V. Read the following short notice and choose the correct answer A, B, C, or D for each question.

NOTICE 1: MEGA SALE EVENT

Dear customers, Welcome to City Center Mall! Join us this weekend for our special Mega Sale event. We are offering a 50% discount on all (40) _____ items, including clothes, shoes, and bags on the second floor. The sale event will start (41) _____ 9:00 a.m. this Saturday. Please remember to show your membership card at the (42) _____ to receive a special free gift from our store. We hope you enjoy your shopping experience!

40. A. fashion	B. grocery	C. stationery	D. bakery
41. A. in	B. on	C. at	D. for
42. A. fitting room	B. checkout	C. food court	D. parking lot

NOTICE 2: GREEN FARMERS' MARKET

Attention all shoppers! Starting from next week, the Green Farmers' Market will move to a new location. We will be open at the central square instead of the old park. Here, visitors can buy many handmade products and fresh (43) _____ directly from local farmers. To protect the environment, we encourage you to bring your own reusable bags to reduce plastic (44) _____. See you (45) _____ Sunday morning!

43. A. machines	B. food	C. materials	D. planets
44. A. waste	B. disaster	C. water	D. storm
45. A. in	B. on	C. at	D. from

NOTICE 3: WINTER CLEARANCE SALE AT STAR FASHION!

Everything must go! We are offering a massive 50% (46) _____ on all winter coats, sweaters, and boots. If you buy more than three items, you will get a free tote bag. Please remember to keep your (47) _____ safely in case you want to return or exchange the purchased items later. Hurry up! The sale ends this Sunday.

46. A. price	B. discount	C. bargain	D. tag
47. A. schedule	B. wallet	C. receipt	D. basket

VI. Read the following passage and choose the correct answer A, B, C, or D.

PASSAGE 1: Last night, a terrible storm hit our coastal town. Most people were sleeping soundly (48) _____ the storm suddenly started. The wind was howling loudly and heavy rain began to fall. The local rescue workers had to work hard to help people move to a safe shelter. While they (49) _____ an old man from his flooded house, a large tree fell across the main road. Fortunately, no one was hurt. However, the storm caused severe (50) _____ to many buildings in the area. We are now working together to clean up the debris.

48. A. while	B. when	C. because	D. although
49. A. rescued	B. are rescuing	C. were rescuing	D. rescue
50. A. pollution	B. damage	C. eruption	D. warning

PASSAGE 2: Typhoon Yagi was one of the most destructive storms to hit the coastal areas this year. The strong winds and heavy rain caused a severe (51) _____ in many low-lying regions. Many roads were completely under water, making it impossible for rescue teams to reach the trapped victims immediately. When the rescue boats finally (52) _____ at the scene, many families were sitting on their roofs waiting for help. The local authorities have warned that (53) _____ storms may occur in the coming months due to climate change.

51. A. flood	B. drought	C. earthquake	D. tornado
52. A. arrive	B. arrived	C. were arriving	D. have arrived
53. A. much	B. more	C. a little	D. every

PASSAGE 3: Last year, the residents of a small village in Indonesia experienced a terrifying volcanic eruption. It happened late at night. While most people (54) _____ in their beds, they suddenly heard a loud noise. The volcano threw hot ash and rocks into the sky. (55) _____ the warning systems worked well, everyone managed to evacuate safely before the lava reached their homes. Today, the local government is helping the victims rebuild their (56) _____ and providing them with food and medical supplies.

54. A. sleep	B. slept	C. are sleeping	D. were sleeping
55. A. Because	B. Although	C. So	D. But

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56. A. property B. pollution C. environment D. technology

VII. Read the following passage and choose the correct answer A, B, C, or D.

PASSAGE 1: In the future, the way we communicate will change significantly. We might not use smartphones anymore. Instead, we may use holography. This technology allows us to see 3D images of our friends while we are talking to them. It will feel like they are right in the room with us. Another exciting invention is the translation machine. If you meet someone who speaks a different language, this **tiny** device in your ear will translate their words instantly. **It** will break down language barriers. However, the most amazing way to communicate might be telepathy. With telepathy, people won't need to speak at all. They will just send thoughts directly to each other's minds. Scientists are currently working on special headsets to make this a reality. Though some people worry about privacy, these technologies will definitely bring us closer together.

57. What is the best title for the passage?
    A. The History of Telephones B. Future Communication
    C. Learning New Languages D. Problems with Telepathy
58. The word "It" in the passage refers to _____.
    A. a different language B. a 3D image C. the translation machine D. your ear
59. The word "tiny" in the passage is OPPOSITE in meaning to _____.
    A. small B. huge C. smart D. cheap
60. What can be inferred about telepathy from the passage?
    A. It is available now B. It uses smart screens
    C. It happens in silence D. It requires the Internet
61. Which sentence is TRUE about holography according to the passage?

PASSAGE 2: In the future, the way we communicate will change significantly. Instead of using smartphones, people might use holography to talk to their friends. A holograph is a 3D image of a person. It will feel like your friend is standing right in front of you, even if they are far away. Another **amazing** technology is telepathy. This means people will communicate by using their thoughts. You won't need to speak or type; you will just think of a message, and a special device will send it to the receiver's brain. Although this sounds like a science fiction movie, scientists are already working on these incredible devices. They believe that telepathy will become a **common** reality in 2050.

62. What is the passage mainly about?
    A. Smartphones B. Future communication C. Science fiction movies D. 3D images
63. What does the word "They" in the last sentence refer to?
    A. People B. Thoughts C. Scientists D. Devices
64. The word "amazing" in the passage is CLOSEST in meaning to _____.
    A. terrible B. boring C. wonderful D. normal
65. The word "common" in the last sentence is OPPOSITE in meaning to _____.
    A. popular B. rare C. ordinary D. regular
66. Which of the following sentences has the same meaning as the information in the passage?
    A. Telepathy requires you to type messages very quickly.
    B. A holograph sends your thoughts directly to your friend's brain.
    C. Scientists think telepathy will never happen in real life.
    D. With telepathy, devices send your thoughts to others without speaking.

PASSAGE 3: By the year 2060, language barriers will no longer be a problem. People will use smart earbuds that **instantly** translate any language in real time. If you travel to a foreign country, you will understand everyone perfectly. Furthermore, social media will also evolve. We won't just share photos or texts. We will interact through digital avatars in virtual reality (VR) worlds. You can hang out with friends from different continents in a virtual café. However, some experts worry that **this digital connection** might cause problems. People might spend too much time in the virtual world and ignore their real-life relationships. Therefore, it is essential to find a balance between the physical and the virtual worlds.

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67. According to the passage, what will help people solve language barriers?
A. Digital avatars B. Virtual reality C. Smart earbuds D. Social media
68. The word "this digital connection" in the passage refers to _____.
A. traveling abroad B. finding a balance C. translating languages D. interacting in virtual reality worlds
69. The word "instantly" in the passage is CLOSEST in meaning to _____.
A. slowly B. immediately C. carefully D. hardly
70. The word "ignore" in the passage is OPPOSITE in meaning to _____.
A. pay attention to B. forget about C. care nothing for D. look down on
71. What can be inferred from the last paragraph?
A. Virtual reality will completely replace all real-life friends.
B. Experts believe digital connection is entirely safe for everyone.
C. Spending excessive time in VR can negatively affect real-life relationships.
D. People will stop using social media and virtual reality in 2060.

VIII. Three sentences have been removed from the text below. Read the text and choose from the sentences (A-D) the one which best fits each gap. There is ONE extra sentence which you do not need to use.

PASSAGE 1: For many years, scientists have been searching for life beyond Earth. Mars is often considered the most likely candidate in our solar system. (72) _____. However, recent discoveries of ice under its surface give scientists hope that some forms of life might exist there. Besides Mars, astronomers are also looking at exoplanets, which are planets outside our solar system. (73) _____. If a planet is at the right distance from its star, it is neither too hot nor too cold, meaning it might have liquid water. (74) _____. Therefore, finding a planet with water is always the first and most important step in finding alien life.

72. A. They are especially interested in Earth-like planets.
B. As we all know, water is essential for any form of life.
C. The Moon is the closest natural satellite to Earth.
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PASSAGE 2: Mars is the fourth planet from the Sun and is often called the Red Planet. For centuries, people have wondered if life exists there. (75) _____. However, modern science has shown that Mars is currently a cold and dry desert. Despite this, scientists still believe that Mars might have supported life in the past. (76) _____. They have discovered that there was once liquid water on its surface. Because water is essential for life, this is a very important clue. In the future, NASA plans to send humans to Mars. (77) _____. This will be the greatest adventure in human history.

75. A. They want to build a permanent base for astronauts to live and work.
B. In many old stories, people imagined Martians were little green men.
C. Jupiter is the largest planet in our solar system and has many moons.
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