

2019年北京市西城区初三二模英语试卷



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。

1. - Father's Day is coming. Have you prepared something for dad?

- Yes. I'll give \_\_\_\_\_ a beautiful pen.

- A. me      B. you      C. him      D. her

2. Please wake me up \_\_\_\_\_ 5 o'clock. I have to catch the early train.

- A. at      B. in      C. on      D. for

3. - \_\_\_\_\_ can I better myself?

- By working hard and thinking more.

- A. What      B. Where      C. When      D. How

4. Sara was very excited \_\_\_\_\_ she won the competition.

- A. because      B. though      C. until      D. unless

5. - Lucy, which season do you like \_\_\_\_\_ in Beijing, spring or autumn?

- Autumn

- A. good      B. better      C. best      D. the best

6. - Sam, let's do the cleaning together.

- Just a minute. I \_\_\_\_\_ my homework, almost finished.

- A. did      B. am doing      C. will do      D. have done

7. John, you \_\_\_\_\_ weight if you do exercise every day.

- A. lose      B. lost      C. will lose      D. have lost

8. Our lives \_\_\_\_\_ a lot since the Internet was invented.

- A. changed      B. are changing  
C. will change      D. have changed

9. - Did you watch the basketball match on TV last night?  
- I wanted to, but my mother \_\_\_\_\_ her favourite TV show at that time.
- A. watches  
B. was watching  
C. will watch  
D. has watched
10. Would you like some cookies? I \_\_\_\_\_ them yesterday.
- A. buy  
B. was buying  
C. will buy  
D. bought
11. High-speed trains in China \_\_\_\_\_ for safety problems every night.
- A. check  
B. are checked  
C. will check  
D. will be checked
12. - Do you know \_\_\_\_\_?  
- In 2022.
- A. when will the next World Cup begin  
B. when did the next World Cup begin  
C. when the next World Cup will begin  
D. when the next World Cup began

## 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。

### If I could go back in time

One of the most popular topics in the history of science fiction has been the idea of time travel.

When I was a child, I often dreamed about a time machine that would allow me to “save” certain moments of my life, so that in case I failed to do something, I could always “load” my life from a checkpoint. As I grew \_\_\_\_\_ (13), my life experiences gradually

became more diverse (多样的). In many situations, I had no idea how to act properly, what decisions to make, what path to follow; \_\_\_\_\_ (14), I made mistakes. While many of my actions back then turned out for the good in the future, some mistakes provided many painful moments for me and people around me. Mistakes are certain to happen, but they allow us to learn, \_\_\_\_\_ (15) ourselves, and drive us to change for the better—and still sometimes I would like to jump into a time machine, go back a couple of years ago, and make \_\_\_\_\_ (16).

Would I try to make other people act in a different way? I think no. I would rather \_\_\_\_\_ (17) myself about the awaiting consequences (后果) of my most careless decisions. I would talk to a long-haired teen holding his first cigarette and tell him: “Don’t do that.” So many warnings I would give to myself that sometimes I think: was it really me who did this and that?

Having a time machine would make life easier. Perhaps, it is true. But what I think more often now is that living without this teaches us responsibility, about oneself, about important people to us, about one’s own life. And besides, our \_\_\_\_\_ (18) make us what we are today. Today I am a person leading a healthy, active lifestyle; I try to live each day to fullness in order to \_\_\_\_\_ (19) nothing.

If I could go back in time, I would try to make my \_\_\_\_\_ (20) better. This is what our parents always try to do when we are children. But you know what? I am glad that no time machine has been invented.

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| 13. A. wiser     | B. older    | C. stronger | D. richer  |
| 14. A. naturally | B. directly | C. suddenly | D. luckily |
| 15. A. love      | B. enjoy    | C. develop  | D. trust   |

16. A. wishes      B. journeys      C. decisions      D. corrections  
 17. A. warn      B. comfort      C. advise      D. criticize  
 18. A. dreams      B. changes      C. mistakes      D. responsibilities  
 19. A. fear      B. cost      C. miss      D. regret  
 20. A. family      B. future      C. childhood      D. education

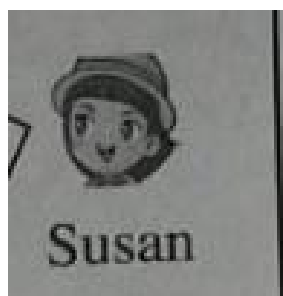
阅读理解 (共 36 分)

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

 Mike	<p>My favorite thing has to be my new pad. It's small and light. I'm always writing messages to friends and it's big enough to do homework on it as well. It takes really good photos, and I listen to music on it too. I often download films onto it and watch them in bed.</p>
 Jack	<p>My German pots (锅) are my favorite. They're the best ones from Germany. Because of them, cooking has become my new hobby. I try to make a dinner for my friends very often. It's quite an expensive hobby if you use good ingredients, but now my friends help share the cost.</p>
 Lucy	<p>This might sound a bit old-fashioned, but my sewing machine (缝纫机) is my favorite thing. I study fashion and love designing and making clothes myself. It's much easier using a machine to do it. If I don't make it</p>

as a designer, I suppose I can set up my own clothing business.



Does my cat count as a thing? She's not really a thing but a beautiful cat. You know how some cats are really independent and hardly talk to you? Well, my cat is not like that at all. She will come up to me as soon as I get home and she loves being next to me when I'm on the sofa. She's a great company.

21. What's Jack's new hobby?

- A. Taking pictures.
- B. Cooking.
- C. Making clothes.
- D. Writing.

22. Who has a beautiful cat?

- A. Mike.
- B. Jack.
- C. Lucy.
- D. Susan.

23. What are they talking about?

- A. Their homework.
- B. Their pets.
- C. Their favorite things.
- D. Their friends.

## B

### A Beautiful Reminder

Clara Daly was seated on an Alaska Airlines flight from Boston to Los Angeles with her mother when a flight attendant asked an urgent (紧急的) question over the loudspeaker: "Does anyone on board know American Sign Language (ASL)?"

Clara, 15 at the time, offered to help. The flight attendant came by and explained the situation. "We have a passenger on the plane who's blind and deaf. He is flying home after visiting his sister. He is unable to make any kind of communication with the flight

attendants.” she said. The passenger seemed to want something, but he was traveling alone and the flight attendants couldn’t understand what he needed.

Clara had been studying American Sign Language for the past year and she knew she’d be able to finger spell into the man’s palm (掌心). So she stood up, walked toward the front of the plane, and rested on her knees alongside 64-year-old Tim Cook. Gently taking his hand, letter by letter, she unlocked his wishes. She signed, “How are you? Are you OK?” Cook asked for some water. When it arrived, Clara returned to her seat. She came by again a bit later because he wanted to know the time. On her third visit, she stopped and stayed awhile. She soon realized Cook didn’t need anything. He was lonely and wanted to talk.

So for the next hour, that’s what they did. She talked about her family and her plans of becoming a politician in the future. Cook told Clara how he had gradually become blind over time and shared stories of his days as a traveling salesman. Even though he couldn’t see her, she looked attentively at his face with such kindness.

People on board thought it was cool. A passenger named Lynette Scribner took a photo and wrote about Clara’s act of kindness on the Internet, calling it “a beautiful reminder in this time of too much awfulness...that there are still good people who are willing to look out for each other.”

24. The flight attendant wanted a person who \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. knew ASL
- B. liked talking
- C. traveled alone
- D. came from Boston

25. What did Clara do on her third visit to Cook?

- A. She told Cook the time.

- B. She gave Cook some water.
- C. She took a photo with Cook.
- D. She stayed and talked to Cook.

26. Clara's act was called a beautiful reminder because \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. it encouraged people to talk with strangers
  - B. it told people the importance of learning ASL
  - C. it showed there were still people willing to help
  - D. it proved it was safe for people to travel by air



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Research has already suggested that opening a book may help improve brain function and reduce stress. Now, a team led by Joanna Sikora of the Australian National University is looking into the benefits of growing up around a book-filled environment; the researchers' new study suggests that homes with libraries can arm children with skills that last well into adulthood.

The study looked at data from 160,000 adults from 31 countries, including the United States, Australia, Turkey and Chile. Participants (参与者) filled out surveys with the Programme for the International Assessment of Competencies, which measures proficiency (水平) in three areas: literacy (读写能力), numeracy and information communication technology. People, 25 to 65 years old, were asked to tell how many books were in their house when they were 16 years old. The research team was interested in this question because home library size can be a good sign of "book-oriented socialization". Participants were able to choose from a given range of books that included everything from "10 or less" to

“more than 500”.

The surveys, which were taken between 2011 and 2015, showed that the average (平均的) number of books in participants' childhood homes was 115, but that number varied widely from country to country. The average library size in Norway was 212 books, for example; in Turkey, it was 27. In all, however, it seemed that more books in the home was linked to higher proficiency in the areas tested by the survey.

The effects were most marked when it came to literacy. Growing up with few books in the home resulted in below average literacy levels. Being surrounded by 80 books raised the levels to average, and literacy continued to improve until libraries reached about 350 books, at which point the literacy rates **leveled off**. The researchers saw similar things when it came to numeracy; the effects were not as pronounced with information communication technology tests, but skills did improve with increased numbers of books.

So, what does the new study tell us? Take, for example, an adult who grew up with hardly any books in the home, but went on to get a university degree compared to an adult who grew up with a large home library, but only had nine years of schooling. The study found that both of their literacy levels were almost the same. “So, literacy-wise, bookish childhood makes up for a good deal of educational advantage,” the study authors write.

Further research is needed to decide exactly why exposure to (沉浸在) books in childhood encourages valuable skills later in life, but the study offers further evidence to suggest that reading has a powerful effect on the mind. And so home library size might be important because, as the researchers note, “children emulate (模



仿) parents who read.”

27. The second paragraph is mainly about \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. what the study found out
- B. how the study was carried out
- C. who were invited to the research
- D. why the researchers did the study

28. The phrase “**leveled off**” in Paragraph 4 probably means “\_\_\_\_\_”.

- A. backed to average
- B. started falling
- C. continued to grow
- D. stopped rising

29. The example in Paragraph 5 shows \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. the disadvantage of having little school education
- B. the effect of having a home library in childhood
- C. the necessity of raising people’s literacy level
- D. the importance of getting a university degree

30. What can we learn from the passage?

- A. The study explained why bookish childhood encouraged valuable skills.
- B. Adults benefit more from a home library than children.
- C. Home library size has little to do with numeracy level.
- D. Parents who love reading benefit children a lot.

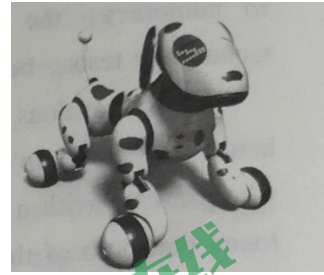
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### Robotic Pets

I am going to predict how people are going to be with future technology in their life. I think robotic pets are going to be increasingly popular as the technology develops. At least I am going to build what I think is a strong case for this prediction.

From a neurological point of view, I do not see anything in the

way to people bonding (纽带) fully with robotic pets. The human brain can attach (赋予) emotions to things and respond to emotional signaling. Being alive is simply not required. From how objects move, our brains infer that



they are able to act with their own will and purpose. If they move in a way that cannot be explained simply as passive (被动的) movement, then they must be moving on their own. Therefore, they can connect to the emotional centers in our brains. We either fear them, or love them, or hunger for them, or whatever. We can respond emotionally with cartoon creatures, with animals, and yes, even with robots. Our brains treat things that act alive as if they are alive — no different.

One of the opposite points that people often bring up is that they love the way their pets behave, not just look. This gets to AI, which has been developing at a fast pace. We have AI that can beat world masters in chess and go. I have no doubt we can build AI to mimic (模仿) the behavior of dogs and cats, if not now then probably within a generation.

So we will have no problem fully emotionally bonding with a robotic pet. But this doesn't mean we would prefer such a pet. One argument against robotic pets is that they will be expensive compared to a live pet — but this is likely not to be true forever. Living pets need to be fed, and they need at least basic medical care, and they may need to be boarded at times. Also, people spend hundreds of dollars on pets, or thousands of dollars on pure bred species. Robotic pets will finally cost less in total than biological ones.

But let's get to the real reason people will prefer robotic pets at

last. The possibilities for building in useful technology are endless. An advanced robotic pet could also serve as a defensive and alarm system. You could recharge your cell phone off their batteries. They could be a walking cell phone. They would be excellent companions for the elder, affording them more independence for longer. This in itself would be a huge cost saving — anything that keeps people out of a nursing home is cost effective.

Imagination is really the only limitation, once you have the basics of a working robot. When the technology crosses a certain limit, this will be a thing. Future generations may consider keeping a living animal in your home as primitive (原始的) and cruel. They may have a point.

31. Why can we bond fully with robotic pets?

- A. They can respond to our reactions.
- B. They can move actively and freely.
- C. Our brains can treat things differently.
- D. Our brains can attach emotions to them.

32. According to the passage, we know that \_\_\_\_\_

- A. robotic pets will be cost effective in the future
- B. present AI can mimic all the behaviors of live pets
- C. the elder prefer to have robotic pets as companions
- D. the young think it primitive and cruel to keep live pets

33. The writer probably agrees that \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. live pets will serve us better
- B. it is easier to keep live pets at home
- C. technology ensures robotic pets a bright future
- D. imagination limits the development of robotic pets

四、阅读短文，根据短文内容回答问题。（共 10 分，每小题 2 分）

330 million nature lovers from all over the world visited US national parks in 2018. This summer, visitors will have a new park to explore. Indiana Dunes National Park started on February 15, 2019. Just 50 miles from Chicago, the park is doable as a day trip or a multi-day adventure.

Located (位于) in northwestern Indiana along the shore of Lake Michigan, Indiana Dunes is the first national park in this state. The park is already Indiana's most-visited site, with about 3.5 million visitors each year. Here's what to know before you visit.

The park's most impressive features (特点) are its towering sand dunes. Formed by glacial melt (冰川融化), the park's namesake dunes can reach heights of almost 200 feet. Strong winds blowing off Michigan continually shape and change the park's 15 miles of shoreline, ensuring a slightly different experience each time you visit.

The warm months are the best time to take full advantage of the park's beach. But the park is worth visiting in any season. You can do different activities in different seasons. To see beautiful fall leaves, plan your visit in autumn. Or explore the park in winter and enjoy far fewer crowds. If you visit in spring, just enjoy your walk for beautiful flowers.

A 3.5-mile path showing the best the park has to offer. The most famous dune is Mount Baldy, and on certain days you can actually climb to the top of this sand dune to enjoy open views of the surrounding landscape (风景). Other outdoor activities at Indiana Dunes National Park include biking, boating, and fishing. Of course, swimming in Lake Michigan is one of the most beloved activities, but it's important to be mindful of changing water conditions. Like

an ocean, Lake Michigan can be calm one minute and dangerous the next.

The park's Dunewood Campground has 66 campsites and is equipped with restrooms and showers. It is first-come, first-served, and the fee is \$25 per night. If you don't want to camp, several other accommodations (住宿) around Indiana Dunes don't require sleeping in a tent. Everything from bed and breakfasts to hotels is available.

If you're flying to the Midwest, the airports nearest to Indiana Dunes are South Bend International in South Bend, about 45 miles away, and both Midway and O'Hare in Chicago. From Indianapolis, the drive is about 2.5 hours. The park's main gate is just off I-94 and is easily accessed from the Indiana Toll Road. Take the exit for IN-49 and you will pass right by the visitor center where you can park, head in to get a map, and plan the day. The park fee is just \$6 per car and \$80 for a season pass.

34. When did Indiana Dunes National Park start?

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35. Where is the park located?

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36. Why is the park worth visiting in any season?

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37. What can you do on the top of Mount Baldy?

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38. What is the purpose of writing the passage?

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书面表达 (共 10 分)

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, 你们学校将要举办毕业典礼, 你打算邀请外教 Tim 参加。请用英语写一封电子邮件, 告诉他典礼的时间和地点, 组织哪些活动, 以及需要准备什么。

提示词语: video, speech, dress formally

提示问题:

- When and where will you hold the ceremony?
- What will you do at the ceremony?
- What do you advise Tim to prepare for it?

Dear Tim,

I'm writing to invite you to take part in our graduation ceremony. \_\_\_\_\_

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Yours,

Li Hua

## 题目②

“关爱”就是关心爱护，它在我们身边无处不在。

某英文网站正在开展以“关爱”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。谈谈生活中你是怎么做的，以及这样做的意义。

提示词语：weak, spend, progress, keep trying

提示问题：

- What do you do in your daily life?
- Why do you do so?



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