

# 广东省六校 2024 届高三下学期第四次联考英语试卷

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## 一、阅读理解

### What is PayQuick?

PayQuick is a fast payment service for shopping in the biggest supermarket in the UK — Tesco. It allows you to add your credit or debit card details to the app on your smartphone to pay for your shopping with just one scan, which means you can go wallet-free in all UK Tesco stores.

What are the benefits?

- Collect your Tesco points automatically
- Pay for your weekly shopping up to £250
- Use PayQuick offline, even with no signal
- Track your spending in Tesco

However, only one qualifying deal per week will collect the extra Tesco points. Additional payments in the same week won't receive extra points. Tesco points will be added to your future Tesco points statement.

How to get your PayQuick?

Available to new customers who sign up by 3rd March 2024, the PayQuick app can be downloaded from the App Store or our official website. Once you have the app on your phone, register your personal details on the app to get an account. Note that for each customer, only one account is allowed and a family shared account will not be acknowledged. Finally, once all the preparation work is done, you'll be ready to shop using just your phone.

Plus, there's no need to worry about your bank details being stored on your phone — they're all securely protected in our data centers. So not only is it quicker and easier than going shopping with your wallet, as well.

1. If customers use PayQuick in UK Tesco stores, they can \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. purchase things only offline
- B. get their Tesco points automatically
- C. keep track of their daily spending
- D. pay for their shopping without limit

2. Which is NOT a must for PayQuick users?

- A. To register by 3rd March 2024.

- B. To download the PayQuick app.
- C. To bring their phones with them.
- D. To share the account with their family.

3. What is the author's intention in writing this passage?

- A. To ensure the safety of PayQuick.
- B. To stress the importance of PayQuick.
- C. To popularize the use of PayQuick.
- D. To illustrate the application of PayQuick.

Tonight, our family was going out to play under the full moon.

My husband Todd and I first started going on full moon walks for ourselves as we needed these little doses of moonlight to stay happy, though sometimes we had to hike through the forest to find a perfect spot. But after we became parents we did this for our children. We wanted to show Sierra and Bryce that it was not necessary to travel far from home to have an adventure and learn something new, and that there was much magic in the natural world, available to all.

Once we arrived at our location, Sierra and I stood holding hands, waiting to see the full moon in its rising sliver of the appealing moon emerged above the ridge of the mountain afar. Soon, more of the moon came out until it turned into a brilliant orange. Todd explained to Sierra and Bryce that the moon generates no light, but simply acts as a mirror, reflecting the sunlight back to us. "Does the moon's face change?" Bryce asked him that the moon rotates (旋转) around the earth, but does not spin by itself, so the same side of the moon is always facing the earth. Sierra remarked that the moon looked larger closer when it was rising. I explained that it is a错觉 (illusion) because it is so close to the horizon that the moon magically tricks our eyes into comparing it with nearby objects, thus creating the impression of the increased size.

Much of the knowledge that I shared with the kids was learned from my parents. During my childhood, they would take me on educational adventures out in the woods, and as I grew up, I found, so did their parents. So every time I go for a full moon walk with my beloved family, I thank those wise educators who came before me.

To educate, sometimes all it takes is going outdoors and gazing up at the heavens.

4. What does the underlined word "this" in paragraph 2 refer to?

- A. Going on a hike through the forest.
- B. Taking a walk under the full moon.

- C. Watching magic shows every month.
- D. Traveling far from home for adventure.
5. What can we learn from their family outing?
- A. The kids were reluctant to participate.
- B. Todd mentioned the mirror to explain sunlight.
- C. The kids exhibited a spirit of exploration about the moon.
- D. The author used a magic trick to explain the larger moon.
6. Which of the following best describes the parents?
- A. Creative and faithful.                      B. Selfless and brave.
- C. Inspiring and generous.                      D. Insightful and patient.
7. What does the story convey to the readers?
- A. Life is what you make it.
- B. Every cloud has a silver lining.
- C. Nature is the best teacher.
- D. God helps those who help themselves.

As humanity has got richer, animal's roles have changed. People need their services more than before. Fewer wolves and thieves meant less demand for dogs for protection; the internal combustion engine (内燃机) made horses unneeded; modern sanitation (卫生设备) kept rats in check and made cats less useful. Domestic animals are no longer necessities, but commonly seen companions. Pet-keeping seems to become more and more popular, as a recent survey found that 69% of American households keep at least one pet.

The pet business is growing even faster than pet numbers, because people are spending more and more money on them. No longer are they food-waste-recyclers, fed with the remains that fall from their masters' tables. Pet food has evolved into cuisines tailored to satisfy a range of appetites, including ice cream for dogs and foods for pets that are old, diabetic, or suffer from sensitive digestion.

In the business, this is called "pet humanization," a tendency of pet owners to treat their pets as part of the family. This is obvious in the names given to dogs, which have evolved from Fido, Rex, and Spot to Bella, Lucy, and Max.

People still hold the false assumption that pets must be working for humanity in some way, perhaps making people healthier or less anxious. But the evidence for that is weak. Research suggests that dogs have evolved those "cute eyes" to affect human emotions and control them, which works very well. Humans now work very hard to pay for the care of the

pets. For example, Americans often refer to themselves not as cat owners but as the cat's "mommy" or "daddy". South Koreans go one step further describing themselves as cat "butler (管家)". Watch an unlucky man walking his dog, plastic bag in hand to pick mess, and we have to doubt: who's in charge now? Is this relationship what we really want?

8. What can we learn about the animal-keeping trend?

- A. People's needs for animal services are increasing.
- B. The price for purchasing a domestic pet is on the rise.
- C. Pet foods are less various and customized than before.
- D. Both the pet number and the pet business are growing.

9. Which of the following is the evidence of "pet humanization"?

- A. Pets' ability to make their owners less anxious.
- B. Human's increasing investment in pet-keeping.
- C. Pet's roles as both working staff and companions.
- D. The owners' preference to give pets human names.

10. What is the author's attitude towards the current pet-human relationship?

- A. Skeptical.
- B. Conservative.
- C. Unclear.
- D. Approving.

11. Which might be the best title of the passage?

- A. The Changing Roles of Pets
- B. The Growing Trend of Pet Business
- C. The Craze for Pet-keeping
- D. The Pros and Cons of Keeping Pets

Hibernation (冬眠) is a classic topic of science fiction. In movies such as *2001: A Space Odyssey*, *Alien*, or *Passengers*, crew members are put into a state of sleep to take year-long journeys to space. Now a new study from Washington University has shown that human hibernation may soon become a reality.

The research team carried out tests on rats — an animal that does not naturally hibernate. They first identified a group of neurons (神经元) in a deep brain region, which were found to be involved in controlling body temperature during hibernation. They showed that, in mice, these neurons could be stimulated using ultrasound (超声波), which was delivered through a helmet without causing an injury.

When receiving the ultrasound, the mice showed a drop in body temperature of about 3°C and their heart rates fell by about 47%. When the ultrasound system was switched off, they woke up again. The result was "surprising and fascinating", said Hong Chen, a professor at Washington University.

led the work.

Researchers are also trying to determine how to harness the power of hibernation to humans. They believe that it could be key to addressing health conditions like heart disease and Alzheimer's. Furthermore, hibernation's ability to slow aging, which was observed in bats, could benefit space exploration, enabling longer missions with less food requirements. Research in animals also suggests that bodies of hibernating astronauts might lose less bone and muscle, making them fit and ready to start challenging exploration soon after they wake up.

By unlocking the secrets of this remarkable process, researchers may uncover ways to improve human health as well as gain new insights into the natural world. Therefore, the exploration of hibernation is an exciting area that yields numerous benefits in the years to come.

The scientists now plan to look at how lowered body temperature might affect the cognitive abilities of humans. "Our next experiments will test working memory in monkeys. This is important because while astronauts physically hibernate as they fly into deep space, their brain still needs to be working," said Chen.

12. How did researchers put rats into hibernation?

- A. By lowering their body temperature.
- B. By activating specific brain neurons.
- C. By putting a regular helmet on them.
- D. By using ultrasound through an operation.

13. What does the underlined word "harness" in Paragraph 4 probably mean?

- A. Employ.
- B. Challenge.
- C. Overlook.
- D. Discover.

14. What advantage might hibernation bring to humans?

- A. It improves people's mental health.
- B. It predicts a variety of heart diseases.
- C. It helps astronauts keep physically fit.
- D. It enables astronauts to build up muscle.

15. What's the purpose of the last paragraph?

- A. To point out the significance of the study.
- B. To bring out the focus of follow-up studies.
- C. To discuss other factors affecting hibernation.
- D. To explain practical applications of the finding.

## 二、七选五

### 16. Make a difference at school

Besides being a great place to learn, school offers a great opportunity to make friends, try new things, and give back to others. The beginning of a school year is a good time for you to take advantage of opportunities and activities that your school offers. Here's how to get started.

#### Reach out

Try to be more involved in activities, clubs, and teams. All of these help you meet new people, including teachers and staff, who can give you an idea of the needs the school has. ② \_\_\_\_\_. Ask if you can attend meetings to share ideas and listen to what others want to change at school.

#### ③ \_\_\_\_\_

Your school may have a variety of clubs—from robotics to anime. If you have an interest that's not covered by a current school club, you consider forming your own. Many schools have a standard process for approving clubs, which may include asking a teacher to advise the club, and finding a place and time to meet.

#### Identify a need and take action

Think about what makes you feel happy at school. Maybe you enjoy having lunch or playing soccer during break. Now think about ways those could be even better. You might wish there were more food options or more balls to play. Once you have your idea, talk to school staff to see if students could help. ④ \_\_\_\_\_.

#### Be kind

⑤ \_\_\_\_\_. However, you can help create a positive atmosphere at school by being kind and respectful to others. This includes respecting teacher's rules, saying thank you when a student helps you, cleaning up any mess you make, and saying hello to others in the hallway. Attitude is infectious!

A. Start something new

B. Find what appeals to you

C. It may seem like a simple action

D. For example, involve yourself in the student union

E. You can also take full advantage of what you have on hand

F. It's also a good time to think of ways to make a difference to your school

G. You could offer to develop a diverse meal plan or organize fundraising for new balls

三、完形填空 (15 空)

My mom loved to pass her wisdom to me: "Nothing beats a good bite that bites back." She was referring to her bitter-taste foods like dill pickles (大黄) and rhubarb. But I was not a big fan.

Three years ago, I finally decided to try it if I could dig out other rhubarb while weeding the garden. "Not!" Mom gasped, throwing me a(n) sharp look. Clearly, I had underestimated her affection for it. However, as I continued weeding, I realized how rhubarb is one of the first to appear in spring. It breaks through the snowy ground before the arrival of other plants. How can anyone fail to notice it? When those first sprouts appeared, Mom would count them like a doctor counting a newborn's fingers and toes.

When I was a kid and my mom gave me that pie, it made me curious to try. As a teenager, it made me complain about the bitterness. Even ice cream or candies did not make the deal for my young taste buds. (Rhubarb was something to be avoided at all costs.)

Then, last summer, I came across the recipe for her rhubarb pie in an old cookbook. I decided to give it a try. A few attempts later, I served rhubarb pie to my guests. All agreed, including me, that it tasted incredible.

Since then I've come to appreciate it about rhubarb. Rhubarb's taste may be lost on children, but adults can enjoy it. Like my wise mother, I now understand that "Nothing beats a good bite that bites back."

17. A. dig      B. check      C. figure      D. smell
18. A. Absolutely    B. Possibly      C. Basically      D. Technically
19. A. warm      B. anxious      C. curious      D. sharp
20. A. talent      B. affection      C. patience      D. ambition
21. A. asking      B. weeding      C. assessing      D. walking
22. A. makes for    B. takes in      C. breaks through    D. puts down
23. A. admire      B. miss      C. ignore      D. question
24. A. friend      B. doctor      C. parent      D. child
25. A. grateful    B. content      C. guilty      D. reluctant
26. A. enlarge    B. cancel      C. sweeten      D. postpone
27. A. obtained    B. gathered      C. praised      D. avoided
28. A. letter      B. bill      C. recipe      D. menu
29. A. break      B. shot      C. second      D. rest

30. A. resolution B. suggestion C. decision D. conclusion

31. A. appreciate B. achieve C. tolerate D. provide

#### 四、短文填空

32. What might your hometown look like in someone else's eyes? ① \_\_\_\_\_  
(fascinated) by the unique cultural atmosphere of Beijing, Russian illustrator Liuba Vladimirova draws romantic and peaceful images of the Chinese capital.

Since childhood, she ② \_\_\_\_\_ (develop) a love for drawing and painting. ③ \_\_\_\_\_ attracts Vladimirova most is Beijing's historic hutong. These narrow alleyways, rich in history and culture, ④ serve \_\_\_\_\_ a source of inspiration for her art pieces. It allows her to observe the ⑤ \_\_\_\_\_ (local) as they chat casually about the weather, savoring tea, and playing games.

Liuba's fresh perspective allowed her to arrive in the city with fresh eyes and a heart, offering ⑥ \_\_\_\_\_ unique blend of culture, history, and natural attractions. For instance, Vladimirova thinks ⑦ \_\_\_\_\_ interesting that elderly parents will gather in parks ⑧ \_\_\_\_\_ (find) potential marriage partners for their adult children. She also notes the absence of the 4th floors in some Chinese buildings due to the superstition (迷信) associated with the number four, the pronunciation of \_\_\_\_\_ is nearly identical to that of the word for "death" in Chinese.

"I wanted to share my personal experiences and observations of Beijing and Chinese culture in a fun ⑩ and \_\_\_\_\_ (access) way, in the hope that readers would relate, reflect, and consider their own experiences," Vladimirova said.

#### 五、书面表达

33. 每年的3月5日是中国青年志愿者服务日，你校英文报正在组织以“My Volunteering Experience”为题的征文活动。请你写一篇短文投稿，内容包括：

1. 志愿服务的意义；

2. 你的经历；

3. 你的感悟。

注意：

1. 词数 80 左右；

2. 可以适当增加细节，以使行文连贯；

3. 请按如下格式在答题卡的相应位置作答。



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。

After school, I returned home and dragged to my room.

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“I know Tyler’s house,” Mom said. “I’ll drive you there.”

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