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I. 重写句子 (20 points, 2 points each)

Revise the following sentences according to the requirements.

Example: The history of English words is the history of our civilization in many ways.

(periodic sentence)

In many ways, the history of English words is the history of our civilization.

1. Many people love playing table tennis in China. (periodic sentence) 掉尾句

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答案:

In China, many people love playing table tennis.

2. Mary is five, pretty, and wears a dress. (long sentence) 长句-1-9

答案:

Mary is a girl of five years old; she is pretty, and she wears a dress.

3. The statisticians took the average of the figures for the whole year. Holidays and weekends are included. (simple sentence) 简单句 1-12

答案:

The statisticians took the average of the figures for the whole year including holidays and weekends.

4. The bad boy hit her on the face. She fell onto the floor and cried. (compound sentence) 并列句 1-13

答案:

The bad boy hit her on the face, and she fell onto the floor and cried.

5. Britain came a narrow second to Hungary with 51%. In Britain, men devoted 49% of their free-time to the box. (complex sentence) 复合句 1-14

答案:

Britain, where men devoted 49% of their free-time to the box, came a narrow second to Hungary with 51%.

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6. They like the chance to make friends. They want to be near their classes. Many students say that. (compound-complex sentence) 并列复合句 1-18

答案:

Many students say they like the chance to make friends and they want to be near their classes.

7. The learners can draw the pictures in pen. They can also draw the pictures in pencil. (sentence with parallel structure) 错误平行结构 1-60

答案:

The learners can draw the pictures (either) in pen or in pencil.

8. Fifty-seven percent of young people in the U. S. graduated and these young people obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree in four years. (sentence with a prepositional phrase) 修饰语 1-87

答案:

Fifty-seven percent of young people in the U. S. graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in four years.

9. In the United States, the legal age to drink alcohol is twenty-one. Twenty-one is one of the highest in the world. (sentence with a noun phrase) 修饰语 1-87

答案:

In the United States, the legal age to drink alcohol is twenty-one, one of the highest in the world.

10. She was finally able to tell her story as now she was divorced. (sentence with a verb-ed. . . phrase) 使用分词短语使句子结构多样化 1-97

答案:

Now divorced, she was finally able to tell her story.

II. 改写病句(1 5 points, 3 points each)

Correct the errors in the following sentences.

Example: Made by his mother, Tony ate up the cake.

Tony ate up the cake made by his mother.

11. Reading is an important part of our lives it is hard to imagine it can be replaced. 串句 1-22

答案:

Reading is an important part of our lives. It is hard to imagine it can be replaced.

或者: **Reading is an important part of our lives and it is hard to imagine it can be replaced.**

12. Before the widespread use of the Internet. There was no universal way to download new reading materials. **从属连词引**

起的破句 1-38

答案:

Before the widespread use of the Internet, there was no universal way to download new reading materials.

13. Without low-cost transportation. Millions of Africans have a long walk to their destinations. **垂悬介词 1-77**

答案:

Without low-cost transportation, millions of Africans have a long walk to their destinations.

14. To lose weight, hamburgers must not be eaten. **垂悬不定式 1-77**

答案:

To lose weight, we (one) should not eat hamburgers.

15. In Africa, people walk to fetch water, get to school and to travel to the market. **错误平行结构 1-60**

答案:

In Africa, people walk to fetch water, to get to school and to travel to the market.

III. 标出主题句(15 points, 5 points each) 主题句 2-127

16. Choose the best topic sentence from the group below by writing A, B, C or D.

- A. Obesity can cause a range of psychological problems.
- B. The BMA report highlighted a physical problem obesity causes.
- C. Adults are overweight if they have a BMI index over 30.
- D. The charity Weight Concern emphasizes the problems of child obesity.

Answer: _____

答案: **A. Obesity can cause a range of psychological problems.**

17. Read the following paragraph and underline the topic sentence.

There are several ways for a kid to save money. Many banks offer free savings accounts for children. A great way to utilize your savings account is to deposit a specific amount of your allowance each month. The amount is not much but will add up and help you out a little over time! A lot of banks that offer kids accounts require a parent' signature if the kids want to withdraw money from their savings.

This means the bank account might be a little inconvenient when it comes to purchasing your wanted items. If you would rather have full authority over your money, or if you cannot find a kids' bank plan that you like, there are ways for you to save money at your home. A great way to save money at home is to put a portion of your allowance in a cookie jar or piggy bank in your room. Another way to save money is to put all of your coins in a piggy bank. Coins can collect fast and add up to a lot of money!

答案: **There are several ways for a kid to save money.**

18. Read the following paragraph carefully and choose the best topic sentence from the four possible answers that follow the paragraph by writing A, B, C or D.

In most animals and humans, the desire to sleep is brought on by secretion of a hormone called melatonin. Melatonin is produced in a tiny gland known as the pineal gland. In the evening, the pineal gland reacts to the diminishing levels of daylight and starts to produce melatonin, which is then released into the blood and flows through the body making us drowsy. Its secretion peaks in the middle of the night during our heaviest hours of sleep. In the morning, bright light shining through the eye reaches the pineal gland which reacts by switching off the production of melatonin, thus removing the desire to sleep.

- A. Chemicals are important in our body.
- B. The pineal gland is linked up to other parts of our body.
- C. Light determines our sleep / wake cycle.
- D. Melatonin directs various functions of our body.

Topic sentence: _____

答案: **C. Light determines our sleep / wake cycle.**

IV. 重新组合段落 (10 points, 2 points each) 连贯性 (重复核心词或词语) 2-141

Rearrange the following numbered sentences so that they will read logically.

Put the numbers in proper sequence in the boxes provided below.

- 19. "State of the art" describes something that is as modern as possible.
- 20. Computer technology changed so fast that a "state of the art" computer today might be old tomorrow.
- 21. Because of improvements in technology, people could buy many new kinds of products in American stores, such as home computers and microwave ovens.

22. "High tech" and "state of the art" are two expressions that describe very modern technology.
23. A "state of the art" product is based on the very latest methods and technology.
24. The expression "state of the art" became as common and popular as computers themselves.
25. High tech became a popular expression in the United States during the early 1980's.
26. Now all kinds of products are said to be "state of the art."

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答案: 22 25 21 19 23 20 24 26

V. 标出与段落内容无关的句子(10 points, five points each) 统一性 2-136

Read the following paragraph and underline the TWO irrelevant sentences.

Research scientists at the Institute note that babies are strongly influenced by their environment. They say a baby will smile if its mother does something the baby likes. A baby learns to get the best care possible by smiling to please its mother or other caregiver(照料者). Its mother or other caregiver then understands its information. This is how babies learn to connect and communicate with other people. The American researchers say this ability to learn exists in a baby even before birth. They say newborn babies can recognize and understand sounds they heard while they were still developing inside their mothers. A study last month from the Netherlands found evidence that unborn babies can remember sounds. This study was very valuable indeed. Dutch researchers studied almost one hundred pregnant(怀孕的)women. They played sounds to the growing fetus(胎儿)and watched its movements with ultrasound(超声)devices. They found that by thirty weeks of development the fetus could remember a sound for ten minutes. By the thirty-fourth week, the fetus could remember the sound for four weeks.

答案:

Its mother or other caregiver then understands its information.

This study was very valuable indeed.

VI. 写信(30 points) 求职信 3-232

Write a letter of application according to the following requirements: You came across an advertisement from Yangcheng Evening News that ABC Company is recruiting an English translator. In your letter, make sure to provide some necessary information such as your age, your hobbies and some of your qualifications like your

language proficiency and your working experience. Don' t forget to leave your phone number(136××××××××) for further contact. (150-200 words)

答案: Dear manager,

I learned from Yangcheng Evening News that in order to expand your business, your company wanted to hire an English translator. As an English major, I'm very much interested in this job and hope to get this job.

Now I'd like to introduce myself to you. My name is Liang Bing. I'm 30 years of age. I'm healthy and strong. I like swimming, singing and dancing in my spare time. I graduated from the foreign language department of Beijing University in 2001. Then, I went to work in Nantong Middle School as an English teacher. I work hard and get along well with my colleagues. I'm good at English both in writing and speaking. During the past 8 years, I've translated several Chinese novels into English. I also understand some Japanese and I can talk to foreigners in Japanese fluently.

If you would like to consider me as a candidate, please phone me by 136 x x x x x x .

Thank you very much.

Yours Truly

Liang Bing

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