

# 2023 北京八中高— 12 月月考

## 英 语

(满分: 100 分, 考试时间: 40 分钟)

Class: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Score: \_\_\_\_\_

### I. Grammar (1'×41)

Directions: Read the sentences and fill in each blank with the word or phrase that best fits the context.

- It took me a long time before I was able to fully appreciate what they \_\_\_ for me.  
A. had done B. did C. would do D. were doing
- Up to now, the program \_\_\_ thousands of children who would otherwise have died.  
A. would save B. saves C. had saved D. has saved
- Peter, where did you guys go for the summer vacation?  
----We \_\_\_ busy with our work for months, so we went to the beach to relax ourselves.  
A. were B. have been C. had been D. will be
- I'm sorry, but I don't quite follow you. Did you say you wanted to return on September 20?  
--Sorry, I \_\_\_ myself clear. We want to return on October 20.  
A. hadn't made B. wouldn't make C. don't make D. haven't made
- Were you surprised by the ending of the film?  
---NO, I \_\_\_ the book, so I already knew the story  
A. was reading B. had read C. am reading D. have read
- I was just going to cut my rose bushes but someone \_\_\_ it. Was it you?  
A. has done B. had done C. would do D. will do
- When you are home, give a call to let me know you \_\_\_\_\_ safely.  
A. are arriving B. have arrived C. had arrived D. will arrive
- This coastal area \_\_\_ a national wildlife reserve last year.  
A. was named B. named C. is named D. names
- Why, Jack, you look so tired! —Well, I \_\_\_\_\_ the house and I must finish the work tomorrow.  
A. was painting B. will be painting  
C. have painted D. have been painting
- It's 7: 30. Hurry up! Your train \_\_\_\_\_ at 8: 15.  
A. leaves B. left C. is leaving D. has left
- Joseph \_\_\_\_\_ to evening classes since last month, but he still can't say "What's your name?" in Russian.  
A. has been going B. went C. goes D. has gone
- Have you finished reading Jane Eyre?  
----No, I \_\_\_\_\_ my homework all day yesterday.  
A. was doing B. would do C. had done D. do
- The church tower which \_\_\_\_\_ will be open to tourists soon. The work is almost finished.  
A. has restored B. has been restored

C. is restoring      D. is being restored

14. "Life is like walking in the snow", Granny used to say, "because every step \_\_\_\_\_"

A. has shown      B. is showing      C. shows      D. showed

15. Every few years, the coal workers \_\_\_\_\_ their lungs X-rayed to ensure their health.

A. are having      B. have      C. have had      D. had had

16. It is reported that many a new house \_\_\_\_\_ at present in the disaster area.

A. are being built      B. were being built  
C. was being built      D. is being built

17.—Guess what, we've got our visas for a short \_\_\_\_\_ term visit to the UK this summer.

—How nice! you \_\_\_\_\_ a different culture then.

A. will be experiencing      B. have experienced  
C. have been experiencing      D. will have experienced

18. The discovery of gold in Australia led thousands to believe that a fortune \_\_\_\_\_.

A. is made      B. would make  
C. was to be made      D. had made

19. I walked slowly through the market, where people \_\_\_\_\_ all kinds of fruits and vegetables. I studied the prices carefully and bought what I needed.

A. sell      B. were selling      C. had sold      D. have sold

20. —Joan was badly injured in the accident yesterday and she was sent to hospital.

—Oh, really? I \_\_\_\_\_. I \_\_\_\_\_ visit her.

A. didn't know; will go to      B. don't know; will go to  
C. didn't know; am going to      D. haven't known; am going to

21. Linda, make sure the tables \_\_\_\_\_ before the guests arrive.

A. be set      B. set      C. are set      D. are setting

22. Excuse me. I \_\_\_\_\_ I was blocking your way.

A. didn't realize      B. don't realize  
C. haven't realized      D. wasn't realizing

23. In the spoken English of some areas in the US, the "r" sounds at the end of the words \_\_\_\_\_.

A. are being dropped      B. are dropped  
C. drop      D. have dropped

24. The book has been translated into thirty languages since it \_\_\_\_\_ on the market in 1973.

A. had come      B. has come      C. came      D. comes

25. The house \_\_\_\_\_ the capitalist used to live in is now a nursery.

A. that      B. where      C. what      D. when

26. My neighbors used to give me a hand in time of trouble, \_\_\_\_\_ was very kind of them.

A. who      B. that      C. which      D. whom

27. Alice received an invitation from her boss, \_\_\_\_\_ came as a surprise.

A. it      B. that      C. which      D. he

28. It's helpful to put children in a situation \_\_\_\_\_ they can see themselves differently.

A. that      B. when      C. which      D. where

29. Mr Zhou, \_\_\_\_\_ native language was Chinese, could read and write several foreign languages.

A. whose      B. his      C. which      D. that

30. I took my friend to the Summer Palace, \_\_\_\_\_ we had taken some photos.

A. where      B. which      C. that      D. /

31. Do you remember the day \_\_\_\_\_ your sister was graduated as a Master of Arts?

A. which      B. when      C. where      D. /

32. We all remember the days \_\_\_\_\_ we spent together at school.

A. in which      B. how      C. when      D. that

33. Do you know the reason \_\_\_\_\_ he didn't come?

A. that      B. which      C. for      D. why

34. He has four dogs, the biggest \_\_\_\_\_ is called Wang Wang.

A. of that      B. of them      C. of which      D. one

35. The old lady had one son and two daughters, \_\_\_\_\_ treated her well, \_\_\_\_\_ made her very sad.

A. both of them; which      B. none of whom; which  
C. both of whom; that      D. neither of whom; that

36. Look out! Don't get too close to the house \_\_\_\_\_ roof is under repair.

A. whose      B. which      C. of which      D. what

37. The railway tunnel, through \_\_\_\_\_ the train goes, will be completed soon.

A. which      B. that      C. it      D. where

38. I'm going to spend my holiday in Beijing, \_\_\_\_\_ live my old parents.

A. which      B. that      C. where      D. there

39. The boy \_\_\_\_\_ composition won the first prize is the youngest in the group.

A. who      B. whose      C. that      D. which

40. In the dark street, there wasn't a single person \_\_\_\_\_ she could turn for help.

A. that      B. who      C. from whom      D. to whom

41. Even though Beecher Prep is just a few blocks from our house, I've only been on that block a couple of times before. In general, I try to avoid blocks \_\_\_\_\_ there are lots of kids roaming around.

A. where      B. which      C. that      D. /

## II. Vocabulary (2' × 10)

Directions: Choose the word that is most nearly the same in meaning as the word underlined in each sentence.

42. Next week I start fifth grade. Since I've never been to a real school before, I am pretty much totally and completely **petrified**.

A. confused      B. frightened      C. amazed      D. impressed

43. I like when mom tells this story because it makes me laugh so much. It's not funny in the way a joke is funny, but when Mom tells it, Via and I just start **cracking up**.

A. laughing      B. crying      C. screaming      D. shrugging

44. I'm not **exaggerating** when I say this, but my heart literally started beating like I'd just run the longest race in the world. The laughter I had inside just poured out of me.

A. whispering      B. shuffling      C. doodling      D. overstating

45. "Only dorks take leadership," Julian interrupted. "Julian, you're being so **obnoxious!**" said Charlotte, which made Julian laugh.

A. unpleasant      B. steady      C. weird      D. guilty

46. Henry kept trying to open his lock but couldn't do it. He was getting **frustrated** and kind of cursing under his breath.

A. motivated      B. fainted      C. annoyed      D. scared

47. "Okay, guys, you can talk about Star Wars stuff at **recess**," said Ms. Petosa cheerfully. "But let's keep going. We haven't heard from you yet," she said to Jack. Now it was Jack's turn to talk, but I admit I didn't hear a word he said.

A. break      B. routine      C. attendance      D. coincidence

48. Up till a few days before, we still weren't sure I would be going to school at all. After my tour of the school, Mom and Dad had **reversed** sides on whether I should go or not. Mom was not the one saying I shouldn't go and Dad was saying I should.

A. hesitated      B. shocked      C. exchanged      D. paused

49. "That's not true," she said. "I can't believe you would just cut it off like that," she added snottily, and then practically **slammed** my bedroom door shut as she left the room.

A. knocked      B. switched      C. locked      D. banged

50. Kids would take the longest way around me to avoid bumping into me in any way, like I had some germ they could catch, like my face was **contagious**.

A. infectious      B. deformed      C. brand-new      D. relieved

51. Ms. Petosa told us a little about who she was. It was boring stuffy about where she **originally** came from, and how she always wanted to reach, and she left her job on Wall Street about six years ago to pursue her "dream" and teach kids.

A. especially      B. initially      C. sarcastically      D. giggly

### Part III. Reading Comprehension (3'×13)

#### A

#### The Party of Their Lives

In Los Angeles's infamous Skid Row, there are hundreds of children living on the streets or in shelters. It's a place where dreams go to die. But one couple is determined to use their own experience with loss to foster a sense of hope.

In 2013, Mary Davis and her husband lost their first unborn kid. Refusing to let the heartbreak break them, they became volunteers in a Skid Row homeless shelter. They found that many of the kids there had never had a single birthday party before, so they decided to throw a birthday party for those



homeless kids. They took over a room in the Union Rescue Mission and filled it with streamers, gifts and a cake. The kids were so excited that they made their own music—singing and clapping and, of course, laughing.

Since then, the couple have thrown a party each and every month. They routinely attract 250 kids and their parents. An hour before each party, volunteers arrive to set up the decorations and activities: face painting, balloon artists, a DJ, cake, and pizza. There are small presents for the kids celebrating their birthdays, but the Davises make sure there are more than enough to go around.

“I remember a mom came with her kid,” Mary says. “It was their first night at the shelter, and her child had a birthday. We had an extra gift for her—pink headphones. The little girl was so excited. And her mom... she’s crying. ‘I never imagined we would ever need to be in a shelter. I didn’t know what to expect. But I really didn’t expect a birthday party for my child.’ she cried with happiness.”

Doing her best to normalize these kids’ lives is both heartwarming and bittersweet, Mary says. “If you look outside, you see homeless person after homeless person on the street, and it reminds you that these kids don’t get to leave this area after the party.”

It may be why, after throwing 88 parties, she still cries after each one. She credits the kids in the shelter with helping her hold on to hope. “We didn’t realize how much joy they were going to bring us,” she told CBS News. “And it was so healing for both kids and us.”

52. In Skid Row, hundreds of kids \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. were homeless
- B. lost their parents
- C. dropped out of school
- D. were crazy about parties

53. How did the couple help the kids?

- A. They raised much money.
- B. They rented many houses.
- C. They hosted birthday parties.
- D. They made birthday presents.

54. According to the passage, which can best describe Mary?

- A. Honest and generous.
- B. Caring and generous.
- C. Outgoing and caring.
- D. Outgoing and honest.

55. What does the story intend to tell us?

- A. Well begun, half done.
- B. East or west, home is best.
- C. What goes around comes around.
- D. Where there is love, there is hope.

B

### Bright Nights, Big Problems

Astronomers rate the darkness of our skies on a range of 9 (brightest) to 1 (darkest), and most of us spend our lives in the light of levels 5 to 8. All over the globe our nights are growing brighter, and almost nowhere are they growing darker. Studies increasingly link our overuse of light at night with health concerns such as sleep disorders and diseases. Other studies report the damaging ecological consequences and the big waste of energy. But the steady loss of darkness from our lives is not easily measured, for the true value of darkness is something we are barely aware of.

Since the beginning of time, a sky with stars was part of the common human experience.

Everywhere on Earth, on most nights, people came face to face with the universe. This experience influenced their beliefs—their very understanding of their place in the world. Today, many of us live under skies which are polluted by light. We live under a night sky showing much fewer stars. Although our night sky continues to shape us, it is the absence of the universe around us that influences our beliefs to create. We are being shaped by a less experience of darkness, and most of us don't even know what we are missing.

Our Milky Way galaxy is home to several hundred billion stars, and the universe home to several hundred billion other galaxies. A sky with a large number of stars encourages us to emphasize our importance, to imagine humanity as the center of all things. Face to face with the endless size of the universe, we have the chance to know how insignificant we really are. But we also realize the true largeness of our living on this planet, and realize that we have an enormous responsibility to care, that there is no other place to go, that home is here.

“Everyone needs beauty as well as bread,” wrote John Muir, American naturalist. Lighting designers understand that without darkness, there is no “city of light”, and they work constantly to create their city's atmospheric beauty by mixing artificial light with darkness. And with night's moonlit geographies, its smells of desert rain and autumn fires, its insect symphonies interrupted by a bird's call on a lake, natural darkness has many offerings of its own.

Yet we are completely involved in artificial light. Much of this lighting is wholly unnecessary, born of habit and lack of awareness. So let us become aware: simply by keeping our existing lights we could significantly reduce their negative effects on our body, our mind, our soul. Artificial light at night is a wonder, a quality that enriches our lives. But the same has always been true of darkness, and can be again.

56. The author suggests that because of light pollution we \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. tend to come face to face with the universe
  - B. need a lot of imagination to understand the universe
  - C. are considerably less creative than our ancient ancestors were
  - D. experience the world in a different way to previous generations
57. What does the author think about humans in Paragraph 3?
- A. We have an over-confident belief in our own value.
  - B. We behave as if nothing exists apart from ourselves.
  - C. We ignore the requirement of looking after our planet.
  - D. We avoid thinking too deeply about our role on Earth.
58. Why does the author include references to rain, fires and wildlife?
- A. To illustrate the boring life at night without artificial light.
  - B. To explain why people think lighting is necessary at night.
  - C. To provide an example of the attractive qualities of night-time.
  - D. To highlight the differences between urban and natural environments.
59. We can learn from the last paragraph that the author is \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. clear about the reasons why artificial light is essential
  - B. dissatisfied with people's lack of interest in artificial light
  - C. willing to draw comparisons between artificial light and darkness

D. hopeful that people will become aware of the negative impact of lights

### C

#### What is a dream?

For centuries, people have wondered about the strange places that they seem to visit in their sleep. 60 However, they have been valued as necessary to a person's health and happiness.

Historically people thought dreams contained messages from God. It was only in the twentieth century that people started to study dreams scientifically believing that they tell about a person's character. 61 He believed that dreams allow a person to express fantasies or fears, which would be socially unacceptable in real life.

The second theory to become popular was Carl Jung's compensation theory. Jung, a former student of Freud, said that the purpose of a dream is not to hide something, but rather to communicate it to the dreamer. 62 Thus, people who think too highly of themselves may dream about falling; those who think too little of themselves dream of being heroes.

Using more recent research, William Domhoff from the University of California found that dreaming is a mental skill that needs time to develop in humans. 63 Until they reach age five, they can't express very well what their dreams are about. Once people become adults, there is little or no change in their dreams. The dreams of men and women differ. For instance, the characters that appear in the dreams of men are often other men, and often involve physical aggression.

The meaning of dreams continues to be difficult to understand.

64 If you dream that a loved one is going to die, do not panic. The dream may have meaning, but it does not mean that your loved one is going to die.

- A. Dreams make up for what is lacking in waking life.
- B. However, people should not take their dreams as reality.
- C. They have been considered as meaningless nighttime journeys.
- D. It gives scientists chances to better understand human mind.
- E. Children do not dream as much as adults.
- F. They think their mind is trying to tell them something.
- G. First, there was Sigmund Freud's theory.

## 参考答案

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