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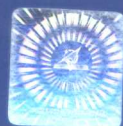
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内 容 简 介

本书是作者在分析和研究近年来研究生入学试题内容、命题特点和语言难点的基础上编写而成的。根据近两年来研究生英语入学试题的调整情况,本书对2002版进行了修订。在本书的概说与练习部分中,包括听力理解、语法结构、介词和介词习语、短语动词、词汇、阅读理解、完形填空、英译汉和写作;在答案与注释部分中,作者对全书的试题进行了系统的注释。本书内容完整,题型新颖;既有方法的指导,又有针对性很强的模拟训练。对策与训练并重以及注重能力的培养是本书的突出特点。

本书适于研究生入学考试前复习与自测之用,也适用于在职人员申请硕士学位考试和大学英语六级考试前的应试准备。

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前 言

《新编硕士研究生英语入学考试复习指导(2003)》是根据教育部颁发的《硕士研究生入学考试英语考试大纲》及词汇表编写的。2003 版对旧版作了大量的修改、删节和增补。其目的是帮助考生把握考研试题的特点,了解命题变化的最新动向,增强考生复习的针对性,提高复习巩固的效率。通过大量练习和注释的引导,培养考生实际应用语言的能力。

现对 2003 版的修订和本书的使用做如下说明:

1. 新编了“听力理解(Listening Comprehension)”一章。本章内容包括“概述和练习”。“概述”中介绍了考试大纲对听力理解的具体要求和测试形式,并通过实例阐述了解题技巧。“练习”中编写了 4 套听力模拟试题供考生操练之用。练习的形式和难度与试题的要求基本接轨。由于听力理解是语言能力测试,因此考生要利用零碎时间反复操练、不断提高。

2. 虽然考试大纲样卷中对语法和词汇不设单项题,但是这不等于说语法和词汇不考了。新版在修订前广泛征求了考生的意见。几乎所有考生都要求修订时保留原书中的语法和词汇练习,以便通过基础语言知识训练为阅读和写作打好坚实的语言基础。这次修订时对“语法结构”一章中的难句提供了译文。词汇复习内容分 3 章。“介词和介词习语”一章是按照《考试大纲》中的词表来安排各词条的练习,重点是动词、名词和形容词与介词的搭配关系。“短语动词”一章是按照《考试大纲》所列的短语动词编写的,并做了必要的补充。编者在本章练习的注释中采用英汉双解,并附有例证,供考生复习时参考。“词汇”一章是以词汇自测试题的形式编写的,旨在帮助考生全面掌握词表中较难的词汇和短语。

3. 阅读理解是重中之重。阅读理解一章中所选文章的难度与考试难度基本一致。许多考生在阅读中遇到不少理解方面的困难又无法独立解决。为帮助考生摆脱困境,编者为阅读理解一章中前面的 30 篇文章提供了译文并重写了注释。注释中不仅指出了试题的类型,而且阐明了解题的思路。在“阅读理解试题集萃”一节中原有 35 篇文章,这次修订又增加了 5 篇并提供了译文,共计 40 篇。这些文章难度较大,考生应刻苦钻研、精雕细刻、反复推敲,以提高阅读的质量。

4. “完形填空”一章包括完形填空练习和完形填空试题集萃。所谓“集萃”是把近年研究生英语入学试题中的完形填空题介绍给考生,并做了简明扼要的注释,使考生能全面了解完形填空的命题原则和解题思路。这样,考生通过自测把感性认识提高到理性认识的高度,以便大幅度提高解题的能力。

5. “英译汉”一章介绍了英译汉的基本翻译技巧和考研试题中常见的英语习语和句型,并举例详解。所引例句大部分选自历届考研试题,有的放矢,针对性强。为使考生了解最近几年英译汉试题的文章题材、内容难度和命题要点,作者把 1990 年—2001 年考研英译汉试题编入本章,并补了参考译文,最后还选编了考研英译汉模拟练习,以供考生操练。

6. “写作”一章做了较大的修订和补充。首先,对近十年的写作考题所提供的参考作文进行了修改,在字数和内容方面进行了增补使其符合大纲的要求。此外,增加了应用文的示例和练习,如报告、信件等。考生应从这些参考作文中总结归纳出考研短文写作的基本模式与常用句型,以提高自己的写作能力。

本书的最大特点是针对性强、讲练结合。作者力图把大学英语教学大纲规定的内容,按照研究生英语入学考试大纲的要求,精练为概说和练习;既概括出内容的重点,又解决了考生的难点。这样,考生经过全书内容的学习和操练,不仅能巩固加深英语语言知识,而且能大大提高应试能力。此外,本书也适用于在职人员申请硕士学位考试和大学英语六级考试的应试准备。

本书编写和修订过程中,曾在北京化工大学执教的美国专家 Paula Fulmer 女士、Rod Bowlin 先生、Janet Ralston 女士和加拿大专家 Esther Coliver 女士先后分别审阅了书稿的英文部分;北京外国语大学熊德锐教授审阅了第Ⅱ章(写作)的部分书稿;北京工业大学黄慕强教授对本书的修订提出了许多宝贵的意见;国际关系学院王雪鸽老师为部分阅读理解题写了注释;北京化工大学潘崇堃副教授为 2000 年完形填空题写了注释;王秀丽同志为编写此书做了大量的文字工作;朱临川先生曾为本书的编写进行了宏观指导,在此一并致谢。

由于作者水平有限,修订时间仓促,书中定有疏忽和错误之处。敬请广大读者和英语同仁不吝指正。

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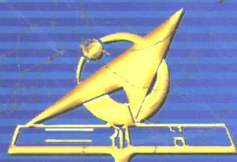
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第一部分 概说和练习

第 I 章 听力理解 (Listening Comprehension)

一、概说与实例剖析

1. 听力理解的测试要求:考生不仅应听懂日常生活中的通知、讲话、一般性谈话或讨论等,还应能听懂所熟悉领域的广播电视节目、讲座、演讲和论述等。根据所听材料,应能:1) 理解主旨要义;2) 获取事实性的具体信息;3) 理解明确或隐含表达的概念性含义;4) 进行有关的判断、推理和引申;5) 理解说话者的意图、观点或态度。

2. 听力理解的测试形式及解题技巧:听力理解由 A、B、C 三节组成,考查考生理解英语口语的能力。共 20 小题,每小题 1 分,共 20 分。

A 节(5 题):主要测试考生理解特定或具体信息的能力。要求考生根据所听到的一段 180—220 词的独白或对话,填充表格中的空白。录音材料播放两遍。如大纲样卷所示:

Part A

Directions: You will hear a conversation in which a woman is asking for tourist information about Sudeley Castle and Snowhill Manor. Listen to it and fill out the table with the information you have heard for questions 1—5. Some of the information has been given to you in the table. Write **only 1 word** in each numbered box. You will hear the recording twice. You now have 25 seconds to read the table below. (5 points)

Information about Sudeley Castle		
opening hour	_____ a. m.	1
closing hour	5p. m.	
cost for adult	\$ _____	2
cost for children	\$ 3.00	

Information about Snowhill Manor		
collection that children like		3
payment for visit	\$	4
lose from(month)		5

听力文字材料:

M: Good morning, can I help you?

W: Yes, good morning, I've just got a few questions. I wonder if you can help me sort them out.

M: I'll see what I can do.

W: Can you tell me when Sudeley Castle is open? We want to go there this morning.
 M: Yes, of course. Sudeley Castle, Sudeley, I think it's open all day, someone asked me this a week or so ago. Here we are. I've got the guide, yes, it's open from 11 in the morning until 5 in the afternoon, well not quite all day, but morning and afternoon.
 W: Eleven to five, OK, that's great. Er, can you tell me how much it costs to get in?
 M: Yes, it costs \$ 4.50 for adults and \$ 3.00 for children. It sounds a bit expensive but there's a lot to do there. I think it's worth the money.
 W: Masks? Well, the kids will like them. Do you pay to get into this museum?
 M: Yes, you do, I think it's about three pounds fifty.
 W: Is it open this time of year?
 M: Yes, it's open until the end of September, so there are a few weeks before it closes.
 W: Right, we'll try it. Thank you very much for the information.
 M: Enjoy your visit. Good-bye.

从上述对话中我们可以知道表格中 5 道题的答案是: 1. 11; 2. 4.50; 3. Masks; 4. 3.50; 5. October。 注意: 每个答案只能填 1 个词。

解题技巧:

1) 在听完 Directions 后有 25 秒钟停顿。考生应充分利用这段间隙时间。首先, 从 Directions 的第 1 句中了解独白或对话的主题。然后浏览表格, 划出信息信号词。最后, 根据题号明确所要搜索的目标信息并推测所要填的词性, 做到胸有成竹。

2) 在听的过程中搜索目标信息并用速记法填写在表格中。在第 1 遍听完以后有 30 秒钟的停顿, 考生应抓紧时间把速记的答案写成文字并注意单词的拼写。

3) 搜索信息时要注意准确性, 如: 第 5 题, 对话中提到: Yes, it is open until the end of September. (是, 它开到九月底。) 可见, 从十月起即闭馆, 故应填 October。

4) 听完第 1 遍后, 除了写出答案以外考生要确定哪些答案是有把握的, 哪些是没有把握的, 应做出记号。这样, 在听第 2 遍时可以带着问题听, 有的放矢, 目标明确。

5) 听完第 2 遍后有 20 秒钟停顿, 考生应利用这段间隙时间检查全部答案。

B 节 (5 题): 主要测试考生理解具体或总体信息的能力。要求考生根据所听到的一段 280—320 词的独白或对话, 补全所给句子或简要回答给出的问题。录音材料播放两遍。如大纲样卷所示:

Part B

Directions: You will hear a radio weather forecast. For questions 6—10, complete the sentences and answer the questions while you listen. Use **not more than 3 words** for each answer. You will hear the recording twice. You now have 25 seconds to read the sentences and questions below. (5 points)

By early morning showers will reach
 The minimum temperature in the south during the night
 will be no lower than
 On what day of the week was this weather forecast given?
 The speaker feels that the weekend weather in much of
 France is
 It will be cloudy but dry over the weekend across

	6
	7
	8
	9
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听力文字材料:

Hello. It's been another warm and fine day for most of us. Temperatures in south-east England reached twenty-six degrees Centigrade by mid-afternoon, and Brighton had fifteen hours of lovely sunshine. But already the weather is beginning to change, I'm afraid, and during the night showers will slowly move in from the Atlantic to reach south-east England

by early morning.

The rest of the country will have a very mild, dry night with minimum temperatures no lower than fifteen degrees in the south, a little cooler—eleven degrees or so—in the north. Any remaining showers in north-west Scotland will pass quickly, to leave a mild, dry night there too.

And now, let's move on to the weather forecast for Friday and the weekend. Well, southern Europe will once again get the best of the weekend weather, and if your holiday starts this weekend, then southern Spain is the place to go, with temperatures of thirty-four degrees along the Mediterranean coast. At the eastern end of the Med, too, you can expect interrupted sunshine and temperatures of up to thirty-two degrees Centigrade in Greece and south-east Italy, but further north the weather's not so settled. Much of France, Belgium and the Netherlands will be cloudy with occasional rain and maximum temperatures will be around twenty-two degrees—very disappointing for this time of year.

Scotland and Northern Ireland will have heavy rain for much of the weekend and temperatures will drop to a cool seventeen degrees. Across most of England the weather will be cloudy but mainly dry with sunny periods. And when the sun does come out temperatures could rise to a minimum of twenty-three degrees....

从上述独白中我们可以知道 6—10 题的答案是: 6. south-west England; 7. 15/fifteen; 8. (On) Thursday; 9. disappointing; 10. most of England. 注意: 每个答案不能超过 3 个词。

解题技巧:

1) 在听完 Directions 后有 25 秒钟停顿。考生应充分利用这段间隙时间。首先, 从 Directions 的第 1 句中了解短文或对话的主题。然后浏览问题和未完成的句子, 划出句中的信息信号词, 如: 第 9 题中 much of France 即为信息信号词。这些词暗示所找信息就在后面。最后, 根据题号明确所要搜索的目标信息并推测所要填写或回答的可能内容, 做到胸有成竹。

2) 在听的过程中搜索目标信息并用速记法填写在表格中。在第 1 遍听完以后有 50 秒钟的停顿, 考生应抓紧时间把速记的答案写成文字并注意单词的拼写。

3) 搜索信息时要注意准确性, 如: 第 8 题属于推理判断题。独白开头谈当天的天气和当天夜间的天气预报, 接着播放星期五和周末的天气预报。可见, 预报播放的日期是星期四(Thursday)。

4) 听完第 1 遍后, 除了写出答案以外考生要确定哪些答案是有把握的, 哪些是没有把握的, 应做出记号。这样, 在听第 2 遍时可以带着问题听, 有的放矢, 目标明确。

5) 听完第 2 遍后有 30 秒钟停顿, 考生应利用这段间隙时间检查全部答案。

C 节 (10 题): 主要测试考生获取特定信息, 理解主旨要义, 推测、判断说话者意图、观点或态度等能力。要求考生根据所听到的三段录音材料(独白或对话), 每段 200—300 词, 从每题所给的 4 个选项中选出最佳答案。录音材料只播放一遍。本节试题提问不在录音中播放, 仅在试题册上印出。如大纲样卷所示:

Part C

Directions: You will hear three pieces of recorded material. Before listening to each one, you will have time to read the questions related to it. While listening, answer each question by choosing A, B, C or D. After listening, you will have time to check your answers. You will hear each piece **once only**.

Questions 11—13 are based on the following talk introducing Emily Dickinson, a well-known American poet. You now have 15 seconds to read questions 11—13.

11. How long did Emily Dickinson live in the house where she was born?

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| A. almost all her life | B. less than half her life |
| C. until 1830 | D. before 1872 |

12. Which of the following is true of Emily Dickinson?

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| A. She was not a productive poet. | B. She saw many of her poems published. |
| C. She was not a sociable person. | D. She communicated only with seven poets. |

13. Emily Dickinson was widely recognized after _____.
A. Henry James referred highly to her. B. seven of her poems were published.
C. her poems became known to others. D. she had been dead for many years.

听力文字材料:

Emily Dickinson is one of the greatest American poets. She was born in a typical New England village in Massachusetts on December 10, 1830. She was the second child of the family. She died in the same house fifty-six years later. During her life time she never left her native land. She left her home state only once. She left her village very few times. And after 1872 she rarely left her house and yard. In the last years of her life she retreated to a smaller circle of family and friends. In those later years she dressed in white, avoided strangers, and communicated chiefly through notes and poems even with intimates. The doctor who attended her illness was allowed to "examine" her in another room, seeing her walk by an opened door. She was thought of as a "strange" figure in her home village. When she died on May 15, 1886, she was unknown to the rest of the world. Only seven of her poems had appeared in print.

But to think Emily Dickinson only as a strange figure is a serious mistake. She lived simply and deliberately. She faced the essential facts of life. According to Henry James, a famous American novelist, she was one of those on whom nothing was lost. Only by thus living could Dickinson manage both to fulfill her obligations as a daughter, a sister, and a housekeeper and to write on the average one poem a day.

She read only a few books but knew them deeply. Her poems are simple but remarkably rich. Not until 1950s was she recognized as one of the greatest American poets.

从上述独白中我们可以知道 11—13 题的答案是: 11. A; 12. C; 13. D.

解题技巧:

1) 在听完 Directions 后有 15 秒钟停顿。考生应充分利用这段间隙时间完成下列工作。首先,从 Directions 中找到独白或对话的主题。然后,浏览 11—13 题,看懂问句的含义并划出句中的信息信号词,如:第 11 题中 How long, Emily Dickinson, live 即为信息信号词。这些词暗示所要搜索的信息是一组表示时间段的词汇。

2) 在听的过程中考生应迅速扫描题目的 4 个选项,“听”与“看”密切结合,搜索到目标信息后随即划出。

3) 如遇总结归纳题或推理判断题,则在边听边搜索信息时要迅速加工所听到的材料,要做到听与想相结合、思考与记忆相结合。这两个“结合”要求在瞬间完成。请看第 12 题(归纳判断题)。注意下面这些话: During her life time she never left her native land. She left her home state only once. She left her village very few times. And after 1872 she rarely left her house and yard. In the last years of her life she retreated to a smaller circle of family and friends. In those later years she dressed in white, avoided strangers, and communicated chiefly through notes and poems even with intimates. 从上面几句话可以得出结论,Emily Dickinson 并不是一个爱交际的人,故应选 C. She was not a sociable person.

4) 在听独白时,考生随即划出答案。如果考生对某道题的答案没有把握,则应划出记号。独白完后有 30 秒钟的停顿,考生应迅速检查试题的答案。

5) “前后连贯、综合思考”是重要的解题技巧。C 节有相当一部分题是测试考生综合理解的听力技能,如 13 题。前面我们听到: She was born in a typical New England village in Massachusetts on December 10, 1830. ... She died in the same house fifty-six years later. 最后我们听到: Not until 1950s was she recognized as one of the greatest American poets. 前后连贯、综合思考后,我们就可以确定选项 D. she had been dead for many years. 是正确答案。

C 节另外两篇独白或对话的解题过程和解题技巧与本篇基本相同,在此不再赘述。

二、练习

下面是 4 套全真听力理解模拟试题,其命题思路与难度基本与考题接轨。听力理解模拟试题配有两盒录音磁带(磁带可以自选购买)。听力理解属于能力测试,因此考生必须反复训练、持之以恒。在训练中要做到听读结合与听写结合。

Listening Comprehension Exercise 1

Directions: This section is designed to test your ability to understand spoken English. You will hear a selection of recorded materials and you must answer the questions that accompany them. There are three parts in this selection, Part A, Part B, and Part C.

Remember, while you are doing the test, you should first put down your answers in your test booklet. At the end of the listening comprehension section, you will have 5 minutes to transfer all your answers from your test booklet to ANSWER SHEET 1.

If you have any questions, you may raise your hand NOW as you will not be allowed to speak once the test has started.

Now look at Part A in your test booklet.

Part A

Directions: You will hear a passage about a newspaper boy. Listen to it and fill out the table with the information you have heard for questions 1--5. Some of the information has been given to you in the table. Write **only 1 word** in each numbered box. You will hear the recording twice. You now have 25 seconds to read the table below. (5 points)

The Newspaper Boy		
Age	_____ years old	1
Grade	9th	
Time to get up in the morning	_____ o'clock	2
Time to leave home	_____ a. m.	3
Money earned per month	\$ _____	4
Time of collecting money	once a month, at night	
Number of his customers		5

Part B

Directions: You will hear a guide introducing some points of historical interests in the city. For questions 6--10, complete the sentences and answer the questions while you listen. Use **not more than 3 words** for each answer. You will hear the recording twice. You now have 25 seconds to read the sentences and questions below. (5 points)

When was The Grange, one of the oldest homes in the city, built?

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The university building is interesting because many people claim they've seen a ghost walking through it

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Bridgton Castle was built by Sir Henry Pellat for

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Bridgton Castle is interesting because Sir Henry became so unhappy that he left the castle and

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How long does it take to walk from the hotel to the Grange?

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Part C

Directions: You will hear three pieces of recorded material. Before listening to each one, you will have time to read the questions related to it. While listening, answer each question by choosing A, B, C or D. After listening, you will have time to check your answers. You will hear each piece **once only**.

Questions 11—13 are based on the following talk about the scene of controversy, which happened in Hillside, Nebraska. You now have 15 seconds to read questions 11—13.

11. What happened in the usually quiet town last weekend?
 - A. Some teenagers were arrested.
 - B. A famous Pop singer went there.
 - C. A parent group held a demonstration.
 - D. All the shops selling rock videos were closed.
12. What did the parent group aim at ?
 - A. They tried to stop violence in the neighborhood and keep the children out of jail.
 - B. They were accusing Michael Jackson of encouraging violence against women.
 - C. They were accusing the store owners of selling rock videos that had violence in them.
 - D. They tried to push their children back to school.
13. It can be learned from the teenagers' responses that all of the following statements are true except that _____.
 - A. they believed that their parents had underestimated their intelligence
 - B. they insisted that they be taught at home to judge what was right and wrong
 - C. they believed that censorship(新闻检查) did not work at all
 - D. the world they live in is not so much good as perfect

You now have 30 seconds to check the answer to Questions 11—13.

Questions 14—16 are based on the following talk about smoking. Now you have 15 seconds to read questions 14—16.

14. Which of the following resulted in the establishment of cigarette industry in 1870s?
 - A. The rise of people's living standard.
 - B. The migration of population from the country to the city.
 - C. The change in one's personal habits.
 - D. The development of cigarette-making machines.
15. The talk does not state directly, but implies that _____.
 - A. an increasing number of people will give up smoking
 - B. the price of cigarettes will be reduced
 - C. most of the male smokers have sworn off smoking
 - D. well-educated men are more likely to smoke cigarettes
16. What factors determine a person's smoking habits?
 - A. Economic situation and employment rate.
 - B. Education, income, sex and occupation.
 - C. The development of cigarette industry.
 - D. Sex and educational level only.

You now have 30 seconds to check your answers to Questions 14—16.

Questions 17—20 are based on a conversation between Mr. Markhan and Mrs. Gold about

marriage. Now you have twenty seconds to read questions 17—20.

17. Why did Mrs. Gold marry so young?
 - A. Because she didn't have any money.
 - B. Because George was a lovely man, considerate and fun to be with.
 - C. Because she didn't want to live at home with her parents.
 - D. Because George loved going out and meeting people.
18. What happened to George, her first husband?
 - A. He lost consciousness one day.
 - B. He was killed in a train crash.
 - C. He was seriously injured, but survived.
 - D. He spent all his money and killed himself.
19. What was Fred like?
 - A. He was dedicated to his job.
 - B. He was smart and cordial.
 - C. He was a devoted man.
 - D. He was lazy, untidy and rude.
20. What does Mrs. Gold think of her third husband?
 - A. He is hard-working, ready to help others and able to know how to enjoy life.
 - B. He doesn't have the most important qualities a husband should have.
 - C. He is a person who is not good at leading his life.
 - D. He likes to make friends and talk to them all day along.

You now have 40 seconds to check your answers to Questions 17—20.

That is the end of Listening Comprehension.

Listening Comprehension Exercise 2

Directions: This section is designed to test your ability to understand spoken English. You will hear a selection of recorded materials and you must answer the questions that accompany them. There are three parts in this selection, Part A, Part B, and Part C.

Remember, while you are doing the test, you should first put down your answers in your test booklet. At the end of the listening comprehension section, you will have 5 minutes to transfer all your answers from your test booklet to ANSWER SHEET 1.

If you have any questions, you may raise your hand NOW as you will not be allowed to speak once the test has started.

Now look at Part A in your test booklet.

Part A

Directions: You will hear a passage about a job interview. Listen to it and fill out the table with the information you have heard for questions 1—5. Some of the information has been given to you in the table. Write **only 1 word** in each numbered box. You will hear the recording twice. You now have 25 seconds to read the table below. (5 points)

A Job Interview		
When did Elina leave the Hotel Scandinavia?	In _____	1
How long has Elina worked in her last employment?	_____ years	2
The restaurant where Elina worked can hold	_____ tables	3
Elina'd be responsible for bringing the dishes from the kitchen, serving the drinks and looking after the		4
Johnson will pay Elina	_____ pounds a week	5

Part B

Directions: You will hear a talk about the big business of advertising. For questions 6—10, complete the sentences and answer the question while you listen. Use **not more than 3 words** for each answer. You will hear the recording twice. You now have 25 seconds to read the sentences and the questions below. (5 points)

The names of certain places in the United States make people think of

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What companies have their offices on Madison Avenue?

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How do many companies make the public interested in what they want to sell?

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In an advertising office on Madison Avenue plans are made for telling the public

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The famous baseball player says that WAKE-UPS can give him the

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Part C

Directions: You will hear three pieces of recorded material. Before listening to each one, you will have time to read the questions related to it. While listening, answer each question by choosing A, B, C or D. After listening, you will have time to check your answers. You will hear each piece **once only**.

Questions 11—13 are based on the following conversation between a customer and a travel agent. You now have 15 seconds to read questions 11—13.

- How many flights are there a day from Paris to Frunkfurt?
A. 6 or 7. B. 10 or 11. C. About 15. D. 8 or 9.
- How much does it cost to fly from Paris to Frunkfurt?
A. About \$ 130. B. About \$ 260. C. \$ 98. D. 338 francs.
- What does the customer think of the trip this time of year?
A. It's a tiring trip. B. It's a depressing trip.
C. It's a boring trip. D. It's a beautiful trip.