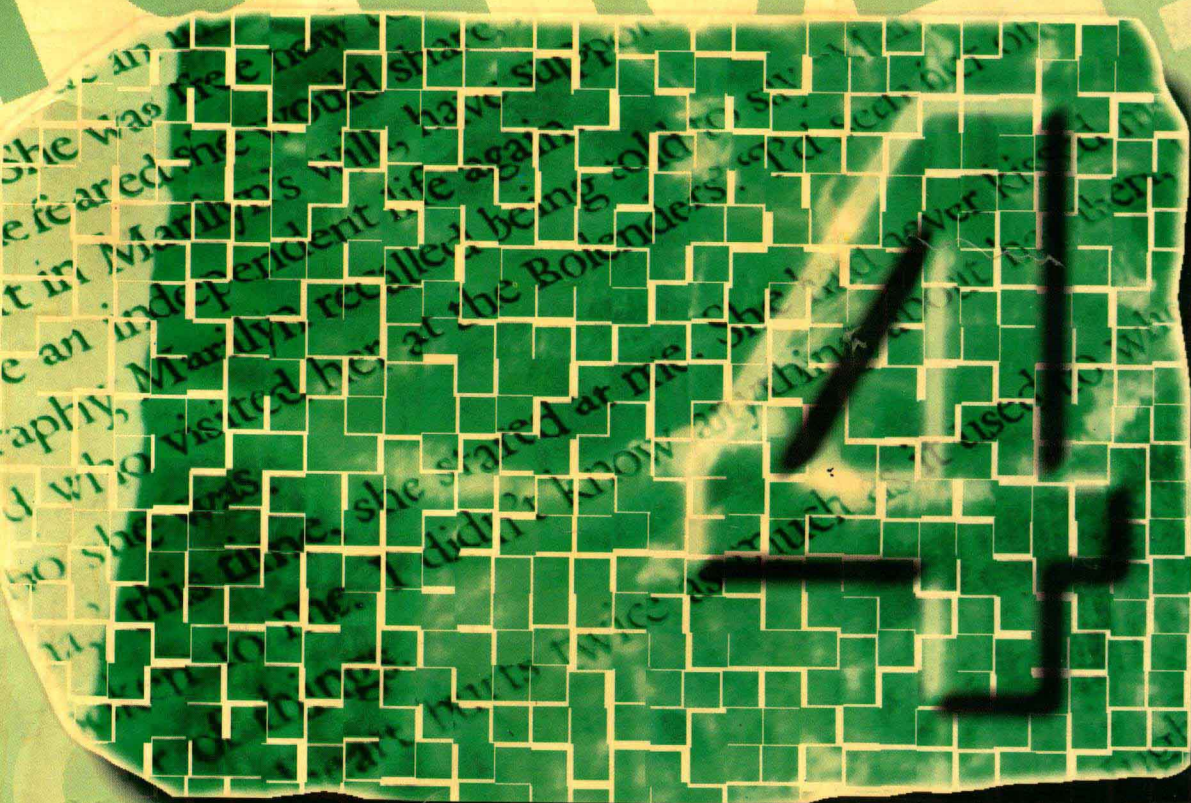


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内 容 提 要

本书是根据《大学英语教学大纲》的教学要求和《大学英语四级考试大纲》对听、读、写、译所要达到的要求仿照新的考试题型编写的。本书共有听力理解、阅读理解、词汇和语法、综合填空、写作、听写填空、复合式听写、英译汉与简短回答问题九个部分。考生通过多种形式的大量练习,一方面能复习和巩固已掌握的学习技能,提高实际应用英语的能力,达到教学大纲所规定的要求;另一方面能顺利地通过大学英语四级考试。书后附有习题参考答案及作文范文、听力部分的文字材料、词汇与结构部分的注释。本书配有磁带。

本书可供参加大学英语四级统考的考生考前复习之用。

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前 言

本习题集是以国家教委所颁发的文理科《大学英语教学大纲》为依据,参照大学英语四级考试大纲,由几位具有多年大学英语四级教学经验的教师所编写的。本书共有九个部分,包括听力理解、阅读理解、词汇和语法、综合填空、写作、听写填空、复合式听写、英译汉与简短回答问题,其中听写填空、复合式听写、英译汉与简短回答问题是根据国家教委的新精神而编写的。本书试图通过多种形式的大量练习,一方面帮助学生复习和巩固已掌握的学习技能,提高学生实际应用英语的能力,达到教学大纲所规定的要求;另一方面帮助学生能够顺利地通过大学英语四级考试。

本习题集中的语言材料均选自英美原版书刊,选材面广、体裁多样、语言规范、内容生动。全书练习针对性强、训练量大。

书末附有全部练习答案,其中词汇和语法部分附有注解。听力部分还配有录音磁带,由英美语言专家朗读。

本习题集由柯应中主编,其中的听力理解部分由魏先军编写;阅读理解、综合填空、英译汉与简短回答问题部分由俞美君编写;听写填空部分由俞美君和魏先军共同编写;词汇和语法、写作部分由魏伟华编写。由于编者水平有限,书中若有疏漏及不妥之处,恳请读者提出批评与宝贵意见。

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Part I Listening Comprehension

第一部分 听力理解

Practice Exercise 1

Section A

Directions: In this section, you will hear 10 short conversations. At the end of each conversation, a question will be asked about what was said. Both the conversation and the question will be spoken only once. After each question there will be a pause. During the pause, you must read the four choices marked A, B, C and D, and decide which is the best answer. Then mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the centre.

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|--|---------------------------------------|
| 1. A. Painting. | C. Watching football. |
| B. Sailing. | D. Going to the cinema. |
| 2. A. To meet Steve. | C. To buy some pictures. |
| B. To write an article. | D. To go shopping with Steve. |
| 3. A. A receptionist. | C. A shop-assistant. |
| B. A teacher. | D. A manager. |
| 4. A. To have a good rest. | C. To see Morica. |
| B. To go abroad for the weekend. | D. To take an exam. |
| 5. A. 3 pills. | C. 8 pills. |
| B. 6 pills. | D. 10 pills. |
| 6. A. At once. | C. Tomorrow. |
| B. At 12 o'clock. | D. Before 12 o'clock. |
| 7. A. Stop smoking and take exercises. | C. Think of her problems carefully. |
| B. Take some medicine. | D. Be on diet. |
| 8. A. It was not him. | C. He greeted his son's friends. |
| B. He was angry. | D. He had fever. |
| 9. A. He is tired of the routine work. | C. He had something special. |
| B. He feels ill. | D. He has just had his dinner. |
| 10. A. After nine o'clock every day. | C. After twelve o'clock on Wednesday. |
| B. Before four o'clock every day. | D. 4 days a week. |

Section B

Directions: In this section, you will hear 3 short passages. At the end of each passage, you will hear some questions. Both the passage and questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a

question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A, B, C and D. Then mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the centre.

Passage I

11. A. Computers have become part of our daily lives.
B. Computers have disadvantages as well as advantages.
C. People have different attitudes to computers.
D. More and more families will own computers.
12. A. Computers can bring financial problems.
B. Computers can bring unemployment.
C. Computers can be very useful in families.
D. Computerised robots can take over some unpleasant jobs.
13. A. Computers may change the life they have been accustomed to.
B. Spending too much time on computers may spoil people's relationship.
C. Buying computers may cost a lot of money.
D. Computers may take over from human beings altogether.
14. A. Affectionate.
B. Disapproving.
C. Approving.
D. Neutral.

Passage II

15. A. He had nowhere else to play.
B. He wanted to entertain people.
C. He had to earn some money.
D. He liked the way of playing.
16. A. He felt nervous.
B. The trains made a lot of noise.
C. His violin was out of tune.
D. He was standing too near the wall.
17. A. He was too busy to stop.
B. He was a criminal.
C. He dropped the money by mistake.
D. He did not want to attract attention.

Passage III

18. A. He did nothing.
B. He felt very tired.
C. He continued to play the violin.
D. He did not make so much money.
19. A. Play in different streets.
B. Leave all the money in the hat.
C. Empty the hat at regular intervals.
D. Leave a small amount of money in the hat.
20. A. They had criticized his playing.
B. They were embarrassed by what they had said.
C. They were confused by his playing.
D. They felt sorry for him.

Practice Exercise 2

Section A

1. A. His father.
B. Himself.
C. The state government.
D. His university.
2. A. He is a famous writer.
B. He is a famous pop star.
C. He is a student of the school.
D. He is a rebel of the students.

3. A. They liked classical music very much.
B. The man wanted to sleep when she asked him to the concert.
C. The man was not interested in classical music.
D. Finally they went to the concert together.
4. A. The song of number 1.
B. "Gold Dust".
C. "Sweet Girl".
D. None of the above.
5. A. A film like "Star Wars".
B. A film about science.
C. A film which can make her laugh.
D. A film which can make her cry.
6. A. He doesn't want a cup of tea.
B. He will not work all the time.
C. He will study all the time.
D. He wants to enjoy himself.
7. A. To study.
B. To have a better job.
C. To go into management.
D. To have a qualification.
8. A. It's very difficult for him to get a job.
B. It's easy to say but difficult to do.
C. He has tried everything to get experience.
D. He is an honest man.
9. A. To leave the insurance company tomorrow.
B. To be keen on pottery.
C. To start his own business.
D. To get enough money.
10. A. 12 pounds.
B. 15 pounds.
C. 60 pounds.
D. 90 pounds.

Section B

Passage I

11. A. He doesn't want to make a living like ordinary people.
B. Only the prison can help him to control himself.
C. Once being in prison, he is more like to commit crimes.
D. He can't find a job when he gets out of the prison.
12. A. Provide them more train for jobs while in the prison.
B. Offer them more jobs when they get out.
C. Ask people not to look down on them.
D. Give them more money to keep their living.
13. A. An announcement to the prisoners.
B. A speech at an academic conference.
C. A report to the government.
D. A free talk among friends.

Passage II

14. A. To learn languages.
B. How to learn.
C. To make a living.
D. To learn a skill.
15. A. They read books that were not taught at school.
B. They worked hard all their lives, wasting not a single moment.
C. They did thousands of experiments.
D. All of the above.

16. A. Great scientists invented a lot of things. C. They did many experiments.
 B. They read a lot of books in school. D. They saved every moment.

Passage III

17. A. His brother. C. A salesman.
 B. His boss. D. A friend.
18. A. £60. C. £45.
 B. £50. D. £15.
19. A. He sent the drill back and asked for his deposit.
 B. He went to the salesman for exchange.
 C. He had no choice but to keep the drill.
 D. He threw away the drill.
20. A. They took no notice of his complaint.
 B. They thought that he broke the drill himself.
 C. They agreed to return his deposit.
 D. They sent him another drill.

Practice Exercise 3

Section A

1. A. Everyone loves to go to Dave's party.
 B. They have been to Dave's party.
 C. The man invited everyone to Dave's party.
 D. The woman doesn't want to go to the party with the man.
2. A. He wants to make a long-distant telephone.
 B. He wants to save money.
 C. He wants to talk to the operator.
 D. He wants to know the best time to make a long-distant telephone.
3. A. Fiji. C. Switzerland.
 B. Singapore. D. Italy.
4. A. He visited Cresta last year.
 B. He was ill there.
 C. He felt shameful.
 D. He is going to visit Cresta and Barcelona this year.
5. A. Boss and clerk. C. Policeman and witness.
 B. Teacher and student. D. Two friends.
6. A. To solve her problem. C. To go to the seaside with her.
 B. To pay attention to her house. D. To have his eye checked.
7. A. Forty-five pounds. C. More than ninety pounds.
 B. Ninety ponds. D. Less than ninety pounds.
8. A. She is going to be a ballerina. C. She wants some children.
 B. She wants a very rich husband. D. She will raise some animals.

9. A. Pilots.
B. Tim Johnson.
10. A. She will drive him to London.
B. She will help him to meet his friend.

- C. How to become a pilot.
D. How to get to know Tim Johnson.
- C. She will go to London instead of him.
D. She will lend her car to the man.

Section B

Passage I

11. A. In the middle of the night.
B. At ten o'clock.
12. A. Mr Wilkinson.
B. Mrs. Wilkinson.
13. A. He was frightened.
B. He felt surprised.
14. A. Their dog knocked down something.
B. A thief opened the window.
C. The rain scraped against the window.
D. A branch of rose bush scraped against the window.
- C. At eleven o'clock.
D. At about half past eleven.
- C. The Wilkinsons.
D. Neither of them.
- C. He felt very excited.
D. He was cowardly.

Passage II

15. A. Other employees would not want to work under him.
B. Other employees were better qualified.
C. Other employees wanted the job themselves.
D. Other employees had carried no responsibility.
16. A. He is a black man.
B. The jobs were not well paid.
17. A. The decision made him feel ill.
B. The decision disappointed him.
- C. He was too well qualified.
D. They carried no responsibility.
- C. The decision made him feel angry.
D. The decision came as a shock to him.

Passage III

18. A. Two.
B. Three.
19. A. Six people were killed by a truck.
B. There was an operation in an ambulance.
20. A. At 10 Downing Street.
B. At the White House.
- C. Four.
D. Five.
- C. A coach over-carried 45 passengers.
D. A coach collided with a lorry.
- C. At the Government Office.
D. At a public place.

Practice Exercise 4

Section A

1. A. He will go with the woman.
B. He won't go that way.
2. A. She couldn't recognize him.
B. She was surprised to see him.
3. A. Yes, they'd love to.
- C. He will tell her how to find.
D. He isn't very sure of the way.
- C. She wanted to make a miracle.
D. She didn't believe her eyes.

- B. Yes, only if someone can look after their baby.
 - C. No, they won't go.
 - D. No, she is not sure.
4. A. The man has no confidence to finish his work.
 B. The man should make an apology for his absence.
 C. The man is not sure whether he will give the speech or not.
 D. He doesn't want to do his work.
5. A. Tom's. C. The two speakers'.
 B. Bill's. D. John's.
6. A. Nothing special at the office.
 B. Bill is a master.
 C. Bill passed out cigars to everyone for having a baby.
 D. Everyone at the office is fine.
7. A. The man is having an overseas call. C. The man talk a lot on the phone.
 B. The man will not pay for the call. D. The man was very angry.
8. A. David will leave. C. The man woke up very late.
 B. The woman was very angry. D. The man was very excited.
9. A. In a restaurant. C. In a cafeteria.
 B. In a supermarket. D. At an office.
10. A. She is getting very fat.
 B. She thinks she should be on diet.
 C. While she's eating, she is not thinking of dieting.
 D. She is watching of her weight.

Section B

Passage I

11. A. Six. C. Six and a half.
 B. Five. D. Five and a half.
12. A. Taxes. C. Students.
 B. Schools. D. Students' parents.
13. A. The principle of education in US.
 B. Schools in the United States.
 C. Children are asked to go to school at a certain age.
 D. Elementary education in the United States.
14. A. States. C. Local communities.
 B. The federal government. D. Students themselves.

Passage II

15. A. Their parents don't love them.
 B. Their parents are too strict with them.
 C. Their parents are out of touch with modern ways.
 D. Their parents are always think of themselves.
16. A. They forget how they themselves felt when they were young.

- B. They should try to go into the youth's world.
 - C. They'd better not be gossips.
 - D. They should respect the young people.
17. A. Parents have no sense of humor.
- B. Old people like to make several plans ahead.
 - C. In order to challenge their parents, young people refuse to plan ahead.
 - D. All young people drive too fast and refuse to study.

Passage III

- 18. A. A diplomat.
 - B. A spy.
 - 19. A. Reporter — writer.
 - B. Client — lawyer.
 - 20. A. The story was bad.
 - B. His secretary had typed the story.
 - C. The man had asked the secretary to type the story.
 - D. The man was wasting his time.
- C. A writer.
 - D. A lonely man.
 - C. Teacher — student.
 - D. Two friends.

Practice Exercise 5

Section A

- 1. A. She is underpaid.
 - B. She wants a higher salary.
 - 2. A. Teacher — student.
 - B. Boss — clerk.
 - 3. A. In a restaurant.
 - B. At an office.
 - 4. A. He wants to go to the conference.
 - B. He wants to be welcome.
 - 5. A. Secretary — boss.
 - B. Student — teacher.
 - 6. A. It isn't small and young.
 - B. It has good workers.
 - 7. A. The man wasn't a US citizen.
 - B. The business company accepted the man.
 - C. The man could not present sufficient credentials.
 - D. The man was a very impressive person.
 - 8. A. He has to have the job.
 - B. He likes difficulties.
 - 9. A. Two weeks.
 - B. Three weeks.
 - 10. A. Climb the mountains.
- C. She expresses her idea directly.
 - D. Her boss permitted to give her a raise.
 - C. Lawyer — client.
 - D. Two colleagues.
 - C. In a supermarket.
 - D. At home.
 - C. He wants to see Mr. Jackson.
 - D. He wants to cancel the appointment.
 - C. Customer — shop-assistant.
 - D. Interviewer — interviewee.
 - C. It has a good fortune.
 - D. He likes the company.
 - C. He is afraid of the projects.
 - D. He was frightened.
 - C. Four weeks.
 - D. Five weeks.
 - C. Wind surfing.

B. Go fishing.

D. Read some books.

Section B

Passage I

11. A. In her sister's house.
B. In the village.
C. In the public garden.
D. On a hilly path.
12. A. The dog had a collar round its neck.
B. The dog hated its owner.
C. The dog jumped out of the open window of the car.
D. The dog was very kind to the woman.
13. A. Her sister.
B. An old gentleman.
C. The police.
D. Nobody.

Passage II

14. A. Farming.
B. Hunting and fishing.
C. Collecting.
D. All of the above.
15. A. About 8,000 B.C.
B. After 8,000 B.C.
C. About 3,000 B.C.
D. Later than 3,000 B.C.
16. A. Dogs, cats, fish.
B. Cattle, sheep.
C. Goats.
D. Pigs.
17. A. They are wandering to find good place to live.
B. They are wandering to search for new pastures for their herds.
C. They are wandering to search for rivers.
D. They are wandering to find new tribes.

Passage III

18. A. The Games are held every four years.
B. Athletes from all over the world attend the Games.
C. A lighted torch is carried by athletes from Mount Olympus to the holding place.
D. The world pays much attention to the Olympic Games.
19. A. The Olympic Games was held in Mexico City.
B. The torch lost three times on the way.
C. Once the flame extinguished, it was lighted at once.
D. There was not any torch ceremony.
20. A. The torch ceremony dates back to Ancient Greece.
B. The Grecian used to have a torch race.
C. Only men could take part in the torch race.
D. The Ancient Greek athletes must keep the flame burning.

Practice Exercise 6

Section A

1. A. Their holiday is quite good.
B. They enjoyed the rain in their holiday.
C. His son had to be sent to hospital there.
D. His son was fine.

2. A. It's not easy to recommend her a university.
B. A large good university is good in every field.
C. Some universities have their own special fields.
D. It's not good to go to only one university.
3. A. At an office.
B. In a university.
C. In a supermarket.
D. In a restaurant.
4. A. She is a very active girl.
B. She is very sociable.
C. She is very kind.
D. Both A and B.
5. A. It's not a good place.
B. It's as good as usual.
C. She doesn't want a dinner.
D. She likes the cafeteria.
6. A. The man is always absent in Mrs. Lee's class.
B. The woman likes sleeping in the class.
C. Neither of them likes Mrs. Lee's class.
D. They find Mrs. Lee's class is interesting.
7. A. Their team is better.
B. The team's fans are more excited.
C. They will shout louder.
D. They will beat the fans of the other team.
8. A. Jim will go back home.
B. Jim has to find a job in his home town.
C. Jim's father is an owner of a supermarket.
D. Jim will help his father.
9. A. She felt sorry for the man.
B. She had to pay the fine.
C. She can't accept the books.
D. She had to ask the man to pay for the overdue.
10. A. In a university.
B. In a library.
C. In a bookstore.
D. In a supermarket.

Section B

Passage I

11. A. It uses its trunk to fight.
B. It uses its trunk to pull leaves off trees to eat.
C. It uses its trunk to make a path through the jungle.
D. It uses its trunk to get water to drink.
12. A. Some African hunted elephants just for tusks.
B. They are very precious.
C. They are made into many beautiful things.
D. They are the decorations of elephant.
13. A. He had to pay a lot of money to keep it.
B. He could not make it work or kill it.
C. He must pay much attention on it.
D. Both A and B.
14. A. A useless elephant.
C. A useless thing.