

# UNIT 1 单元提升强化练



# 1.阅读理解

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## **Exhibitions worth visiting in London in 2024**

# Flowery: Orchids

This annual festival is back in bloom, this time inspired by the beauty and biodiversity of Cameroon. Just like previous years, the orchids are spread throughout the various zones of the Princess of Wales conservatory and accompanied by sculptures that are just as colourful as the flowers on display.

At Kew Gardens.4 February—5 March,\$16.50—entrance to the gardens included.



#### **Architectural: Vanishing Points**

While we like to think of architecture existing purely in the real world, emerging designers and architects are using platforms like Instagram to create structures in the virtual world. This collection of works, which range from the practical to the fantastical, are all by architects who have gathered significant social media followings.

In the Digital Universe at ROCA London.8 February—31 July, free.

#### **Powerful Portraits: Alice Neel**

The largest UK exhibition to date of American painter Alice Neel's work will bring together her figurative pieces from across her 60-year career. Neel went against the popular grain by painting figures when abstract works were most popular, and she painted subjects that other artists ignored—pregnant women, labor leaders, black children, civil rights activists and strange performers. It's high time we had a major show of her work in London, and the Barbiean has duly provided.

At Barbican Art Gallery.16 February—21 May,\$16.50.

#### Female Abstraction: Action, Gesture, Paint

Art history has often shone a light on the men of Abstract Expressionism, such as Jackson Pollock and Mark Rothko. Well, now's the time to let the most important women of the movement take the limelight in an exhibition that includes works by American artists such as Lee Krasner and Helen Frankenthaler, but spreads the net wider to include the female abstract artists from Europe, Asia and the wider world, with whom most of us will be unfamiliar.

At Whitechapel Gallery.9 February—7 May,\$16.50—concessions available.



【语篇导读】本文是一篇应用文。文章主要介绍了2024年伦敦值得参观的展览。



- 1. What might newly-developing designers and architects tend to do? B
- A.To gather significant social media.
- B.To create virtual architectural structures.
- C.To create platforms like Instagram.
- D.To design purely real architectural structures.

解析细节理解题。根据Architectural:Vanishing Points部分的"emerging designers and architects are using platforms like Instagram to create structures in the virtual world"可知,新兴设计师和建筑师正在使用Instagram等平台在虚拟世界中创建结构。

2. When can visitors appreciate Lee Krasner's works? A

A.On March 10. B.On January 7.

C.On February 8. D.On May 8.

解析细节理解题。根据Female Abstraction:Action,Gesture,Paint部分的 "At Whitechapel Gallery.9 February—7 May,\$16.50—concessions available." 可知,2月9日至5月7日可以看Lee Krasner的作品展览,四个选项中A选项3月10日在这个时间范围内。

- 3. What can we learn about the artist Alice Neel? B
- A.She is 60 years old now.
- B.Her artworks don't intentionally follow the mainstream.
- C.She often ignored some common subjects.
- D.She is the most popular American painter in the UK.

解析推理判断题。根据Powerful Portraits:Alice Neel部分的"Neel went against the popular grain by painting figures when abstract works were most popular,and she painted subjects that other artists ignored—pregnant women,labor leaders,black children,civil rights activists and strange performers."可知,她的作品并非有意追随主流。



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According to *Americans for the Arts*, more than two-thirds of U.S. adults say that the arts "lift me up beyond everyday experiences". Still, only 30 percent attended a concert of any type in 2017;23 percent visited an art museum; six percent attended a literary event. Fewer than half actively created art of any kind.



What has caused this phenomenon is that we do not have time for art—we are weighed down by our day-to-day responsibilities. Maybe you like to play a little background music while you work but most of us rarely, if ever, went to see a live performance, let alone visited a gallery. And reading poetry? Perhaps not since high school.

Too often,we let the realities of life get in the way of the arts,which can feel insignificant by comparison. But this is a mistake. The arts might be the single most in-depth experience you will ever be given to explore the nature and meaning of life. And if you make time to consume and produce art, you will find your life become fuller and happier.



Some philosophers address the problem of life consumed by work and material pursuits. They argue that art provides relief from this routine, expanding our perspective and bringing us closer to true reality.

Think of a time when you heard a piece of music and wanted to cry.Or recall your fast heartbeats as you stared at a delicate lifelike sculpture.Chances are that it probably stimulated(刺激) a sudden awakening,much like the shock from a lungful of pure oxygen after breathing in smoggy air.



If you are among those who feel that art is "pure pleasure to experience and participate in",you might see it the same way you see eating out,or skydiving:as a luxury(奢侈品) item in your limited budgets of time and money. As such, it probably gets the same sort of treatment as any minor hobby. Don't make this error. Treat art more like exercise or sleep:a necessity for a life full of deep satisfaction.

【语篇导读】本文是一篇议论文。文章主要论述了人们没有时间参与艺术这种现象以及艺术的重要性,艺术应该是生活中的一种必需品而不是奢侈品。



- 4. What does paragraph 1 focus on? C
- A. The opinion of U.S. adults about art.
- B.The types of art that U.S. adults engage with.
- C.The mismatch between value and behaviour as to art.
- D.The connection between everyday experiences and art.

解析段落大意题。根据第一段内容可知,第一段主要讲的是就艺术而言,价值观和行为之间的不匹配。

- 5. What is a mistaken idea in the author's opinion? B
- A.Art reveals the nature of life.
- B.Art gives way to material pursuits.
- C.Life without art is meaningless.
- D.Background music is a kind of art.

解析细节理解题。根据第三段中"Too often,we let the realities of life get in the way of the arts,which can feel insignificant by comparison.But this is a mistake."可知,艺术让位于物质追求是错误的想法。

- **6**. What does the author want to convey in paragraph 5?
- A.Art awakes people's talents.
- B.Art improves physical health.
- C.Art brings us closer to nature.
- D.Art makes life fuller and happier.

解析推理判断题。根据第五段提到的"想想当你听到一段音乐想哭的时候,或者回忆起当你盯着一个精致的栩栩如生的雕塑时你的心跳。很有可能是它刺激了突然的觉醒,就像呼吸了烟雾弥漫的空气后,肺部吸入纯氧后的休克一样"可知,作者在第五段想表达的是艺术使生活更充实、更快乐。

7. What might be the best title? A

A.Art:a Habit, Not a Luxury

B.Art:a Bridge, Not a Barrier

C.Art:a Decoration, Not a Reality

D.Art:a Pleasure, Not a Burden

解析标题归纳题。通读全文可知,文章主要论述了人们没有时间参与艺术这种现象以及艺术的重要性,艺术应该是生活中的一种必需品而不是奢侈品。由此可知,A项"Art:a Habit,Not a Luxury(艺术:一种习惯,而不是奢侈品)"适合作本文标题。

#### Ⅱ.七选五

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## Hobbies to try in 2024:release your passion

Do you want to try out new and exciting hobbies in 2024? We are here to provide you with a variety of hobbies that will inspire your interest and free your creativity.

Release your artistic side and let your imagination soar with creative hobbies. For example, painting is a good way to express emotions and creativity. Certainly, it's not the only way. 1 It lets you explore various subjects, from landscapes to portraits and allows you to freeze moments in a flash.



Social hobbies are worth exploring for those who enjoy making meaningful relationships. Joining a book club allows you to discuss literary works and share insight with fellow book enthusiasts. You can also make a difference in your community to a cause you care about. Volunteering isn't a time consuming task. 2

If you love to embrace the unknown, adventurous hobbies might be your calling. Experience the ultimate rush as you jump out of an airplane and free fall through the sky. 3 Besides, rock climbing pushes your limits and rewards you with a sense of achievement when you reach the summit.

\_\_\_\_4\_\_ For instance, open doors to new cultures and broaden your horizons by learning a new language. It not only boosts your communication skills but also fosters a deeper understanding of different customs and traditions. Or you can learn an instrument to enhance cognitive abilities and bring joy through the power of music.

In conclusion, hobbies are an essential part of our lives. 5 So,go ahead and kick off an exciting journey of self-discovery!

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