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英 语

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第一部分 阅读理解(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 和 D 四个选项中，选出最佳选项。

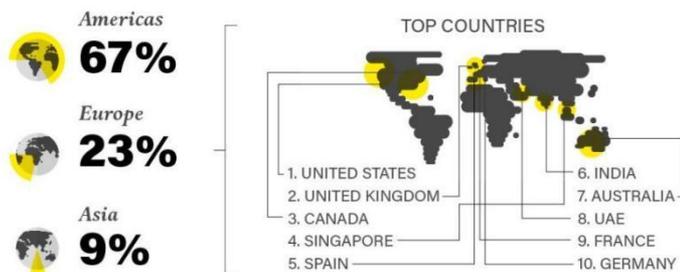
A

Our Skift Forums(论坛) are the leading creative business events in the global travel industry. We've hosted 18 annual forums around the world, in world-class cities like London, Berlin, San Francisco and New York City. Now as we prepare to lift the curtain on our new Skift Global Forum, we wanted to look back on some of the figures and highlights from over the years.

Our speakers are the leading innovators from every corner of this global industry, and beyond. From top CEOs of the largest travel companies to new business leaders driving innovation, the voices onstage are a reflection of the best the industry has to offer. Over the years, we've welcomed 700+ speakers to the Skift stage.

Our attendees come from all over the world, with 116 nations represented at our events. Last year, we were able to host our most geographically diverse events ever with the introduction of hybrid programming.

SKIFT EVENT ATTENDEES



Our global attendees represent every diverse field of the world's 10 largest industries - we've got the entire customer journey covered. With these diverse perspectives comes unmatched cooperation and insights on the future of travel — both onstage, and off.

Since the inception of Skift years ago, our mission has remained strong: Helping you - the travel professional - learn, grow and be inspired, by providing the best content, products and event experiences known to the professional world. From the very first Skift Forum, we knew we had something special. And this year will be no different. In fact, it'll be better.

21. When did this report most likely come out?
- A. Before the 18th Skift Global Forum. B. After the 19th Skift Global Forum.
C. Before this year's Skift Global Forum. D. After this year's Skift Global Forum.
22. Which continent has the most top participating countries at Skift events?
- A. Americas B. Europe C. Asia D. Oceania
23. What's the main purpose of holding Skift Global Forums ?
- A. Sharing ideas and experience of leading companies.
B. Introducing technology of hybrid programming.
C. Supporting development of travel professionals.
D. Helping communication among governments .

B

With stunning visuals of Tamil Nadu's nature, *The Elephant Whisperers*, which won the Oscar in the documentary (纪录片) short film category, tells a story of a loving relationship between people and elephants .

The filmmaker Kartiki Gonsalves spent her childhood in and around nature in southern India. "My family loved exploring nature." she says. Her mother loved animals and her father was a photographer. Her grandmother led school trips to local nature reserves.

The chance elephant encounter came in October 2017 that changed Gonsalves's life and stimulated her to make the film. "I was moving back to my hometown when I met Raghu, a three-month-old elephant, in the Theppakadu Elephant camp," she recalls. Gonsalves was pleasantly surprised by how playful Raghu was.

"This documentary was made because I fell in love with Raghu first," she says. "We would happily splash (戏水) along the river, and I would spend hours scrubbing him and rubbing his tongue. He absolutely loves his tongue being rubbed and enjoyed pulling my hair and splashing around in the water.

In the film, Gonsalves takes viewers to the heart of Theppakadu Elephant camp in a landscape that is one of the largest undisturbed spaces for the Asian elephant. Here, the Kattunayakan community has been caring for abandoned elephants for generations. The documentary follows the journey of Bomman and Bellie, two elephant caretakers and the baby elephant Raghu, who was abandoned by the herd but fortunately found by the forest department. As Bomman and Bellie raised Raghu, their relationship progressed. The 40-minute documentary was cut down from more than 450 hours of raw footage (镜头) and filmed over the last five years.

A lot of the moments in the documentary were unexpected but “that is the true beauty of telling a story as it unfolds,” Gonsalves says. “*The Elephant Whisperers* helps people realize what beautiful beings elephants were and to respect their intelligence, how they love and understand their human caretakers, how they’ve learnt to adapt and live with human. I wanted *The Elephant Whisperers* to be that glow of hope.”

24. How did Gonsalves family influence her?

- A. They inspired her to make films.
- B. They taught her photography skills.
- C. They encouraged her to leave India.
- D. They fired her enthusiasm for nature.

25. What can we learn about Raghu?

- A. He loves rubbing his own tongue.
- B. He is very attached to the film maker.
- C. He lives in a well-designed reserve.
- D. He was saved by elephant caretakers.

26. Which words best describes the shooting process of the documentary?

- A. Tough but rewarding.
- B. Pleasant and amusing.
- C. Frustrating but adventurous.
- D. Romantic and unexpected.

27. What is conveyed in *The Elephant Whisperers*?

- A. Harmonious coexistence.
- B. Prevention of illegal hunting.
- C. Respect for biological diversity.
- D. Endangered Species Conservation.

C

ChatGPT – a conversational language model which was launched in November and is free and simple to use – can swiftly produce poems, math equations or essays on topics, bringing concern that students will misuse the technology. And because it doesn’t copy an existing text, there is no easy way to be certain whether a human or a bot wrote the answer.

As many educators began to worry about whether students may use ChatGPT to generate papers, Edward Tian had an idea. The 22-year-old student, who studies computer science and journalism, decided to build an app to detect whether a text was human-written or AI-written.

Over a few days in a Toronto coffee shop during winter break, he got to work. On Jan. 2, he launched GPTZero. It analyzes different properties of a text for its “perplexity”, which is the randomness of the text, and the “burstiness”, which is the variation of the text over time. So, a human-written text would have high perplexity, something very unfamiliar to an AI model, and exhibit properties of burstiness, which are non-common items that appear in random clusters (集群), rather than being uniformly distributed.

Tian said he expected a few dozen people to ever try it. But he woke up the next morning stunned by the response. He has even heard from people all over the world – many of them are teachers or college admissions officers. Many people have subscribed for updates from Tian as he works to improve the technology.

The quick response to Tian’s effort highlighted the breakneck pace at which technology is changing classrooms, teaching, and the ways that people define and understand learning. Tian believed everyone deserved to reap the benefits of AI, but safeguards were needed to make sure new technologies were not abused.

Tian said it would be sad if, years from now, people mostly relied on AI and writing became far more uniform. “There’s something implicitly(含蓄地) beautiful in human prose,” he said, “that computers can never copy.”

28. Why did Edward Tian create GPTZero?
- A. To predict abuse of ChatGPT.
 - B. To analyse properties of texts.
 - C. To relieve educators of anxiety.
 - D. To recognize AI-generated texts.
29. What features do human-written texts share?
- A. They are random and varied.
 - B. They are plain and unfamiliar.
 - C. They are common and diverse.
 - D. They are uniform and complex.
30. What does the public think of Tian's invention?
- A. It is safely guarded.
 - B. It is highly anticipated.
 - C. It is quickly updated.
 - D. It is thoroughly developed.
31. What can be inferred from the last paragraph?
- A. Human will win the competition against AI.
 - B. Most people will benefit from AI in the future.
 - C. Writing will become more common than before.
 - D. There is incomparable charm in Human writings.

D

The number of seabirds killed by colliding (撞击) with wind turbines could be cut by painting black-and-white stripes on the blades (叶片) and poles, say researchers. Graham Martin at the University of Birmingham, UK, and Alex Banks at Natural England, a public organization that has a say in planning applications for offshore wind farms in England, wanted to design a pattern that could be easily painted onto turbines to reduce their impact on bird life.



a stripy wind turbine

Between 140,000 and 328,000 birds are killed each year by onshore wind turbines in the US, according to one estimate. It is harder to tell how many birds are killed by offshore turbines each year, says Martin, as they fall into the ocean.

A previous study, published in 2020, looked at the effect of painting a single blade black on four onshore turbines in Norway. Bird collisions were reduced by 70 percent compared with all-white turbines nearby. Martin believes that further improvements could have an even greater impact. Based on analysis of previous studies into bird vision and bird collisions with wind turbines, the two researchers came up with a series of guiding principles to aid their design of a turbine that would harm fewer birds.

“Most birds do not see too much fine detail in their vision – especially compared to humans,” says Martin, so any design shouldn’t be too complex. Many collisions occur in low light, so the design should be easy to decipher in the dark, while high internal contrast would help the turbine stand out against different backgrounds, such as a cloudy or sunny sky. In low levels of light, black-and-white patterns are best, says Martin. “In the dark, a red-and-white pattern would rapidly look like shades of grey,” he says.

The design hasn't yet been tested, but Martin hopes that manufacturers will consider it, particularly as it would be easy and cheap to implement.

32. What can we know about Martin and Banks?
- A. They have a say in planning applications.
 - B. They improve the efficiency of wind turbines.
 - C. They seek to reduce negative influence on bird life.
 - D. They design colorful turbines to help birds see clear.
33. What's the purpose of the second paragraph?
- A. To state the seriousness of bird collisions.
 - B. To estimate the death rate of bird collisions.
 - C. To compare the different wind turbine designs.
 - D. To criticize the poor design of the wind turbines.
34. What does the underlined word "decipher" in Paragraph 4 mean?
- A. Differ. B. Recognize. C. Clarify. D. Impress.
35. What is the text mainly about?
- A. A severe seabird collision phenomenon.
 - B. A new study on seabirds vision.
 - C. A potential wind turbine application.
 - D. A novel wind turbine design.

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能填入空白处的最佳选项。选项中有两项为多余选项。

Sending handwritten letters may have fallen out of fashion, but I'm a great believer in the power of letters. There's something unique and special about handwritten things. You write a letter not because there's something you need to know, but there's something you want to say.

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The letter is a powerful and memorable way to touch the ones you care about. When my granny died and I cleared her house, I found hundreds of letters she had kept. 37 There were letters from her mother, who died long before I was born, but sitting reading them one rainy afternoon, her words stretched out across time and I felt I knew her.

38 It can enrich a relationship and allow it to grow. When I was 12, I faked a letter from a parent to the pet shop for a pet mouse. My mum punished me and made me write letters to some relatives. One of them was my uncle who I'd only met a few times before. I wrote a long letter detailing my life and listing my interests. My punishment complete, I forgot about this until I suddenly got a reply from him. "How lovely to hear from you," he said, and went on to tell me all about his life. He'd love to hear about what subjects at school I enjoyed. 39 I have grown close to him since then.

I often think about how that one naughty childhood behavior led to such an enriching communication that stretched on for many years. It encouraged me to write to lots of other people in fact. 40 So, I'd encourage you to put pen to paper and see where it leads. What have you got to lose?

- A. That is the point of the letter.
- B. They told the story of her relationships.
- C. Receiving a letter is such a lovely surprise.
- D. It's also a way to make you more thoughtful.
- E. And it's something I keep up with to this day.
- F. Then we started a communication that went on for years.
- G. That's why we would prefer handwritten letters to emails.

第二部分 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 15 分）

阅读下面短文，从短文后各题所给的 A、B、C、D 四个选项中选出可以填入空白处的最佳选项。

A video of Tommy Carroll skating near his home has been viewed millions of times around the globe, gaining him fame as a skateboarder. He can't see, but he can pull off some of the most incredible 41_____ on his skateboard without showing any 42_____.

"I think everybody should know that everything happens for a reason and that there's always a way to 43_____ an obstacle if you really want it enough." Carroll said in the video.

Carroll, was born with the retinal(视网膜) cancer and lost his 44_____ when he was two years old. He 45_____ to skateboard at the age of ten and has been on the board ever since. In the video, he explains how he uses sound to 46_____, listening for what's around him and gaining a sense of his surroundings through his ears.

"I am always constantly using the sound of my wheels to 47_____ if there's anything in my way and get my sense of 48_____" he says. Carroll used to get lots of doubts from his classmates about his 49_____ for mastering the sports. "There were people who 50_____ me." Carroll smiled, adding, "They considered it no way, taking it for granted that people like me, can't skateboard. But I just 51_____ them."

Though courageous, Carroll learns to be 52_____. When he skateboards in the new location, he gradually 53_____ himself with the surroundings. After a number of rides he then starts trying tricks. "Falling is as 54_____ as the sport itself." he said, "I have proved peers 55_____."

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| 41. | A. images | B. tricks | C. rides | D. jumps |
| 42. | A. curiosity | B. complaint | C. fear | D. interest |
| 43. | A. weaken | B. spot | C. avoid | D. overcome |
| 44. | A. vision | B. patience | C. mind | D. touch |
| 45. | A. hoped | B. started | C. plotted | D. hesitated |
| 46. | A. navigate | B. transfer | C. balance | D. distinguish |
| 47. | A. prove | B. see | C. explore | D. check |
| 48. | A. achievement | B. security | C. direction | D. danger |

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| 49. | A. affection | B. reason | C. talent | D. capacity |
| 50. | A. discouraged | B. misunderstood | C. motivated | D. abused |
| 51. | A. forgave | B. defeated | C. mouthed | D. ignored |
| 52. | A. modest | B. brave | C. safe | D. confident |
| 53. | A. helps | B. familiarizes | C. compares | D. connects |
| 54. | A. demanding | B. beneficial | C. complicated | D. thrilling |
| 55. | A. childish | B. wrong | C. impolite | D. incompetent |

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。

Recently, many government officials across the country have put themselves into videos promoting local culture and tourism. The videos, 56 (publish) over short-video platforms such as Douyin, have drawn lots of attention from netizens, giving likes and showing interest.

Yin Wentao, among these creative civil 57 (servant), is proud that he could help promote his hometown, Lintao county in a publicity video. The county 58 (possess) rich cultural resources, including the Majiayao culture and the site of the western beginning of the Great Wall during Qin Dynasty (221-206 BC). In the 1920s, the site dating back 59 thousands of years ago was discovered in the village of Majiayao and 60 (preserve) as a key national relics protection unit since 1988.

With more videos emerging on 61 (variety) online short-video platforms, more places have been 62 (gradual) known to more people, receiving more visitors. Using short videos over new media platforms to promote tourism has become 63 effective publicity channel. All this reflects that the local government has the strong desire 64 (develop) tourism and the local economy rapidly, 65 shows that the officials have a strong sense of responsibility for the development of their hometowns.

第三部分 写作 (共两节, 满分 40 分)

第一节 (满分 15 分)

你所在的学习小组参加了英语项目的作业展评, 商定以“我爱劳动”为主题进行创作。请你结合自己的一次劳动经历, 写一篇短文, 要点如下:

1. 劳动过程;
2. 劳动体会。

注意:

1. 写作词数应为 80 左右;
2. 请按如下格式在答题卡的相应位置作答。

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。

It was a late Saturday afternoon in early March, and I was sweating gracefully, in search of the only gift my son said he wanted from Los Angeles: a map to the homes of the stars.

I was here for meetings in Westwood, near the UCLA Medical Centre. Should I wander a little? Try to find one of the treasured maps?

From the front of the hotel taxi line, a cheerful driver said, “No problem. Map vendors(小贩) are everywhere!” Before long, we saw a hand-painted sandwich board saying: Star Maps. The taxi stopped. A fellow approached with a thin folded sheet and said: “Ten dollars.”

Ten dollars. American! With righteous assurance, I informed him, “That’s too much.” The map man shrugged. We continued, whizzing past the Beverly Hills Hotel into West Hollywood. The driver dropped me at the House of Blues, encouraging me to stroll. I began walking, certain I would find a low-cost star map soon.

I was wrong. There was hardly anybody on the street. There didn’t seem to be many real stores, just cars and bars. No maps. No stars. Blocks passed. The sun began to sink. At the edge of West Hollywood, another fellow appeared ahead, selling star maps to a car full of teenage girls.

Ten dollars still. Still too much. Forgot it. My son would understand. Time to go back to Westwood. That night, I called my wife. “Did you get one of those maps to the stars? He’s been talking about nothing else.” This news was hard to ignore. But it was late.

Morning was coming. There would be last try. After I checked out, the first taxi in the hotel line was an old Chevy driven by a skinny guy from North Carolina. At nine in the morning, map vendors were nowhere to be found,

“You know,” said the driver, “The guys with the maps just ain’t up yet!” He was right.

“Forget it. Let’s go to the airport.”

“Well,” said the driver, “I could mail you one if you like.”

Sure. Trust this guy? I might as well toss cash onto the freeway. But exiting the taxi, I recognized my last chance. I handed the driver \$13 and my business card.

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。

Three weeks passed, no reply from LA.

I held the package and the note in my hand, speechless.