

笔试（共三部分 100 分）

第一部分 知识运用（共两节，30 分）

第一节（共 10 小题；每小题 1.5 分，共 15 分）

阅读下面短文，掌握其大意，从每题所给的 A、B、C、D 四个选项中，选出最佳选项，并在答题卡上将该项涂黑。

Lara Harrison has always had a complicated relationship with her father. Several times, Harrison felt she'd reached her breaking point and 1 her dad for months. Still, she couldn't 2 him. Small actions showed he cared though he remained difficult to get close to: he went out of his way to 3 with tasks such as repairing her office. Harrison wanted the relationship to improve.

As her father reached his 70s, she realized that if they were going to re-establish 4 , they could not waste time. She made a conscious decision to change her 5 to him. If he was being moody during their time together, she'd end their interaction by thanking him for the visit and giving him a hug — something that wasn't typical for them. The small interventions 6 ; he became kinder each visit, and his moods became 7 . Eventually he began reaching out to her, texting to ask, "How are you?" or saying he was proud of her, something she'd always longed to hear.

Rebuilding trust with her father ultimately helped her to engage in 8 . She realized she could also be stubborn when she felt 9 , and that her negative connection to her father made her less trusting of other people in her life. "I never allowed myself to dive deeply into relationships. At the first sight of a challenge, I would blame others, get angry or leave. The effort it takes to be constantly on guard is exhausting," she says. "It reminds you of life's happy moments." Today, she's thankful to be able to approach others more 10 and with an open heart.

Trust is one of the most important elements of a safe, fulfilling and well-functioning relationship. However, it often isn't until something hurtful happens — a spouse cheats on you; a boss makes fun of you in front of colleagues — that we think about trust; we don't notice it until it's broken.

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|----------------|------------|-------------|---------------|
| 1. A. offended | B. abused | C. avoided | D. approached |
| 2. A. abandon | B. find | C. help | D. please |
| 3. A. help out | B. set out | C. make out | D. work out |

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|-----------------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| 4. A. connection | B. trust | C. contact | D. love |
| 5. A. solutions | B. responses | C. attitudes | D. secrets |
| 6. A. ran | B. worked | C. performed | D. operated |
| 7. A. violent | B. calm | C. stable | D. rough |
| 8. A. self-confidence | B. self-respect | C. self-reliance | D. self-reflection |
| 9. A. threatened | B. disturbed | C. suspected | D. recognized |
| 10. A. determinedly | B. enthusiastically | C. lovingly | D. amusedly |

第二节（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 个恰当的单词，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

Esias Bedingar always knew he wanted to study medicine. After 1 (decide) to experience a new culture, he came from Africa to the USA. There was one challenge: He 2 (speak) no English. But within just four months, he completed the ESL program. Three years later, he finished his undergraduate degree and was accepted to Harvard University, where he is pursuing a master's degree in public health. He said it was 3 (he) dream that got him to Harvard.

B

Confucius, born in the district of Zou, near today's Qufu city in Shandong province, was an educator and philosopher 4 founded Confucianism, a school of thought that deeply influenced later generations. He was the first Chinese to set up private schools and enroll students from all walks of life. Confucius 5 (regard) as a symbol of China's traditional culture. Nowadays, Qufu holds memorial events every year 6 (honor) him and popularize his theory to the younger generations.

C

Everything happens for a reason. Nothing happens by chance or by means of good luck. Injury, 7 (ill), love, and lost moments of true greatness all occur to test the limits of your soul. 8 these small tests, life would be like a straight flat road to nowhere. It would be safe and comfortable, 9 dull and completely pointless. The success and downfall you experience helps to create who you are and decide 10 you go.

第二部分 阅读理解（共两节，38分）

第一节（共14小题；每小题2分，共28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，并在答题卡上将该项涂黑。

A

New rules of gratuities

The current situation has been particularly hard on people who work for tips. Some haven't been able to do their jobs at all, while others don't interact with customers the same way as it used to be. In either case, "Tips dried up, causing a lot of people to suffer," says Toni Dupree, a professional etiquette coach.

Meanwhile, many customers feel the need to tip more because of the new risks and hardships that essential service workers suddenly face.

"Just as many services have changed, so should tipping," says Lisa Grotts, author of several etiquette books. "Some old standards no longer seem fair, and several newer ones will apply long after the pandemic is over."

Some new rules of gratuities that are likely here to stay:

Give more if you can.

It's common for tips to be divided among all the workers at a store or restaurant, not just those who interact directly with customers. So giving generously ensures a fairer tip for all.

Think outside the (cash) box.

You can also "tip" with a thank-you note or a homemade gift when a business (or your budget) doesn't permit gratuities. Consider writing a review online, making sure to name names.

As for specific situations, here's what the experts recommend:

FOOD AND DRINKS

Restaurant workers

Old rule: Leave a tip only when you dine in.

New rule: Always tip, even for takeout.

Tip: 15 to 20 percent when you dine in, and 10 to 15 percent on takeout or delivery orders.

Bartenders

Old rule: \$1 per drink.

New rule: Give more, and tip after each round since bartenders often split tips with everyone on their shift.

Tip: \$2 per drink, or 10 to 15 percent of the total tab.

Personal shoppers

Old rule: N/A. Many of these services, such as grocery pickup, are newer.

New rule: Tip, and do it in the app, since you are unlikely to interact directly with your shopper.

Tip: 10 to 15 percent. If a tip is already included, add a few dollars extra.

HOME DELIVERIES

Package delivery drivers

Old rule: Don't tip.

New rule: Show appreciation if you get deliveries more than once a week.

Tip: Drinks, snacks, or \$5 to \$20 if a package is particularly heavy or large. Postal workers cannot accept cash or gifts worth more than \$50 per year. UPS tells drivers to decline tips unless a customer insists. And FedEx prohibits employees from accepting cash or cash equivalents (such as gift cards).

PERSONAL SERVICES

Ride-share drivers

Old rule: Tip in cash.

New rule: Ask your driver. The Lyft and Uber apps let you add gratuities, but some drivers prefer cash.

Tip: 15 to 20 percent.

Hairstylists

Old rule: 10 percent.

New rule: Extra cleaning protocols mean extra work. Acknowledge that with a bigger tip.

Tip: 15 to 20 percent, plus \$5 to \$10 for an assistant who shampoos your hair.

Hotel housekeepers

Old rule: Tip at the end of your stay.

New rule: Many hotels now do housekeeping by request only, so tip every time you ask them to come.

Tip: A few dollars per night, plus \$5 for any extra requests, such as asking for additional toiletries.

Next time you're unsure whether a gratuity is in order, follow this simple rule: When in doubt, tip. The novelist George Eliot asked, "What do we live for if not to make the world less difficult for each other?" Dupree adds: "Tipping well is one way to make things easier for someone else."

21. According to the experts, tipping rules has been changing because of _____.

A. the attempt of not trying to be cheap as a customer

- B. the significant improvement in living standards
C. the hardships service workers suddenly face during pandemic
D. our always being waited on in all aspects of life
22. Which of the following statements about tips is **TRUE**?
- A. Tips are only for the one who serves you in a restaurant.
B. FedEx employees are happy to get apple store gift cards for tips.
C. If the cost of hairstyling is \$30, the total tips are supposed to be about \$10.
D. Personal shoppers should tip 10 to 15 percent of the total bill in cash.

B

While youth is often a time of great promise and achievement, a life well lived can also be filled with any number of next chapters and second or even third acts that add depth, nuance (细微差别), and meaning to our stories. At 65 years old, Somerset native Carole-Ann Warburton experienced a plot twist that led to the fulfillment of a long-cherished dream she'd never even spoken of aloud.

After an illness incapacitated (使失去正常生活能力) her, Warburton was left with the question of what to do going forward. During her convalescence (康复), her daughter brought around some real estate listings for the sort of homes in which she thought her mum might best spend her golden years. Coincidentally, amongst the notices was an offering for a small barbershop with an above-stairs apartment.

For Warburton, although she admitted “the place was awful”, it was love at first sight and the perfect opportunity to do something she'd longed to do for almost as long as she could remember — work in a bookshop. Less than three months after coming to her decision, Warburton handed in her retirement notice, sold her house, bought the store, and using a personal inventory (库存) totaling between 8,000 and 9,000 titles — she launched her new bookshop, The Book Rest.

A decade on, The Book Rest recently celebrated its 10th anniversary. Although the pandemic has slowed foot traffic, since Warburton's driving motive isn't monetary profit, but rather, something of a deeper, more special personal value, she has no plans to close up the shop.

Having achieved her own dream, Warburton sees every day in the bookstore as an opportunity to help others realise theirs as well. “All the dreams are in the books,” she told *The Guardian*. “They are all there waiting to be picked up... Someone can walk in tomorrow and say, I have been looking for that for an awfully long time!” And as gatekeeper to her own small universe of literary wonders, Warburton says she plans to

stay around as long as she can to ensure that they do.

23. What does the author want to say in the first paragraph?
- A. There are possibilities at any stage of life.
 - B. One should grasp the youth to make achievements.
 - C. Changing the way of life is crucial at the age of 65.
 - D. Realising a long-cherished dream is all that matters in life.
24. What did Warburton do to seek her dream?
- A. She invested much money in opening a bookstore.
 - B. She used her possessions to develop real-estate business.
 - C. She started her career with her daughter in a small barbershop.
 - D. She sought her daughter's advice on where to rent the apartment.
25. What makes Warburton want to keep her bookstore open?
- A. Her strong desire to attract more customers.
 - B. The increasing decline of economic situations.
 - C. The huge financial burden of illness treatment.
 - D. Her seeking of an inner world of self-fulfillment.
26. Which of the following can best describe Warburton?
- A. Curious and ambitious.
 - B. Brave and adventurous.
 - C. Creative and pioneering.
 - D. Enthusiastic and determined.

C

A tiny clue found in ancient deposits has unlocked big secrets about Greenland's past and future climate. Just beyond the northwest edge of the vast Greenland Ice Sheet, researchers have discovered lake mud that have survived the last ice age. The mud, and remains of common flies in it, record two interglacial periods (间冰期) in northwest Greenland.

Although researchers have long known these two periods — the early Holocene and Last Interglacial — experienced warming in the Arctic, the mix of fly species shows that Greenland was even warmer than previously thought. “As far as we know, it has never been found in Greenland. We think this is the first time anyone has reported it in ancient deposits or modern lakes there,” Axford said. “We were really surprised to see how far north it migrated (迁徙).”

This new information could help researchers better measure Greenland's sensitivity to warming, by testing and improving models of climate and ice sheet behaviour. Those models could then improve predictions of how Greenland's ice sheet might respond to

man-made global warming. After all, Greenland covers 80 per cent of the Arctic country and holds enough ice to equal 20 feet of global sea level. “Northwest Greenland might feel really remote, but what happens to that ice sheet is going to matter to everyone in every coastal city around the world,” said Yarrow Axford, an associate professor in the team. “One of the big uncertainties in climate science is how fast the Earth changes when it gets warmer. Geology gives us an opportunity to see what happened when the Earth was warmer than today,” said Axford.

People might be surprised to see how today’s Greenland looked during the last two interglacial periods. During the Last Interglacial, global sea levels increased by 15 to 30 feet, largely due to thinning of Greenland and Antarctica’s ice sheets. However, now researchers believe northern Greenland’s ice sheet experienced stronger warming than previously thought, which could mean that Greenland is more responsible for that sea-level rise.

Finding lake deposits older than about 10,000 years, however, has been historically very difficult in Greenland. To measure these ancient temperatures, researchers look to ice cores and lake deposits. Since ice and lake deposits form by a gradual buildup on annual layers of snow or mud, these cores contain history of the past. By looking through the layers, researchers can obtain climate clues from centuries ago.

27. Why are the remains of flies mentioned in the first two paragraphs?
- A. They serve as evidence that there is still life in the Northwest Greenland.
 - B. They were one of the many ancient lives that were left in the Greenland mud.
 - C. They are indicators that Greenland was much warmer than previously thought.
 - D. They help the researchers realize that there was once a warm period in the Arctic.
28. The new information about Greenland is important because _____.
- A. researchers have no idea how to measure Greenland’s warming speed
 - B. it can help researchers better predict Greenland’s response to warming
 - C. people should be more sensitive to the changes in the ice in Greenland
 - D. it is uncertain how fast the Earth changes with man-made global warming
29. Which of the following can be inferred from the passage?
- A. It is easier for today’s scientists to find ancient lake deposits.
 - B. People are surprised at the landscape feature of Greenland today.
 - C. Researchers measure the changing temperatures by directly examining mud.
 - D. Greenland holds enough ice that might one day threaten life in coastal cities.
30. Which do you think is the best title of the passage?
- A. Greenland Used to Be Much Greener

- B. Earth Once Experienced Warm Periods
- C. Coastal Cities Warned of Coming Disasters
- D. Northwest Greenland, A Perfect Destination

D

Portraits as Art

According to a dictionary, portraiture is “a representation (描绘) of a person, especially of the face by drawing or painting a likeness.” However, this definition neglects the complexities of portraiture. Portraits are works of art that engage with ideas of identity rather than just a likeness. These concepts of identity involve social rank, gender, age, profession, character of the subject, etc. It is impossible to copy all the aspects of identity. Therefore, portraits reflect only certain qualities of subjects. Portrait art has also undergone significant shifts in artistic practice. The majority of portraits are the outcome of current artistic fashions and favored styles. Therefore, portrait art is an art category providing various engagement with social, psychological, and artistic practices and expectations.

Since portraits are different from other art categories, they are worthy of separate study. During their production, portraits require the presence of a specific person, or an image of the individual. In many instances, the production of portraiture has required sittings, which result in interaction between the subject(s) and the artist throughout the creation of the work. In certain instances, portrait artists depended on a combination of different involvement with their subjects. If the sitter can't sit in the studio regularly, portraitists could use his or her photographs. In Europe, during the seventeenth and eighteenth century, the sitting time was sometimes decreased by focusing only on the head. Theoretically, portraitists could work from impressions or memories when creating a painting, but this rarely occurred according to documented records. Nonetheless, whether the work is based on model sittings, copying a photograph, or using memory, the process of painting a portrait is linked with the model's attendance.

Furthermore, portrait painting can be distinguished from other artistic categories by its connection with appearance, or likeness. As such, the art of portrait painting got a reputation for imitation instead of for artistic innovation. Based on Renaissance art theory, portraiture was related to the level of a mechanical exercise as opposed to a fine art. Michelangelo's well-known protest against portraits is only one example. During the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, the attitude to portraiture was critical. Even so, artists from around the globe persisted in painting portraits despite their theoretical objections.

Picasso, for example, became widely-known for cubist still-life painting (立体派静物画) early in his career, but some of his early experiments in this new style were his portraits of art dealers.

31. What does Paragraph 1 mainly tell us?
- A. The changing definition of portraiture reflects shifting attitudes to it.
 - B. Most portraits reflect artistic fashions and favored styles when created.
 - C. Portraiture is a more complex art form than is defined in a dictionary.
 - D. Portrait art shouldn't be seen as a distinct art category for its complexity.
32. Which of the following is a characteristic of portraiture mentioned in Paragraph 2?
- A. Portraiture typically takes much less time than other art forms.
 - B. Portraiture often requires frequent cooperation between artists.
 - C. Portraits show models in a more accurate way than other art forms.
 - D. Portraits generally involve interaction between subjects and artists.
33. According to Paragraph 2, during portraits' production, artists _____.
- A. based their work on the subjects' attendance
 - B. preferred models' photographs to their presence
 - C. were more willing to use impressions or memories
 - D. reduced sitting time to concentrate on a sitter's head
34. Picasso is chosen as an example by the author because he _____.
- A. altered the way other artists felt about portrait art
 - B. created portraits in spite of his objection to portrait art
 - C. depended on portrait art to establish a higher reputation
 - D. had fewer theoretical objections to portraitures than others

第二节 (共 5 小题; 每小题 2 分, 共 10 分)

根据短文内容, 从短文后的七个选项中选出能填入空白处的最佳选项, 并在答题卡上将该项涂黑。选项中有两项为多余选项。

Motivation is the desire to act in service of a goal. It's the crucial element in setting and attaining our objectives. Some of the most common goals people make — and the most common goals they struggle to meet — are to eat healthier, work out more, and save more money. Many traps can prevent people from achieving those goals, but predicting those challenges can help achieve real change.

Many people struggle to stick to a diet. Research suggests that extrinsic (外在的) motivators — to avoid hurtful comments or fit into an outfit — can jumpstart the process but that intrinsic motivation — interest, enjoyment, and challenge in the journey — is key

to sustained, lasting weight loss. ____35____ So it's helpful to choose a diet that will be sustainable and effective and believe that the diet, start date, and end goals have been chosen autonomously and not "assigned" by others.

There are a few creative ideas to consider if motivation is a barrier to exercise. One is to widen the options you have: If you don't have time to go to the gym, exercise by going for a walk, doing a bodyweight circuit, or watching a yoga video. ____36____ Yet you can also establish a social contract with a friend or family member. For example, if you allow phone time to replace exercise, you must donate to a cause of the other person's choosing.

____37____ The first is to set a specific saving goal for an emergency fund. This focused goal will build habits that become sustainable saving. The second is to save something every day, even if it's just a few dollars, because repeat helps to form habits. Third, making savings visible, whether by checking a savings account online or keeping cash in a glass jar. ____38____ In addition to cultivating a saving attitude, it's important to change a spending mindset.

Most people, unfortunately, fail to follow through on their New Year's resolutions. This might be because people tend to set overwhelming goals, engage in all-or-nothing thinking, don't predict barriers, and beat themselves up when they get off track. By addressing those traps, people are more likely to truly achieve their goals.

Motivation is one of the driving forces behind human behavior. It fuels competition and sparks social connection. Its absence can lead to mental illnesses such as depression. ____39____ It's the key factors in setting and achieving our goals.

- A. It is helpful to find a community of supporters.
- B. People can break large goals into smaller pieces.
- C. Eventually, consistently spend less than you make.
- D. The following steps can help cultivate the habit of saving money.
- E. Intrinsic motivation includes competence, autonomy, and relatedness.
- F. Motivation includes the desire toward meaning, purpose, and a life worth living.
- G. Another is to make exercise more enjoyable, such as by listening to a book on tape.

第三部分 书面表达（共两节，32分）

第一节（共4小题；第40、41题各2分，第42题3分，第43题5分，共12分）

阅读下面短文，根据题目要求用英文回答问题。

Hired by a machine mind

Landing a dream job has never been easy, but at least in the past you knew that the person you had to impress was a fellow human being. More recently, however, employers are putting the responsibility of finding the most suitable workers onto nonhuman shoulders. Artificial intelligence systems can go through thousands of résumés far faster than a person or even a team of people can. What's more, programs have been designed to run video interviews, too. During these, a person's facial expressions, word choices, and answers to difficult questions are all examined and used to judge how good the person would be at the job in question.

While those who support such systems claim that this superefficient hiring method is the future, others fear that the systems have serious problems. Because AI systems use biased data sets to learn how to select people, the hiring process may actually be more unfair when AI is used. For instance, some AI-hiring systems automatically ignore women on the grounds that most existing technical workers are male.

Naturally, job seekers are trying anything they can to satisfy the AI's selection criteria. In South Korea, where a number of the top companies currently use AI for hiring, many job seekers attend special cram schools to learn how to pass their AI interview.

Of course, many of the techniques taught are nothing more than educated guesses. Without knowing exactly what each individual AI system looks for, knowing what to do to please it is extremely difficult. However, there are still some things you can try. For example, use industry-specific terms in your interview answers because AIs often search data for specific key phrases. Another tip is to keep your résumé style simple. That way, the AI can search it more easily. You should also strip your résumé of anything that reveals your sex or race in case a biased data set is being used.

It seems our success could very well depend on the mysterious judgment of a machine mind. It sounds unfair, and it likely is. In the end, the power to either change the system itself or at least make it work for you is in your hands.

40. What factors influence the results of AI-based video interviews?

41. How can you avoid being affected by a biased data set?

42. Please decide which part is false in the following statement, then underline it and explain why.

➤ *When AI selection systems use biased data, the hiring process may actually be more unfair and the fact that women are not considered for technical jobs has something to do with race.*

43. Think of another example of using AI to make judgements and give your opinion on

it. (In about 40 words)

第二节 (20 分)

44. 假设你是红星中学高三学生李华。近期你班同学普遍加强了英语听说训练,但是仍然存在一些困惑。请你给外教 Jim 写封邮件,邀请他下周为大家做一次专题讲座。邮件内容包括:

1. 介绍同学们的听说训练情况;
2. 希望提供更有有效的学习方法;
3. 询问对方的意向。

注意: 1. 词数不少于 80;
2. 邮件的开头和结尾已给出, 不计入总词数。

Dear Jim,

Yours,
Li Hua

高三 12 月月考答案

完形填空 (0, 1.5)

1-5 CAABB 6-10 BCDAC

语法填空 (0, 1.5)

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| 11. deciding | 12. spoke | 13. his | 14. who/that |
| 15. is regarded/ has been regarded | | 16. to honor | 17. illness |
| 18. Without | 19. but/ yet | 20. where | |

阅读理解 (0, 2)

A篇 21-22 CC

B篇 23-26 AADD

C篇 27-30 CBDA

D篇 31-34 CDAB

七选五 35-39 (0, 2)

35. E 36. G 37. D 38. C 39. F

阅表

40. A person's facial expressions, word choices, and answers to difficult questions.

41. I should strip my résumé of anything that reveals my sex or race.

By stripping my résumé of anything that reveals my sex or race.

By not including anything that reveals my sex or race in my résumé.

42.

- *When AI selection systems use biased data, the hiring process may actually be more unfair and the fact that women are not considered for technical jobs has something to do with race.*

According to the passage, some AI-hiring systems automatically ignore women on the grounds that most existing technical workers are male. Therefore, the fact has something to do with sex rather than race.

43. AI technology is used to evaluate students' performance in speaking and writing.

It works more efficiently than human evaluators. However, its judgements aren't accurate enough. For instance, AI can only spot grammar mistakes but can't find logical fallacies. If its precision can be greatly improved, the influence will be epoch-making.

作文

How is everything going? As you know, we've strengthened English listening and speaking training since this term, but we still have some confusion. Knowing you are

an expert in it, I'm writing to invite you to give us a special lecture.

Now many of us have been studying with the help of online courses. We listen to the tape and do a simple follow-up every day, trying to imitate the pronunciation and intonation. Besides, we have enhanced the awareness of speaking English properly according to different occasions.

But some of us still find it hard to improve English within a limited time and wonder if there are some better learning methods. As an experienced teacher, you must have many views. We really hope you can put forward some effective learning methods for us. Could you come and give us some guidance next week? Please let us know by this weekend if you could accept the invitation.

Looking forward to your reply.



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