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Ⅰ. The following paragraphs are taken from the textbooks, followed by a list of words or expressions marked A to X. Choose the one that best completes each of the sentences and write the corresponding letter on your Answer Sheet. One word or expression for each blank only. (12 points, 0.5 point for each)

Many doctors working on the battlefield of terminal suffering think that only squeamishness demands a __1__ difference between passive and active euthanasia on request. Their __2__ for killing goes like this: one of a doctor's __3__ is to prevent suffering; sometimes that is all there is left for him to do, and killing is the only way to do it. There is nothing new in this view. When Hippocrates __4__ his oath for doctors, which explicitly rules __5__ active killing, most other Greek doctors and thinkers disagreed with his __6__.

The women's magazines are about one third __7__ to clothes, one third to mild comment __8__ sex, and the __9__ third to recipes and pictures of handsome salads, desserts, and main __10__ . "Institutes" exist to experiment and tell housewives how to cook attractive meals and how to turn leftovers into __11__ of art. The food thus pictured looks __12__ famous paintings of still life. The only trouble is it's tasteless.

One of the greatest and most __13__ criticisms of television has been that in __14__ to the largest audience possible, it neglects minority audiences and minority tastes. This is still __15__ true. But there is, perhaps, one program a day and many, of course, on Sunday which an intelligent man or woman can enjoy and __16__ interest from. In my trips east or west or north or south, I pick up the __17__ paper to find this enjoyment or interest—__18__ vain.

American individualism, on the __19__ of it an admirable philosophy, wishes to manifest itself in independence of the community. You don't share things in __20__; you have your own things. A family's strength is signalized by its possessions. Herein lies a __21__. For the desire for possessions must eventually mean dependence on possessions. Freedom is slavery. Once let the __22__ instinct burgeon, and there are ruggedly individual forces __23__ too ready to make it come to full and monstrous __24__. New appetites are invented; what to the European are bizarre luxuries become, to the American, plain necessities.

A. acquisitive	B. appealing	C. argument	D. ban
E. blossom	F. common	G. courses	H. dedicated
I. derive	J. duties	K. face	L. firm
M. formulated	N. in	O. justified	P. largely
Q. like	R. local	S. on	T. only
U. other	V. out	W. paradox	X. works

II. In this section, there are fifteen sentences taken from the textbooks with a blank in each, followed by a list of words or expressions marked A to X. Choose the one that best completes each of the sentences and write the corresponding letter on your Answer Sheet. One word or expression for each blank only. (15 points, 1 point for each)

25. More than any other generation, our generation views the adult world with great _____. There is also an increased tendency to reject completely the world.
26. The need for laws on euthanasia cannot be _____ for much longer.
27. He stood in front of us for a moment and then _____ us to go into the living room.
28. My imagination boggled at the punishment I would _____ if in fact I did abuse a book of Mrs. Flowers'. Death would be too kind and brief.
29. The odds seemed to move toward Chavel with a dreadful _____: nine to one, eight to one: they were like a pointing finger.
30. Writing a book is a horrible, _____ struggle, like a long bout of some painful illness.
31. We are asking for the support of all sections of the peace movement because we do not feel that this is a time to be _____.
32. I _____ at several schools and was accepted everywhere. Harvard offered more financial assistance.
33. On the days when I'm especially melancholy, I began constructing tables of organization ... _____ people in the company on the basis of envy, hope, fear, ambition, frustration, rivalry, hatred, or disappointment.
34. No sooner did his car touch the boulevard heading home than Ace _____ on the radio.

35. I was convinced that some _____ changes had been wrought for all Negroes, not just those in the ghetto.
36. In Australia, where people are few and rabbits are many, I watched a whole populace satisfying the primitive _____ in the primitive manner by the skilful slaughter of many thousands of rabbits.
37. If we regard activity as being in itself a good, then we must count all snobberies as good; for all _____ activity.
38. I ask the reader to note that I, an Englishman who no longer lives in England and can't spend more than six months at a _____ in any other European country, home to America as to a country more stimulating than depressing.
39. Strangely enough, the salesmen react very well to the constant pressure and rigid supervision to which they are _____.

A. applied	B. classifying	C. desert	D. deserve
E. dodged	F. dominant	G. dormant	H. exhausting
I. exhaustive	J. flicked	K. gestated	L. gestured
M. impulse	N. inevitability	O. moment	P. momentous
Q. neglected	R. provoke	S. recoiled	T. revoke
U. skepticism	V. stretch	W. subject	X. subjected

Ⅲ. Each of the following sentences is given two choices of words or expressions. Choose the right one to complete the sentence and write the corresponding letter on your Answer Sheet. (15 points, 1 point for each)

40. Justice to all, regardless of race, sect or class, is the _____ right and the inescapable obligation of all.
A. inalienable B. unbelievable
41. My uncle remained _____ of stories about flying saucers.
A. incredible B. incredulous
42. Although the main characters in the novel are so true to life, they are _____.
A. imaginary B. imaginative
43. In spite of the financial crisis, the manager will pay the bonus _____ the job is completed on time.
A. unless B. provided
44. The adverse criticism the book received didn't _____ the author one way or another.
A. affect B. effect
45. It is a _____ fact that when we grow older, we tend to become weaker and weaker.
A. regretful B. regrettable
46. The _____ of a full stop at the end of the sentence is a deliberate act by the writer.
A. exclusion B. omission
47. He _____ the rope with both hands and pulled it with all his strength.
A. grasped B. grabbed
48. The leaflet was written in jargon that would have been totally _____ to anyone outside the profession.
A. incomprehensive B. incomprehensible
49. After driving for so long on the gravel I was glad to get on an _____ stretch of road.
A. even B. equal
50. Many of the more _____ forms of cancer can be treated successfully if detected early.
A. common B. ordinary
51. Even a _____ translation is not always faithful to the original.
A. literal B. literary
52. She asks him to remember her, and he replies that he is more _____ to forget anything else.
A. able B. apt

53. The experts disliked the acting but enjoyed the play _____.

A. as a whole B. on the whole

54. How can you be so _____ to the sufferings of these children?

A. indifferential B. indifferent

Read the following passage carefully and complete the succeeding three items Ⅳ, V and Ⅵ.

(1) Freedom's challenge in the Atomic Age is a sobering topic. We are facing today a strange new world and we are all wondering what we are going to do with it. What are we going to do with one of our most precious possessions, freedom? The world we know, our Western world, began with something as new as the conquest of space.

(2) Some 2,500 years ago Greece discovered freedom. Before that there was no freedom. There were great civilizations, splendid empires, but no freedom anywhere. Egypt, Babylon, Nineveh, were all tyrannies, one immensely powerful man ruling over helpless masses. In Greece, in Athens, a little city in a little country, there were no helpless masses, and a time came when the Athenians were led by a great man who did not want to be powerful. Absolute obedience to the ruler was what the leaders of the empires insisted on. Athens said no, there must never be absolute obedience to a man except in war. There must be willing obedience to what is good for all. Pericles, the great Athenian statesman, said: "We are a free government, but we obey the laws, more especially those which protect the oppressed, and the unwritten laws which, if broken, bring shame."

(3) Athenians willingly obeyed the written laws which they themselves passed, and the unwritten, which must be obeyed if free men live together. They must show each other kindness and pity and the many qualities without which life would be intolerable except to a hermit in the desert. The Athenians never thought that a man was free if he could do what he wanted. A man was free if he was self-controlled. To make yourself obey what you approved was freedom. They were saved from looking at their lives as their own private affair. Each one felt responsible for the welfare of Athens, not because it was imposed on him from the outside, but because the city was his pride and his safety. The creed of the first free government in the world was liberty for all men who could control themselves and would take responsibility for the state. This was the conception that underlay the lofty reach of Greek genius.

(4) But discovering freedom is not like discovering atomic bombs. It cannot be discovered once for all. If people do not prize it, and work for it, it will depart. Eternal vigilance is its price. Athens changed. It was a change that took place unnoticed though it was of the utmost importance, a spiritual change which penetrated the whole state. It had been the Athenians' pride and joy to give to their city. That they could get material benefits from her never entered their minds. There had to be a complete change of attitude before they could look at the city as an employer who paid her citizens for doing her work. Now instead of men giving to their state, the state was to give to them. What the people wanted was a government which would provide a comfortable life for them; and with this as the foremost object, ideas of freedom and self-reliance and responsibility were obscured to the point of disappearing. Athens was more and more looked on as a cooperative business possessed of great wealth in which all citizens had a right to share.

(5) She reached the point when the freedom she really wanted was freedom from responsibility. There could be only one result. If men insisted on being free from the burden of self-dependence and responsibility for the common good, they would cease to be free. Responsibility is the price every man must pay for freedom. It is to be had on no other terms. Athens, the Athens of Ancient Greece, refused responsibility, she reached the end of freedom and was never to have it again.

(6) But, "the excellent becomes the permanent," Aristotle said. Athens lost freedom forever, but freedom was not lost forever for the world. A great American statesman, James Madison, in or near the year 1776 A.D. referred to "the capacity of mankind for self-government". No doubt he had not an idea that he was speaking Greek. Athens was not in the farthest

background of his mind, but once a great and good idea has dawned upon man, it is never completely lost. The Atomic Age cannot destroy it. Somehow in this or that man's thought such an idea lives though unconsidered by the world of action. One can never be sure that it is not on the point of breaking out into action, only sure that it will do so sometime.

Ⅳ. In this section, there are ten incomplete statements followed by four choices marked A, B, C and D. Choose the best answer and write the corresponding letter on your Answer Sheet. (20 points, 2 points for each)

55. "Sobering topic" in paragraph 1 is a topic that makes one feel very _____.
A. nervous B. excited
C. serious D. sad

56. It can be inferred from paragraph 2 that _____.
A. Athenians would be willing to obey what would benefit them all
B. Egyptians insisted on absolute obedience to a powerful man
C. Athenians would be willing to obey a tyranny
D. Egyptians opposed any form of government

57. The word "underlay" in paragraph 3 is closest in meaning to _____.
A. was the consequence of B. was the cause of
C. was the key to D. was the basis of

58. In paragraph 4, "atomic bombs" is mentioned in order to _____.
A. emphasize that atomic bombs will threaten the survival of mankind
B. illustrate that freedom requires constant pursuit and dedication
C. stress that freedom is as influential as atomic bombs
D. point out that it took a long time to discover freedom

59. The word "obscured" in paragraph 4 is closest in meaning to _____.
A. made difficult to know or understand
B. made easy to know or understand
C. made hard to deal with
D. made clear to see

60. Paragraph 4 is mainly about _____.
A. the Athenians's pride and joy to give to their city
B. the ideas of freedom and self-reliance
C. the spiritual change of the Athenians
D. a cooperative business

61. According to paragraph 5, the relationship between freedom and responsibility is that _____.
A. freedom is independent of responsibility
B. responsibility is the precondition of freedom
C. responsibility is the natural result of freedom
D. freedom is more important than responsibility

62. The author's opinion about freedom in the future is that _____.
A. once lost, freedom will never be regained
B. people will never have freedom again
C. freedom will be challenged
D. freedom will last forever

63. "No doubt he had not an idea that he was speaking Greek" in paragraph 6 means _____.

A. he was thinking about the Greek freedom when he said this
B. he didn't know he was speaking the language of Greek
C. Greek freedom was not on his mind when he said this
D. definitely he didn't know what Greek freedom was

64. The best title for this passage is _____.
A. The Disappearance of Freedom B. The Development of Freedom
C. Importance of Freedom D. Roots of Freedom

V. Translate the following sentences into Chinese and write the translation on your Answer Sheet. (10 points, 2 points for each)

65. Absolute obedience to the ruler was what the leaders of the empires insisted on.
66. They must show each other kindness and pity and the many qualities without which life would be intolerable except to a hermit in the desert.
67. They were saved from looking at their lives as their own private affair.
68. She reached the point when the freedom she really wanted was freedom from responsibility.
69. One can never be sure that it is not on the point of breaking out into action, only sure that it will do so sometime.

Ⅵ. Answer the following essay question in English within 80-100 words. Write your answers on the Answer Sheet. (10 points)

70. What is your view on "freedom"?

Ⅶ. Translate the following sentences into English and write the translation on your Answer Sheet. (18 points, 2 points each for 71-75, 8 points for 76)

71. 一些社会学家认为你对这些问题的回答，很能说明你在想什么，社会在想什么，换句话说，可以说明你和社会的态度。
72. 30 年代的大难题刚刚得到初步控制，新的问题又出现了——前所未有的富裕社会和种族平等问题。
73. 丈大让她独自来到墨西哥就证明了这一点，此次墨西哥之行的目的就是让她找回自己，重新站起来，医治好创伤回到他的身边。
74. 我们的调查表明没有一家公司能够靠试图面面俱到、满足所有人的需求而成功。
75. 这些事实使美国任何一家餐馆——或者是距离蔬菜供应地几小时路程以外的城市居民——都不可能有像样的新鲜蔬菜。
76. 美国梦给老人这样的期望，只要他们一生努力工作，一切终会好的。今天的老人在成长过程中受到的教育是信奉自尊、自立、自主。很多都是能在逆境中生存下来的坚强而果断的人。但即使是坚强的人也会有需要得到帮助的时候。