**Assignment**

**I Blank Filling (10 minutes)**

**Directions:** *Complete the following sentences with appropriate propositions or adverbs that you learn from the article, Another Day at the Office.*

1. He was heading straight \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the hospital when the accident happened.

2. The soldier reached \_\_\_\_\_ his gun when he heard the strange noise in the distance.

3. She was surprised that so many people turned \_\_\_\_\_ in that party.

4. The passengers were told to brace themselves \_\_\_\_\_a crash landing ( 紧急迫降).

5. The teacher glanced \_\_\_\_\_ his watch before announcing that the time was up.

6. Not daring to see her sad eyes, he looked \_\_\_\_\_ from her.

7. He tried to keep \_\_\_\_\_ arguments between his parents.

8. His thoughts settled \_\_\_\_\_ the problem he had met that day.

9. Apparently with no appetite, the sick boy was only picking \_\_\_\_\_ his food.

10. The toy was only a few inches \_\_\_\_\_ the children’s reach.

**II Translation (40 minutes)**

**Directions:** *Translate the following passage into Chinese.*

Should work be placed among the cases of happiness or be regarded as a burden? Much work is exceedingly tiresome, and an excess of work causes stress and even disease. I think, however, that, provided work is not excessive in amount, even boring work is less harmful than idleness. We sometimes feel a little relief from work; at other times work gives us delight. These feeling arise according to the type of work we are doing and our ability to do that work. Work fills many hours of the day and removes the need to decide what one should do.

**Directions:** *Translate the following passage into English.*

尽管极限运动本身很危险，任何闪失都会造成伤害甚至死亡， 但这种运动在西方国家却非常流行，吸引的“运动员”比一些传统的团队体育项目还要多。人们喜欢极限运动是因为他们可以通过参加像登山、滑雪和攀岩这样的极限运动来突破人类的极限。极限运动给人提供欣赏海岸线和风景的绝佳机会，这样的美景在传统运动中是看不到的。在传统的体育赛事中，运动员在限定的环境里互相竞争，而极限运动的运动员不仅要互相竞争，还要应对环境的障碍和挑战。不论参加哪一项极限运动，运动员都要确保他们使用合适的装备，采取恰当的安全防护措施。如今有越来越多的极限运动问世，每一个都比上一个更加独特。