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前 言

“高等学校英语应用能力考试”自 2000 年在全国正式实施以来,参加考试的考生人数与年俱增。为了帮助考生了解考试的要求和内容,并在考前熟悉所考题型、内容和难度,使考生顺利通过“高等学校英语应用能力考试”A、B 级水平的考试,我们专门编写了这套历年试卷与详解。本套丛书分两大系列:《高等学校英语应用能力考试 A 级历年试卷与详解》和《高等学校英语应用能力考试 B 级历年试卷与详解》。

本册试卷收录了 1999 年到 2005 年共 12 套历年真题,按照“考试大纲”的规定,A 级有 5 种题型,即:1)听力理解;2)语法结构;3)阅读理解;4)英译汉;5)写作或汉译英。B 级也有 5 种题型,除第 2 部分为“语法词汇”外,其他的题型与 A 级相同。

A 级考试各部分的测试内容如下:

1. 听力理解部分测试考生对口头语言的理解,共分 3 节:1)对话理解(一个来回的对答);2)会话理解(多个来回的对答);3)短文理解(或独白)。第 1、2 节的题型为多项选择,第 3 节的题型为简答。该部分所占试卷的分值比例为 15%。

2. 语法结构部分测试考生在句子层次上的语法知识,共分 2 节:1)测试对语法规则的运用,题型为多项选择;2)测试对句法、词法和词性(词性变化)的掌握,题型为填空。该部分所占试卷的分值比例为 15%。

3. 阅读理解部分测试考生对书面语篇的理解,内容包括一般性阅读材料和应用性文字,以应用性文字材料为主,题型有多项选择、填空、匹配和简答。该部分所占试卷的分值比例为 35%。

4. 英译汉部分测试考生将英语句子和段落译成较为通顺的汉语的能力,句子为一般性或应用性文字,段落则为应用性文字。句子部分的题型为多项选择,段落部分的题型为翻译。该部分所占试卷的分值比例为 20%。

5. 写作部分测试考生以英语书写应用性文字或填写表格的能力,内容为应用文(通告、信函、广告、说明、摘要、简历表、申请书、协议书等)或实用性段落的理解(汉译英)。该部分所占试卷的分值比例为 15%。

本书在编写的过程中,由于时间仓促,再者囿于编者水平有限,书中疏漏和错误之处在所难免,敬请广大考生和英语界同仁不吝批评指正。同时,我们在编写过程中参阅了大量国内外相关资料,借鉴了一些很有价值的文章,在此我们向有关机构、作者和资料提供者一并致以诚挚的谢意。

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9. A. They got a wrong order number from the caller.
 B. They failed to deliver the computers on time.
 C. They couldn't find the order form.
 D. They made a wrong delivery.
10. A. The salesman. C. Mr. Peterson. B. The manager. D. Mary.

Section C

Directions: This section is to test your ability to comprehend short passages. You will hear a recorded passage. After that you will hear five questions. Both the passage and the questions will be read two times. When you hear a question, you should complete the answer to it with a word or a short phrase (in no more than 3 words). The incomplete answers are printed in your test paper. You should write your answers in the Answer Sheet correspondingly. Now the passage will begin.

11. Why do more middle-aged adults have to take care of their aging parents?
 Because people are living _____.
12. What does the speaker think of the job of taking care of an aging parent?
 It's _____.
13. How are the family roles changed?
 The dependent parents are cared for as if they were _____.
14. What can a nursing home do for aging parents?
 It provides them with proper _____.
15. What benefit can middle-aged adults get by sending their parents to a nursing home?
 They can return to their _____.

Part II

Structure

(15 minutes)

Directions: This part is to test your ability to construct grammatically correct sentences. It consists of 2 sections.

Section A

Directions: In this section, there are 10 incomplete sentences. You are required to complete each one by deciding on the most appropriate word or words from the 4 choices marked A, B, C and D. Then you should mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the center.

16. _____ he was seriously ill, I wouldn't have told him the truth.
 A. If I knew B. If I know C. Had I known D. Did I know
17. She got to know the young man very well _____ she had worked for so long.
 A. to whom B. in whom C. whom D. with whom
18. The car _____ by the side of the road and the driver tried to repair it.
 A. breaks down B. was breaking down C. has broken down D. broke down
19. When he went out, he would wear sunglasses _____ nobody would recognize him.
 A. so that B. now that C. as though D. in case
20. We were all excited at the news _____ our annual sales had more than doubled.
 A. which B. that C. it D. what
21. Some people think _____ about their fights than they do about their responsibilities.
 A. so much B. too much C. much more D. much too
22. The City of London, _____ repeatedly in 1940 and 1941, lost many of its famous churches.

- A. bombed B. to bomb C. bombing D. having bombed
23. _____ traveling expenses rising a lot, Mrs. White had to change all her plans for the tour.
 A. Since B. As for C. By ☒ D. With
24. I felt so embarrassed that I couldn't do anything but _____ there when I first met my present boss.
 A. to sit B. sitting C. sat ☒ D. sit
25. With the introduction of the computer, libraries today are quite different from _____ they were in the past.
 A. that B. what C. which ☒ D. those

Section B

Directions: There are 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. It is important that he (be) should called back immediately.
27. It is (reason) able for parents to pay for their children's education.
28. At the meeting a (propose) proposal was put forward by John Smith.
29. As a rule, readers (not allow) are not allowed to take dictionaries out of the reading room.
30. It has been a long winter, and we're (eager) eager waiting for the coming of spring.
31. They fully recognized the enormous (strong) strength and influence of the union.
32. By the end of last year, nearly a million cars (produce) were produced in that auto factory.
33. (take) Take the financial difficulties into consideration, we'd better put off the plan till next year.
34. Dr. Richard, together with his wife and three children, (be) is to arrive in Beijing this afternoon.
35. The global average air temperature is believed (rise) to rise in the near future.

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 through 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 eight airlines of the One - world alliance (联盟) have joined forces to give world travellers a simple way to plan and book a round - the - world journey. It's called the One - world Explorer program.

One - world Explorer is the perfect solution for a once - in - a - lifetime holiday or an extended business trip. It's a great way for you to explore the four corners of the earth in the safe hands of the eight One - world airlines.

You can have hundreds of destinations to choose from, because the One - world network covers the globe. And, as you travel around the world, you'll have the support of 260,000 people from all our airlines, who are devoted to the success of your journey, helping you make smooth transfers and offering support all along the way.

The One - world goal is to make global travel easier and more rewarding for everyone of our travellers. We try our best to make you feel at home, no matter how far from home your journey may take you.

We can offer travelers benefits on a scale beyond the reach of our individual networks. You'll find more people and more information to guide you at every stage of your trip, making transfers smoother and global travel less of a challenge.

36. One - world in the passage refers to _____.
A. a travel agency
B. a union of airlines
C. a series of tourist attractions
D. the title of a flight program
37. The One - world Explorer program is said to be most suitable for those who _____.
A. have been to the four corners of the earth
B. travel around the world on business
C. want to explore the eight airlines
D. need support all along the way
38. The advantage of the alliance lies in _____.
A. its detailed travel information
B. its unique booking system
C. its longest business flights
D. its global service network
39. We can learn from the last paragraph that One - world _____.
A. offers the lowest prices to its passengers
B. keeps passengers better informed of its operations
C. offers better services than any of its member airlines alone
D. is intended to make round - the - world trips more challenging
40. The purpose of the advertisement is to _____.
A. promote a special flight program
B. recommend long distance flights
C. introduce different flights
D. describe an airline group

Task 2

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

The human body has developed its millions of nerves to be highly aware of what goes on both inside and outside of it. This helps us adjust to the outside world. Without our nerves and our brain, which is a system of nerves, we couldn't know what's happening. But we pay for our sensitivity. We can feel pain when the slightest thing is wrong with any part of our body. The history of torture (折磨) is based on the human body being open to pain.

But there is a way to handle pain. Look at the Indian fakir (苦行僧) who sits on a bed of nails. Fakirs can put a needle right through an arm, and feel no pain. This ability that some humans have developed to handle pain should give us ideas about how the mind can deal with pain.

The big thing in withstanding pain is our attitude toward it. If the dentist says, "This will hurt a little," it helps us to accept the pain. By staying relaxed, and by treating the pain as an interesting sensation (感觉), we can handle the pain without falling apart. After all, although pain is an unpleasant sensation, it is still a sensation, and sensations are the stuff of life.

41. The human body has developed a system of nerves that enables us to _____.

- A. stay relaxed B. avoid pain C. stand torture D. feel pain
42. What does the writer mean by saying "we pay for our sensitivity" in the first paragraph?
- A. We have to take care of our sense of pain.
B. We suffer from our sense of feeling.
C. We should try hard to resist pain.
D. We are hurt when we feel pain.
43. When the author mentions the Indian fakir, he shows that _____.
A. fakirs possess magic power
B. Indians are not afraid of pain
C. people can learn to cope with pain
D. some people are born without a sense of pain
44. What is essential for people to stand pain according to the writer?
A. Their relaxation. B. Their interest. C. Their nerves. D. Their attitude.
45. The author believes that _____.
A. feeling pain is part of our life
B. pain should be avoided at all costs
C. feeling pain can be an interesting thing
D. magic power is essential for reducing pain

Task 3

Directions: You are required to complete the outline below it (No. 46 through No. 50). You should write your answer briefly (in no more than 3 words) on the Answer Sheet correspondingly.

PLR Air Conditioning Center
27 West Street
Plaines City
IA America 50705

March 6, 2004
Ms. Li Chunhua, President
New Era Engineering Group
26 Renmin Street
Yangzhou, Jiangsu, China
225002

Dear Ms. Li,

Thank you very much for allowing us to present to you our recommendation for a PLR Air Conditioning System. We would like also to express our appreciation to Mr. Zhang and Mrs. Wu for their help as we collected the data necessary for this proposal.

After thoroughly analyzing your company's engineering requirements, we believe that you will find this proposed PLR system satisfactory. It will provide the maximum return on your investment dollar. In addition, the PLR system protects you against obsolescence (过时) in the near future—if your business continues to experience the normal growth you have experienced in the last few years—because the equipment PLR proposes to install is a modular (模块的) design to which you may add additional units as the need arises.

We believe that you will find this system practical, efficient, and economical for the needs of your company both now and in the near future. It is our sincere hope that the information in the enclosed proposal will

make your decision to install a PLR Air Conditioning System much easier.

Sincerely yours,
James P. Callahan
Sales Manager

Recommendation of a Product

Product recommended: PLR 46 *Air Conditioning Center*
PLR's proposal: based on the analysis of the buyer's 47 *requirements*
Features of the Product: 1. it's a 48 *modular* design;
2. it's practical, 49 and economical; *efficient*
Document Enclosed: a / the 50

Task 4

Directions: The following is a list of WTO special columns. After reading it, you are required to find the items equivalent to (与……相同的) 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—Research and Analysis
- B—Role of Departments
- C—Communication Process
- D—Sampling Public Opinion
- E—Dealing with the News Media
- F—Planning Actions
- G—Reaching the Audience
- H—Opportunities in the Print Media
- I—Feedback and Evaluation
- J—Public Opinion and Persuasion
- K—Social and Cultural Agencies
- L—Entertainment and Sports
- M—Government and Public Affairs
- N—Membership Organizations
- O—Legal Problems
- P—International Public Relations

Example : (E) 与新闻媒体打交道

(F) 行动计划

- | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| 51. (<u>C</u>) 交流过程 | (<u>L</u>) 娱乐和体育 |
| 52. (<u>P</u>) 国际公共关系 | (<u>D</u>) 公众意见抽样调查 |
| 53. (<u>M</u>) 政府和公众事务 | (<u>A</u>) 研究与分析 |
| 54. (<u>B</u>) 部门职能 | (<u>K</u>) 社会与文化机构 |
| 55. (<u>I</u>) 反馈与评价 | (<u>O</u>) 法律问题 |

Task 5

Directions: After reading it, you should give brief answers to the 5 questions (No. 56 through No. 60) that follow. The answers (in no more than 3 words) should be written after the corresponding numbers on the An-

swer Sheet.

We hope that by observing the following points you will enjoy your visit to Christ Church without disturbing the life of the college.

- * Please obey all notices and do not enter the areas marked Private.
 - * Please do not enter any college rooms.
 - * Please avoid leaving litter (杂物); picnicking within the college is not permitted.
- * Please do not smoke.
- * Please do not gather so as to obstruct (阻塞) paths or passages, particularly in the Hall.
 - * Please be as quiet as possible, remembering that this is a college where people are working.
 - * In the event of a fire or other danger, or if you hear a fire alarm or warning, please leave the building without delay. At all times please follow the advice of the Custodians (保安人员) who are here to help you.
 - * Closed circuit television surveillance (监视) is in operation. Images are being recorded for purposes of crime prevention and public safety.
 - * Thank you for visiting Christ Church. If you have any comments please write to:
The Steward, Christ Church, Oxford OX1 1DP
56. What is the name of the place open to tourists?
It's _____
57. Which areas are not allowed for tourists to visit?
The areas _____ and any college rooms.
58. What is not permitted to do during the visit to the college?
Leaving litter, _____ inside the college or smoking, etc.
59. What should tourists do in the event of a fire or any other danger?
They should leave the building and _____ of the Custodians.
60. Why is closed circuit television surveillance in operation?
To _____ and ensure public safety.

Part IV Translation—English to Chinese (25 minutes)

Directions: This part, numbered 61 through 65, is to test your ability to translate English into Chinese. After each of the sentences numbered 61 to 64, you will read four choices of suggested translation. You should choose the best translation and mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet. And for the paragraph numbered 65, write your translation in the corresponding space on the Translation/Composition Sheet.

61. Any academic breakthrough, brilliant as it may be, does not automatically ensure that it can be applied to practice.
- A. 学科上的任何成果,除非它辉煌灿烂,否则不能自动用于实践。
 - B. 任何学科上的成就,尽管不能自动用于实践,但也可能是灿烂辉煌的。
 - C. 学术上的任何成就,无论杰出与否,都不能确保它可以自动地用于实践。
 - D. 任何学术上的突破,或许本身很卓越,也并非自然而然地就可用于实践。
62. With increasing awareness of the environment, people have realized that the way coal is used is critical and new approaches have to be sought.
- A. 尽管环境意识提高了,人们认为使用煤炭仍然是重要的,并且已经找到了新的方法。
 - B. 随着环境意识的增强,人们认识到使用煤炭的方法应该受到批评,必须寻求新的途径。

- C. 随着环境意识的日益增强,人们认识到如何使用煤炭至关重要,因而得寻求新的方法。
D. 尽管人们对环境越来越了解,他们也认识到使用煤炭应该受到批评,但要寻找到新的能源才行。
63. The global market in these services is likely to touch US \$ 640 billion, a figure comparable with the size of the IT industry.
A. 整个市场的服务费用已上升到 6,400 亿美元,这个额度有可能会达到 IT 业的规模。
B. 以总体为 67400 亿美元服务于市场的目标有望实现,这一目标是相对于 IT 行业而言的。
C. 这些服务业的全球市场有可能达到 6,400 亿美元,这一数字与 IT 业产值的大小相当。
D. 整个市场中的服务行业可能要突破 6,400 亿美元:这一数字与 IT 业的规模不相上下。
64. The author suggests that human resources management should be taught as a required subject in this school, along with science courses.
A. 作者建议,这所学校开设人力资源管理课程或是开设理科课程都是必要的。
B. 作者建议,除了理科课程之外,这所学校应将人力资源管理作为必修课开设。
C. 作者建议,作为学校的一门课程,人力资源管理应该在其他理科课程之后开设。
D. 作者建议,把人力资源管理作为一门必修课开设,纳入理科课程中。
65. If you wish to apply for a student visa, you should fill in Form IM2A which you can get free of charge from the nearest British mission (领事馆) offering a visa service. You can only apply at the British mission in the country where you are living. Where there is none in the country concerned, or it does not offer a full service, another British mission will have been designated (指定) to handle applications.

Part V

Writing

(25 minutes)

Directions: This part is to test your ability to do practical writing. You are required to complete a *LETTER OF INQUIRY* and a *LETTER OF REPLY* according to the information given in Chinese below. Remember to write the letter on the Composition Sheet.

说明:根据下列中文信息拟一封询价信和一封报价信。

询价信 (Letter 1):

1. 发信人: Mr. David Johnson

2. 收信人: Mr. Peter Kevil

3. 发信日期: 2004 年 11 月 29 日

4. 内容: Mr. David Johnson 欲购买 Mr. Peter Kevil 所在的 HP 公司生产的激光打印机 (jet printer), 写信了解有关价格以及售后服务的情况。

报价信 (Letter 2):

1. 发信人: Mr. Peter Kevil

2. 收信人: Mr. David Johnson

3. 发信日期: 2004 年 12 月 6 日

4. 内容: Mr. Peter Kevil 非常感谢 Mr. David Johnson 对他们公司生产的激光打印机感兴趣,随信附上目录以及价目表,并告知 HP 公司为客户提供优良的服务。不仅如此,如果购买的数量较大,还可以享受折扣。

2004 年 6 月考试全真试卷(A 级)

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 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 only once. 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:

You will hear: A. New York City.

B. An evening party.

C. An air trip.

D. The man's job.

From the dialogue we learn that the man is to take a flight to New York. Therefore, C. **An air trip** is the correct answer. You should mark C on the Answer Sheet. Now the test will begin.

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| 1. A. In a bookstore. | B. In a bank. | C. In a snack bar. | D. In a library. |
| 2. A. Because he'll write a report. | | B. Because he'll be with his friends. | |
| | C. Because he doesn't like the game. | D. Because he doesn't know the players. | |
| 3. A. Flowers. | B. Glasses. | C. A blouse. | D. A dress. |
| 4. A. The man can use her computer. | | B. The man can help himself to some food. | |
| | C. The man should put the computer on the table. | D. The man should help her to move the table. | |
| 5. A. Because she likes to live near a playground. | | B. Because the new apartment is cheaper. | |
| | C. Because she needs a quieter place. | D. Because the present apartment is too small. | |

Section B

Directions: This section is to test your ability to understand short conversations. There are 2 recorded conversations in it. After each conversation, there are some recorded questions. Both the conversations 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.

Conversation 1

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| 6. A. To the Science Museum. | B. To the History Museum. |
| | D. To the Space Museum. |
| | C. To the Art Museum. |
| 7. A. About every four minutes. | B. About every five minutes. |
| | D. About every seven minutes. |
| | C. About every six minutes. |

Conversation 2

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| 8. A. The design. | B. The price. | C. The color. | D. The size. |
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9. A. Black. B. Brown. C. White. D. Gray.
 10. A. The discount. B. The weight. C. The quantity. D. The distance.

Section C

Directions: This section is to test your ability to comprehend short passages. You will hear a recorded passage. After that you will hear five questions. Both the passage and the questions will be read two times. When you hear a question, you should complete the answer to it with a word or a short phrase (in no more than 3 words). The incomplete answers are printed in your test paper. You should write your answers in the Answer Sheet correspondingly. Now the passage will begin.

11. How many parts does a conversation with a new friend usually consist of ?
 _____.
12. What do you do in the first part of the conversation?
 We _____ and tell each other our names or exchange name cards.
13. What is mentioned as an example of important matters?
 _____ affairs.
14. What is usually avoided in the conversation?
 _____ or unpleasant things.
15. What do you usually say to your new friend at the end of the conversation?
 We tell him we are happy to _____ him.

Part II

Structure

(15 minutes)

Directions: This part is to test your ability to construct grammatically correct sentences. It consists of 2 sections.

Section A

Directions: In this section, there are 10 incomplete sentences. You are required to complete each one by deciding on the most appropriate word or words from the 4 choices marked A, B, C and D. Then you should mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the center.

16. This ATM has been out of service for a few days. It should _____ last week.
 A. fix B. be fixed C. have fixed ☒ D. have been fixed.
17. We could not have fulfilled the task in time if it _____ for their help.
 A. was not B. is not ☒ C. had not been D. has not been
18. The hotel _____ during the vacation was rather poorly managed.
 A. as I stayed ☒ B. where I stayed C. which I stayed D. what I stayed.
19. I stayed up all night _____ to find a new solution to the problem.
☒ A. trying B. have tried C. try D. tried
20. By the time you get to Shanghai tomorrow, I _____ for Chongqing.
 A. am leaving B. will leave ☒ C. shall have left D. had left
21. _____ he is still working on the project, I don't mind when he will finish it.
 A. In case ☒ B. As long as C. Even if D. As far as
22. If you are worried _____ the problem, you should do something about it.
 A. with B. for C. on ☒ D. about.
23. _____ with the developed countries, some African countries are left far behind in terms of people's living standard.

- A. Compare B. To compare C. Compared D. Comparing
24. Li Lei didn't meet the famous American professor _____ he was on holiday in America last year.
~~A. Unless~~ ~~B. until~~ C. if D. whether
25. So _____ after she learned the good news that she could hardly fall asleep that night.
~~A. Excited~~ the mother was B. was the mother excited
 C. the mother was excited D. excited was the mother

Section B

Directions: There are 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. When(ask) asked why he came to the exhibition, he said that he had been interested in oil paintings for years.
27. My sister has recently got a job as a(reception) receptionist in a hotel.
28. There is a well-known proverb: "The more haste, the (little) less speed."
29. Provided that there is no(object) objection, we will begin with the next item.
30. If all the people agree on the(suggest) suggested plan, we shall hold the sports meet at the end of this month.
31. There has not been a favorable(respond) response to your plan so far.
32. (Give) Given more instructions, the students would have done the exercises much better.
33. There's no use(bargain) bargaining any more. It's fixed price.
34. Buying a house in such a neighborhood can be a(cost) costly business.
35. The villagers told us that a new bridge(build) would be built across the river in a year.

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 through 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.

In many countries in the process of industrialization, overcrowded cities present a major problem. Poor conditions in these cities, such as lack of housing, inadequate sanitation(卫生) and lack of employment, bring about an increase in poverty, disease and crime.

The over-population of towns is mainly caused by the drift of large numbers of people from the rural areas. These people have become dissatisfied with the traditional life of farming, and have come to the towns hoping for better work and pay.

One possible solution to the problem would be to impose registration on town residents. Only officially registered residents would be allowed to live in the towns and the urban population would thus be limited. In practice, however, registration would be very difficult to enforce(推行); it would cause a great deal of resentment(不满), which would ultimately lead to violence.

The only long-term solution is to make life in the rural areas more attractive, which would encourage peo-

ple to stay there. This could be achieved by providing encouragement for people to go and work in the villages. Facilities in the rural areas, such as transport, health and education services should be improved. Education should include training in improved methods of farming and other rural industries, so as to develop a more positive attitude towards rural life. The improvement of life in the villages is very important, because the towns themselves cannot be developed without the simultaneous or previous development of the rural area.

36. What does the word "urban" (Line 2, Para. 3) mean?

- ☒ A. Of the city. B. Out of work. C. In a bad condition. D. Of enormous size

37. Large numbers of farmers have poured into towns because _____.

- A. they can hardly support their families on farms
B. they are unhappy with their life in the country
C. the rural areas are too crowded with people
D. they hope to have their own business

38. In the author's view, solving the cities' problem of overcrowding by strict registrations is _____.

- A. practical B. possible C. not realistic D. not sufficient

39. According to the writer, the problem with crowded cities will be solved if _____.

- A. traditional methods of farming are well kept
B. conditions in rural areas are much improved
C. the government can provide more jobs
D. violence could be controlled in cities

40. Which factor is most important for people to be attracted to live in the country?

- A. Their expectation. B. Their interests. C. Their income. D. Their attitude.

Task 2

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

Online services are managed by a host system that maintains a base of information available to satellite users. Users of so-called "dumb" terminals (i. e. those without processing capability) simply access the information base via programs stored on the system. Personal computer (PC) users typically access the host through a *modem* (调制解调器). A PC software program serves as an interface (接口) between the server and a PC, allowing the user to operate through the online system and select different databases using a keyboard or a mouse.

National and regional online systems usually have local telephone numbers that PC modems can call to access either a local information base or an indirect long-distance connection, thus reducing long-distance telephone fees. Some online systems allow users to copy large volumes of information onto a local memory storage device, which also reduces the time the user is connected to the online system.

Besides offering a great number of different information based, ranging from full-text journal libraries to reports of missing children, online services allow users to, for example, reserve airline tickets, buy stocks, purchase goods, and communicate with other users. In exchange for the service, users usually pay a monthly membership fee. They may also pay to connect to various databases on the service or to download information.

41. Online services work by providing users with _____.

- A. a base of information B. dumb terminals C. a host system D. a satellite

42. How can the users of terminals without processing capability acquire the necessary information?

- A. They can simply use a keyboard or a mouse.
B. They should use a modem to maintain the host system.
C. They should connect their computer to a satellite system.
D. They can access its base through the programs on the system.

43. If you copy the online information onto your PC device, you will _____.
A. save the time of connecting to the online system
B. reduce the risk of losing information
C. pay just local telephone charges
D. get local information only
44. If you want to read full – text journals online, you usually have to _____.
A. seek for a large amount of information
B. be connected to various databases
C. be introduced by the local library
D. pay a monthly membership fee
45. The passage is mainly about _____.
A. the payment for online services
B. the functions of online services
C. the development of online services
D. the relation between online services and the users

Task 3

Directions: You are required to complete the outline below it (No. 46 through No. 50). You should write your answer briefly (in no more than 3 words) on the Answer Sheet correspondingly.

Notice

Over the past month the Personnel Office has received numerous calls about the approval process for using the new “flex – time” (flexible – time) working schedule. In order to know how to take advantage of this system, please keep this notice in your records.

First, you must determine if you are *eligible* (条件适合) to use a flex – time schedule. The flex – time system is designed for those employees whose jobs do not require them to answer telephones or to be available to the public between the hours of 8:00 a. m. and 5:00 p. m. In addition, an employee must receive written permission from his or her department manager.

Then, you must submit a copy of Form FT, signed by your manager, to the Personnel Office.

The Personnel Office will *notify* (通知) you when approval is cleared; you may then begin your new schedule on the following Monday.

You may obtain copies of FT from Mary White in Room 129. If you have any questions, see your department manager——do not contact the Personnel Office directly.

Flexible Time Working Schedule

Users: employees suitable for using it

Application process:

1. get 46 and
2. 47 a copy of Form FT to the Personnel Office, and then
3. be notified by 48

Starting time: 49

Contact person if there are questions: the 50

Task 4

Directions: After reading it, you are required to find the items equivalent to (与……相同的) 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.