

Part I Cloze (每小题 2 分, 共 40 分)

Directions: Each Blank in the following passage is provided with four possible choices. Read the whole passage and choose the best answer for each blank. Then mark your choices on the *Answer Sheet*.

I do not know the city at all and 1, I could not speak a word of the language. After having spent my first day seeing 2 in the town centre, I decided to lose my 3 deliberately (故意地) on my second day, since I 4 that this was the best way to get to know my way 5. I got on the first bus that passed, and some thirty minutes later came to 6 must have been a suburb (郊区). The first two hours passed 7 enough. I discovered mysterious little bookshops in back streets and 8 arrived at a market-place where I stopped and had a coffee in an open-air cafe. Then I decided to 9 back to my hotel for lunch. After walking about 10 for some time, I made up my mind to ask 11. The trouble was that the only word I knew of the language was the 12 of the street in which I lived and 13 that I pronounced badly. The policeman 14 me, smiled and gently 15 me by the arm. There was a 16 look in his eyes as he pointed left and right and left again. I nodded politely and began walking 17 the direction he told me. About an hour passed and I noticed that the houses were getting 18 and green fields were appearing on either side of me. I had come all the way into the country. The only thing 19 for me to do was to find the 20 railway station.

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| 1. A. more or less | B. what's more | C. on the whole | D. above all |
| 2. A. sights | B. boob | C. everything | D. anything |
| 3. A. wallet | B. way | C. hotel | D. meals |
| 4. A. knew | B. found out | C. came to see | D. believed |
| 5. A. here | B. there | C. over | D. around |
| 6. A. that | B. what | C. with | D. it |
| 7. A. unhappily | B. stupidly | C. pleasantly | D. difficultly |
| 8. A. at once | B. carefully | C. finally | D. sadly |
| 9. A. return | B. come | C. run | D. get |
| 10. A. happily | B. aimlessly | C. correctly | D. carelessly |
| 11. A. the way | B. a meal | C. the name | D. people |
| 12. A. name | B. place | C. shop | D. people |

13. A. even B. still C. yet D. so
14. A. stared at B. came to C. listened to D. nodded to
15. A. caught B. took C. seized D. touched
16. A. mysterious B. good C. foolish D. distant
17. A. to B. in C. for D. at
18. A. larger B. better C. fewer D. more
19. A. left B. given C. that D. right
20. A. best B. smallest C. nearest D. biggest

Part II. Reading Comprehension (每小题 3 分, 共 30 分)

Directions: Read the passages and choose the best answer to each of the questions that follow.

Then mark your choices by drawing a line through the center of the letter A, B, C or D on the Answer Sheet.

Passage 1

One morning a few years ago, Harvard President Neil Rudenstine overslept. For this busy man, it was a sort of alarm: after years of non-stop hard work, he might wear himself out and die an early death.

Only after a week's leave— during which he read novels, listened to music and walked with his wife on a beach— was Rudenstine able to return to work.

In our modern life, we have lost the rhythm between action and rest. Amazingly, within this world there is a universal but silly saying: "I am so busy."

We say this to one another as if our tireless efforts were a talent by nature and an ability to successfully deal with stress. The busier we are, the more important we seem to ourselves and, we imagine, to others. To be unavailable to our friends and family, and to be unable to find time to relax— this has become the model of a successful life.

Because we do not rest, we lose our way. We miss the guide telling us where to go. The food is providing us with strength, the quiet giving us wisdom.

How have we allowed this to happen? I believe it is this: we have forgotten the Sabbath(安息日), the day of the week— for followers of some religions— for rest and praying. It is a day when we are not supposed to work, a time when we devote ourselves to enjoying and celebrating what is beautiful. It is a good time to bless our children and loved ones, give thanks, share meals, walk and sleep. It is a time for us to take a rest, to put our work aside, trusting that there are larger forces at work taking care of the world.

Rest is a spiritual and biological need; however, in our strong ambition to be successful and care for our many responsibilities, we may feel terribly guilty when we take time to rest. The Sabbath gives us permission to stop work. In fact, "Remember the Sabbath" is more than simply permission to rest; it is a rule to obey and a principle to follow.

1. The "alarm" in the first paragraph refers to "_____".

- A. a signal of stress
 - B. a warning of danger
 - C. a sign of age
 - D. a spread of disease
2. Why does the author think “I am so busy” is a silly saying?
 - A. Because our tireless efforts were a human talent.
 - B. Because it makes us feel guilty when we lose the ability to deal with stress.
 - C. Because it breaks the rhythm between action and rest.
 - D. Because it is not the way for a successful life.
 3. According to Paragraph 4, a successful person is one who is believed to _____.
 - A. be able to work without stress
 - B. be more talented than other people
 - C. be more important than anyone else
 - D. be busying working without time for rest
 4. Which of the following statements is TRUE according to the passage?
 - A. We shall lose our way if we take rest.
 - B. To find time to relax has become the model of a successful life.
 - C. To care for our many responsibilities is a principle for us to follow.
 - D. To obey the rule of rest will make us deal with stress successfully.
 5. What is the main idea of this passage?
 - A. We should balance work with rest.
 - B. The Sabbath gives us permission to rest.
 - C. It is silly for anyone to say “I am busy.”
 - D. We should be available to our family and friends.

Passage 2

As prices and building costs keep rising, the "do-it-yourself" (DIY) trend in the U.S. continues to grow.

“We needed furniture for our living room,” says John Ross, “and we just didn’t have enough money to buy it. So we decided to try making a few tables and chairs.” John got married six months ago, and like many young people these days, they are struggling to make a home at a time when the cost of living is very high. The Rosses took a 2-week course for \$ 280 at a night school. Now they build all their furniture and make repairs around the house. Jim Hatfield has three boys and his wife died. He has a full-time job at home as well as in a shoe making factory. Last month, he received a car repair bill for \$420. “I was deeply upset about it. Now I've finished a car repair course, I should be able to fix the car by myself.”

John and Jim are not unusual people. Most families in the country are doing everything they can to save money so they can fight the high cost of living. If you want to become a “do-it-yourselfer”, you can go to DIY classes. And for those who don’t have time to take a course, there are books that tell you how you can do things yourself.

6. We can learn from the text that many newly married people _____.
 - A. find it hard to pay for what they need

- B. have to learn to make their own furniture
 - C. take DIY courses run by the government
 - D. seldom go to a department store to buy things
7. John and his wife went to evening classes to learn how to_____.
- A. run a DIY shop
 - B. make or repair things
 - C. save time and money
 - D. improve the quality of life
8. When the writer says that Jim has a full-time job at home, he means Jim_____.
- A. makes shoes in his home
 - B. does extra work at night
 - C. does his own car and home repairs
 - D. keeps house and looks after his children
9. Jim Hatfield decided to become a do-it-yourselfer when_____.
- A. his car repairs cost too much
 - B. the car repair class was not helpful
 - C. he could not be possible to do two jobs
 - D. he had to raise the children all by himself
10. What would be the best title for the text?
- A. The Joy of DIY.
 - B. You Can Do It Too!
 - C. Welcome to Our DIY Course!
 - D. Ross and Hatfield: Believers in DIY.

Part III. Writing (30 分)

Directions: Write an essay of about 150 words based on the following information.

假如你是李华，加拿大的一所学校将于今年暑假组织学生来你校访问。期间，Andy Smith 将借住你家(homestay)。请你代表全家写信给 Andy,欢迎他的到来，并告知有关事宜。信的要点如下：

上午：学校活动；下午：游览市区；晚上：和你家人一起包饺子，聊天

