purchases one brand new Stannah stairlift
- B. publishes post-sale reviews on Trust-pilot
- C. pays for the Stannah model which is on sale
- D rents the model advertised on Boston Globe
- 33. Which statement is TRUE about Stannah stairlift mentioned in the advertisement?
 - A. It can be installed easily by following instructions in the brochure.
 - B. It offers an alternative to old people who don't want to be relocated.
 - C. It provides fast and free repair services by professional technicians.
 - D. It promises to regularly check on the old people who live independently.

B

Agnes de Mille was a dancer and a choreographer (编舞). Early in her career, de Mille had created the choreography for a ballet called Three Virgins and a Devil. She thought it was good work, but nobody made much of it.

A few years later, de Mille choreographed a ballet named Rodeo. Again, she thought her work was solid, but it resulted in little commercial fame.

Then, in 1943, de Mille choreographed Oklahoma!, a musical show that enjoyed nearly instant success. In the coming years, Oklahoma! would run for an incredible 2,212 performances, both around the nation and abroad. In 1955, the film version won an Academy Award.

But the success of Oklahoma! didn't bring her much happiness. She thought that her work on Oklahoma! was only average compared to some of her other creations. She later said, "After the opening of Oklahoma!, I suddenly had unexpected success for a work I thought was only fairly good, after years of neglect for work I thought was fine. I began to think that perhaps my entire scale of values was untrustworthy. I talked to Martha."

Martha was Martha Graham, perhaps the most influential dance choreographer of the 20th century. Although not as well-known by the general public, Graham has been compared to other creative geniuses like Picasso or Frank Lloyd Wright.

During their conversation, de Mille told Martha Graham about her frustration. "I confessed that I had a burning desire to be excellent, but no faith that I could be."

Graham responded by saying:

"There is a vitality, a life force, an energy, a quickening that is translated through you into action, and because there is only one of you in all of time, this expression is unique. And if you block it, it will never exist through any other medium and it will be lost. The world will not have it. It is not your business to determine how good it is nor how valuable nor how it compares with other expressions. It is your business to keep it yours clearly and directly, to keep the channel open."

34. What can be learned about de Mille's ballet named Rodeo?

- A. It earned her a large fortune.
- B. It didn't enjoy much success.
- C. It made her rise to fame overnight.
- D. It laid a solid foundation for her career.
- 35. How did de Mille feel about the great success of the musical Oklahoma !?
 - B. Ashamed. A. Relieved.

C. Confused. D. Proud.

36. Picasso and Frank Lloyd Wright were mentioned to suggest that Martha Graham

- A. had been influenced greatly by them
- B. enjoyed the same popularity as them
- C. was the most influential artist in her field
- D. was outstanding in visual arts and architecture

37. Which of the following statements best represents Graham's words in this passage?

- A. Comparing with others prevents you from maintaining uniqueness.
- B. Your action reveals the inner landscape, which is the soul of music.
- C. Choosing to be positive is going to determine how you live your life.
- D. You should always keep yourself open to the urges that motivate you.

С

As humanity has got richer, animals' roles have changed. People need their services less than before. Fewer wolves and thieves meant less demand for dogs for protection; the internal combustion engine (内燃机) made horses unneeded; modern sanitation (卫生设备) kept rats in check and made cats less useful. No longer necessities, domestic animals became luxuries. Petkeeping seems to kick in when household incomes rise above roughly \$5,000. It is booming.

The trend is not a new one. Archaeologists (考古学家) have found 10,000-year-old graves in which dogs and people are buried together. Some cultures — such as in Scandinavia, where dogs have long been both working dogs and companions — have kept pets for thousands of years. But these days the pet-keeping urge has spread even to parts of the world which have no tradition of sinking into a comfortable chair with a furry creature.

The pet business is growing even faster than pet numbers, because people are spending more and more money on them. No longer are they food-waste-recyclers, fed with the remains that fall from their masters' tables. Pet-food shelves are full of delicacies crafted to satisfy a range of appetites, including ice cream for dogs and foods for pets that are old, diabetic or suffer from sensitive digestion; a number of Internet services offer food, tailored to the pet's individual tastes.

In the business this is called "pet humanisation"—the tendency of pet owners to treat their pets as part of the family. This is evident in the names given to dogs, which have evolved from Fido, Rex and Spot to—in America—Bella, Lucy and Max. It is evident in the growing market for pet clothing, pet grooming and pet hotels.

People still assume that pets must be working for humanity in some way, perhaps making people healthier or less anxious. But the evidence for that is weak. Rather, new research suggests that dogs have evolved those irresistible "puppy-dog eyes" precisely to affect human emotions. It has worked. The species that once enslaved others now works very hard to pay for the care of its pets. Sentimental (多愁善感的) Americans often refer to themselves not as cat-owners but as the cat's "mommy" or "daddy" South Koreans go one further, describing themselves as cat "butlers". Watch an unlucky dog-walker trailing "his" hound (猎犬), plastic bag in hand to pick up its mess, and you have to wonder who's in charge now?

- 38. Which of the following trends is NOT TRUE according to the passage?
 - A. People's needs for animal services are decreasing.
 - B. Both the pet number and the pet business are growing.
 - C. Pets are increasingly making their owners less anxious.
 - D. Pet foods are more various and customized than before.
- 39. Which of the following is referred to as evidence of "pet humanization"?
 - A. Human beings' ever rising urge for pet-keeping.
 - B. Pets' roles as both working staff and companions.
 - C. Pets' inbuilt ability to affect emotions of their owners.
 - D. The names given to pets in American families nowadays.
- 40. Which of the following statements is the author most likely to agree with?

- A. Some pet owners spend too much money on their pets.
- B. Human beings are getting much benefit from their pets.
- C. Pets should be treated as equals of their human masters.
- D. Pet-keeping is still restricted within certain parts of the world.
- 41. Which of the following might be the best title of the passage?
 - A. Who Owns Whom B. The Urge for Pet-keeping
 - C. The Changing Roles of Animals
- D. Love Me, Love My Dog

D

Learning a second language is tricky at any age and it only gets tougher the longer you wait to open that dusty French book. Now, in a new study, scientists have pinpointed the exact age at which your chances of reaching fluency in a second language seem to <u>plummet</u>: 10

The study, published in the journal *Cognition*, found that it's "nearly impossible" for language learners to reach native-level fluency if they start learning a second tongue after 10. But that doesn't seem to be because language skills go downhill. "It turns out you're still learning fast. It's just that you run out of time, because your ability to learn starts dropping at around 17 or 18 years old," says study co-author Joshua Hartshorne, an assistant professor of psychology at Boston College.

Kids may be better than adults at learning new languages for many reasons. Children's brains are more plastic than those of adults, meaning they're better able to adapt and respond to new information. "All learning involves the brain changing," Hartshorne says, "and children's brains seem to be a lot more skilled at changing."

These findings may seem discouraging, but it was heartening for scientists to learn that the critical period for fluent language acquisition might be longer than they previously thought. Some scientists believed that the brief window closes shortly after birth, while others stretched it only to early adolescence. Compared to those estimates, 17 or 18 — when language learning ability starts to drop off — seems relatively old.

"People fared better when they learned by immersion (沉浸), rather than simply in a classroom. And moving to a place where your desired language is spoken is the best way to learn as an adult. If that's not an option, you can mimic an immersive environment by finding ways to have conversations with native speakers in their own communities," Hartshorne says. By doing so, it's possible to become conversationally proficient — even without the advantage of a child's brain.

42. The underlined word "plummet" in Paragraph 1 is closest in meaning to "_____".

- A. decrease B. rise C. end
- 43. What can be inferred from Joshua Hartshorne's words?
 - A. Children are too young to grasp a second language.
 - B. Age 10-18 is the best time to learn a second language.
 - C. Adults go beyond the critical period for learning a second language.
 - D. Communicating with native speakers enables you to master all the language skills.

D. vary

- 44. Why adults can't reach native-level fluency in a second language?
 - A. Adults are less influenced by their mother tongues.
 - B. Adults spend more time responding to new information.
 - C. Adults are only too willing to experience something awkward in the process.
 - D. Adults prefer an immersive environment to a classroom in learning a second language.
- 45. The passage is mainly about
 - A. the best age to learn a second language
 - B. the approaches to learning a second language
 - C. why kids learn a second language more easily than adults
 - D. whether adults can learn a second language like their younger selves

第二节 (共5小题;每小题2分,共10分)

根据短文内容,从短文后的大个选项中选出能填入空白处的最佳选项.选项中有两项为多 余选项.

Anxiety Disorders

Everybody worries or feels nervous from time to time. <u>46</u> But for people with anxiety disorders, those fears and worries aren't temporary. Their anxiety persists, and can even get worse over time.

Anxiety disorders can severely impair a person's ability to function at work, school and in social situations. <u>47</u> Fortunately, though, there are effective treatments for anxiety.

In some cases, medications have a role in treating anxiety disorders. Yet research shows behavioral treatment, alone or in combination with medication, is a highly effective treatment for most people with an anxiety disorder.

Understanding Anxiety

Anxiety disorders are common in both adults and children. About 18 percent of U.S. adults and 25 percent of adolescents age 13 to 18 will experience anxiety, according to the National Institute of Mental Health. 48

There are several major types of anxiety disorders: generalized anxiety disorder, panic disorder, phobias, social anxiety disorder, obsessive-compulsive disorder, post-traumatic stress disorder, etc.

Seeing a Psychologist About Anxiety Disorders

Though many types of anxiety disorders exist, research suggests that most are driven by similar underlying processes. People with anxiety disorders tend to become easily overwhelmed by their emotions, and they tend to have particularly negative reactions to those unpleasant feelings and situations.

49 Unfortunately, avoidance can backfire and actually feed the anxiety.

Psychologists are trained in diagnosing anxiety disorders and teaching patients healthier, more effective ways to cope. A form of psychotherapy known as cognitive-behavioral therapy (CBT) is highly effective at treating anxiety disorders. Through CBT, psychologists help patients learn to identify and manage the factors that contribute to their anxiety.

Psychotherapy for Anxiety Disorders: What to Expect

A. Anxiety disorders are very treatable.

- B. Anxiety is a normal human reaction to stressful situations.
- C. Anxiety can also interfere with a person's relationships with family members and friends.
- D. About 4 percent of adults, and nearly 6 percent of teens, have anxiety disorders classified as severe.
- E. Often, people try to cope with those negative reactions by avoiding situations or experiences that make them anxious.
- F. Patients can expect to practice their new skills outside of sessions to manage anxiety in situations that might make them uncomfortable.
- G. People with anxiety worry about a number of concerns, such as health problems or finances,
 - and may have a general sense that something bad is going to happen.

第三部分:书面表达(共两节,35分)

第一节(15分)

假设你是红星中学高三学生李华。你的英国朋友 Jim 在给你的邮件中提到他想看一个关于中国文化方面的展览,并请你推荐。请给他回信,内容包括:

1. 介绍展览的相关内容 (例如:时间、地点、主题等);

2. 说明你推荐该展览的原因;

3. 询问对方的意向。

注意: 1. 词数不少于 50;

2. 开头和结尾已给出,不计入总词数。

Dear Jim,

Yours,

Li Hua

第二节(20分)

假设你是红星中学高三学生李华。 上周,你和同学们参加了朝阳区组织的"三大战疫有我有你"海报设计活动。请根据以下四幅图的先后顺序,写一篇英文周记,记述整个过程。

