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※一律作答於答案卷上(題上作答不予計分)；並務必標明題號，依序作答。

Directions (1-40): Read through the passages below and select the best answer to fill in each blank. (80%)

Questions 1-15 refer to the following passage:

On a recent 80-degree Saturday in New York, Claire Wenrick decided to hang out on a friend’s roof. She 1. a baby blue tank top and camouflage miniskirt for the occasion. But before she left for the day, she grabbed an extra-large white T-shirt to cover it all. It’s a trick the 24-year-old content creator learned from TikTok: use a dumpy “subway shirt” to 2. the actual outfit you wear out. It will keep creeps from 3. at you during the commute. “It’s a way to keep myself safe getting from point A to point B,” Wenrick said. “I don’t want to become a 4., as weird as that sounds.”

New Yorkers love to 5. their winter layers as soon as the first signs of spring hit the city. But for women who take advantage of sundress season, the much-anticipated warm weather can also bring 6. attention. Not that it should. There is 7. evidence that harassment or assault is motivated by what a victim wears, and clothing is never a justification for cat-calling. Still, anyone who does not want to risk it may utilize the subway shirt, which is also known colloquially 8. an “outfit dampener”. Everyone has a subway shirt in their closet: a roomy, shapeless cover-up meant to 9. eyeballs away from the body. As one creator wrote on the app: “It’s a baggy shirt we wear over cute outfits so strange men don’t bother us on the train.” Another woman commented, “just know if you see me in an oversized white button down, the real outfit is 10.”.

11. New York is one of the safest large cities in the US, *The New York Times* found that rates of violent crime on the subway have increased since 2019. More women are avoiding public transit if they can 12. it: a survey of MTA customers released in February found that 41% of 13. were using subways less frequently. Of those people, 44% said this was 14. personal safety concerns. Though she would prefer to dress as she pleases, Wenrick said that she and her friends make light of the subway shirt. “We like to joke about the big 15.,” she said. “Everyone thinks I just came in this huge shirt, but then, ooh, look at my cute top.”

Adapted from Demopoulos, Alaina. “The women wearing ‘subway T-shirts’ over outfits to avoid creepy stares.” *The Guardian*, May 16, 2023, <https://www.theguardian.com/fashion/2023/may/16/subway-t-shirt-new-york-women-tiktok>

1. (A) dug into (B) burst into (C) plunged into (D) slipped into
2. (A) assert (B) conceal (C) integrate (D) precede
3. (A) stare (B) stares (C) stared (D) staring
4. (A) snare (B) query (C) target (D) reference
5. (A) shed (B) trail (C) carve (D) fling
6. (A) unwanted (B) unexpected (C) unabashed (D) unfamiliar
7. (A) less (B) more (C) much (D) little
8. (A) as (B) by (C) in (D) of
9. (A) divert (B) cease (C) grope (D) merge
10. (A) underlying (B) undermined (C) underneath (D) undersized
11. (A) Until (B) Despite (C) Although (D) Regardless
12. (A) do (B) try (C) help (D) make
13. (A) applicants (B) generators (C) respondents (D) investigators
14. (A) due to (B) prior to (C) native to (D) thanks to
15. (A) reveal (B) revival (C) rivalry (D) removal

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Questions 16-30 refer to the following passage:

The disappearance of many essential foods cannot be 16. to any one particular factor. 17., the food shortage situation is down to multiple contributing factors such as Russia's invasion of Ukraine, Brexit, COVID-19, the rise in the cost of living and energy prices, labor shortages, lack of governmental support given to the British farming industry and supermarkets paying suppliers next to nothing for their produce. All have 18. British farming and the food supply chain. The factors mentioned have in their own right thrown a punch at the UK's domestic food supply chain's security, and ultimately led us to the 19. Britain finds itself.

The UK 20. many vegetables during the winter months from northern Africa and European countries such as Spain. 21., because of extreme weather conditions, crops were damaged, and consequently the import of overseas produce was 22. affected. In addition, the UK has experienced its own difficult weather conditions 23. reduced domestic yields. As aforementioned, the weather and the climate have a 24. effect on yields, and therefore food supply and security. The increase in the cost of living has posed a 25. to farmers and producers who already have considerable energy, labor, feed and fertilizer costs. All this has left many British farmers with no choice 26. to reduce their yields to survive. The British Free Range Egg Producer Association announced that the cost of feeding hens has risen by at least 50%, while the price of fuel has increased by 30%. 27., British fruit growers' costs have increased by roughly 23%. You may have thought: well, surely with the increased price supermarkets are charging 28. eggs and other produce, the farmer is seeing a benefit from the increase? Well, no. Farmers are being 29. with less than a 1% increase in returns. It is simply an 30. business and way of life.

Adapted from Bryer, Sophie. "UK Food Shortages Explained: Why Is This Happening?" *Impact*, 15 March, 2023, <https://impactnottingham.com/2023/03/uk-food-shortages-explained-why-is-this-happening/>

16. (A) alluded (B) reduced (C) subjected (D) pinpointed
17. (A) However (B) Instead (C) Moreover (D) Thereafter
18. (A) mended (B) crippled (C) assisted (D) mobilized
19. (A) enclosure (B) occurrence (C) transaction (D) predicament
20. (A) source (B) sources (C) sourced (D) sourcing
21. (A) However (B) Moreover (C) Although (D) Therefore
22. (A) positively (B) negatively (C) increasingly (D) decreasingly
23. (A) led to (B) lead to (C) leads to (D) leading to
24. (A) liable (B) obscure (C) profound (D) equivalent
25. (A) treat (B) trend (C) threat (D) thread
26. (A) and (B) but (C) not (D) yet
27. (A) Additionally (B) Contrarily (C) Uniquely (D) Separately
28. (A) by (B) in (C) of (D) for
29. (A) met (B) done (C) kept (D) made
30. (A) excessive (B) outrageous (C) unsustainable (D) idiosyncratic

Questions 31-40 refer to the following passage:

A few tantalizing clues kept the rescuers going: The 31. of fruit with bite marks made by small human teeth, a pair of scissors and nappies in the rainforest mud. All offered 32. that four Indigenous children, who had miraculously survived a plane crash that killed their mother, the pilot and the only other

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adult on board, also survived the dangers of the Amazon. A long search through the virgin, 33. forest thus began.

Helicopters hovered over the area around the crash, broadcasting messages from the children’s grandmother, telling them they hadn’t been forgotten, 34. them to stay in one place, and dropping packets of food that may have helped them survive. The rescue effort, Operation Hope, ramped up rapidly, eventually 35. 150 soldiers and 200 volunteers from local Indigenous communities and a team of 10 Belgian Shepherd dogs. As the days stretched into weeks, and the weeks into a second month, some in Columbia began to wonder if they were 36. themselves. Some rescuers went home, and a combined command headquarters was 37. But a little more than a week before their discovery, Brigadier General Pedro Sanchez said he was convinced the children were alive, because bodies would be 38. to find than a small group who were moving through the forest. Then, on Friday, about 4pm local time, army radios crackled into life. “Miracle, miracle, miracle, miracle!” It was army code for a child found alive; repeated four times, it meant all four had survived.

39. malnourished, and covered in insect bites, none were in a serious condition. “They’ve given us an example of total survival that will go 40. in history,” said Colombia’s president, Gustavo Petro. “The jungle saved them,” Petro said. “They are children of the jungle, and now they are also children of Colombia.”

Adapted from Youkee, Mat, ‘Miracle, miracle’: lone children survive 40 days in Amazon jungle. The Guardian. 10 June, 2023, <https://www.theguardian.com/world/2023/jun/10/colombian-children-found-alive-five-weeks-after-amazon-jungle-plane-crash>

31. (A) tracks (B) demands (C) remains (D) preserves
32. (A) hope (B) proof (C) claim (D) counterevidence
33. (A) inhospitable (B) quarrelsome (C) simultaneous (D) controversial
34. (A) to urge (B) urges (C) urged (D) urging
35. (A) coinciding (B) propelling (C) overlapping (D) encompassing
36. (A) deluding (B) ravaging (C) retaliating (D) manipulating
37. (A) disclosed (B) dispatched (C) displaced (D) dismantled
38. (A) later (B) easier (C) harder (D) sooner
39. (A) Since (B) Unless (C) Whereas (D) Although
40. (A) on (B) up (C) off (D) down

Directions (41-45): Read the following passage and answer each question in two to three sentences in English. (20%)

Questions 41-45 refer to the following passage:

Last month, I took my 13-year-old to see goth-pop elders the Cure at the Hollywood Bowl. It was the first time I’ve taken my teen out so late on a school night. We didn’t make it home until after midnight, but gleefully singing “Boys Don’t Cry” and “Close to Me” with a child who now loves the same band I did as a teen — along with scores of other Gen X parents with their Gen Z kids — was worth it.

I wish I could take credit for this moment of cool, but I can’t. My child (who uses the pronouns they and them) suddenly became interested in the Cure because, at a recent middle school dance, the teen band blazed through a cover of “Just Like Heaven.” The lead singer, an eighth-grader, announced beforehand, “If you don’t know this song, you’re dead to me.” Add to this that my child’s classmates all agreed the band is “total vibes,” and that was that. It wasn’t me playing these songs to my child as a toddler, although they did

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remember that — *vaguely*. It was the fact that they started hearing it from friends, who provided the crucial nod of approval.

Psychology has long known this: After a child reaches the teen years, it's peers and not parents and immediate family who shape them the most. I knew this, too, and have always maintained that the child is their own person, not a mini-me. And yet, there is more than a whiff of vanity in my efforts to influence my kid with my own taste. Facebook from eight years ago doesn't lie: It is clear I'm charmed that my then-third-grader loves a certain Pixies song or can be found jumping around to a record by power-pop band Superdrag.

I am not alone in this. My parent friends routinely post proud images of their newborns in Ramones onesies or their sixth-graders dressed up like Margot Tenenbaum from "The Royal Tenenbaums." I like all the pictures genuinely, but I think to myself, I know what you're doing. And then I think "and Godspeed" because the odds are just as likely that if you try too hard to tip the scales of your kid's coolness, it will backfire. There are jokes about this in the culture, such as the still-shared *Onion* headline "Cool Dad Raising Daughter on Media That Will Put Her Entirely Out of Touch With Her Generation."

So, at the point my child started requesting songs heard at school or with friends, I gave ground. For me, a former music critic, that wasn't always easy. But I didn't disparage the millionth time I listened to "Shut Up and Dance." It was a way to stay in touch with my child's changing tastes — and an opportunity to continue a two-way conversation. This is why I would advise parents to tamp down the influencing to a low-key volume. Yes, it's enormously validating when your 5-year-old loves a Siouxsie Sioux song you play, but it is nothing like a genuinely independent response to the music, divorced from your expectations or your hopeful face. Personal taste — and the cool that comes with that — depends on an authentic connection, and I'd much rather have my kid come around organically than feel forced to pretend.

After the Hollywood Bowl show, we talked on the drive home about some of my favorite Cure songs and they told me theirs. Our most-loved tunes weren't the same — or even from the same eras. But what we had was way better: unforced fun that allowed for two totally different paths to the same place. It's hard to imagine anything cooler.

Adapted from Moore, Tracy, "Parents, you can't make your kid cool. Maybe stop trying?" *The Washington Post*, June 8, 2023, <https://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/2023/06/08/the-cure-music-parenting-teen/>

41. What does the author mean when she says "I wish I could take credit for this moment of cool" in the beginning of paragraph 2?
42. Why does the author mention bands like The Cure, Pixies, Superdrag, and Ramones? What about songs like "Boys Don't Cry" and "Shut Up and Dance"?
43. Why does the author mention the "still-shared *Onion* headline" in paragraph 4?
44. What does the author mean when she says "But what we had was way better" at the end of the article?
45. What is the central argument of the article?