

READING COMPREHENSION

Choose the word or phrase among A, B, C or D that best fits the blank space in the following passage.

Mr. Brown and some (31) _____ are on a very dirty beach now. Today they are ready to (32) _____ the beach a clean and beautiful place again. After listening to Mr. Brown's instructions, they are divided into three groups. Group 1 needs to walk along the beach. Group 2 should check the sand, (33) _____ group 3 has to check among the rocks. Garbage must be put into plastic bags, and the bags will be collected by Mr. Brown. He will take the bags to the garbage (34) _____. They all are (35) _____ to work hard to refresh this area.

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| 31. A. voluntary | B. volunteers | C. volunteering | D. volunteer |
| 32. A. make | B. get | C. do | D. change |
| 33. A. so | B. but | C. although | D. and |
| 34. A. dump | B. yard | C. area | D. place |
| 35. A. exciting | B. interesting | C. eager | D. bored |

Read the text and choose the best answer.

Each nation has many people who voluntarily take care of others. For example, many high school and college students in the United States often spend many hours as volunteers in hospitals, orphanages or homes for the aged. They read books to the people in these places. Sometimes the students just visit them, play games with them or listen to their problems.

Other young volunteers work in the homes of sick or old people. They clean up their houses, do their shopping or mow their lawns. For boys who no longer have fathers, there is a voluntary organization called Big Brothers. College students take these boys to baseball games and help them to get to know things that boys usually learn from their fathers.

Some high school students take part in helping disadvantaged or handicapped children. They give care and comfort to them and help them to overcome their difficulties. Young college and university students participate in helping the people who have suffered badly in wars or natural disasters. During summer vacations, they volunteer to work in remote or mountainous areas to provide education for children.

Each city has a number of clubs where boys and girls can go to play games. Some of these clubs organise short trips to the mountains, beaches or other places of interest. Most of these clubs use a lot of high schools and college students as volunteers because they are young enough to understand the problems of younger boys and girls.

Volunteers believe that some of the happiest people in the world are those who help to bring happiness to others.

36. Volunteers usually help those who are sick or old in their homes by _____.

- A. mowing the lawns, doing shopping and cleaning up their houses
- B. cooking, sewing or washing their clothes
- C. telling them stories, and singing and dancing for them

D. taking them to baseball games.

37. Big Brothers is _____.

A. the name of a club

B. a home for children

C. the name of a film

D. an organization for boys who no longer have fathers

38. Most of the boys' and girls' club use many high school and college students as volunteers because they _____.

A. have a lot of free time

B. can understand the problems of younger boys and girls.

C. know how to do the work

D. are good at playing game

39. Volunteers believe that _____.

A. in order to make others happy, they have to be unhappy

B. the happiest people are those who make themselves happy

C. the happiest people are those who are young and healthy

D. bringing happiness to others makes them the happiest people

40. The best title for the passage is _____.

A. Taking Care of Others

B. Voluntary Work in the United States.

C. Volunteers: The Happiest People in the World

D. Helping Old and Sick People in the United States

WRITING

Rewrite the following sentences, using the suggestions.

41. I was walking home when it started to rain.

While I _____

42. She was telling me about her party when she started to laugh loudly.

She started _____

43. The last time I cooked was 3 years ago.

I _____

44. When did you buy that bag?

How _____

45. She began living in Da Nang when she was a child.

She _____

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