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(一). Discourse Structures: Select an appropriate answer to complete the passage (30%). 每題 3 分，共 30 分。

## Questions 1-5

Some people have a special routine they follow every day. They get out of bed at the same time, have the same breakfast, leave for work or school at the same time. In other words, they plan their daily activities in such a way that \_\_\_\_\_ 1 \_\_\_\_\_. This group always seems to have things under control and other people tend to envy them. But is this the correct system for everyone? Often when a person in this organized group comes upon an unusual problem, \_\_\_\_\_ 2 \_\_\_\_\_. However, when it comes to accomplishing day-to-day activities, they are superb. On the other hand, \_\_\_\_\_ 3 \_\_\_\_\_. Sometimes they get out of bed very early and have time to do extra tasks. Or, they sleep late and have to rush in order to get things done and make it to their jobs or classes on time. A lot of people in this group seem to have endless energy, and they also seem to waste a lot of energy, or at least it appears that way. However, when \_\_\_\_\_ 4 \_\_\_\_\_, they often manage to adjust to the challenge and their energy helps them overcome the obstacle. In fact, \_\_\_\_\_ 5 \_\_\_\_\_. Each of us has a unique personality that makes us different from everyone else. Which category do you think you belong to?

- (A) a lot of people do not have a set schedule
- (B) people in this group face something unexpected
- (C) most of us fall into one of these groups to different degrees
- (D) they find it difficult to change their habits and face the new challenge
- (E) they don't have to think much in order to accomplish what they need to

## Questions 6-10

Most people think that humans have to use words to communicate, but research shows that a lot of human communication does not use words. This unspoken type of communication is called "nonverbal communication." We communicate with the style of clothes we wear, \_\_\_\_\_ 6 \_\_\_\_\_. Nonverbal communication also uses body language such as the way we walk, our facial expressions, the way we look at people, touching, the gestures we use, and so on. These things show \_\_\_\_\_ 7 \_\_\_\_\_. Nonverbal communication may show interest, politeness, approval, or disapproval.

However, each social group or culture may have different rules for using unspoken communication. These differences in nonverbal communication often cause misunderstanding between two cultures. Like language itself, \_\_\_\_\_ 8 \_\_\_\_\_. It is strongly influenced by the culture we grow up in. Let's take smiling as an example of nonverbal communication. All human beings smile, but there are many kinds of smiles, such as friendly smiles, dishonest smiles, shy smiles, and threatening smiles. Some cultures demand a wide smile with teeth showing when greeting someone. Other cultures demand close-mouthed smiles or smiles with lips only slightly open. The situations that call for smiles and the type of smile required vary

among cultures. For instance, many Americans think that \_\_\_\_\_ 9 \_\_\_\_\_.

When you are learning a foreign language, it is also important to learn the nonverbal parts of that language. This means that \_\_\_\_\_ 10 \_\_\_\_\_. In order to avoid misunderstandings, it is better to learn the correct patterns of body language for the society you are living and working in.

- (A) the way we fix our hair, and the food we eat
- (B) people who do not smile as much as they do are cold
- (C) nonverbal communication seems to be learned from birth
- (D) you will also have to understand the culture of the people
- (E) the way we feel about ourselves and how we feel about life

(二). The introductory paragraph is missing from the following article. Write an introduction to this article (80-100 words) (20%).

### COFFEEHOUSES IN TURKEY

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Even before the Turkish republic was established, the coffeehouses existed. They were called "Kiraothane," which means "reading houses," because they were meant to be places where the educated people could go to read their newspapers while having their tea or coffee and smoking the Hubly-bubly—a special instrument used for a special tobacco found in Asia. In past times, only the wealthy people were educated, and they were the only customers. As time went on, however, a lot of coffeehouses were opened, and various kinds of people began to visit them. The purpose of the coffeehouse changed; the Arabic name disappeared, and it began to be called "Kahuehane"—"coffeehouse."

Today almost every neighborhood has a coffeehouse; typically it is very simply decorated, but it has a special atmosphere. In the single room are a lot of chairs and tables. A bar is usually situated in one of the corners where the tea and coffee is made, soft drinks are kept, and the Hubly-bublies are prepared. In most coffeehouses a big mirror hangs on one of the walls, and in some of them a pool table is put in the middle of the room. Frequently a very old-fashioned radio on the bar plays continually in the smoke-filled room.

Although coffeehouses are comfortable and leisurely places, they also have some very strict rules. For example, women are not allowed inside because these places are for men only. Naturally, if a woman goes into a coffeehouse, she will lose the respect of men there. In addition, boys under 18 years cannot enter because it is illegal; as a

matter of fact, they cannot enter any place in Turkey where gambling is held. Curiously enough, customers in the coffeehouses play all kinds of card games except poker, which is forbidden because it is counted as serious gambling; however, most of the card games are very similar to poker and are usually played for money. A final restriction in coffeehouses is the prohibition of alcohol; it is against the law and against religious principles to serve alcohol in coffeehouses.

Nowadays coffeehouses are shared by all kinds of people who come to spend free time, meet friends, and have a quick cup of coffee or tea in the morning to begin a new day or in the evening before returning home. These coffeehouses are often the only places where different kinds of people come close and meet each other. Thus, one must not be surprised to notice that while two young men play cards at one table, two retired lawyers at the next discuss politics. It is also possible to see an aged doctor playing cards with three young university students while several taxi driver watch the game as they wait for their customers. Furthermore, it is not unusual to see a clerk having a cup of coffee before work at one table while a bank manager does the same at another.

Because of the camaraderie which exists in the neighborhood coffeehouses, most men in Turkey go there frequently. Some people think that the coffeehouses are unhealthy because of the smoke while others think they are bad because of the gambling. However, they remain a popular and important part of Turkish life.

**(三). Composition: Write a 3-paragraph essay with 300-400 words to one of the following family issues: divorce, remarriage, cohabitation, working mothers, or single-parent families (50%).**

