2023-2024 学年江苏省南通市名校联盟高二(下)适应性英语试卷

二、阅读理解 阅读下列短文,从每题所给的 A、B、C 和 D 四个选项中,选出最佳选项。

(7.5 分) Las Vegas can offer a lot more than you expect.Here are the best guided tours to help visitors make the most of their Sin City getaway.

Big Bus Las Vegas-Open Top Night Tour

Admire the glittering lights downtown on this evening double - decker bus tour. Along the drive, you'll pass well - known buildings before hopping off to enjoy the free light shows on Fremont Street. Tour - takers praise the guides for their informative, friendly account.

Passengers can board the buses at the LINQ Promenade starting at 7 p.m.each evening.

Cowboy Trail Rides-Red Rock Canyon Sunset Horseback Ride

When you need a break from the city life, put on a cowboy hat and boots for a sunset trail ride through Red Rock Canyon.On the ride, you'll follow a guide through the picturesque desert landscape, watching for wildlife.Travelers warn that it can get chilly on the ride, so they advise wearing warm layers.

Trail Rides are offered Tuesday through Sunday.

Papillon Grand Canyon Helicopters-Grand Celebration Tour

Papillon Grand Canyon Helicopters' Grand Celebration tour offers bird's - eye views of sought - after sights,

like Eagle Point and Lake Mead. The tour also includes a Champagne picnic. The pilots and staff earn praise for their friendliness and professionalism.

There are several daily departure options.

Secret Food Tours-Las Vegas Strip

Every day Secret Food Tours take groups of 10 participants to five - star restaurants on the Strip to sample a variety of cooking delights, including pizza, chocolates and lobster.During the walking tour, highly praised guides teach tourgoers about the city's food and culture.Travelers say the food on the tour is plentiful and tasty, but they warn that you'll be doing a lot of walking.

Tickets include all food tastings.

(1) What can visitors do during the Open Top Night Tour?

A.Admire charged light shows.

B.Explore well - known buildings.

- C.Board buses on Fremont Street.
- D.Enjoy an evening double decker bus tour.
- (2) What do the Grand Celebration Tour and Las Vegas Strip have in common?

A.Visitors can try a horseback ride.

B.Visitors can have some food to taste.

C.Visitors can enjoy views from high in the air.

D.Visitors can learn about the history of Las Vegas.

(3) Which tour is unlikely to offer services every day?

A.Secret Food Tours-Las Vegas Strip

B.Big Bus Las Vegas-Open Top Night Tour

C.Papillon Grand Canyon Helicopters-Grand Celebration Tour

D.Cowboy Trail Rides-Red Rock Canyon Sunset Horseback Ride

2. (10分) There is plenty of complaints about how social media—texting in particular—may harm children's social and intellectual development.But a new study suggests that constant instant messaging (IM'ing) and texting among teens may also provide benefits, particularly for those who are introverted (内向的).

British researchers studied instant messages exchanged by 231 teens, aged 14 to 18.All of the participants were "regular" IM'ers.The researchers analyzed 150 conversations in the study, and reported the results in the journal Computers in Human Behavior.In 100 of these chats, the study participant began IM'ing while in a negative emotional state such as sadness, pain or anger.The rest were conversations begun when the participant was feeling good or neutral.After the chat, participants reported about a 20% reduction in their pain—not enough to completely get rid of it, but enough to leave them feeling better.

"Our findings suggest that IM'ing between adolescents and their peers may provide emotional relief and consequently contribute to their well - being, " the authors write.People who talk with their real - life friends online report feeling closer to them than those who just communicate face - to - face, implying a strengthening of their bond.

Why would digital commutation improve human contact? The reasons are complex, but may have something to do with the fact that users can control expression of sadness and other emotions via IM without revealing emotional elements like tears that some may be considered as embarrassing or sources of discomfort.Studies also show) that the anonymity (匿名) of writing on a device blankets the users in a sense of safely that may make people feel more comfortable in sharing and discussing their deepest and truest