

2022 年湖北云学新高考联盟学校高二年级 10 月联考

英语试卷

考试时间：2022 年 10 月 18 日 8:00-10:00 时长：120 分钟 满分：150 分

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注意事项：

1. 本试卷满分 150 分，考试时间 120 分钟。
2. 答卷前，考生务必将自己的姓名、准考证号填写在答题卡上，并将条形码粘贴在答题卡上的指定位置。
3. 回答选择题时，选出每小题答案后，用铅笔把答题卡上对应题目的答案标号涂黑。如需改动，用橡皮擦干净后，再选涂其它答案标号。回答非选择题时，将答案写在答题卡上。写在本试卷上无效。

第一部分听力（共两节，满分 30 分）

第一节（共 5 小题；每小题 1.5 分，满分 7.5 分）

听下面 5 段对话。每段对话后有一个小题，从题中所给的 A、B、C 三个选项中选出最佳选项。听完每段对话后，你都有 10 秒钟的时间来回答有关小题和阅读下一小题。每段对话仅读一遍。

1. What is the man going to do at the weekend?
A. Watch a film. B. Do some gardening. C. Go skating.
2. What time is it now?
A. 10:12. B. 10:20. C. 10:32.
3. What are the speakers most probably talking about?
A. A book. B. An actor. C. A film.
4. Why will the man leave early?
A. He is not feeling well.
B. He has to attend a meeting.
C. He has a doctor's appointment.
5. Where does the conversation most probably take place?
A. In a shop. B. In a meeting room. C. In a garage.

第二节（共 15 小题；每小题 1.5 分，满分 22.5 分）

听第 6 段材料，回答第 6 和 7 题。

6. What is the purpose of the woman's call?
A. To ask the way.
B. To set a time to meet.
C. To ask about a refrigerator.
7. When does the store open?
A. At 9:00. B. At 11:00. C. At 10:00.

听第 7 段材料，回答第 8 和 9 题。

8. Why did the woman call the man last evening?
A. To make an appointment.
B. To cancel an appointment.
C. To reschedule an appointment.

9. When does the conversation take place?

- A. On Wednesday. B. On Tuesday. C. On Thursday.

听第 8 段材料，回答第 10 至 12 题。

10. How does the man feel now?

- A. Homesick. B. Annoyed. C. Hungry.

11. What festival is celebrated in the woman's motherland at this time?

- A. Halloween.
B. The New Yam Festival.
C. The Day of the Dead.

12. What does the man suggest the woman do?

- A. Share something about a festival.
B. Treat Yon Mi to lunch.
C. Join in the International Fall Festival.

听第 9 段材料，回答第 13 至 16 题。

13. What is the woman most concerned with about the hotel?

- A. The price. B. The position. C. The environment.

14. How much will the woman pay in total?

- A. £220. B. £400. C. £660.

15. What does the woman think of the hotels in London?

- A. Beautifully situated.
B. Quite comfortable.
C. Really expensive.

16. Where is the hotel?

- A. Across from a cinema.
B. On the right of Hyde Park.
C. Opposite Marble Arch station.

听第 10 段材料，回答第 17 至 20 题。

17. What does the speaker intend to do?

- A. Place advertisements in the Olympics.
B. Become a volunteer in the Olympics.
C. Do an interview with Mr. Collins.

18. How did the speaker know the advertisement?

- A. From his teacher. B. On the Internet. C. On TV.

19. Where does the speaker most probably come from?

- A. Britain. B. France. C. Spain.

20. What does the speaker think is the most important for the position?

- A. Knowledge of winter sports.
B. Volunteer experiences.
C. Communication skills.

第二部分阅读（共两节，满分 50 分）

第一节（共 15 小题；每小题 2.5 分，满分 37.5 分）

阅读下列短文，从每题所给的 A、B、C、D 四个选项中选出最佳选项。

A

The 93rd Academy Awards ceremony was held on April 25, 2021, rather than its usual late-February date due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Winners

The nominees were announced on March 15. The winners were announced during the awards ceremony. Chinese filmmaker Chloe Zhao became the first woman of color to win Best Director and the second woman overall after Kathryn Bigelow, who claimed the title at the 2010 ceremony for directing *The Hurt Locker*. Best Actress winner Frances McDormand became the seventh person to win a third acting Oscar and the second to win Best Actress three times. As a producer of *Nomadland*, she also was the first person in history to win Oscars for both acting and producing for the same film. Best Supporting Actress winner Youn Yuh-jung became the first Korean performer and second Asian female to win an Oscar after Miyoshi Umeki, who won the same category for her role in 1957's *Sayonara*.

Part of awards

Best Actor Anthony Hopkins — <i>The Father</i> as Anthony	Best Picture <i>Nomadland</i> — Frances McDormand, Peter Spears, and Chloe Zhao
Best Supporting Actress Youn Yuh-jung — <i>Minari</i> as Soon-ja	Best Cinematography <i>Mank</i> — Erik Messerschmidt
Best Director Chloe Zhao — <i>Nomadland</i>	Best Costume Design <i>Ma Rainey's Black Bottom</i> — Ann Roth
Best Production Design <i>Mank</i> — Production Design: Donal Graham Burt; Set Decoration: Jan Pascale	Best Supporting Actor Daniel Kaluuya — <i>Judas and the black Messiah</i> as Fred Hampton

Rule changes

Due to the ceremony date change, the Academy changed the qualification deadline for feature films from December 31, 2020 to February 28, 2021. The Academy also revised its release and distribution requirements by allowing for films that were released via video on demand or streaming to be qualified for the awards.

21. Who is the first female to win the Academy Award for Best Director?

- A. Chloe Zhao. B. Kathryn Bigelow.
C. Youn Yuh-jung. D. Frances McDormand.

22. Which film won the most awards in 2021 Oscar?

- A. *Nomadland*. B. *The Father*.
C. *Sayonara*. D. *Minari*.

23. What was the deadline for feature films?

- A. April 25, 2021. B. March 15, 2021.
C. December 31, 2020. D. February 28, 2021.

B

Having worked at a 7-Eleven store for two years, I thought I had become successful at what our manager calls “customer relations”. I firmly believed that a friendly smile and an automatic “sir”, “ma’ma”, and “thank you” would see me through any situation that might arise, from comforting impatient or unpleasant people to apologizing for giving out the wrong change. But the other night an old woman shattered my belief that a simple and plain response could smooth over the rough spots of dealing with all kinds of customers.

The moment she entered, the woman presented a sharp contrast to our shiny store with its bright lighting and neatly arranged shelves. Walking as if each step were painful, she slowly pushed open the glass door and hobbled (蹒跚) down the nearest aisle. She coughed dryly, wheezing (气喘吁吁) with each breath. On a forty-degree night, she was wearing only a faded dress, a thin sweater too small to button, and black slippers with the backs cut out to expose calloused (满是老茧的) heels. There were no stockings or socks on her blue-veined legs.

After wandering around the store for several minutes, the old woman stopped in front of the rows of canned vegetables. She picked up a can of corn and stared with a strange intensity at the label. At that point, I decided to be a good, polite employee and asked her if she needed help. As I stood close to her, my smile became harder to maintain; her red-rimmed eyes were partially closed by yellowish crusts (痂); her hands were covered with layer upon layer of dirt, and the stale (陈腐的) smell of sweat rose from clothes.

“I need some food,” she muttered in reply to my bright “Can I help you?”

“Are you looking for corn, ma’am?”

“I need some food,” she repeated, “Any kind.”

“Well, the corn is ninety-five cents,” I said in my most helpful voice.

“I can’t pay,” she said.

For a second, I was tempted to say, “Take the corn.” But the employee rules flooded into my mind: Remain polite, but do not let customers get the best of you. Let them know that you are in control. For a moment, I even entertained the idea that this was some sort of test, and that this woman was someone from the head office, testing my loyalty. I responded dutifully, “I’m sorry, but I can’t give away anything for free.”

The old woman’s face collapsed a bit more, and her hands trembled as she put the can back on the shelf. She shuffled (拖着脚走) past me toward the door, her torn and dirty clothing barely covering her bent back.

Moments after she left, I rushed out of the door with the can of corn, but she was nowhere in sight. For the rest of my shift, the image of the woman haunted (萦绕) me. I had been young, healthy and proud. She had been old, sick and desperate. Wishing with all my heart that I had acted like a human being rather than a robot, I was saddened to realize how weak a hold we have on our better instincts.

24. How did the writer feel about his job at 7-Eleven before the old woman came?

- A. He was quite satisfied with his service manner.
- B. He considered himself successful in dealing with all interpersonal relations.
- C. He found room for improvement in developing customer relations.
- D. He thought himself experienced after working in the store for two years.

25. The detailed account of the old woman is intended to show _____.

- A. how she presented a sharp contrast to the other customers
- B. how sick, poor and desperate for help she was

- C. how she surprised the writer with her unusual appearance
 D. how inappropriate it was for her to enter a place like this
26. What's the meaning of the phrase "get the best of" according to the passage?
 A. To make the most of. B. To bring out the best of.
 C. To win an advantage over. D. To bring into full play.
27. Which of the following can be the best title of the passage?
 A. If Only B. How Come C. What If D. Never Ever

C

Today China is the world's biggest consumer of wheat. But it wasn't always that way.

Wheat only came to the area now known as northern China toward the end of the Neolithic (新石器) period, some 4,600 years ago. Initially, wheat didn't seem to be so delicious and had been treated as a crop of desperation rather than a cooking delight. The first farmers of northern China primarily grew millet (粟), starting as early as 11,500 years ago. By the time of the Tang dynasty, wheat had replaced millet, becoming a major crop. But relatively little was known about exactly why this shift occurred.

In an attempt to track the answer, I accumulated (积累) a collection of nearly 1,200 data points covering more than 50 sites from the mid-Neolithic, about 9,000 years ago, to the collapse of the Eastern Han dynasty in 220 AD. The sites were across 8 modern provinces, ranging from Gansu province in the northwest to Shandong province in the east.

One possible explanation is a major climate shift, called the Holocene Event 3, which happened 4,000 to 4,500 years ago. At that time, the climate became colder and drier across continents, causing damage to crop production.

On top of this, the late Neolithic period was also a time of rapid population growth around the world. With an ever-increasing population and unsteady crop production, it is reasonable to assume that Neolithic farmers in northern China were struggling.

Wheat, it turns out, actually needs more water than millet, making it seem a poor choice for a dry period of history. But importantly, it can be sowed after millet has been harvested. That, we think, is the most likely reason why the people across northern China started to grow wheat.

From more extreme weather to changing coastlines, climate change has always brought unexpected and sometimes dramatic changes to societies. In this instance, the consequence of the Holocene Event 3 in northern China proved, eventually, delicious.

28. What can we learn about wheat from the second paragraph?
 A. It replaced millet for its great taste. B. It was a poor choice at the beginning.
 C. It outnumbered millet 4,600 years ago. D. It was the earliest crop grown in China.
29. What do the figures in paragraph 3 show?
 A. The author found the exact answer. B. The author did the research cautiously.
 C. The author did extensive research. D. The author was good at collecting data.
30. What was probably the main reason for northerners in China to grow wheat?
 A. The water supply was enough then.
 B. The harvest of millet was not satisfying.
 C. It adjusted to the weather conditions better.
 D. It had an alternative sowing season with millet.

31. Which of the following can be the best title for the text?

- A. How was millet introduced to China?
- B. Why did Chinese farmers switch to wheat?
- C. How did China become the biggest wheat consumer?
- D. How was China's wheat growth affected by climate change?

D

A sheet of transparent new material at a University of Maryland lab looks like it might be plastic. But it's actually wood—and it could eventually be used to make energy-efficient windows or even see-through buildings.

"Compared to glass, wood has lower heat conductivity, and it's lighter, stronger, and more environmentally friendly," says Liangbing Hu, a materials science professor at the University of Maryland and one of the authors of a new study of the material.

The idea is to employ the material in buildings. With a window made from transparent wood instead of glass, for example, a building would take less energy to heat and cool. Because of the structure of the wood, the windows could also reduce glare from the sun while allowing in natural light.

Researchers have experimented with transparent wood in the past, but the new method is more sustainable.

Other methods usually put the wood in a chemical compound NaCl to remove lignin, part of the wood that gives it structure. But this can weaken the wood, and it produces waste that is hard to recycle. Hu and his team made slight changes to the process so it doesn't fully remove the lignin. By brushing hydrogen peroxide(过氧化物) over the wood and leaving it under a UV light, they removed only the parts of the lignin that give it color. The result is transparent wood that can be coated in epoxy(环氧树脂).

It's just one of a number of ways scientists and engineers are rethinking how we can use this renewable resource in construction. Skyscrapers made entirely out of wood are gaining popularity in cities around the world. And scientists recently discovered a technique to grow wood in a lab, opening up the possibility of using wood without having to cut down a forest.

The transparent wood is 50% stronger than previous transparent wood and could even be used to build load-bearing walls in a building. It could also potentially be used in other ways, such as layers used in solar cells. A new company called InventWood is working to commercialize the technology.

32. Why would people like to choose transparent wood in their buildings in preference to glass?

- A. It can conduct heat more quickly.
- B. It is lighter and more delicate.
- C. It can let light in with less heat.
- D. It has higher energy consumption.

33. Compared with the experiment in the past, what is the difference of the new method?

- A. The new method is less environmentally friendly.
- B. The new method can make the wood weaker.
- C. Researchers brushed NaCl over the wood.
- D. Researchers only took away the lignin related to color.

34. Which of the following statements may the author agree with?

- A. This see-through wood may replace glass windows.
- B. This see-through wood is in mass production.
- C. This transparent wood has been grown in labs.
- D. This transparent wood is only popular in cities.

35. What does the last paragraph mainly focus on?

- A. The advantages of transparent wood.
- B. The production of transparent wood.
- C. The prospect of transparent wood.
- D. The companies of transparent wood.

第二节（共 5 小题：每小题 2.5 分，满分 12.5 分）

阅读下面短文，从短文后的选项中选出可以填入空白处的最佳选项。选项中有两项为多余选项。

What Does Your Handwriting Say About You?

Why do some people have better handwriting than others? Does it reflect your personality? Graphologists(笔记学者) believe your handwriting speaks volumes about your personality.

A study by graphologists says: “Graphology is a discipline used in the determination, study, and interpretation of a person’s personality with the aid of spaces, curves, strokes in a handwritten text. 36 It expresses various personality traits, like how honest a person is, how afraid the person is, etc.”

Some graphologists believe that a right slant(倾斜) in your writing could mean you are outgoing and open to new things, but a left slant could mean the opposite-that you like to be alone. Writing with no slant can mean that you’re logical, practical person, not outwardly emotional.

Large letters may suggest a big personality and that you seek attention, while small letters mean the opposite. 37

People who write with big loops(圈) when joining the letter L to another letter are thought to be relaxed and spontaneous, whereas a loopless L means the opposite, you’re seen as tense. 38

Space between letters can also determine characteristics. Spaced out letters suggest that you don’t like to be crowded and like your space. Close letters can mean you get lonely easily and enjoy being around people most of the time-you might also fail to give others enough space.

39 With computers and iPhones, many type everything. Handwriting is often used recreationally for things, such as personal notes, song writing, and journaling.

There is no problem in taking pride in your handwriting, whether it’s good or not. 40 If you’re the only one who is going to read your notes, it’s understandable to write however carelessly you want, as long as you can read them. If you’re writing for others, you might want to make sure everything is neat and easy to read.

If you hate your handwriting, don’t worry, you can always change it.

- A. Good and bad can be interpreted differently, of course.
- B. As long as your writing satisfies its purpose, you’re in business.
- C. Medium sized letters might mean you’re perhaps well adjusted.
- D. Some people have handwriting so beautiful that it’s almost like art.
- E. The same is said for the eye of the letter ‘e’-the bigger the loop, the more open you are.
- F. According to graphology, handwriting is nothing but an expression of the subconscious mind.
- G. Although handwriting is a basic action for most, this generation probably doesn’t get as much practice as previous ones.

第三部分语言运用（共两节，满分 30 分）

第一节（共 15 小题；每小题 1 分，满分 15 分）

阅读下面短文，从每题所给的 A、B、C、D 四个选项中选出可以填入空白处的最佳选项。

Zigfried, a little mouse, blew his breath on the frosty window of the farmhouse and rubbed it to see the outside. Still nobody came. Maybe today, he thought 41. It was only a few days before Christmas and he was watching for a miracle (奇迹).

This farmhouse had been empty too long. It needed a family. Zigfried's 42 made a noise. He realized that he hadn't eaten anything since yesterday. He jumped from the windowsill (窗沿), grabbed a 43 from his home, and went next door to Farmer Mike's.

Farmer Mike's house had been a great place for the little mouse 44 the farmer married a wife who had a cat. Zigfried 45 when he thought of it. He looked around cautiously as he 46 into the room where grain was stored and was quite 47 as he filled his bag with wheat. He was turning to leave when suddenly he 48 a hot breath about his ear. His heart beat wildly, and without thinking he started to run and luckily 49 the cat's paws (爪子).

The next afternoon Zigfried heard some good news: a new family would be moving into the farmhouse soon. Zigfried's granny would arrive on Christmas Eve to 50 with him. He hoped that the family would come before his granny came. Before long, a car came 51 the road leading to the house, with butter sandwiches, cheese and chocolate.

Zigfried's Christmas miracle did arrive!

The house came alive the next few days. Zigfried 52 every single hour of them. 53, the day before Christmas when he was drinking hot chocolate with a satisfied smile at the door of his home, he heard the 54 of the children of the family about what they might get for Christmas. What? A cat? The 55 froze on his face; his mouth fell wide open. After a long while, he at last found his voice: "Hey! Whose Christmas miracle is this?"

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|-------------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|
| 41. A. carefully | B. hopefully | C. excitedly | D. proudly |
| 42. A. stomach | B. nose | C. mouth | D. throat |
| 43. A. bowl | B. stick | C. bag | D. coat |
| 44. A. although | B. whereas | C. until | D. unless |
| 45. A. trembled | B. sniffed | C. leapt | D. withdrew |
| 46. A. broke | B. stole | C. paced | D. marched |
| 47. A. curious | B. sensible | C. pitiful | D. nervous |
| 48. A. felt | B. released | C. took | D. drew |
| 49. A. rubbed | B. seized | C. escaped | D. scratched |
| 50. A. compromise | B. communicate | C. compete | D. celebrate |
| 51. A. across | B. up | C. off | D. from |
| 52. A. counted | B. wasted | C. missed | D. enjoyed |
| 53. A. Instead | B. However | C. Moreover | D. Therefore |
| 54. A. discussion | B. introduction | C. comment | D. debate |
| 55. A. blood | B. tear | C. smile | D. sweat |

第二节（共 10 小题；每小题 1.5 分，满分 15 分）

阅读下面短文，在空白处填入 1 个适当的单词或括号内单词的正确形式。

Before the traditional New year, a shipment of prepackaged Luosifen（螺蛳粉），56 iconic dish known for its unpleasant smell, left for some countries in South Asia.

Luosifen enjoys great 57（popular）on Tmall and Taobao, as people all over the world prepare for a stay-at-home holiday due 58 the COVID-19 pandemic. The instant rice noodles, nicknamed the “durian of soup”，59（produce）in South China’s Guangxi Zhuang 60（autonomy）region. Liuzhou Luosifen features rice noodles 61（soak）in spicy soup and topped with ingredients 62（include）pickled bamboo shoots, string beans, peanuts and fried tofu skin.

In the past two years, the street food 63（enter）mass production, which not only gives the industry a promising future 64 conquers the taste buds of domestic and international foodies. On a single day, more than 200,000 buyers placed orders for the dish in 65（compare）with less than 20,000 last year.

第四部分写作（共两节，满分 40 分）

第一节（满分 15 分）

你校正在组织英语作文比赛。请以身边值得尊敬和爱戴的人为题，写一篇短文参赛，内容包括：

1. 人物的简要介绍；
2. 尊敬和爱戴的原因。

注意：

1. 词数 80 字左右；
2. 短文题目和首句已为你写好。

The person I respect

There are many respectable people around us. _____

第二节（满分 25 分）

阅读下面材料，根据其内容和所给段落开头语续写两段，使之构成一篇完整的短文。

Catherine was the coolest kid in her class. Whenever she went, she was in the spotlight, with a bunch of kids following her and doing everything she did.

Her deskmate, Landy, however, was not in the cool kids’ group. Being the tallest kid in her class, she was teased by her classmates, who were always chanting “Landy, Landy, long as spaghetti (意大利面)”. Every time Landy heard those silly chants, she could feel her face burst into flames. God knew how she wished the ground to crack and swallow her!

Catherine didn’t really like it when the kids chanted “Landy, Landy, long as spaghetti”. But she never told them to stop either, and nor did she ever talk to her. She liked being popular.

One weekend, Catherine went over to her grandfather for Thanksgiving. Her grandfather lives on a farm at the opposite end of town, where he keeps chickens. While helping to feed the chickens, Catherine noticed a peculiar one. Curling in the corner, it looked smaller than the others and was almost half-bare!

“What’s the matter with it?” She asked her grandfather, with a puzzled frown on her face. Her grandfather told her how chickens could act. “They have a pecking (啄) order,” he explained, wrinkles of concern spreading around his forehead. “If one chicken is different, the others will push it away and keep pecking it. Sometimes they peck it so much that it dies.”

“Oh, what a poor little thing!” Catherine let out a sigh as she scooped the frightened chicken up in her arms, whose heart was beating fast in the bony little body. Suddenly, she thought of Landy, the girl being “pecked” by her classmates. “I’m going to take it home and take good care of it,” she said with a determined look.

Back in school, Catherine told the cool kids about the chicken. “It’s looking healthy,” she said proudly. “It’s fatter and its feathers are growing. Even the cat likes it. She carries it around the garden, and...” Everyone was entertained by Catherine’s story of her lovely chicken, laughter lingering around the classroom.

注意：

1. 续写词数应为 150 左右；
2. 请按如下格式在答题卡的相应位置作答。

Then Catherine spotted Landy sitting by herself in a corner. _____

But Catherine walked directly toward Landy, regardless of what they said. _____

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英语答案

1-20	CBCAC	ACBBA	CABCC	ABACA	
21-40	BAD	BBCA	BCDB	CDAC	FCEGB
41-55	BACCA	BDACD	BDBAC		
56. an	57. popularity	58. to	59. are produced	60. autonomous	
61. soaked	62. including	63. has entered	64. but	65. comparison	

第一节

The person I respect

There are many respectable people around us. And the person I respect most is my neighbor Uncle Li.

He is a volunteer who works as a gate guard in our community during the epidemic of COVID-19, and his main duty is to measure body temperature and check the passes for exit and entry. Regardless of the risk of getting infected, Uncle Li is responsible and devoted to his job. Even in terrible weather, he still sticks to his post and leaves no one unchecked.

Thanks to his efforts in epidemic prevention and control, our neighborhood has been in a good state. Actually, there are many selfless people like Uncle Li around us, and they well deserve our respect.

第二节

Then Catherine spotted Landy sitting by herself in a corner. She kept her head down with her eyes fixed on the floor as usual. It hit Catherine that the pecking order worked in school, too. Landy was just like the poor little chicken, being teased and ignored by her classmates, merely due to her special height. "It's time for me to make an apology to Landy." Catherine thought to herself. No sooner had she made up her mind than she announced it to the cool kids surrounding her. Astonished at what she said, all the kids burst out screaming, "Talking to the long spaghetti? Are you crazy?"

But Catherine walked directly toward Landy, regardless of what they said. "Hi, Landy. I'm sorry about the spaghetti thing." Catherine murmured an apology, her face reddening. "I know it hurts you. Can you forgive us?" She figured Landy might just walk away. But she lifted her misty eyes and nodded yes. Catherine wiped away her tears, giving her a warm hug. Moved by the scene, the other kids also came to offer their sincere apologies to Landy. From that day on, no one made up silly chants about Landy, and Catherine also gained an important life lesson that everyone should be treated equally no matter how special he or she was.

录音原文

附：听力文字稿

Text 1

W: Bill, can you help me in the garden at the weekend?

M: Mum! **I'm going to go skating with Jill this weekend.**

W: Oh right. I got that mixed up with the next weekend. Are you still going to the movie this evening?

M: Yes.

Text 2

W: Excuse me. Which platform does the next train to London leave from?

M: **It leaves from Platform 2 at 10:32.**

W: **So there's still twelve minutes left.**

Text 3

M: I thought that was boring. It was way too long. And the acting wasn't very good.

W: It had a lot of big stars in it.

M: Yes. But the story itself was terrible.

Text 4

M: Do you mind if I leave the meeting early? **I have a headache.**

W: Oh, not at all. Why don't you see a doctor?

M: I'll make an appointment on my way home. I've been sick since Tuesday.

Text 5

W: Do you know what the problem is?

M: Not yet, madam.

W: I have a meeting at three and it's a thirty-minute drive from here.

M: Give me a little more time. I'll have you on the road again soon.

Text 6

M: Dragon Home Electronics. This is John speaking. Can I help you?

W: Hi, I saw a poster on the underground that says you're having a sale on refrigerators.

M: Yes, madam.

W: **Could you tell me the way to your store from Flora Square?**

M: Certainly. First, you take the B or the F train to Broadway. Take exit 3, and head down Brich Street until you see our sign.

W: That's B or F train to Broadway, exit 3, down Brich Street.

M: That's right. However, **we don't open for another hour. You know it's only 9 o'clock now.**

Text 7

M: Good morning. I have an interview scheduled with Mr. Black for 2 o'clock. It's for an article I'm writing for next week's edition of *The Addington Chronicle*.

W: Oh, yes. That means you're Mr. Woods. **I actually gave you a call last evening.**

M: Oh, really? I didn't notice that.

W: That's all right. **I called to say that Mr. Black had to cancel the interview.** He had to attend an urgent board meeting at our main office in Dallas.

M: Really? That's too bad. Could I possibly reschedule?

W: Certainly. **He'll be back tomorrow night. Would the following day — that's Thursday at 10 a.m. be OK with you?**

M: That's great.

Text 8

W: Is Yon Mi OK?

M: I don't know. She didn't come to lunch, did she? She might be homesick.

W: It could be the time of year. **I feel kind of homesick too.**

M: **I have the same feeling.** I miss the festival at Grandmother's in Nigeria at this time. It's a big party with dancing and singing.

W: Wow, what's it called?

M: The New Yam Festival.

W: **Back home at this time of year, we celebrate "The Day of the Dead".**

M: The dead? It's like Halloween in the United States, isn't it?

W: Yes and no. In Mexico, we honor our dead ancestors on this day.

M: How interesting! **You should give a presentation to the class about that.**

W: I have a better idea. Yon Mi might like it, too. We could have an International Fall Festival!

Text 9

M: Good morning. How can I help you?

W: Could you help us to find a hotel in London, please?

M: Yes, of course. Would you like a hotel in the city center?

W: Yes, if possible.

M: OK, how about the Hotel Stella? They've got some rooms free.

W: **Is it near an underground station?**

M: Yes, it is. It's about five minutes' walk from Marble Arch station. And it's very close to Hyde Park. It's one of the nicest hotels in London.

W: Great. **I'd like a double room for three nights.** And can you check the price?

M: Yes, sure. **I'm afraid hotels in London are really expensive but of course they are comfortable. A lot of people think that London's the most expensive city for tourists in the world.**

W: **Yes, last year we stayed two nights in a hotel that cost over £200 a night!**

M: Right, **I've booked it for you, £220 a night.** When you come out of the underground station, go along Edgware Road for about 400 meters and it's on the right, **opposite a cinema.**

W: Brilliant. Thanks very much.

Text 10

M: Hello, Mr. Collins. This is Chandler. **I'm calling to apply to be a volunteer in the Winter Olympics. My teacher Mr. White, whom you know, read the advertisement on the Internet. He advised me to give you a call.** I am a student of international politics in Granada. I'm a good communicator and speak several languages. **My native language is Spanish.** I know English to B2 level and B1 French. It has always been my dream to attend and help in the Winter Olympics. Every four years I watch this amazing event. I believe that sport brings people together and the Olympics are very important. Volunteers are a necessary part of the Olympics. I'm sure that I can make a valuable contribution. As someone very interested in sport, I believe that I'm in an excellent position to help athletes and visitors with any problems they have. **I'm a skier and snowboarder and I know better what they want. I think that's the most needed.** I have never been a volunteer before but I love new challenges. I'm flexible and ready to take on any tasks. By the way, I sent you an email with my personal information and some of my sports experiences for your reference. Thank you for considering my application. I'm looking forward to hearing from you.