

2024-2025 学年上学期长沙初中英语九年级期末

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二. 阅读理解 (共 3 小题)

2 . (2023 秋 • 芙蓉区 校 级 期 末)

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Chang'an, today's Xi'an, was a common place to say goodbye. People often stopped there and handed willow branches to people who were going to depart.

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(4) Which of the following is TRUE according to the passage? _____

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- C. A symbol of saying goodbye — Willow branches



4. (2023 秋·芙蓉区校级期末) Leonardo da Vinci is considered one of the greatest painters of all time. He is still famous today because of the Mona Lisa and other well-known paintings. However, not many people know he was also an engineer and an inventor.

He was born on April 15th, 1452 in a northern Italian town. As early as 1466, he was working in a workshop. Then, in 1482, he moved to Milan. He moved to Florence (佛罗伦萨), another city in Italy in 1500, where he painted the famous Mona Lisa in 1503. Then, he returned to Milan between 1510 and 1515 after he had been working as an architect (建筑家) and engineer for the French king Louis XII.

Da Vinci was interested in science and art, and he was a pioneer in many areas. He drew plans and pictures and wrote about his many ideas in his diaries. Since he died on May 2nd, 1519, people have been learning from them. They included plans for an adding machine, bridges as well as drawings of musical instruments, flying machines and machines for war, such as guns.

Since many of da Vinci's inventions were far ahead of their time, they were only tested hundreds of years later. Because he couldn't test them, not all of da Vinci's plans worked out as well as he wished. However, some of his ideas worked well. For example, one of his bridges was finally built 500 years after it was drawn and flying machines, such as helicopters, are very common now.

Some think da Vinci wanted to keep his ideas secret as he wrote his diary in code (密码). Others think it was just easier for him to write this way because he was left-handed. Either way, da Vinci's diaries can only be read with a mirror because everything is written backwards. As it took some time to translate the diaries, they were published (出版) more than 150 years after his death.

(1) What was Leonardo da Vinci? _____

- A. A painter, a musician and a writer.
- B. A painter, an engineer and an inventor.
- C. A historian, an engineer and an inventor.

(2) When and where did Leonardo da Vinci paint the famous Mona Lisa? _____

- A. In 1452, in a northern Italian town.

B. In 1482, in Milan.

C. In 1503, in Florence.

(3) Why were many of Da Vinci's inventions only tested hundreds of years later? _____

A. Because many of his inventions were so advanced that he couldn't test them.

B. Because nobody knows their value at that time.

C. Because it's difficult to translate Da Vinci's diaries.

(4) What's the main idea of the last paragraph? _____

A. Da Vinci's experiences and hobbies.

B. Da Vinci's main achievements.

C. Different opinions about Da Vinci's diaries.

(5) In which part of a magazine can we read the passage? _____

A. Health and Sports.

B. Art and Culture.

C. Tradition and Customs.



三. 短文还原 (共 1 小题)

5. (2023 秋·长沙期末) It may be difficult to start high school. Thinking about making new friends might make you feel nervous. But don't worry, because you are not alone. (1) _____ Here are several suggestions for you to follow.

(2) _____

It's easier said than done. But try to take a deep breath and find your voice. Don't be afraid to approach (接近) people. Introduce yourself and start a conversation about something you have in common. Sit in the middle of the classroom with as many new friends around you as possible.

Join clubs.

Take part in after - class activities that interest you. Try to make friends in the clubs. If you don't join

anything, you will be just going to class and then going home. (3) _____

Stay clean.

(4) _____ Shower every day, brush your teeth and wash your hair. You are supposed to make yourself look clean and tidy, whatever you wear.

Be respectful (尊重的) of people's differences.

Everyone has his or her own opinion of the world. (5) _____ It is a good thing to have different friends with different opinions because you can each share your own.

- A. No one likes a bad smell that could knock someone over.
- B. Being in a club makes you more social.
- C. Forget your fear and just talk to someone.
- D. And everyone believes in different things.
- E. You are going to school with a group of students of your age.

四. 任务型阅读 (共 1 小题)

6. (2023 秋·雨花区期末) The oil - paper umbrella has a history of over 1, 000 years in China. There are different stories about the umbrella in China. The most popular one is related to Lu Ban.

One day, Lu Ban and his younger sister visited the West Lake. It started raining suddenly. The sister said, "Let's have a competition, before sunrise tomorrow, who comes up with a way to make it possible for people to visit the West Lake even on rainy days will be the winner." Lu Ban thought it was easy. He collected some tools and materials and spent the whole night building 10 pavilions (凉亭) around the lake.

The next morning, when Lu Ban talked about his achievements and felt proud, his sister held something unusual in her hand. It could be opened into a round shape. What is it? After a while, he found (4) the object which is made of silk and bamboo could be opened and closed easily. Lu Ban said "You win. It was light, beautiful and easy to carry. And it can also protect us from rain." So the umbrella was invented.

Later when paper was invented, people used much cheaper paper to replace silk, cutting the cost of umbrellas. To make the umbrella waterproof (防水的), people brushed tung oil across the surface. That was how the oil - paper umbrella was invented.

With the passage of time, most people now use modern umbrellas in their daily lives, while oil - paper umbrellas have gone into decline. But in 1990, Dai Gensheng, a local of Jialu Village, founded the Jialu oil - paper

umbrella factory in order to protect and pass on the traditional handicraft. So far, the oil - paper umbrellas produced by Dai's company have been exported to 28 countries. In 2020, Dai set up the Jialu oil - paper umbrella experience center for tourists to learn about the traditional techniques and to make oil - paper umbrellas themselves.

"We receives nearly 600 tourists a day. And the center also attracts many foreign tourists. (5) 它给人们一个机会去了解中国文化." said Dai.

(1) How long has the oil - paper umbrella been invented?

(2) How could people make the umbrella waterproof?

(3) Why did Dai Gensheng found the Jialu oil - paper umbrella factory?

(4) (英译中)

(5) (中译英)



五. 语法填空 (共 1 小题)

7. (2023 秋·长沙期末) It is reported that 360, 000 tons of the textiles (纺织品) thrown away in the UK every year (1) _____ (be) clothes. The average piece of clothing is only worn 10 (2) (time) before it is thrown away. If each adult gave away all the clothes not worn in the past year to charity shops, 4.9 billion kilograms of CO₂ emissions (二氧化碳排放) could (3) (save).

The result led to an activity called Second Hand September. The activity encourages more people (4) (buy) secondhand clothes and give away what they no longer need or wear for 30 days. In this way, its

organizers hope to reduce waste and fight climate change.

(5) _____ you're interested in it, take a look at them below.

Pack up the clothes you don't want or like and ask your friends. They are (6) _____ (like) to have some clothes they don't like or want either, so you can give (7) _____ (you) to them and they can give theirs to you (8) _____ return. One's trash could be someone else's treasure.




Give your old clothes a new life. For example, turn (9) _____ old - looking pair of jeans into a pair of shorts or dye (给……染色) an old shirt a new color. Not only can you make the clothes special, but you can also make the clothes you love last longer. Why not get (10) _____ (create) ?

六. 书面表达 (共 1 小题)

8. (2023 秋·芙蓉区校级期末) 不久前教育部出台“新政”，规定义务教育阶段学校需严格落实课后三点半服务。我校积极响应，开设了作业辅导、影音欣赏、科学探索等课程，丰富了同学们的课外生活，现面向全校学生开放报名。假如你是学生会干部，请你根据以下内容和要求写一篇短文，为同学们介绍课后服务的情况（包括名称、活动）和目的，并说明课后服务课程需要遵守的基本纪律。

要求：

- (1) 介绍下表中的 3 个课后服务课程，并谈谈学校开设课后服务的目的和需要遵守的基本纪律（至少两条）。
- (2) 80 - 100 词。（开头和结尾已给出，不计入总词数）；
- (3) 信中不得出现真实人名和校名。

1. Homework Help 	2. Music and Movie Appreciation 	3. Science Exploration 
Activities: study with a group and help each other with homework	Activities: learn more background information about classical music and movies	Activities: do scientific experiments in laboratory and learn more about the world
Purposes: to open our mind and increase our knowledge; _____		
Rules: _____		

I'm glad that our school will have more extended courses that can make our school life colorful. Now, I'd like to

introduce some of them.

In the Homework Help, _____

Are you interested in these courses? Please come and join us at once. You will be sure to have a colorful school life!

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参考答案与试题解析

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【考点】记叙文；日常生活。

【答案】BBBBA ABACA

【分析】生命的意义是什么？人生的不同阶段生命的意义也就不同。生命的意义也许并不在于生命本身能给我们带来什么，而是在于我们能够赋予生命什么。是爱，赋予生命的意义。爱，使人生更有价值。

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(2) 考查副词。句意：：当我还是个小男孩的时候，我通过简单地玩耍、跑步、游泳、大笑和骑自行车来赋予我的生命意义。A.几乎不，B.简单地，C.曾经，结合语境可知句意：当我还是个小男孩的时候，我通过简单地玩耍、跑步、游泳、大笑和骑自行车来赋予我的生命意义。故选 B。

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(7) 考查动词。句意：当我结婚时，我发现了保护、供养和支持家人的意义。A.提及，B.支持，C.教育，根据 When I got married, (当我结婚的时候。)可知结婚后要支撑家庭，故选 B。

(8) 考查介词。句意：当我发现我女儿出生时患有精神疾病。A.和，B.进入...里面，C....的，be born with 生来，固定用法。故选 A。

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【点评】做完形填空首先要通读全文，了解大意。一篇完形填空的文章有许多空格，所以，必须先通读一至两遍，才能大概了解文章的内容。千万不要看一句，做一句。其次要逐句分析，前后一致。选择答案时，要考虑整个句子的内容，包括搭配、时态、语法等。答案全部填完后，再通读一遍文章，检查是否通顺流畅了，用词得当，意思正确。

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【考点】应用文；体育.

【答案】 A, B

【分析】 短文是 2022 年卡塔尔世界杯分组情况。

【解答】 (1) 推理判断题。根据 The following 32 teams will compete in the world's biggest football tournament in Qatar from November 21 to December 18, 2022. (以下 32 支球队将参加 2022 年 11 月 21 日至 12 月 18 日在卡塔尔举行的世界最大足球锦标赛。) 可知, 2022 世界杯将持续 28 天。故选 A。

(2) 细节理解题。题干的意思是"李华是巴西队的铁杆球迷, 他应该关注哪个小组", 可知他应该观看巴西队的比赛, 根据 Group G: Brazil, Ghana, Uruguay, South Korea (G 组: 巴西、加纳、乌拉圭、韩国), 可知巴西队在 G 组。故选 B。

【点评】 通读全文, 理解文章大意, 阅读题目后返回原文阅读并找出与题目相对应的内容, 仔细核对, 选择符合原文原意的答案, 完成后再次阅读并检查。

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【考点】 诗歌/小说；文学。

【答案】 BABCC

【分析】 本文是一篇说明文，文章主要介绍了柳枝在古代的含义。

【解答】 (1) 细节理解题。根据"People often stopped there and handed willow branches to people who were going to depart." (人们经常在那里停下来，把柳枝递给准备离开的人。)可知在中国古代，柳枝经常用来作为礼物送给即将离开的朋友和家人。故选 B。

(2) 细节理解题。根据"So giving a willow branch in ancient China was like asking the others to stay, even

though you know that they must leave."（所以，在中国古代，给别人一根柳枝就像让别人留下来，即使你知道他们必须离开。）可知在中国古代，给别人一根柳枝就像让别人留下来。故选 A。

（3）词义猜测题。根据"People often stopped there and handed willow branches to people who were going to depart."（人们经常在那里停下来，把柳枝递给准备离开的人。）可知人们经常在那里停下来，把柳枝递给即将离开的人。由此可知 depart 指的是"离开"。故选 B。

（4）细节理解题。根据"West of the Southern Paths no more friends will be seen."（西出阳关无故人。）可知这首诗是王给写给朋友的。故选 C。

（5）最佳标题题。根据"Do you know why willow branches are a symbol of saying goodbye? "（你知道为什么柳枝是告别的象征吗？）可知文章主要介绍了柳枝表示再见的含义。故选 C。

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4.（2023 秋·芙蓉区校级期末）Leonardo da Vinci is considered one of the greatest painters of all time.He is still famous today because of the Mona Lisa and other well - known paintings.However, not many people know he was also an engineer and an inventor.

He was born on April 15th, 1452 in a northern Italian town.As early as 1466, he was working in a workshop.Then, in 1482, he moved to Milan.He moved to Florence（佛罗伦萨），another city in Italy in 1500, where he painted the famous Mona Lisa in 1503.Then, he returned to Milan between 1510 and 1515 after he had been working as an architect（建筑家）and engineer for the French king Louis XII.

Da Vinci was interested in science and art, and he was a pioneer in many areas.He drew plans and pictures and wrote about his many ideas in his diaries.Since he died on May 2nd, 1519, people have been learning from them.They included plans for an adding machine, bridges as well as drawings of musical instruments, flying machines and machines for war, such as guns.

Since many of da Vinci's inventions were far ahead of their time, they were only tested hundreds of years later.Because he couldn't test them, not all of da Vinci's plans worked out as well as he wished.However, some of his ideas worked well.For example, one of his bridges was finally built 500 years after it was drawn and flying machines, such as helicopters, are very common now.

Some think da Vinci wanted to keep his ideas secret as he wrote his diary in code（密码）.Others think it was just easier for him to write this way because he was left - handed.Either way, da Vinci's diaries can only be read with a mirror because everything is written backwards.As it took some time to translate the diaries, they were published（出版）more than 150 years after his death.

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