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前言

大学英语四、六级考试(College English Test)作为检验全国大学英语教学的一把尺子,已经经历了近20个春秋,在大学英语教学与改革方面起到了重要的推动作用。自20世纪80年代末期大学英语教学大纲实施之日起,语言运用能力始终就是大学英语教学工作的中心,也是广大大学英语教学工作者与学习者追求的目标,当然也是大学英语四、六级考试试图检测的重点。围绕语言运用能力这个中心,大学英语四、六级考试在实施过程中经历了一些重大改革,主要体现在强调应用能力,增加主观题类型以及题量上。后来四、六级考试里出现的Compound Dictation, Short Answer Questions, Error Correction 和 Translation 都是考试改革的结果。本世纪以来,随着社会对外语人才要求的提高,大学英语界掀起了新一轮教学改革的热潮。自2004年起,《大学英语课程教学要求(试行)》、《全国大学英语四、六级考试改革方案(试行)》相继颁布,四、六级考试记分制度改革,2005年10月《大学英语四级考试(CET-4)试点考试样卷》公布,2006年6月在全国部分高校中实施了大学英语四级考试新题型试点考试。2007年四级新题型将在全国普遍使用。在这种新的形势下,我们组织经验丰富的大学英语教师对新的题型进行了仔细研究,并根据自己的理解编写了本书,希望通过本书帮助读者了解大学英语四、六级考试新题型的特点,以利于读者熟悉题型,加强练习,提高能力。

新题型首先提高了听力的比重,由原来的20%提高到了35%。除了传统的短对话和短文之外,还增加了长对话和复合式听写。体现了新的“课程要求”对听力、口语能力的要求。

阅读的比重由40%减少到了35%,考试题型分为仔细阅读、快速阅读和选词填空。这种考试形式增加了对考生语言应用能力的考查。

综合部分的难度增加了。本部分占15%,但形式多样,包括完型填空、改错、汉译英、简短回答问题等,主、客观题均有。

写作部分仍然占15%,从要求上看没有什么变化,但也有强调应用的趋势。从考试的实施来看,对考试各部分的时间要求更严了,如做试卷二时,试卷一不得启封。从考试各题项顺序安排也能看出这一点,首先是写作,写作完成后是快



速阅读,然后是听力。这种安排将写作和快速阅读的时间进行了严格限定。最后后是仔细阅读和综合测试部分。

本书共有 18 套模拟试题。每套试题均按照新的考试大纲要求编写,在题目形式上根据编者的经验以及该题型的特点作了适当的调整。例如快速阅读部分,除了长文章外,我们也根据阅读 skimming 和 scanning 的特点,编写了一部分与应用密切相关的短文章,更适宜于读者做 skimming 和 scanning 方面的训练。综合部分亦如此。总之,应用能力是新题型考试的中心思想,而本书的题型设计希望既体现考试大纲的要求,也能体现这一中心思想。

每套题都配有答案详解,以及听力原文,供读者参考。本书听力部分配有 MP3 光盘一张,由外籍教师按照考试要求录制。在本书的编写过程中,我们得到了武汉大学出版社王春阁老师的大力支持与帮助,在此表示衷心感谢。由于时间仓促,书中疏漏在所难免,敬请广大读者不吝指正。

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Tests

Test 1

Part I Writing (30 minutes)

Directions: *For this part, you are allowed 30 minutes to write a short essay on the topic of "Super Girls". You should write at least 120 words following the outline given below.*

Super Girls

1. “超女”竞赛轰动。
2. 我看“超女”现象。

Part II Reading Comprehension (Skimming and Scanning) (15 minutes)

Directions: *In this part, you will have 15 minutes to go over the passages quickly and mark your answer on the **Answer Sheet 2**.*

Passage One

First read the following questions.

You want to . . . which key do you press?

1. check the balance in your checking account;

A. 1 B. 2 C. 3 D. 4 E. 5 F. 6 G. 7

2. check the interest rate on a 6-month certificate of deposit;

A. 1 B. 2 C. 3 D. 4 E. 5 F. 6 G. 7

Now read Passage One quickly and mark your answer on your answer sheet.



Welcome to First Mountain Bank's automated touch tone information service. Press 1 for banking hours, press 2 for account history, press 3 for money transfers, press 4 for account interest rates, press 5 for bank news, press 6 at any time to return to the main menu, press 7 to end the call. Thank you.

Passage Two

First read the following questions.

3. What change has been announced?
- A. The flight number.
 - B. The gate number.
 - C. The arrival time.
 - D. The boarding time.
4. What time will the plane depart?
- A. 9:50 am.
 - B. 12:15 pm.
 - C. 4:05 pm.
 - D. 8:45 pm.

Now read Passage Two quickly and mark your answer on your answer sheet.

Hello. Passengers of flight 17 bound for Caracas, with stops in Atlanta and Miami. The departure gate has been changed to 30B. Also, there will be a slight departure delay due to inclement weather outside. The ground crew is in the process of deicing the wings in preparation for departure. It also looks like the flight is slightly overbooked, so we are offering complimentary round-trip tickets to a few passengers willing to take a later flight. We should be boarding about a quarter to the hour. Thank you for your patience.

Passage Three

First read the following questions.

5. The Dream Team is made up of _____.
- A. professional athletes
 - B. college players
 - C. both professional and college members
 - D. semi-professionals and amateurs



6. What part of the body did the Japanese center injure in the game?
- A. Knee.
 - B. Head.
 - C. Ankle.
 - D. Hands.

Now read Passage Three quickly and mark your answer on your answer sheet.

Hello everybody, and welcome back to a thrilling game at the Tokyo Dome with the US Dream Team taking a drumming at the hands of the Japanese national team going into the second half, 51 to 26. The US Dream Team is made up of NBA veterans — supposedly the best we have to offer — but they need a miracle to dig themselves out of a hole and come back at this point.

Unfortunately for the Dream Team, their leading scorer, High-Fly Wilson, was ejected one minute into the second quarter after climbing into the stands and fighting with a spectator who had continually heckled Wilson for shooting three airballs in a row.

Another bizzare moment came late in the second quarter when the Japanese center, Tomohiro Suzuki, suffered a concussion and was knocked out cold as he lunged for a ball and collided with the knee of one of his own teammates. There also have been several other injuries, including the loss of starting forward, Masa Harada.

Some of the coaches on the US team are attributing the team's sluggish performance to some raw fish they had last night while attending a banquet in their honor. Next thing we'll know, they'll be blaming their players' cement hands on a demonstration class on Japanese paper folding earlier in the week. Who knows what'll be next.

Okay, it looks like we're ready for the second half.

Passage Four

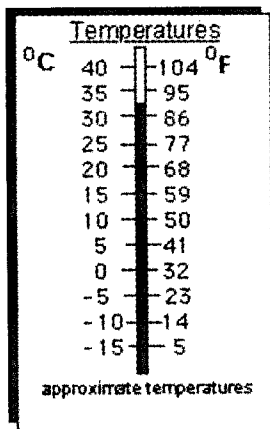
First read the following questions.

7. What was Friday's weather like?
- A. Fair and humid.
 - B. Warm and dry.
 - C. Hot and partly cloudy.
 - D. Cloudy and wet.



8. About what time should skies clear on Sunday?

- A. Around 10:00 am.
- B. Around 7:00 am.
- C. Around 6:00 pm.
- D. Around 3:00 pm.



Now read Passage Four quickly and mark your answer on your answer sheet.

Well, for those of you who went out today, I don't have to tell you it was clear, but muggy for most of the state, with the high temperatures in the low to mid 90's. The city of Elkview had the high for the day of 97 degrees. And that's hot. I'm glad I'm working indoors today!

For those of you planning outdoor activities tomorrow, you can expect fair skies for most of Saturday with temperatures in the high 90's. However, things might change by Saturday evening with a storm front moving in. We can expect light scattered showers over the northern part of the state bringing slightly cooler temperatures in the 80's, but this rain should taper off by mid Sunday morning. It will be partly cloudy for most of the morning, but these clouds should move out by mid-afternoon.

Skies should be clear Sunday night for those wanting to catch a glimpse of the partial lunar eclipse. It should start at 10:47 pm. And that's all for today's weather.

Passage Five

First read the following questions.

9. How many hours of Internet access a month does this company provide?

- A. Less than 150 hours.
- B. Between 151 and 300 hours.
- C. More than 300 hours.
- D. No more than 150 hours.



10. What are the calling hours for technical support?
- A. From 7:00 am to 12:00 midnight.
 - B. From 12:00 midnight to 12:00 midnight.
 - C. From 12:00 midnight to 7:00 pm.
 - D. From 12:00 noon to 12:00 midnight.

Now read Passage Five quickly and mark your answer on your answer sheet.

Tired of waiting for a webpage to download?

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Part III Listening Comprehension (35 minutes)

Section A

Directions: *In this section, you will hear 10 short conversations and one long conversation. At the end of each conversation, one or more questions will be asked about what was said. Both the conversation and the questions 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 Answer Sheet 2 with a single line through the centre.*

11. A. Britain.
B. America.
C. China.
D. Japan.
12. A. By bus.
B. By truck.



- C. By the first train.
D. On foot.
13. A. The man wants to change a sweater for large size.
B. The man wants to buy a sweater.
C. The man wants to change the sweater to an extra large.
D. The man is looking for his sweater.
14. A. He bought an extra large pair.
B. He bought a large size pair.
C. He did not buy them because he did not have cash with him.
D. He paid for the extra large with his credit card.
15. A. Beef and cheese.
B. Cheese and bread.
C. Fish and bread.
D. Meat and bread.
16. A. \$ 7.5.
B. \$ 18.34.
C. \$ 13.85.
D. \$ 16.99.
17. A. \$ 380.
B. \$ 170.
C. \$ 110.
D. \$ 190.
18. A. Show his credit cards to the reception.
B. Produce his passport.
C. Leave his address and passport to the hotel.
D. Fill in a form with some personal details.
19. A. In the cinema.
B. At the train station.
C. At the airport.
D. At the customs.
20. A. Watch the 2004 Olympic Games opening celebration in Athens.
B. Do business in Athens.
C. Receive tourists in Athens.
D. Enjoy the 2004 Olympic Games in Athens.



Questions 21 to 25 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

21. A. Two. B. Three. C. Four. D. One.
22. A. \$ 200. B. \$ 100. C. \$ 50. D. \$ 15.
23. A. From the major sponsor of the firm — Pepsi Company.
B. From the corporate headquarters of "Pepsi".
C. From the pre-sale ticket office.
D. From a friend who works in Pepsi.
24. A. They find their own seats as the case may be.
B. The seat number is on the ticket.
C. They can sit on the first row.
D. They can call the cinema to reserve a seat in advance.
25. A. By giving him a pick-up.
B. By buying him a large coke and a medium size popcorn.
C. By saving him a seat.
D. By giving him a large premium.

Section B

Directions: *In this section, you will hear 2 short passages. At the end of each passage, you will hear some questions. Both the passage and the 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 **Answer Sheet 2** with a single line through the centre.*

Questions 26 to 30 are based on the passage you have just heard.

26. A. A laptop computer.
B. A desktop computer.
C. An importable computer.
D. A powerful computer.
27. A. They talk a lot.
B. They put their feet up on their desk.
C. They work from home.
D. They stand on the desk.



28. A. Movable phones.
B. Home phones.
C. Walkable phones.
D. Cell phones.
29. A. They often stay in the office.
B. They type their own letters.
C. They travel a lot.
D. They rest a lot in the office.
30. A. Laziness.
B. Indecision.
C. Power.
D. Diligence.

Questions 31 to 35 are based on the passage you have just heard.

31. A. None. B. 1. C. 4. D. 2.
32. A. They hibernate.
B. They live in shells.
C. They make sounds.
D. They grow their beaks.
33. A. 180 kilos.
B. 850 kilos.
C. 400 kilos.
D. 420 kilos.
34. A. Turtles can go without food for a long time.
B. They eat with sharp teeth.
C. They have good sight and poor hearing.
D. Turtles are reptiles.
35. A. They can walk and swim right after birth.
B. They care about their own security.
C. The mother turtle doesn't have to teach or protect her young turtles.
D. The mother turtle does a lot to teach or protect her young turtles.

Section C

Directions: *In this section, you will hear a passage three times. When the*



passage is read for the first time, you should listen carefully for its general idea. When the passage is read for the second time, you are required to fill in the blanks numbered from 36 to 42 with the exact words you have just heard. For blanks numbered from 43 to 45 you are required to fill in the missing information. For these blanks, you can either use the exact words you have just heard or write down the main points in your own words. Finally, when the passage is read for the third time, you should check what you have written.

Talking about the tidiness of desks of all those who use desks, shop workers probably have the S36 _____ desks of all. The desks of shop workers are used for a number of purposes. They often have a computer and a S37 _____ to take care of paper S38 _____, but they also use their desk as a place to lay their various S39 _____ as they work at their different tasks. In many S40 _____ shops, you will also be surprised at how S41 _____ a shop worker's desk is! Shop workers have to do a variety of S42 _____ tasks that often involve greasy equipment.

S43 _____

S44 _____

S45 _____

Part IV Reading Comprehension (Reading in Depth)

(25 minutes)

Directions: *There are 2 passages in this section. 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 **Answer Sheet 2** with a single line through the centre.*



Passage One

Questions 46 to 50 are based on the following passage.

One of the largest counties in Texas, Deaf Smith County, is named for Captain Erastus "Deaf" Smith, a deaf man. Captain Smith was the leader of General Sam Houston's scouts during the Texas Revolution, the war in which Texas won its freedom from Mexico.

Smith married a Mexican woman. He spent a lot of time learning the customs, manners, and language of the Mexican settlers. When the Texas Revolution began in 1835, Smith initially refused to take part in it out of respect for his family's heritage. However, after Mexican troops tried to stop him from going to San Antonio to visit his family, he volunteered for service with the Texans. He was made a captain.

The first major battle of the Texas Revolution occurred in February, 1836, at an old fort called the Alamo. Nearly 6,000 Mexican soldiers fought against only 187 Texans. The Texans managed to defend the fort for twelve days, but in the end, all 187 Texans were killed in the battle.

General Houston was very upset by the fall of the Alamo to Mexican General Santa Anna. He sent Captain Smith to get more details. Smith returned bringing with him Mrs. Almeron Dickerson and her 15-month-old baby. Mrs. Dickerson had been the only American woman at the Alamo.

It was the Battle of San Jacinto on April 21, 1836, that made sure Texas would be free from Mexico.

During the Battle of San Jacinto, Smith rode back and forth across the field behind the Texans waving his axe to let them know that the bridge was destroyed. He called to the fighters: "The bridge is down! They can't get away! Victory or death!"

Erastus Smith was 49 years old at the time of the Battle of San Jacinto. He died about a year and a half later, on November 30, 1837, at the age of 50.

46. The main idea of this selection is best stated as _____.
- A. the Battle of the Alamo was an enormous loss for the Americans
 - B. if it weren't for the Texas Revolution, everyone in Texas would be speaking Spanish
 - C. Smith, a deaf man, played an important role in the Texas Revolution