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高二下学期期中考试英语试卷

阅读(共两节,满分30分) 第一部分

第一节(共10小题;每小题2分,满分20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。〖答案〗写在 答题卡上。注意: C 篇分 A、B 两种题型, A 题型为客观题, B 题型为主观题。

A

Writing Competitions

Do you have a desire to express your unique thoughts? Are you dreaming of seeing your works published? Here is a list of ongoing writing competitions for your choice. Please bear in mind that contests with smaller prizes attract fewer entries and are therefore easier to win. Best of luck in the competitions!

Hour of Writing Competition

To enter this weekly contest from Manchester, you submit a piece of writing of any type you choose, as long as it is created by yourself, running to no more than 2,000 words. There is a different theme every week.

Closing: 11 pm every Friday

Prize: \$50

Entry Fee: \$3

Writers of the Future Competition

This US contest is open worldwide and is for short stories of up to 17,000 words. They should be science fiction or fantasy with fantastic elements. Your story will be disqualified once copying is detected.

Closing: Quarterly

Prize: \$1,000, \$750, \$500

Entry Fee: None

The 6th Annual Poetry Competition

This contest organized by The Lord Whisky Sanctuary Fund may remind you of a strong

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alcoholic drink whisky. Actually, it's all about raising funds for an animal reserve in Kent, a county in southeast England. Entry fees will be used to improve animals' living conditions. Welcome original poems of up to 40 lines on any topic.

Closing: May 31st, 2023

Prize: 1st—\$200 2nd—\$100 3rd—\$75

Entry Fee: \$5

Canterbury Poet of the Year Competition

It's back again: the annual international poetry contest from Canterbury Festival. As usual, it is for poems of up to 60 lines. Make sure your poems are original.

Closing: June 1st, 2023

Prize: \$200, \$100, \$50. All longlisted entries (approximately 35) will be published.

Entry Fee: \$5

1. Which competition is easier for a contestant to win a prize?

A. Hour of Writing Competition.

B. Writers of the Future Competition.

C. The 6th Annual Poetry Competition.

D. Canterbury Poet of the Year Competition.

2. What's the purpose of holding The 6th Annual Poetry Competition?

A. To advertise a drink.

B. To raise money for a reserve.

C. To improve conditions in Kent.

D. To appeal to government for support.

3. What do the four competitions have in common?

A. They charge entry fees.

B. They stress originality.

C. They are held annually.

D. They have specific themes.

〖答案〗1.A 2.B 3.B

【导语】这是一篇应用文。短文介绍了一份正在进行的4个写作比赛的相关信息。

【1题详析】

细节理解题。根据第一段"Please bear in mind that contests with smaller prizes attract fewer entries and are therefore easier to win."(请记住,奖金较小的比赛吸引的参赛人数较少,因此 更容易获胜)再根据"Hour of Writing Competition"中的"Prize: \$50"(奖金: \$50),"Writers of

the Future Competition"可中的"Prize: \$1,000, \$750, \$500"(奖奖金: \$1,000\$750, \$500), "The 6th Annual Poetry Competition"中"Prize: 1st—\$200 2nd—\$100 3rd—\$75"(奖项: 第一名 -\$200 第二名-\$100 第三名-\$75) 和"Canterbury Poet of the Year Competition"中的"Prize: \$200, \$100, \$50. All longlisted entries (approximately 35) will be published."(奖项: \$200, \$100, \$50 知, "Hour of Writing Competition"奖金最少,对选手来说更容易获奖。故选 A 项。

【2题详析】

细节理解题。根据 The 6th Annual Poetry Competition 中的"Actually, it's all about raising funds for an animal reserve in Kent, a county in southeast England."(实际上,这一切都是为了为英格兰东南部肯特郡的一个动物保护区筹集资金。)可知,举办第六届年度诗歌比赛的目的是为保护区筹集资金。故选 B 项。

【3题详析】

细节理解题。根据 Hour of Writing Competition 中的"To enter this weekly contest from Manchester, you submit a piece of writing of any type you choose, as long as it is created by yourself, running to no more than 2,000 words." (要参加这场来自曼彻斯特的每周比赛,你需要提交一篇你选择的任何类型的文章,只要是你自己创作的,字数不超过 2000 字),根据 Writers of the Future Competition 中的"Your story will be disqualified once copying is detected." (一旦发现抄袭,稿件将被取消资格。),根据 The 6th Annual Poetry Competition 中的"Welcome original poems of up to 40 lines on any topic." (欢迎任何主题多达 40 行的原创诗歌。),根据 Canterbury Poet of the Year Competition 中的"Make sure your poems are original." (确保你的诗是原创的)可知,四个比赛的共同特点是强调原创性。故选 B 项。

В

In December, the intense cold turns dripping water into ice within seconds. Yet, 63-year-old Ren Jianguo gets up early before 5 am every morning to sprinkle (撒) 150 kilograms of corn on the river banks to make sure thousands of migratory birds have enough energy to make it through the winter. Over the past 26 years, Ren has been one of many volunteers protecting migratory birds on Changbai Island, where local residents label him as "Uncle Bird".

For Ren himself, a cottage near the riverbank has almost become his "second home", a place from which he can observe the dynamics of the birds, provide help for injured birds, educate the public about bird conservation and, after a long day of work, light a fire and enjoy a warm meal. Winter is the busiest time for Uncle Bird. When the harsh season makes it difficult for birds to find

food, he calls for donations or sometimes even pays for the food himself to guarantee their survival during the winter. "I simply want this to be a warm and welcoming place for birds when they choose to stay here for a temporary rest," he said.

A report in 2021 shows that many migratory birds have changed their habit of just passing through China as they head to the Pacific Ocean or South Asia for the winter. Instead, more and more are choosing to spend winter within China's wetlands. However, when Ren settled in the city in the 1990s, only hundreds of migratory birds would come every winter. Since then, China has stepped up protection of wetlands and nature reserves by introducing new regulations and high technology.

"Thirty years ago, it was impossible to see more than 8,000 birds together in the urban area. But now, thousands of the birds attract an increasing number of tourists every year. As long as they choose to stay in this city, there should be people to take care of them. However tough it is, I will stick to my choice and try to raise public awareness," Ren said.

- 4. Why is winter the busiest time for Mr. Ren?
- A. He has to receive more tourists.
- B. He must treat more injured birds.
- C. He needs to feed more migratory birds.
- D. He is more engaged in observing birds.
- 5. What causes the change in the birds' migrating habit according to the text?
- A. Long distance.

B. High technology.

C. Food shortage.

- D. Improved environment.
- 6. Which can be a suitable title for the text?
- A. Migratory Birds Boost Tourism
- B. "Uncle Bird" Devoted to Bird Protection
- C. Great Achievements in Wildlife Protection
- D. Environmental Impacts on Bird Migration

〖答案〗4. C 5. D 6. B

【导语】这是一篇说明文。文章主要介绍了 63 岁的任建国十几年如一日地保护和喂养候鸟,为其创造了温暖宜居的自然环境的故事。

【4题详析】

推理判断题。根据第二段第二句第三句"Winter is the busiest time for Uncle Bird. When the harsh season makes it difficult for birds to find food, he calls for donations or sometimes even pays

for the food himself to guarantee their survival during the winter."(冬天是鸟叔叔最忙的时候。 当严酷的季节使鸟类难以找到食物时,他会呼吁捐款,有时甚至自己掏钱购买食物,以保证 它们在冬天的生存。)可知,冬季鸟类食物短缺,他需要喂养更多的鸟类。故选 C 项。

【5 题详 析】

细节理解题。根据第三段最后一句"Since then, China has stepped up protection of wetlands and nature reserves by introducing new regulations and high technology." (从那时起,中国通过引入新法规和高科技加强了湿地和自然保护区的保护。) 可知,越来越多的候鸟呆在中国的湿地过冬是因为中国改善的自然环境。故选 \mathbf{D} 项。

【6 题详 析】

主旨大意题。根据第一段最后一句"Over the past 26 years, Ren has been one of many volunteers protecting migratory birds on Changbai Island, where local residents label him as "Uncle Bird"."(在过去的 26 年里,任建国一直是长白岛保护候鸟的众多志愿者之一,当地居民称他为"鸟叔叔"。)及下文对任建国保护候鸟的具体描述可知,本文主要介绍了他致力于保护候鸟的行为。故选 \mathbf{B} 项。

 \mathbf{C}

Do you know that it only takes an algorithm (算法) to turn you into a Pablo Picasso? All you need to do is follow three simple steps: choose, provide and create. To be more specific, choose an AI Art Generator, provide the generator with your preferred requirement and hit the "create" button. Even ordinary people without any painting skills can do it well.

Chinese netizens have been amazed and amused by the results created by AI art generators. Some platforms providing AI painting services gained more than 600,000 users in a single day in November, with people aged 25 and under accounting for more than 60% of new users.

Jia Yunfan, a 26-year-old digital artist, has been embracing the novel AI movement. He said, "I was trained as an oil painter ever since I was young. But canvas (油画布) and the realistic style are just too classic and I used to be only defined as a painter. Newly emerged art forms like AI paintings can help artists reach global audiences and broaden their artistic field." An illustrator Huang Ge from Shanghai said illustrators need time to create and they are expensive to hire, but with AI tools, hundreds of pictures can be generated every day.

However, the trend has again caused some panic about whether AI is gradually replacing human beings. "Art's values lie not only in representation but also the artist's mind and emotional

contributions. Yet this is lacking in AI art. The warmth and inspiration in human's creations are irreplaceable," Ding Daoshi, an analyst said.

A more urgent issue is that there is no <u>consensus</u> of the ownership of AI art. Some users have openly sold some AI paintings and have earned money, but it is still a gray area about whether these artworks belong to users, the digital tool developers or even the AI itself.

Ding noted that the various sides should get together to debate the issue and come up with some accepted regulations as soon as possible because AI is already sticking deeply into every aspect of the lives of human beings.

(以下是 A 种题型)

- 7. What is the first paragraph mainly about?
- A. The development of AI paintings.
- B. The classification of AI artworks.
- C. The popularity of digital paintings.
- D. The procedure in creating AI artworks.
- 8. Why does Jia Yunfan welcome the new AI trend?
- A. It promotes his art career.

- B. It reduces his cost in creation.
- C. It maintains his painting style.
- D. It improves his work efficiency.
- 9. What does the underlined word "consensus" mean in paragraph 5?
- A. Complaint.

B. Result.

C. Agreement.

- D. Discussion.
- 10. What problem remains to be solved in the future?
- A. Who owns the copyright of AI art.
- B. What to do to ensure the quality of AI artworks.
- C. How to tell human's creations from AI paintings.
- D. Whether AI paintings can replace traditional paintings.

(以下是B种题型)

11. How do people create AI artworks?

12. Who are the major new users of the AI painting services?

13. What can't be replaced by AI art according to Ding Daoshi?

14. What does paragraph 5 mainly talk about?

〖答案〗7. D 8. A 9. C 10. A

- 11. By following three simple steps: choose, provide and create.
- 12. People aged 25 and under.
- 13. The warmth and inspiration in human's creations.
- 14. Different opinions on the ownership of AI art.

【导语】本文是一篇说明文。文章介绍了 AI 艺术作品的创作过程、人们对于 AI 艺术品的不同观点以及针对 AI 艺术品所需要解决的问题。

【7题详析】

主旨大意题。根据第一段"Do you know that it only takes an algorithm (算法) to turn you into a Pablo Picasso? All you need to do is follow three simple steps: choose, provide and create. To be more specific, choose an AI Art Generator, provide the generator with your preferred requirement and hit the 'create' button. Even ordinary people without any painting skills can do it well.(你知道只需要一个算法就能把你变成巴勃罗 华加索吗?您所需要做的就是遵循三个简单的步骤: 选择、提供和创建。更具体地说,选择一个 AI 艺术生成器,向生成器提供您的首选要求,然后点击 创建'按钮。即使是没有任何绘画技巧的普通人也能做得很好。)'可知,此段阐述如何用算法生成绘画,选择一个 AI 艺术生成器,向生成器提供您的首选要求,然后点击 创建'按钮,就可以完成;由此可知,第一段主要阐述了 AI 艺术作品的创作步骤。故选 D。

【8 题详 析】

细节理解题。根据第三段中"Jia Yunfan, a 26-year-old digital artist, has been embracing the novel AI movement. He said, 'I was trained as an oil painter ever since I was young. But canvas (油 画布) and the realistic style are just too classic and I used to be only defined as a painter. Newly emerged art forms like AI paintings can help artists reach global audiences and broaden their artistic field.'(26 岁的数字艺术家贾云帆一直欣然接受这种新颖的人工智能运动。他说:我从小就被训练成一名油画画家。但油画布和现实主义的风格太经典了,我过去只被定义为一个画家。AI 绘画等新出现的艺术形式可以帮助艺术家接触全球观众,拓宽他们的艺术领域。'河知,

贾云帆欢迎这种新的 AI 趋势, 他认为这种新趋势促进他的艺术事业的发展。故选 A。

【9 题详 析】

词义猜测题。根据第五段划线词 <u>consensus</u>下一句"Some users have openly sold some AI paintings and have earned money, but it is still a gray area about whether these artworks belong to users, the digital tool developers or even the AI itself.(一些用户公开出售了一些人工智能绘画并赚了钱,但这些艺术作品是否属于用户、数字工具开发者甚至人工智能本身,仍然是一个灰色地带。)"可知,对于人工智能绘画艺术作品是属于用户、数字工具开发者还是属于人工智能本身,意见不一致,由此可知,划线词所在句"A more urgent issue is that there is no <u>consensus</u> of the ownership of AI art.(一个更紧迫的问题是,人工智能艺术品的所有权还没有 <u>consensus</u>。)"阐述的是针对人工智能艺术作品的所有权问题人们意见不一致,<u>consensus</u>与 agreement 同义,意为"一致的意见,共识"。故选 C。

【10 题详 析】

推理判断题。根据第五段"A more urgent issue is that there is no consensus of the ownership of AI art. Some users have openly sold some AI paintings and have earned money, but it is still a gray area about whether these artworks belong to users, the digital tool developers or even the AI itself.(一个更紧迫的问题是,对人工智能艺术的所有权没有达成共识。一些用户公开出售了一些人工智能绘画,并赚了钱,但这些艺术品是否属于用户、数字工具开发人员甚至人工智能本身,仍然是一个灰色地带。)"以及最后一段"Ding noted that the various sides should get together to debate the issue and come up with some accepted regulations as soon as possible because AI is already sticking deeply into every aspect of the lives of human beings.(丁指出,各方应该聚在一起讨论这个问题,并尽快制定一些公认的法规,因为人工智能已经深入到人类生活的方方面面。)"可知,未来应解决人工智能艺术品的所有权问题。故选 A。

【11 题详 析】

细节理解题。根据第一段中"All you need to do is follow three simple steps: choose, provide and create.(您所需要做的只是遵循三个简单的步骤:选择、提供和创建。)"可知,人们创造人工智能艺术仅需要遵循三个步骤:选择、提供和创建。故〖答案〗为: By following three simple steps: choose, provide and create.

【12 题详 析】

细节理解题。根据第二段中"Some platforms providing AI painting services gained more than 600,000 users in a single day in November, with people aged 25 and under accounting for more than

60% of new users.(11 月,一些提供 AI 绘画服务的平台单日新增用户超过 60 万,25 岁及以下的用户占新用户的 60% 以上。)"可知,人工智能绘画服务的新用户主要是年龄在 25 岁以及 25 岁以下的用户。故〖答 案〗为: People aged 25 and under.

【13 题详 析】

细节理解题。根据第四段中"'Art's values lie not only in representation but also the artist's mind and emotional contributions. Yet this is lacking in AI art. The warmth and inspiration in human's creations are irreplaceable,' Ding Daoshi, an analyst said.('艺术的价值不仅在于表现形式,还在于艺术家的思想和情感贡献。然而这在人工智能艺术中是缺乏的。人类作品中的温暖和灵感是不可替代的,'分析师丁道石说。)"可知,丁道石认为人类作品中的温暖和灵感是人工智能艺术不能替代的。故〖答案〗为: The warmth and inspiration in human's creations.

【14 题详 析】

主旨大意题。根据第五段"A more urgent issue is that there is no <u>consensus</u> of the ownership of AI art. Some users have openly sold some AI paintings and have earned money, but it is still a gray area about whether these artworks belong to users, the digital tool developers or even the AI itself.(一个更紧迫的问题是,对人工智能艺术的所有权没有共识。一些用户公开出售了一些人工智能绘画,并赚了钱,但这些艺术品是否属于用户、数字工具开发人员甚至人工智能本身,仍然是一个灰色地带。)"可知此段主要阐述了人们对于人工智能艺术作品的所有权没有达成共识,意见不一致。故〖答 案〗为 Different opinions on the ownership of AI art.

第二节(共5小题;每小题2分,满分10分)

根据短文内容,从短文后的选项中选出能填入空白处的最佳选项。〖答案〗写在答题卡上。

Inner beauty is very important, but external beauty also plays a part in the image we present to the world. One of the problems that damage our image is weight gain. According to a research, most of our weight is gained over the holiday season. It's a time when family and friends gather to enjoy each other's company. ______ 15 ____ No wonder maintaining a healthy weight can present even more challenges.

Does that mean we are bound to see a bigger number when we stand on the scale (秤) in January?

16 Study shows you can keep to your meal routines, choose low-fat foods when it is possible and walk off the weight. Here are a few more tips to help you keep your weight in check without sacrificing your holiday traditions.

sugar-free gum while preparing the meal, or have a small snack before you start cooking. For the meal, serve rawer vegetables and yogurt-based dips to start the event. _____17____

______ For example, take a walk or meet up to see holiday lights, or attend a holiday concert or show. Catch up with a friend over a film instead of meeting for a coffee. Just explore things that you all enjoy doing.

Making an effort with your weight helps you keep a healthy life and boost your confidence.

Although preventing weight gain over the holidays can be a challenge, it is possible. So next time, try the above.

A. Serve plenty of fresh fruit to finish.

snack before the event to avoid overeating later.

- B. How much exercise can burn off this energy?
- C. And certainly, tasting delicious food is a must.
- D. Or can we keep the holiday weight gain at bay?
- E. Start new traditions that are not centered on food.
- F. Here are some tips that ensure you look good inside out.
- G. It can help balance the possible extra calories at the party.

〖答案〗15. C 16. D 17. A 18. G 19. E

【导语】这是一篇说明文。文章主要介绍了一些避免节假日因摄入太多食物而体重增加的方法。

【15 题详 析】

上文"It's a time when family and friends gather to enjoy each other's company."(这是家人和朋友聚在一起享受彼此陪伴的时刻。)说明节假日是享受家人朋友陪伴的时刻,结合下文"No wonder maintaining a healthy weight can present even more challenges."(难怪保持健康的体重会面临更多的挑战。)暗示了节假日不仅有亲朋好友的陪伴,还摄入了大量的食物。C项"And certainly, tasting delicious food is a must."(当然,品尝美味的食物是必须的。)构成下文体重增加的原因,衔接恰当。故选 C 项。

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