**汕头市金山中学2023届高三第一学期摸底考试**

**英 语**

**本试卷共8页，满分120分。考试用时120分钟**

**第二部分 阅读（共两节，满分50分）**

**第一节（共15小题；每小题2.5分，满分37.5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。**

A

If you have no difficulty in understanding what native English speakers say in daily life, there is a whole new world of brilliant podcast(播客) series to explore. If you aren't sure where to start, have a look at these choices that have caught on :

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|  | **The Joc Rogan Experience**  ★★★★★  The Joc Rogan Experience is a favourite 1earning device because of its interesting English conversations between Rogan and his guests. At the time of writing there have been over 1,660 episodes with subjects ranging from comedy and science to politics and sports. Rogan is also a famous stand-up comedian, so the show is full of cultural references and idioms. |
|  | **This American Life** ★★★★★  This American Life is a popular choice for English learners who want an insight into the culture of the USA. It is a mixture of journalism and storytelling, focusing on real-life tales from citizens of all regions of the country. The stories are new and varied. One episode was taped for 24 hours in an all-night restaurant; another interviewed workers on strike. |
|  | The Writer's Voice ★★★★☆  *The New Yorker* is a famous American magazine, and every week it prints a new short story. In this podcast, the week’s story is read aloud by its writer. The published work covers a wide range of life experiences across the United States and beyond. It's a great way to enjoy some of the best new fiction in the country. |
|  | Overheard at National Geographic ★★★★★  *National Geographic* is a much-loved American magazine (and TV channel) famous for incredible stories and photography related to science and the environment. Overheard is about the discussions Nat Geo employees have had while taking breaks. Expect crazy stories from explorers, photographers, and scientists from around the world. |

21．In order to fully enjoy these podcasts, you should .

A．have interaction with hosts B．have good English competence

C．be interested in being a podcaster D．be familiar with American social life

22．Which podcast gives you more stories behind the scene?

A．The Writer's Voice. B．This American Life.

C．The Joe Rogan Experience. D．Overheard at National Geographic.

23．What do these podcasts have in common?

A．They enjoy great popularity. B．Their stories are set in America.

C．They are attached to magazines. D．Their works are updated weekly.

B

Madison stared through the window and watched a puffy white cloud pass over the woods across from the school. It must be wonderful to be a bird, she thought. Total freedom. No math class to sit in, and her days would be Spent on horseback. she thought of her horse, Star.

“Madison. Could you please join us again?” Mrs. Smith said. “I was just asking the class if anyone had any problems with the homework assignment.”

“Well, I didn’t have any problems doing it, but I had problems remembering to put it in my school bag after I did it.” Some giggling spread through the room.

“Madison. I don't know what I am going to do with you. You're such a smart girl but you just don’t apply yourself. Class, clear your desks. Our guest is here and welcome Doctor Landon. He is a veterinarian（兽医）. He came here today as part of our continued Career Explorations Program.”

Madison tried to focus as Doctor Landon talked about how important grades were and how he struggled with math when he was a kid. Doctor Landon was still talking but she lost track of what he was saying. Then a word caught her attention. Horse. Was he talking about horses?

Gradually, Madison knew Doctor Landon had come to her town and house when her horse, Star, needed care. She liked it that he even knew her horse’s name. “So, you just travel around and take care of horses all day long?”

Doctor Landon nodded. “I travel with my truck to take care of horses and ponies across the county. It is a lot of work, but I love it.”

Madison's mouth fell open. What a life that must be, she thought. At that moment, sitting in class, Madison could see her future and her life suddenly seemed bigger. By the time she got off the bus that afternoon, her plans for the afternoon had changed. She was still going to ride Star, but first she was going to spend an hour studying math. Then tomorrow she'd spend an hour studying science.

24．Why was Madison called by Mrs. Smith in class?

A．Because she had problems with math.

B．Because she was absent-minded in class.

C．Because she was distracted by the birds outside.

D．Because she forgot to bring her homework back.

25．Why was Doctor Landon invited to the class?

A．To call for care for animals. B．To enrich students' outdoor activities.

C．To emphasize the importance of study. D．To help students with their career choices.

26．What can be inferred about Madison from the last paragraph?

A．She was greatly inspired. B．She preferred math to science.

C．She didn't believe Landon's story. D．She changed her hobby completely.

27．Which of the following is a suitable title for the text?

A．An Exciting Horse Riding B．An Interesting Math Class

C．Madison Dreams Big D．Madison Pursues Freedom

C

Nowadays, countries are eager to get more electric cars on the road because moving away from gas-powered vehicles is vital to fighting climate change. China says that most new vehicles sold by 2035 will be electric. The United Kingdom will ban new gas-powered cars in 2030. One of the world's major automakers, General Motors (GM), announced that it would stop selling gas-powered cars by 2035.

The key to an electric future is batteries. Automakers are racing to pack the most energy into the smallest one. The 1ithium-ion (锂离子) battery is what powers our mobile devices, which can be recharged again and again. Making these batteries has an environmental cost. Lithium is taken from the earth, like the oil used to make gasoline. But the long-term cost is much smaller. "Once you bum gasoline, you can't recycle it," says Jessika Trancik, a researcher at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. "But when you use up a battery, you can still recycle the material."

It’s up to governments to make electric cars accessible to everyone. National policies can help. In the United States, an electric Chevy Volt costs about $35,000. Trancik says charging stations must also be made widely available. As part of an effort to fight climate change, America plans to build half a million of them in the US by 2030. She hopes enough charging stations will be built soon. “It’s important to put chargers where many different people can have access to them,” she says. “Not just wealthier people.”

Last year, almost 5% of approximately 67 million new cars sold worldwide were electric. For Venkat Viswanathan, a professor of mechanical engineering at Carnegie Mellon University, green electricity is part of the solution to climate change, and electric cars are just the beginning. He sees a future of solar-powered homes and electric flying cars. "Soon, a plug-in vehicle might be as cheap as a gas-powered car. It is now abundantly clear that electric is the future," he says. "It will be a totally new world."

28．Which word best describes Trancik's attitude to the 1ithium-ion battery?

A．Conservative B．Skeptical C．Positive D．Disapproving

29．What does Trancik indicate about charging stations in Paragraph 3?

A．They should come down in price. B．They may be unfairly laid out.

C．Enough of them have been built. D．They favor more ordinary people.

30．What can be inferred from Viswanathan?

A．Gas-powered cars will be cheaper. B．Green electricity will be widely used.

C．The price of batteries will drop sharply. D．Electric vehicles will beat climate change.

31．What can be a suitable title for the text?

A．Charging Stations Are Needed B．Vehicles Have Clean Options

C．Climate Change Fuels Electricity D．Our Cars Are Going Electric

D

Jason, a straight-A student from the University of Pennsylvania, uses the term “pseudo-working” to describe how many of us study. The pseudo-worker looks and feels like someone who is working hard － he or she spends a long time in the 1ibrary and is not afraid to push on late into the night － but, because of a lack of focus and concentration, he or she's doesn't actually accomplish much.

This phenomenon can be seen on must college campuses . For example , at Dartmouth there was a

section of the main library that was open twenty-four hours a day, and the students I used to see there late at night crowded in groups, drinking coffee, were definitely pseudo-working. The roommate who flips through her chemistry notes on the couch while watching TV is pseudo-working.

By placing themselves in distracting environments and insisting on working long hours, these students are damaging their brain's ability to think clearly and efficiently accomplish the task at hand. In the end they get half the results with twice the effort.

The bigger problem here is that most students don't even realize that they’re pseudo-working. To them pseudo-working is work － it’s how they've always done it, and it's how all of their friends do it. It never crosses their mind that there might be a better way. Straight-A students, on the other hand, know all about pseudo-working. They fear it. It not only wastes time, but it's also mentally tiring.

In fact, the most important skill in becoming a straight-A student is the ability to get work done quickly and with a minimum of wasted effort. Some cognitive science research concludes that about fifty minutes is the optimal learning period to maximize the material integrated per time unit. So how do these students achieve this goal? To understand their secret to success, consider the following simple formula (公式): work accomplished = time spent × intensity of focus.

Pseudo-working features a very low intensity of focus. Therefore, to accomplish something by pseudo-working, you need to spend a lot of time. The straight-A approach on the other hand, increases intensity in order to use less time.

32．Which of the following phenomenon is pseudo-working?

A．Tom is busy taking notes while attending a lecture.

B．Mike is sitting at a study lounge in preparation for a final exam quietly.

C．Jack spends a long time in the library on his essay while listening to music.

D．Alice and Sara are sitting on the couch reading their favorite books.

33．Compared with straight-A students, the major problem of most students is that .

A．they want to spend more time on study

B．they are eager to follow their friends' way

C．they have got used to their study approach

D．they are unaware of their pseudo-working

34．What does the underlined word “optimal” mean in paragraph 5?

A．Possible B．Best C．Least D．Accurate

35．What does the author want to stress by mentioning the formula?

A．The length of time on study counts.

B．Concentration plays a key role in study.

C．Getting work done quickly means everything.

D．Effective study approach is very important.

**第二节（共5小题；每小题2.5分，满分12.5分）**

**阅读下面短文，从短文后的选项中选出可以填入空白处的最佳选项。选项中有两项为多余选项．**

The Ancient Chinese Game of Go

Weiqi, known in English as Go, is one of the four skills that an ancient Chinese intellectual (知识分子) could possess. It has a history of well over 4, 000 years in China and remains popular. Culturally, this activity is really "more than just a game".

36 One of China’s classics, The Romance of the Three Kingdoms, describes the famous general Guan Yu playing Go while receiving surgery on his arm.

History books have recorded quite a number of keen Go fans from each dynasty. Today, there are still many in China, Japan and South Korea. Wu Yulin, a professional, explains its attraction, “In Go, you can learn the dialectics (辩证法) and military stratagems. 37 There are numerous variations within the game and you can never reach the bottom of it.”

38 Hua Yigang, Secretary General of the China Go Association, remarks on the character-building qualities of Go. “You have to become entirely calm, otherwise you can’t play it. You have to be very strong of mind. 39 You might make mistakes during a game, and then have to readjust your mentality in order to fight to the end.”

In fact, all of our minds can benefit from playing Go, which officially has the capacity to make you smarter. Research has shown that children who play Go have the potential for greater intelligence. 40

Today, the number of Go fans in China is at 36 million and rising. Some universities like Beijing University are even offering courses in Go to undergraduates.

A．There’s always loss as well as gain.

B．It’s a war between equal powers.

C．That is because it motivates both the right and left sides of the brain.

D．You can also cultivate your character and improve your intelligence.

E．But more often, ancient Chinese played Go to cultivate their mind and character.

F．The influence of Go on Chinese society is quite evident in literature works.

G．Many people also love this ancient game for the Chinese philosophy it contains.

**第三部分 语言运用（共两节，满分30分）**

**第一节（共15小题；每小题1分，满分l5分）**

**阅读下面短文，从每题所给的A、B、C、D四个选项中选出可以填入空白处的最佳选项．**

The fourth-graders walk up to a mirror － one after another － at a school in southwest Atlanta.

“I’m a good person!” a boy 41 a face mask adds.

Another boy follows, “I’m strong and 42 ,”before hurriedly walking away. In the background, their teacher, Acker, holds up the mirror in front of the kids and 43 them on. “Yes! Louder! Love it!” she calls out.

Acker teaches science at Gideons Elementary School, and she’s on a 44 to boost her students’ confidence and 45 . The kids returned to school this month after a year of virtual learning, and said their 46 words every morning before class starts.

Acker 47 this with her 5-year-old daughter since she developed verbal language skills, and loved how they both felt 48 . “The best part about doing the affirmations (肯定) is the feeling after I say them,” Acker says. “And the feeling I see my students feel or that they 49 after they do it .Their attitude is better and their self-confidence is 50 , so we have a better day."

Mental health issues are 51 among children nationwide as they struggle with 52 , uncertainty and pandemic. Many adults report that the pandemic has been hard on their mental health. For kids, some experts say, it has become a(n) 53 . .

And more so this year, kids “need all of the kindness and compassion we can 54 ,” says Dr. Marcuetta, a psychologist.

Children develop their 55 based on how grown-ups speak to them, making teachers a key influence and positive affirmation a crucial first step, she adds.

41.A.playing B. wearing C. making D. finding

42. A. mean B. indifferent C. independent D. common

43.A.keeps B. fixes C. calls D. cheers

44.A.promise B. mission C. way D. permission

45. A. self-love B. sympathy C. self-discipline D. wisdom

46. A. surprising B. positive C. unique D. unreliable

47. A. denied B. shared C. practiced D. concluded

48. A. afterward B. forward C. eventually D. initially

49.A.express B. reply C. create D. question

50. A. suspected B. checked C. lifted D. separated

51. A. rising B. improving C. moving D. leading

52. A. personality B. imagination C. curiosity D. anxiety

53.A. opportunity B. success C. choice D. crisis

54.A. think B. offer C. rid D. hide

55. A. languages B. arguments C. doubts D. beliefs

**第二节（共10小题；每小题1.5分，满分15分）**

**阅读下面短文，在空白处填入1个适当的单词或括号内单词的正确形式。**

Years ago, a documentary series titled Masters in the Forbidden City 56 (release) in China and soon became a hot topic, bringing the profession of cultural relic restoration into the public spotlight. Given China's long history and rich collections, 57 takes years of experience and a deep understanding of history to become a qualified restorer. 58 backstage heroes, many of them have devoted their lives to protecting cultural relics.

In the Hubei Provincial Museum, Fang Guorong, 62, and Fang Chen, 32, 59 attempt to restore a huge and ancient chime bell (编钟), jointly lift a 12-kilogram bronze object. They both work as relic restorers at the museum. The chime bell they are taking care of is the 60 (heavy) one ever preserved there.

Fang Guorong 61 ( involve) in restoration work for over 40 years. He enjoys it, 62 (treasure) every touch of the bells. According to Fang Guorong, some chime bells were thought too damaged to be restored. But 63 (fortunate), digital technologies like 3D scanning have been used to preserve them. “That’s something the older generation couldn’t even dream of,” he says.

Fang Chen began working in the museum in 2014. He has acquired new technologies his elder workmates may find quite 64 (challenge). “The restoration work should also keep pace with advances in technology,” says Fang Chen. “This doesn’t mean overturning traditional methods. It’s about the 65 (combine) of old and new methods.”

**第四部分 写作（共两节，满分40分）**

**第一节（满分15分）**

假定你是李华，下周有新西兰学生访问你校，你将作为学生代表致欢迎辞。请为此写一篇发言稿，

内容包括：

1．表示欢迎；

2．介绍活动安排；

3．表达祝愿。

注意：

1．词数为80左右；2．可适当添加细节，以使行文连贯。

Honorable guests, dear teachers and fellow students,

**第二节（满分25分）**

阅读下面材料，根据其内容和所给段落开头语续写两段，使之构成一篇完整的短文。

My parents do a lot of embarrassing things! Usually, it's my dad who sings silly songs or tells corny jokes around my friends. But a few weeks ago, it was my mother who played the embarrassing-parent role.

While my mom and I were shopping, we ran into my teacher, who mentioned that the school didn’t have a music teacher to help our class put together a performance for Winter Fair. And, right then and there, my mom said, “I know the perfect song and dance. I’ll teach it to the kids!”

Before I could say “Please don’t”, my mom had agreed to come to my class every morning at 9:30 for a week. Oh, and just to be clear, it’s not as if she’s a professional entertainer. My parents run a small grocery store, and the only singing my mom does is in the shower.

“Um,” I said on our way home, “are you sure this is such a good idea?” “Of course! ” she said. “If we want your school Winter Fair to happen, people need to step up and volunteer.” “I know volunteering is important,” I said, “but couldn’t you help out in Tex and Indi’s kindergarten instead?” She laughed, “Don’t be silly. We will have fun!”

“OK, fellas!” my teacher said at 9:28 on Monday. “We’re going to stop silent reading a little early today because a special guest is here to help us with a performance for Winter Fair. Let’s all welcome Arizona’s mother.”

I looked up to discover my mom standing at the front of the room wearing the world’s silliest snowflake hat. “I’m super excited to be here with you!” my mom said, “I’m going to teach you a fun little song-and-dance performance I learned a few years back, when I did some theater in college. Here goes !”

Oh please, oh please, I said over and over in my head, let there be a fire drill, or an assembly, or a power failure, or anything to stop my mom from completely embarrassing herself- and me!!!

But apparently, my mom was not at all concerned about looking silly. She turned on some background music and started singing and dancing away.

注意：1．续写词数应为150左右；2．请按如下格式在答题卡的相应位置作答。

Paragraph 1 “I can’t believe this is happening” was all I could think.

Paragraph 2 My mom turned out to be more than a little OK at performing.

**英语参考答案**

**阅读理解**

21.B 22.D 23.A 24.B 25.D 26.A 27.C

28.C 29.B 30.B 31.D 32.C 33.D 34.B 35.B

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36.F 37.D 38.E 39.A 40.C

**完形填空**

41.B 42.C 43.D 44.B 45.A 46.B 47.C 48.A

49.A 50.C 51.A 52.D 53.D 54.B 55.D

**语法填空**

36. was released 37. it 38. As 39. who 40. heaviest

41.has been involved 42.treasuring 43.fortunately 44. challenging 45. combination

**写作 第一节**

Honorable guests, dear teachers and fellow students,

On behalf of our school, 1 feel it a great honor to express our warm welcome and briefly introduce the

arrangements.

As scheduled, you’ll first be shown around our campus to have a general impression of it. The next day, to have you get a taste of Chinese traditional culture, several activities will be arranged, ranging from visiting a paper-cutting exhibition to appreciating the art of Chinese calligraphy. Then follows a get-together in our canteen, where we’ll enjoy Chinese cuisine of different flavors.

Wish you a pleasant stay here! Thank you.

第二节

*“I can t believe this is happening” was all I could think*. I closed my eyes, covered my ears and shrank as low as I possibly could in my chair. After a few seconds, though, I mustered up enough courage to uncover one ear and peek through a half-open eye. That’s when I saw the expression of pure joy on my mom’s face. She was having so much fun that I couldn’t help smiling. My classmates clapped and cheered, and I heard someone say, “Wow! Arizona’s mother is pretty talented!”

*My mom turned out to be more than a little OK at performing*. She was also good at teaching us the song and the dance steps, too. We learned quickly. By the time of the fair, I was actually proud of her for putting herself out there for the sake of us kids. Our performance at the Winter Fair was a huge success. As we drove home, I said to my mom, “I’m really glad you volunteered to help my class with the performance.” My mom reached back and squeezed my hand. “Thanks for saying that. I can see why you might’ve been embarrassed, but I had such a great time.”