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阅读理解

1. **A**

Two things changed my life: my mother and a white plastic bike basket. I have thought long and hard about it and it's true. I would be a different person if my mom hadn't turned a silly bicycle accessory into a life lesson I carry with me today.

My mother and father were united in their way of raising children, but it mostly fell to my mother to actually carry it out. Looking back, I honestly don't know how she did it. Managing the family budget must have been a very hard task, but she made it look effortless. If we complained about not having what another kid did, we'd hear something like, "I don't care what so–and–so got for his birthday, you are not getting a TV in your room, a car for your birthday, a lavish sweet 16 party." We had to earn our allowance by doing chores around the house. I can still remember how long it took to polish the legs of our coffee table. My brothers can no doubt remember hours spent cleaning the house. Like the two little girls growing up at the White House, we made our own beds (no one left the house until that was done) and picked up after ourselves. We had to keep track of our belongings, and if something was lost, it was not replaced.

It was summer and, one day, my mother drove me to the bike shop to get a tire fixed---and there it was in the window, white, shiny, plastic and decorated with flowers, the basket winked at me and I knew ----I knew---I had to have it.

"It's beautiful," my mother said when I pointed it out to her, "What a neat basket."

I tried to hold off at first, I played it cool for a short while. But then I guess I couldn't stand it any longer: "Mom, please, can I please, please get it? I'll do extra chores for as long as you say, I'll do anything, but I need that basket, I love that basket. Please, Mom. Please?"

I was desperate.

"You know," she said, gently rubbing my back while we both stared at what I believed was the coolest thing ever,” If you save up you could buy this yourself.”

"By the time I make enough it'll be gone!"

"Maybe Roger here could hold it for you," she smiled at Roger, the bike guy.

"He can't hold it for that long, Mom. Someone else will buy it. Please, Mom, please?"

"There might be another way," she said.

And so our paying plan unfolded. My mother bought the beautiful basket and put it safely in some hiding place I couldn't find. Each week I eagerly counted my growing saving increased by extra work here and there

(washing the car, helping my mother make dinner, delivering or collecting things on my bike that already looked **naked** without the basket in front). And then, weeks later, I counted, re-counted and jumped for joy. Oh, happy day! I made it! I finally had the exact amount we'd agreed upon....

Days later the unthinkable happened. A neighborhood girl I'd played with millions of times appeared with the exact same basket fixed to her shiny, new bike that already had all the bells and whistles. I rode hard and fast home to tell my mother about this disaster. This horrible turn of events.

And then came the lesson. I've taken with me through my life: "Honey, your basket is extra-special," Mom said, gently wiping away my hot tears." Your basket is special because you paid for it yourself."

(1) What can we learn from the first two paragraphs?

A. The children enjoyed doing housework.

B. The author came from a well-off family

C. The mother raised her children in an unusual way

D. The children were fond of the US president's daughters.

(2) When the author saw the basket in the window, she _____ .

A. fell in love with it

B. stared at her mother

C. recognized it at once

D. went up to the bike guy

(3) By using "naked" (Paragraph 12), the author seems to stress that the basket was _____ .

A. something she could afford

B. something important to her

C. something impossible to get

D. something she could do without

(4) To the author, it seemed to be a horrible turn of events that _____ .

A. something spoiled her paying plan

B. the basket cost more than she had saved

C. a neighborhood girl had bought a new bike

D. someone else had got a basket of the same kind

(5) What is the life lesson the author learned from her mother?

A. Save money for a rainy day.

B. Good advice is beyond all price.

C. Earn your bread with your sweat.

D. God helps those who help themselves.

2. **B**

You've probably heard such reports. The number of college students majoring in the humanities（人文学科）is decreasing quickly. The news has caused a flood of high-minded essays criticizing the development as a symbol of American decline.

The bright side is this: The destruction of the humanities by the humanities is, finally, coming to an end. No more will literature, as part of an academic curriculum, put out the light of literature. No longer will the reading of, say, "King Lear" or D.H. Lawrence's Women in Love result in the annoying stuff of multiple-choice quizzes, exam essays and homework assignments.

The discouraging fact is that for every college professor who made Shakespeare or Lawrence come alive for the lucky few, there were countless others who made the reading of literary masterpieces seem like **two hours in the dentist's chair**.

The remarkably insignificant fact that, a half-century ago, 14% of the undergraduate population majored in the humanities (mostly in literature, but also in art, philosophy, history, classics and religion) as opposed to 7% today has given rise to serious reflections on the nature and purpose of an education in the liberal arts.

Such reflections always come to the same conclusion: We are told that the lack of a formal education, mostly in literature, leads to numerous harmful personal conditions, such as the inability to think critically, to write clearly, to be curious about other people and places, to engage with great literature after graduation, to recognize truth, beauty and goodness. These serious anxieties are grand, admirably virtuous and virtuously admirable. They are also a mere fantasy.

The college teaching of literature is a relatively recent phenomenon. Literature did not even become part of the university curriculum until the end of the 19th century. Before that, what came to be called the humanities consisted of learning Greek and Latin, while the Bible was studied in church as the necessary other half of a full education. No one ever thought of teaching novels, stories, poems or plays in a formal course of study. They were part of the leisure of everyday life.

It was only after World War II that the study of literature as a type of wisdom, relevant to actual, contemporary life, put down widespread institutional roots. Soldiers returning home in 1945 longed to make sense of their lives after what they had witnessed and survived. The abundant economy afforded them the opportunity and the time to do so. Majoring in English hit its peak, yet it was this very popularity of literature in the university that spelled its doom, as the academicization of literary art was accelerated.

Literature changed my life long before I began to study it in college. Books took me far from myself into experiences that had nothing to do with my life, yet spoke to my life. But once in the college classroom, this precious, alternate life inside me got thrown back into that dimension of my existence that bored me. Homer, Chekhov and Yeats were reduced to right and wrong answers, clear-cut themes and clever interpretations. If there is anything to worry about, it should be the disappearance of what used to be an important part of every high-school education: the literature survey course, where books were not academically taught but thoroughly introduced—an experience unaffected by stupid commentary and useless testing.

The literary classics are places of quiet, useless stillness in a world that despises（鄙视）any activity that is not profitable or productive. Literature is too sacred to be taught. It needs only to be read.

Soon, if all goes well and literature at last disappears from the undergraduate curriculum—my fingers are crossed—increasing numbers of people will be able to say that reading the literary masterworks of the past outside the college classroom, simply in the course of living, was, in fact, their college classroom.

（1）The author mentions "two hours in the dentist's chair" in Paragraph 3 to indicate that _____ .

A. the average literature class in college is two hours long

B. reading literary works is made unbearable by professors

C. it actually does not take long to read the classics of literature

D. college students don't spend much time on literary masterworks

（2）Which of the following opinions may the author hold?

A. The disappearance of literature should be strongly applauded.

B. Literature teaching can improve our critical thinking ability.

C. Reading literature doesn't require specialized knowledge and skills.

D. Literature should be taught through analyzing different writing styles.

（3）According to the author, the problem of literature teaching lies in the fact that _____ .

A. it is a relatively recent phenomenon in education

B. literature teaching is not profitable or productive

C. people are interested in something more practical

D. it is turned into a soulless competition for grades

（4）What is the author's purpose in writing the passage?

A. To urge college students to read more literary classics.

B. To introduce the present situation of literature teaching.

C. To voice his opinion on the shrinkage of literature teaching.

D. To show his serious concern for college literature teaching.

（5）The overall tone of the passage is _____ .

A. doubtful

B. sympathetic

C. aggressive

D. straightforward

七选五

3. A few years ago, a Finnish app took the mobile gaming world by storm. Its set-up was simple and its idea illogical: Angry Birds was little more than a shooting game, with birds instead of bullets and green pigs in place of targets. ___1___ . Shortly after Angry Birds took off, audiences found a new distraction in Fruit Ninja, a game

where the object was to chop falling produce. Then there was Candy Crush, where players could save a candy kingdom by matching like-colored bonbons.

___2___ . That was their charm, after all: They were knowingly ridiculous or illogical, an attack into mindless amusement. In games like Angry Birds, players found an escape from reality. All they had to do is resign themselves to the logic of the game, a world of simple cause-and-effect: Slingshot a bird, kill a pig, score points.

Fast forward to 2016, and there's now an Angry Birds movie, here to fill you in on all the details you never wished to know. The birds have been given personalities, motives and back-stories, and so have the evil green pigs. ___3___ . Logic replaced illogic. Angry Birds is not alone in having its gray areas sketched in for the big screen. Hollywood has made an industry of answering the questions no one ever thought to ask; to the point of even giving a brand of toy blocks its own story in 2014's The Lego Movie. Countless secondary characters have also been pulled from the sidelines and given their own opportunities to show on the screen. That includes the forgetful blue fish Dory from 2003's Finding Nemo. ___4___ . Viewers no longer have the luxury of imagining back-stories for their favorite characters, or debating the open-ended questions in a film5s source materials: An endless flow of prequels（前传）， sequels(续传）and spin-offs（衍生产品）fill in those blanks for them.

___5___ . They'll know. Everything will be determined for them: According to the movie, the main bird Red gets picked on for his bushy eyebrows, and that leaves him feeling isolated and, well, angry. In some ways, Hollywood has taken on the role of fan fiction writers, by expanding and exploring every corner of its fictional universes. But when these universes expand too widely, what will be left to imagine?

A. When children today play Angry Birds, they won't wonder why the birds are so ill-tempered.
B. Hollywood is actually such a power featuring its creativity, imagination and efficiency in giving rise to its entertainment products.
C. It led the way for a number of other equally silly, equally addictive games to invade cell phones everywhere.
D. Lego, by putting forward education solutions, is now striving to help kids to stand up to a problem and solve it.
E. Never mind that these games made absolutely no sense from a narrative viewpoint.
F. In its efforts to feed the audience's curiosity, Hollywood may in fact be killing it.
G. Meanwhile, the game's nonsense had to be made sense of due to a necessary plot for a movie.

完形填空

4. I worked on boats for twenty five years. Now I am a docking pilot（码头领航员）. My job is to ___1___ in the large luxury liners（轮船）and stay with them until they are ___2___ stopped in the harbour. Sometimes this requires two tugs（拖船）, sometimes many more, ___3___ the tide and the weather.

Most of you no ___4___ have seen these tugs pushing and pulling at the big liners. What they are doing doesn't seem to make much ___5___ , as the minute the big boat is alongside the port, her heavy rope made fast,

the job is ___6___ .

I felt very ___7___ after I had docked several of the large liners. I realized I was in ___8___ of a great ship worth millions of dollars and the ___9___ were depending on me to bring her safely to the port. These tugs, whether one or ten, ___10___ about in accord with（与……一致）whistle signals I ___11___ them from the bridge of the big liner. These signals make up a language that is just as ___12___ as the spoken word, or even more so, ___13___ our docking signals are hardly misunderstood. The captain of each tug does his work according to the signals he ___14___ . He never asks questions. He takes ___15___ faithfully, and it ___16___ works out.

Working around tugboats, where so much depends on ___17___ , has had its effect on what I believe. I believe that if I am to attain a ___18___ place in the world I must have the help of my fellow men just as the great transatlantic（远洋的）liners depend on the ___19___ of the little tugs to bring them safely to the ___20___ .

1. A. put	B. push	C. bring	D. join
2. A. safely	B. dangerously	C. immediately	D. illegally
3. A. adding to	B. letting alone	C. thinking of	D. depending on
4. A. wonder	B. doubt	C. need	D. exception
5. A. sense	B. profit	C. progress	D. advance
6. A. prepared	B. lost	C. planned	D. done
7. A. bored	B. meaningless	C. important	D. tired
8. A. control	B. praise	C. defense	D. place
9. A. clerks	B. sportsmen	C. readers	D. owners
10. A. look	B. move	C. hear	D. worry
11. A. write	B. send	C. mail	D. bring
12. A. dependable	B. incredible	C. doubtful	D. visible
13. A. though	B. if	C. while	D. because
14. A. gives	B. spreads	C. receives	D. Passes
15. A. nothing	B. anything	C. something	D. everything
16. A. never	B. ever	C. always	D. seldom
17. A. imagination	B. creation	C. teamwork	D. performance
18. A. successful	B. frustrating	C. regretful	D. embarrassing
19. A. prevention	B. help	C. objection	D. delay
20. A. airport	B. station	C. port	D. Stop

语法填空

5. Located in the northwest of Hunan Province, about 300 kilometers away from Changsha, capital of Hunan. Zhangjiajie, ___1___ covers a total area of 9,563 square kilometers, is a tourist city for its unique natural scenery and abundant tourism resources. Zhangjiajie ___2___ (award) the title of "World Geological Park" in

2004. ___3___ (actual), Zhangjiajie, honored as "the most fantastic mountain under heaven" and "a walking Chinese landscape painting", is also widely praised as " ___4___ enlarged potted landscaping "a mini fairyland" and "a maze (迷宫) of nature", attracting a growing number of tourists ___5___ home and abroad.

Since it was discovered in the 1980s , tourism industry ___6___ (become) the leading industry in Zhangjiajie, which has stimulated the development of other industries ___7___ (relate) to tourism. At the same time, eco-tourism has been developed rapidly in Zhangjiajie. When you come to Zhangjiajie, you can fully appreciate ___8___ (it) magnificent natural scenery and experience appealing folk custom as well as other thrilling tourist ___9___ (activity), and you will be deeply impressed by ___10___ is performed by the minorities there. It must be an exciting, joyful and unforgettable tour to Zhangjiajie.

词汇

爱智康

6. Instructions: Based on each given context, complete the following sentences with proper words whose initial letter is already provided. One word for each sentence.

(1) The post offered by Students' Union a _____ my interest, so I immediately sign up for it.

(2) The doorman refused to let the beggar in, looking him up and down with c _____ .

(3) Some students tried to b _____ with their teacher about the amount of homework for the holiday, promising that they would behave well in class.

(4) In the end, the secret agent could hardly c _____ his identity because all the personal information about him proved to be fake.

(5) I find it quite o _____ ! While I am doing all that I can to help him, he is just watching with folded arms.

(6) Having been teased in public, he still squeezed a smile, which he thought was the only way to maintain his d _____ .

(7) When Typhoon Merbok hit Shenzhen, the government provided t _____ accommodation for the homeless to ensure their safety.

(8) Let's roll up sleeves! Only by e _____ ourselves can we reach the goal in our minds.

(9) Frequent quarrels between the couple then e _____ into violent fights, which eventually led to the end of their marriage.

(10) Don't lose heart! The difficulties you meet currently might be blessings in d _____ . Good luck is awaiting you.

7. Instructions: Complete the following sentences with the proper forms of the word provided.

(1) Most schools allow students a day off when a typhoon comes but our school is the only _____ (except).

(2) How _____ (envy) we are of those teachers who are enjoying their holiday in Moscow!

（3） I can't take over your job, but I can at least give you my _____ (spirit) support.

（4） What struck me about the man is how _____ (genuine) friendly and caring he is.

（5） The blast caused _____ (extend) damage, shattering the ground-floor windows.

选词填空

8. Instructions: Complete the following sentences with 10 phrases out of the provided 15 in their proper forms.

for short, be bound to, go to great lengths to do sth, rest on, be free from,remain a topic of debate, in term of, pride oneself on, in one's efforts to do sth, miss out (on) , give rise to, be committed to, fade away, on the

（1） Real happiness can never be measured _____ money. It is what you have given to others that brings you great pleasure.

（2） To prove she is the best candidate for the position, Mary _____ to get the job done ahead of others.

（3） At this time next year, I _____ endless tests and homework, expecting a brand new start in my ideal university.

（4） _____ hi-tech, Shenzhen is by all means taking the lead.

（5） Andy always _____ his terrific skills in solving maths problems, but this time he met a big challenge.

（6） _____ to survive, the workers trapped under the mine ate whatever they could grab.

（7） Based on their instinct and past experience, many teachers predicted that topics on traditional culture _____ appear in this year's College Entrance Exam.

（8） Many families are unwilling to have a second child _____ extra daily expenses on raising a child.

（9） Before choosing this job, ask yourself whether you are ready to _____ a career that not only requires your interest but also years of hard work.

（10） So far, whether AI can surpass human brain _____ . People's opinions vary.

短文改错

9. 假定英语课上老师要求两桌之间交换修改作文.请你修改你同桌写的以下作文。

文中共有10处语言错误，每句中最多有两处。每处错误仅涉及一个单词的增加、删除或修改。

增加：在缺词处加一个漏字符号(∧)，并在其下面写出该加的词。

删除: 把多余的词用斜线(\)划掉。

修改: 在错的词下划一横线，并在该词下面写出修改后的词。

注意：1.每处错误及其修改均仅限一词:

2.只允许修改10处，多者(从第11处起)不计分。

The American TV show The Voice is one of my most favorite amusement shows. In one hand, I can listen to different styles of music. On the other hand, I can see the singers' stories, who are so inspiring. I was so impressed by a musical boy who was from the country. If he was very young, he loved to sing while doing the

farm work. After work. he learned to play guitar. He liked living on the farm, for the life was simple. The boy brought his guitar to the stage, worn a fashionable hat which made him seem so mysteriously. When the boy sing a song with his guitar, all the judge were astonished by his talent. As a result, he won the game but finally became famous throughout the country.

书面表达

10. 假定你是李华，你的美国朋友Hurst在中国某国际学校学中文。得知他难以融入新的班集体而苦恼，你给他写一封回信，帮助分析原因并提出建议。

注意：

1. 词数：100左右；
2. 可适当增加细节，以使行文连贯。

Dear Hurst,

Yours faithfully,

Li Hua