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阅读理解

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第一节（共 15 小题；每小题 25 分，满分 37.5 分）

阅读下列短文，从每题所给的 A、B、C 和 D 四个选项中，选出最佳选项。

A

Laidback India

Visit spice farms, go boating on the backwaters and walk among the old buildings of Cochin on Village Ways' new Spirit of the South trip. This program explores the Karnataka coast and Kerala over two exciting weeks, offering a relaxing and cheap access to India.

An Intro to Latin America

Less well known than Mexico but with just as much to offer families, Guatemala is an exciting introduction to Latin America. Stubborn Mule's new twoweek Best of Guatemala family itinerary (行程) includes going boating on Lake Atitlán and a tour of visiting and learning the Mayan ruins at Tikal. Kids also get the chance to cook pizza on top of Pacaya volcano.

Greek Islandhopping

This program gives families an exciting way to explore Greece, covering four travel days on national boat lines. Or for a trip with more support, try Olympic Holidays' ninenight 'family favourites' itinerary, which includes a visit to the Dodecanese islands of Rhodes, Symi and Kos.

Ancient Treasures in Egypt

Cairo's Grand Egyptian Museum is expected to open in early 2024 after years of construction, bringing together nearly 5,000 artifacts (手工艺品) from Tutankhamun's Tomb. Now, it's the time for history fans to book a trip to Egypt.

1. What can visitors do in Guatemala?

- A. Know Mayan ruins.
- B. Buy some pizza.
- C. Visit spice farms.
- D. Explore Kerala.

2. Which program can be the best choice for a history lover?

- A. Laidback India.
- B. Greek Islandhopping.
- C. An Intro to Latin America.
- D. Ancient Treasures in Egypt.

- A. 24yearold Self Is Always with Me
- B. My Old Days in London Benefit My Life
- C. Double Selves Are My Best Self
- D. Recalling the Past Gives Me Energy

C

A new report has showed that the number of birds illegally trapped and killed in Cyprus increased to more than 400,000 in the autumn of 2023. The report, published by BirdLife Cyprus and supported by RSPB and CABS, details how the number of birds killed has increased by an estimated 90,000 to 435,000.

Cyprus is a important stopoff point every autumn. Vast numbers of birds will stop here during their annual migration from Europe to Africa. Many birds touching down are illegally trapped and killed by criminal gangs (团伙), before being sold to restaurants where they are eaten as an expensive local dish.

Autumn is the main trapping season in Cyprus, as migrating birds have built up their fat. People who illegally eat these birds consider them to be of better quality at this time of year, because of this higher fat content. After returning from Africa in the spring, the birds will reduce most of their fat and are judged to be of lower quality.

Since 2014, Cypriot law enforcement authorities (执法机构) and the antipoaching unit (反偷猎小队) have worked with BirdLife Cyprus, the CABS and the RSPB, which has led to a huge drop in the number of traps found and birds killed.

Last autumn, however, the work of the antipoaching unit decreased. This is thought to be a significant factor behind the 2023 increase in numbers. “Our international partnership has shown that we can deal with this criminal activity together. However, last autumn shows that more still needs to be done,” says Mark Thomas, head of RSPB investigations. “We cannot allow the progress we’ve made to be undone and bird killings to return to the previous annoying levels. By working together, we can make this a thing of the past.”

8. What has been detailed in the report?
- A. How the number of killed birds increased.
 - B. How the migrating birds are trapped and killed.
 - C. How the antipoaching unit worked with media.
 - D. How many migrating birds have been trapped so far.
9. What can be inferred from paragraphs 23?

- A. Illegally eating birds is very popular in Cyprus.
 - B. Birds migrate from Europe to Africa all year around.
 - C. Birds returning from Africa reduce greatly in number.
 - D. In Cyprus more birds are trapped in autumn than in spring.
10. What do Mark Thomas's words mean?
- A. It's impossible to control bird killing.
 - B. Teaming up can be more effective.
 - C. The antipoaching unit did its best.
 - D. More measures should be adopted.
11. What do you think of the bird conservation in Cyprus according to the text?
- A. It remains challenging.
 - B. It is a model of success.
 - C. It has promoted local tourism.
 - D. It is wellorganized.

D

Recently, an experimental pair of gloves has been invented. It isn't fashionable or useful for keeping anyone's hands warm. Instead, it serves a different purpose: teaching piano and other handson skills.

MIT graduate student Yiyue Luo and her colleagues created these "smart gloves" using touch technology. Researchers used the gloves to record one pianist's hand movements while playing a song. They then received and sent on those movements to a student through fingertip vibrations. This will help the learner build muscle memory and perform the piece with greater accuracy. "Handbased movements like piano playing are difficult to record and transfer." Luo says. "But with these gloves, we can track one person's touch experience and share it with another person to improve their touch learning process."

When a piano teacher wearing the gloves repeatedly performed a tune, a machinelearning algorithm (算法) processed their movement on the keys and translated it into vibrations. Students wearing their own gloves then attempted to play the same tune, with the fingertip vibrations guiding them through proper movements. By the trials' (试验) end, students who had practiced with the gloves could play more accurately than those who had not. "This type of learning is like when you're first starting to ride a bike," says engineer Marcia O'Malley. "You use the training wheels to get the feeling of properly riding the bike. Eventually you take them off and start to ride independently."

Playing piano is often just for fun, but O'Malley adds that, with an improved algorithm, the new glove

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