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C) I've got my leg injured.
2. A) Hold the line, please.
C) Yes, you do.
3. A) Today.
C) With my friend.
4. A) Is that so early?
C) I'm sorry.
5. A) Yes, with pleasure.

- B) It doesn't matter.
D) I have no question at all.
B) Go ahead, please.
D) Yes, he is in.
B) By air.
D) On business.
B) Must you leave so soon?
D) I'll see you then.
B) Yes, I know her very well.



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Part I

Listening Comprehension (15 minutes)

Directions: This part is to test your listening ability. It consists of 3 sections.



Section A

Directions: This section is to test your ability to give proper answers to questions. There are 5 recorded questions in it. After each question, there is a pause. The questions will be spoken two times. When you hear a question, you should decide on the correct answer from the 4 choices marked A), B), C) and D) given in your test paper. Then you should mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the center.

Example: You will hear: Mr. Smith is not in. Would you like to give him a message?

You will read: A) I'm not sure.

B) You're right.

C) Yes, certainly.

D) That's interesting.

From the question we learn that the speaker is asking the listener to leave a message. Therefore, C) Yes, certainly is the correct answer. You should mark C) on the Answer Sheet. Now the test will begin.

1. A) It matters a lot.

C) I've got my leg injured.

2. A) Hold the line, please.

C) Yes, you do.

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B) Must you leave so soon?

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B) Yes, I know her very well.



C) No, I'm afraid I don't.

D) No, I won't be free this evening.

**Section B**

Directions: This section is to test your ability to understand short dialogues. There are 5 recorded dialogues in it. After each dialogue, there is a recorded question. Both the dialogues and questions will be spoken two times. When you hear a question, you should decide on the correct answer from the 4 choices marked A), B), C) and D) given in your test paper. Then you should mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the center.

6. A) It is still raining. B) It has cleared up.
C) It has stopped raining. D) It is still snowing.
7. A) Do some typing. B) Buy some paper.
C) Get a typewriter. D) Go out for exercise.
8. A) He smoked before. B) He likes smoking.
C) He never smokes. D) He is starting to smoke.
9. A) The man hasn't made up his mind yet. B) The man doesn't know where to go.
C) The man has been to Japan before. D) The man wants to visit Japan.
10. A) It was a failure. B) It was interesting.
C) She thought she had passed it. D) She thought it was hard to tell.

**Section C**

Directions: In this section you will hear a short recorded passage. The passage is printed in the test paper, but with some words or phrases missing. The passage will be read three times. During the second reading, you are required to put the missing words or phrases that you hear on the Answer Sheet in order of the numbered blanks. The third reading is for you to check your writing. Now the passage will begin.

Once you are hired as a company employee, you will likely have business cards. A business card is printed with your name, title, company, address and 11. Presenting a business card can provide 12 and help to make a favorable business impression. For example, when you arrive for a business interview, give the secretary your card, pronounce your name clearly, and 13 your business purpose. Sit 14 until the person you want to see arrives or you are told what to do. When you leave, 15 that you thank the secretary for any help she has given you.



Part II

Vocabulary & Structure (15 minutes)

Directions: This part is to test your ability to use words and phrases correctly to construct meaningful and grammatically correct sentences. It consists of 2 sections.



Section A

Directions: There are 10 incomplete statements here. You are required to complete each statement by choosing the appropriate answer from the 4 choices marked A), B), C) and D). You should mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the center.

16. As Edison grew _____, he never lost his interest in science.
A) elder B) older C) the elder D) the oldest
17. I'd like to _____ your essay with you when you have time.
A) go for B) go after C) go over D) go by
18. The report showed us very clearly how the plane got _____ and crashed in the end.
A) out of control B) under control C) into control D) within control
19. I was _____ which country to visit in the coming summer vacation.
A) worrying B) doubting C) finding D) wondering
20. You can drive your own car _____ you have passed the driving test.
A) even if B) as if C) now that D) so that
21. The committee members propose that the plan _____ postponed for a few days.
A) being B) been C) to be D) be
22. The book is _____ more difficult than the one I recommended to you.
A) rather B) much C) very D) so
23. The project to clear up the polluted river _____ by the end of next year.
A) will have been completed B) will have completed
C) is being completed D) has been completed
24. I have no doubt _____ most of the students in our classes can pass the final examination.
A) whether B) although C) that D) as
25. I don't think these books are _____ for young children.
A) suitable B) reasonable C) capable D) probable



Section B

Directions: There are also 10 incomplete statements here. You should fill in each blank



with the proper form of the word given in the brackets. Write the word or words in the corresponding space on the Answer Sheet.

26. If you intend _____ (visit) the National Garden, please contact me soon.
27. When I found Linda, she _____ (play) table tennis with her friend Jean.
28. The _____ (manage) of a company is very important part of the working process to its development.
29. Although John was not experienced in business, he did it with _____ (confident).
30. John went to town yesterday and had his computer _____ (repair) there.
31. The noise was so loud that it could _____ (hear) from far away.
32. I'm _____ (real) sorry for the mistake our office worker made in the business last month.
33. There was a stranger _____ (stand) at the door.
34. I don't mind _____ (have) a dog in the house so long as it's clean and it doesn't smell.
35. Your ideas are very interesting, but we need some _____ (practice) advice for getting out of trouble.

Part III

Reading Comprehension (40 minutes)

Directions: This part is to test your reading ability. There are 5 tasks for you to fulfill. You should read the reading materials carefully and do the tasks as you are instructed.



Task 1

Directions: After reading the following passage, you will find 5 questions or unfinished statements, numbered 36 to 40. For each question or statement there are 4 choices marked A), B), C) and D). You should make the correct choice and mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the center.

The first step in wise car care and services is to buy a car that is in perfect condition. Look the car over carefully to make sure that it doesn't have any built-in flaws (内在的瑕疵) or service headaches. Be sure you know how to operate your car. Sit in the driver's seat and have the salesman explain how to start the car. Make sure you learn the location of all the controls.

Check the outside of the car. Open and close the car doors two or three times. Do the doors fit the frames? Do they close completely? Roll the windows up and down. Do they work smoothly and close all the way? Have the salesman try all the lights and signals while you stand outside the car to make sure they work.



Start the engine and listen for any noise. The car should run smoothly after it has warmed up. All these simple things should be checked before you leave the shop.

Next, road-test the car. It should speed up without jerking(颠簸), and the brake(刹车) should work evenly and quickly.

If the car fails to perform on any of these points, do not take it. Insist that the faults be fixed before you accept it.

36. When you want to buy a car, you'd better first .
- A) learn how to operate the car B) check the condition of the car
- C) try to ask about its service headaches D) tell the salesman to start and stop it
37. While the salesman is testing the lights and signals, you should .
- A) sit in the driver's seat B) roll the window up
- C) watch from outside D) open the car doors
38. The engine of a good car is expected to run .
- A) easily B) quickly C) quietly D) smoothly
39. After you have carefully examined the car's performance at the shop, you have to .
- A) buy it immediately B) test it on the road
- C) check it up again D) fix the faults
40. What is this passage talking about?
- A) Selecting a good car. B) Repairing an old car.
- C) Operating a new car. D) Learning to drive a car.

Task 2

Directions: This task is the same as Task 1. The 5 questions or unfinished statements are numbered 41 through 45.

The brand(商标) name puts a face on every company. Name like McDonald's, GM, Apple, Intel, and a large number of others have long become very popular. They've also given customers a point of reference when thinking about a company. Good brand names might help companies avoid heavy costs and bring them greater profits.

Usually companies create names that are easy to learn and remember. Firstly, the name should create interest. Rhymes and humor are some ways to gain interest, but there are others as well. Think about your customers and what would interest them. Secondly, the name should present a picture or image. People remember them most because the name is stored in pictures and words. Thirdly, the name should be meaningful. It can be done with lots of advertising, but names that are themselves more meaningful to customers are more easily stored in memory. More important, the name should have meaningful associations that show the benefits customers want. Then the name should have emotion. Emotional associations are easier to learn and remember.



The Love Boat, for instance, is very easy to remember. Finally, the name should be simple so that it is easier to learn and remember.

41. Why does the passage mention the brand names such as McDonald's and GM in the first paragraph?
- A) To show that a good brand name is significant for a company.
B) To tell readers that they are important and popular terms.
C) To introduce some well-known brand names to readers.
D) To explain why those companies are successful.
42. According to the passage, a good brand name _____.
- A) must be shown in pictures
B) must be advertised a lot
C) is attractive to customers
D) is always full of humor
43. Which of the following is the most important in making a brand name popular?
- A) Being easy to remember.
B) Having lots of advertisements.
C) Gaining support from associations.
D) Showing the benefits customers can have.
44. Which of the following statement is TRUE?
- A) People prefer strange brand names to ordinary ones.
B) Customers are interested in emotional brand names.
C) Brand names advertised in pictures are easy to make.
D) A brand name has little to do with a company's profits.
45. What is the main purpose of this passage?
- A) To tell how difficult it is to make a good brand name.
B) To compare different ways of choosing brand names.
C) To recommend some popular brand names.
D) To introduce what a good brand name is.



Task 3

Directions: The following is an advertisement. After reading it, you should complete the information by filling in the blanks marked 46 through 50 in the table below.

When traveling, you need comfortable, practical clothing and a safe way to carry your money, passport and other valuables. That's why we've created the Remarkable Travel Jacket, a jacket designed for comfort, great looks, plus protection for your valuables.

The secret to the Remarkable Travel Jacket's good looks is a special clothing material that refuses to crease(起皱).

What's most wonderful about this jacket is its 10 separate pockets, only 3 of which are visible from outside. There are 4 inside pockets, a hidden coin pocket and a pen pocket. The secret money pocket is the one that only you will know how to find.



A Remarkable Travel Jacket with all these features would cost \$250 or more. But Willabee & Ward's Remarkable Travel Jacket is priced at just \$169. Your complete satisfaction is promised; if not delighted, return in original (原先的) condition for a replacement or repayment. Order Today!

Remarkable Travel Jacket

Features of the jacket:

Comfort, good looks, and protection for 46.

Special design:

Three 47 pockets and seven inside or hidden pockets.

Low price at Willabee & Ward:

Only 48.

Willabee & Ward's promise:

A 49 or 50 if you are not satisfied.



Task 4

Directions: The following is a list of Information for Tourists (At your Service). After reading it, you are required to find the items equivalent to (与……等同) those given in Chinese in the table below. Then you should put the corresponding letters in the brackets on the Answer Sheet, numbered 51 through 55.

A—Information center

B—First aid

C—May remain in wheelchair

D—Packing lot assistance

E—ATM (Automatic Teller Machine) locations

F—Baby care center

G—Parade route

H—Lockers

I—Services for guests with disabilities

J—Photo spot

K—Lost and found

L—Assisted-listening device available

M—Guided tours

N—Vegetarian selection

O—Foreign currency

P—Credit cards



Examples: (G) 游览线路

(H) 物品存放处

51. () 提供助听器

() 外币兑换处

52. () 婴儿照料中心

() 残疾人服务处

53. () 导游参观

() 失物招领处

54. () 自动取款机

() 停车服务

55. () 急救站

() 拍照点



Task 5

Directions: The following is an advertisement on the Internet in the form of a letter. After reading it, you are required to complete the statements that follow the questions (No. 56 through No. 60). You should write your answer in no more than 3 words on the Answer Sheet correspondingly.

Dear friends,

Do you like learning English? I hope so. Of course, learning a language isn't easy. That's why Studio Classroom and Let's Talk in English are here! We want to help you discover the joys of learning English!

Take some time to browse(浏览) around our site. We've added links to several very useful websites(网址) where you can actually learn and practice you English—ONLINE! Read the description of each site and then visit the ones that sound interesting to you.

You can also hear Studio Classroom and Let's Talk in English teaching programs on the Internet. When you visit the SinaNet Website, you can read our monthly articles and listen to our programs. Be sure to read the instructions on SinaNet about how to download(下载) RA player. Then you'll be able to hear Studio Classroom and Let's Talk in English through the Web!

Thanks for coming to our website. Please write to us if we can help you in any way. Remember: We're your "FRIEND FOR LIFE"!

Yours friend,

International Director

56. In what way will Studio Classroom and Let's Talk in English help English learners?

To help them enjoy _____.

57. How can learners of English choose the websites of their interest before visiting them?

They can first read the _____ of each website.

58. How can one learn English on the SinaNet?

By reading _____ and listening to the programs.

59. What should you do if you are going to download RA player?

You should look at the _____ on the website.

60. What is introduced in this advertising letter?



A very useful _____ called SinaNet.

Part IV

Translation — English into Chinese (15 minutes)

Directions: This part, numbered 61 to 65, is to test your ability to translate English into Chinese. Each of the four sentences (No. 61 to No. 64) is followed by four choices of the suggested Chinese translation marked A), B), C) and D). Make the best choice and write the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet. Write your translation of the paragraph (No. 65) in the corresponding space on the Translation/Composition Sheet.

61. The young people of the present day are beyond my comprehension.
A) 现在的年轻人超出了我的综合判断。
B) 现在的年轻人比我的理解能力强。
C) 当今的年轻人理解不了我。
D) 我真弄不懂当今的年轻人。
62. It gives us much pleasure to send you the goods asked for in your letter of September 10.
A) 很高兴发去贵方 9 月 10 日来函索购的货物。
B) 我们很高兴寄去你们 9 月 10 日来函询问我们的商品。
C) 我们十分高兴贵方 9 月 10 日来函询问我们的商品。
D) 我们很高兴贵方来信要求我们 9 月 10 日寄出优质产品。
63. Australia, with less than a tenth of America's population, last year earned \$2 billion on foreign education.
A) 澳大利亚以少于美国十分之一的人力, 去年在国外办教育赚了 20 亿美元。
B) 澳大利亚, 少于美国人口的十分之一, 去年在国外教育上赚了 20 亿美元。
C) 澳大利亚的人口尽管不到美国的十分之一, 去年的留学生教育赚了 20 亿美元。
D) 澳大利亚, 一个比美国人口少十分之一的国家, 去年在对留学生教育上赚了 20 亿美元。
64. There's no right amount of sleep for everyone, and generally sleep requirements decrease with age.
A) 每个人都没有恰当的睡眠量, 一般来说, 睡眠需求会随着年龄的增长而减少。
B) 每个人所需的睡眠时间不尽相同, 一般是随着年龄的增长而减少。
C) 睡眠不足者需求的睡眠量一般都随着年龄而减少。
D) 一个人没有固定的睡眠时间, 一般会缩短寿命。
65. Qantas (广达斯航空公司) has more flights to more places than any other Australian airlines.
Every week, we fly to 104 cities in 31 countries across 5 continents (洲). All this means that



whenever and wherever you want to go in the world, Qantas can take you there safely and comfortably.

Part V

Writing (15 minutes)

Directions: This part is to test your ability to do practical writing. You are required to write a notice according to the following instructions given in Chinese. Remember to write the notice on the Translation/Comprehension Sheet.

说明:以学生会的名义于 2002 年 6 月 10 日写一张演讲的通知

演讲人:著名教授 John Smith 先生

时间:下周五晚上 7 点

地点:报告厅

主题:世界经济发展与中国加入 WTO 后中国轻工业的未来

领票时间以及地点:每晚 7 点至 9 点在 5 号楼 601 房间

负责人:李明

Words for reference:

报告厅 lecture hall; 经济发展 economic development; 轻工业 the light industry;

中国加入 WTO China's entering WTO



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Part I

Listening Comprehension (15 minutes)

Directions: This part is to test your listening ability. It consists of 3 sections.



Section A

Directions: This section is to test your ability to give proper responses. There are 5 recorded questions in it. After each question, there is a pause. The questions will be spoken two times. When you hear a question, you should decide on the correct answer from the 4 choices marked A), B), C) and D) given in your test paper. Then you should mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the center.

Example: You will hear: Mr. Smith is not in. Would you like to give him a message?

You will read: A) I'm not sure.

B) You're right.

C) Yes, certainly.

D) That's interesting.

From the question we learn that the speaker is asking the listener to leave a message. Therefore, C) Yes, certainly is the correct answer. You should mark C) on the Answer Sheet. Now the test will begin.

1. A) A pound of tomatoes, please.

C) Please do it for me.

2. A) It's good.

C) Don't mention it.

3. A) I'm pleased.

C) Yes, of course.

4. A) No, I won't sign.

C) Yes, I can see it.

5. A) The same to you.

B) You can't do anything for me.

D) I can manage it myself.

B) Just so-so.

D) I'm glad you enjoyed it.

B) Never mind.

D) I could.

B) No, with pleasure.

D) Yes, thanks.

B) That's all right.



C) Me, too.

D) Nice to see you.



Section B

Directions: This section is to test your ability to understand short dialogues. There are 5 recorded dialogues in it. After each dialogue, there is a recorded question. Both the dialogues and questions will be spoken two times. When you hear a question, you should decide on the correct answer from the 4 choices marked A), B), C) and D) given in your test paper. Then you should mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the center.

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| 6. A) Go to the concert. | B) Work in the office. |
| C) Stay at home. | D) Attend a party. |
| 7. A) Customer and saleswoman. | B) Husband and wife. |
| C) Patient and doctor. | D) Teacher and student. |
| 8. A) Her mother took her to hospital. | B) Her mother was ill. |
| C) She went to see a friend. | D) She had no class. |
| 9. A) The man will take a flight. | B) The man will leave at once. |
| C) The flight will leave at 2:30. | D) The flight will be late. |
| 10. A) It's on the right of the man. | B) It's far from Rose Street. |
| C) It's on Rose Street. | D) It's around the next corner. |



Section C

Directions: In this section you will hear a recorded short passage. The passage is printed in the test paper, but with some words or phrases missing. The passage will be read three times. During the second reading, you are required to put the missing words or phrases on the Answer Sheet in order of the numbered blanks according to what you hear. The third reading is for you to check your writing. Now the passage will begin.

Recently, a well-known man said that teaching one's wife to drive a car was a difficult job. He said it was the worst job he could think of. However, no one has 11 that women cause fewer accidents than men do. We hear hundreds of suggestions for 12 the number of road accidents, but men are not willing to admit that women drivers are more 13 than men. If more women and fewer men 14 to drive cars, the number of deaths on the roads would soon 15.