

太原市2024年高三年级模拟考试(三)

英语试卷

(考试时间:下午3:00—5:00)

本试卷采用闭卷、笔试形式。试卷满分150分,考试时间120分钟。

注意事项:

- 答卷前,考生务必将自己的姓名、准考证号填写在答题卡上。
- 回答选择题时,选出每小题答案后,用铅笔把答题卡上对应题目的答案标号涂黑。如需改动,用橡皮擦干净后,再选涂其他答案标号。回答非选择题时,将答案写在答题卡上,写在本试卷上无效。
- 考试结束后,将本试卷和答题卡一并交回。

第一部分 听力(共两节,满分30分)

做题时,先将答案标在试卷上。录音内容结束后,你将有两分钟的时间将试卷上的答案转涂到答题卡上。

第一节(共5小题;每小题1.5分,满分7.5分)

听下面5段对话。每段对话后有一个小题,从题中所给的A、B、C三个选项中选出最佳选项。听完每段对话后,你都有10秒钟的时间来回答有关小题和阅读下一小题。每段对话仅读一遍。

例: How much is the shirt?

- A. £19.15. B. £9.18. C. £9.15.

答案是C。

- What does the woman advise the man to do?
A. Get off the bus. B. Ask the passenger. C. Check the schedule.
- Where are the speakers probably?
A. In a cinema. B. In a restaurant. C. In a supermarket.
- What was difficult for the man?
A. Waiting to get help. B. Driving in the snow. C. Finding a parking place.

- What are the speakers mainly talking about?
A. A club. B. A song. C. A video.
- What does the man mean?
A. He plans to revisit Yellowstone.
B. He doesn't think the visit is good.
C. He agrees with the woman's opinion.

第二节(共15小题;每小题1.5分,满分22.5分)

听下面5段对话或独白。每段对话或独白后有几个小题,从题中所给的A、B、C三个选项选出最佳选项。听每段对话或独白前,你将有时间阅读各个小题,每小题5秒钟;听完后,各小题将给出5秒钟的作答时间。每段对话或独白读两遍。

听第6段材料,回答第6、7题。

- What are the speakers mainly talking about?
A. New facilities assisting the disabled.
B. Traffic safety for people with disabilities.
C. The difficulties that disabled people face.
- Who might benefit most from the new doors?
A. People in wheelchairs.
B. People with hearing loss.
C. People with vision problems.

听第7段材料,回答第8、9题。

- For what did the man get his pet dog?
A. His graduation. B. His responsibility. C. His academic performance.
- What is the most important duty for keeping a dog?
A. Learning about its character.
B. Taking good care to keep it healthy.
C. Training it into a well-behaved one.

听第8段材料,回答第10至12题。

- Why can't David check the books out?
A. His student ID is not available.
B. He hasn't returned the overdue book.
C. He has been fined by the library before.

11. Why does David need the five books?
 A. To do his friend a favor.
 B. To work on his research paper.
 C. To prepare for the midterm exam.
12. What does the woman advise David to do?
 A. Call his friend. B. Apply for a new ID. C. Make a copy.

听第9段材料,回答第13至16题。

13. Why is Chen asking for leave?
 A. To prepare for the final exam.
 B. To spend time with her parents.
 C. To travel around in Los Angeles.
14. What do we know about Chen's parents?
 A. They don't speak English.
 B. They will get around themselves.
 C. They don't have an electronic translator.
15. How many days is Chen allowed to take off?
 A. Two days. B. Four days. C. Seven days.
16. What is the possible relationship between the speakers?
 A. Colleagues. B. Teacher and student. C. Employer and employee.

听第10段材料,回答第17至20题。

17. What is the purpose of the speech?
 A. To introduce college life to students.
 B. To welcome students back to school.
 C. To congratulate students on their graduation.
18. What is the core value of Redmond High School?
 A. Gratitude. B. Leadership. C. Perseverance.
19. What does the speaker inspire the students to have?
 A. Confidence. B. Intelligence. C. Patience.
20. Who is giving this speech most probably?
 A. A student's parent. B. A graduate student. C. A school principal.

第二部分 阅读(共两节,满分60分)

第一节(共15小题;每小题3分,满分45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

Amazing apps helping seniors stay sharp

Undoubtedly, your grandparents gain experience and wisdom as they get older. However, they are likely to be anxious about health problems many seniors face, especially the frightening disorder of mental functioning — thinking, remembering, and reasoning. But don't worry! The apps are here to help your grandma and grandpa.

Witty Words



It presents level-based crossword puzzles and word search games, featuring oversized buttons and controls for seniors. Its games use point systems to judge the performance of players and it can dynamically adjust the difficulty of games to suit each individual — which keeps seniors enjoying their sense of achievement.

Peak



It includes everything seniors need to stay sharp-minded. All they have to do is spend ten minutes per day playing a wide range of the app's 45 available games. Peak even includes a built-in personal trainer that helps track players' progress and arrange the steps that they'll need to improve their mental sharpness.

Lumosity



It takes a scientific approach to brain training with a variety of games to improve seniors' mental keenness. Players begin by seeing how well they challenge specific types of mental abilities. Then with fun themes and enjoyable elements added, they can keep players engaged while improving their performance at the given tasks.

MindMate



It is a multipurpose app that helps seniors keep fit with brain training, physical activities, and tips on healthy eating. The approach starts with brain-stimulating games that improve memory, attention and speed. And to top it off, it also comes with senior-friendly workout videos.

21. What can the four apps help seniors do?
 A. Gain experience and wisdom. B. Keep life in order.
 C. Relieve mental aging anxiety. D. Extend social circle.
22. How does Witty Words app make operation easier for the seniors?
 A. By designing large buttons. B. By tracing their progress.
 B. By using built-in trainers. D. By providing dynamic games.
23. Which app also helps the seniors to build up the body?
 A. Witty Words. B. Peak.
 C. Lumosity. D. MindMate.

B

Walking into the on-campus barbershop, the student customers will be greeted by Alexander Garcia with clippers in hand, a barber chair, a full professional clipping set, and customers chatting about Ozzy's latest DJ set in the background.

Garcia started cutting hair during his junior year of high school. He spent his time learning from barber videos by 360Jeezy on YouTube about different hair styles. That learning took trial and error, and he spent his time practicing on his younger cousin, but he never intended it to be a business.

He came into college as an Electrical and Computer Engineering major and spent his time in the students' associations, working as a part-time DJ. His journey of cutting hair on campus began in the second year, with mainly roommates and close friends coming in for a cut and a chat, but his hobby fully developed into CutzbyOzzy earlier this year. Barbers in the city are expensive, he noticed, especially for college students, which pushed him to expand his hobby to a private business.

Garcia is busy, with appointments made usually a week in advance. Customers can pay \$18 for a full haircut and \$5 for a line-up. His business grows mostly through the word-of-mouth of his customers, who are mainly first-years. "Seeing that most of the customers are freshmen, I like to give them advice, try to explain my own experience and promote student organizations because

I feel that enhances my experience," he said. "I lead them through things I encounter on the way — internships(实习), scholarships, job opportunities, and questions."

To Garcia, it's about creating the feel of walking into an actual barbershop; it's about offering instructions and friendship to his customers. He's found over time that these students start breaking out of their shells and coming to him with their problems.

"I can just never stay put," he said. "I always like to try different things in different fields. Apart from being an engineer, the barbershop is truly my life."

24. What inspired Garcia to start his barbershop business?
 A. His hobby as a part-time DJ.
 B. The real demand from his friends.
 C. The high cost of haircut in the city.
 D. His barbering experience in high school.
25. What helps Garcia's business grow?
 A. Discounts for the freshmen.
 B. Recommendation by customers.
 C. Advertisements via social media.
 D. Partnership with local barbershops.
26. How does Garcia distinguish from other barbers in the city?
 A. He keeps his barbershop better-equipped.
 B. He provides a wider selection of hairstyles.
 C. He shares more practical guidance for students.
 D. He introduces more job opportunities to graduates.
27. Which of the following can best describe Garcia?
 A. Ambitious and adventurous.
 B. Multitalented and supportive.
 C. Knowledgeable and intelligent.
 D. Business-minded and fame-seeking.

C

Feeling down about money? Do you know you could have thousands of pounds worth of junk hiding in your drawers? Well, here's some fantastic news to brighten your day: your unwanted tech could be a goldmine, with potential earnings ranging from £1,300 to £6,330. That's right — that neglected hairdryer, forgotten electric toothbrush, or unused smartphone sitting in your cupboard could be your ticket to some extra holiday cash, a dream summer vacation, or a special weekend treat!

Recent research from *Recycle Your Electricals* reveals a shocking 880 million unused working electrical items gathering dust in UK households, averaging 31 items per household. The potential earnings? A surprising £36.7 billion for older, lower, and unbranded items and an astonishing £178.5 billion for newer, higher branded items. It's an incredible new opportunity!

It's not just about making money; selling your old electricals is also great for the planet. Waste electricals are the fastest growing e-waste stream, with few people realising that they contain some of the most precious materials on the planet, like gold, aluminium and lithium. So whether you choose to sell or donate your working items, or you recycle the broken ones, it's going to be good for the environment.

It's time to unlock that money. Start by taking stock of all your electricals and research their market value by considering factors like brand, age, and condition. Wipe down surfaces, remove dust, and ensure everything is in working order. Remember, a picture is worth a thousand words — a detailed description with high-quality photos speaks louder. Select the platform that suits your item and target audience. Above all, security first. Ensure all personal data are securely wiped. If meeting in person, choose a safe, public location. Alternatively, use secure shipping methods with tracking for added peace of mind.

28. What can be inferred from paragraph 1?

- A. The wealth from junk is often overlooked.
- B. People often put plenty of cash in the drawers.
- C. The potential earnings from wastes are worth a goldmine.
- D. Electricals are likely to break down if not used frequently.

29. What can the e-waste be used for according to the text?

- A. Repair work.
- B. Metal extraction.
- C. Data security.
- D. Scientific research.

30. What is the last paragraph mainly about?

- A. Methods of saving money.
- B. Ways to promote online sales.
- C. Procedures of online shopping.
- D. Steps to profit from used electricals.

31. What's the author's writing purpose?

- A. To offer tips for making a fortune.
- B. To warn against e-waste pollution.
- C. To increase the purchase of new electricals.
- D. To advocate recycling economically and environmentally.

D

In an increasingly fast-paced world that rewards immediacy, urgency culture makes it hard to tell what is truly important and what is not. At work, this could involve handling frequent last-minute requests, unrealistic deadlines, and the expectation to be reachable even after hours. In personal life, behaviour patterns of urgency culture include overextending in relationships, frequently checking social media updates out of fear of missing out, and responding immediately to calls and texts, even when it's inconvenient.

The constant rush to be "always on" professionally and personally can create stress. Being part of the "always on" culture often involves multitasking. However, research shows every time we multitask, it actually slows the brain down and may reduce productivity by up to 40 percent. Meanwhile, constant overstimulation — a significant contributor to urgency culture — will debilitate your dopamine(多巴胺) system. In short, the more overstimulated you are, the less joy you can feel. Over time, urgency culture can also be harmful to physical health. A false sense of

urgency tricks the body into reacting as if it's in a threatening situation, activating the "fight-or-flight" response. Your breathing becomes faster, your blood pressure and heart rate go up, and you lose the ability to regulate emotions, and an overactive fight-or-flight response contributes to high blood pressure, poor quality of sleep and eating disorders.

To avoid the urgency trap, experts recommend pausing for a few moments before leaping into action every time something comes up. It allows you to step back and assess whether this demand for your attention is in line with your priorities. Setting clear expectations in personal and professional relationships can also help plan, prioritize and problem-solve without causing false urgency. The best thing you can do to deal with urgency culture is to regularly engage in activities that remind you there is no rush.

32. Which of the following can be described as "urgency culture" according to paragraph 1?

- A. Focusing on important matters.
- B. Finishing work before deadline.
- C. Giving everything high priority.
- D. Maintaining useful relationships.

33. How does multitasking influence people according to the author?

- A. It contributes to their work efficiency.
- B. They may feel under constant pressure.
- C. It helps to slow down their working pace.
- D. Their sense of achievement will decrease.

34. What does the underlined word "debilitate" in paragraph 2 probably mean?

- A. Weaken.
- B. Balance.
- C. Activate.
- D. Divide.

35. Which of the following can be the best title of the text?

- A. The Power of Rush: The Secret to Modern Success
- B. Stay Well-connected: The New Path to Personal Productivity
- C. No Pressure, No Growth: Boosting Yourself in Urgency Culture
- D. More Haste, Less Speed: Breaking Free From the "Always-on" Trap

第二节(共5小题;每小题3分,满分15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。

How to choose a hiking trail (路径)

If you're a keen hiker, chances are you have your favorite trails mostly because they're easy to reach and fit into your schedule. If you desire to set foot in hiking in depth, this guide may walk you through the steps of how to choose a hiking trail to your next great adventure.

____ 36 _____, defining how many miles the hike covers before departure. Next, ask yourself if you can reasonably walk that far. You can just walk as far down a trail as you want, and then turn back when you're ready. ____ 37 _____, such as a waterfall or standing stones, you'll ideally make sure you can reach it.

Know what's going to be underfoot. ____ 38 _____. On a hike you might encounter all different types of land, and the climbing is going to be dangerous or stable. So do research and understand what type of terrain(地形) you're likely to encounter. There's a big difference between walking through a forest and stair-stepping up a steep rock. When you're using route finding apps, trails are usually rated as easy, moderate or difficult. Make sure you understand exactly what the hike involves from a skill to equipment. ____ 39 _____.

For hikers, a thundering waterfall falling over a cliff can be a breathtaking climax to a forest hike. ____ 40 _____, the things you'll see along the way are a great reason to choose one hiking trail over another — so long as the rest of it falls within your ability level of course.

- A. Master your hiking equipment
- B. Even if they are worth visiting
- C. Check the total distance involved
- D. But if there's a waymark you're hoping to see
- E. It helps you decide between hiking shoes or boots
- F. Although not all hikes lead to a fantastic viewpoint
- G. Don't rush into the journey without the investigations above

第三部分 语言运用 (共两节, 满分50分)

第一节 (共15小题; 每小题2分, 满分30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。

I have had this long-sleeved shirt since college. After many years, there are warning 41 that it is on the way out. Some buttons are getting a bit 42. And even there are those faint 43 of meals that haven't quite come out in the wash. Though 44, it is still my favorite.

One morning, I was putting on it for the family trip when my wife noticed a hole in the elbow (肘部). She advised me to 45 it or it would get worse. But it was so tiny. I decided to 46 it and went to reach for the backpack at the top of my closet when I heard the rip "sss-". Was that...? I reached for the closet door and 47 it shut. Riiiiipp again. The tiny hole became a big tear, leaving my arm 48. "Now you look like a scarecrow (稻草人)," My wife laughed. "Maybe you should throw it away."

Should I? I asked myself. In such a fast-fashion world which rushes to produce clothes that 49 the latest trend, few material items 50 our loyalty. But this shirt had seen a lot with me, from my 51 to my marriage. I knew even a piece of clothing represented a life 52 lived. I intended to stay 53.

"Is it time to let that shirt go?" My wife asked. I paused for a moment and then grabbed a pair of scissors. 54, I soon picked up my "new" 55 shirt and showed it to her. "Not yet," I replied with a proud smile.

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| 41. A. signs | B. remarks | C. deals | D. problems |
| 42. A. common | B. fine | C. flexible | D. loose |
| 43. A. spots | B. appeals | C. ingredients | D. tastes |
| 44. A. in low spirits | B. in poor condition | C. out of sight | D. out of control |
| 45. A. sew | B. make | C. recycle | D. design |
| 46. A. notice | B. ignore | C. mind | D. refuse |

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| 47. A. kicked | B. pressed | C. slid | D. kept |
| 48. A. untouched | B. examined | C. broken | D. exposed |
| 49. A. protest | B. miss | C. fit | D. pass |
| 50. A. waste | B. identify | C. question | D. gain |
| 51. A. graduation | B. family | C. childhood | D. retirement |
| 52. A. poorly | B. cautiously | C. fully | D. busily |
| 53. A. efficient | B. fashionable | C. loyal | D. calm |
| 54. A. Possibly | B. Hesitantly | C. Approximately | D. Exactly |
| 55. A. old-fashioned | B. short-sleeved | C. high-quality | D. famous-brand |

第二节 (共10小题; 每小题2分, 满分20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。

As the source of all life, water plays a vital role in Chinese culture, influencing both Chinese civilization and philosophy. Many Chinese legends reflect the 56 (admire) for water and the spirit of bravely fighting natural disasters caused by water. Yu, the first ruler of the Xia Dynasty, 57 (successful) controlled the floods by digging waterways so that the floodwater could flow into the sea smoothly. The Dujiangyan Irrigation System in Sichuan, first 58 (construct) in 256 BC, took advantage of the local natural features without 59 (damage) the environment. Additionally, water 60 (give) philosophical meanings to help nurture Chinese people and govern the country, inspiring the ancient rulers 61 (respect) the will of people and follow the laws of nature. Confucius believed water had diverse 62 (virtue) including justice, courage and righteousness, so 63 was suggested that people should learn from water and cultivate their sense of morality. Laozi gave birth to the idea of overcoming hardness with softness and non-action. Xunzi compared a ruler and his people 64 a boat and water to show the importance of the people in society. Water, being an essential element in daily life, is a symbol in Chinese culture, 65 flows through Chinese civilization.

