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前 言

“阅读理解”是目前考查英语学习者综合英语水平的一种流行题型,我国初中、高中、大学的英语考试中大都少不了它。它既要求考生掌握一定的词汇、短语、句法基础、语法知识,又要求考生熟悉一些以英语为母语的国家的历史文化背景及其逻辑推理或思维方式。正是这样,“阅读理解”就有一定的难度,学习者要解决这一问题,就应从初中英语入手。

该书收编的90篇英语阅读理解短文及问题,均选自近年各地初中毕业试题、升高中入学试题、升中模拟试题。编者深信,这些题不深也不浅,较准确反映出我国初级英语(初中)的水平与动向,该书适合初二、初三师生使用。

由于时间仓促,编者水平有限,该书一定还有不少不足与错误,恳求读者不吝赐教。

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— 初中毕业考、升中考试题

阅读以下各篇短文后,根据短文内容,从选项中选出能回答所提问题或完成所给句子的最佳答案。或者,判断所给句子是否正确,正确的打上“√”,错误的打“×”(除特别注明外,全书均同)。

1

Mr Green worked in a shop. The shop sold, cleaned and repaired hearing-aids(助听器). One day an old man entered and put one down in front of him without a word.

“What’s the matter with it?” Mr Green said. The man did not answer. Of course Mr Green thought the man must be deaf(聋的) and something must be wrong with his hearing-aid, so he said again, more loudly(大声地), “What’s wrong with your hearing-aid, sir?” Again the man said nothing, so Mr Green shouted his question again as loudly as he could.

The man then took a pen and a piece of paper and wrote: “It isn’t necessary to shout when you’re speaking to me. My ears are as good as yours. This hearing-aid is my wife’s, not mine. I’ve just had a throat(喉咙) operation. I can hear very well, but I can’t speak!”

1. The old man went to the shop to buy a hearing-aid for his wife.

2. Mr Green thought something must be wrong with the old man's hearing-aid.

3. The old man didn't answer Mr Green's question because he was deaf.

4. Mr Green wrote his question down because the old man could not speak.

5. In order to answer Mr Green's question, the old man had to write down what he wanted to say on a piece of paper.

2

An old porter(搬运工人) had worked for the railway for a very long time. One morning he was standing in one of the big railway stations and waiting for travellers(旅客) to ask him to help them with their luggage(行李), when he saw a small man running towards the trains with a big bag in his hand.

The porter watched the man for a few seconds, and then the man saw the porter. At once the small man ran up to the porter and said, "Can I catch(赶上) the 10:35 train to London, porter?" He was breathing(喘息) very fast, and he seemed worried.

The old porter looked at him for a moment and then said with a smile, "Well, sir, I'd like to help you, but I can't answer your question because I don't know how fast you can run along rails. You see," he explained, "the 10:35 train to London left five min-

utes ago. ”

1. The old porter's job was _____.
 - A. to stand in the railway station
 - B. to answer the travellers' questions
 - C. to help the travellers carry their luggage
 - D. to ask the travellers to help him
2. One morning a small man _____.
 - A. was waiting for the porter to help him
 - B. was running along rails
 - C. was waiting for the train to London
 - D. was in a hurry to catch the 10:35 train to London
3. The small man looked worried because _____.
 - A. he couldn't run so fast as the train
 - B. he wondered if he could catch the 10:35 train to London
 - C. the porter watched him for a few seconds
 - D. he lost his bag
4. At the end of the story, the porter _____.
 - A. told the small man there was no 10:35 train to London
 - B. told the small man when he could catch the train
 - C. helped the small man to catch the train
 - D. played a joke on (开某人的玩笑) the small man
5. When the porter told the man the train had left, the time was _____.
 - A. 10:40
 - B. 10:35
 - C. 10:30
 - D. 10:45

(1、2选自1991年北京市初中毕业、升学统一试题)

3

John was a very famous pianist. When he was a small boy, he once played at a party at the home of a rich man. He was only eight years old. But he had played the piano for several years. At the party, he played a famous piece by Beethoven (贝多芬). He played wonderfully.

The famous piece has in it several very long rests. In each of these rests he took his hands from the piano and waited. To him this was very exciting. But it seemed that the mother of the rich man thought differently (不同地). Finally, during one of these rests she came over to him. She touched him on the head, with a smile and said, "My boy, why don't you play us what you know well?"

1. John once played the piano at a party when he was only a little child.

2. John began to play the piano at the age of eight.

3. In each of the rests John took his hands from the piano because he felt tired.

4. The rich man's mother did not think John played the piece well.

5. In fact, the mother of the rich man knew the piece very well.

Tom walked into a shop. It had a sign (招牌) outside: "Second-hand (旧的) clothes bought and sold". He was carrying an old pair of trousers and asked the owner of the shop, "How much will you give me for these?" The man looked at them and then said, "Two dollars (美元)."

"What!" said Tom. "I had guessed they were worth at least (至少) five."

"No," said the man, "they aren't worth a cent (美分) more than two dollars."

"Well," said Tom, taking two dollars out of his pocket, "here's your money. These trousers were hanging outside your shop. The list price (定价) of them was six dollars and a half. But I thought that was too much money, so I wanted to find out how much they were really worth."

Then he walked out of the shop with the pair of trousers and disappeared before the shop owner could think of anything to say.

1. At first the owner of the shop thought that Tom ____.

- A. was trying to fool him
- B. was trying to steal the trousers
- C. wanted to sell the trousers
- D. wanted to buy the trousers

2. The owner of the shop ____ for the old trousers.

- A. would give Tom two dollars

- B. would pay three dollars
C. would pay five dollars
D. would give Tom six dollars and a half
3. The shop owner insisted that the trousers were worth only two dollars because ____.
- A. he wanted to sell them cheaply(廉价)
B. he wanted to buy them cheaply
C. he didn't like the trousers
D. they were old and dirty
4. In fact, the trousers ____.
- A. were hanging inside the shop
B. were stolen by Tom from the shop
C. had been the shop owner's
D. had been tom's
5. From the story we know that ____ cheaper than the list price.
- A. the owner sold the trousers two dollars
B. Tom sold the trousers one dollar and a half
C. the owner bought the trousers three dollars
D. Tom bought the trousers four dollars and a half

(3、4选自1992年北京市初中毕业、升学统一试题)

5

Mr White was a chicken farmer. He had hundreds of chickens, and sold the eggs and the meat and got quite a lot of money for

them, but he lived in a very hot part of the country, and he found that his hens could hardly lay (下) any eggs in the summer. So he decided to put air-conditioning (空调) into his chicken-house so that the hens would lay well all through the year and he could get more eggs and in that way get more money.

The owner of the air-conditioning company (公司) came to see him, and when he saw Mr White's house, he thought that he might be able to persuade (劝说) him to buy some air-conditioning for that too.

"Your wife would be much happier and have a nicer house to live in then," he said to Mr White. but Mr White was not interested.

"My wife doesn't lay eggs," he said.

1. Mr White's hens could lay few eggs when the weather was too hot.

2. Mr White decided to buy air-conditioning for his house because he wanted to make his wife much happier.

3. The owner of the company hoped to put air-conditioning into both Mr White's house and his chicken-house.

4. Air-conditioning in Mr White's house would not bring him more money.

5. Neither Mr White nor the owner of the company wanted to get more money.

Our village carpenter (木匠), John Hill, came one day and made a dining table for my wife. He made it just the right size to fill the space between the two windows. When I got home that evening, John was drinking a cup of tea and writing out his bill (账单) for the job.

My wife said to me, quietly, "That's his ninth cup of tea today." but she said, in a loud voice, "It's a beautiful table, dear, isn't it?"

"I'll decide about that when I see the bill," I said.

John laughed and gave me his bill for the work. I read:

| | |
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| One dining table | 10 November 1989 |
| Cost (成本; 费用) of wood | £17. 00 (£是英镑 pound) |
| Paint (油漆) | £1. 50 |
| Work, 8 hours (£1 an hour) | £8. 00 |
| Total (合计) | £36. 50 |

When I was looking at the bill, John said, "It's been a fine day, hasn't it? Quite sunny."

"Yes," I said. "I'm glad it's only the 10th of November."

"Me, too," said John. "You wait—it'll be a lot colder by the end of the month."

"Yes, colder—and more expensive! Dining tables will be £20 more expensive on November 30th, won't they, John?"

John looked hard at me for half a minute. Was there a little

smile in his two blue eyes? I gave his bill back to him.

"If it isn't too much trouble, John," I said, "please add it up again. You can forget the date—"

I paid him £26.50 and he was happy to get it.

1. Why did John talk about the weather when the writer was looking at the bill?

A. Because he didn't want the writer to go through the bill carefully.

B. Because it was really a fine day.

C. Because he wanted the writer to check the bill carefully.

D. Because he wanted to tell the writer what the weather was like.

2. Why did the writer say that dining tables would be £20 more expensive on November 30th?

A. Because it was difficult to make dining tables in cold weather.

B. Because paint would be more expensive.

C. Because the cost of wood would be more expensive.

D. Because he thought John would almost certainly add the date to the cost of the dining table.

3. The writer thought John would ask for _____ if he made a dining table on the last day of November.

A. £20.00

B. £46.50

C. £56.50

D. £26.50

4. When the writer gave him the money, John was happy because _____.

- A. he got what he should get for his work
 - B. he got much more money for his work
 - C. he got the money easily
 - D. he didn't have to add up the costs again
5. From the story we know that ____.
- A. John made a mistake in the bill
 - B. John tried to fool the writer in order to get more money for his work.
 - C. John had written out the bill before the writer got home
 - D. John still wanted to get £36.50 for his work in the end
- (5、6选自1993年北京市初中毕业、升学统一试题)

7

What a fine day. The sun is shining and everything looks bright. Can you feel the heat when you stand in the sun? The sun gives the heat from very far away. It is hard to believe that the sun is about one hundred and fifty million kilometres away. The sun looks small because it is so far from us, but it's really very huge.

The earth circles the sun. It takes one year for the earth to go around the sun. And at the same time, the earth itself is spinning (自转) around once every twenty-four hours.

The sun gives us light. It keeps us warm. It makes things grow. Plants, animals and people need the sun. We can not live without the sun.

1. On a fine day everything is bright because the sun is shin-

ing.

2. The sun gives us heat and light.

3. It is about 150 000 000 kilometres from the earth to the sun.

4. In fact the sun isn't very big because it's too far away from us.

5. It takes the earth 24 hours to go around the sun.

6. We can not live without the sun because all the living things on the earth depend on the sun.

8

Long, long ago, as the birds flew over the world, they saw that men had a beautiful thing. It was a bright, burning thing. Men cooked their food and kept themselves warm with it. The birds thought life would be better if they too could have this thing. So they decided to send a messenger (信使) to humans to ask for a little piece of it. They thought Chicken was a good one to send because he was a good talker. So Chicken went.

He flew far over the forest until he came to the towns of men. He went into a town and saw the burning thing. He learned that it was called "Fire". He did not ask for a piece of it to take back to the birds because there was so much food lying around men's houses that he started eating and forgot what he had come for.

Men liked Chicken because he crowed (啼叫) very early in