**《阅读理解—应用文》 拓展提升任务**

**2018朝阳二模**

**A**

Dear Koko,

I’ve learned about you from my amazing teacher. I think it’s fun that you can communicate with us humans by using the sign language. I’ve spent a lot of time watching you in different videos and love you from the bottom of my heart.

It’s heartbreaking to learn about all of the cruel things done to gorillas (大猩猩). In Africa, for example, the killers use guns to kill your fellows for meat. They don’t understand the influence their actions are having on gorillas. Another thing is the loss of gorillas’ natural home, which is caused by the improved infrastructure such as building roads and airports. When we cut down trees, you become homeless. We take away your shelter and sources of food, leaving you with very little chance of survival.

Some of my classmates are writing to the relevant departments about these serious problems. Hopefully these letters will make a difference during your lifetime. Over the past three months, my class has been researching on gorillas, and I’ve learned so many things. For example, I’ve learned that you have a lot of feelings similar to mine and you are always so careful with everything you do. I think that you are really worth saving.

We’ve come up with many ideas to help you and your fellows. One of the best ideas is to communicate with the President of the World Bank and have him give more financial support to the organizations for gorillas. Another idea is to make public laws on the killers. I also think we need to keep educating people about gorillas.

I love writing to you and hope you can understand how important you’ve become to our class. Would it be too much to ask for a return letter?

Mike

36. According to the passage, Koko is probably \_\_\_\_\_\_.

A. a killer of gorillas B. a member of the gorilla family

C. an expert on gorillas D. a governor in charge of gorillas

37. What is mainly talked about in the second paragraph?

A. The problems gorillas face at present. B. The danger gorillas cause for humans.

C. The unique characteristic gorillas have. D. The natural environment gorillas live in.

38. The author suggests that \_\_\_\_\_\_.

A. gorillas should be protected in nature reserves

B. killers for gorillas should be legally responsible

C. organizations should be set up to protect gorillas

D. people should make donations to gorilla protection

**2018东城二模**

**A**

Are you concerned about that tree in the front yard? Have tree branches been falling off that evergreen tree over the garage? Or maybe you just need tree removal or some regular tree pruning to let that rare Portland sunshine shine in?

Urban Forest Pro in Portland is a full-service tree care company providing the Portland area with tree services. If you have a problem, any problem, that involves trees, our tree service and removal experts can help you solve it. Below are our most popular tree services.

**[Tree Pruning](https://www.urbanforestprofessionals.com/portland-or-tree-care-services/portland-or-tree-pruning/)** - Our arborists（树艺师） are trained to recognize the unique needs of your trees, taking into account factors such as the tree’s age, health & prior pruning. Doing tree pruning, we selectively remove certain parts of a tree according to the goals of our customers such as roof protection, increased sunlight, view clearance, and privacy protection. Our arborists can in most cases come up with a pruning method that is both beneficial for the tree’s health and longevity and meets the needs of our customers.

[**Tree Removal**](https://www.urbanforestprofessionals.com/portland-or-tree-care-services/portland-or-tree-removal/) - Our arborists use the latest techniques and skills to assure the safety of your home, roof, and nearby structures to make sure your tree removal is done successfully. All tree debris（残骸） is roped down and kept under our control at all times to ensure your tree removal is safe.

**Tree Assessment** - A tree assessment provides customers, for a small fee, with a verbal explanation of the condition of their trees. In addition, the arborist may describe any DIY options you might have to correct or improve the problem. It is also of value for customers who cannot afford to have tree services done at this time but only want to make a budget now.

[**Tree Planting**](https://www.urbanforestprofessionals.com/portland-or-tree-care-services/portland-oregon-tree-planting-service/) - We have a large selection of affordable high quality trees that are handpicked by our arborists, or our customers can also purchase their own trees and have them planted under the best conditions by a knowledgeable professional from our company. Our arborists can also use their extensive knowledge of trees to make recommendations as to which trees would work best in your yard.

For more information, please [check out our blog!](http://urbanforestpro.wpengine.com/blog/)

36. Urban Forest Pro in Portland \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

A. provides free training on tree protection

B. takes care of trees in public areas

C. offers tree services to customers

D. focuses on tree sales

37. What will an arborist do in the process of tree pruning?

A. Select the healthiest trees.

B. Move the tree to a new place.

C. Cut off unnecessary branches.

D. Clear leaves away from the roof.

38. Customers who are short of money may receive the service of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

A. [Tree Pruning](https://www.urbanforestprofessionals.com/portland-or-tree-care-services/portland-or-tree-pruning/)

B. [Tree Removal](https://www.urbanforestprofessionals.com/portland-or-tree-care-services/portland-or-tree-removal/)

C. [Tree Planting](https://www.urbanforestprofessionals.com/portland-or-tree-care-services/portland-oregon-tree-planting-service/)

D. Tree Assessment

**2018西城二模**

**A**

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| She Flies Through the Air  Circus Life  Lee Stath (Marilees)  www.xlibris.com  Hardback $29.99  Paperback $19.99  E-book $3.99  Having fear of heights is definitely not an advantage when flying over circus rings or swinging from one trapeze to the other. Rather constant practice and determination led trapeze performer now author Lee Stath, also known in the circus world as part of The Flying Marilees, to share how his instructor made one of the best catchers in the circus world out of an unwilling school teacher. Through *She Flies Through the Air,* Stath uncovers the determination of the human spirit and the energetic life on a circus train or inside a sweaty tin truck. |
| http://global.bing.com/th?id=A5add3a4802992def7ddc59000eb7cb55&w=100&h=150&c=7&rs=1&qlt=80&pcl=f9f9f9&cdv=1&pid=16.1Never Quote the Weather to a Sea Lion  Paul Binder  www.authorhouse.com  Paperback $19.95  For Paul Binder the circus wasn’t merely a weekend escape—it was a lifestyle. Discover the origins of New York’s beloved Big Apple circus in Binder’s new memoir, which records his journey from lowly beginnings to circus founder. *Never Quote the Weather to a Sea Lion* will help readers understand the inner-working of the circus and find the magic in everyday life. |
| A Century on New Brunswick’s N.W. Miramichi  George S. Mumford  www.xlibris.com  Hardback $29.99  Paperback $19.99  E-book $3.99  Experience the greatness of nature and the glory of life. In *A Century on New Brunswick’s N.W. Miramichi,* George S. Mumford shares his father’s journal, one that recorded an unforgettable first trip to a breathtaking region of Canada. |
| I Chose to Be a U.S. Marine  George W. Carrington  www.authorhouse.com  Hardback $23.99  Paperback $14.95  E-book $3.99  *I Chose to be a U.S. Marine* is author George W. Carrington’s military memoirs during his many years as a U.S. soldier at sea. This highly interesting and informative book is filled with stories of bravery and heroism lightened by amusing stories, tells of the author’s life in the marines. |

36. If you are interested in Canadian wilderness, you can read \_\_\_\_\_.

A. *She Flies Through the Air*

B. *I Chose to Be a U.S. Marine*

C. *Never Quote the Weather to a Sea Lion*

D. *A Century on New Brunswick’s N.W. Miramichi*

37. Which two authors of the following have a similar experience?

A. Lee Stath and Paul Binder.

B. Lee Stath and George S. Mumford.

C. Paul Binder and George W. Carrington.

D. George S. Mumford and George W. Carrington.

38. The main purpose of the passage is to \_\_\_\_\_.

A. introduce the authors B. provide special offers

C. expand readers’ horizons D. recommend the books

**2018海淀二模**

B

Why do you go to the library? For books, yes—but you like books because they tell stories. You hope to get lost in a story or be transported into someone else’s life. At one type of library, you can do just that—even though there’s not a single book.

At a Human Library, instead of books, you can “borrow” people. Individuals volunteer as human “books” and participants in the event can “read” the book—meaning they would have a one-on-one conversation with the volunteer and share in a dialogue about that individual’s experience. “Books” are volunteers from all walks of life who have experienced discrimination(歧视) based on race, religion, class, gender identity, age, lifestyle choices, disability and other aspects of their life.

For a certain amount of time, you can ask them questions and listen to their stories, which are as fascinating and as attractive as any you can find in a book. Many of the stories have to do with some kind of stereotype. You can speak with a refugee(难民), a soldier suffering from PTSD, a homeless person or a woman living with HIV. The Human Library encourages people to challenge their own long-held beliefs—to truly get to know, and learn from someone they might otherwise make a quick judgment about.

According to its website, the Human Library is “a place where difficult questions are expected, appreciated and answered.” It provides the opportunity for the community to share and understand the experiences of others in their community.

The Human Library Organization came to be in Copenhagen, Denmark in 2000. Ronni Abergel, his brother Dany, and some colleagues hosted a four-day event during a major Northern European festival, hoping to raise awareness about violence among youth. After the success of this event, Abergel founded the Human Library Organization, which has been growing ever since.

Though there are a few permanent human libraries, most aren’t places at all, but events. Though many do take place at physical libraries, you don’t need a library card—anyone can come and be part of the experience. There have been human library events all over the globe, in universities and in pubs, from Chicago to Tunis to Edinburgh to San Antonio.

The stories these “books” tell range from fascinating to heartbreaking and everything in between. And that’s the very point of the organization—to prove that no person can be summed up in just one word. It seeks to show people that you truly can’t judge a book by its cover—or by its title or label.

39. The “books” in human libraries are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

A. long-held beliefs attracting individuals

B. inspiring stories motivating people in trouble

C. events in which people can talk to volunteers

D. unfairly-treated people sharing their experiences

40. The event in Copenhagen is significant because it \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

A. aimed to help the young suffering from violence

B. attempted to replace traditional physical libraries

C. laid a foundation for the Human Library Organization

D. led to a pleasing development for the community with racism

41. In human libraries, the readers are likely to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

A. deepen their understanding of people

B. enrich their own personal experiences

C. hear the stories from all over the world

D. make quick judgments about the “books”

42. The main purpose of the passage is to\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

A. compare and evaluate B. inform and explain

C. discuss and persuade D. analyze and suggest