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国家开放大学2022年秋季学期期末统一考试

高级英语阅读(2) 试题

2023年1月

注 意 事 项

一、将你的学号、姓名及分校(工作站)名称填写在答题纸的规定栏内。考试结束后,把试卷和答题纸放在桌子上。试卷和答题纸均不得带出考场。监考人收完考卷和答题纸后才可离开考场。

二、仔细阅读题目的说明,并按题目要求和答题示例答题。答案一定要写在答题纸的指定位置上,写在试卷上的答案无效。

三、用蓝、黑圆珠笔或钢笔答题,使用铅笔答题无效。

Information for the examinees:

This examination consists of two sections. They are:

Section I : New Words (60 points, 40 minutes)

Section II : Reading Comprehension (40 points, 50 minutes)

The total marks for this examination are 100 points. Time allowed for completing this examination is 90 minutes.

Section I New Words

I. Match each vocabulary word on the left with the correct definition on the right. (30 points, 3 points each)

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| 1. _____ egalitarian | A. unknown |
| 2. _____ anonymous | B. make someone feel better |
| 3. _____ drawback | C. writing as an art form |
| 4. _____ international | D. show in the form of a picture |
| 5. _____ reassure | E. animals of the same type |
| 6. _____ calligraphy | F. equal |
| 7. _____ depict | G. garbage |
| 8. _____ species | H. not flexible |
| 9. _____ trash | I. among other countries |
| 10. _____ rigid | J. disadvantage, unfavourable aspect |

II. Fill in the blanks with words from the box below. (30 points, 3 points each)

access environment established focused global
method predict residents solve transportation

Asthma is usually common in countries where there is a lot of pollution in the 11 from industry and different types of 12 such as ships and trains. However, it has become a 13 problem; that is, countries with large rural areas also have high rates of asthma. A doctor in Jamaica decided to find out why asthma was increasing among young rural 14 where pollution didn't seem to be a problem. She noticed that more children had asthma attacks when it was windy. She asked a scientist who was studying weather patterns to find out if there was a connection. The scientist, also a woman, developed a 15 of collecting what was blowing in the wind. Together they 16 a connection between the amount of dust in the wind and the number of asthmas attacks on the island. The scientist also discovered that some of the dust had actually blown to Jamaica from the dry regions of Africa across the Atlantic Ocean. With a way to 17 when asthma attacks were going to occur, the doctor 18 on giving the rural population 19 to weather forecasts so that asthmatics would stay indoors on windy days. A public health campaign helped to 20 the problem and lower the number of asthma attacks.

Section II Reading Comprehension

I. Read the passage. Then answer the questions that follow. (25 points, 5 points each)

Television: The Latest Addiction

Everyone has heard of addictions to drugs, cigarettes, alcohol, and even gambling. But can people become addicted to television? If so, how can an addiction to television damage a person's life?

It's very easy to understand how an addiction to cigarettes, drugs, or alcohol can be very damaging to a person's life. Cigarettes can cause illnesses like cancer and emphysema, a lung disease that makes it difficult to breathe. In addition to being bad for your health, alcohol and drugs can impair your ability to think clearly and behave responsibly. These substances can cause your life to slowly fall apart. In the worst cases, alcohol and drug addicts can lose their friends, families, jobs, and homes.

But how can watching too much television be harmful to your life and health? One way is that it can start a cycle of bad feelings. According to one study, people who watch the most TV already suffer from anxiety or loneliness. Watching TV makes them feel relaxed and helps them forget about their feelings for a while. But the study found that while people did relax while watching television, the feelings of relaxation disappeared after they stopped watching, and the people felt worse than they did when they started watching TV. Therefore, they wanted to watch more television so they could continue to forget their bad feelings. All this TV watching kept them from doing things that could actually make them feel better, like exercising, participating in hobbies, reading, or spending time with friends and family.

Another way TV watching can be harmful is, like the addictions mentioned above, TV can cause you to neglect your life. The more you watch, the more you want to watch, and after a while, TV replaces real experiences. TV addicts stop talking to their families, don't exercise, don't see their friends, and don't learn new things. Basically, TV addicts stop experiencing life.

The harmful effects of TV addiction may not be as obvious as those of cigarette, drug, or alcohol addiction, but TV addiction can take a person's life away. If you think that excessive TV watching is not harmful, keep track of how much TV you watch every day, and think about all the other things you could be doing during those wasted hours.

For each question, choose the best answer based on the reading passage. Write A, B, C or D on your Answer Sheet.

21. What is the main idea of this article?
- A. TV addictions are more dangerous than cigarette, alcohol, and drug addictions.
 - B. TV addiction is not harmful to your life at all.
 - C. TV addiction can be harmful to your life.
 - D. People watch a lot of TV, but there is no such thing as a TV addiction.
22. According to the article, one way cigarette smoking can be harmful to your life is that _____.
- A. it can make you neglect your friends and family
 - B. it can cause you to lose more and more money until you become obsessed
 - C. it smells bad, so people won't want to spend time with you
 - D. it can cause serious health problems

23. According to the article, one way drug and alcohol addiction can be harmful is that _____.

- A. you can get emphysema, a disease of the lungs
 - B. addicts spend all their time trying to put their lives back together
 - C. it keeps addicts from doing things that make them feel better, like exercising
 - D. drugs and alcohol keep addicts from thinking clearly and being responsible
24. According to a study, the people who watch the most TV _____.
- A. like to watch shows that teach them new things
 - B. already feel bad about themselves and their lives
 - C. also spend the most time exercising
 - D. don't have jobs
25. Television addicts probably _____.
- A. are not healthy and physically fit
 - B. only watch shows that they really enjoy
 - C. feel better about themselves after relaxing in front of the TV
 - D. spend a lot of time with their friends

II. Read the passage. Then answer the questions that follow. (15 points, 3 points each)

E-learning: Distance Learning on the Internet

It's 10 A. M. Angela gets out of bed, brushes her teeth, and washes her face. She walks into the kitchen, makes a cup of coffee, and sits down at her computer. She logs on to her university's Web site and checks an e-mail from her economics professor about an assignment that is due on Tuesday. Then, she accesses the course message boards to read student comments about the week's assignment. She reviews this week's presentation online and then continues working on the economics problem set she has to finish for tomorrow evening.

How is Angela's experience different from a traditional university classroom experience? Well, for one thing, today is Sunday, and Angela is "at school." But for Angela, it doesn't matter because the doors to this "virtual university" are open 24 hours a day. She can submit homework assignments, review student discussions, and, although the university is in the United States, she can review her professor's presentation from her home in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Another thing that distinguishes Angela from traditional students is that she is not a full-time student. She is taking classes part-time to complete her business degree while working full-time for a computer software company. She can interact with and read comments from students all around the world in her virtual international classroom. Does it sound futuristic? Well, it is already happening on personal computers around the world.

In the information age, where knowledge is power, many full-and part-time professionals are going online to further their education and professional knowledge, obtaining multiple master's degrees and other types of qualifications. Distance education has expanded significantly in the last few years because of the development of the Internet. The advantages distance learning offers to working professionals include convenience, flexibility, and the opportunity to accommodate multiple learning styles. In areas where unemployment is high or where tight work schedules can't accommodate traditional learning, e-learning has become very popular.

But skeptics wonder if distance education programs maintain a high quality of instruction and if they offer enough interaction with the instructor and other students in the class. It is still difficult to say if distance education is better than the classroom-based experience; it requires extra effort from the student and the teacher. However, the virtual classroom seems to be here to stay, and many people are taking advantage of it.

Decide whether the following statements are true or false. Write "T" for True and "F" for False on the Answer Sheet.

26. Angela has no interaction with her instructor.
27. Distance education can happen almost anywhere.
28. Distance education offers more interaction in person than traditional classes.
29. According to the article, e-learning is superior to "traditional" learning.
30. The number of people studying online is increasing.

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Section I New Words

I. Match each vocabulary word on the left with the correct definition on the right. (30 points, 3 points each)

1. F
2. A
3. J
4. I
5. B
6. C
7. D
8. E
9. G
10. H

II. Fill in the blanks with words from the box below. (30 points, 3 points each)

11. environment
12. transportation
13. global
14. residents
15. method
16. established
17. predict
18. focused
19. access
20. solve

Section II Reading Comprehension

I. For each question, choose the best answer based on the reading passage. (25 points, 5 points each)

21. C
22. D
23. D
24. B
25. A

II. Decide whether the following statements are true or false. Write “T” for True and “F” for False on the Answer Sheet. (15 points, 3 points each)

26. F
27. T
28. F
29. F
30. T