

Unit 1

A New Life at College

Word Formation

I Directions: Complete each of the following sentences with the proper form of the word given in the brackets.

1. (adapt) They were obliged to _____ themselves to the situation.
2. (comfort) If you are doing something _____, you are physically relaxed and contented.
3. (concern) If something _____ you, it worries you.
4. (describe) Who'd like to _____ what happened just now?
5. (arouse) We must _____ them to fight with enemies.
6. (explore) They are _____ the Amazon jungle.
7. (select) Which place in the world would you _____ as your perfect home?
8. (research) He stayed on at university to do _____.

II Directions: Fill in the blanks with the right word chosen from the group.

vary, various, variety, variable

1. There are _____ kinds of colors for you to choose.
2. The teacher _____ his methods while teaching the abstract theory.
3. What made his temper so _____?
4. A _____ of new books on economy are sold in the Book Center.

simple, simplify, simplicity

5. First of all, we should try to _____ the complicated procedure.

- A. why B. that C. whether D. how
9. If you _____ go, at least wait until the rain stops.
A. can B. must C. should D. would
10. The pilot, whether _____ or design, made the plane do a sharp turn.
A. by accident B. at times C. suddenly D. all at once

II Directions: Choose A, B, C or D to fill in the gaps to make the sentence right in grammar and the most suitable in meaning.

1. Read the letter and _____ to him.
A. pass on B. pass it on C. pass on it D. pass
2. A few months later, John did better _____ drawing than any other student in his class.
A. on B. for C. at D. in
3. TV programs and computers can _____ our eyes to the outside world.
A. look up B. turn up C. catch up D. open up
4. Mary said she _____ to school the next Friday.
A. didn't go B. wouldn't go C. isn't go D. won't go
5. They finished their _____ exams the day before yesterday.
A. end-of-year B. end-of year's C. end of year's D. end of year
6. My mother told me _____ anymore when it was late.
A. didn't write B. not write C. don't write D. not to write
7. Could you _____ my little cat while I am away?
A. care for B. sell out C. look for D. talk with
8. You _____ arrive at 6:00 am, but you arrived at 7:00 am last Sunday. Don't be late this time.
A. supposed to B. were supposed to
C. supposed D. are supposed to
9. There are lots of things _____ I need to do before I leave tonight.
A. that B. who C. why D. what
10. He began to work in that hospital in 2003 _____ a doctor.
A. as B. on C. at D. in
11. What _____ to your grandfather the day before yesterday?
A. was happened B. happened C. happening D. happen

12. —What do you think of his speech?
—Oh, wonderful. But his voice sounded really _____ when he first started speaking.
A. aloud B. worry C. nervous D. quiet
13. —My English teacher said I was hard-working.
—Really? You are _____.
A. luckily B. lucked C. lucky D. luck
14. —I can't go shopping with you today. My mother is ill.
—_____.
A. You're welcome B. Don't worry
C. That's a good idea D. I'm sorry to hear that
15. The boss thinks _____ you are not good at English, you should change a job.
A. that B. since C. why D. whether

III Directions: Fill in the blanks without referring to the passage.

Besides, we have to learn how to look 1 ourselves. When I was in senior high school, I lived 2 my parents and they 3 perfect 4 of me. But now, I'm in a new place. If I still depend on others, I would never 5 myself to the new surroundings. So college life makes me 6 .

You'll be making a lot of new friends. Select your friends with the same care and patience you have always used. Believe it or not, your College friendships will be 7 the most 8 and long-term of your life. It's always exciting to 9 how wonderfully 10 college relationships can be.

North Americans generally have limited experience 11 foreign foods. The range of foods, 12 animal parts, in grocery stores and restaurants is very limited. Organ meats, especially, are not very 13 . This may be because the taste of 14 meat is often strong, or because they look "terrible". With a plentiful supply of familiar foods, North Americans usually don't feel the need or have the 15 in trying new tastes and foods.

IV Directions: Complete the following sentences, using a clause.

1. When my college life begins, I _____ (feel, different from, senior high school life)

2. If I still depend on others, I _____(never, adapt myself to, new surroundings)
3. It is _____(worthwhile, have a discussion with, other group members)
4. We like to _____(set off, early , avoid, rush hour)
5. Her answer _____(indicate, she , angry)
6. In addition, I _____(apply for, part-time job, not busy)
7. Things always _____(look better, in the morning)
8. Stay up until dawn _____(talk about, ideas, roommates)
9. This warm weather _____. (bring on, crops)
10. These sticks _____(strong enough, stay up)

V Directions: Translate the following English expressions into Chinese or vice versa.

A

1. benefit from going to school

2. apply in person or by letter

3. think the plan over

4. as fast as you can

5. communicate with my friends

6. unless you work hard

7. explore all the questions

8. work on one's own

9. long for a chance

10. bring on his fever

B

1. 从跑步中获益

2. 申请这项工作

3. 考虑问题

4. 尽可能近地

5. 与外国客人沟通

6. 除非你太累了

7. 探讨所有可能性

8. 自己学习

9. 渴望和平

10. 使作物生长

Comprehensive Exercises

Directions: There are two passages in this section. Each passage is followed by five questions. For each of the passage there are four choices marked A, B, C and D. Choose the best answer.

Task A

There is a widespread belief that people who get on in life may be successful not because they deserve it, but because of influential friends or the right background. Sometimes it may just be a comforting and harmless belief, while at the other extreme it can be very destructive. I once met a brilliant young engineer who worked in a chemical plant. Because of her knowledge and experience, she should have been promoted to Production Manager. Instead, the job went to a man who was totally unsuited for the post. Everyone knew that he only got it because he was politically acceptable to his superiors. This injustice demoralized the young engineer and many of her colleagues. It also meant that the factory was much less efficient than it could have been.

All the same, we should not be pessimistic. More and more, the modern world depends on having people who are in the job because they are good enough, not just because their face fits. There is a story of a factory owner who sent for an engineer to see to a machine, which would not go. He examined it, then took out a hammer and tapped it, once. The machine started up immediately. When he presented his bill, the owner protested, "This can't be right! \$100 just for tapping a machine with a hammer?" The engineer wrote out a new bill: "For tapping a machine, \$1; for knowing where to tap it, \$ 99."

- It is believed that some people have succeeded in life because _____.
 A. they feel superior to others
 B. they are both influential and powerful
 C. they have some special advantages
 D. they have a poor background
- The engineer at the chemical plant was not promoted because _____.

- A. it is more difficult for a woman to get a promotion than for her male colleagues
B. her boss did not think she had the right qualifications for the job
C. the man who got his promotion was more experienced than she was
D. her bosses did not approve of her political views and opinions
3. The engineer who repaired the machine was right to charge \$ 100 because _____.
- A. he was the only person who could find out what was wrong with it
B. the factory owner could not have repaired it himself
C. he hit the machine to get it started again
D. he was charging for his knowledge and expert skills
4. The author's attitude toward the widespread belief is _____.
- A. positive
B. negative
C. neutral
D. sympathetic
5. According to the passage, which of the following is NOT TRUE?
- A. Having influential friends or right background seems helpful sometimes.
B. The engineer had good reason to overcharge the factory owner.
C. Not all those who are good in their jobs have the chance to be promoted.
D. Those who are good in their job are still largely needed by the modern society.

Task B

Communication between villages and the nearest town was poor. Roads were bad; there was some attempt to keep them in order, but as each parish (教区) was responsible for its own section of the road, the state of repair depended on the enthusiasm of the parish officers. There was, however, little wheeled traffic except for farm coaches used by men of wealth. Most traffic was by means of pack horses. Travelers rode on horseback or walked.

Since communication was so difficult, the local markets, held weekly at the nearest town, or the fairs, held annually at the greater cities, became important places for the exchange of goods of all kinds.

6. The passage is primarily about _____.

- A. traveling B. roads C. market D. communication
7. The author's conclusion that local markets and fairs were important is based on his statement that _____.
- A. communication between villages and towns was poor
B. there was little wheeled traffic
C. exchanges of goods took place at the markets
D. markets and fairs were often held
8. Most traffic was not wheeled because _____.
- A. most people could not afford this means of travel
B. coaches were uncomfortable
C. horses were better than coaches
D. roads were so bad
9. Poor roads were probably so bad because of _____.
- A. politics on a parish level
B. the competition between parishes
C. the lack of traffic
D. the lack of enthusiasm of local authorities
10. The author's statement about the important of markets and fairs is _____.
- A. a conclusion he draws on the basic of his main thought
B. an interesting fact he includes
C. apparently contrary to the main thought
D. a proof he uses to establish his main thought

Grammar Exercises

Directions: Fill in the blanks with the proper form of the word given in the brackets.

1. Who came here _____ (early), Mary or Jane?.
2. If we don't realize the _____ (important) of the wetlands, there will be less and less space for red-crowned cranes.

3. Many _____ (visit) travel to Beijing every year.
4. He was late for school because of _____ (get) up late.
5. She never _____ (worry) because we take good care of her.
6. The police have finally succeeded in _____ (solve) the problem.
7. He is the _____ (tall) boy in his class.
8. The film _____ (direct) by Feng Xiaogang a few months ago is very popular in China.
9. Does she do well in _____ (dance)?
10. He told me he _____ (will) call me the next day.
11. Ben told Lily that he _____ (prepare) for the exam those days.
12. I think it is a bad habit _____ (copy) other's homework.
13. _____ (one) of all, I made a plan for the coming vacation.
14. To keep safe, everyone is _____ (suppose) to wear a seat belt in the car.
15. We must come to a _____ (decide) about what to do next by tomorrow.

Writing

Directions: This part is to test your ability to do practical writing. Now write it out with the necessary information. Write it on the Composition/Sheet.

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