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Read the following text and fill each of the numbered spaces with ONE suitable word. Write your answers on ANSWER SHEET

1. Children who grip their pens too close to the writing point are likely to be at a disadvantage in examinations, (1) \_\_\_\_\_ to the first serious investigation into the way in which writing technique can dramatically affect educational achievement. The survey of 643 children and adults, aged from pre-school to 40-plus, also suggests (2) \_\_\_\_\_ pen-holding techniques have deteriorated sharply over one generation, with teachers now paying far (3) \_\_\_\_\_ attention to correct pen grip and handwriting style. Stephanie Thomas, a learning support teacher (4) \_\_\_\_\_ findings have been published, was inspired to investigate this area (5) \_\_\_\_\_ she noticed that those pupils who had the most trouble with spelling (6) \_\_\_\_\_ had a poor pen grip. While Ms. Thomas could not establish a significant statistical link (7) \_\_\_\_\_ pen-holding style and accuracy in spelling, she (8) \_\_\_\_\_ find huge differences in technique between the young children and the mature adults, and a definite (9) \_\_\_\_\_ between near-point gripping and slow, illegible writing. People who (10) \_\_\_\_\_ their pens at the writing point also show other characteristics (11) \_\_\_\_\_ inhibit learning, (12) \_\_\_\_\_ as poor posture, leaning too (13) \_\_\_\_\_ to the desk, using four fingers to grip the pen (14) \_\_\_\_\_ than three, and clumsy

positioning of the thumb (which can obscure(15) \_\_\_\_\_ is being written. Ms. Thomas believes that the(16) \_\_\_\_\_ between older and younger writers is(17) \_\_\_\_\_ too dramatic to be accounted for simply by the possibility that people get better at writing as they grow(18) \_\_\_\_\_. She attributes it to a failure to teach the most effective methods, pointing out that the differences between(19) \_\_\_\_\_ groups coincides with the abandonment of formal handwriting instruction in classrooms in the sixties. "The 30-year-olds showed a huge range of grips,(20) \_\_\_\_\_ the over 40s group all had a uniform tripod grip." 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](http://www.100test.com)