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2005年出版的《高等学校英语专业英语教学大纲》(以下简称为《大纲》)规定,高等学校英语专业基础阶段的主要教学任务是:“传授英语基础知识,对学生进行全面的、严格的基本技能训练,培养学生实际运用语言的能力、良好的学风和正确的学习方法,为进入高年级打下扎实的专业基础。”《大纲》同时指出:“为了帮助各校和有关部门了解执行本教学大纲的情况,教育部委托高等学校外语专业教学指导委员会英语组在第四学期实施全国英语专业四级统一考试。”

英语专业四级考试旨在全面检查已学完英语专业基础课程的学生是否达到《大纲》所规定的各项英语专业技能要求,考核学生综合运用各项基本技能的能力以及对语法结构和词语用法的掌握程度。历年真题可以直接帮助考生很好地把握英语专业四级考试的命题脉络及考试重点,为考试作好充分的准备,实为考生在备考过程中的良师益友。

本书搜集了2006年至2013年英语专业四级考试的八套全真试题,供同学们学习与检测自己的水平。本书共分成两部分:第一部分为英语专业四级全真试题;第二部分为全真试题参考答案与解析,其中包括录音原文、解题思路、参考译文、各题型核心词汇以及长、难句解析。

本书是中国唯一英语专业培训机构环球时代学校名师多年来对于英语专业四级考试辅导教学经验的总结,力求体现三个特点:

第一,绝对真实的试题。真题的优势在于实用性、权威性和科学性。在备考过程中,真题无疑是最珍贵的参考资料,许多资深教授更是把真题作为讲课的必备材料。本书搜集了2006年至2013年的八套全真试题,配以环球时代名师从实战角度对于每一道题的详尽分析与解释,使得真题更具有针对性。

第二,深度考情分析。本书对选取的八套历年真题从考点、重点、难点三方面进行了详尽的、启发式的分析点评,介绍新的解题方法,帮助考生理清思路,培养正确高效的思维方法,让每位考生对于专四考试做到心中有数。

第三,预测考试走向。环球时代名师利用自身对于专四考试多年的教学经验以及对于专四考试的总体把握,对每道题的答案都进行了深入的论证、精心的解析,从而帮助考生精准地预测考点,锻炼考生对试题的把握能力,做到处变不惊、从容应答。

最后,预祝所有考生在英语专业四级考试中取得优异的成绩!

由于编者能力有限,本书不足之处在所难免,恳请有关专家和读者批评指正!

编者

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—GRADE FOUR—

PART I DICTATION

[15 MIN]

Listen to the following passage. Altogether the passage will be read to you four times. During the first reading, which will be done at normal speed, listen and try to understand the meaning. For the second and third readings, the passage will be read sentence by sentence, or phrase by phrase, with intervals of 15 seconds. The last reading will be done at normal speed again and during this time you should check your work. You will then be given 2 minutes to check through your work once more.

Please write the whole passage on ANSWER SHEET ONE.

Now, listen to the passage.

PART II LISTENING COMPREHENSION

[20 MIN]

In Sections A, B and C you will hear everything ONCE ONLY. Listen carefully and then answer the questions that follow. Mark the correct answer to each question on ANSWER SHEET TWO.

SECTION A CONVERSATIONS

In this section you will hear several conversations. Listen to the conversations carefully and then answer the questions that follow.

Questions 1 to 3 are based on the following conversation. At the end of the conversation, you will be given 15 seconds to answer the questions.

Now, listen to the conversation.

1. According to the conversation, an example of "Christmas trimmings" could be
A. presents. B. fruits. C. sauce. D. meat.
2. A Christmas lunch would include all the following EXCEPT
A. roast turkey. B. sweet potatoes. C. meat. D. carrots.
3. Why did Helen come to Rob's house?
A. She wanted to talk to Rob. B. She had come to help Rob.
C. She had been invited to lunch. D. She was interested in cooking.

Questions 4 to 7 are based on the following conversation. At the end of the conversation, you will be given 20 seconds to answer the questions.

Now, listen to the conversation.

4. Why did the woman phone the club?
A. She wanted to know more about it. B. She was a new comer and felt lonely.
C. She wanted to learn a new language. D. She was interested in social activities.
5. We learn from the conversation that the club
A. mainly organizes language activities. B. accepts members from local students.
C. has been set up for a long time. D. is increasing its membership.
6. According to the conversation, the woman might come to practice German on
A. Wednesday. B. Tuesday. C. Monday. D. Friday.
7. What is the man going to do after the conversation?
A. Call up the woman for her address. B. Wait for the woman to call him again.
C. Mail the woman some information. D. Wait for the woman to pick up a form.

Questions 8 to 10 are based on the following conversation. At the end of the conversation, you will be given 15 seconds to answer the questions.

Now, listen to the conversation.

8. According to the woman, what actually makes her job difficult?
A. Difficult questions from interviewees.
B. Embarrassing requests from interviewees.
C. Lack of professional background.
D. Lack of interviewing skills.
9. The woman uses all the following adjectives when talking about attending job fairs EXCEPT
A. prospective. B. useful. C. important. D. tiring.
10. We learn from the conversation that the woman
A. works better at job fairs. B. prefers honest people.
C. often works on her own. D. is experienced in her work.

SECTION B PASSAGES

In this section you will hear several passages. Listen to the passages carefully and then answer the questions that follow.

Questions 11 to 13 are based on the following passage. At the end of the passage, you will be given 15 seconds to answer the questions.

Now, listen to the passage.

11. According to today's weather forecast, which part of Europe has dry weather?
A. Scandinavian mountains. B. Northwestern Europe.
C. Northern Europe. D. Southern Europe.

12. In which part of Europe does the weather stay both fine and cool?
 A. Southern Europe. B. Northern Europe.
 C. Eastern Europe. D. Northwestern Europe.
13. In which region will the weather change tomorrow?
 A. Northern parts of the Mediterranean. B. Eastern parts of the Mediterranean.
 C. Central parts of the Mediterranean. D. Southern parts of the Mediterranean.

Questions 14 to 17 are based on the following passage. At the end of the passage, you will be given 20 seconds to answer the questions.

Now, listen to the passage.

14. According to the passage, what benefit can technology bring to people?
 A. Closer contact with modern devices.
 B. Greater changes in social organization.
 C. Better understanding of mass media.
 D. More useful information to better their life.
15. The speaker questions about everybody's access to technological advances. The main reason is
 A. illiteracy. B. poverty. C. food shortage. D. ignorance.
16. According to the UN plan, all the following will be achieved within ten years EXCEPT
 A. giving everyone a radio or TV.
 B. starting to carry out the scheme in ten years.
 C. offering Internet service to more people.
 D. providing more job opportunities.
17. What could be the topic of the passage?
 A. Growth in telecommunications.
 B. Technology and the developing world.
 C. Education and medical care.
 D. Building an information society.

Questions 18 to 20 are based on the following passage. At the end of the passage, you will be given 15 seconds to answer the questions.

Now, listen to the passage.

18. People in Latin America wear something _____ to express their hopes for wealth in the New Year.
 A. new B. red C. white D. yellow
19. Which of the following New Year's traditions signals friendship?
 A. Throwing old dishes. B. Wearing something red.
 C. Wearing something white. D. Eating round fruits.
20. Which of the following is NOT mentioned as one's own New Year's tradition?
 A. Watching TV at home. B. Going to bed early.

C. Visiting friends.

D. Running and shouting outside.

SECTION C NEWS BROADCAST

In this section you will hear several news items. Listen to them carefully and then answer the questions that follow.

Questions 21 and 22 are based on the following news. At the end of the news item, you will be given 10 seconds to answer the questions.

Now, listen to the news.

21. What is happening to the schools in Fairfax County this school year?
 A. 15 schools have started social studies.
 B. 15 schools have used digital textbooks.
 C. Students are ready to use electronic resources.
 D. Digital textbooks are used for social studies.
22. With digital textbooks, schools have saved about _____ million dollars.
 A. 1 B. 2 C. 3 D. 4

Questions 23 and 24 are based on the following news item. At the end of the news, you will be given 10 seconds to answer the questions.

Now, listen to the news.

23. Who found the suspicious item at the airport?
 A. TSA agents. B. FBI agents. C. The police. D. Passengers.
24. Which of the following statements is INCORRECT?
 A. The terminal was closed temporarily afterwards.
 B. There was a thorough search inside the airport.
 C. Passengers at the airport were safe and sound.
 D. The security authorities identified the explosives.

Questions 25 and 26 are based on the following news. At the end of the news item, you will be given 10 seconds to answer the questions.

Now, listen to the news.

25. According to the news item, doctors use art therapy to treat the following problems EXCEPT
 A. alcohol abuse. B. smoking. C. depression. D. schizophrenia.
26. Why did doctors introduce art therapy in the first place?
 A. To prevent patients from smoking. B. To better understand patients.
 C. To get patients occupied. D. To teach patients some skills.

Questions 27 and 28 are based on the following news. At the end of the news item, you will be given 10 seconds to answer the question.

Now, listen to the news.

27. What is the main purpose of the new rules?
- A. To reduce the number of pilots on duty.
 - B. To prevent pilots from working overtime.
 - C. To ensure an adequate amount of sleep.
 - D. To fix the amount of work for each pilot.
28. The Independent Pilots Association was unhappy about the new rules because they
- A. had only covered cargo plane pilots.
 - B. had failed to cover all the pilots.
 - C. would be put into effect in two years.
 - D. would be too costly if implemented.

Questions 29 and 30 are based on the following news. At the end of the news item, you will be given 10 seconds to answer the questions.

Now, listen to the news.

29. Why is increase in livestock production necessary?
- A. Because livestock production is highly efficient.
 - B. Because more people will become wealthier.
 - C. Because it may help double food production.
 - D. Because it has fewer ecological risks.
30. What does the word "challenge" mean in the news item?
- A. Balance between human survival and ecology.
 - B. Conflict between less land and more production.
 - C. Difference between present and future needs.
 - D. Calls by environmental critics to consume less meat.

PART III CLOZE

[15 MIN]

Decide which of the choices given below would best complete the passage if inserted in the corresponding blanks. Mark the best choice for each blank on ANSWER SHEET TWO.

Everyone knows that taxation is necessary in a modern state: without it, it (31) _____ not be possible to pay the soldiers and policemen who protect us; (32) _____ the workers in government offices who (33) _____ our health, our food, our water, and all the other things that we cannot do for ourselves. (34) _____ taxation, we pay for things that we need just (35) _____ we need somewhere to live and something to eat.

But (36) _____ everyone knows that taxation is necessary, different people have different ideas about (37) _____ taxation should be arranged.

In most countries, a direct tax on (38) _____, which is called income tax, (39) _____. It is arranged in such (40) _____ that the poorest people pay nothing, and the percentage of tax grows (41) _____ as the taxpayer's income grows. In some countries, for example, the tax on the richest people (42) _____ as high as ninety-five per cent!

(43)_____ countries with taxation nearly (44)_____ have indirect taxation too. Many things imported into the country have to pay taxes or "duties." Of course, it is the men and women who buy these imported things in the shops (45)_____ really have to pay the duties, in the (46)_____ of higher prices. In some countries, (47)_____, there is a tax on things sold in the shops. If the most necessary things are taxed, a lot of money is (48)_____ but the poor people suffer most. If unnecessary things (49)_____ jewels and fur coats are taxed, less money is obtained but the tax is (50)_____, as the rich pay it.

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|---------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|------------------|
| 31. A. can | B. may | C. could | D. would |
| 32. A. nor | B. neither | C. never | D. not |
| 33. A. look into | B. look over | C. look over | D. look through |
| 34. A. In accordance with | B. By means of | C. With reference to | D. On account of |
| 35. A. as well as | B. as good as | C. as such as | D. as much as |
| 36. A. if | B. when | C. though | D. as |
| 37. A. when | B. how | C. why | D. which |
| 38. A. persons | B. sectors | C. communities | D. classes |
| 39. A. remains | B. stays | C. exists | D. happens |
| 40. A. form | B. way | C. measure | D. method |
| 41. A. quicker | B. speedier | C. more | D. larger |
| 42. A. grows up | B. increases up | C. goes up | D. lifts up |
| 43. A. But | B. Consequently | C. Similarly | D. And |
| 44. A. periodically | B. almost | C. often | D. always |
| 45. A. which | B. who | C. what | D. whom |
| 46. A. manner | B. form | C. means | D. way |
| 47. A. either | B. also | C. too | D. often |
| 48. A. lent | B. saved | C. borrowed | D. collected |
| 49. A. alike | B. like | C. as | D. for |
| 50. A. heavier | B. fairer | C. finer | D. better |

PART IV GRAMMAR & VOCABULARY

[15 MIN]

There are thirty sentences in this section. Beneath each sentence there are four words, phrases or statements marked A, B, C and D. Choose one word, phrase or statement that best completes the sentence.

Mark your answers on ANSWER SHEET TWO.

51. Facing the board of directors, he didn't deny _____ breaking the agreement.
A. him B. it C. his D. its
52. Xinchun returned from abroad a different man. The italicized part functions as a(n) _____ in the sentence.
A. appositive (同位语) B. object

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- A. were to rain B. was to rain C. was raining D. had rained
64. Which of the following sentences expresses a fact?
- A. Mary and her son must be home by now.
B. Careless reading must give poor results.
C. It's getting late, and I must leave now.
D. He must be working late at the office.
65. The following are all dynamic verbs (动态动词) EXCEPT
- A. remain. B. turn. C. write. D. knock.
66. _____ to school life was less difficult than the pupil had expected.
- A. Adhering B. Adopting C. Adjusting D. Acquainting
67. He is fed up with the same old dreary routine, and wants to quit his job. The underlined part means
- A. dull. B. tiring. C. long. D. hard.
68. At last night's party Larry said something that I thought was beyond me. The underlined part means
- A. I was unable to do. B. I couldn't understand.
C. I was unable to stop. D. I couldn't tolerate.
69. The couple _____ their old house and sold it for a vast profit.
- A. did for B. did in C. did with D. did up
70. Sally contributed a lot to the project, but she never once accepted all the _____ for herself.
- A. credit B. attention C. focus D. award
71. The child nodded, apparently content with his mother's promise. The underlined part means
- A. as far as one has learnt. B. as far as one is concerned.
C. as far as one can see. D. as far as one is told.
72. The _____ that sport builds character is well accepted by people nowadays.
- A. issue B. argument C. point D. sentence
73. Everyone in the office knows that Melinda takes infinite care over her work. The underlined part means
- A. limited. B. unnecessary. C. overdue. D. much.
74. The new measure will reduce the chance of serious injury in the event of an accident. The underlined part means
- A. if an accident happens. B. if an accident can be prevented.
C. before an accident. D. during an accident.
75. Traditionally, local midwives would _____ all the babies in the area.
- A. handle B. produce C. deliver D. help
76. No food or drink is allowed on the premises. The underlined part means
- A. proposition. B. advertisement. C. building. D. street.
77. The court would not accept his appeal unless _____ evidence is provided.

- A. conclusive B. definite C. eventual D. concluding
78. As soon as he opened the door, a _____ of cold air swept through the house.
A. flow B. movement C. rush D. blast
79. She really wanted to say something at the meeting, but eventually _____ from it.
A. prevented B. refrained C. limited D. restricted
80. The couple told the decorator that they wanted their bedroom gaily painted. The underlined part means
A. brightly. B. light-heartedly. C. cheerfully. D. lightly.

PART V READING COMPREHENSION**[25 MIN]**

In this section there are four passages followed by questions or unfinished statements, each with four suggested answers marked A, B, C and D. Choose the one that you think is the best answer.

Mark your answers on ANSWER SHEET TWO.

TEXT A

The art of public speaking began in ancient Greece over 2,000 years ago. Now, twitter, instant messenger, E-mail, blogs and chat forums offer rival approaches to communication—but none can replace the role of a great speech.

The spoken word can handle various vital functions: persuading or inspiring, informing, paying tribute, entertaining, or simply introducing someone or something or accepting something.

Over the past year, the human voice has helped guide us over the ups and downs of what was certainly a stormy time.

Persuasion is used in dealing with or reconciling different points of view. When the leaders met in Copenhagen in December 2009, persuasive words from activists encouraged them to commit themselves to firmer action.

Inspirational speeches confront the emotions. They focus on topics and matters that are close to people's hearts. During wars, generals used inspiring speeches to prepare the troops for battle.

A speech that conveys knowledge and enhances understanding can inform us. The information must be clear, accurate, and expressed in a meaningful and interesting way. When the H1N1 pandemic (流行病) was announced, the idea of "swine flu" (猪流感) scared many people. Informative speeches from World Health Organization officials helped people to keep their panic under control so they could take sensible precautions.

Sad events are never easy to deal with but a speech that pays tribute to the loss of a loved one and gives praise for their contribution can be comforting. Madonna's speech about Michael Jackson, after his death, highlighted the fact that he will continue to live on through his music.

It's not only in world forums where public speaking plays an important role. It can