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## 2020-2021 学年江苏中考英语阅读理解专题练习 《文学作品 1》

1. That morning, we noticed a cab following Sir Henry and Dr. Mortimer in London. But who?

We went to Sir Henry's hotel. Holmes asked Dr. Mortimer if anyone with a black beard lived in or near Baskerville Hall.

"Yes," said Dr. Mortimer, "Barrymore."

"We must send a telegram to check whether Barrymore is in London or at Baskerville Hall," said Holmes.

Sir Henry said he wanted to go to Baskerville Hall.

"OK," said Holmes. "But you mustn't go alone. Watson can go with you."

Sir Henry and I agreed to take the 10:30 train on Saturday.

Holmes thought deeply on the way home: the story of the Hound, Sir Charles's death, the strange letter, the missing boot and the black-bearded man. He sat in his room all afternoon, smoking and thinking.

Just before dinner, a telegram arrived. It said, "Barrymore is at Baskerville Hall."

"That becomes a dead end, Watson. We will have to look for another way to go forward.

Just then the door bell rang. It was the cab driver who drove the man with the black beard. "I got a message that you are asking for me," he said. "I've never had a complaint. I came here to ask you what you had against me!"

"No, no," said Holmes. "Instead, I'll give you money if you tell me about the man in your cab this morning. He watched this house at 10:00 and then told you to follow the two gentlemen."

The driver looked surprised and then answered, "The man said he was a detective (侦探) and that I shouldn't tell anyone about him."

"It's serious, my friend, and you may be in trouble if you refuse to answer." "His name," said the driver, "was Sherlock Holmes."

I'd never seen Holmes more surprised. Then he laughed. "He scored against me that time, Watson."

The driver told us everything he knew. Holmes gave him the money and sent him away. "This is a dangerous enemy (敌人), Watson."

《 - Taken from The Hound of the Baskervilles 》

(1) According to the passage, the underlined phrase "dead end" in Paragraph 10 means \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Holmes wanted to give up solving the case
- B. the road in front of Baskerville Hall was closed
- C. the cab driver didn't find his way and turned round
- D. they didn't know who the man with a black beard was

(2) According to the passage, we can know that the cab driver \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. was as dangerous as the black-bearded man
- B. received a complaint from the black-bearded man
- C. didn't know why Holmes asked for him at the beginning
- D. didn't tell Holmes anything about the black-bearded man

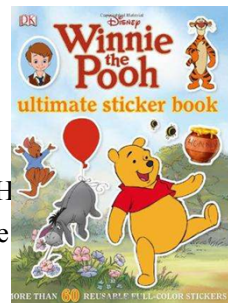
(3) Which of the following is the correct order according to the passage? \_\_\_\_\_

- a. Holmes received the telegram.
- b. The cab driver came to see Holmes.
- c. Watson was asked to go with Sir Henry.
- d. Holmes was surprised and then laughed.

- e. Watson and Sir Henry took the 10: 30 train.  
 A. cabde            B. ceabd            C. abcde            D. acebd

2. It is nice outside, so Pooh wants to take a walk. When Pooh walks, he sings a song. "I have some honey. Today is so sunny. Hum, dee, ho, hammy. "

Soon Pooh comes to Rabbit's house. "Hum, dee, dee, dam, dam. " Pooh sings. Rabbit stretches (伸出) his head out of his window. "Pooh, you woke (唤醒) me Rabbit. "I'm sorry. " says Pooh. "Would you like to sing with me? " says Rabbit. Rabbit closes his window and goes back to bed. Pooh (继续) on his walk.



The next day is also bright and sunny. Pooh wakes up happily. He then eats some honey, Once again, he goes out for a walk. "The sunny, I want more honey. " sings Pooh. When Pooh walks by Rabbit's house, he sees something new.

"Rabbit has a sign, and it looks so fine, " Pooh sings. "Pooh, you woke me up again!" shouts a sleepy Rabbit. "Sorry, Rabbit, " says Pooh, "I like your new sign. " "Thank you. " says Rabbit. "I make it. It says, 'NO SINGING IN THE MORNING!' " "You do a very nice job. " says Pooh. The next morning, Pooh decides to walk in the other way.

(1) Pooh gets up\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. in the morning            B. in the afternoon  
 C. when the sun goes down    D. when it is a happy day.

(2) After he eats some honey, Pooh\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. reads a book            B. goes to bed  
 C. takes a walk outside    D. stays at home

(3) What is Rabbit doing when Pooh walks past the Rabbit's home? \_\_\_\_\_

- A. He is eating his breakfast.    B. He is waiting for Pooh.  
 C. He is opening the window.    D. He is having a sleep.

(4) Rabbit puts a sign out of his house because\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. it is a nice job  
 B. he doesn't like Pooh  
 C. he doesn't want Pooh to sing in the morning  
 D. he doesn't want to make friends with Pooh

(5) From the story, we know\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Pooh likes singing very much    B. Rabbit gets up very early  
 C. Rabbit likes to eat honey        D. Pooh doesn't like Rabbit

3. Hannay was nervous. His enemies (敌人) were searching for him. All around him were grassy hills without trees. He had nowhere to hide. How could he get away?

Hannay walked along the country road for a long time. Then he saw a road worker, who was working alone, fixing the road. Hannay could see the road worker was not feeling well. Hannay came up to him and said "How are you? "

"My head hurts, " the road worker said. "I can't do it. I want to go home to bed. My daughter got married yesterday, and I drank a lot of wine with my friends. That's the problem!"

Hannay agreed that he should be home in bed.

"Yes, and I would be, " he replied, "but yesterday I received a message saying that the new surveyor (检验员) was coming to look at my work. If he comes and finds me away, I'll be in trouble. "

Suddenly Hannay had a bright idea - he could act as the road worker and get away from his

enemies.

"You go off to bed, " Hannay said. "I'll do your job until the new surveyor comes. "

The road worker was pleased with this idea. He gave Hannay his hat and his old coat. Then he went home to sleep and perhaps to drink a bit more. Hannay put on the road worker's hat and coat and began to fix the road. About an hour later he heard a voice.

"Are you the road worker? " it asked.

It was the new surveyor. He was a young man with a clean face. He sat in a small car.

Hannay said yes. The surveyor told him about some work he wanted him to do before he came by again and drove off. Hannay continued with his work.

Then a village boy came by. "What has happened to the road worker? " he asked.

"He stayed at home today, " Hannay replied. "He's sick. "

At about midday, a large car came down the hill and stopped near Hannay. Three men got out of the car. Hannay's heart beat fast. He knew his enemies were coming...

(1) What's this passage probably taken from? \_\_\_\_\_

- A. A history book.                      B. A travel book.  
C. A novel.                                D. A science book.

(2) What was cause of the road worker's feeling ill? \_\_\_\_\_

- A. Too much eating.                      B. Having a cold.  
C. Working all day.                        D. Too much drinking.

(3) How did Hannay feel when the enemies were coming? \_\_\_\_\_

- A. Happy.                      B. Surprised.                      C. Lucky.                      D. Afraid.

(4) What can we infer (推断) from the story? \_\_\_\_\_

- A. Hannay helped the road worker because he was warm - hearted.  
B. The grassy hills were a perfect hiding place for Hannay.  
C. The surveyor had a lot of working experience.  
D. The village boy knew the road worker.

- 4 In recent years military (军事的), movies are becoming more popular, such as 2017's British hit Dunkirk, 2014's American Sniper. It's common to see heroes for their countries on the big screen. But even though we are used to patriotic Western soldiers saving the world, Chinese filmmakers showing that China also has heroes that they want to share with the



fighting seeing are also audience

Operation Red Sea is based on the real - life events of the Navy who rescued hundreds of Chinese and foreign nationals from 2015. This military action movie came out on Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018 in cinemas. It became headlines across the country, from newspapers to social media.

Chinese Yemen in Chinese

Many Chinese people may have thought that the Chinese military only dealt with disaster and public safety within Chinese boundary. However, the success of Operation Red Sea changed people's ideas.

"These days there is more and more news in China about the military, perhaps reflecting the global environment and China becoming a great power, " Beijing - based film and box office Jiang Yong said. " It's influencing young people more. "

Operation Red Sea was co - produced by the Chinese Navy's media arm, and came hot after Chinese box office records Wolf Warrior 2 (《战狼2》). The Chinese military's willingness to show its latest arms and equipment (装备) is due to the fact that " the national strength of China has risen and in some

aspects even surpasses (超过) other leading powers", Chinese naval expert Li Jie told the Global Times.

(1) Why did the Chinese government send military army to Yemen according to the passage? \_\_\_\_\_

- A. To show that China has the latest arms and equipment.
- B. To deal with disaster and public safety.
- C. To help people get out of the country.
- D. To influence Chinese people more.

(2) The underlined word "rescued" may mean \_\_\_\_\_ in the second paragraph according to the passage.

- A. saved
- B. attracted
- C. influenced
- D. fought

(3) Which of the following is NOT true according to the passage? \_\_\_\_\_

- A. Operation Red Sea is based on an international event that happened in Yemen.
- B. After watching the movie, people will learn more about China's army.
- C. The movie caught many people's eyes and became very popular.
- D. Chinese filmmakers made the film only because military movies are popular these years.

(4) The passage is probably taken from a (n) \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. science magazine
- B. newspaper
- C. travel guidebook
- D. military novel

5. Still remember the following poems? Memories return every time I read or hear them.

<p>① Hush now, my little one Hush now, any sunshine. Hush now, piece of my heart. Go to sleep, my little one. Go to sleep, my love. Go to sleep, piece of my heart. Sleep, my little one, While I sing to you. Sleep, my little one, Who is already asleep.</p>	<p>② My mama feeds me, And washes my fur. The first thing I see every morning is her. The last thing I kiss every night is her face. My mama is the very best one, And sings like a bird, And knows how I feel. When I don't say a word, My mama is warm.</p>	<p>③ I can set the table. I can sweep the floor. I can wash my clothes And count to forty - four. I can wash dishes. And clean my bedroom. There is so much I can do. Now ask you.</p>
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(1) The first poem is sung to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. babies
- B. mothers
- C. relatives
- D. friends

(2) In the second poem, the last thing "I" will kiss at night is \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. the fur
- B. Mum's face
- C. a bird
- D. Mum's bed

(3) What do you think of "I" in the third poem? \_\_\_\_\_

- A. Shy.
- B. Lucky.
- C. Crazy.
- D. Helpful.

(4) What are the three poems mainly about? \_\_\_\_\_

- A. Food and health.
- B. Hobbies and sports.
- C. Family and love.
- D. Animals and humans.

6. The Cop and the Anthem (警察与赞美诗) is one of O. Henry's most famous works. This novel describes a poor homeless man, Soapy. When winter is coming, Soapy wants to look for a place to live. So he does some bad things in order to let the cop notice him and put him into prison (监狱). However, things don't go as he hopes. But when he decides to live a new life and return to

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good, he is arrested (抓捕).

O. Henry was a pen name used by an American writer of short stories. His real name was William Sydney Porter. He was born in North Carolina in 1862. As a young boy he lived an exciting life. He did not go to school for long, but he managed to teach himself everything he needed to know. When he was about 20 years old, O. Henry went to Texas, where he tried different jobs. He first worked on a newspaper, and then had a job in a bank. When some money went missing from the bank, they thought O. Henry stole (偷窃) it. Because of that, he was sent to prison. During the three years in prison, he learned to write short stories. After he got out of prison, he went to New York and continued writing. He wrote mostly about New York and the life of the poor there. People liked his stories, because simple as the tales were, they would finish with a sudden change in the end, to the readers' surprise.

(1) The Cop and the Anthem (警察与赞美诗) describes\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. a poor, wise man, O. Henry
- B. a rich, happy man, Soapy
- C. a poor, homeless man, Soapy
- D. the poor, strong cop

(2) What do we know about O. Henry before he began writing? \_\_\_\_\_

- A. He was well - educated (受教育的).
- B. He did well at school.
- C. He was very poor.
- D. He could teach himself about what he needed to know.

(3) O. Henry went to prison because\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. people thought he stole money from the newspaper
- B. he wanted to write stories about prisoners
- C. he broke the law by not using his own name
- D. people thought he stole money from the bank.

(4) People enjoyed reading O. Henry's stories because\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. they had surprise endings
- B. they were easy to understand
- C. they showed his love for the poor
- D. they were about New York City

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<p>My Favorite Sweater By Bonnie Highsmith Taylor My favorite sweater grew too small. I love that sweater best of all. My grandma made it when I was three. She made that sweater just for me.</p> <p>I picked the yarn (纱线), a special blue. The color of bluebells (风铃花), When I was three I was very small. But now I'm five and much too tall.</p> <p>I have a new jacket now that's green</p>
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So I gave my sweater to our cat Queen.  
 Queen just gave birth to kittens in her room.  
 My favorite sweater is now their bed.

- (1) Who made the sweater? \_\_\_\_\_  
 A. The grandma.      B. Miss Taylor.      C. The kittens.      D. The cat Queen.
- (2) The underlined word "kittens" in this poem most probably means \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. a kind of food                      B. baby cats  
 C. a kind of drink                      D. beds for babies

8.

Name	Bao
	
Introduction	This cartoon tells a story of an aging Chinese mom who suffers from empty - nest syndrome (综合症). She gets another chance at motherhood when one of her dumplings comes to life. People were touched by the way Bao described their lives. It won the Best Animation Award of oscar in 2019.
Release time	June 15, 2018
Director	Domee Shi, Chinese - Canadian
Name	CoCo
	
Introduction	In the cartoon, Miguel, a music - loving boy and Eckerto, a poor musician have a wonderful adventure in a colourful and mysterious world. The idea of the film comes from the Mexico's traditional festival - the Day of the Dead. On that day, the dead return to the Earth and get together with the family. It won the Best Animation Award of oscar in 2018.
Release time	November 24, 2017
Director	Lee Edward Unkrich and Adrian Molina, American
Name	Avengers: Endgame

	
Introduction	This film is the 22nd Marvel film and the fourth of the Avengers series. It shows audience the turning point of the grand journey. The heroes will truly understand how weak this reality is and the sacrifices (牺牲) that must be made to protect it.
Release time	April 24, 2019
Director	Anthony Russo and Joe Russo, American
Name 	Totoro
Introduction	In this cartoon, two girls Satsuke and Mei, move into a house in the countryside with their father because their mother is in hospital. The girls find that magical creatures called Totoros are living in the nearby forest. They soon become friends with Totoros and have several adventures together. This film is full of the warmth of family and fairy tale colour.
Release time	December 14, 2018
Director	Miyazaki Hayao, Japanese

(1) Which film was released the earliest? \_\_\_\_\_

- A. Bao.                    B. Coco.                    C. Avengers.                    D. Totoro.

(2) Who is the director of Avengers: Endgame? \_\_\_\_\_

- A. Domee Shi.  
B. Miyazaki Hayao.  
C. Lee Edward Unkrich and Adrian Molina.  
D. Anthony Russo and Joe Russo.

(3) What can we learn from the information above? \_\_\_\_\_

- A. All of the films won Oscar Awards.  
B. Avengers: Endgame is a cartoon film.  
C. Only the director of Coco is from America.  
D. Coco and Totoro are both about adventures.

(4) What's the purpose of writing these passages? \_\_\_\_\_

- A. To teach how to make friends.
- B. To ask people to watch TV.
- C. To introduce some films to people.
- D. To tell people how to make cartoons.

(5) Where can you find this passage? \_\_\_\_\_

- A. On the Internet.
- B. In a newspaper.
- C. In a textbook.
- D. In a novel.

9.

### The Pony

by Vivien Wad

I am a little horse, who never will be tall, For I'm a Shetland pony, bred to be small.	Most children need help, to be placed upon my back, As I lead them carefully, around the circular track (圆形跑道).
I live with other horses, where I am stabled (关在马厩), The work I do is called "riding for the disabled".	Some are afraid, riding me removes (消除) their fears, To hear all their laughter, is music to my ears.
I can carry little children, because I am so small, My nature is very gentle, would never let them fall.	I'm sure these children, are excited as can be, Waiting for their next visit to come and ride on me.

(1) What can we learn about the little horse? \_\_\_\_\_

- A. It was born short and small.
- B. It is easy to become angry.
- C. It always lives a free life.
- D. It makes children afraid.

(2) Which line of the following can show the little horse likes children? \_\_\_\_\_

- A. The work I do is called "riding for the disabled".
- B. I can carry little children because I am so small.
- C. Most children need help to be placed upon my back.
- D. To hear all their laughter is music to my ears.

10. Dear World:

My son starts school today.

It's going to be strange and new to him for a while, and I wish you would treat him gently

You see, up to now, he's been king of the roost (小皇帝).

He's been leader of the backyard.

I have always been around to repair his wounds (伤口), and to comfort his feelings.

But now - things are going to be different.

This morning, he's going to walk down the front steps, say goodbye and start on his great adventure (冒险) that will probably include wars and sad stories.

To live his life in the world will need love and confidence.



So, World, I wish you would take him by his young hand and teach him the things he will have to know

Teach him - but gently, if you can.

Teach him that for every bad man there is a hero; that for every enemy there is a friend.

Teach him the wonders of books.

Give him quiet time to watch the birds in the sky, bees in the sun, and flowers on the green hill.

Teach him it is far better to fail than to cheat (欺骗).

Teach him to believe his own ideas, even if everyone tells him they are wrong.

Teach him to close his ears to groups of shouting people...and to stand and fight if he thinks he's right.

Teach him gently World, but don't treat him too kindly, because only the test of fire makes fine steel.

This is a big order, World, but see what you can do.

He's such a nice little boy.

(1) Who is probably the writer? \_\_\_\_\_

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

(2) The writer hopes World can teach the boy a lot of things except to \_\_\_\_\_.

A. become a hero B. like reading  
C. enjoy nature D. believe himself

(3) What does the underlined sentence mean? \_\_\_\_\_

A. The boy must be treated gently but not kindly.  
B. The boy has to face difficulties before success.  
C. The boy should learn to make fine steel with fire.  
D. The boy needs energy to help him grow up quickly.

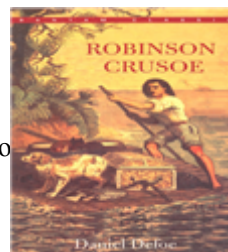
(4) The purpose of writing the letter is to \_\_\_\_\_.

A. order World to be gentle to the boy  
B. show World is different from the past  
C. wish the boy could learn a lot from World  
D. discuss the good and bad points of World

11. My name is Robinson Crusoe, and I was born in the city of York in 1632. My father was a successful businessman. I had two elder brothers. One of them worked in the army and was killed during the war against Spain. The other was missing one day, and we never knew what had happened to him. My father gave me a good education and wanted me to be a lawyer (律师).

However, I wanted to be a sailor and go to sea. My father was angry with me. He didn't understand why I wanted to leave his house, would have an easy and comfortable life.

"Two kinds of people go to sea," he said. "They are the very poor and the very rich people. The poor are foolish, having no other way to rich own ships and can make money with them. You are neither too rich, so you should stay at home with your mother and me. Your brother didn't listen to me, and now he is dead. If you do not listen to me, you will have a difficult life!"



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I tried to do what he wanted me to do, but I couldn't. I spoke to my mother.

"Please ask Dad if he will let me have one voyage by sea," I asked her. "When I return, I will live the life he wants me to live."

Mum was angry. "Your father will not let you go. I don't want you to go to sea either. It's

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