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Part II Reading Comprehension (35 minutes) Directions There are 4 passages in this part. Each passage is followed by some questions or unfinished statements. For each of them there are four choices marked A), B), C) and D). You should decide on the best choice and mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the centre. Passage One Questions 11 to 15 are based on the following passage. You may be all these things at the office, and more. But when it comes to getting ahead, experts say, the ABCs of business should include a P, for politics, as in office politics. Dale Carnegie suggested as much more than 50 years ago Hard work alone doesn ' t ensure career advancement. You have to be able to sell yourself and your ideas, both publicly and behind the scenes. Yet, despite the obvious rewards of engaging in office politics a better job, a raise, praise many people are still unable or unwilling to play the game. People assume that office politics involves some manipulative (工于心计的) behavior, says Deborah Comer, an assistant professor of management at Hofstra University. But politics derives from the word ' polite ' . It can mean lobbying and forming associations. It can mean being kind and helpful, or even trying to please your superior, and then expecting something in return. In fact, today, experts define office politics as proper behavior used to pursue one ' s own self-interest in the workplace. In many cases, this involves

some form of socializing within the office environment not just in large companies, but in small workplaces as well. The first thing people are usually judged on is their ability to perform well on a consistent basis, says Neil P. Lewis, a management psychologist. But if two or three candidates are up for a promotion, each of whom has reasonably similar ability, a manager is going to promote the person he or she likes best. It ' s simple human nature. Yet, psychologists say, many employees and employers have trouble with the concept of politics in the office. Some people, they say, have an idealistic vision of work and what it takes to succeed. Still others associate politics with flattery (奉承), fearful that, if they speak up for themselves, they may appear to be flattering their boss for favors. Experts suggest altering this negative picture by recognizing the need for some self-promotion.

11. Office politics (Line 2, Para. 4) is used in the passage to refer to . A) the code of behavior for company staff B) the political views and beliefs of office workers C) the interpersonal relationships within a company D) the various qualities required for a successful career

12. To get promoted, one must not only be competent but . A) give his boss a good impression B) honest and loyal to his company C) get along well with his colleagues D) avoid being too outstanding

13. Why are many people unwilling to play the game (Line 4, Para. 5) A) They believe that doing so is impractical. B) They feel that such behavior is unprincipled. C) They are not good at manipulating colleagues. D) They think the effort will get them nowhere.

14. The author considers office politics to be . A) unwelcome at the workplace B) bad for interpersonal relationships

C) indispensable to the development of company culture D) an important factor for personal advancement 15. It is the author ' s view that . A) speaking up for oneself is part of human nature B) self-promotion does not necessarily mean flattery C) hard work contributes very little to one ' s promotion D) many employees fail to recognize the need of flattery 100Test 下载频道开通，各类考试题目直接下载。详细请访问 www.100test.com