**Unit 4 I used to be afraid of the dark.**

**综合能力演练**

**I. 单项选择。**

1．Indeed he has a serious face，but he is very \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ at heart．

A．selfish B．patient C．humorous D．generous

2．I don't believe that this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ boy can paint such a nice picture．

A．five years old B．five-years-old C．five-year-old D．five year old

3．The woman is very busy so she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ watches TV．

A．often B．always C．seldom D．almost

4．—I’m really \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ before the exam．

—Take it easy．You’re the best．

A．surprised B．nervous C．comfortable D．confident

5．—Do you still remember that accident．Danny?

—Of course．I'll never forget it \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ it happened so long ago．

A．only if B．even though C．because of D．ever since

6．He is terrified of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ alone in the street at night．

A．to walk B．having walked C．walking D．walked

7．I used to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the morning，but now I’m used to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ before going to bed．

A．read；read B．reading；read C．read；reading D．reading；reading

8．Sally used to be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_，but now she enjoys meeting and talking to new friends．

A．active B．shy C．honest D．outgoing

9．—Why are you standing there，Mingming?

—Two tall boys are sitting \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ me，so I can’t see the blackboard clearly．

A．behind B．next to C．in front of D．beside

10．Would you please \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ my baby while I'm cooking?

A．take out of B．take care of C．take part in D．take away from

11．The number of books in the bookshop is about 10，000 and a number of them\_\_\_\_\_\_ about science．

A．is B．was C．are D．were

12．—We're supposed to recycle paper and bottles．It can help the environment．

—\_\_\_\_\_\_\_．It can save money，too．

A．It’s nothing B．Best wishes

C．I agree D．Never mind

13．My grandmother \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a lot of changes in Tianjin since she came here．

A．sees B．can see C．will see D．has seen

14．—\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ go to school by bike?

—Yes．But now I usually go to school by bus．

A．Did；use to B．Were；used to

C．Do；use to D．Will；use to

15．—I used to play tennis．but now I’m on the swim team．

—\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A．Thanks B．Good idea C．All right D．People sure change

**【真题链接】**

1. — \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt is this? (2015 北京中考)

— I think it’s Tom’s.

A. Whose B. Which C. What D. Who

2. I will never forget the day \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ we spent in the old town with small houses. (2014 浙江杭州中考)

A. who B. whom C. that D. what

3. We are supposed to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a solution to stop people from looking down at their mobile phones while driving cars. (2014 昆明中考)

A. come up with B. come form C. come out D. come true

**II. 完形填空。**

(2015 北京中考)

**The Phone Call**

It was getting dark. Paul looked out of the window and signed (叹气). Dad said he could come home by 5:30, but it was almost 7:00. Even if Dad came back, it wouldn’t be much fun playing 1 in the dark. Paul walked into his room and threw his baseball into the corner. He tried to do some homework, but couldn’t.

The phone rang at about 8:00. It was Dad: “Paul, I’m 2 , but I couldn’t play baseball with you tonight. I have to finish my work at the office. Maybe we can play this weekend. Oh no. How about next weekend?....”

Paul couldn’t understand why Dad was so 3 . He threw himself into the sofa and soon fell asleep. His book was still opened to the first page.

The next day at school, Paul didn’t hand in his homework and 4 a test. Mrs. Green, his teacher, asked him to stay after school. “Paul, you didn’t do your homework. You didn’t pass the test and only got a D. This isn’t like you. What’s wrong?”

Paul just sat there 5 . “Paul, if you don’t want to talk, I will. I know that something’s worrying with you, but you have to get it out. You need to tell someone.”

As Paul walked home, he thought of what Mrs. Green said. Maybe he didn’t do his homework because he wanted to get his dad’s 6 . He knew Mrs. Green was right. He decided to take her advice.

When Paul got home, he 7 his dad. But there was no answer. Then it went to voicemail (语音信箱). Paul began talking: “Dad, I can’t play with you next weekend. I’ve got lots of problems with my homework. Also, I really don’t want to spend another day looking out of the window and waiting. Whenever you 8 our plans, Dad, it hurts me. It’s not too late to rebuild our relationship, but we have to start small. Maybe you can help me with my 9 sometime. Dad, I love you.”

As Paul ended the call, he felt much relaxed. He didn’t know whether his dad would be different, but it didn’t matter. He himself 10 . He expressed his feelings to the right person. He had a clear head as he was doing his homework that evening.

1. A. baseball B. cards C. chess D. toys

2. A. lucky B. sorry C. surprised D. pleased

3. A. famous B. helpful C. lazy D. busy

4. A. made B. missed C. failed D. chose

5. A. cheerfully B. comfortably C. hopefully D. quietly

6. A. attention B. message C. praise D. trust

7. A. saw B. thanked C. called D. greeted

8. A. prepare B. break C. follow D. question

9. A. choice B. homework C. speech D. decision

10. A. regretted B. complained C. insisted D. changed

**Ⅲ. 阅读理解。**

**A**

Two years ago，my family moved to a new city and I had to study in a new school．As I had few friends there，I felt lonely．Then I met Tony．The first time I saw him，he was standing in the center of a group of students，telling jokes．The children around laughed from time to time．Tony knew about my problem．He asked me to play basketball with his friends and helped me with my studies．We soon became good friends．

About a year ago, however，Tony's father was killed in an accident．As a result．his family had to move to a small house．Tony changed into a different person．He became silent and he even lost his interest in studies．Several times．I invited him to go out and play basketball with me．but he refused．I wanted to help him，but I didn't know what to do．

Then something strange happened in my class．Two classmates lost the money in their schoolbags．

Last Friday，just before the P．E．lesson，I went back to the classroom to get my running shoes I would use．The door was half open．I went in．To my astonishment，I saw Tony was searching one of my classmates’ school bags．I was shocked…

1．What kind of boy was Tony at the beginning of the story?

A．He was a clever boy． B．He was a poor boy．

C．He was a popular boy． D．He was a shy boy．

2．Why did the writer become friends with Tony?

A．Because Tony helped him do his homework．

B．Because Tony was kind to him．

C．Because Tony liked playing basketball．

D．Because Tony told jokes．

3．What caused the change of Tony?

A．His father's accident．

B．His strange character．

C．The move of his family．

D．The loss of his interest in playing with his friends．

4．How did the writer feel when he saw Tony's change?

A．He felt angry． B．He felt surprised．

C．He felt unhappy．D．He felt worried．

5．The underlined word“astonishment”means \_\_\_\_\_\_．

A．sadness B．surprise C．disappointment D．joy

**B**

When I was 13 years old，a boy gave me an important gift．It was a smile．

It was the early autumn of my first year at a junior high school，and my old school was far away．As a result，no one knew who I was．I was very lonely，and afraid to make friends with anyone．

Every time I heard the other students talking and laughing， I felt my heart break．I couldn’t talk to anyone about my problem，and I didn’t want my parents to worry about me．

Then one day，my classmates talked happily with their friends，but I sat at my desk unhappily as usual．At that moment， a boy entered the classroom．I didn’t know who he was． He passed me and then turned back．He looked at me and, without a word，smiled．

Suddenly，I felt the touch of something bright and friendly．It made me feel happy，lively and warm．

That smile changed my life．I started to talk with the other students and made friends．Day by day，I became closer to everyone in my class．The boy with the lucky smile has be- come my best friend now．

One day，I asked him why he smiled，but he couldn't remember smiling at me!

It doesn't matter because all the dark days have gone． Now I believe that the world is what you think it is．If you think you are lonely，you might always be alone．So smile at the world and it will smile back．

6．Why was the smile an important gift?

A．Because the writer's old school was far away．

B．Because the smile didn't mean anything to the boy．

C．Because the writer didn’t know who the boy was．

D．Because it made the writer feel happy，lively and warm．

7．The writer couldn’t talk to anyone in her new school about her problem because\_\_\_\_\_\_\_．

A．she was always unhappy

B．she didn't have any friends there

C．she was in the first year at a junior high school

D．she didn’t want her parents to worry about her

8．How did the smile change the writer's life?

A．She started to make friends．

B．She became best friends with the boy．

C．Her parents didn’t worry about her any more．

D．She realized that she was lonely．

9．Where does the writer now think her feeling of unhappiness come from?

A．From her old school．

B．From her parents．

C. From herself．

D．From her classmates at the new school．

10．Which of the following is TRUE from the passage?

A．The boy still remembered why he smiled at me．

B．Nobody knew me at the beginning of my first year at a junior high school．

C．I felt very happy when I heard the other students talking and laughing．

D．Now I don't think that the world is what you think it is．

**IV. 书面表达。**

初中的学习生活即将结束了。请你以“How I Change”为题，写一篇短文，描述你这三年里前后的变化。写作要点包括外貌、兴趣爱好、行为习惯等方面。

写作要求：1．词数在80个左右(开头已经给出，不计人总词数)；

2．短文中不能出现校名和人名，否则不得分；

3．所给的写作要点都必须用上；紧扣主题，适当发挥。

How I Change

My life has changed a lot in the．Past three years．\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Yours,

Amy

**【答案与解析】**

I**. 单项选择。**

1．C。考察形容词词义辨析。selfish“自私的”；patient“有耐心的”；humorous“幽默的”；generous“慷慨的”。根据语境“他的确有一副严肃的脸孔，但内心却是很……。”和句中的but可知，严肃和幽默是对应的。故选C。

2．C。考察five-year-old作前置定语的用法。five-year-old这类复合词可以用作形容词，意为“五岁的”，表示计量的名词总是用单数形式。这类结构通常用作前置定语，不用作表语。

3．C。考察频度副词的使用。句意：这个妇女很忙，所以她很少看电视。often“经常”；always“总是”；seldom“很少”；almost“几乎”。故选C。

4．B。考察词义辨析。通过答语中的Take it easy“放松”和常识可知，“考试前我真的很紧张”，用形容词nervous表达。

5．B。句意：——你还记得那次事故吗，丹尼?——当然，我永远不会忘记，尽管发生这么长时间了。由题意可知这里表示转折，应该用even though。

6．C。of是介词，其后应该跟v.-ing形式，因此答案为C。

7．C。句意：我过去常常早晨读书，但现在我习惯于睡觉前读书。“过去常常做某事”应该表示为“used to do sth．”；“习惯于做某事”应该表示为“be used to doing sth．”，因此答案为C。

8．B。考察形容词辨析。active“积极的”；shy“害羞的”；honest“正直的”；outgoing“外向的”。由后半句句意“但是现在她喜欢结识新朋友并且喜欢和他们交谈”可知，前半句意思应为“萨莉过去很害羞”。故选B。

9．C。由I can't see the blackboard clearly“我看不清黑板”可推知明明站在那儿的原因是他“前面”坐着两个高个子男孩，故答案选C，意为“在……的前面”。

10．B。考察动词短语辨析。由题意“我做饭的时候请你照顾我的孩子好吗”可知用take care of“照顾；照看”。take out of取出；take part in参加；take away from减少；贬低，均不符合题意。

11．C。考察主谓一致的用法。依据前半句中的谓语动词“is(一般现在时)”可推断出后半句的时态也应是一般现在时，故排除B、D两项；短语“a number of…”后的谓语动词用复数形式，故选C。

12．C。考察情景交际。根据句意“——我们应当回收纸和瓶子，那样能够帮助保护环境。——我同意你的观点。那样做也能够省钱。”可以判断用I agree。所以选择答案C。

13．D。考察动词的时态。since“自从……以来”，是现在完成时的标志词，因此这句话用现在完成时。

14．A。used to do sth．结构的一般疑问句应在句首加did，然后将used变为use，因此答案为A。

15．D。考察交际用语。由上文语境“我过去常打网球，但现在我参加了游泳队”可知只有D项“人是会

变的”与之符合。

**【真题链接】**

1. A。句意“——这是谁的T恤衫？——我认为它是汤姆的。”whose谁的；which哪一个；what什么；who谁。根据题意可知，这里是对物主代词提问，故选A。

2. C。根据句意“我将永远不会忘记我在那个带有小房子的古老城镇度过的那一天”，结合定语从句修饰的先行词the day，可知用that来引导定语从句，that在从句中作动词spent的宾语，故选C。

3. A。本句意为“我们应该想出一个解决办法，来阻止人们驾驶汽车时看手机。”come up with想出，提出；come form来自于；come out出版；come true实现。

**II. 完形填空。**

1. A。根据下一句中的“threw his baseball into the corner”可知此空为baseball，故选A。

2. B。根据下面句子“but I couldn’t play baseball with you tonight”可知，不能陪他玩，所以很抱歉。故选B。

3. D。根据第二段内容，晚上8点父亲还在办公室，可知父亲工作很忙。故选D。

4. C。根据文章后面的句子“You didn’t pass the test”可知考试失败。didn’t pass同义词为fail，故选C。

5. D。根据上文“爸爸不能陪他，没有通过考试”等事情，以及下文老师的话语“Paul, if you don’t want to talk, I will.”可知他没有说话，默默地。故选D。cheerfully高兴的； comfortably舒服地；hopefully抱有希望地； quietly安静地。

6. A。attention注意；message消息；praise赞扬；trust信任。根据语境爸爸很忙，对孩子关注不够，推测出他想引起爸爸的注意。故选A。

7. C。see看见；thank感谢；call打电话；greet问候。根据最后一段第一句“As Paul ended the call”可知，答案选C。

8. B。prepare准备；break打破；follow遵循；question对……提出疑问。由上文爸爸不能陪他，以及后面的“it hurts me”可知，每次爸爸破坏了计划，让他很伤心。故选B。

9. B。由上文他不做作业，并且考试不及格，可知Paul想要让爸爸帮助他辅导作业。根据语境故选B。

10. D。regret遗憾，后悔；complain抱怨；insist坚持；change改变。根据前一句“He didn’t know whether his dad would be different, but it didn’t matter.”可知，不知道是否爸爸会改变，他会改变。故选D。

**Ⅲ. 阅读理解。**

**A篇**

1．C。由文中第一自然段“The first time I saw him，he was standing in the center of a group of students，telling jokes．The children around laughed from time to time．”可以看出Tony是一个受欢迎的孩子。故选择C。

2．B。由文中第一自然段“Tony knew about my problem．He asked me to play basketball with his friends and helped me with my studies．We soon became good friends。”可以推断，Tony对作者是很友好的。故选择B。

3．A。由文中第二自然段“Tony's father was killed in an accident．As a result．his family had to move to a small house．Tony changed into a different person．”可知选择A。

4．D。由文中第二自然段“He became silent and he even lost his interest in studies．Several times，I invited him to go out and play basketball with me，but he refused．1 wanted to help him，but didn’t know what to do．”可以推断，作者对Tony的变化感到担心。所以选择D。

5．B。由“I was shocked…”可推知astonishment是“惊讶”的意思。故选B。

**B篇**

6．D。通读全文可知选D。

7．B。由第二、三段内容可知，作者不能将其问题说给其他人听是因为她在新学校里没有朋友。故选B.

8．A。由第六段内容可知选A。

9．C。由最后一段内容可知选C。

10．B。由第二段前两句可知B是正确的。

**IV. 书面表达。**

How I Change

My life has changed a lot in the past three years. I was fat and short when I came to the middle school．At that time, I was interested in computer games and I spent most of the time on it．My parents were worried about me．

Now, I like sports and I often play basketball with my classmates after school．So I become taller and stronger than before．I like reading, too．I usually go to the library to read some interesting books．Good habits help me to study better and keep healthier．My parents and my teachers are both pleased with me．