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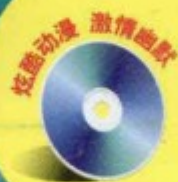
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高考，你的目标；  
新课标，高考的  
航向。精选最新  
三年新课标地区  
高考真题，调准  
航向，直击目标！



Challenge

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36. A. seem to  
C. hope to  
D. try to
37. A. design  
C. direct  
D. shape
38. A. confidence  
C. friendship  
D. difficulty
39. A. opportunities  
B. expectations

增配精美  
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读生趣盎  
然！

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预测试题





# Chapter 1

新课标高考真题精练

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备考心情札记

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## 2007年 高考山东卷

## 完形填空



## Challenge

Life is filled with challenges. As we get older we 36 realize that those challenges are the very things that 37 us and make us who we are. It is the same with the challenges that come with 38.

When we are faced with a challenge, we usually have two 39. We can try to beat it off, or we can decide that the thing 40 the challenge isn't worth the 41 and call it quits. Although there are certainly 42 when calling it quits is the right thing to do, in most 43 all that is needed is 44 and communication.

When we are committed to something, it means that no matter how 45 or how uncomfortable something is, we will always choose to 46 it and work it through instead of running away from it. Communication is making a 47 for discussion and talking about how you feel as opposed to just saying what the other person did wrong. 48 you can say to a friend, "I got my feelings hurt," 49 "You hurt my feelings," you are going to be able to solve the problem much faster.

In dealing with the many challenges that friendship will bring to you, try to see them for 50 they are: small hurdles you need to jump or

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| 36. A. seem to       | B. come to      |
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| C. direct            | D. shape        |
| 38. A. confidence    | B. pressure     |
| C. friendship        | D. difficulty   |
| 39. A. opportunities | B. expectations |
| C. choices           | D. aspects      |
| 40. A. demanding     | B. deserving    |
| C. predicting        | D. presenting   |
| 41. A. comment       | B. loss         |
| C. trouble           | D. expense      |
| 42. A. spans         | B. times        |
| C. dates             | D. ages         |
| 43. A. cases         | B. fields       |
| C. parts             | D. occasions    |
| 44. A. assessment    | B. commitment   |
| C. encouragement     | D. adjustment   |
| 45. A. doubtful      | B. shameful     |
| C. harmful           | D. painful      |
| 46. A. keep          | B. control      |
| C. face              | D. catch        |
| 47. A. space         | B. plan         |
| C. topic             | D. room         |
| 48. A. If            | B. As           |
| C. While             | D. Unless       |
| 49. A. other than    | B. rather than  |
| C. or rather         | D. or else      |
| 50. A. what          | B. who          |
| C. where             | D. which        |

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正确率

51 on your way through life. Nothing is so big that it is 52 to get over, and hurt only 53 to make us stronger. It is all part of growing up, it 54 to everyone, and some day you will 55 all of this and say, "Hard as it was, it made me who I am today. And that is a good thing."

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|---------------------|-----------------|
| 51. A. pass by      | B. come across  |
| C. get through      | D. run over     |
| 52. A. unnecessary  | B. necessary    |
| C. impossible       | D. possible     |
| 53. A. serves       | B. means        |
| C. aims             | D. attempts     |
| 54. A. opens        | B. appeals      |
| C. goes             | D. happens      |
| 55. A. look down on | B. look back on |
| C. look forward to  | D. look up to   |

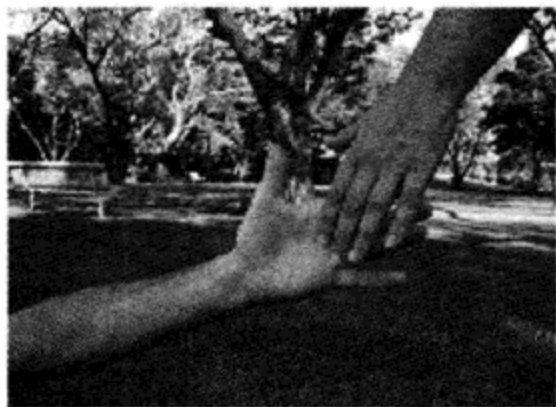
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As my wife was studying in Florida, we decided to move there and tried to find a rental house that we could afford while also paying off a mortgage (抵押贷款) on our ruined house. We looked at many places, but none was satisfactory. We'd begun to accept that we'd have to live in extremely reduced circumstances for a while, when I got a very curious e-mail from a James Kennedy in California. He'd read some pieces I'd written about our sufferings for *slate*, the online magazine and wanted to give us ("no conditions attached") a new house across the lake from New Orleans.

It sounded too good to be true, but I replied, thanking him for his exceptional generosity, that we had no plans to go back. Then a poet at the University of Florida offered to let his house to me while he went to England on his one-year paid leave. The rent was rather reasonable. I mentioned the poet's offer to James Kennedy, and the next day he sent a check covering our entire rent for eight months.

Throughout this painful experience, the kindness of strangers has done much to bring back my



56. The garage employee's attitude toward the author was that of \_\_\_\_\_.

57. What do we know about James Kennedy?

58. It can be inferred from the text that \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. the author's family was in financial difficulty
- B. rents were comparatively reasonable despite the disaster
- C. houses were difficult to find in the hurricane stricken area
- D. the mortgage on the ruined house was paid off by the bank

59. The author learned from his experience that \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. worldly possessions can be given up when necessary
- B. generosity should be encouraged in some cases
- C. people benefit from their sad stories
- D. human beings are kind after all.

**B**

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Yet despite that, reading is increasingly unpopular among children. According to statistics, in 1997, 23% said they didn't like reading at all. In 2003, 35% did. And around 6% of children leave primary school each year unable to read properly.

Sticky!

A tawdry hint that Daddy's  
underwear and now he will  
be surprised for his very legs  
Don't be sure in any more when  
You can see the secret!

ed only the top of the educational pile. Either way, Chancellor Gordon Brown plans to change things for the bottom of the class. In his pre-budget report, he announced the national project of Reading Recovery to help the children struggling most.

Reading Recovery is aimed at six-year-olds, who receive four months of individual daily half-hour classes with a specially trained teacher. An evaluation earlier this year reported that children on the scheme made 20 months' progress in just one year, whereas similarly weak readers without special help made just five months' progress, and so ended the year even further below the level expected for their age.

International research tends to find that when British children leave primary school they read well, but read less often for fun than those elsewhere. Reading for fun matters because children who are keen on reading can expect lifelong pleasure and loving books is an excellent indicator of future educational success. According to the OECD, being a regular and enthusiastic reader is of great advantage.

60. Which of the following is true of Paragraph 1?
  - A. Many children's books have been adapted from films.
  - B. Many high-quality children's books have been published.
  - C. The sales of classics have led to the popularity of films.
  - D. The sales of presents for children have increased.
61. Statistics suggested that \_\_\_\_\_.
  - A. the number of top students increased with the use of computers
  - B. a decreasing number of children showed interest in reading
  - C. a minority of primary school children read properly
  - D. a large percentage of children read regularly
62. What do we know about Reading Recovery?
  - A. An evaluation of it will be made sometime this year.
  - B. Weak readers on the project were the most hardworking.
  - C. It aims to train special teachers to help children with reading.
  - D. Children on the project showed noticeable progress in reading.
63. Reading for fun is important because book-loving children \_\_\_\_\_.
  - A. take greater advantage of the project
  - B. show the potential to enjoy a long life
  - C. are likely to succeed in their education
  - D. would make excellent future researchers
64. The aim of this text would probably be \_\_\_\_\_.
  - A. to overcome primary school pupils' reading difficulty
  - B. to encourage the publication of more children's books
  - C. to remind children of the importance of reading for fun
  - D. to introduce a way to improve early childhood reading



## C

时间

正确率



When Andrea Peterson landed her first teaching job, she faced the daunting task of creating a music program with almost no money for equipment or supplies in a climate where standards-based learning was the focus and music just provided a break for students and teachers.

For her drive and creativity in overcoming those challenges, she's been named national teacher of the year.

Principal Waynes Kettler said he's worked with many outstanding teachers in his 22 years as an educator, but Peterson is "just that one step above anybody I've ever worked with before."

Kettler and others at Monte Cristo Elementary School talk about the ways she has introduced the learning from other classrooms into her music program and her creativity in working around things such as the lack of money for new music.

When students were reading S. E. Hinton's novel *The Outsiders* in their regular classroom, Peterson helped them write a 30-minute play with scenes from the book. Then they chose three Broadway tunes that focused on race, equality and social justice, the themes of the book. Peterson composed two other songs herself after classroom discussions about the play and the book.

The honor means a lot to residents of Granite Falls. It's inspiring to know that people from small towns can even win national honors.

As a national teacher of the year, Peterson will spend the next year outside the classroom, as a national and international spokeswoman for education.

Not surprisingly, she is a big believer in the value of arts education. She said it's essential for schools to offer classes such as art or music and physical education because for some kids one of those subjects is the only thing that motivates them to come back to school day after day.

65. The underlined word "daunting" in Paragraph 1 most probably means \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. discouraging
- B. interesting
- C. creative
- D. unbearable

66. When Peterson began her teaching career, \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. music was a focus of learning in most schools
- B. the environment was favorable to music teaching
- C. the school lacked teaching facilities for music
- D. financial support for music programs was unavailable

67. What is the most important reason that Peterson won the award?
- A. She concerned herself with current social problems.
  - B. She motivated students to learn music with her creativity.
  - C. She has taught music at the elementary school for 22 years.
  - D. She made great efforts to arouse students' interest in literature.
68. Which of the following is an example of Peterson's way of teaching music?
- A. She wrote plays on themes of race, equality and social justice.
  - B. She made use of the contents of other classes in her teaching.
  - C. She organized classroom discussions of Broadway tunes.
  - D. She helped students compose songs by themselves.
69. In Peterson's opinion, \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. art, music and PE classes are all important
  - B. more subjects should be offered to students
  - C. students should be motivated to attend art classes
  - D. arts education is more important than other subjects
70. It can be inferred from the text that \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. Peterson's honor was a surprise for the local people
  - B. Peterson's art classes attracted students back to school
  - C. Peterson aroused the local residents' passion for music
  - D. Peterson will change her profession next year

D

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Sports shoes that work out whether their owner has done enough exercise to warrant time in front of the television have been devised in the UK.



The shoes—named Square Eyes—contain an electronic pressure sensor and a tiny computer chip to record how many steps the wearer has taken in a day. A wireless transmitter passes the information to a receiver connected to a television, and this decides how much evening viewing time the wearer deserves, based on the day's efforts.

The design was inspired by a desire to fight against the rapidly ballooning waistlines among British teenagers, says Gillian Swan, who developed Square Eyes as a final year design project at Brunel University in London, UK. "We looked at current issues and childhood overweight



really stood out,” she says. “And I wanted to tackle that with my design.”

Once a child has used up their daily allowance gained through exercise, the television automatically switches off. And further time in front of the TV can only be earned through more steps.

Swan calculated how exercise should translate to television time using the recommended daily amounts of both. Health experts suggest that a child take 12 000 steps each day and watch no more than two hours of television. So, every 100 steps recorded by the Square Eyes shoes equals precisely one minute of TV time.

Existing pedometers(计步器) normally clip onto a belt or slip into a pocket and keep count of steps by measuring sudden movement. Swan says these can be easily tricked into recording steps through shaking. But her shoe has been built to be harder for lazy teenagers to cheat. “It is possible, but it would be a lot of effort,” she says. “That was one of my main design considerations.”

71. According to Swan, the purpose of her design project is to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. keep a record of the steps of the wearer
- B. deal with overweight among teenagers
- C. enable children to resist the temptation of TV
- D. prevent children from being tricked by TV programs

72. Which of the following is true of Square Eyes shoes?

- A. They regulate a child's evening TV viewing time.
- B. They determine a child's daily pocket money.
- C. They have raised the hot issue of overweight.
- D. They contain information of the receiver.

73. What is stressed by health experts in their suggestion?

- A. The exact number of steps to be taken.
- B. The precise number of hours spent on TV.
- C. The proper amount of daily exercise and TV time.
- D. The way of changing steps into TV watching time.

74. Compared with other similar products, the new design \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. makes it difficult for lazy teenagers to cheat
- B. counts the wearer's steps through shaking
- C. records the sudden movement of the wearer
- D. sends teenagers' health data to the receiver

75. Which of the following would be the best title for the text?

- A. Smart Shoes Decide on Television Time
- B. Smart Shoes Guarantee More Exercise
- C. Smart Shoes Measure Time of Exercise
- D. Smart Shoes Stop Childhood Overweight

完形填空

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Wouldn't it be great if we didn't have to remember passwords (密码) ever again? If we could just sit in front of our computers and be

21 logged in (登录)? Crave mentions how NEC Soft BiodeLogon system uses face recognition technology to log you on to Windows, rather than using a 22. All you need is a webcam and your pretty face to 23 your PC. No more 24, confusing passwords to remember or change every few months.

After doing a little research, I found this type of 25 already available to consumers via a relatively 26 application called FaceCode. The 27 requires the use of a webcam to recognize and log PC users into their systems. You can add as many 28 as you want, provided they each have a Windows account. If the system 29 to recognize your 30, you can recall the Windows user name and password by using a hot-key combination.

21. A. automatically

C. correctly

22. A. face

C. software

23. A. access

C. recognize

24. A. simple

C. special

25. A. computer

C. password

26. A. independent

C. inexpensive

27. A. account

C. designer

28. A. users

C. systems

29. A. begins

C. fails

30. A. account

C. password

B. personally

D. occasionally

B. password

D. system

B. connect

D. remember

B. complicated

D. useful

B. technology

D. application

B. infrequent

D. instant

B. consumer

D. software

B. passwords

D. computers

B. tries

D. stops

B. name

D. face



## 阅读理解

A

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How should one invest a sum of money in these days of inflation(通货膨胀)? Left in a bank it will hardly keep its value, however high the interest rate. Only a brave man, or a very rich one, dares to buy and sell on the Stock Market. Today it seems that one of the best ways to protect your saving and even increase your wealth is to buy beautiful objects from the past. Here I am going to offer some advice on collecting antique clocks, which I personally consider are among the most interesting of antiques.



I sometimes wonder what a being from another planet might report back about our way of life. "The planet Earth is ruled by a mysterious creature that sits or stands in a room and makes a strange ticking sound. It has a face with twelve black marks and two hands. Men can do nothing without its permission, and it fastens its young round people's wrists so that everywhere men go they are still under its control. This creature is the real master of Earth

and men are its slaves."

Whether or not we are slaves of time today depends on our culture and personality, but it is believed that many years ago kings kept special slaves to tell the time. Certain men were very clever at measuring the time of day according to the beating of their own hearts. They were made to stand in a fixed place and every hour or so would shout the time. So it seems that the first clocks were human beings.

However, men quickly found more convenient and reliable ways of telling the time. They learned to use the shadows cast by the sun. They marked the hours on candles, used sand in hour-glasses, and invented water-clocks. Indeed, any serious student of antique should spend as much time as possible visiting palaces, stately homes and museums to see some of the finest examples of clocks from the past.

Antique clocks could be very expensive, but one of the joys of collecting clocks is that it is still possible to find quite cheap ones for your own home. After all, if you are going to be ruled by time, why not invest in an antique clock and perhaps make a future profit?

41. According to the passage, collecting antique clocks \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. can hardly keep the value of your savings
- B. will cost much of your savings
- C. may increase your wealth
- D. needs your bravery