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基礎英文寫作(一)

Exercise 6

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**Question: Fill in the blank. 20%**

Complete the sentences with **can, can't, could, or couldn't**.

1. Fish \_\_\_①\_\_\_ talk.
2. I used to be a good swimmer. I \_\_\_②\_\_\_ swim long distances when I was a teenager.
3. Why \_\_\_③\_\_\_ all nations of the world just get along in peace? Why are there always wars somewhere on the earth?
4. When I was younger, I \_\_\_④\_\_\_ stay up past midnight and get up at dawn feeling refreshed and ready to go. I \_\_\_⑤\_\_\_ do that any longer now that I'm middle-aged.
5. I \_\_\_⑥\_\_\_ get to sleep last night because it was too hot in my room.
6. An illiterate person is someone who \_\_\_⑦\_\_\_ neither read nor write.
7. My uncle was a wonderful craftsman. He made beautiful things out of wood. But he \_\_\_⑧\_\_\_ read or write because he never went to school.
8. I had to put together my daughter's tricycle. It came from the factory unassembled. At first I \_\_\_⑨\_\_\_  
  
figure out what to do, but finally, after hours of work, I managed to get it assembled.

Complete the sentences with the appropriate form of the words in parentheses. Add **not** if necessary for a sentence to make sense.

1. You (*should + watch*) \_\_\_⑩\_\_\_ the movie on TV tonight. I highly recommend it. It's classic.
2. Jack is in the employee lounge drinking coffee. He (*should + work*) \_\_\_⑪\_\_\_ on his report right now. It's due at 3:00 this afternoon. He (*should + waste*) \_\_\_⑫\_\_\_ his time in the employee lounge.
3. Do you hear the guitar music? Carla (*must + play*) \_\_\_⑬\_\_\_ her guitar.
4. Michael wanted to go to the opera, but he put off buying a ticket, and now they're all sold. He (*should + buy*) \_\_\_⑭\_\_\_ his ticket weeks ago. He (*should + wait*) \_\_\_⑮\_\_\_ until now to try to get a ticket.

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5. A: Where is your bicycle?

B: I don't know. One of my friends (*may + borrow*) \_\_\_⑯\_\_\_ it. Gee, I hope it wasn't stolen. Maybe Sally borrowed it.

A: Sally? She (*could + borrow*) \_\_\_⑰\_\_\_ it. She has a broken leg. Why would she want to borrow your bicycle?

6. George didn't do very well on the test because he didn't understand what he was supposed to do. He (*could + listen*) \_\_\_⑱\_\_\_ very carefully when the teacher gave the directions.

7. A: Art has two full-time jobs this summer to make some money for school in the fall. He (*must + have*) \_\_\_⑲\_\_\_ very much time to rest and do other things.

B: That might explain why no one answered the door when I stopped by his house a little while ago. He (*must + sleep*) \_\_\_⑳\_\_\_.

8. A: Kathy just bought a new car, and now she's looking for a new apartment.

B: She (*must + make*) \_\_\_㉑\_\_\_ a lot of money in her new job.

Complete the sentences using *would* and the verbs in the list. Use each verb only once. Include any words in parentheses.

<i>bring</i>	<i>drive</i>	<i>listen</i>	<i>throw</i>
<i>call</i>	<i>fall</i>	<i>take</i>	<i>wipe</i>
<i>come</i>	<i>knock</i>	<i>tell</i>	<i>yell</i>

1. My father never liked to talk on the phone. Whenever it rang, he (*always*) \_\_\_㉒\_\_\_, "I'm not here!" Usually, he was only joking and \_\_\_㉓\_\_\_ to the phone when it was for him.

2. I'll always remember Miss Emerson, my fifth grade teacher. Sometimes a student \_\_\_㉔\_\_\_ asleep on her class. Whenever that happened, Miss Emerson \_\_\_㉕\_\_\_ a piece of chalk at the student.

3. Until we finally had a long talk about it, my Aunt Pat (*never*) \_\_\_㉖\_\_\_ before coming over. In fact, she (*not even*) \_\_\_㉗\_\_\_ on the door. She would just walk right in and catch us all by surprise.

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4. I have found childhood memories of my Uncle Joe. Whenever he came to visit, he (always) \_\_\_<sup>28</sup>\_\_\_ me a little present.
5. When our kids were still living at home, I liked to go out to eat with my family. On every payday, I \_\_\_<sup>29</sup>\_\_\_ the family to some restaurant for dinner.
6. People acquire strange habits. For example, my Uncle Oscar, who lived with us when I was a child, (always) \_\_\_<sup>30</sup>\_\_\_ his plate with his napkin whenever he sat down to a meal.
7. I'll never forget evenings spent with my grandparents when I was a child. My grandmother \_\_\_<sup>31</sup>\_\_\_ stories of her childhood seventy years ago, and we \_\_\_<sup>32</sup>\_\_\_ intently and question her of every detail.
8. When I was salesman, it seemed to me that I was in my car most of the time. I \_\_\_<sup>33</sup>\_\_\_ to work to pick up my schedule, and then go from place to place all day, calling on small business.

Complete the sentences with the suggestions in the list or your own words.

<i>be an environment lawyer</i>	<i>study Chinese</i>
<i>go home</i>	<i>stay home</i>
<i>not go out</i>	<i>not tell you</i>
<i>go to an opera</i>	
<i>go out with their friends...stay home with their parents</i>	

1. I went to a movie last night. I prefer operas to movies. I would rather \_\_\_<sup>34</sup>\_\_\_.
2. I studied French when I was in high school only because my parents wanted me to. I would rather \_\_\_<sup>35</sup>\_\_\_.
3. Jack's parents want him to become a doctor. He'd rather \_\_\_<sup>36</sup>\_\_\_, but he feels he has to respect his parents' wishes, so he has enrolled in medical school.
4. Sometimes teenagers would rather \_\_\_<sup>37</sup>\_\_\_ than \_\_\_<sup>38</sup>\_\_\_.
5. I would rather \_\_\_<sup>39</sup>\_\_\_ right after dinner at the restaurant last night, but my friends insisted on going back to John's apartment to listen to some music and talk. Tonight, I'd really rather \_\_\_<sup>40</sup>\_\_\_. I want to get a good night's sleep for the first time all week.

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1. can't	2. could	3. can't
4. could	5. can't	6. couldn't
7. can	8. couldn't	9. couldn't
10. should watch	11. should be working	12. shouldn't be wasting
13. must be playing	14. should have bought	15. shouldn't have waited
16. may have borrowed	17. couldn't have borrowed	18. could not have been listening
19. must not have	20. have been sleeping	21. must be making
22. would always yell	23. would come	24. would fall
25. would throw	26. would never call	27. wouldn't even knock
28. would always bring	29. would take	30. would always wipe
31. would tell	32. would listen	33. would drive
34. have gone to an opera	35. have studied Chinese	36. be an environment lawyer
37. go out with their friends	38. stay home with their	39. not have gone out
40. have stayed home	_____	_____

**Question 1-4: Translate 20%**

1. 在今日的生活中，英文的重要性是不容爭辯的事。

(爭辯 argue)

In today's life, the importance of English can't be argued.

2. 身為國際性的言語，英文在國際事務的了解上所扮演的角色是極為重要的。

(角色 role; part, 國際事務 international affairs)

As an international language, English plays a very important role in the understanding of international affairs.

3. 國與國之間的關係日益密切，英文更是主要的溝通工具。

(密切 close, 工具 means, 溝通 communication)

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The relationship between countries is becoming closer. English is particularly the major means of communication.

4. 身為國際社會的成員，我們都必須學好英文才能跟上時代。  
(跟上 keep up with)

As the members of the international society, we should learn English well to keep up with the times.