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英文閱讀寫作 試題

*請在答案本上橫向書寫，並且標示清楚題目大項、題號，否則一律扣分 10 分。

I. Finding Main Idea 20%

1. The insect called *Halobates*, or water strider, lives its entire life in the middle of the ocean, without ever touching land. It can “run” rapidly across the surface of the water. Using four of its six legs to balance itself on the water’s surface, it can grab and hold with the other two. It even lays its eggs on floating objects.

2. The people of China have an old saying that rings true. They say, “A journey of a thousand miles begins with one step.” By this they mean that when starting something new or undertaking a project, it is often the first action that is the most difficult. Yet it is this first step that is necessary before the second and third and following steps can be taken.

3. Fairs have been held since ancient times. As long as three thousand years ago, the Chinese held fairs. During the Middle Ages great fairs displayed fine products and were held all over Europe. People everywhere in all eras have loved fairs – and still do. For centuries people have flocked to fairs to admire and to buy, just as they do today.

4. Newspapers in the Old West often had colorful names. Some of the more interesting were *Kicker*, *Avalanche*, *Burro*, and *The Solid Muldoon*. What were these papers like? It is hard to say. Most frontier journals rushed on and off the scene faster than a tumbleweed in a dust storm, leaving little trace of their passing, other than their unique names.

5. The American cavalry defeated and conquered every American Indian tribe except one. The Seminole Indians of Florida couldn’t and wouldn’t be beaten. Under the leadership of their chief, Osceola, the Seminoles won one battle after another against the cavalry. Some forty thousand American soldiers were put into the field against about fifteen thousand American soldiers were put into the field against about fifteen thousand Seminole braves. Nothing could make the Seminoles surrender, and they remained unconquered.

1. The paragraph tells mainly –
- (A) what *Halobates* looks like
 - (B) how many legs *Halobates* has
 - (C) how *Halobates* lives on water

- (D) what *Halobates* lays eggs on**
2. The paragraph tells mainly –
(A) why the Chinese make sure to tell the truth
(B) how to take one big step
(C) what an old Chinese expression means
(D) why some things are difficult
3. The paragraph tells mainly –
(A) why Chinese hold fairs
(B) why people like to buy things
(C) how fairs have been held through the ages
(D) what products people buy at fairs
4. The paragraph tells mainly –
(A) what the Old West was like
(B) who published newspapers
(C) why newspapers go out of business
(D) what interesting names frontier newspapers had
5. The paragraph tells mainly –
(A) where the Seminole Indians lived
(B) which American Indian tribe remained unconquered
(C) how many battles the Seminoles won against the cavalry
(D) which Indian tribe elected Osceola as its chief

II. Cloze Test

下面有兩篇短文共有十五個空格(1至15)，每個空格各附A. B. C. D.四個備選答案。請仔細閱讀候選出一個最適合的答案，並標示在「答案本」上。30%

I was waiting in the station for the train to come. A man (1) across from me kept looking at his watch. I went up to him and asked, “Do you know how often (2)?” Looking at his watch, he said, “The next train (3) in 15 minutes.”

At that moment, (4) occurred to me that he was the man who (5) my watch the day before in the hotel. Then I asked him, “(6) to the Regent Hotel recently? (7) I have a look at your watch? I lost one like it yesterday.” The man answered cautiously, “I found it in the Regent Hotel yesterday. So I suppose it must be (8). You should be careful not to lose it again. Here you are!”

1. (A) sits (B) sat (C) was sitting (D) sitting
2. (A) the train comes (B) does the train come
 (C) will the train come (D) did the train come
3. (A) arrives (B) will arrive (C) would arrive (D) has arrived
4. (A) it (B) that (C) he (D) something
5. (A) was taken (B) has taken (C) had taken (D) has been taken
6. (A) Are you going (B) Have you gone
 (C) Have you gone (D) Would you go
7. (A) Will (B) May (C) Should (D) Would
8. (A) you (B) your (C) yours (D) yours

Once there was a king who loves being a king but hates doing serious work for his country by ___(9)___ three simple rules:

1. When something wrong is very serious, he will first try to sound ___(10)___: “This is not a major mistake, let’s ___(11)___ sure that it will not happen again.”
2. If the public is angry and demands a real answer, he will shout ___(12)___ justice: “This is a very serious matter, I demand a full and thorough investigation of it.” Still, he will do only so much just ___(13)___ till most people have forgotten about it.
3. When there is something good, he will make it ___(14)___ like really something. He will make it ___(15)___ the honor.

9. (A) applied (B) applies (C) applies (D) applying
10. (A) lightly (B) light (C) lighting (D) lights
11. (A) making (B) make (C) made (D) makes
12. (A) in (B) with (C) of (D) for
13. (A) to wait (B) waiting (C) waits (D) waiting
14. (A) sounds (B) sound (C) sounding (D) sounded
15. (A) of (B) on (C) for (D) with

III. Write an ad of your own 25%

Please read the following ad and write an ad on a famous Chinese food of your choice with good description of its look and its taste with 60 words or more. (e.g. beef noodle, pearl-milk tea, stinky-bean curd)

The best catch in town.	
McDonald’s deliciously light Filet-O-Fish is America’s favorite fish sandwich. Probably because McDonald’s insists on nothing but U.S. Grade A portions of white filet from the North Atlantic. It’s dipped into golden batter, breaded, cooked hot and crispy	outside, moist and flaky inside, then gamished with our special recipe tartar sauce and golden cheese. Could be the best bite you’ll get all day. Quality you can tastes. And trust. McDonald’s

IV. Reading Comprehension 25%

Read the following poem and choose the best answer (一題三分) to the 5 questions listed below and write your feedback on reading this poem (心得十分)

Windy Voice

Humming,
howling,
whining,
the voice of the earth cries out,
and all in its path are moved by it –
some a little, some a lot.
Carrying the breath of life with a vengeful force
that rams it down our throats
and blinds our eyes with tears
until we cry out –

I hear! I feel!
the wind rages at us.
And then we close the door,
and listen anxiously to the voice of the
wind trying to come in.

A.

1. What is the voice of the earth(line 4), according to the poet?
 - (A) Humming, howling, and whining.
 - (B) The breath of life.
 - (C) Force.
 - (D) The wind.
2. What does the poet say carries the breath of life(line 7)
 - (A) Force.
 - (B) Our throats.
 - (C) The wind.
 - (D) Our cries.
3. Does the poet believe that people are affected by the experiences of life to equal degrees or to different degrees? Which line in the poem answers that question?
 - (A) Line 5.
 - (B) Line 6.
 - (C) Line 8.
 - (D) Line 9.
4. Line 13-15 mean that after a deeply felt experience
 - (A) we hope we will have more just like it.
 - (B) we are more aware of what life has to offer and are a little afraid of it.
 - (C) we know we will probably have others, but the prospect is very threatening.
 - (D) we know we will probably have others, and the prospect is both appealing and threatening.
5. The poet suggests that
 - (A) life's experiences sometimes strike our feeling very forcefully.
 - (B) most people are insensitive.
 - (C) most people are afraid of wind.
 - (D) the most poignant experiences in life are those that make us think a lot.

B. write your feedback on readign this poem (心得十分，請寫出你看過這首詩後，對它的涵義的想法，或是你產生的聯想，請用英文，不可少於 50 字)

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