Task 1

Read the texts below. Match choices (A–H) to (1–5). There are three choices you do not need to use. Write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

A  Cover bad breath  
B  Show that you are wrong  
C  Show that everything is fine  
D  Indicate approval or disapproval  
E  Making fun or just being focused  
F  Indicating a feeling of helplessness  
G  Guard against negative consequences  
H  Demonstrate your peaceful intentions

Body Language

1
Shaking hands is a polite gesture indicating friendship and acceptance. At one time, however, meeting with a stranger aroused suspicion and fear. To prevent each other from suddenly attacking, strangers joined right hands as a pledge of non-aggression, thus demonstrating that neither party was about to use a weapon. Handshaking is now the activity practised by both men and women not only to greet one another, but to seal a contract as well.

2
The American “OK” sign, the joining of the thumb and forefinger in a circle, indicates that all is well or perfect. The “OK” sign acquired its modern connotation from the ancient world, wherein the circle itself was one of the oldest and most common symbols for perfection. The verbal expression “OK” is native to the United States and was formed in support of the letter “O” indicating that something was as perfect as a circle.

3
When not used in hitchhiking, the thumbs-up gesture in American culture typically indicates “I like that”, while the thumbs-down gesture indicates your negative feelings towards something. The gesture has been linked to the time of the Roman arena, where the emperor supposedly ordered life or death for a gladiator by turning thumbs up or thumbs down.

4
Crossing one’s fingers serves as protection from bad luck or from the penalties associated with lying. Thus, when people wish for good luck, they cross their fingers, and when they wish not to be held accountable for a lie, they cross their fingers and hide their arms behind their backs to not let on that they are lying.
By sticking out their tongues, people react to situations that may be unpleasant for them. Such displays indicate laughing or rejection. For example, children often stick out their tongues to tease each other. Or, they may also stick out their tongues in reaction to activities requiring close concentration; hence, the tongue-showing of children focused on their homework.

Task 2

Read the text below. For questions (6–10) choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D). Write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

Generation Gap

As president of the Walt Disney Company’s children’s book and magazine publishing unit, Russell Hampton knows a thing or two about teenagers. Or he thought as much until he was driving his 14-year-old daughter, Katie, and two friends to a play last year in Los Angeles. “Katie and her friends were sitting in the back seat talking to each other about some movie star; I think it was Orlando Bloom,” recalled Mr. Hampton. “I made some comment about him, I don’t remember exactly what, but I got the typical teenager sigh and Katie rolled her eyes at me as if to say, ‘Oh Dad, you are so out of it.’ ”

After that, the back-seat chattering stopped. When Mr. Hampton looked into his rearview mirror he saw his daughter sending a text message on her cellphone. “Katie, you shouldn’t be texting all the time,” Mr. Hampton recalled telling her. “Your friends are there. It’s rude.” Katie rolled her eyes again.

“But, Dad, we’re texting each other,” she replied. “I don’t want you to hear what I’m saying.” Mr. Hampton turned his attention back to the freeway. It’s a common scene these days, one playing out in cars, kitchens and bedrooms across the country.

Children increasingly rely on personal technological devices like cellphones to define themselves and create social circles apart from their families, changing the way they communicate with their parents. Adults and teenagers alike found a form of easy communication unknown to the inventor of the telephone, Alexander Graham Bell, and his daughters.

And the computer, along with the Internet, has given even very young children virtual lives distinctly separate from those of their parents and siblings.

Social psychologists who have studied the social impact of mobile communications, say these trends are likely to continue as cellphones turn into mini hand-held computers, social networking devices and pint-sized movie screens.

“For kids it has become an identity-shaping and psyche-changing object,” Ms. Turkle said. “No one creates a new technology really understanding how it will be used or how it can change a society.”

6 What is mentioned in the text about Russell Hampton?
A He is professionally engaged in film production.
B He used to think he understood youngsters.
C He finds it hard to drive with kids chatting.
D He felt hurt by his daughter’s impolite reaction.

7 Why did Katie and her friends stop chattering in the car?
A Mr. Hampton ordered them to be quiet.
B They did not want to distract the driver.
C They wanted to keep their conversation private.
D They did not have anything else to talk about.
8 Which of the following is NOT mentioned in the text?
A Mr. Hampton tried to teach his daughter good manners.
B Katie was sceptical about her father’s views and remarks.
C The generation gap has deepened due to technological advances.
D It was easy for Alexander Bell to communicate with his daughters.

9 What can one conclude about modern children from the text?
A They use the Internet to hide their identity.
B They run away from present-day reality.
C They use cellphones to form their own community.
D They prefer texting to any other forms of communication.

10 What is stated in the text about technology developers?
A They can rarely predict the effect of their inventions.
B They should follow the advice of social psychologists.
C They concentrate their efforts on mini computers.
D They try to bridge the generation gap with their gadgets.

Task 3

Read the texts below. Match choices (A–H) to (11–16). There are two choices you do not need to use. Write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

The following advertisement offers __________.
A tours perfectly suited for single travellers
B a travel by a modern comfortable plane
C you to participate in a treasure hunt
D an opportunity to discover Europe by train
E sightseeing tours round some ancient cities
F you to plan your own city sightseeing tour
G a chance to experience new places on foot
H exciting cruises aboard a racing yacht

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![Open Top Sightseeing Tour of London]

*It’s your passport to the unique sights and history in London.*
*Create your own tour, with over 50 stops to choose from.*

*Hop on and off as many times as you like.*
12

Travel with Cox & Kings on the 9-day Highlights of Peru Tour

We offer the highest quality tailor-made private travel ideas for solo tours and small-group tours for discerning travellers.

Benefit from our expertise, personal service and superb value.

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Classical Europe River Cruise

Places you’ll visit:
Amsterdam, Cologne, Bamberg, Nuremberg, Melk, Linz, Vienna, Bratislava, Budapest

Start your vacation in Amsterdam and follow the Rhine to Cologne. Journey on the main river whilst you relax on board and enjoy tours of medieval cities. You’ll reach the historic Danube canal. Cruise through the lush Blue Danube and end your voyage in the fascinating cities of Vienna and Budapest.

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Discover different ways of life through hiking, explore historical sites and everyday modern culture. Meet the local people and experience new customs and cuisines.
Task 4

Read the text below. Choose from (A–H) the one which best fits each space (17–22). There are two choices you do not need to use. Write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

A to stop at this command
B to enable policemen
C awarding the lollypop lady
D holding up the sign
E to cross the road safely
F to assist adults with crossing, too
G to supplement their income
H doing away with the practice
Lollipop Men and Women

In Britain someone helping children cross the street is called “lollipop person”, because their sign looks like a lollipop.
The job of a lollipop person is to walk to the middle of the road at a suitable time, (17) _________; it is a legal requirement for traffic (18) _________. The lollipop man/lady will signal that it is all right (19) _________. Traffic may only move once the sign has been lowered.
Generally speaking, school crossings are manned for approximately 3 hours a day or less. As a result, the work has always appealed more to people who were just seeking (20) ________ such as the retired.
Lollypop people were introduced (21) _________, who had previously run crossing patrols, to perform other duties. The earliest lollipops were red and black rectangles printed with “Stop, Children Crossing”.
In 2001 in Europe patrollers were given extra powers allowing them (22) _________. The most recent change in the history of the School Crossing Patrol saw the word “children” replaced with a symbol to bring the UK in line with the rest of the EU.
Harry Potter Film Takes $168m to Break Ticket Records

The (23) ________ Harry Potter movie has shattered box office records in the US and Canada, taking $168m over its opening weekend. *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2* had already made $92.1m on its opening day, said the film’s distributor, Warner Bros. The (24) ________ opening weekend record was held (25) ________ Batman film *The Dark Knight*, (26) ________ took $10m.

The Potter film is the eighth movie in the hugely popular franchise. Fans around the world (27) ________ for hours to be among the first to see the film, which was based on the second part of JK Rowling’s seventh and final book in the series. Most cinemas were showing the film in 3D, which slightly increased the ticket (28) ________.

The (29) ________ Potter film series has so far earned more than £4bn worldwide, not including the final film’s takings so far. Internationally, the film had taken $157.5m by Friday. “A billion dollars is (30) ________ going to happen,” said Dan Fellman, head of domestic distribution at Warner Bros. It has been 10 years (31) ________ the first movie in the series, *Harry Potter and the Philosopher’s Stone*, was (32) _________. It made stars of its young cast, Daniel Radcliffe, Emma Watson and Rupert Grint.

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Task 6

Read the texts below. For questions (33–42) choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D). Write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

Ancient Olympic Events

The ancient Olympics were rather different from the modern Games. There were (33) ________ events, and only free men who (34) ________ Greek could compete, instead of athletes from any country. Also, the games were always held at Olympia instead of moving around to different sites every time.

Like our Olympics, though, winning athletes were heroes who made their (35) ________ towns proud. One young Athenian nobleman defended his political reputation by (36) ________ how he entered seven chariots in the Olympic chariot-race. This high number of entries made both the aristocrat and Athens (37) ________ very wealthy and powerful.

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Enduring Masterpiece

Although it’s known as the Mona Lisa, (38) ________ famous painting was (39) ________ titled La Giaconda. Painted on wood, it’s a portrait of Lisa Gherardini, the wife of a Florentine merchant. X-rays (40) ________ that Leonardo sketched three different poses before (41) ________ on the final design. The painting of Lisa has no eyebrows because it was the fashion of the time for women (42) ________ them off.


39 A origin  B original  C originally  D originality

40 A reveals  B revealed  C are revealed  D revealing

41 A settling  B settled  C to settle  D having settled

42 A shave  B being shaved  C shaved  D to shave