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The US presidential election

Part A

Fill in the following blanks. After filling in the blanks, you can turn to P.5 for the correct answers.

This year's American presidential election (總統選舉) was a big surprise to many people. Donald Trump, a businessman and TV star with no experience in politics(政治), won the election. On the other hand, Hillary Clinton, who is a much more experienced politician (政治家), lost the election and failed to achieve (實現) her dream of becoming the first female US president in history.



Background of the US presidential election

Americans choose a President every 1. ____ years. This year, the Democratic Party (民主黨) chose to support Hillary Clinton for President, whereas the Republican Party (共和黨) chose to support Donald Trump for President. However, opinion surveys (意見調查) showed that both Clinton and Trump were 2. un_____ (不受歡迎的) choices with the American people.



Criticism about Hillary Clinton

One of the main criticisms (批評) was that she was irresponsible (不負責任) with confidential (機密的) 3. g_____ information. For example, she used her own server (伺服器) for e-mails containing confidential government information. The 4._____ were hacked (非法侵入) and stolen, causing potential (潛在的) danger to the security (保安) of the US.



Reasons for Clinton's support from the crowd

Many Americans would like to have a 5. f_____ president. They think a female president would give more support (支持) to women's 6. r_____ (權利) and would help children and poor people. Hillary Clinton promised a more equal and harmonious (和諧的) society.



Criticism about Donald Trump

Trump has a 7. h _____ (習慣) of saying stupid and offensive (冒犯別人的) things that hurt other people's feelings. For instance, he often says things that insult (侮辱) women, and this shows he has no 8. r _____ (尊重) for women at all.

Trump has said things that are insulting to minority groups (少數族裔). Before the election, for example, he said negative (負面的) things about Mexican Americans, and promised to build a Great 9. W _____ across the US-Mexico border (美國-墨西哥邊境) in order to stop illegal immigration (非法移民) from Mexico to the US.



Trump's words and actions have shown a lot of 10. s _____ discrimination (性別歧視) and racial discrimination (種族歧視).

Mr Lyons' vote (投票)

Mr Lyons 11. d _____ vote for Clinton or Trump. He voted for 12. s _____ e _____.



You might think there are only two candidates (候選人) because the media (傳媒) only paid 13. a _____ (留意) to the two big parties, but there were three other candidates who didn't get as much media attention.

We hope Donald Trump, the new US president, will become more 14. c _____ in his speech (說話) and action, and America will become united (團結的) under his leadership (領導), instead of becoming a torn-up (撕裂) and divided (分裂的) 15. c _____.

Part B Key Vocabulary Words

Repeat these words after Mr Lyons after you hear the beep sound.

1. <u>politics</u> (政治)	2. <u>election</u> (選舉)
3. <u>US president</u> (美國總統)	4. <u>opinion survey</u> (意見調查)
5. <u>insult</u> (侮辱)	6. <u>courage</u> (勇氣)
7. <u>media</u> (傳媒)	8. <u>vote</u> (投票)
9. <u>racial discrimination</u> (種族歧視)	

Part C Follow-up

Fill in each blank with the correct form of the word:

1.

choices (n) choose (v) choosy (adj)

At a buffet, we are offered a wide range of _____ to _____ from. Even the most _____ customer will be able to find something to eat.

2.

politics (n) politician(n) political (n) politically (adv)

Leung Kwok-hung, better known as “Long Hair”, is a famous _____ in Hong Kong. He is very concerned about the _____ development of Hong Kong. Whenever he is on TV, he is often talking about _____. _____, some people don’t like him because his actions are sometimes too extreme.

3.

courage(n)

encourage (v)

courageous (adj)

courageously (adv)

Sarah Lee Wai-size is a _____ cyclist. She is not afraid of difficulties and often shows her _____ in competitions. She has fought _____ in every race and this has _____ me to do the same thing in my life.

4.

criticism (n)

criticize (v)

critical (adj)

Henry likes to _____ others for very small mistakes. He is such a _____ person that even his friends can't put up with his constant _____.