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职教高考也叫职业教育高考，主要面向中等职业学校毕业生或具备相应职业技能的人群，是这些考生提升学历、继续深造的重要通道。

“职教高考训练营”系列图书要解决中职生的什么痛点？

近年来，职教高考作为我国职业教育改革的重要组成部分，受到中职师生及学生家长的广泛关注与日益重视。随着职教高考改革的不断深入，制度越来越完善，同时考试的难度也越来越大。

不少中职生因为基础不牢固或长期偏科，在学习中存在一定的短板，对部分题型或知识点“认识不清晰、学习少方法、考试无信心”，在成长成才的道路上遇到了较大困难。

为了帮助广大中职生克服学习困难，在较短时间内补齐短板，我们经过广泛调研和精心策划，结合各地职教高考的考试要求及考试特点，编写了“职教高考训练营”系列图书。

“职教高考训练营”系列图书有什么特色？

本系列图书的特点为“三抓”。

一抓重点。语文、数学、英语是职教高考文化课的重要科目，本系列图书重点抓住这些科目考试中分数占比高、答题技巧多、突破较容易的题型或知识点进行专项训练，旨在提升学生复习的“投入产出率”。

二抓方法。部分中职生认为只要多做题就能出成绩，最终陷入“题海”不能自拔。本系列图书紧紧抓住“积累、讲、练”三结合的方法，帮助学生规避盲目“刷题”的误区，真正实现“夯实基础—掌握技巧—提升能力”的跃进。

三抓计划。针对广大中职生备考时间短、学习任务重的特点，我们精心计划、周密安排，按照专题组织内容、设计容量。学生按照一天一个专题的进度进行学习，即可轻松达到较为理想的复习效果。

岁月如梭催人老，一寸光阴不可轻。勤奋进取的中职学子们，快来加入我们的“职教高考训练营”吧！

华腾新思职教高考研究中心

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一、解题技巧

细节理解题是考查最多的一种题型，常用 who、when、where、what、which、why、how many 和 how much 等提问，一般只涉及文章的局部内容。常见的细节理解题有五种考查形式：直接细节题、语义转化题、综合细节题、排列顺序题、数字计算题。本部分重点讲解前三种题型，后两种题型会在 Day 2 部分进行讲解。

1. 直接细节题

有些细节理解题直接针对文章中出现的时间、地点、人物、事件、原因、结果等信息设题，因此答案就在文章中。对于这类题目，应先读题干和选项确定关键词，带着关键词快速浏览全文，采用寻读法定位关键信息，找到正确答案。寻读是指为了查找某一项具体事实或某一项特定信息（如人物、事件、时间、地点、数字等）而对其他无关内容略去不读的快速阅读方法。

真题示例 1

Waste can bring a lot of problems. Although China is rich in some resources, we are short of others, for example, fresh water. It is reported that we will have no coal or oil to use in 100 years. So if we go on wasting our resources, what can we use in the future, and where can we move? Think about it. I think we should say no to the students who waste things every day. Everybody should stop wasting as soon as possible.

(2023, 广西)

【题目】What may happen in 100 years?

- A. We may still have enough oil. B. We may still have enough coal.
C. We may have more coal. D. We may have no coal or oil to use.

【解析】题干中的关键词为 100 years，带着关键词阅读文章，定位关键信息 “It is reported that we will have no coal or oil to use in 100 years.”。由此可知，100 年后我们也许没有煤炭或石油可用。故选 D。

真题示例 2

As students, you may have many dreams. They can be very big like being a Superman, or they can be small. You may just want to become one of the ten best students in your class.

If you have a dream, what do you do with it? Do you ever try to make your dream come true? *Follow Your Heart* is written by Andrew Matthews, an Australian writer. The book tells us that making our dreams come true is the biggest challenge in life.

(2023, 天津)

【题目】*Follow Your Heart* is _____.

- A. the name of a famous Australian writer
- B. the biggest dream of Andrew Matthews
- C. the name of a book written by Andrew Matthews
- D. the most important dream of many students

【解析】题干中的关键词为 *Follow Your Heart*，带着关键词阅读文章，定位关键信息 “Do you ever try to make your dream come true? *Follow Your Heart* is written by Andrew Matthews, an Australian writer. The book tells ...”。由此可知，*Follow Your Heart* 是澳大利亚作家 Andrew Matthews 写的一本书。故选 C。

2. 语义转化题

在语义转化题中，有时候题干或选项会对文章中的语句进行一定的改变，如进行近义词替换、把肯定句变为否定句、做进一步解释说明等。对于这类题目，先定位与题目有关的语句，然后细读内容，将题干或选项与定位句进行对比，判断信息是否一致。

真题示例 1

It was Mother's Day, but the young mother was a little unhappy, because she was 800 miles away from her parents. In the morning she phoned her mother to wish her a happy Mother's Day, and her mother told her about the beautiful lilacs (丁香) in the garden.

(2021, 云南)

【题目】The young woman was a little unhappy on Mother's Day because _____.

- A. she didn't have presents
- B. she was a long way from her mother

C. she didn't know it was Mother's Day

D. she wanted to see her father

【解析】题干中的关键词为 a little unhappy on Mother's Day，带着关键词阅读文章，定位关键信息 “It was Mother's Day, but the young mother was a little unhappy, because she was 800 miles away from her parents.”。对比选项和原文，800 miles 是一段很远的距离，与 a long way 表达的意思一致。故选 B。

真题示例 2

Reading bedtime stories can develop your children's ability to form pictures or ideas in their mind. A healthy imagination makes their minds work well and teaches them to think quickly yet effectively.

Reading also improves your children's language. They'll most likely use those words in the stories you read right after they hear them. Listening to many stories helps kids to express opinions better.

Reading books makes people more learned. When children hear the stories you tell, they learn grammar and vocabulary, for example. It helps them be successful in school as they already know a lot from your stories ...

(2023, 山西)

【题目】Which of the following statements is NOT the advantage of reading bedtime stories according to the passage?

A. It helps to develop children's imagination.

B. It helps to improve children's language.

C. It helps to make children smarter.

D. It helps to keep children healthy.

【解析】题干问下列哪一项不是阅读睡前故事的好处。选项中给出了四个关键词 imagination、language、smarter 和 healthy。对比 A 选项中的 imagination 和文章中的 ability to form pictures or ideas in their mind，学生在脑海中形成图画和观点的能力即想象力，A 选项是好处之一。根据 B 选项中的 language 可定位到 “Reading also improves your children's language.”，B 选项也是好处之一。对比 C 选项中的 smarter 和文章中的 “Reading books makes people more learned.”，

more learned 意为“更有学识的”，语义和 smarter 相近，C 选项也是好处之一。只有 D 选项文章没有提及。故选 D。

3. 综合细节题

在综合细节题中，有时候关键信息会出现在不同的句子中，这些句子通常不会离得太远，这时需要对不同的语句进行归纳总结，理解关键信息所在语境的主旨大意。

真题示例 1

As I got a little older I began to understand what my dad really meant. So, I read some books on fish. And I even joined the local fishing club and started attending the monthly meetings. I learned that a fish is a cold-blooded animal and therefore is very sensitive to water temperature. That is why fish prefer shallow water to deep water, because the former is warmer. Besides, water is usually warmer in direct sunlight than in the shade. Yet, fish don't have any eyelids and the sun hurts their eyes. The more I understood fish, the more I became effective at finding and catching them.

(2020, 江苏)

【题目】According to the author, fish are most likely to be found _____.

- A. in deep water on sunny days
- B. in deep water on cloudy days
- C. in shallow water under sunlight
- D. in shallow water under waterside trees

【解析】根据选项中的关键词 deep、shallow 和 sunlight 可以定位到关键信息 “That is why fish prefer shallow water ... and the sun hurts their eyes.”。这几句话指出，鱼喜欢待在温度高的浅水中，阳光直射会让水温升高，但也会伤害鱼的眼睛。综合这些信息可知，鱼喜欢待在水浅且光照弱的地方。D 选项（树下的浅水区）符合这一特征。故选 D。

真题示例 2

There are organizations which are trying to protect the seas of the world. They are working with governments in different countries to try to change the rules that govern (管控) what can and cannot be put into the sea. Let's hope something is done to stop the pollution of our seas before it's too late.

(2023, 江苏)

【题目】 What are some organizations trying to do?

- A. To change the rules to protect the sea.
- B. To change the rules all by themselves.
- C. To make more cruise ships.
- D. To work in the government.

【解析】 根据题干中的关键词 organizations 可以定位到关键信息 “There are organizations which are trying to protect the seas of the world.”, 这些组织正在努力保护海洋。后面的句子介绍了他们的工作内容 “They are working with governments in different countries to try to change the rules that ...”, 他们正在与不同国家的政府合作, 试图改变有关什么能、什么不能入海的规定。综合这两句话可知, 这些组织通过改变一些规定来保护海洋。故选 A。

二、即时练习

Our school is going to add different kinds of labor courses. The courses which will start from next Wednesday can help you get some practical skills.

Enjoying a Good Meal

Do you want to be a good cook? If you are interested in cooking, here is a chance. You needn't bring any materials to the classroom. The only condition is that you should be free from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. every Thursday.

Becoming a Master in Cleaning

You must have experienced such a situation: you want to do the housework but you find it tiring and hard. Every Wednesday, a two-hour course will totally change it. You will learn some valuable ways that help you do the cleaning. Miss Rome, a master in cleaning, waits for

you at 3:00 p.m.

Planting Your Hope

This course is special because teachers show you skills out of classrooms. Students will plant flowers, vegetables and some trees with teachers' help. If weather permits, you can take the course every day between 4:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. from September 20 to October 31.

Experiencing Farm Life

Have you ever dreamed of feeding animals or picking fresh fruit on the farm? This course can make your dream come true. You will take the course from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. every Friday this term.

Click here to visit our school's website to know more about the labor courses.

1. What do you have to do if you want to learn to be a cook?
 - A. Bring some cooking materials.
 - B. Have classes out of classrooms.
 - C. Have some experience in cooking.
 - D. Be free from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Thursday.
2. What may you get if you learn from Miss Rome?
 - A. Finding cleaning not difficult.
 - B. Spending more time cleaning.
 - C. Getting a job as a room cleaner.
 - D. Becoming interested in cleaning.
3. How often does the course "Experiencing Farm Life" take place?
 - A. Once a week.
 - B. Twice a week.
 - C. Once a month.
 - D. Once a term.



Mr. Hatch lived a lonely life. He walked alone to work every day and ate his lunch alone in a corner. He never smiled. He never talked to anyone on his way home. In the evening he would read a newspaper and go to bed early.

His life changed, however, one day when he got a heart-shaped box full of chocolate in the mail, along with a piece of paper that said, "Somebody loves you." At first, he couldn't believe it, but as he read the message, he began to laugh and dance around. The message

opened his heart to the power of love. Soon he found himself being cheerful. He became a joy at work and began to help out people in the neighborhood. As the days and weeks went by, his laughter, smiles, kindness, happiness and love touched everyone around him.

Later, Mr. Hatch found out that the heart-shaped box belonged to somebody else. It was a mistake. He felt sad and went back to his old ways. When his neighbors found out, however, they decided not to lose the light he shared. They surprised him with a party and a long banner (条幅) that read: "Everybody Loves Mr. Hatch." Mr. Hatch cried when he knew that somebody loved him after all. Then he laughed, smiled and hugged his friends.

4. _____ changed Mr. Hatch's life at first.
- A. Reading a fun story in a newspaper.
 - B. Getting a gift box with a love message.
 - C. Making a piece of heart-shaped chocolate.
 - D. Falling in love with a girl at his workplace.
5. How did other people feel about Mr. Hatch's active changes?
- A. They tried to teach him how to love.
 - B. They wanted to change him back.
 - C. They were moved by his light.
 - D. They didn't believe his changes.
6. Why did Mr. Hatch cry when his neighbors threw a party for him?
- A. Because he learned the chocolate was from his neighbors.
 - B. Because it was his neighbors who played tricks on him.
 - C. Because he knew that at least his neighbors loved him.
 - D. Because he had never been to a party before.



Once there was a man named Clarke. He lived alone and owned a small shop in town. He was very kind-hearted and was always ready to help people in trouble. He often gave away what he had to the poor, as a result, he was quite poor himself.

In order to help the poor, he learned medicine by himself and tried to help treat the sick people. So people called him Doctor Clarke even though he wasn't a real doctor at all.

One day a poor woman asked Doctor Clarke to go and see her husband, who was very ill and felt terribly weak. Doctor Clarke went there and found the family was very poor. The husband couldn't find a job for a long time and the wife could hardly make any money, either. Doctor Clarke looked him over carefully and to his surprise, the husband was not ill. Instead, he was hungry because there was no food in the house.

"Come over to my house this evening and I will give you some medicine for your husband," Doctor Clarke said to the woman.

When the woman arrived at the doctor's house in the evening, Clarke gave her a paper bag with something inside and said, "Here is the medicine and it will be good for your husband. Don't open it until you get home." "What are the instructions for taking it?" the woman asked. "You will find them inside the bag," answered Clarke.

After the woman got home, she opened the paper bag and found there was some money in it!

7. What did Clarke own in town?

A. A bank.

B. A shop.

C. A school.

D. A hospital.

8. Why did Clarke learn medicine?

A. To make more money.

B. To set up a hospital.

C. To help the poor people.

D. To become a real doctor.

9. What was the matter with the woman's husband?

A. He had a cold.

B. He had a sore throat.

C. He had cancer.

D. He was very hungry.

10. The woman found _____ in the paper bag that Clarke gave her.

A. some medicine

B. some money

C. the instructions

D. nothing useful

四

Many people around the world check how many steps they walk every day. This is because studies suggest that 10,000 steps a day is enough to help us stay healthy and live longer. However, a new study says just 4,000 steps a day could be the magic number for us to

live well into old age. Researchers from the Johns Hopkins University of Medicine analyzed 17 studies that looked at how far people walked during the week. The scientists found that 4,000 steps a day reduced the risk of dying from diabetes (糖尿病), heart diseases and other life-threatening conditions. The leading researcher Dr. Martin said 4,000 steps was about a 30- to 45-minute walk, or about three to four kilometers.

The study is published in the *European Journal of Preventive Cardiology*. The research examined health and exercise data from more than 225,000 adult participants worldwide over seven years. They had an average age of 64. Some of them were in good health, while others suffered from heart problems. Dr. Martin found that 4,000 steps was helpful, and that it was a minimum (最小的) amount. He said, "I wouldn't want people to look at that as a magic number. More is better." He added that walking an additional 1,000 steps a day was linked with a 15 percent lower risk of earlier death. He said people should add at least one walk to their daily routine.

11. Why do people care about their everyday walk steps?

- A. They want to win some prizes. B. Step numbers are related to health.
C. Walking more makes them excited. D. A daily walk helps them lose weight.

12. From the new study, what is the magic number of steps?

- A. 1,000. B. 4,000.
C. 5,000. D. 10,000.

13. What did Dr. Martin suggest people do based on the research?

- A. Count their exact daily steps. B. Walk as fast as possible.
C. Listen to music while walking. D. Have a walk every day.

五

Dear Sally,

I am very excited to write to you about the long tour. I will be going with my parents. We will be leaving from London on the 25th of June.

We will be away for three months. We are going to San Francisco for an official meeting my father has to attend on the 27th. We will then be travelling to New York to visit our cousins. We will stay there for a month. After that, we will go to Paris. I have always dreamed

of visiting Paris at least once in my lifetime, and my parents have finally agreed to take me there. I will definitely write to you about my trip—all the different places we visit, the variety of food we eat and the people we meet.

It would be even more special if you could come along with me. We will make sure we plan out a trip once I am back home.

With best wishes.

Jerry

14. Which city does Jerry want to visit most?

A. New York.

B. Paris.

C. London.

D. San Francisco.

15. What will Jerry do with Sally after his family trip?

A. Plan their trip.

B. Repair their house.

C. Attend a meeting.

D. Write a travel book.

一、解题技巧

1. 排列顺序题

记叙文和说明文可能会考查事件发生的顺序或活动的进行步骤,有时结合生活常识就能确定先后顺序;但当涉及的内容较多或较复杂时,则须把握题干中的关键词,根据关键词在文章中出现的顺序来确定答案,也可先确定第一条和最后一条,从而缩小选项范围。

真题示例

They ran in and out of the water. They were having a great time. Suddenly, a big wave came. Tim fell down and was carried away off the shore. He was in danger. Bill was frightened. He looked around and spotted a lifeguard nearby. He quickly ran to him, waving his hands and shouting for help. The lifeguard rushed to the water, swam to Tim and brought him safely back to shore. Just then, Bill's and Tim's parents hurried to the scene. Tim's parents were fearful and thankful. They realized that without Bill's quick action, Tim might have been drowned (淹死).

(2022, 山东)

【题目】 According to the text, which is the right order of the story?

- ① Bill quickly ran to ask for help.
- ② Bill and Tim played in the water.
- ③ Tim was saved by the lifeguard.
- ④ Tim was in danger when playing.

A. ②④①③ B. ②④③① C. ④②①③ D. ④②③①

【解析】 结合序号后的内容可知,这里讲的是 Tim 在玩耍时遇险并获救的过程。阅读文章可知, Bill 和 Tim 在水里玩耍(②),玩耍时 Tim 摔倒被海水冲走(④), Bill 快速跑向救生员向其求助(①),最终 Tim 被救生员救上岸(③)。正确的顺序是②④①③。故选 A。

示例

The team members learned how to print in their school's 3-D printing club. They took classes twice a week to learn 3-D printing. To make 3-D printed items, they first draw a blueprint (蓝图). Then, they use a computer to design models of the pieces they need. After that, they use a 3-D printer to print the pieces and assemble (组装) them, as Liu Songyuan, 14, said. But knowing how to use the tools is just one part of mastering 3-D printing. One also has to have imagination.

【题目】 According to Liu Songyuan, what's the right order to make 3-D printed items?

- ① Use a computer to design models of the pieces they need.
- ② Use a 3-D printer to print the pieces and assemble them.
- ③ Draw a blueprint.

A. ①②③

B. ②③①

C. ③①②

D. ③②①

【解析】 根据 they first draw a blueprint 可知③排第一位；根据 “Then, they use a computer to design models of the pieces they need.” 可知①排第二位；根据 “After that, they use a 3-D printer to print the pieces and assemble them” 可知最后是②。正确的顺序是③①②。故选 C。

2. 数字计算题

有关年龄、价格、距离等的问题通常涉及数字计算，对于这类题目，可直接将题干或选项中的数字当作关键词，回文定位，将找到的数据进行运算。

真题示例 1

Zoo

Opening hours:

Tuesday–Friday: 8:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m.

Monday: Closed

Weekends: 8:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m.

Tickets:

Tickets online: ¥25

Tickets at the zoo: ¥30

Getting to the zoo:

Subway: Lines 1 and 2

Bus: No. 1, 3, 17, 18, 27

Car: Underground Parking

The free parking lot is open from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. every day.

(2023, 贵州)

【题目 1】Wang Hua will pay _____ if he wants to buy 3 tickets online.

- A. ¥25 B. ¥30 C. ¥75 D. ¥90

【解析】根据“Tickets online: ¥25”可知，动物园的线上票价是 25 元，那么购买 3 张线上票需要 75 元。故选 C。

【题目 2】How many subway lines are there to the zoo?

- A. Five. B. One. C. Two. D. Three.

【解析】根据“Subway: Lines 1 and 2”可知，有 1 号线和 2 号线两条地铁线路通往动物园。故选 C。

真题示例 2

Polypropylene is much more expensive than those bad materials. One ton of polypropylene costs 11,000 *yuan*, but the same amount of bad materials costs only 2,000 *yuan*. To save money, some box makers choose the cheaper ones.

(2018, 河北)

【题目】How much more does one ton of polypropylene cost than the same amount of bad materials?

- A. 2,000 *yuan*. B. 9,000 *yuan*. C. 13,000 *yuan*. D. 11,000 *yuan*.

【解析】根据“One ton of polypropylene costs 11,000 *yuan*, but the same amount of bad materials costs only 2,000 *yuan*.”可知，一吨聚丙烯需要 11 000 元，而一吨有害材料只需要 2 000 元。由此可推算出，一吨聚丙烯比一吨有害材料的价格贵 9 000 元。故选 B。

二、即时练习

In the summer between my first year and second year in college, I was invited to be an instructor (辅导员) at a high school camp. On the first day, when we were dancing and playing games, I noticed a boy under the tree who was small and thin. His shyness made him appear weak. I walked towards him, introduced myself and invited him to join in the activities and meet some new people. He quietly replied, “No, I really don’t want to do this.” I could

understand that he was in a new world but I knew it wouldn't be right to force him either. Actually, the boy didn't need a close talk but a friend.

At lunch the next day, I was leading camp songs when I saw the boy under the tree sitting alone. I tried again with the same invitation, but he refused once again. That evening I was told the boy's name was Tommy. Then I asked the campers to pay special attention to the boy and spend time with him when they could.

The days went by and the time came when we had to leave. We held a big, warm party to celebrate the closing of the camp. All the campers shared their wonderful moments. To my surprise, I found the boy from under the tree dancing joyfully with two girls. I couldn't believe it was the same person.

In October of my second year, I received a phone call from Tommy's mother. The mother said, "Tommy mentioned you so many times. I want you to know that he went back to school and made new friends with confidence. You made a difference to Tommy."

1. Which is the CORRECT order about the story?

- ① The boy danced joyfully with two girls.
- ② The boy went back to school and made new friends.
- ③ The boy refused to join in the activities.
- ④ The boy's mother made a phone call to the writer.

A. ①②③④

B. ②③①④

C. ③①②④

D. ④③②①



Robotics Camp

Robotics Party lets kids build robots by themselves!

Children will work in small groups to design robots and finish in fun activities.

► **When is the class?**

From 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., from June 17th to 21st

► **How much do you have to pay?**

● \$170 each child

● If two or more children register together, it's \$20 cheaper per person.

► What can you learn?

- History of robotics
- Robots that appear in cartoons and movies
- Programming languages

► How can you get more information?

You can visit *www.roboticscamp.com* to get more information about Robotics Camp.

2. If Mr. White wants to register for his two sons, how much does he need to pay?

- A. \$170.
- B. \$240.
- C. \$300.
- D. \$340.



There was once a spider that lived in a cornfield. She liked this home and planned to stay there for the rest of her life.

One day, the spider caught a little bug in her web. Just as the spider was about to eat him, the bug said, "If you let me go, I will tell you something important that can save your life."

The spider thought for a little while and listened.

"You'd better get out of this cornfield," the little bug said. "The harvest is coming!"

"I think you are just telling me a story," the spider said with a smile.

"Oh no, it is true," the little bug said. "All the stalks (秆) will be knocked down, and the corn will be gathered up. You will be killed by the giant machines if you stay here."

"I don't believe you," the spider said as she ate the little bug for lunch.

A few days later, the spider was laughing about the story the little bug had told her. She thought to herself, "A harvest! What a silly idea. I have lived here all of my life, and nothing has ever disturbed me."

The next day was a beautiful sunny day. The sky above was clear, and there was no wind at all. That afternoon, as the spider was about to take a nap, she noticed some thick dusty clouds moving towards her. She could hear the noise of a great engine, and she said to herself, "I wonder what that could be."

3. What is the correct order of the following sentences according to the passage?

- a. The spider was about to take a nap.
- b. The spider caught a little bug in her web.
- c. The spider ate the little bug for lunch.
- d. A great engine moved towards the spider.
- e. The bug said he could save the spider's life.

A. a-b-e-c-d B. b-e-c-a-d C. a-e-b-c-d D. b-e-a-d-c

四

Mandy

I have some soft toys to sell. The toy bear is my fourteenth birthday present. I have had it for one year. It still looks very new. Its original (原始的) price is 50 dollars. You only need to pay 15 dollars for it now. Other toys are very new but cheap, too.

4. How old is Mandy now?

A. 13. B. 14. C. 15. D. 16.

五

In a village, there lived an old man in his 70s. As he got older, he grew to enjoy going to bed early. However, in the evenings, a group of boys often played games near his house. Their loud shouting made it impossible for him to fall asleep. He felt quite angry.

One evening, the old man invited the boys to come to his house. He told them that he loved hearing the sound of children's voices. Their laughter and cries made him feel like he had become a young man again. He promised each of them a dollar if they would play there every day.

Excitedly, the same boys returned and played even more happily and loudly the next day. True to his word, the old man paid them and asked them to do so again the following day.

However, on the next evening, instead of a dollar, the boys got only 50 cents.

On the third evening, the old man only gave them 10 cents. He said that he was very sorry because he didn't have much money left.

"Dear children," he said, "would you please still come back tomorrow? I really enjoy

your laughter.”

The boys felt sad and said no. Was it worth playing so hard if they didn't get much in return?

5. How much did each of the boys get from the old man in all?

A. 50 cents.

B. 60 cents.

C. \$1.

D. \$1.6.

六

When I was young, I never wanted to be a dancer. I always wanted to play the same sports as my brother did, like soccer and basketball. In his mind, ballet (芭蕾舞) was not really a sport.

I tried playing lots of sports, but I was never very good at any of them. I practiced a lot and tried my best, but there was always one problem: I was small. I always got pushed around by bigger players. It made me feel upset.

Later, I decided to try dancing. In the beginning, I had no sense of balance. So, for the first few months, I felt terrible, but I didn't give up. After class, I would keep practicing for another half an hour to learn what the teacher taught us. I watched the dance videos over and over again and followed them. Because of my hard work, I got better and better.

Sometimes, dancing is quite difficult, but other days, I really enjoy myself. The music is beautiful. And I feel that I were flying on the music. I'm going to be a ballet dancer. I often feel the pain in my feet, but I'll never give up my dream. I love to dance!

6. What is the correct order of the following statements according to the passage?

① The writer decided to try dancing.

② The writer really fell in love with dancing.

③ The writer tried lots of different sports.

④ The writer danced much better after practicing for months.

A. ④③②①

B. ②①④③

C. ③①④②

D. ①②③④