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## 前言

考研英语大纲自 2005 年发生重大变化，阅读理解部分的分值从原先的 50 分增加到 60 分，在整个考研英语中的份量越来越足以决定考研的成败。因此，“得阅读者得天下”。本书由三位一直关注考研命题趋势、有多年考研辅导教材编写经验的高校英语教师精心编写；胡敏老师在把握考研最新动向的基础上，为本书的题目设置提出了很多宝贵的修改建议，使内容得到进一步完善并对本书进行了整体把关。本书集万般努力于一身，旨在帮助广大考生切实提高英语阅读理解能力，打下考研英语阅读理解这半壁江山。本书也可作为拟通过大学英语六级考试的考生提高阅读理解能力的有效辅助教材。

编者通过仔细分析近年考研英语阅读文章，发现文章选材多出自英语时文报刊。鉴于此，本书阅读文章在题源上与考研阅读文章保持一致，均选自国外最近两年出版的英文报刊：《新闻周刊》、《泰晤士报》、《经济学家》、《科学美国人》、《时代周刊》、《纽约时报》、《国际先驱者论坛》、《自然》、《洛杉矶时报》、《新科学家》、《未来学家》、《美国新闻与世界报道》、《财富》、《观察家》、《商业周刊》、《科学》等，既充分保证了选材的时新性和典型性，又保证了文章在题材和体裁上与考研阅读文章的一致性。同时，本书还提供了文章的题目及详细出处，供考生进一步查询、阅读及参考。实践证明，广泛阅读英语报刊文章，有助于学习者真正掌握英语语言表达规律，切实提高语言运用能力。

本书所选文章题材广泛，涉及科普、经济、语言、社会生活、文化、健康、环境、商业等各方面。超纲词和长难句含量贴近真题，贴近大纲；文章组合结构与最新考研大纲完全一致；题目设计严格参照真题的题型模式。

本书包括 16 个 TEST，每个 TEST 分为 Part A 和 Part B。Part A 包括四篇（共 64 篇）多项选择阅读文章，主要锻炼考生理解主旨要义、具体信息、概念性含义，进行有关的判断、推理和引申，根据上下文推测生词的词义等能力；

**Part B** 为一篇（共 16 篇）阅读文章，涉及四种备选题型：选择搭配题、段落排序题、观点与例证和小标题选择题，测试要点是理解文章结构，理解诸如连贯性、一致性等语段特征，锻炼考生分辨论点和论据的能力。

每篇文章的谋篇除应考题目之外，还补充了以下四项内容：1、难词 / 词组释义。对文中出现的重点、难点词汇进行解释，并加注音标，利于考生寓记于读。2、文章概要。简介文章内容，帮助考生了解文章大意及行文逻辑，攻克阅读难点。3、难句分析。针对近年来考研阅读理解之长难句数量增加的趋势，本书从文中选出一些长难句，对其句子结构、理解难点逐一分析，并附有参考译文，以增强考生对难句的驾驭能力，从根本上提高阅读水平。4、题目解析。每道题都明确标注题目考查要点，详细说明解题方法，帮助考生快速理清思路，掌握答题技巧。

本书编写过程中，三位老师付出了宝贵的时间、大量的精力和辛勤的汗水；本书内容参考并采用了相关期刊杂志及资料，特在此说明并表示感谢。

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# TEST 1

## Part A

### Directions:

*Read the following four texts. Answer the questions below each text by choosing A, B, C, or D.*

### Text 1

Thanks to more than 50 years of research, we know how to change children's behavior. In brief, you identify the unwanted behavior, define its positive opposite (the desirable behavior you want to replace it with), and then make sure that your child engages in a lot of reinforced practice of the new behavior until it replaces the unwanted one. Reinforced practice means that you pay as much attention as possible to the positive opposite so that your child falls into a pattern: Do the right behavior, get a reward (praise or a token); do the behavior, get a reward. Real life is never as mechanically predictable as that formula makes it sound, and many other factors will bear on your success—including your relationship with your child, what behaviors you model in your home, and what influences your child is exposed to in other relationships—but, still, we know that reinforced practice usually works.<sup>1</sup> If you handle the details properly, in most cases a relatively brief period of intense attention to the problem, lasting perhaps a few weeks, should be enough to work a permanent change in behavior.

So, yes, you can change your child's behavior, but that doesn't mean you always should. When faced with an unwanted behavior, ask yourself if changing a behavior will really make a worthwhile difference in your child's life and your own. Many unwanted behaviors, including some that disturb parents, tend to drop out on their own, especially if you don't overreact to them and reinforce them with a great deal of excited attention.<sup>2</sup> Take thumb sucking, which is quite common up to age 5. At that point it drops off sharply and continues to decline. Unless the dentist tells you that you need to do something about it right now, you can probably let thumb sucking go.

Now, we're not saying that you should ignore lying or stealing or some other potentially serious misbehavior just because it will probably drop out on its own in good time. There's an important distinction to be made here between managing behavior and other parental motives and duties. Parents punish for several reasons—to teach right and wrong, to satisfy the demands of justice, to establish their authority—that have little to do with changing behavior. You can't just let vandalism go without consequences, and it's reasonable to refuse to put up with even a lesser offense such as undue whining, but don't confuse punishing misbehavior with taking effective steps to eliminate it. Punishment on its own (that is, not supplemented by reinforced practice of the positive opposite) has been proven again and again to be a fairly weak method for changing



behavior. The misbehaviors in question, minor or serious, are more likely to drop out on their own than they are to be eliminated through punishment.

1. How can reinforced practice help to change children's behavior?  
[A] Reinforced practice can eventually replace the unwanted behavior.  
[B] Parents need to define the consequences of unwanted behavior.  
[C] A timely reward can always help to define positive behavior.  
[D] Children can automatically take in reinforced practice as part of their habits.
2. Which of the following may NOT affect the realization of permanent change in behavior?  
[A] Relationship between parents and children.  
[B] What models parents set up at home.  
[C] How much award children are promised.  
[D] How attentive parents are.
3. The example of thumb sucking is cited to prove all the following EXCEPT that \_\_\_\_\_.  
[A] it is unnecessary to correct all unwanted behaviors  
[B] some parents are disturbed by such misbehaviors  
[C] dentists sometimes can be wrong in diagnosing diseases with oral cavity  
[D] as children grow up, some unwanted behaviors might deny themselves
4. According to the author, what attitude should parents take towards lying or stealing?  
[A] Parents can expect such behaviors to drop out on its own.  
[B] Parents should learn to put up with such unwanted behavior.  
[C] Parents can do nothing except relying on the self-reliance of children.  
[D] Parents need to resort to effective steps in order to eliminate such behavior.
5. The author implies that the results of punishment \_\_\_\_\_.  
[A] may not be as profitable as they are expected  
[B] can serve as a supplementary practice to persuasion  
[C] are mostly underestimated by parents  
[D] rely on the nature of misbehavior

#### [ 难词释义 ]

vandalism ['vændəlɪz(ə)m] *n.* 故意破坏, 破坏行为

whining ['waɪnɪŋ] *n.* 哭哭啼啼, 哭嚷

#### [ 文章概要 ]

本文出自 SLATE 2009 年 3 月 27 日一篇题为 “The Messy Room Dilemma—When to Ignore Behavior, When to Change It” 的文章, 作者 Alan E. Kazdin 和 Carlo Rotella。本文主要阐述了家长对孩子负面行为应该持有的态度。习惯上, 家长们总是会竭力纠正或制止从自己的角度出发不能接受的行为, 然而本文作者认为孩子们的某些负面行为是会随着他们的成长而自然终止的。比如许多孩子的一个通病: 啃手指甲就会在孩子大概 5 岁时自然停

止。但是象撒谎、偷窃这样的行为的确不容忽视，家长应该采取切实有效的措施，正确引导孩子形成新的正面的行为，取代以前不好的负面行为。

#### [ 难句分析 ]

1. Real life is never as mechanically predictable as that formula makes it sound, and many other factors will bear on your success—including your relationship with your child, what behaviors you model in your home, and what influences your child is exposed to in other relationships—but, still, we know that reinforced practice usually works.

**结构分析：**本句是“and”和“but”连接的三个并列句，其中第二个并列句包括介词“including”引导的主语补足语，补充说明“many other factors”都包括哪些因素；第三个并列句是主谓宾的结构，“that”引导宾语从句。

**参考译文：**现实生活从来没有定式可言，许多其他因素会影响到你的成功，包括你与孩子的关系，你在家里的行为模式，以及孩子接触到的其他关系所产生的影响；但尽管如此，我们知道，强化某一行为常常是行之有效的。

2. Many unwanted behaviors, including some that disturb parents, tend to drop out on their own, especially if you don't overreact to them and reinforce them with a great deal of excited attention.

**结构分析：**本句是包括“if”所引导的条件从句的主从复合句，主句的核心结构为“Many unwanted behaviors...tend to drop out on their own”，介词结构“including some that disturb parents”是主句主语“Many unwanted behaviors”的补足语。

**参考译文：**许多负面行为，包括那些让父母很不安的行为，往往会自行终止，尤其是那些你没有反应过度，并由于刻意重视反而使之加强的行为。

#### [ 题目解析 ]

1. 答案为[A]。细节题。文章首段第二句“...your child engages in a lot of reinforced practice of the new behavior until it replaces the unwanted one”，可见作者认为不断地强化一种新的行为会使其逐渐取代那些不好的行为，这是一个逐步改造和最终替代的过程，因此选择[A]。

2. 答案为[C]。细节题。文章第一段第四句“Real life..., and many other factors will bear on your success...”指出校正孩子的行为也会受到一些其他因素的影响，比如 1) your relationship with your child; 2) what behaviors you model in your home; 3) what influences your child is exposed to in other relationships. 只有选项[C]原文没有提及，因此本题应选[C]。

3. 答案为[C]。推断题。本段首先阐述了家长在制止孩子的某些负面行为时首先要判断这样做是否有意义，因为这些行为往往会自然终止，由此可判断选项[A]和[D]是符合文章原意的；选项[B]与本段第三句话所表达的意思一致，因此只有[C]选项是文章没有提及的，所以本题应选[C]。

4. 答案为[D]。态度题。文章最后一段首句指出“...we're not saying that you should ignore lying or stealing...”，也就是我们不应该忽视诸如撒谎、偷窃这样的行为，因为这类行为的性质和前段所列举的小孩子“啃指甲”的坏毛病不同。对于后者，家长可以不干涉，因为这类行为在孩子长大后自然会自然终止，撒谎等行为既然不同于这类行为，就应该重视，





并采取有效的方法制止, 因此本题选择 [D]。[A] 选项和 [B] 选项都不符合原文的意思, [C] 选项的意思是家长面对此类行为无能为力, 显然也与作者的原意相反。

5. 答案为 [A]。推断题。根据文章的最后两句话 “Punishment on its own...for changing behavior.” 以及 “The misbehaviors...are to be eliminated through punishment” 可以得出作者认为许多负面的行为是会停止的, 相对而言, 惩罚常常是行之有效的, 因此本题应选 [A]。[B]、[C] 选项与原文意思不符, [D] 选项的内容与文章主题不相关。

## Text 2

Harvard officials sent shock waves through academia in December 2008 by detailing a new financial-aid policy that will charge families making up to \$180,000 just 10% of their household income per year, substantially subsidizing the annual cost of more than \$45,600 for all but its wealthiest students.<sup>1</sup> The move was just the latest in what has amounted to a financial-aid bidding war in recent years among the U.S.'s elite universities as they try to ease concerns over staggering tuition bills.

Though Harvard is the most generous to date, Princeton, Dartmouth, Yale and Stanford have all launched similar plans to cap tuition contributions for students from low- and middle-income families. Indeed, students on financial aid at nearly every Ivy stand a good chance of graduating debt-free, thanks to loan-elimination programs introduced over the past five years. And other exclusive schools have followed their lead. Williams and Amherst colleges in Massachusetts, North Carolina's Davidson College and Virginia's William & Mary all replaced loans with grants and work-study aid starting last year. And several more schools are joining the no-loan club this fall, including Maine's Bowdoin College and California's Claremont McKenna College. “Applications were up 11% last year,” says Davidson president Tom Ross. “That tells us a lot more families now see Davidson as an affordable option.”

Even more schools have taken steps to reduce debt among their neediest students. Among them: Caltech, which this year began replacing loans with grants for American students with household incomes below \$60,000, and College of the Holy Cross, which offers free tuition to students from its surrounding community in Worcester, Mass., if their family makes less than \$50,000. And many public and private universities now offer similar packages to state residents who are at or below the federal poverty level of \$21,000 a year for a family of four. “Students' tuition, fees, food, books and a place to live are all covered in full,” says Rick Shipman, financial aid director at Michigan State, which has offered a loan-replacement plan since 2005.

But experts caution that families shouldn't expect to see most financial-aid packages rise to the level of Harvard's largesse anytime soon. Over the past few years, Congress has gotten fed up with wealthy schools hoarding their enormous endowments while still regularly raising tuition prices.<sup>2</sup> The average tuition and fees at private four-year colleges rose 14% in the past five years, according to the nonprofit College Board; the increase was 31% at public schools. Fees themselves at many public universities are skyrocketing, even as tuition holds more or less steady. “It's fair

to ask whether a college kid should have to wash dishes in the dining hall to pay his tuition when his college has \$1 billion in the bank,” U.S. Senators Max Baucus and Chuck Grassley, the leaders of the Senate Finance Committee, wrote last January in a letter to the 136 American colleges with endowments of \$500 million or more.

6. The word “cap” (Line 2, Para. 2) is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.  
[A] limit [B] enable [C] afford [D] expense
7. Students will be exempt from tuition if their household income is lower than \_\_\_\_\_ per capita.  
[A] \$21,000 [B] \$5,000 [C] \$50,000 [D] \$6,000
8. We can learn from the text that the no-loan club \_\_\_\_\_.  
[A] is a government organization to supervise the school budget  
[B] calls for providing students with free-interest grants and work-study aid  
[C] ensures fair play in the fierce competition among higher education units  
[D] examines and verifies the qualification of those students who apply for grants
9. According to the text, what is Congress’s attitude towards the rising tuition prices?  
[A] Indifferent. [B] Supportive. [C] Indignant. [D] Apprehensive.
10. The author intends to show that \_\_\_\_\_.  
[A] both public and private universities are making efforts to offer students financial aid  
[B] grants and work-study aid can be the best way to help students out of financial difficulties  
[C] the rapid increase in tuition prices is beyond control in spite of the enormous endowments  
[D] financial-aid policy needs to be uniformed so that low-income students can secure the aid

#### [ 难词释义 ]

hoard [hɔ:d] vt. 贮藏, 秘藏

#### [ 文章概要 ]

本文出自《泰晤士报》2009年3月31日一篇题为“The New Battle over Financial Aid”的文章, 作者 Kathleen Kingsbury。文章指出: 为了应对不断上涨的学费, 有效缓解学生的压力, 以哈佛大学为首的美国各常春藤名校纷纷参加到增加给学生经济资助的行动中来, 它们还自愿组成了“the no-loan club”, 倡导给学生提供无偿的助学金以及半工半读的机会, 以减轻高额学费带给学生的压力, 特别是对于那些家庭收入水平在全国最低收入值之下的学生, 校方更应该减免学费或提供助学金。

#### [ 难句分析 ]

1. Harvard officials sent shock waves through academia in December 2008 by detailing a new financial-aid policy that will charge families making up to \$180,000 just 10% of their household income per year, substantially subsidizing the annual cost of more than \$45,600 for all but its



wealthiest students.

**结构分析：**本句主干是“Harvard officials sent shock waves...”，介词短语“by detailing a new financial-aid policy”作状语，修饰主句谓语，“policy”之后接“that”引导的定语从句，从句谓语动词“charge”加间接宾语“families”（现在分词结构“making up to \$180,000”做其定语）和直接宾语“just 10% of their household income per year”，现在分词结构“subsidizing...students”作句子状语，补充说明所筹集资金的用途。

**参考译文：**哈佛大学的校方人士在 2008 年 12 月给学术界带来了一股冲击波。他们详细说明了一项新的财政援助政策，那就是要求年收入 180 000 美元以上的家庭缴纳 10 % 的收入，共计 45,600 美元用以资助富有家庭之外的其他学生。

2. Over the past few years, Congress has gotten fed up with wealthy schools hoarding their enormous endowments while still regularly raising tuition prices.

**结构分析：**本句是简单句，句子主干是“Congress has gotten fed up with wealthy schools”，现在分词结构“hoarding...raising tuition prices”作后置定语修饰“wealthy schools”。

**参考译文：**在过去的几年里，美国国会已经厌倦了那些富有的学校获得大额捐助的同时，仍然不断提高学费的做法。

#### 【题目解析】

6. 答案为 [A]。语义题。文章第一段讲到了美国一流学校为了缓减不断上涨的学费给学生带来的压力，努力推行一些经济资助的政策，哈佛大学每年总计给学生补贴 \$45,600。第二段接着讲普林斯顿大学、耶鲁大学、斯坦福大学都通过类似政策帮助学生，由此可以推测“cap tuition contributions”与哈佛大学的做法是一致的，所以应该是“限额收取”的意思，也就是减免部分学费，缓解学生压力，因此本题应该选择 [A]。选项 [B]“使能够”，与原文意思不符；[C]“支付”和 [D]“花费”都与原文意思恰好相反，因此均不正确。

7. 答案为 [B]。细节题。根据文章第三段第三句话可以知道大多数公立和私立的大学会免除学生的学费，前提是他的家庭（以四人家庭为例）年收入相当于或低于全国最低收入水平：\$21,000，由此通过简单的运算，很容易得出免除学费的条件是人均家庭收入是 [B]。

8. 答案为 [B]。细节题。根据文章第二段第 5 句可以看出越来越多的学校自愿加入了“the no-loan club”，而“no-loan”的含义在前一句话中可以找到解释，即这一组织号召学校取消贷款，代之以助学金和半工半读的资助方式，因此本题应该选 [B]。选项 [A] 是说该组织是主要管理学校财政的政府机构，显然不正确，因为它是各高校自愿联合的组织；选项 [C] 是讲该组织的主要任务是确保各高校公平竞争，这在原文也没有提到。选项 [D] 是该组织主要审查申请助学金的学生是否符合条件，显然也是不正确的。

9. 答案为 [D]。态度题。本题问的是文章最后一段提到的国会对于不断上涨的学费所持的态度。通过原文对国会观点的描述，如：“Congress has gotten fed up with wealthy schools hoarding their enormous endowments while still regularly raising tuition prices”以及参议员 Max Baucus 和 Chuck Grassley 的观点，他们也认为在学校资金充足的情况下，不应该再让学生们靠打工缴学费，我们可以判断国会和参议员们对高昂学费的态度是忧虑的，担心的。所以 [D] 是正确的。本题最容易误选的是 [C]。[C] 的含义是“愤怒的”，有点言过其实。选项 [A]“漠不关心的”，[B]“支持的”，都与原文意思不符。

10. 答案为[A]。主旨题。本文首段的最后一句话点明了全文的主题：各高校在积极寻找有效途径，缓解学生的经济压力。此外，作者在文章中例举了多所高校以及相应的资金数量来具体讲述经济资助的情况，所以本题应该选择[A]。[B]选项的“助学金和半工半读”在原文虽然有所提及，但并没有说它们是帮助学生走出经济困境最好的办法。[C]选项“尽管学校收到的赞助不断增多，但是学费也还是一直在上涨”，这在原文最后一段中提到，但并不是本文的主要内容。[D]选项的内容原文没有提到，所以也不正确。

### Text 3

MANY will know that the word “muscle” comes from the Latin for “mouse”. But what about “chagrin”, derived from the Turkish for roughened leather, or scaly sharkskin. Or “lens” which comes from the Latin “lentil” or “window” meaning “eye of wind” in old Norse? Looked at closely, the language comes apart in images, like those strange paintings by Giuseppe Arcimboldo where heads are made of fruit and vegetables.

Not that Henry Hitchings’s book is about verbal surrealism. That is an extra pleasure in a book which is really about the way the English language has roamed the world helping itself liberally to words, absorbing them, forgetting where they came from, and moving on with an ever-growing load of exotics, crossbreeds and subtly shaded near-synonyms.<sup>1</sup> It is also about migrations within the language’s own borders, about upward and downward mobility, about words losing their roots, turning up in new surroundings, or lying in wait for their moment.

All this is another way of writing history. The Arab etymologies of “saffron”, “crimson” and “sugar” speak of England’s medieval trade with the Arab world. We have “cheque” and “tariff” from this source too, plus “arithmetic” and “algorithm”—just as we have “etch” and “sketch” from the Dutch, musical terms from the Italians and philosophical ones from the Germans. French nuance and finesse are everywhere. At every stage, the book is about people and ideas on the move, about invasion, refugees, immigrants, traders, colonists and explorers.

This is a huge subject and one that is almost bound to provoke question-marks and explosions in the margins—soon forgotten in the book’s sheer sweep and scale. A balance between straight history and word history is sometimes difficult to strike, though. There is a feeling, occasionally, of being bundled too fast through complex linguistic developments and usages, or of being given interesting slices of history for the sake.<sup>2</sup> But it is churlish to carp. The author’s zest and grasp are wonderful. He makes you want to check out everything—“carp” and “zest” included. Whatever is hybrid, fluid and unpoliced about English delights him. English has never had its Académie Française, but over the centuries it has not lacked furious defenders against foreign “corruption”. There have been rearguard actions to preserve its “manly” pre-Norman origins, even to reconstruct it along Anglo-Saxon lines: “wheel-saddle” for bicycle, “painlore” for pathology. But the omnivorous beast is rampant still. More people speak it as their second language than as their first. Forget the language of Shakespeare. It’s “Globish” now, the language of aspiration. No one owns it, a cause for despair to some. Mr. Hitchings admits to wincing occasionally, but almost on principle



he is more cheerful than not.

11. This text is possibly taken from \_\_\_\_\_.  
[A] a book review  
[B] a linguistic coursebook  
[C] an interview with the author  
[D] the foreword of the book
12. The underlined words “this source” (Line 3, Para. 3) probably means \_\_\_\_\_.  
[A] philosophical teachings  
[B] arithmetic coursebooks  
[C] cross-nation business  
[D] the Arab etymologies
13. Which of the following statements is TRUE about the rearguard actions?  
[A] They are engaged in maintaining English with all its early traits and authority.  
[B] They make efforts to establish English as a more internationalized language.  
[C] They encourage more people to pick up English as a second foreign language.  
[D] They try to provide evidence of the origin of the English language.
14. It can be inferred from the text that Mr. Hitchings is \_\_\_\_\_ about the present status quo of English.  
[A] worried      [B] unconcerned      [C] puzzled      [D] rejoiced
15. The best title of the text can be \_\_\_\_\_.  
[A] The Origin of English  
[B] The Evolution of Words  
[C] The Culture behind Words  
[D] The Revolution of English

#### [ 难词释义 ]

- exotic [ɪɡˈzɒtɪk] *adj.* 异国的, 外来的  
crossbreeding ['krɒsbriːdɪŋ] *n.* 杂交育种  
etymology [ˌetɪˈmɒlədʒɪ] *n.* 语源, 语源学  
nuance [njuːˈɑːns] *n.* 细微差别  
churlish ['tʃɜːlɪʃ] *adj.* 粗野的  
omnivorous [ɒmˈnɪvərəs] *adj.* 杂食的  
rampant ['ræmpənt] *adj.* 猖獗的, 蔓延的, 奔放的

#### [ 文章概要 ]

本文出自《经济学家》2008年9月18日一篇题为“The Secret Life of Words”的文章, 作者 Patrick Boodey。本文是一篇书评。这本新出版发行的书主要介绍了英语的起源、现状和未来的发展趋势, 而且提到了语言和历史的关系, 特别是历史的发展和人类社会的进步是如何作用于语言的。本文的中心是语言的进化和发展, 及本书作者对于英语发展态势的

预测和看法：英语作为一种国际通用语的快速崛起得益于它的兼收并蓄，与此同时也有一些其他语言中负面的词汇浸入英语中。为此，一些旨在捍卫英语的独立性和保持其纯净性的运动应运而生。

### 【难句分析】

1. That is an extra pleasure in a book which is really about the way the English language has roamed the world helping itself liberally to words, absorbing them, forgetting where they came from, and moving on with an ever-growing load of exotics, crossbreeds and subtly shaded near-synonyms.

**结构分析：**本句是主从复合句，主句是“*That is an extra pleasure in a book*”，后加定语从句“*which is really about the way...*”，“*the way*”之后加省略引导词“*that*”的定语从句。

**参考译文：**那是本书的另外一层乐趣，这本书实际上讲的是英语如何通过自由地吸收其他词汇，弱化这些词汇来源，并通过纳入日益增加的外来词、混合词和意义相近的同义词而发展为世界通用的语言。

2. There is a feeling, occasionally, of being bundled too fast through complex linguistic developments and usages, or of being given interesting slices of history for the sake.

**结构分析：**本句的核心结构是“*There is a feeling*”，之后接了两个并列的“*of*”结构修饰 *a feeling*，作其后置定语成分。

**参考译文：**有时候有一种这样的感受：与复杂的语言学演变与用法连接得过快，或出于语言的缘故而讲述历史中有趣的片段。

### 【题目解析】

11. 答案为 [A]。推断题。通读全文，不难发现作者的主题是介绍一本新出版发行的书，书的主要内容是英语的起源、现状和未来的发展趋势，文章中还提到了本书作者对于英语发展态势的预测和看法，因此，本文应该是一篇书评，它不仅介绍了书的内容，还提到了作者的看法和态度。[B] 选项“语言学教材”，[C] 选项“对作者的访谈”，[D] 选项“这本书的序言”均不符合题意。

12. 答案为 [C]。语义题。文章第三段主要讲英语中一些词的来源和出处。本段第二句讲了在阿拉伯语中有一些词汇体现着中世纪时英国和阿拉伯世界的贸易往来，货物的相互流通也促进了语言的相互影响和吸收；第三句讲英语中的“支票”和“关税”等词也是来源于这一途径，即前面一句话讲到的贸易行为，所以本题应该选择 [C]。[A] 选项“哲学的说教”，[B] 选项“算术书”，[D] 阿拉伯语的语源学都不符合题意。

13. 答案为 [A]。细节题。本题答题点在文章第四段第八到第十句话。第八句话讲到“在过去的几个世纪中，英语也没有摆脱其他外来语的侵害”。第九句紧接着讲随之而起的一些运动，旨在捍卫英语的独立性，保持它的纯净和原汁原味，所以本题应该选择 [A]。其他选项均不符合题意。

14. 答案为 [D]。态度题。根据文章最后一句话，在谈到英语的现状和未来时，Mr. Hitchings 有时会皱皱眉头，但是从根本上讲 (on principle)，他还是很高兴的，理解本句的关键是要理解短语“*is more ...than not*”的含义是“确实，非常”，因此本题应该选择 [D] (高兴的，愉悦的)。[A] “担忧的”虽然是“*wincing*”的同义表达，但是原文后面出现了转

