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前 言

“千教万教，教人求真；千学万学，学做真人。”这是著名教育家陶行知先生的至理名言。

在考试竞争激烈，教学辅导图书粗制滥造、教辅图书出版严重泡沫化的今天，我们认为学生对知识的掌握、消化、巩固，也有一个选择“求真”的问题。那就是，与其做那些七拼八凑的千题万题，不如做千锤百炼的一道真题！现在呈现在读者面前的《初中英语真题大观系列》是一个让学生选择“求真”的方案。

参加过中考英语命题的人都有这样的体会，一道题的产生经过了全体命题小组方方面面专家的“拷问”，一票否决制，使入选考题真正称得上“无懈可击”。《初中英语真题大观系列》精选最新全国范围内的中考英语试卷，分门别类，形成《阅读理解》(A、B)、《听力理解》、《完形填空》、《综合知识》5本书。这5本书中的每一题都曾经过命题专家组的辩驳与反复推敲，覆盖的题型也反映了最新的考试趋势，具有典型意义。例如，由于语言环境的原因，不少学习者英语听力掌握得不是很好，这套书将初级中学英语听力题归纳为26种类型，熟悉了这26种类型，对于提升英语听力很有帮助。再如，阅读是英语学习的极其重要的环节，这套系列书所选的阅读理解文章，话题新鲜，富有时代感；语言流畅，选材多半来自最新的国外报刊；题材多样，既有传统的“人物传记”、“文化风俗”等选题，也有“各类信函”、“广告图表”等实用类文体的选题，而且，考虑不同学习层次的需要，《阅读理解》(B)还根据难易程度，分为“较易”、“中等”、“较难”三个层次，增加了学习者的选择性。

在每一本书的书末，主编者还精编了一套“英语智力小测试”(Brain Test)，大大增加了这套书的趣味性，令人耳目一新，相信会给广大读者带来一种前所未有的英语学习的乐趣。

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一、校园生活

Passage 1

June Calendar for After-school Activities in St. Peter High School						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Football 3:00—6:00 p. m.	2 Movie 4:00 p. m.	3 Book Club 3:00—6:00 p. m.	4
5	6 Movie 6:00 p. m.	7 Singing Class 4:00—6:00 p. m.	8 High Jump 4:00—6:00 p. m.	9 Sewing Class 3:00—5:00 p. m.	10 Dance Class 4:00—6:00 p. m.	11
12	13 Camera Club 2:30—5:30 p. m.	14 Singing class 2:30—4:30 p. m.	15 Swimming 3:30—4:30 p. m.	16 Travel Lecture 2:00—5:00 p. m.	17 Exercise Class 9:00—12:00 a. m.	18
19	20 Basketball 3:00—6:00 p. m.	21 Fashion Show 2:00—5:00 p. m.	22 Tennis 4:00—6:00 p. m.	23 Movie 7:00 p. m.	24 Picnic 1:00—7:00 p. m.	25
26	27 Dance Class 4:00—6:00 p. m.	28 Painting 3:00—5:00 p. m.	29 Volleyball 3:00—6:00 p. m.	30 Piano Class 3:00—4:00 p. m.		

- ☐ 1. What time does the movie start on 23rd? _____.
 A. At 2:00 p. m. B. At 3:00 p. m.
 C. At 6:00 p. m. D. At 7:00 p. m.
- ☐ 2. Which activity lasts the longest? _____.
 A. Fashion Show B. Book Club
 C. Picnic D. Camera Club
- ☐ 3. All the activities are in the afternoon except _____.
 A. Exercise Class B. Travel lecture
 C. Sewing Class D. Painting
- ☐ 4. Jim is very interested in sports. He can take part in sports activities every _____.
 A. Monday B. Wednesday



C. Thursday

D. Friday

☐ 5. When does the school have dance classes? _____.

A. On 13th and 27th

B. On 27th and 29th

C. On 10th and 27th

D. On 10th and 15th(江苏南京)

Passage 2

These strategies(策略) will help you learn how to take tests and show what you know.

MULTIPLE-CHOICE(选择题) TEST

Mark the best answer from a list of choices for a multiple-choice test.

1. *Read Test Directions(说明) Carefully.* Directions tell what you need to do. Words like best, always, only, all, and never will help you find the correct answer. Sentences with those words are usually not true.

Directions: Read each question. Circle the best answer.

4. Which is the fastest way of traveling?

A. By train. B. By ship. C. By plane. D. By bus.

2. *Plan Your Time.* Pass over hard questions. If you have time, you can go back to them later.

3. *Read Items(题干) Again.* If you are not sure about an answer, read the item again. Think about all the answer choices. Which one seems the best?

SHORT-ANSWER TEST

In a short-answer test, write a word, a group of words, or a sentence to answer a question. Look for key words like who or what that tell you what to write in the answer.

12. What do people have to take when they travel around?

Food, water and money.

PASSAGE-WRITING TEST

For a passage-writing test, write one or more paragraphs to answer one question.

1. *Study the Item and Key Words.* Read the question two times or more. Look for key words that tell you exactly what to do. You might see prompts(提示) like these:

* Discuss the problems in traveling.

* Think of some ways to make it better.

2. *Plan Your Answer.* Think about the key words and the topic. Write everything you know about the topic on a piece of your own paper. This can help you



organize(组织) your writing.

3. Write the Passage. Use the words in the prompts to write a beginning. Then use what you know about the topic to write your passage.

- ◎ Write a topic sentence for each paragraph.
- ◎ Write the important information in the body.
- ◎ Read your passage before you hand it in.

You may try these strategies in today's test. We hope you'll have a great success. Good luck!

- ☐ 1. How many kinds of tests are talked about in the passage?
- A. One. B. Two.
C. Three. D. Four.
- ☐ 2. When you take a short-answer test, you should _____.
A. write words to answer a question
B. circle the best answer from choices
C. write some paragraphs for a question
D. underline right sentences in a passage
- ☐ 3. While you are taking any of the tests, you should think carefully about _____.
A. key words B. each paragraph
C. every choice D. topic sentences
- ☐ 4. In the passage, the writer mainly wants _____.
A. to show us the differences between the tests
B. to help us to learn how to do well in tests
C. to teach us how to find the key words in the items(北京)

Passage 3

Our school is always asking students to take part in school activities(活动) and events. What's been going on in our school?

Every week there is a Film Night of popular Chinese and English films. After the films, there're discussion groups where the audience can share their ideas and ask questions about the films. Every two weeks, on Wednesday there is a Cooking Night. Students come and cook delicious Chinese dishes. The first Thursday of each month is a Fun Night. Students come to play computer games or to sing karaoke. There are karaoke competitions. So young people can come and show off their singing.

There are also a few short classes on subjects such as Chinese handwriting and the history of China. These are open to the whole city.

Every year we have a special activity with the name China Night. It is our most exciting and biggest activity of the year. There are traditional and modern Chinese singing, dancing and acting. What a great night it is!



Answer the following questions according to the passage you read.

1. How often can the students see films every month?
2. Who can go to Chinese handwriting class?
3. How many times a month do the students cook Chinese food?
4. What activities does the school have? (黑龙江)

Passage 4

Banbury House Tel: 564839

Enjoying mixing with other students in pleasant accommodation (住宿). 30 minutes from the station and close to all main bus routes. Single and double rooms. Students provide own food but all cleaning services offered. Please bring your own bed things.

Three Seasons Tel: 445987

We can provide all types of accommodation for all types of single student. Rooms are fully prepared with bed things and have reasonable prices. Full board possible. 35-40 minutes from main universities and the city.

Sturtin Hostel Tel: 876333

We offer beautiful views. It lies in pleasant countryside. Relax after a long day by swimming in the pool or using the exercise gym. Separate study rooms available. No children. Bar & restaurant.

First Shop Tel: 223300

Ideal for new students, we provide double rooms. If you wish, we can offer help in finding a suitable person to share a room with. All washing and cleaning services offered at extra charge. Large canteen and three bathrooms on each floor.

- ☐ 1. Which number would you ring if you are interested in sports?
A. 564839 B. 445987 C. 876333 D. 223300
- ☐ 2. _____ offers help in finding a room-mate.
A. Banbury House B. Three Seasons
C. Sturtin Hostel D. First Shop
- ☐ 3. If you live in Banbury House, you have to _____.
A. do cooking by yourself B. do cleaning by yourself
C. travel by train D. take a school bus
- ☐ 4. The articles above are mainly for _____.
A. family accommodation B. student accommodation
C. travel accommodation D. cheap accommodation
- ☐ 5. The four texts above are most probably _____.
A. letters B. notices
C. invitations D. advertisements (杭州)

Passage 5

From: Lily@hotmail.com

To: Alice@yahoo.com

Sent: 10:40 a.m. June 16th

Subject: My best friend

MAIL
YAHOO!

Dear Alice,

Thank you for your last letter(信). I enjoyed reading it very much. Thank you for telling me about your best friend. In this letter I will tell you about mine. Her name is Trudy. Trudy has long, dark brown hair and green eyes. She is the same age as me, but a little taller. She is always happy.

We sit together in class, and help each other with our schoolwork. We always go home together after school and play computer games for an hour. Trudy thinks very quickly and usually wins.

Trudy is learning to play the piano. I am learning to play the flute(笛子). We practice together every day.

Sometimes Trudy stays in my house for a night, or I stay in her house. We always have a good time. Do you ever stay in your best friend's house for a night?

Write soon.

Love Lily

- ☐ 1. Who is Lily's best friend?
A. Trudy. B. Alice. C. Daisy.
- ☐ 2. What is Trudy's hair like?
A. Long and green. B. Long and dark brown. C. Short and dark.
- ☐ 3. How tall is Lily?
A. A little taller than Trudy.
B. A little shorter than Trudy.
C. As tall as Trudy.
- ☐ 4. When do Trudy and Lily play computer games?
A. Before school. B. On the weekend. C. After school.
- ☐ 5. What do Trudy and Lily practice every day?
A. Writing letters. B. Playing the piano and the flute.
C. Using the computer. (湖南长沙)

Passage 6

Every year, thousands of students choose to study in another country for a term, the summer, or a year. Studying overseas(在国外) can be an exciting experience for many people.

Why do it

Living in another country can help you to learn a language, and about

another culture. You will see the world in a new way, and learn more about yourself. Overseas study may also look good on your future resume(求职简历). Many companies today want employees(雇员) who speak a second language, or have experienced living or working in another country.

Making the right choice

Once you decide to study overseas, you have to make some choices. To choose the right country or school, ask yourself: Where do I want to go and why? How much do I want to pay? How long do I want to study overseas? Do I want to live with roommates, alone or somewhere else?

Getting ready to go

Get your passport and visa(护照与签证) early! Before you go, learn some of the language, and read about some common customs(普通习俗) in the country that you are going to. Learn about the money. Bring some of it, and a credit card with you.

Once you are there

After the first few weeks overseas, many students will feel a little homesick. They may miss their family, friends, and familiar ways of doing things. Remember that it takes time to get used to a new place, school, and culture. When you feel sad or homesick, try to talk to others, or write about your feelings in a notebook.

1. Where can studying bring many people an exciting experience?

2. Who want employees that are good at foreign languages?

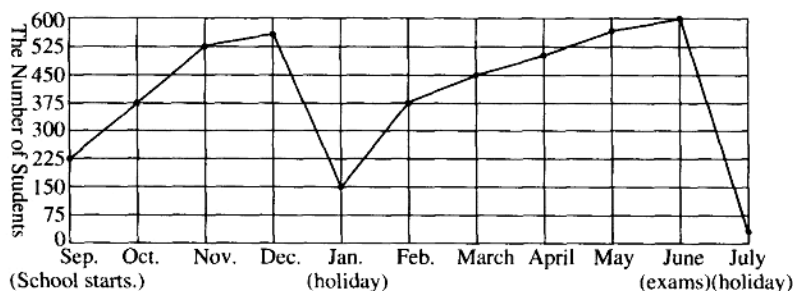
3. What should you do if you decide to study abroad?

4. What do you have to get before you get ready to go?

5. What can you do when you feel sad or homesick? (辽宁沈阳)

Passage 7

Library Attendance



attendance 出席, 出席次数。

根据图示所提供的信息选择正确答案。

- ☐ 1. The diagram shows the students' _____ attendance.
A. library B. theatre C. lab
- ☐ 2. _____ of the students went to the library in September.
A. Half B. More than half C. Less than half
- ☐ 3. The number was the largest during the _____.
A. holidays B. exams C. whole year
- ☐ 4. The number in October was _____ that in February.
A. the same as B. larger than C. smaller than
- ☐ 5. We don't know how many students we can see in the library in _____.
A. June B. July C. August (黑龙江哈尔滨)

Passage 8

At Harton College—an English boarding school (寄宿学校) for boys—there are many rules. Fifteen-year-old Bob Sanders often breaks these rules.

The boys can go into town in the afternoon after classes. But they must return to the school before six o'clock. One afternoon Bob walked to the town. He looked at the shops and then went to the cinema. After the film he looked at his watch, it was after eight o'clock. He was a little worried. He walked back to Harton College as fast as possible.

When he arrived, he ran quickly to the main entrance. It was locked. He looked up at the window of his dormitory (集体宿舍). It was on the third floor. The window was open. But it was quite dark and he went round the school building to another door. That one was locked, too. He couldn't climb up the wall very easily. Then he saw another open window on the ground floor. It was the window of the headmaster's study. He looked into the room—no one was there. Bob quickly climbed on to the window sill (窗台) and jumped into the room. Just then he heard a noise. Then someone turned on the light in the corridor. Bob looked around and then hid under the sofa. One minute later, Mr. Mannering, the headmaster, came in. He turned on the light on the desk, and sat down on the sofa. Then he opened a book and began to read.

Bob lay under the sofa as quietly as possible. He could not move. The floor was cold and uncomfortable, he looked at the headmaster's shoes and socks for an hour.

"Why doesn't he get up or go to bed?", he thought.

Finally, the headmaster closed his book and stood up. He put the book on a shelf and walked towards the door.

"Thank heavens, he didn't find me under the sofa!" thought Bob.



Then Mr. Mannering stopped and spoke towards the sofa, "Would you turn off the light when you leave?" He said and left the study.

- ☐ 1. Why was Bob worried after he looked at his watch?
Because _____.
A. he couldn't return to school on time
B. he had to return to school on foot
C. it was too dark for him to return to school
D. the headmaster would not let him go into town again
- ☐ 2. Bob went into the headmaster's study because _____.
A. the window of the room was open
B. the room is near to his own room
C. he saw there was a sofa in the room for him to hide under it
D. nobody was in the room and it was easy for him to jump in
- ☐ 3. The headmaster _____, so he stayed in the study for an hour.
A. liked reading very much
B. wanted Bob to look at his shoes
C. wanted to teach Bob a lesson
D. wanted to have a good rest
- ☐ 4. From the passage we know that _____.
A. Bob often went to town after classes in the afternoon
B. Bob bought something in the shop that afternoon
C. the headmaster didn't go to bed until all the students came back every day
D. the headmaster himself closed the school gate every evening
- ☐ 5. The best title for the passage is "_____".
A. An English school.
B. How To Break The Rules?
C. Does The Naughty Boy Like his Headmaster?
D. Would You Turn Off The Light When You Leave? (甘肃兰州)

Passage 9

Dear Mum,

I don't think you understand my life. You think I should be studying all the time. I know you want me to find a good job when I grow up, but I would like to have a wonderful time, too. You never think about fun things for me to do like music, sports. Two days ago, when I was watching a football game on TV, you asked me to stop and do my homework. After finishing my homework, still I wasn't allowed to read my football magazines. You said I had to go to bed early. That was bad enough, but yesterday was the worst day. I bought some computer games, and put them in my bag so that you wouldn't see them. I told you I had to do my homework

first. I know it was wrong to lie(说谎) to you, but you told me that Dad would talk to me later. Mum, I didn't quite like what you did to me! I really love you, mum, but I wish you could try not to be so hard on me.



Love,
Zhang Ning

- ☐ 1. Zhang Ning's mother wants him _____ when he grows up.
- A. to be a teacher
B. to find a good job
C. to work in a big city
D. to become a football star
- ☐ 2. _____ is Zhang Ning's favourite sport.
- A. Football
B. Volleyball
C. Basketball
D. Baseball
- ☐ 3. Zhang Ning is asked _____.
- A. to watch TV
B. to do sports
C. to play computer games
D. to study all the time
- ☐ 4. Why did Zhang Ning put the computer games in the bag? Because _____.
- A. he didn't like them
B. he played them many times
C. he wouldn't like his mother to find them
D. there was something wrong with them
- ☐ 5. We know from the letter that _____.
- A. Zhang Ning lives a very happy life
B. Zhang Ning hates his mother
C. Zhang Ning wishes to study all the time
D. Zhang Ning's parents are very hard on him(安徽课改区)

Passage 10

A Page From Li Meng's Diary

Thursday, June 23

Sunny

Today I was so happy to know that I did quite well in my last week's science exam. Thanks to Daniel, he taught me a new way of going over lessons. It is called "map idea".

Because of the map idea, I've learned how to find out the main idea in every lesson. And in my mind I can draw a map of all the important knowledge I need to remember. It's really good. I can remember so much in that way.

I had never thought of changing the way of my study before. I was always



complaining about my poor memory, but now my memory has become good because of the map idea. It made my study much easier and more enjoyable. I realized how to learn well is the most important for us students.

根据上面的这篇日记,用适当的词完成下列句子,每空一词。

1. There was a science exam in Li Meng's class _____.
2. Daniel taught Li Meng a good way to study. That is _____.
3. Li Meng _____ complain about his bad memory.
4. Li Meng has learned a new way of _____ lessons.
5. It is the most important _____ how to learn well. (吉林)

Passage 11

Students often complain their teachers give them too much homework. Now, two reports show that in America this is not true.

The Brookings report shows that most students do less than one hour of homework. The Rand report shows that only 10% of high school students spend more than two hours a night on homework.

The Brookings report also talks about a study from 1995. American students do almost the least homework among twenty countries. Students in France, Italy and South Africa spend more than two hours on homework.

The Rand report says there was only one time when homework greatly increased in America. During the early 1960s, Americans were not happy when the Soviet Union(前苏联) became the first country to reach space. People thought it was necessary to improve education.

Parents want their children to have time for sports, music lessons and other things after school. Some experts say schools need to give useful homework.

- ☐ 1. Students are not happy about _____.
A. too much homework
B. going to school
C. less homework
- ☐ 2. French students usually spend _____ on homework than American students.
A. more time
B. less time
C. more daytime
- ☐ 3. _____ shows homework once greatly increased in America.
A. The Brookings report
B. The Rand report
C. A university



- ☐ 4. The Soviet Union was the _____ to get to space.
A. first B. second C. third
- ☐ 5. Some experts think _____.
A. students don't work hard enough
B. students should not do any homework
C. homework is welcome if it is useful(重庆)

Passage 12

Welcome to our school. You can do a lot of things here. Come and join us.

Timetable

Sunday	Monday
8:30—11:30 Personal Inventions You can see many inventions by the students; you may also bring your own inventions.	19:00—21:00 Space and Man Dr. Thomas West if you want to know more about the universe.
Wednesday	Friday
19:30—21:00 Modern Medicine Mrs. Lucy Green Would you like to know medical science?	18:30—21:00 Computer Science Mr. Harry Morison from Harvard University Learn to use Windows XP.

- ☐ 1. You may have a chance to introduce your inventions on _____.
A. Sunday B. Monday
C. Wednesday D. Friday
- ☐ 2. The person who teaches computer science is from _____.
A. Canada B. Australia
C. New Zealand D. America
- ☐ 3. You may learn something about a disease called TB from _____.
A. Dr. West B. Mr. Morison
C. Mrs. Green D. Mr. Thomas
- ☐ 4. If you want to learn something about satellites, you can go to the class from _____.
A. 8:30 to 11:30 on Sunday
B. 19:00 to 21:00 on Monday
C. 19:30 to 21:00 on Wednesday
D. 18:30 to 21:00 on Friday(浙江)



Passage 13

配对阅读。左栏是5个中学生遇到的难题,右栏是某报专栏编辑给他们的建议。请将问题与建议配对。

I

- ☐ 1. Sometimes I get angry easily and shout at my friends. That makes them think I'm not being friendly to them.
- ☐ 2. In my teachers' eyes, I am a good student. Both my classmates and my parents also think so. No one knows what my problem is. I often feel worried about my school work.
- ☐ 3. My parents never allow me to play computer games at all. They want me to study all day and do well in my exams. I feel unhappy.
- ☐ 4. I want to join in some afterschool activities, but my parents think they are too dangerous and don't allow me to go out alone.
- ☐ 5. My mother gets me to take piano lessons. She makes it a rule that I must practice two hours a day. I really try my best, but I just can't play well.

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- A. Let your parents know you will not be alone. Also, you can ask a teacher to talk to your parents about the after-school activities.
- B. Don't worry. You can still have some indoor sports. They are also fun.
- C. Don't worry, even great piano players have to practise. Hard work and a lot of practice are the only ways to become a good piano player.
- D. When you feel angry you should stop talking and count to ten or walk away until you keep quiet.
- E. Tell your friends how you are feeling. You are in a new class, so you still need their friendship. Also, you can make new friends.
- F. Don't worry. Everybody worries about their school work, even those students like you who study well. Find a hobby or a sport to help you relax for a while.
- G. Tell your parents that many kids play computer games and do well at school, too. Ask them to let you play computer games for a short time on weekends.
- H. If you feel unhappy, go to talk to others or have a good sleep.

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