2023-2024学年江苏省无锡市江阴市九年级下学期3月联考英语试题

（一模）

第I卷（客观题 共50分）

一、单项选择（本大题共14小题，每小题1分，共14分）

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3. Sandy seldom goes out at weekends because reading _____ most of her free time.

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4. — Can I ask you one question? And only one.

— Sure. _____.

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5. — A robot served us dinner last night. Don't you think we are living in amazing times?

— I can't agree more. The _____ makes our lives easier and happier.

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6. We should learn some basic life skills since we _____ depend on ourselves some day.

A. can　　B. can't　　C. must　　D. mustn't

7. — Listen! someone is crying upstairs.

— Oh, _____ must be my baby sister Meimei. She must be hungry.

A. she　　B. it　　C. this　　D. he

8. I will try my best to help you, _____ I don't know what to start with yet.

A. whether　　B. since　　C. until　　D. though

9. The company announced the new model of their product _____ the next year.

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10. Stop asking _____ questions. Everyone is laughing at you.

A. so wise　　B. such wise　　C. so silly　　D. such silly

11. As the story _____, the clues to the case are discovered little by little. As a result, I have read it through without stopping.

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12. - What are you doing, Jack?

-I am searching for some information about the Blue Moon. I wonder _____.

A. that it will appear next time B. why does it look blue

C. when was it found for the first time D. whether it represents something lucky

13. —Look at this mess! How much time do you think we need to clear it up?

—It is a big job, but _____. Let's all get started now.

A. many hands make light work B. the more, the better

C. the early bird catches the worm D. actions speak louder than words

14. —What's wrong? It seems that you're losing control of the situation.

—_____ Don't stick your nose into my business.

A. Take your time! B. Are you kidding? C. Don't mention it. D. Let me alone!

二、完形填空（本大题共 10 小题，每小题 1 分，共 10 分）

Before I could turn 10, I had lost my parents. To ___15___ myself and my education, I had taken to delivering（递送）newpers.

a.m.a.m.get up every morning by 5 a.m. and walk five kilometers from Hydery to the newper office in Bazar. By 6 a.m., I would ___16___ 50 copies of newper which must have weighed over five kilos. After delivering them, I would rush home—another three kilometers away—cook my breakfast, eat ___17___ and be off to school.

One morning, I found a boy of my age at my doorstep. He introduced himself as Jimmy and said his parents wanted to see me. I guessed they wished to subscribe to（订阅）the newper, so I followed him to his place nearby.

Jimmy's mother opened the door. She ___18___ me a large plate of snacks and fruit salad.

It was a rich breakfast, one that brought back ___19___ of the happy time with my parents. As I was about to leave, Jimmy's father, Mr. Kader, appeared with a new bicycle.

"This is for you!" He said, patting my shoulder.

“But I have no money!” I cried.

“Who is asking you to pay for this, my son?” He continued.

It took me a few seconds to sense the ___20___ moment. I didn’t even realize my tears were rolling down my face. Jimmy’s mother held me closely. It was like ___21___, as if my mother were there.

Mr. Kader said that my newper editor, Mr. Brown, was a friend of his, and the editor told him my story.

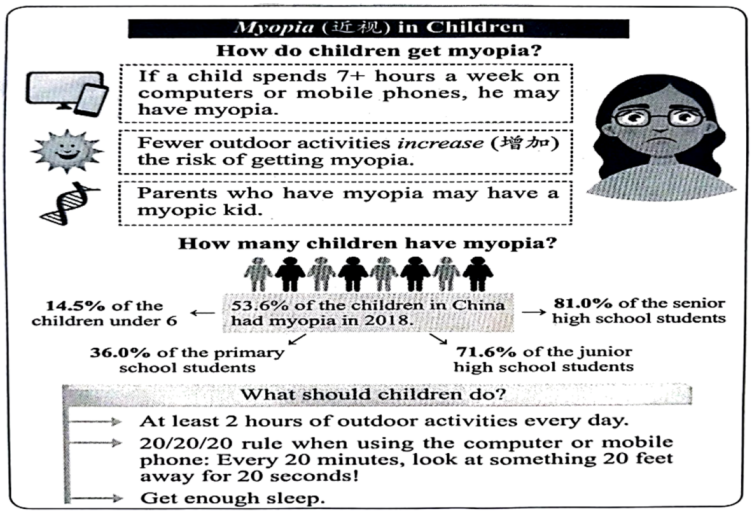
I bowed, thankfully, and left. This time, I didn’t have to ___22___!

For many years thereafter, it was the ___23___ that changed my life. I also learned a lesson: ____24____ should always be given according to people’s needs. Never try to feed a person who is dying of thirst.

15. A. enjoy	B. control	C. support	D. encourage
16. A. collect	B. make	C. find	D. read
17. A. quietly	B. carefully	C. nervously	D. quickly
18. A. ordered	B. made	C. showed	D. served
19. A. memories	B. messages	C. chances	D. plans
20. A. relaxing	B. friendly	C. silent	D. warm
21. A. luck	B. hope	C. life	D. home
22. A. explain	B. continue	C. walk	D. wait
23. A. breakfast	B. bicycle	C. newper	D. education
24. A. Help	B. Advice	C. Protection	D. Understanding

三、阅读理解（本大题共 13 小题，每小题 2 分，共 26 分）

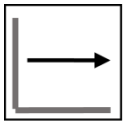
A



25. Linda has myopia. Maybe her _____ has myopia, too.

A. parent　　B. teacher　　C. cousin　　D. friend

26. Which can show the change in the number of myopia children as they grow?

A. 　B. 　C. 　D. 

27. What can we learn from the reading?

①Reasons for myopia　　②The number of myopia

③Ways to stay away from myopia　　④Proper food for myopia kids

A. ①②④　　B. ①③④　　C. ①②③　　D. ②③④

B

Making friends at school can be a little tricky - but it doesn't have to be! Try out a few of these methods to talk to people in your class and hang out with them outside of school. Before you know it, you'll have a group of friends to have fun with every day!

■ **Be friendly.**



Using proper body language will help, Stand up straight, make eye contact with people, and

smile! Try to avoid crossing your arms over your chest and looking closed off. The more open and friendly you look, the more people will want to get to know you.

- **Sit at a new table during ____28____.**



Look for tables with an open seat. If you're feeling a little nervous, pick a table that only has one or two people sitting down. Head over and ask if you can sit there, then join in on the conversation. If you like the people you sit with, ask if you can join them again the next day.

- **Try out for a sports team.**



Pick a sport that you like (it could be soccer, basketball, softball, baseball, or anything in between), and try out for the team. Over time, you could become good friends with some of the other people on your team! If your school doesn't have a sports team, try looking for one at your local community center.

- **Join an after-school club.**



Meet friends who have the same hobby as you. Ask a teacher or your parents for a list of after school activities and pick 1 or 2 of them that you're the most excited about. Introduce yourself to everyone when you attended your first club meeting to meet new people and start a fun conversation.

28. Which word is the most suitable for _____?

A. holiday B. class C. meeting D. lunch

29. This passage is mainly about _____.

A. how to talk to a stranger　　B. how to make friends

C. how to start a conversation　　D. how to choose activities

30. This passage is most probably written for _____.

A. school students　　B. school teachers

C. younger parents　　D. older parents

C

At home during suppertime, Pete announced, “Baba Olena wants us to come for Easter dinner.” Mom shook her head, “That’s sweet, but I don’t think so.” Dad laughed, “I wouldn’t want to seem rude if I didn’t like her cooking. Can you tell her thanks but we already have plans?”

Pete sighed. His parents hardly knew Baba Olena. They didn’t know about her pastries (糕点) and funny sayings. All they saw was an Ukrainian woman with strange hair and a yard full of chickens.

On Easter Sunday, they passed Baba Olena’s house as they headed for Dixie’s Diner. When they arrived, they found the diner was dark, and no cars were in front of it. “What?” said Dad. “They’re always open!” “Not today,” Mom said. “Guess we’ll be making sandwiches.”

Across the street, Baba Olena stepped out of the house, waving to them.

Pete shouted, “Looks like Baba’s expecting us.” “We can’t go there,” Dad said, but Baba was hurrying over. “You came! I’m so happy,” she said. “This morning I saw the diner is closed and thought maybe you will come.”

Inside, Pete’s parents sat stiff (僵硬地) as yardsticks while Baba was busy with her pastries happily.

Dad looked at something red on the table. “What’s this?” “Beet (甜菜) salad. I use the juice for my hair.” Baba and Pete smiled at each other.

“And this—” She set down bowls of what looked like little half-moon pastries—“is Ukrainian stuffed dumplings. These have cabbage filling; those have potato. No crane today.”

Mum looked at her, open-mouthed.

Pete laughed and explained about the “crane” chips. Dad and Mum laughed, too.

Mum took a small bite. “Delicious!” “Oh, good you like it.” Baba said.

By the time she cut the round Easter bread, everyone was talking. “Now I see why Pete wanted to eat here,” Dad said. Mum nodded. “And why he speaks highly of you nonstop.”

Later, Baba brought out the basket of eggs. “It’s an old Ukrainian tradition to play with Easter eggs,” she said. “See, Pete, hold yours to mine, end to end, like this. The egg that doesn’t break, wins.”

Pete held his egg ready. “I already won **something**,” he said.

31. When Pete sighed, he mostly felt _____.

A. acceptable B. regretful C. nervous D. guilty

32. What does the underlined word “something” in the last paragraph refer to (指代)?

A. The Easter egg. B. The delicious dinner.

C. The fantastic day. D. The traditional game.

33. What can we infer from the passage?

A. Baba knew little about Pete and his family members.

B. Baba once had an interesting talk about chips with Pete.

C. Pete’s family had dinner at Dixie’s Diner every Easter.

D. Pete always went to spend Sundays with Baba in her house.

D

Your smartphone isn’t listening to you—but does secretly watch everything you do.

Scientists made the finding while finding out the long-held rumor (传闻) that apps are able to control microphones in smartphones to secretly record audio to help them better target (把……对准某群体) advertisements showed online.

Smartphone users have complained of the frightening feeling for years—their apps are listening to their every word, but the new study couldn’t prove the practice had ever taken place.

Scientists did an experiment that tested 17,260 of the most popular Android apps, including many owned by . Of those surveyed, more than half had the right to enter users’ camera and microphone, allowing them to activate the features (激活该功能) any time the app was open. Researchers didn’t find that any were secretly recording using the built-in microphone.

The latest findings **dispel** the rumor that apps like sometimes record conversations and send keywords to third parties to help them target ads.

Users have complained that after chatting about some topics or tourist attractions, relevant (相关的) ads will often appear across their apps. A closer look at the results shows that while apps are not listening, some do often record footage (镜头、片段) and screenshots of what users are doing. The

software then sends this information to a third party for analysis.

Researchers caught one app, GoPuff, recording the screens of users and sending the footage to mobile analytics company Appsee. The app, which has been downloaded more than 100,000 times from Google Play Store, took footage of a screen that asked for customers to list their post code. Once this problem was brought to our attention, the company immediately cleared all recording data from our servers.

34. What has worried smartphone users for years?

A. Their phones spy on (监视) them every moment.

B. Third parties may control their smartphone apps.

C. They become the target of online advertisements.

D. Some apps shoot video of their actions.

35. What does the underlined word “dispel” in Paragraph 5 mean?

A. Spread. B. Prove. C. Explain. D. Remove.

36. Why do third parties receive footage from some apps?

A. To collect personal postcodes for better delivery.

B. To target the customers for their ads better.

C. To analyze and protect personal information.

D. To provide better service for phone owners.

37. What is the best title for the text?

A. Are those apps harmful to you? B. Is your phone watching you?

C. Do you worry about using your cellphone? D. Are you being tested by your phone?

第II卷（主观题共 50 分）

四、词汇运用（本大题共 8 小题，每小题 1 分，共 8 分）

(A) 根据句意和汉语注释，在答题卡对应题号的横线上，写出单词的正确形式。.

38. Though it is _____ (令人疲倦的) to prepare for the High School Entrance Examination, we will “keep calm and carry on”.

39. There is an old saying, “_____ (骄傲) goes before a fall.”

40. *The Wandering Earth II* is so _____ (广泛地) enjoyed that not even George Lucas himself can wait to watch it.

41. The manager has trained the waiters to improve the _____（服务）quality.

(B) 根据句意，在答题卡对应题号的横线上，写出单词的正确形式。

42. With the _____ (develop) of our country, our life is becoming better and better.

43. Don't worry. I have _____ (hang) all the wet clothes on the balcony.

44. Reading is important, for it can open up an _____ (know) world to us.

45. To protect the local environment, the government has decided to take _____ (far) action.

五、动词填空（本大题共 8 小题，每小题 1 分，共 8 分）

46. The old man exercises every day _____(improve) his health.

47. If this _____ (go) on, the wild animals will soon have nowhere to live.

48. China's Shenzhou-15 astronauts _____ (take) a 7-hour-long cewalk in February, 2023.

49. —Can you move a bit farther, dear? You are too close to the TV.

—Sorry, Mum. I didn't know I _____ (sit) so close.

50. What _____ you _____ (do) to my computer? It's dead!

51. —Waiter, I'd like a hamburger and corn salad?

—Sorry, madam. They _____ (serve) only at lunchtime and dinner time. What about something else?

52. When you have any trouble _____ (use) the website, just click on this icon for help.

53. Come on! Go ahead, or you _____ (regret) it for the rest of your life.

六、阅读填空 （本大题共 5 小题，每小题 1 分，共 5 分）

通读下面的短文,根据短文内容,在空格内填入一个最恰当的单词,写在答题卷对应题号的横线上，每空只能填一个单词。

Last January, my wife received a 1,000-piece jigsaw puzzle as a birthday gift. We knew the right steps to complete it. We dealt with the frame first and then the large objects with special lines and colors. My wife mainly used the color and shape of the pieces to help with the puzzle, but I paid much attention to the picture on the box as a guide. And so began our long journey of the puzzle.

What is a jigsaw? First, it is a puzzle to be solved. But unlike many puzzles, it can be solved with some talent and a stubborn determination (决心). In our case, 3 to 4 hours a day for 15 days.

In fact, a jigsaw puzzle is a testament to one's character. You use lots of time to complete this useless task for no better reason than not giving up. I recorded the journey on and received much

encouragement along the way from many unknown people.

So what to do with the completed puzzle? It is too big and I have nowhere to put it. I can do nothing but to break it up and put it back in the box. It took 15 days to put the puzzle together and only two minutes to break it up.

When our pieces were back in the box, it was clear that the goal was never to complete the puzzle at all. Rather it was just a method to fill time. In this way, jigsaw puzzles are like life itself: It's all about the journey and the destination (终点) is not very important.

Title: Jigsaw puzzles

The journey of solving the jigsaw puzzle	We ____54____ from the frame and then moved to large objects. My wife solved the puzzle with the help of the colour and shape of the pieces ____55____ I used the picture on the box as a guide. I recorded the journey on and many unknown people ____56____us along the way. We spent 15 days, 3 to 4 hours a day, completing the task.
Ways to deal with the completed jigsaw puzzle	I have to break it up and put it back in the box because it takes up too much ____57____.
My opinions on completing the jigsaw puzzle	A jigsaw is a puzzle to be solved with not only some talent but a stubborn determination. We can achieve it if we don't give up. Completing the jigsaw puzzle is just like life itself – the journey itself ____58____

	more than the destination.

七、完成句子 按所给的汉语，用英语完成下列句子，并将答案写在答题卷对应题号的横线上。（本大题共 6 小题，每小题 1.5 分，共 9 分）

59. 不仅这个古老的城市，而且这个乡村也值得游一游。

Not only the old city but also that country _____.

60. 最终，出于安全，我们只能缩短这次旅行。

For safety, we had to _____ at last.

61. 这些月饼是手工做的，很畅销。

These moon cakes _____ and they sell well.

62. 别做白日梦了！别指望你会碰巧引起导演的注意。

Stop daydreaming! Never expect that you'll _____.

63. 书桌杂乱不堪，作家无心创作。

The desk is _____ that the writer is in no mood to write anything.

64. 在我修理之前，我想知道你的机器人失控多久了。

I wonder how long the robot _____ before I have it repaired.

八、书面表达 （本大题共 20 分）

65. 近年来越来越多的交流学生来到中国。为了让他们更好地了解中国，21 世纪英文报开辟了"Cities in China" 的专栏，鼓励广大中小学生用英文介绍中国城市。假如你是小华，请你选择中国的一个城市，根据下列流程图完成一篇 100 词左右的征文。



注意事项：

1.短文须根据流程图自拟，要求语句通顺、意思连贯、符合题意；

2.括号中提供的信息为非限定性内容，仅供参考；

3.词数在 100 个左右，短文开头已在答题卡上给出，不计入总词数；

4.短文必须写在答题卡指定的位置上。

There are many beautiful cities in China. Among them,

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【正确答案】C

【详解】句意：阳光透过窗户照进来，在墙上留下了一道小小的彩虹。

shone...thend 超过；along 沿着；through 从内部穿过；across 横过，从一边到另一边。根据“The sun shone...the window and left a tiny rainbow on the wall.”可知，此处指阳光透过窗户照进来，应用 through。故选 C。

2. — _____ did the online concert begin?

— You didn’t miss anything. It has just begun.

A. When　　B. Where　　C. What　　D. Why

【正确答案】A

【详解】句意：——在线音乐会什么时候开始的？——你没有错过任何东西。这才刚刚开始。

考查特殊疑问句。when 什么时候；where 在哪里；what 什么；why 为什么。根据“You didn’t miss anything. It has just begun.”可知，此处应该询问的是时间，即什么时候开始的。故选 A。

3. Sandy seldom goes out at weekends because reading _____ most of her free time.

A. takes off　　B. takes out　　C. takes up　　D. takes away

【正确答案】C

【详解】句意：桑迪周末很少出去，因为阅读占据了她大部分的空闲时间。

考查动词短语辨析。takes off 起飞，脱掉；takes out 取出，拿出来；takes up 占据；takes away 拿走。根据“…most of her free time”可知，此处指很少出去的原因是因为阅读“占据了”大部分的空闲时间。故选 C。

4. 一 Can I ask you one question? And only one.

— Sure. _____.

A. Something　　B. Anything　　C. Someone　　D. Anyone

【正确答案】B

【详解】句意：——我能问你一个问题吗？只有一个。 ——当然，什么都行。

考查代词辨析。Something 某事；Anything 任何事；Someone 某人；Anyone 任何人。根据“Can I ask you one question? And only one.”可知，此处表示问任何事都可以。故选 B。

5. — A robot served us dinner last night. Don't you think we are living in amazing times?

— I can't agree more. The _____ makes our lives easier and happier.

A. information　　B. technology　　C. discovery　　D. competition

【正确答案】B

【详解】句意：——昨晚一个机器人为我们提供晚餐。你不觉得我们生活在一个令人惊奇的时代吗？ ——我非常同意。科技使我们的生活更轻松、更快乐。

考查名词。information 信息；technology 科技；discovery 发现；competition 竞赛。根据上文 A robot served us dinner last night 可知，科技的进步让人们的生活更轻松和快乐了。B 选项符合句意，故选 B。

6. We should learn some basic life skills since we _____ depend on ourselves some day.

A. can　　B. can't　　C. must　　D. mustn't

【正确答案】C

【详解】句意：既然有一天我们必须要依靠自己，我们就应该学习一些基本的生活技能。

考查情态动词。can 可以；can't 不会，不可以；must 必须；mustn't 不能，不可以。根据“depend on ourselves some day”可知将来有一天我们必须要依靠自己。“必须”用情态动词 must。故选 C。

7. — Listen! someone is crying upstairs.

— Oh, _____ must be my baby sister Meimei. She must be hungry.

A. she　　B. it　　C. this　　D. he

【正确答案】B

【详解】句意：——听！楼上有人在哭。——哦，那一定是我的小妹妹 Meimei，她一定是饿了。

考查代词。she 她；it 它；this 这个；he 他。英语中的 it 作为主语进行指代，表示推测等，和性别无关，也不用人称代词。故选 B。

8. I will try my best to help you, _____ I don't know what to start with yet.

A. whether　　B. since　　C. until　　D. though

【正确答案】D

【详解】句意：我将尽力帮助你，虽然我还不知道从何做起。

考查从属连词辨析。whether 是否；since 自从；until 直到；though 虽然。分析题干，"I will try my best to help you"与"I don't know what to start with yet."前后表示转折关系，应用 though 引导让步状语从句，意为"虽然"。故选 D。

9. The company announced the new model of their product _____ the next year.

A. will come out　　B. would come out　　C. came out　　D. comes out

【正确答案】B

【详解】句意：该公司宣布他们产品的新型号将于明年问世。

考查过去将来时。will come out 用于一般将来时；would come out 用于过去将来时；came out 用于一般过去时；comes out 用于一般现在时。根据"The company announced the new model of their product…the next year."可知此句是含有宾语从句的复合句，主句为一般过去时，从句要用过去的某种时态，根据"the next year"可知从句要用过去将来时，故选 B。

10. Stop asking _____ questions. Everyone is laughing at you.

A. so wise　　B. such wise　　C. so silly　　D. such silly

【正确答案】D

【详解】句意：别再问这些愚蠢的问题了。每个人都在嘲笑你。

考查 so 与 such 的区别以及形容词辨析。wise 明智的；silly 愚蠢的。so 修饰形容词，such 修饰名词，此空要修饰名词 questions，应用 such 修饰。根据"Everyone is laughing at you"可知，

此处指不要问愚蠢的问题，故选 D。

11. As the story _____, the clues to the case are discovered little by little. As a result, I have read it through without stopping.

A. ends　　B. begins　　C. develops　　D. happens

【正确答案】C

【详解】句意：随着故事的发展，案件的线索逐渐被发现。因此，我一口气读完了。

考查动词辨析。ends 结束；begins 开始；develops 发展；happens 发生。根据“the clues to the case are discovered little by little”可推测，此处是指故事中的情节继续进行，应用动词 develop 表示“发展”，符合语境。故选 C。

12. - What are you doing, Jack?

-I am searching for some information about the Blue Moon. I wonder _____.

A. that it will appear next time　　B. why does it look blue

C. when was it found for the first time　　D. whether it represents something lucky

【正确答案】D

【详解】句意：-你在干什么，杰克?

我正在搜索有关蓝月亮的信息。我想知道_____。

考查宾语从句。A. that it will appear next time 它下一次出现的时间；　B. why does it look blue 为什么它看起来是蓝色的；C. when was it found for the first time　它是什么时候第一次被发现的；D. whether it represents something lucky 它是否代表一些幸运的事情；因为宾语从句需要要陈述语序，所以 B,C 排除；又因为想知道后面应该加不确定的事情，而 that 后面加肯定的事实。所以 A 排除。故选 D。

宾语从句：

考点 1：引导词的选用

(1). 陈述句的引导词用 that，常可省略。

考点 2：语序 (宾语从句中从句要用陈述句语序，即从句中的第 1 助动词在主语之后）

考点 3：时态（主句从句在时态上要一致）

(1). 主句是现在时(一般现在时，一般将来时，现在进行时，现在完成时)，从句该用什么时

态就用什么时态。

(2). 主句是过去时(一般过去时，过去进行时)，从句只用过去某种相应时态。

(3). 从句表示客观真理或事实时，主句即使用过去时，从句仍然用一般现在时。

13. —Look at this mess! How much time do you think we need to clear it up?

—It is a big job, but _____. Let's all get started now.

A. many hands make light work　　B. the more, the better

C. the early bird catches the worm　　D. actions speak louder than words

【正确答案】A

【详解】句意：——看看这个烂摊子！你觉得我们需要多少时间才能弄清楚。——这是一项艰巨的工作，但众人拾柴火焰高。现在让我们开始吧。

考查常识和习语。many hands make light work 众人拾柴火焰高；the more, the better 越多越好；the early bird catches the worm 早起的鸟儿有虫吃；actions speak louder than words 行胜于言，事实用于雄辩。根据"It is a big job"可知，这是一项艰巨的工作，需要众人一起努力，因此"众人拾柴火焰高，人多力量大"的说法符合。故选 A。

14. —What's wrong? It seems that you're losing control of the situation.

—_____ Don't stick your nose into my business.

A. Take your time!　　B. Are you kidding?　　C. Don't mention it.　　D. Let me alone!

【正确答案】D

【详解】句意：——怎么了？你似乎对局面失去了控制。——让我自己呆会！不要管我的事。

考查情景交际。Take your time 别着急；Are you kidding 你在开玩笑吗；Don't mention it 别提了；Let me alone 让我一个人呆着。根据"Don't stick your nose into my business"可知，说话者想自己呆会，让对方不要多管闲事。故选 D。

二、完形填空（本大题共 10 小题，每小题 1 分，共 10 分）

Before I could turn 10, I had lost my parents. To ___15___ myself and my education, I had taken to delivering（递送）newpers.

a.m.a.m.get up every morning by 5 a.m. and walk five kilometers from Hydery to the newper

office in Bazar. By 6 a.m., I would ___16___ 50 copies of newper which must have weighed over five kilos. After delivering them, I would rush home—another three kilometers away—cook my breakfast, eat ___17___ and be off to school.

One morning, I found a boy of my age at my doorstep. He introduced himself as Jimmy and said his parents wanted to see me. I guessed they wished to subscribe to（订阅）the newper, so I followed him to his place nearby.

Jimmy's mother opened the door. She ___18___ me a large plate of snacks and fruit salad.

It was a rich breakfast, one that brought back ___19___ of the happy time with my parents. As I was about to leave, Jimmy's father, Mr. Kader, appeared with a new bicycle.

"This is for you!" He said, patting my shoulder.

"But I have no money!" I cried.

"Who is asking you to pay for this, my son?" He continued.

It took me a few seconds to sense the ___20___ moment. I didn't even realize my tears were rolling down my face. Jimmy's mother held me closely. It was like ___21___, as if my mother were there.

Mr. Kader said that my newper editor, Mr. Brown, was a friend of his, and the editor told him my story.

I bowed, thankfully, and left. This time, I didn't have to ___22___!

For many years thereafter, it was the ___23___ that changed my life. I also learned a lesson: ____24____ should always be given according to people's needs. Never try to feed a person who is dying of thirst.

15. A. enjoy	B. control	C. support	D. encourage
16. A. collect	B. make	C. find	D. read
17. A. quietly	B. carefully	C. nervously	D. quickly
18. A. ordered	B. made	C. showed	D. served
19. A. memories	B. messages	C. chances	D. plans
20. A. relaxing	B. friendly	C. silent	D. warm
21. A. luck	B. hope	C. life	D. home
22. A. explain	B. continue	C. walk	D. wait
23. A. breakfast	B. bicycle	C. newper	D. education

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