**Get the clue!-----How to complete a cloze test**

**Learning Objectives:**

By the end of the class, the students will be able to:

1. identify and master the three strategies of getting the clue in cloze tests to infer the keys;

2. analyse the context of a cloze test and explain the strategies used for inferring your true answers;

3. put three strategies into practice and infer true answers of the cloze test without multiple choices;

4. improve their logical inference ability and train their thinking ability while doing the language learning ability.

**Learning Procedures**

**Step 1: 研真题，抓线索**

**题组1**

**Sample 1:**（2021 年新高考 I 卷）I’d 45. minimum wage.

.......This was the sort of work that made you 55.appreciate the dollars you

earned and respect those who did the work, he told me.

45.A. offer B. earn C. set D. suggest

**Sample 2:** (2015年课标卷)As an inexperienced teacher, I tried every means to get them to be \_\_\_\_, but in vain…Amazingly, the children fell silent.

A. glad B. safe C. kind D. quiet

**Sample3:**(课标卷)After giving shouts of wildly wrong guesses， the professor smiled a thin, dry smile, announced the \_\_\_\_\_\_ answer...

A. ready B. possible C. correct D. difficult

**Sample 4:** (2021年课标卷)He taught her how to rely on her other \_\_\_\_, especially her hearing…

A. feelings B. organs C. skills D. senses

**Sample 5:**(2015年陕西卷)Three of those rich men and their servants were travelling together on a road when they came to a very \_\_\_\_ village. The first could not stand seeing the poverty…

1. faraway B. different C. poor D. ancient

题组1答案：BDCDC

**题组2**

**Sample 1：**(2019全国卷III) We see the sky is blue, but down in the valley it’s darker ——it’s like on a \_\_44\_\_ day.

A. cloudy B. normal C. different D. warm

**Sample 2:**(2017浙江卷) The books are in every language --- new books, ancient books, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a book on the history of Iraq that is seven hundred years old.

A.then B.still C.even D.rather

**Sample3:**（2022年新高考II卷) It might sound like one long, expensive 42.vacation , but the couple has an unusual way to make their travel 43 .

A. safe B. busy C. helpful D. affordable

**Sample 4：**(2022新高考I卷) I tied a rope around his waist to keep him near to our spot...He was uncomfortable and his crying let the whole campground know it. So \_\_\_\_\_\_ tying him up, I just keep a close eye on him.

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**Sample 5：**(2021年全国II卷) Burchill was 41.staying at the hotel on business and planning to 42.visit some friends in the area. They had asked him to 43.bring some pepperoni(辣香肠) from back east. So he 44.\_\_\_ a suitcase full of pepperoni.

A. filled B. locked C. abandoned D. lost

**Sample 6：**(2016年北京卷)On January 31, a musher（牧羊人） named Seppala had to cross a frozen body of water called Norton Sound. It was the most \_\_\_\_ part of the journey. Norton Sound was covered with ice, which could sometimes break up without warning. If that happened, Seppala might fall into the icy water below.

A. shameful B. boring C. dangerous D. foolish

题组2答案：ACDBAC

**题组3**

1.Ellie was the daughter of our next-door neighbours, and our mothers \_\_1\_\_ us before we were a month old. We spent nearly all our free time with each other. We \_\_2\_\_ each other so well that we could communicate without saying a word.

1. A. introduced B. promised C. taught D. protected

2. A. recognized B. realized C. knew D. hated

答案：AC

2.Ellie and I had both always done well in school, and I \_\_1\_\_ didn’t want to get into trouble with my parents. Besides, cigarettes(香烟）smelled \_\_2\_\_ and made me cough.

A. only B. certainly C. so D. even

A. good B. delicious C. bad D. nice

答案：BC

3.When I called Ellie,she made some excuse to get off the phone...I had lost her.

Throughout most of high school,I was lonely.My decision not to drink or smoke or lie to my parents caused me a lot of pain.But I don’t regret(后悔).I know now that being yourself is never worse than not being yourself.I spent much of my high-school years studying,and it paid \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ when I got into my favorite collge.

A. for B. up C. out D. off

答案：D

**Step 2: 做真题，理逻辑**

**（2020年全国I卷）**

1. Review some relevant information of this cloze test:

What’s the type of the article?

What’s the main idea of the article?

What does the article want to convey?(attitudue)

Molai grew up in a tiny village in India. The village lay near some wetlands which became his second \_\_\_\_\_\_(1). He learned the value and beauty of \_\_\_\_\_\_(2) there from a very young age.

When he was 16, Molai began to notice something \_\_\_\_\_\_(3) happening around his home. A flood had hit the area earlier that year and the \_\_\_\_\_\_(4) it caused had driven away a number of birds. \_\_\_\_\_\_(5), the number of snakes had declined as well. He\_\_\_\_\_\_(6) that it was because there weren’t enough trees to protect them from the \_\_\_\_\_\_(7). The solution, of course, was to plant trees so the animals could seek \_\_\_\_\_\_(8) during the daytime. He turned to the \_\_\_\_\_\_(9) department for help but was told that nothing would grow there. However, Molai went looking on his own and \_\_\_\_\_\_(10) a nearby island where he began to plant trees.

\_\_\_\_\_\_(11) young plants in the dry season was \_\_\_\_\_\_(12) for a lone boy. Molai built at the \_\_\_\_\_\_(13) of each sapling（幼树）a bamboo platform, where he placed earthen pots with small holes to \_\_\_\_\_\_(14) rainwater. The water would then drip（滴落）on the plants below.

Molai \_\_\_\_\_\_(15) to plant trees for the next 37 years, His efforts have resulted in 1,360 acres of naturally-grown land that has become home to many plants and animals.

【 1 】 A. dream B. job C. home D. choice

【 2 】 A. nature B. youth C. culture D. knowledge

【 3 】 A. precious B. interesting C. disturbing D. awkward

【 4 】 A. waste B. tension C. pain D. damage

【 5 】 A. Besides B. However C. Therefore D. Otherwise

【 6 】 A. agreed B. realized C. remembered D. predicted

【 7 】 A. noise B. heat C. disease D. dust

【 8 】 A. directions B. partners C. help D. shelter

【 9 】 A. labor B. police C. forest D. finance

【 10 】 A. rebuilt B. discovered C. left D. managed

【 11 】 A. Decorating B. Observing C. Watering D. Guarding

【 12 】 A. tough B. illegal C. fantastic D. beneficial

【 13 】 A. back B. top C. foot D. side

【 14 】 A. cool down B. keep off C. purify D. collect

【 15 】 A. returned B. learned C. failed D. continued

答案：1-5CACDA 6-10 BBDCB 11-15CABDD

**Step 3: 依线索，填真题**

盲填（2021年全国卷II）

Over the past 38 years, Mr. Wang has pretended to be someone else many times, and has even learned to 1. different dialects（方言）, leading to him being described as an “Oscar-winning actor”.

The 60-year-old is not an actor, but a 2. However, he is more devoted to his “ 3.role ” than any real actor.

In the 1990s, a group of thieves often sold stolen goods with the help of some beggars. To look into the 4.case，Wang disguised（伪装）himself and 5. joined the beggars．Dirty shorts and old shoes gave him the 6.appearance of a real beggar and his convincing dialect soon won him the 7. trust of the beggars.

“I often 8.invited them to drink alcohol. Once they were 9. , they began to talk a lot,” Wang said. “I’d then 10.excuse myself to use the toilet, 11. note down what the beggars said, and send the 12. information to my teammates.”

Wang, who is often in 13.dangerous situations, is also a judo（柔道）master．“As long as I get close enough, no criminal can 14.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from me,” he said.

Wang’s 15. won him several honors, including a National May Day Labor Medal and 11 Citations of Merit, Paris.

盲填答案：1.speak 2.policeman 9.drunk 14.escape 15.courage

**Step 4: homework**

Review what you have learned today and finish the cloze test below.

（2023年全国卷2）

In April last year, I saw a post on the PNP (Pilots N Paws) website from a family in Topeka. They had to move to Virginia but they were on a very tight 41 . They could not afford to pay for 42 for their dog, Tiffy, and 43 wanted to take her with them.

It just 44 that I was planning another PNP flight with another pilot, Karen, who 45 to take Tiffy from Kansas City to Virginia. What I was to do was fly to Topeka to 46 Tiffy.

When I met Tiffy’s owners, they seemed very 47 . George, the husband, was trying to be calm, but I could tell this was 48 for him, having to leave his dog to a 49 and trust that everything would 50 .

After some goodbyes, I asked George and his wife to help me 51 Tiffy into the plane. I promised to take care of Tiffy and 52 them as soon as we got to Kansas City.

The flight was 53 , and Tiffy was a great passenger. The next day, she 54 with Karen and made it back to George in Virginia within a few days. He was so 55 and sent me a nice e-mail with pictures. It felt great to know that I had helped bring this family together again.

41. A. turn B. budget C. schedule D. connection

42. A. food B. shelter C. medicine D. transportation

43. A. desperately B. temporarily C. secretly D. originally

44. A. appeared B. proved C. happened D. showed

45. A. waited B. offered C. hurried D. failed

46. A. see off B. look for C. hand over D. pick up

47. A. confused B. nervous C. annoyed D. curious

48. A. hard B. fine C. common D. lucky

49. A. coworker B. passenger C. stranger D. neighbor

50. A. speed up B. work out C. come back D. take off

51. A. feed B. follow C. change D. load

52. A. call B. join C. leave D. serve

53. A. unnecessary B. unexpected C. unavoidable D. uneventful

54. A. returned B. fought C. flew D. agreed

55. A. thankful B. generous C. proud D. sympathetic

答案：41-45 BDACB 46-50DBACB 51-55 DADCA

**2021-2023高考1卷和2卷真题+答案如下**

**2023全国卷1及答案**

On Oct. 11, hundreds of runners competed in a cross-country race in Minnesota. Melanie Bailey should have 41 the course earlier than she did. Her 42 came because she was carrying a 43 across the finish line.

As reported by a local newspaper, Bailey was more than two-thirds of the way through her 44 when a runner in front of her began crying in pain. She 45 to help her fellow runner, Danielle Lenoue. Bailey took her arm to see if she could walk forward with 46 . She couldn’t. Bailey then 47 to let Lenoue climb onto her back and carried her all the way to the finish line, then another 300 feet to where Lenoue could get 48 attention.

Once there, Lenoue was 49 and later taken to a hospital, where she learned that she had serious injuries in one of her knees. She would have struggled with extreme 50 to make it to that aid checkpoint without Bailey’s help.

As for Bailey, she is more 51 about why her act is considered a big 52 . “She was just crying. I couldn’t 53 her,” Bailey told the reporter. “I feel like I was just doing the right thing.”

Although the two young women were strangers before the 54 , they’ve since become friends. Neither won the race, but the 55 of human kindness won the day.

41. A. designed B. followed C. changed D. finished

42. A. delay B. chance C. trouble D. excuse

43. A. judge B. volunteer C. classmate D. competitor

44. A. race B. school C. town D. training

45. A. agreed B. returned C. stopped D. promised

46. A. courage B. aid C. patience D. advice

47. A. went away B. stood up C. stepped aside D. bent down

48. A. medical B. public C. constant D. equal

49. A. interrupted B. assessed C. identified D. appreciated

50. A. hunger B. pain C. cold D. tiredness

51. A. worried B. ashamed C. confused D. discouraged

52. A. game B. problem C. lesson D. deal

53. A. leave B. cure C. bother D. understand

54. A. ride B. test C. meet D. show

55. A. secret B. display C. benefit D. exchange

答案41-45DADAC 46-50BDABB 51-55CDACB

**2023全国卷2就是上面教学设计的homework**

**2022全国卷1及答案**

My husband, our children and I have had wonderful camping experiences over the past ten years.

Some of our 41 are funny, especially from the early years when our children were little. Once, we 42 along Chalk Creek. I was 43 that our 15-month-old boy would fall into the creek (小溪). I tied a rope around his waist to keep him near to our spot. That lasted about ten minutes. He was 44 , and his crying let the whole campground know it.So 45 tying him up, I just kept a close eye on him. It 46 — he didn’t end up in the creek. My three-year-old, however, did.

Another time, we rented a boat in Vallecito Lake. The sky was clear when we 47 , but storms move in fast in the mountains, and this one quickly 48 our peaceful morning trip. The 49 picked up and thunder rolled. My husband stopped fishing to 50 the motor. Nothing. He tried again. No 51 . We were stuck in the middle of the lake with a dead motor. As we all sat there 52 , a fisherman pulled up, threw us a rope and towed (拖) us back. We were 53 .

Now, every year when my husband pulls our camper out of the garage, we are filled with a sense of 54 , wondering what camping fun and 55 we will experience next.

41. A. ideas B. jokes C. memories D. discoveries

42. A. camped B. drove C. walked D. cycled

43. A. annoyed B. surprised C. disappointed D. worried

44. A. unhurt B. unfortunate C. uncomfortable D. unafraid

45. A. due to B. instead of C. apart from D. as for

46. A. worked B. happened C. mattered D. changed

47. A. signed up B. calmed down C. checked out D. headed off

48. A. arranged B. interrupted C. completed D. recorded

49. A. wind B. noise C. temperature D. speed

50. A. find B. hide C. start D. fix

51. A. luck B. answer C. wonder D. signal

52. A. patiently B. tirelessly C. doubtfully D. helplessly

53. A. sorry B. brave C. safe D. right

54. A. relief B. duty C. pride D. excitement

55. A. failure B. adventure C. performance D. conflict

答案 41-45 CADCB  46-50 ADBAC  51-55 ADCDB

**2022全国卷2及答案**

Like many young people, Jessica wants to travel the globe. Unlike most of them, this 25-year-old is doing it 41 . She and her husband have spent the last two years traveling the world, stopping everywhere from Paris to Singapore. It might sound like one long, expensive 42 , but the couple has an unusual way to make their travel 43 .

They're part of a new form of the 44 economy: an online group of housesitters. Throughout their no-cost stays in 45 homes, they feed pets and waterplants in the homeowner's 46 .

It's not all sightseeing. The two travelers carefully 47 their trips, scheduling their days around the pets that are sometimes difficult to 48 . But house sittingalso offers a level of 49 they can't find in a hotel. "It's like 50 at a friend'shouse," Jessica says.

The couple has a high 51 rate in getting accepted as house sitters and theyalways go beyond the homeowner's 52 . For Jessica, that means 53 plenty ofpictures of happy pets, keeping the house 54 and leaving a nice small gift beforeheading to the next house. "You want to make the homeowner feel that they made theright 55 ," she says.

41. A. indoors B. online C. single-handed D. full-time

42. A. game B. service C. vacation D. procedure

43. A. safe B. busy C. helpful D. affordable

44. A. local B. private C. sharing D. agricultural

45. A. strangers' B. parents' C. co-workers' D. neighbors'

46. A. favor B. defense C. honor D. absence

47. A. plan B. explain C. compare D. complete

48. A. buy B. transport C. choose D. please

49. A. support B. comfort C. control D. attention

50. A. cooking B. staying C. waiting D. studying

51. A. success B. survival C. growth D. unemployment

52. A. budget B. abilities C. expectations D. understanding

53. A. admiring B. donating C. sending D. borrowing

54. A. clean B. open C. simple D. empty

55. A. guess B. decision C. response D. impression

答案 41-45 DCDCA 46-50 DADBB 51-55 A CCAB

**2021全国卷1及答案**

My life as a tax-paying employed person began in middle school, when, for three whole days, I worked in a baking factory.

My best friend Betsy’s father was a manager at Hough Bakeries, which, at Easter time, 41 little bunny (兔子) cakes for all its 42 throughout Cleveland. It happened that the plant downtown needed eight kids for  43 help during our spring break, for which I had no 44 beyond listening to my favorite records. I’d 45 minimum wage. I’d see how a factory 46 . My parents thought all of this was a grand idea and called Betsy’s dad with their 47 .

Our 48 in the factory were simple: Place cakes on a moving belt. Attach icing (糖霜) ears. Apply icing eyes and nose. 49 bunny from the belt. This was 50 than it sounds. 51 a bit and the cakes pile up. As I told my parents at dinner that first night, it was all a little more high-pressure than I’d 52 .

Dad 53 . The son of a grocer, he’d spent the summers of his childhood 54 food in Benardsville, New Jersey. This was the sort of work that made you 55 the dollars you earned and respect those who did the work, he told me.

41. A. sold B. ordered C. made D. reserved

42. A. stores B. families C. schools D. citizens

43. A. generous B. financial C. technical D. temporary

44. A. plans B. problems C. excuses D. hobbies

45. A. offer B. earn C. set D. suggest

46. A. worked B. closed C. developed D. survived

47. A. ambition B. permission C. experience D. invitation

48. A. joys B. ideas C. roles D. choices

49. A. Save B. Keep C. Stop D. Remove

50. A. harder B. better C. longer D. cheaper

51. A. Calm down B. Slow down C. Stay on D. Move on

52. A. indicated B. witnessed C. expected D. remembered

53. A. cried B. smiled C. hesitated D. refused

54. A. tasting B. finding C. sharing D. delivering

55. A. withdraw B. donate C. receive D. appreciate

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1. A.teach B.compare C.assess D.speak

2. A.lawyer B.doctor C.policeman D.businessman

3. A.role B.study C.family D.audience

4. A.mirror B.case C.future D.question

5. A.interviewed B.joined C.arrested D.assisted

6. A.challenge B.experience C.appearance D.freedom

7. A.vote B.sympathy C.permission D.trust

8. A.invited B.forced C.helped D.expected

9. A.drunk B.deserted C.bored D.lost

10. A.guide B.persuade C.excuse D.allow

11. A.refer to B.note down C.ask about D.miss out

12. A.plan B.agreement C.direction D.information

13. A.awkward B.dangerous C.unfortunate D.strange

14. A.separate B.recover C.escape D.hear

15. A.courage B.honesty C.kindness D.optimism

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