

# 2022 北京海淀高二（上）期末

## 英 语

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考 生 须 知	1.本参考样题共10页，共4大部分，58道题，满分100分。考试时间90分钟。 2.在试卷和答题卡上准确填写学校名称、姓名和准考证号。 3.答案一律填涂或书写在答题卡上，在试卷上作答无效。 4.在答题卡上，选择题用2B铅笔作答，其他题用黑色字迹签字笔作答。
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### 第一部分：听力理解（共三节，20分）

#### 第一节（共4小题；每小题1分，共4分）

听下面4段对话。每段对话后有一道小题，从每题所给的A、B、C三个选项中选出最佳选项。听每段对话前，你将有5秒钟的时间阅读每小题。听完后，每小题将给出5秒钟的作答时间。每段对话你将听一遍。

1. When will the man's sister arrive at the station?

- A. In 20 minutes.                      B. In half an hour.                      C. In 10 minutes.

2. What topic does the woman suggest for the report?

- A. Garbage sorting.                      B. Endangered species.                      C. Air pollution.

3. What's the possible relationship between the two speakers?

- A. Doctor and patient.                      B. Teacher and student.                      C. Classmates.

4. Why does the woman make the call?

- A. To make a request.                      B. To make a complaint.                      C. To make an apology.

#### 第二节（共10小题；每小题1分，共10分）

听下面5段对话。每段对话后有几道小题，从每题所给的A、B、C三个选项中选出最佳选项。听每段对话前，你将有5秒钟的时间阅读每小题。听完后，每小题将给出5秒钟的作答时间。每段对话你将听两遍。

听第5段材料，回答第5至6题。

5. What does the woman like about the movie?

- A. Its plot.                                      B. Its music.                                      C. Its lines.

6. Why does the man want to recommend the movie to Lucy?

- A. It is her favorite kind of movie.  
B. It may give her ideas for her writing.  
C. It may relieve her pressure from writing.

听第6段材料，回答第7至8题。

7. What is the man doing?

- A. Measuring water.                      B. Taking a shower.                      C. Looking for a job.

8. What suggestion does the woman give the man?

- A. Timing his shower.                      B. Sharing the water bill.                      C. Taking shorter showers.

听第7段材料，回答第9至10题。

9. Why is the man so happy?

A. He has won a lot of money. B. He is going to finish school.

C. He has finished three more classes.

10. How will the man probably pay for his MBA?

A. He will work part-time.

B. His parents will pay for it.

C. He may borrow money from a bank.

听第8段材料，回答第11至12题。

11. What does the woman think of her father?

A. Stubborn.

B. Understanding.

C. Helpful.

12. What will the woman probably do next?

A. Practise harder for the play.

B. Quit the play at the Grand Hall. C. Invite her father to the rehearsal.

听第9段材料，回答第13至14题。

13. Which number should the buyer of the Sony TV call?

A. 344-2651.

B. 356-4355.

C. 566-6543.

14. What is the main purpose of the announcement?

A. To introduce some products. B. To advertise some used items.

C. To call on people to collect antiques.

第三节（共4小题；每小题1.5分，共6分）

听下面一段独白，完成第15至18四道小题，每小题仅填写一个词。听独白前，你将有30秒钟的时间阅读试题，听完后你将有60秒钟的作答时间。这段独白你将听两遍。将答案填写在答题纸相应的位置。

How to Create Study Plans		
Purposes		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● To do well in your <u>15</u></li><li>● To get ready for exams and meet deadlines</li></ul>
Methods	Making long-term plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Schedule <u>16</u> from exams and deadlines: ...</li><li>● Break up larger assignments into smaller parts: ...</li></ul>
	Making daily plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Set aside at least a couple of hours as study time</li><li>● Plan for <u>17</u> breaks: take 5-min breaks every 25 minutes</li><li>● <u>18</u> as soon after class as possible: ...</li></ul>

## 第二部分：知识运用（共两节，25分）

第一节（共10小题；每小题1分，共10分）

阅读下面的短文，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。

It was an unexpected call for Aranza Delgado from the shelter, Peewee's Pet Adoption World, 800 miles away in Texas. She was so pleasantly 19 when learning her dog "Puppies" was picked up by a passerby after it went missing four years ago. Since he was 20, the shelter called the chip company and got the name and telephone number of his 21.

However, Aranza had a limited window of time, and could only come to pick up Puppies one week later. Ernie Cochran, a volunteer of the shelter, replied that they were more than \_\_\_\_22\_\_\_\_ to provide the dog with a place to stay for several more days.

“If we can get a dog back to his family, it’s a wonderful thing,” thought Ernie. Ernie and the other locals teamed up with a plan to get Puppies back home as \_\_\_\_23\_\_\_\_ as possible.

“Everybody has been amazing, from the shelter to the people who are helping me transport Puppies,” Aranza told *Kris News*. She was happy to be \_\_\_\_24\_\_\_\_ with her old friend soon. “I didn’t \_\_\_\_25\_\_\_\_ how friendly everybody in Texas was and how helpful they’ve been. I’ve had a lot of \_\_\_\_26\_\_\_\_. Actually, the lady that I’ve been in contact with is picking Puppies up tomorrow and she’s going to \_\_\_\_27\_\_\_\_ him overnight and then will send him back home.”

Although she may never completely know what Puppies went through during the four years, Aranza hopes that her story \_\_\_\_28\_\_\_\_ the kindness of Texans.

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|-------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| 19. A. surprised  | B. encouraged | C. informed   | D. amused     |
| 20. A. found      | B. adopted    | C. chipped    | D. abandoned  |
| 21. A. owner      | B. shelter    | C. rescuer    | D. center     |
| 22. A. grateful   | B. willing    | C. excited    | D. patient    |
| 23. A. recently   | B. secretly   | C. early      | D. urgently   |
| 24. A. connected  | B. reunited   | C. associated | D. concerned  |
| 25. A. understand | B. forget     | C. admit      | D. realize    |
| 26. A. requests   | B. troubles   | C. regrets    | D. messages   |
| 27. A. leave      | B. keep       | C. feed       | D. see        |
| 28. A. repays     | B. deserves   | C. inspires   | D. highlights |

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。请在答题卡指定区域作答。

A

Rowan Atkinson is an English actor. He is mostly famous for acting as a clumsy and awkward comedy character, Mr. Bean. However, he is nothing like Mr. Bean. \_\_\_\_29\_\_\_\_ a young age, he was awarded a scholarship to a boarding school and attained the highest marks in the university and obtained his master’s degree in electrical engineering. This may explain why he \_\_\_\_30\_\_\_\_ (love) fast cars, of which he has many. He showed a talent for acting as early as primary school, \_\_\_\_31\_\_\_\_ contributed to his career of acting at university.

B

The last time Yunnan caught national attention was when some Asian elephants left their home and \_\_\_\_32\_\_\_\_ (guide) by experts to return to their original habitat safely without \_\_\_\_33\_\_\_\_ (harm) any human. Asian elephants in China, mostly \_\_\_\_34\_\_\_\_ (find) in Yunnan, are under the highest level of state protection. Today, the wild elephant population in Yunnan \_\_\_\_35\_\_\_\_ (grow) to about 300, up from 193 in the 1980s. The province has established 11 national or regional-level nature reserves to provide shelter for these mammals.

C

It seems obvious now \_\_\_\_36\_\_\_\_ we acquire knowledge and understanding. To start with, we need questions. Then, to find the answers, we observe the world around us and study the facts. After that, we consider possible answers and test each

to find the right ones. \_\_\_37\_\_\_ today we are more used to looking for answers from the Internet, modern scientists and thinkers are still solving the world's problems with this type of \_\_\_38\_\_\_ (analyze) —luckily for us.

### 第三部分：阅读理解（共两节，30分）

第一节（共10小题；每题2分，共20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

#### Credit Card Management Apps to Stay on Top of Payments

Americans collectively hold about \$4 trillion in consumer credit card debt, so a money management app might be worth consideration. Here are two top choices that will help manage the credit life.



##### For Budgeting: Mint

If you're seeking an app for both a broad view and a detailed look at your credit cards and overall finances as well as warnings to ensure on-time payments, Mint is perhaps the most popular app in this category. You can create a budget, track card spending in customizable (可定制的) categories, get credit card bill warnings, and more.

Reserve a couple of hours to get started because setting it up takes time. And if you're completely new to financial apps, tracking and categorizing every transaction (交易) you might make could take some getting used to.

Download Mint from the App Store or Google Play for free.



##### For Tracking Credit Card Rewards: AwardWallet

You can see all of your credit card rewards—including credit card points such as Citi ThankYou Points, American Express Membership Rewards and Chase Ultimate Rewards—in one place. The app also lets you know when your awards will expire (过期) so you can use them before you lose them.

Arghandewal, who travels all over the world by using points and miles, says the AwardWallet app helps her keep track of everything. “You can link all of your frequent flyer, hotel and even bank rewards accounts and get notices when your rewards balance changes,” she says.

AwardWallet requires access to your email account, which could make some folks uncomfortable. And some loyalty programs aren't part of the platform.

Download AwardWallet from the App Store for free.

39. The users of Mint can \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. reduce daily transactions
- B. get detailed financial advice
- C. receive warnings of on-time payment
- D. track their card spending and rewards

40. Arghandewal is quoted in AwardWallet to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. show why the app is popular
- B. explain how to win rewards
- C. instruct people to download the app
- D. persuade people to use the app

41. Both Mint and AwardWallet \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. help users manage their credit cards  
B. need access to users' email accounts  
C. inform users of the expired awards  
D. take time for users to get used to them

## B

Sylvester Stallone has one of the most inspiring success stories. Before he made it big, he was essentially a starving artist. For many years after his college years, he worked odd jobs to pay the bill while simultaneously taking on any acting role he could find to keep his dreams of becoming a successful actor alive.

Most people don't know this about Sylvester Stallone, but he had a dream as a young man to become a big movie star in Hollywood. He longed to become a great director, producer, and writer. Everyone told him it could not be done, but he wasn't one to take no for an answer. And after finding little luck in the New York's films scene, he decided to try his chances in Los Angeles.

It was a struggle that Sylvester would endure for many years, seven in fact. Throughout all of those seven challenging years, Sylvester would gain a few small roles in a handful of movies, but nothing grand enough to get his career launched. During those seven long years of striving, he came face-to-face with near poverty. Getting so desperate for money, he at one point had to sell his wife's jewelry. And he even had to sell his dog because he couldn't keep him fed. And to top it all off, there came a point where Sylvester was homeless, and had to sleep outside for a number of days.

But his days of struggle as an aspiring actor would not last forever. After facing seemingly many hardships for over seven years, he would finally get his big break. And this break would come after he managed to get a script he wrote in a three-day flurry of inspiration in front of two big-shot directors in Hollywood. It was this defining moment that would turn the tides for Sylvester Stallone, and his career would skyrocket after he negotiated the lead role in the film that would come to be known as "Rocky".

Since then, Sylvester Stallone, and his series of movies revolving around Rocky have been inspiring people all around the world. His success story is one that should be observed, retold, and shared, just as much as his movies are.

42. How did Sylvester feel about becoming a film star when he was young?

- A. It would be impossible.  
B. It would take lots of luck.  
C. It would involve struggles.  
D. It would come true for sure.

43. What event marked a turning point in Stallone's career?

- A. He negotiated the lead role in the film "Rocky".  
B. He went to Los Angeles for more opportunities.  
C. He became homeless and slept outside for many days.  
D. He succeeded in showing his script to two great directors.

44. Sylvester's life story is written to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. remember the famous actor  
B. describe how he succeeded  
C. motivate others to pursue dreams  
D. explain the popularity of his movie

## C

It was widely believed that, in order to get the first languages off the ground, our ancestors first needed a way to create novel signals that could be understood by others, relying on visual signs whose form was directly similar to the intended meaning. Some gestures can be understood almost anywhere: pointing to direct someone's attention, for instance.

However, an international research team, led by experts from the University of Birmingham and the Leibniz-Centre General Linguistics (ZAS), Berlin, have discovered that certain vocalizations (发声法) can also be **iconic** and recognizable to people around the world—even when a speaker is not

simply imitating a well-known sound. These findings, published in *Scientific Reports*, may help explain the rise of modern spoken language.

In 2015, language researchers challenged some English speakers to make up sounds representing various basic concepts (“sleep”, “child”, “meat”, “rock”, and more). When other English speakers listened to these sounds and tried matching them to concepts, they were largely successful. But “we wanted to be able to show that these vocalizations are understandable across cultures,” says study co- author and University of Birmingham cognitive scientist Marcus Perlman.

So Perlman and his colleagues conducted online and in-person experiments in seven countries, from Morocco to Brazil. They recruited more than 900 participants, who spoke a total of 28 languages, to listen to the best-understood vocalizations from the 2015 investigation and select matching concepts from a set of words or images. Vocalizations that called forth well-known sounds—for example, dripping water—performed best. But many others were also understood at rates significantly above chance across all languages tested, the team found. “There is a notable degree of success outside of just onomatopoeia (象声词),” Perlman says.

This is likely because certain patterns related to sound are universal, the team suggests. For example, short and basic sounds often convey the concept of “one” and repeated sounds are typically associated with “many”. Likewise, low-pitched sounds accompany something big, and high-pitched sounds convey small size. These findings of “iconic” sounds could help scientists understand how

human ancestors started using rich acoustic (传音的) communication, says co-author Aleksandra Ćwiek, a linguist at the Leibniz-Center General Linguistics in Berlin. The human voice, she says, might “afford enough iconicity to get language off the ground.”

University of Tübingen linguist Matthias Urban, who was not involved in the research, agrees. “It’s unclear how words came into being in the first place,” he says. Iconic vocalizations are “potentially one pathway that could have been involved.”

45. What does the underlined word “**iconic**” in Paragraph 2 probably mean?

- A. Symbolic.                      B. Comic.                      C. Magic.                      D. Classic.

46. The finding of Perlman’s research may \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. well explain the rise of English culture  
B. throw light on the origin of spoken language  
C. demonstrate that onomatopoeia may be popular  
D. show how our ancestors imitate unknown sounds

47. What can we learn from the experiments in this passage?

- A. The English language is universally understood. B. Sound patterns may be related to their meanings.  
C. Sign language appeared earlier than spoken language.  
D. Words were evolved from vocalizations in ancient times.

48. Which might be the best title for the passage?

- A. From Hand to Mouth: The Origins of Language  
B. Iconic Vocalizations are Created for Communication  
C. Made-up Sounds Convey Meanings across Cultures  
D. How Language Began: Gesture and Speech in Evolution

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。

### The Happy Man

The happy man lives objectively, and has free love and wide interests, through which he secures his happiness. To be the receivers of love is a vital cause of happiness, but the man who demands love is not the man to whom it is given. \_\_\_\_49\_\_\_\_ But it is useless to attempt to give love as a calculation, for it is not sincere and is not felt.

What then can a man do who is unhappy because he is enclosed in self? If he is to get out of the vicious (恶性的) circle of unhappiness, it must be by true interests. But before that, he should analyze his trouble first. \_\_\_\_50\_\_\_\_ If fear is his trouble, let him practice exercises designed to give courage.

Admit to himself every day at least one painful truth. \_\_\_\_51\_\_\_\_ Exercises of this sort will enable him to admit facts and will free him from the fear to a large extent.

\_\_\_\_52\_\_\_\_ Do not say to yourself in advance, "I should be happy if I could become interested in stamp-collecting," and thus set to work to collect stamps, for it may well happen that you will altogether fail to find stamp-collecting interesting. You may be pretty sure that true objective interests will grow up as soon as you have learnt not to be self-centered.

All unhappiness depends upon lack of integration (融合). There is disintegration within the self, consciously and unconsciously or between the self and society. \_\_\_\_53\_\_\_\_ Such a man feels himself a citizen of the universe, enjoying what it affords, untroubled by the death because he feels not separate from those who will come after him.

- A. There is much he can do about it.
- B. The man who receives love is the man who gives it.
- C. The interests will arise when you overcome being self-centered.
- D. The happy life is to an extraordinary extent the same as the good life. E. Teach himself life is worth even not having great virtue or intelligence. F. Self-denying leaves a man self-absorbed and aware of his own sacrifice.
- G. Neither divided against the self nor the world, the happy man never fails to unite.

### 第四部分: 书面表达 (共两节, 25 分)

第一节 (共4 小题; 第54、55、56 题各2 分, 第57 题4 分, 共10 分)

阅读下面短文, 根据题目要求用英文回答问题。请在答题卡指定区域作答。

When people are asked what's important in their lives, they often mention humor, yet philosophers would disagree.

The first is how little they have said. The most that major philosophers like Plato, Hobbes, and Kant wrote about laughter or humor was a few paragraphs within a discussion of another topic. Martian anthropologists (人类学家) comparing the amount of philosophical writing on humor with what has been written on, say, justice, might well conclude that humor could be left out of human life without much loss.

The second is how negative most philosophers have been in their assessments of humor. From ancient Greece until the 20th century, the vast majority of philosophical comments on laughter and humor focused on scornful (蔑视的) or mocking laughter, or on laughter that overpowers people, rather than on comedy, wit, or joking. Plato, the most influential critic of laughter, treated laughter as an emotion that overrides (凌驾于) rational self-control. He says the guardians of the state should avoid laughter, "for when one abandons himself to violent laughter, his condition causes a violent reaction." Another of Plato's objections to laughter is that it is evil. Plato analyzes the enjoyment of comedy as a form of scorn. The people we laugh

at imagine themselves to be wealthier, better looking, or more virtuous than they really are. In laughing at them, we take delight in something evil: their self- ignorance.

Because of these objections to laughter and humor, Plato says that in the ideal state, comedy should be tightly controlled. “We shall order that such representations be left to slaves or hired aliens, and receive no serious consideration whatsoever. No free person, whether woman or man, shall be found taking lessons in them.”

Greek thinkers after Plato had similarly negative comments. Though Aristotle considered wit a valuable part of conversation, he agreed with Plato that laughter expresses scorn. The Stoics, with their emphasis on self-control, agreed with Plato that laughter weakens self-control. Epictetus’s Enchiridion advises “Let not your laughter be loud, frequent, or unrestrained.” His followers said that he never laughed at all.

54. What conclusion do Martian anthropologists make on humor?

55. Why did Plato suggest that the governors of a country should get rid of laughter?

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

*The Stoics also had negative comments on laughter but they emphasized that laughter strengthened self-control.*

57. Do you agree with the philosophers’ ideas mentioned in the passage about humor? Why or why not? (*In about 40 words*)

第二节 (15分)

58. 假设你是红星中学高二学生李华。你的英国好友Jim 写信提到，他因沉迷网络而影响学习和生活。请你用英文给他写一封电子邮件，内容包括：

1. 表达关心；

2. 给出建议。

注意：1. 词数100左右；

2. 开头和结尾已给出，不计入总词数。提示词：be addicted to 沉迷于……

Dear Jim,

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Yours, Li Hua

(请务必将作文写在答题卡指定区域内)



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## 参考答案

第一部分：听力理解（共 20 分）

第一节：1. A 2. A 3. C 4. B

第二节：5. C 6. B 7. B 8. C 9. B 10. A 11. A 12. C 13. A 14. B

第三节：15. courses 16. backward 17. regular 18. Review

评分标准：

1. 单词拼写正确计 1 分，拼写不正确或形式错误不得分，大小写忽略；

2. 每空只填写一个词，多于一个词不得分。

第二部分：知识运用（共 25 分）

第一节：19. A 20. C 21. A 22. B 23. C 24. B 25. D 26. D 27. B 28. D

第二节：29. At 30. loves 31. which 32. were guided 33. harming

34. found 35. has grown 36. how 37. Although/Though/While 38. analysis

评分标准：

所填内容使句子达意，且拼写正确计 1.5 分；拼写不正确或形式错误不得分。

第三部分：阅读理解（共 30 分）

第一节：39. C 40. D 41. A 42. D 43. D 44. C 45. A 46. B 47. B 48. C

第二节：49. B 50. A 51. E 52. C 53. G

第四部分：书面表达（共 25 分）

第一节：

54. Humor could be left out of human life without much loss.

55. Because he thought when one abandoned himself to violent laughter, his condition would cause a violent reaction.

56. The Stoics also had negative comments on laughter but they emphasized that laughter strengthened self-control.

And they agreed that laughter weakened self-control.

57. (略)

评分标准：

正确写出关键信息且能达意 2 分，写出关键信息但有两处及以上语法或拼写错误扣 1 分，出现少量多余信息不扣分。

第二节：

Dear Jim,

Sorry to hear about your troubles. I have been there myself and gained valuable experience so here are some tips.

First, I think you can develop a good online habit by limiting screen time. You can set specific goals for when to use the Internet for studying or playing with rewards for achieving them.

In addition, I advise you to get involved in more outdoor activities, such as hiking or going for a walk. It benefits your physical health and can also strengthen relationships with family and friends.

I hope you find my advice useful. It certainly takes discipline to get over the addiction, but I'm sure it will get better once you take the first step.

Yours,

Li Hua

### 评分标准

档次	分数	描述
第一档	15~13分	完全符合题目要求, 观点正确, 要点齐全。句式多样, 词汇丰富。语言准确, 语意连贯, 表达清楚, 具有逻辑性。
第二档	12~9分	基本符合题目要求, 观点正确, 要点齐全。语法结构和词汇基本满足文章需要。语言基本通顺, 语意基本连贯, 表达基本清楚。虽然有少量语言错误, 但不影响整体理解。
第三档	8~5分	部分内容符合题目要求, 要点不齐全。语法结构和词汇错误较多, 语言不通顺, 表达不够清楚, 影响整体理解。
第四档	4~0分	与题目有关内容不多, 只是简单拼凑词语, 所写内容难以理解。

附: 听力录音材料

#### Text 1

M: Excuse me, anyone's sitting here?

W: Urm, no...I'll just move my bag.

M: Thanks. How long have you been waiting?

W: Oh, about half an hour. I'm picking up my friend. He'll be here in 10 minutes. How about you?

M: I've just got here. My sister's train will be arriving in 20 minutes.

#### Text 2

W: Hi, Jim. How's your preparation for the report?

M: I can't decide on the topic. There are so many things I want to talk about, global warming, air pollution, endangered species, and so on.

W: Well, probably the students will be more interested in what we can do in our daily life, such as how to sort garbage.

#### Text 3

W: Are you feeling any better now?

M: Yes, thank you. I'm afraid of falling behind in my studies.

W: Don't worry. Here are some handouts from our teachers. Just let me know if you need any help.

M: Oh, that's so kind of you.

#### Text 4

M: Hello. This is Customers' Service Centre. What can I do for you?

W: I had a problem with one of your agents.

M: What happened?

W: She was terribly rude to me. She seemed to ignore me, even though I was standing right in front of her counter. I stood there for five minutes before she spoke to me.

#### Text 5

M: What do you think of the movie, Ellen?

W: The plot is not so good. But I love the lines. The leading character is humorous.

M: The music is great too, and the scenes in the movie are fantastic. It is definitely worth watching. I'll recommend it to Lucy.

W: Lucy? I remember adventure movies are her favorite.

M: Yes. But this movie may help her with her writing project. Maybe she can get some inspiration and add some humor to her writing.

W: Right. It may also give her a short break from her busy schedule.

Text 6

W: Andrew. Stop wasting water! Turn the shower off!

M: What? I can't hear you! I have the shower running.

W: Listen. You were in the shower for more than half an hour. That's enough water for 10 people. You used at least 50 gallons of water. That is a terrible waste.

M: I wasn't in the shower THAT long.

W: You were. I timed you.

M: You timed me?

W: You know what? Our water bill last month was \$113. You didn't pay for any of it. And it's going up. I know you've lost your job, but I'm not made of money. Don't be in the shower for that long. OK?

M: OK. Sorry, Sister.

Text 7

M: Yahoo! Freedom at last.

W: Hey, why are you so happy? Did you win a million dollars? Did you finally move out of your parents' house?

M: Neither! I only need to take three more classes to finish, so I'm graduating in the summer.

W: Great. So what are you going to do after you graduate?

M: Well, that's still up in the air, but I'm thinking about working in a computer software company. If I don't do that, I might go back to school and get an MBA.

W: Sounds good. How are you going to pay for that? Your parents will pay for that? Or you'll borrow money from the bank?

M: I think I will apply for a work-study program. For example, I can work as a tutor in my spare time.

Text 8

M: Judy, you look sad. What's up?

W: My father is making me quit the play at the Grand Hall. You know acting is everything to me.

M: Have you ever told him about your passion for acting?

W: I can't talk to him that way. I know what he'll say. He'll just tell me to put it out of mind. That is for my own good.

M: But you have to talk to him. You have to show him what your heart is.

W: What if he won't listen? He never changes his mind.

M: Why not take him to your rehearsal and let him watch you play? When he sees your gift for acting and how hard you try, I think he may understand your choice.

W: Well, I'll have a try. Thanks.

Text 9

that was the local news for the South-West. This is Radio Devon and I'm your host, John Lee. And now for a few items listeners have sent in:

The first is a Safeway mountain bike. It's five years old and in very good condition. It's a large size for men and comes with a helmet. The price is £120. If you're interested in this, call 356-4355.

The second item is a 29-inch Sony TV. It's three years old, in good condition, but needs a new remote control. It's going for £50 but the buyers must collect it themselves. The phone number is 344-2651.

The third item is a 30-year-old large oak desk. It has two large drawers and comes with two matching chairs. All three items are together at a bargain price of £100. The phone number is 566-6543.

Text 10

### How to Create Study Plans

Hello, everyone. Today's topic is how to create study plans. They're important if you want to do well in your courses. With good plans, you don't have to worry about exams or deadlines.

For long-term plans, firstly, schedule *backward* from exams and deadlines. Put them on your calendar. Plan your study time backward from those dates to make sure you have enough time to get everything ready. Secondly, break up larger assignments. Plan out blocks when you'll work on smaller parts of a larger assignment. Use the week of the due date to bring those parts together.

For the daily plans, set aside at least a couple of hours as study time and plan for *regular* breaks to maintain focus. Study for 25 minutes then take a 5-minute break. Finally, *review* as soon after class as possible. Spend 15 minutes looking over your lecture notes and writing a brief summary of what you talked about in class.

Hope these suggestions can help you get ahead in your study!

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