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考生须知	1. 本试卷共 8 页, 满分 60 分, 考试时间 90 分钟。 2. 在试卷和答题卡上准确填写学校名称、姓名和学号。 3. 试题答案一律填涂或书写在答题卡上, 在试卷上作答无效。 4. 在答题卡上, 选择题用 2B 铅笔作答, 其他试题用黑色字迹签字笔作答。 5. 考试结束, 请将本试卷和答题卡一并交回。
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知识运用(共 14 分)

一、单项填空(共 6 分, 每小题 0.5 分)

从下面各题所给的 A、B、C、D 四个选项中, 选择可以填入空白处的最佳选项。

- Amy, would you please pass \_\_\_\_\_ the salt?  
—Sure, here you are.  
A. I                      B. me                      C. my                      D. mine
- When do you leave home for school?  
—I usually leave \_\_\_\_\_ 7 o'clock in the morning.  
A. at                      B. on                      C. in                      D. during
- The invention of airplanes makes traveling much \_\_\_\_\_ than before.  
A. easy                      B. easily                      C. easier                      D. the easiest
- I will call you as soon as I \_\_\_\_\_ the tickets for the concert.  
A. get                      B. got                      C. have got                      D. will get
- The rain is heavy now. You need to put on your raincoat, \_\_\_\_\_ you will get wet.  
A. or                      B. and                      C. but                      D. so
- What did you do last weekend?  
—We \_\_\_\_\_ a picnic in the park. It was a nice day.  
A. have                      B. had                      C. has had                      D. will have
- The water is so clear here, isn't it?  
—Yes. I \_\_\_\_\_ see the colorful fishes swimming in it.  
A. shouldn't                      B. mustn't                      C. need                      D. can
- I \_\_\_\_\_ great progress in English since I started to read an English story every day.  
A. made                      B. make                      C. have made                      D. will make
- I \_\_\_\_\_ basketball when my mum called me.  
A. am playing                      B. was playing                      C. played                      D. have played
- The book \_\_\_\_\_ you are talking about is written in everyday English.  
A. who                      B. that                      C. when                      D. what

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11. My teacher's glasses \_\_\_\_\_ by her baby yesterday.  
A. broke            B. break            C. were broken        D. are broken
12. — Could you tell me \_\_\_\_\_ tomorrow?  
— By bus.  
A. how did you go to the museum        B. how you went to the museum  
C. how will you go to the museum        D. how you will go to the museum

二、完形填空 (共 8 分, 每小题 1 分)

阅读下面的短文, 掌握其大意, 然后从短文后各题所给的 A、B、C、D 四个选项中, 选择最佳选项。

When I started working, I couldn't understand why some people seemed to succeed in anything they tried. However, others just couldn't manage to achieve anything. After a while, I found the biggest 13 lies in setting and reviewing goals regularly. A study shows those who have written goals and review them regularly are among the highest achievers.

What do you do with your desires (渴望) and wants in life? You could pay no attention to them and leave them to 14 in your mind, or start taking action to get what you want. You need to set goals. A goal starts with a simple desire.

Do you use any 15 for not setting goals? Whatever it is, I am sure your excuse is limiting you. If you're 16 about what you want, you might end up at a certain age with things that you didn't want.

Setting goals and reviewing them regularly can increase your chances of succeeding. It can give you the right direction and 17 you moving closer to what you want. You will achieve more in months than many people do in years.

If you have a strong desire for something, you have two 18: wishful thinking, or taking action. You can wish for a miracle(奇迹), but do nothing. Or, you can get clear on the steps and take them, 19, one by one until you reach success.

Setting goals is the most important and necessary step to achieve success in any area. It begins with a desire, and then a written goal, 20 by the right attitude and action. Keep reviewing your goals and watch how your wish miraculously turns into your reality.

13. A. difference        B. surprise        C. hope            D. sale
14. A. sing            B. dance            C. light            D. disappear
15. A. tools            B. excuses            C. stories            D. examples
16. A. excited        B. unclear            C. sure            D. unhappy
17. A. imagine        B. feel            C. stop            D. keep
18. A. steps            B. decisions        C. choices            D. wishes
19. A. slowly        B. suddenly        C. luckily            D. sadly
20. A. decided        B. corrected        C. followed        D. built





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阅读理解(共36分)

三、阅读下列短文,根据短文内容,从短文后各题所给的A、B、C、D四个选项中,选择最佳选项。(共26分,每小题2分)

A

California

<p><b>Hollywood</b></p> <p>You can stand in the footprints of Johnny Depp at Grauman's Chinese Theatre and then meet his wax model(蜡像), along with Hugh Jackman, Lance Armstrong, and Brad and Angelina, all at Madame Tussauds.</p>	
<p><b>Santa Cruz</b></p> <p>Go to the Santa Cruz Surfing Museum, which is in a lighthouse, and see surfboards including one eaten by a shark. Next stop, the Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk for a ride on the Giant Dipper rollercoaster.</p>	 rollercoaster
<p><b>Venice Beach</b></p> <p>This is where skateboarding started, so you must visit the famous skate park right on the beach. Also watch the bodybuilders at Muscle Beach Gym, which is where Arnold Schwarzenegger started his career.</p>	
<p><b>Los Angeles</b></p> <p>Have you ever wanted to record yourself? Now you can at the fantastic Grammy Museum. You can also learn how to dance like Michael Jackson, and find out about the connection among different music styles.</p>	

21. If you want to stand in the footprints of Johnny Depp, where will you go?  
A. Los Angeles.    B. Hollywood.    C. Venice Beach.    D. Santa Cruz.
22. People must visit the skate park on Venice Beach because \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. skateboarding started there    B. many famous people go there  
C. they can learn how to dance there    D. there are rollercoasters to ride on
23. The passage is probably a(n) \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. bedtime story    B. letter from an old friend  
C. school notice    D. introduction for tourists

B

Tonya Andrews is a math teacher in Texas. For 16 years, she loved her dear pet cat Blondie very much and wanted to spend as much time with her as possible. It is totally understandable that she had a special feeling for Blondie because she'd saved her from a building in Forth Worth. But recently, shortly after she and her husband had realized that Blondie seemed to be getting sick, the elderly cat died in her arms on her way to the pet hospital. Naturally, Mrs. Andrews was heart-broken.

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After Blondie's death, Mrs. Andrews went to work every day, feeling upset. She couldn't help but share the sad news of her sad loss with some of her students at Joshua High School in Joshua, TX, and shortly after, a few of the girls in her class came up with a few surprises to cheer her up.

As one student filmed the moment, the girls first gave her some white roses, followed by cupcakes and balloons to express their care. Mrs. Andrews seemed touched, but it was their next surprise that deeply moved her and that everyone was talking about.

All that the shocked teacher could seem to say was, "Are they for me?" as she held the baby cats named Missy and Girlie.

"I knew something was going on when only half of my class was in my room, second period the next day when the bell rang," Andrews told the Huffington Post, feeling thankful. "Then she held them out to me and said they were mine. My heart can now experience happiness again."

What the high school students did is really meaningful, especially for people who have gone through loss, like Tonya Andrews. The good news is that it certainly looks like it was worth all the effort. Tonya Andrews finally was happy when her students did kind things for her.

24. Why did Mrs. Andrews have a special feeling for Blondie?
- Because Blondie got sick.
  - Because she was always lonely.
  - Because Blondie was her first pet.
  - Because she saved Blondie from a building.
25. What did Mrs. Andrews do after Blondie died?
- She shared the sad news with her students.
  - She bought two baby cats, Missy and Girlie.
  - She got into an argument with her husband.
  - She gave up her job at Joshua High School.
26. According to the passage, what are Mrs. Andrews' students like?
- Confident and honest.
  - Understanding and caring.
  - Humorous and active.
  - Brave and strong-willed.

### C

Zoos are hugely popular attractions for adults and children alike. But are they actually a good thing?



whale

Those people who are against zoos would argue that animals often suffer(遭受痛苦) physically and mentally by being enclosed. Even the best man-made environments can't come close to matching the space, diversity(多样性), and freedom that animals have in their natural homes. This causes many zoo animals to become sick. Catching animals in the wild also causes much suffering by separating families. Some zoos make animals behave unnaturally. For example, ocean parks often force dolphins and whales to perform. These sea animals

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may die years earlier than their wild relatives.

On the other hand, by bringing people and animals together, zoos can educate the public about animal protection and encourage people to save animals and their homes. Some zoos provide a safe environment for animals which have been mistreated in circuses, or pets which have been given up and no longer wanted. Zoos also carry out important research into subjects like animal behavior and how to treat illness.



dolphin



circus

One of the most important modern functions of zoos is supporting international breeding (繁衍) programs, especially for endangered species (物种). In the wild, some of the species have difficulty in finding mates and breeding, and they might also be hurt or even killed by people. A good zoo will enable these species to live and breed in a safe environment. In addition, as numbers of some wild species drop, there is an increased danger of populations becoming too genetically (基因上) similar. Breeding programs provide a safeguard: zoo-bred animals can be put into the wild to increase genetic diversity.

However, those people who are against zoos say that many zoo-bred animals are not put back into the wild. A lot of animals are sold not only to other zoos but also to circuses in the US or wild parks in South Africa, where some people are willing to pay a lot of money for the chance to kill a helpless animal. Often, these animals are familiar with humans and have very little chance of escaping.

So, are zoos good for animals or not? Perhaps it all depends on how well zoos are managed, and the benefits of zoos can surely outweigh their harmful effects. However, it is understandable that many people believe enclosing animals for any reason is simply wrong.

27. According to Paragraph 2, some sea animals may die earlier than their wild relatives because

- \_\_\_\_\_
- A. they were born in the ocean park      B. they don't have enough living space  
C. they are forced to behave unnaturally      D. they suffer from family separation
28. What is the main purpose of international breeding program?
- A. To increase genetic diversity.      B. To protect mistreated animals.  
C. To free enclosed animals.      D. To do research on animal behavior.
29. What's the author's opinion of zoos?
- A. He doubts the value of zoos.  
B. He is a true supporter of all kinds of zoos.  
C. He is against the idea of having zoos around.  
D. He sees the importance of the zoo management.

#### D

The Rise of Artificial Intelligence (AI; 人工智能) discusses AI technology and how it might affect humans in the future, but the future is already here. In 2011, America's Favorite Quiz Show

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held a competition between two men and an IBM computer named "Watson". IBM describes Watson as "a technology that understands all forms of data and also reasons and learns." Both men thought they could beat Watson. Instead, the computer and its Artificial Intelligence soundly bested both of the human beings.

### ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE MADE SIMPLE

Artificial Intelligence generally refers to machines with human-like intelligence, such as problem-solving and learning. In order to be considered AI, the computer must pass the Turing test, named after Alan Turing, a British mathematician who worked with the first computers.

In the 1950s, Turing published a paper questioning whether a computer could be used to trick humans into believing they were interacting(互动) with an actual human being. He found that if 30% of humans who interacted with a "machine" believed they were actually interacting with a human being, then the computer could be considered as AI.

A simple example of AI is Apple's Siri. Ask Siri to do anything, from calling a friend to booking a dinner table, and Siri can do it. Siri seems almost human. When you ask, "Are you a real person?" Siri answers, "That is a really personal question."

But, just because a system can behave like humans does not mean it can think like humans. Or, does it?

### JOINING OF HUMAN & MACHINE

It seems that our devices(设备) will turn into humans. Our phones already tell us to take an umbrella before we walk out the door. They volunteer traffic conditions so we know how long it will take to drive to work.

Our devices can interact with us in a way that looks like a real conversation with another human being, like with Siri. It does not seem crazy at all to think that AI may be programmed to actually think. If it has not already happened, it likely will happen in the near future.

Have we come to the time when computers and AI have caught up to human beings? Although computers have the ability to make our life better, is it possible that they may control and destroy human beings in the end?

### WHAT THE FUTURE HOLDS

It seems pretty clear that in the future, we're going to see **a human-machine hybrid**. Humans will be stronger, live longer and be smarter. Ray Kurzweil, a computer scientist, believes that within 50 years, the humans on Earth will be about 50 to 80% robotic. There is no question that AI will be a part of every technology that humans create. Will it turn out to be more of a benefit to humankind or will it be a risk and threaten(威胁到)humanity as we know it? If AI is programmed according to Isaac Asimov's 3 Laws of Robotics, humans won't have a problem with machines; but for some, evil AI still stands in the way of a peaceful and safe life on earth.

30. The story of computer Watson is mentioned here to tell us that \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. the age of machines has come      B. humans make their own enemies  
C. AI has actually come into our life      D. humans are playing a dangerous game

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31. From the passage we can learn that \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. Turing test was designed to examine the first computers  
 B. machines interacting with humans can be called AI  
 C. Siri can volunteer to book a dinner table  
 D. AI will help humans to be stronger and smarter
32. What does the underlined expression “a human-machine hybrid” probably mean?  
 A. a machine with a human look                      B. a human created by machines  
 C. a body part robotic part human                      D. a robot that can behave like humans
33. The passage is mainly about \_\_\_\_\_.  
 A. the history and future of AI                      B. the advantages and disadvantages of AI  
 C. the examples of AI                      D. the competition between humans and AI

四、阅读短文,根据短文内容回答问题。(共10分,每小题2分)

**Albino Power**

I was born an albino(白化病患者)in Scranton, Pennsylvania, in 1945. No one in my family had ever known what an albino was, what it meant to be an albino, what had to be done differently because I was an albino.

My parents and friends treated me just like they treated everybody else. That was just about the best thing they could have done. It gave me a leg up on trusting myself, so when troubles came along, I could deal with them.

True, my schoolbook photo always looked like a snowball with two pieces of coal for eyes. Like most albinos, I had terrible eyesight, but the fact that I could hardly see didn't worry me all that much.

Kids laughed at me, calling me “Whitey”. People stared at me when I held reading material right at the tip of my nose so I could see it well enough to read. Even when I was eight or nine, movie-theater workers started asking me to pay adult prices because I “looked older”.

The worst part for me was that because my eyesight was so bad, I couldn't play sports very well. I didn't give up trying, though. I practiced playing basketball every day. And I studied harder.

Finally, I got better at school and loved it. By the time I got to college, I was double majoring(专业), going to summer school and taking part in every kind of after-class activity I could find. I had learned to be proud of being an albino. I did my best to make “albino” a positive word. And I decided to make my living with my eyes—and in sports.

I couldn't see well enough to play sports, but with a good and long-lasting education and the drive to do it, I could make a living involved in the area I loved. I've done it now for more than thirty years in print and in video, and now in cyberspace. People make jokes about how I'm the only “blind editor(编辑)” they know, but the jokes are friendly smiles now, and some of them are signs of respect. And I make jokes about being an albino. I have even developed an all-white routine, if you could call it that.

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I was just a proud albino kid from the coal country of Pennsylvania. I now realize that being born an albino helped me to get over difficulties, become confident, and be proud of my personal achievement.

34. How did the writer's parents and friends treat him?
35. Why couldn't the writer play sports very well?
36. What was the writer doing by the time he got to college?
37. What does the writer think of the "blind editor" jokes now?
38. What does "Albino Power" mean to the writer?

### 书面表达

#### 五、文段表达(10分)

39. 从下面两个题目中任选一题,根据中文和英文提示,完成一篇不少于50词的文段写作。文中已给出内容不计入总词数。所给提示词语仅供选用。请不要写出你的校名和姓名。

##### 题目1

假如你是李华,正在美国参加一个交换生项目。你想申请所在学校的某一社团,请你写一份申请,说明你想参加什么社团,为什么想参加这个社团以及你自身的优势。

提示词语: singing, chess, interested, confident, friends

- 提示问题: 1. What club do you want to join?  
2. Why do you want to join this club?  
3. What makes you the right person for this club?

Dear Sir/Madam,

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Thank you for considering my application and I'm looking forward to your early reply.

Yours,  
Li Hua

##### 题目2

现在,某英文报纸正在开展以“我要成为一个\_\_\_\_\_的人”为主题的征文活动。假如你是李华,请用英语写一篇短文投稿。谈谈你要成为一个什么样的人,为什么以及你怎么做才能成为那样的人。

提示词语: brave, honest, positive, help, love, believe

- 提示问题: 1. What kind of person do you want to be?  
2. Why do you want to be like that?  
3. How can you make it?