

2022上海高一下学期人教版高中英语期中考试

1.

English is (21) _____ (widely) used language in the history of our planet. One in every seven human beings (22) _____ speak it. More than half of the world's books and three quarters of international mail (23) _____ (be) in English. Of all languages, English has the largest vocabulary — perhaps as many as two million words.

However, let's face it: English is a crazy language. There is no egg in (24) _____ eggplant, neither pine nor apple in a pineapple and no ham in a hamburger. Sweet-meats are candy, while sweetbreads, (25) _____ aren't sweet, are meat.

We take English (26) _____ granted. But when we explore its paradoxes (矛盾), we find that quicksand can work slowly, boxing rings are square, public bathrooms have no baths in them.

And why is it (27) _____ a writer writes, but fingers don't fing, grocers don't groce, and hammers don't ham? (28) _____ the plural of tooth is teeth, shouldn't the plural of booth be beeth?

How can a slim chance and a fat chance be the same, while a wise man and a wise guy are opposites? How can overlook and oversee be opposites, while quite a lot and quite a few are alike? How can the weather be hot as hell one day and cold as hell the next?

So far English, (29) _____ (invent) by people not computers, (30) _____ (reflect) the creativity of human beings.

2.

A. complicated B. seldom C. aimed D. dangerous E. change

F. relative G. simple H. quality I. inexperienced

J. ignore K. solution

There are more than almost two million cars on the streets of Shanghai. That's not a big number ____ 31 ____ to the city's population of 23 million, but everyone agrees that traffic is a big problem here. And many people would argue that it's not the number of cars on the road, but the ____ 32 ____ of the drivers that is the main cause of concern.

According to one survey, 37% of Shanghai drivers have less than three years of driving experience. Many of these drivers are middle-aged and have never operated machinery more ____ 33 ____ than a washing machine. On the road, they drive fast when they should drive slow, ____ 34 ____ use turn signals, and make right turns on red lights without stopping first. And in the past year, there have been several incidents that resulted in pedestrian deaths when ____ 35 ____ drivers mistook the gas pedal for the brake (刹车) pedal.

There are new regulations ____ 36 ____ at making it more difficult for people to get a driver's license, but that is only a partial ____ 37 ____ to Shanghai's traffic problems. What is really needed is a ____ 38 ____ in drivers' attitudes. There seems to be a lack of concern for safety on the part of drivers: their own safety