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内 容 提 要

本书系根据《大学英语教学大纲》要求及四级统考中学生出现的问题编写而成。本书具有指导性、针对性、连续性和强化性等特点,因此,它不仅可以减少应考的错误率,而且对今后的八级统考也可做超前的准备。本书选题具有一定的量度和难度,可训练学生的快速反应和举一反三的能力。

读者对象:英语专业本专科学生、电大、夜大学生以及英语自学考试的学生、非英语专业报考研究生的考生,以及出国留学人员。

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前 言

国家教委组织专家编写的《大学英语教学大纲》(以下简称《大纲》)在听、说、读、写、译方面对不同阶段的英语专业的学生提出了具体要求,为了落实《大纲》,近几年来,国家教委组织委属院校及其它部分院校举行四级、八级统考。我们根据《大纲》具体要求及几年来四级统考中学生出现的问题,编写了《大学英语专业四级测试习题集》(以下简称《习题集》)。

这本《习题集》的特点:一是指导性。在编写时,我们把《大纲》的要求都融进到了试题的各个部分,通过练习达到《大纲》的要求。二是针对性。我们分析了几年来学生在四级统考中出现的问题,并对问题进行分门别类,有目的地放入《习题集》,从而有的放矢,减少错误的出现率。三是连续性。教学是一项系统工程,我们不但要把四级统考抓好,还要使学生在二年后的八级统考中取得优异的成绩。因此,我们把八级统考中的项目之一——翻译也列入试题中。四是强化性。《习题集》中的试题量度和力度以及难度都较大,并要求在限定时间内完成。从而训练学生的快速反应和举一反三的能力。

《习题集》的出版无疑对大学英语本、专科的学生、电大、夜大学生、参加英语自学考试的学生、非英语专业报考研究生的考生以及出国留学人员都具有一定的帮助。

《习题集》在编写过程中得到大连外国语学院学报《外语与外语教学》主编张后尘编审及大连外国语学院英语系主任赵忠德副教授的大力支持与帮助,在此深表谢意。但由于我们水平有限,经验不足,成书仓促,缺点及错误在所难免,恳请英语界前辈、同仁以及本书广大使用者斧正。

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Test 1

I. Word Derivation (10 points Time: 10 mins.)

Directions: Use the appropriate form of the word given in brackets at the end of each sentence to fill in the corresponding blank.

1. Now he is relieved of his _____. (anxious)
2. As Christmas drew near, the children were filled with _____. (anticipate)
3. The _____ Minister of Foreign Affairs is coming to our school to give us a lecture. (act)
4. Though they didn't like the idea, they finally agreed _____. (willing)
5. It is obvious that he is drunk because he moves _____ and unsteadily. (hesitate)
6. I was annoyed because I felt praised _____ by the letter. (sincere)
7. She had the reputation of being _____ about other people's affairs. (inquire)
8. It is very _____ to intrude during someone's conversation. (courtesy)
9. A _____ buyer purchases fruits and vegetables in season. (thrift)
10. Because Bob had stopped reading his technical journals, he was _____ of new development in his field. (ignor)

II . Cloze (15 points Time: 10 mins.)

Directions: For each blank in the following passage, choose the most suitable word from the list of words provided underneath. Each word can be used once only.

urban display Kansas show and devoted business seat look Illinois
immigrated photographer God given formal town secretarial then sitting
after

Delight in Devotion. My mother was born in a small (1) _____ in

northern Italy. She was three when her parents (2) _____ to America in 1926. They lived in Chicago, (3) _____, where my grandfather worked making ice cream.

Mama thrived in the hectic (4) _____ environment. At 16, she graduated first in her high-school class, went on to (5) _____ school, and finally worked as an executive secretary for a railroad company.

She was beautiful too. When a local (6) _____ used her pictures in his monthly window (7) _____, she was flattered. Her favorite portrait showed her (8) _____ by a lake, her hair windblown, her gaze reaching toward the horizon. My mother always used to say that when you died, (9) _____ gave you back your "best self." She'd show us that picture and say, "This is what I'm going to (10) _____ like in heaven."

My parents were married in 1944. Dad was a quiet (11) _____ intelligent man who was 17 when he left Italy. Soon (12) _____, a hit-and-run accident left him with a permanent limp. Dad worked hard selling candy to office workers on their break. He had little (13) _____ schooling. His English was self-taught. Yet he eventually built a small, successful wholesale candy (14) _____. Dad was generous, handsome and deeply religious. Mama was (15) _____ to him.

I . Grammar and Vocabulary (15 points Time: 15 mins.)

Section A

Directions: There are 15 sentences in this section. Beneath each sentence there are 4 words or phrases marked [A], [B], [C] and [D]. Choose the one word or phrase that best completes the sentence.

1. _____ adhesive force between gases and solids.
[A] An [B] With an
[C] Since an [D] There is an
2. Argon is used to fill light bulbs, _____ not react with the white-hot metal of the filament.
[A] does [B] for it does

- [C] in it does [D] it does
3. Rattan comes from _____ of different kinds of palms.
[A] its reedy stems [B] the reedy stems
[C] the stems are reedy [D] stems that are reedy
4. The committee has met and _____.
[A] they have reached a decision
[B] it has formulated themselves some opinions
[C] its decision was reached at
[D] it has reached a decision
5. _____ dates from the end of the eighteenth century.
[A] The modern circus [B] That the modern circus
[C] While the modern circus [D] The modern circus that
6. Fat is not digested in the stomach, _____ in the small intestine.
[A] but [B] and
[C] which [D] although
7. As a general rule, snakes _____ unless offended.
[A] have not bitten [B] do not bite
[C] will not be biting [D] are not biting
8. The first doll _____ say "mama" was invented in 1830.
[A] that it could [B] could it
[C] it could [D] that could
9. Many flatworms have _____ of eyes.
[A] more pairs than one [B] more than one pair
[C] one more pair than [D] one pair more than
10. I can't tell you if it _____ tomorrow.
[A] will rain [B] rains
[C] shall rain [D] does
11. It is necessary that your brother _____ his work on time.
[A] finishes [B] can finish
[C] finish [D] has finished
12. It was ordered that no smoking _____ in the reading-room.

[A] is allowed

[B] be allowed

[C] should allowed

[D] will be allowed

13. He went pale _____ the news.

[A] of

[B] at

[C] with

[D] from

14. The gastric juice in the stomach contains two ferments, _____ and pepsin.

[A] they are rennin

[B] which rennin

[C] rennin

[D] are rennin

15. Niagara Falls provides the single greatest natural _____ in North America.

[A] of water power source

[B] power of water source

[C] power water source of

[D] source of water power

Section B

Directions: In each sentence of this section, a word or phrase is underlined. Below each sentence are 4 words or phrases. You are to choose the one word or phrase which would best keep the meaning of the original sentence if it were substituted for the underlined part.

1. The brief Alaska summer is accompanied by an astounding change in the flora and fauna of the tundra.

[A] alarming

[B] annoying

[C] amazing

[D] alluring

2. The boy had looked up to his older brother all his life.

[A] despised

[B] safeguarded

[C] admired

[D] excluded

3. When the bell rang, the chemistry student jerked her hand and spilled the acid.

[A] abruptly

[B] clapped

[C] gently moved

[D] rubbed

4. His qualifications for the graduate assistantship are indisputable.

- [A] fraudulent [B] invalid
[C] outstanding [D] unquestionable
5. He is infamous for his dishonesty in business matters.
[A] notorious [B] dreaded
[C] loathed [D] investigated
6. While some bacteria are beneficial, others are harmful in that they cause disease.
[A] detrimental [B] prodigious
[C] intrusive [D] mordant
7. The Blackfoot people painted their buffalo hides with simple horizontal lines.
[A] moccasins [B] bones
[C] robes [D] skins
8. The transportation of goods and people from place to place continues to gain in efficiency through technology.
[A] vehicles [B] boxes
[C] commodities [D] machines
9. Emeralds, the softest of the gems, are usually more costly than diamonds.
[A] tree ornaments [B] green minerals
[C] natural metals [D] precious stones
10. It proved to be a fruitful meeting.
[A] crowded [B] lively
[C] popular [D] productive
11. Unless you have a map, our village is very difficult to find.
[A] preserve [B] adhere
[C] equal [D] locate
12. This kind of dress had a great vogue in New York.
[A] option [B] goal
[C] token [D] fashion
13. That's a very interesting hypothesis.
[A] assumption [B] hasard
[C] solution [D] result

14. The bulk of the herd had to be destroyed because of disease.

[A] The larger animals

[B] The leader

[C] Most

[D] Some

15. The bedrock on which psychoanalysis rests is a belief in the unconscious.

[A] impasse

[B] viewpoint

[C] bias

[D] foundation

IV. Proofreading (15 points Time: 15 mins.)

Directions: There are errors to be corrected in the following passage. Only the lines with numbers at the ends of them have errors but occasionally some of them are error-free. Proofread the passage in this way:

For a wrong word, underline the wrong word and write the correct word in the blank provided at the end of the line.

For a missing word, mark the position of the missing word with a "Λ" sign and write the word you supply in the blank provided.

For an unnecessary word, strike off the unnecessary word with a slash "/" and write the word you delete in the blank provided.

For an error-free line, put a "✓" sign in the blank provided.

EXAMPLE:

Many aids which are advertising as liberating the modern woman tend to have Λ opposite effect, because they simply change ~~to~~ the nature of work instead of eliminating it.

(1) advertised

(2) the

(3) to

(4) ✓

I have reason to feel good about my life. I have been married 31 years with Suzette, who bore me two wonderful children. I am a successful and respected rabbi. We live in a nice family and can afford to travel on our vacations.

(1) _____

(2) _____

But if I could change everything, it (3) _____
 would be those years when I focused on work
 and ignoring the needs of my wife and young (4) _____
 children. Like more men, I put my career (5) _____
 first. My job was the "other woman" who (6) _____
 diverted time and energy I should have invested
 at home. A verse in the Biblical Song of
 Solomon remind me of my younger days when I (7) _____
 was away every evening, advising other people
 on their family problems: "They made me the (8) _____
 keeper of the vineyards; but my own vineyard
 have I not kept. "

All along, Suzette told me I was made a (9) _____
 mistake, that the children wanted and needed
 my attend. Besides, it wasn't fair to leave (10) _____
 her with all the child-rearing responsibili-
 ties, from doctors' appointments to bedtime
 stories. Most important, she said, I deserved
 to share with those magical years when our (11) _____
 children were growing up—years that all
 too soon will be over. (12) _____

Exasperated, I would explain that I wasn't
 constantly at the office because it was more
 fun than being home. It was hard, frustrating
 work. What's more, I was doing it for her and (13) _____
 the children. Reading the children a bedtime
 story wasn't the one way of showing love, (14) _____
 I would tell her. Providing them for food, (15) _____
 clothing, a stable home and a private-school
 education was also an expression of devotion.

V . Reading Comprehension (20 points Time: 20 mins.)

Directions: In this section you will read several passages. Each one is followed by several questions about it. For questions 1-30 you are to choose the one best answer, (A), (B), (C) or (D) to each question.

Questions 1-5

The fiddler crab is a living clock. It indicates the time of day by the color of its skin, which is dark by day and pale by night. The crab's changing skin color follows a regular twenty-four hour cycle that exactly matches the daily rhythm of the sun.

Does the crab actually keep time, or does its skin simply respond to the sun's rays, changing color according to the amount of light that strikes it? To find out, biologists kept crabs in a dark room for two months. Even without daylight the crab's skin color continued to change precisely on schedule.

This characteristic probably evolved in response to the rhythm of the sun, to help protect the crab from sunlight and enemies. After millions of years it has become completely regulated inside the living body of the crab.

The biologists noticed that once each day the color of the fiddler crab is especially dark, and that each day this occurs fifty minutes later than on the day before. From this they discovered that each crab follows not only the rhythm of the sun but also that of the tides. The crab's period of greatest darkening is precisely the time of low tide on the beach where it was caught!

1. The fiddler crab is like a clock because it changes color _____.

- | | |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| [A] in a regular 24-hour rhythm | [B] in response to the sun's rays |
| [C] at low tide | [D] every fifty minutes |

2. The crab's changing color _____.

- [A] tells the crab what time it is
- [B] protects the crab from the sunlight
- [C] keeps the crab warm
- [D] is of no real use

3. When the fiddler crabs were kept in the dark, they _____.

- [A] did not change color

- [B] changed color more quickly
- [C] changed color more slowly
- [D] changed color on the same schedule

4. The crab's color-changing ability was probably developed _____.

- [A] in the process of evolution
- [B] over millions of years
- [C] by the work of biologists
- [D] both [A] and [B]

5. The best title for this selection is _____.

- [A] The Rhythmic Cycles of the Sun and Tide
- [B] Discoveries in Biology
- [C] A Scientific Study
- [D] A Living Clock

Questions 6-9

MARKHAM PLUMBING & HEATING

Since 1935

Plumbing and Heating Installation

LARGE or SMALL

REPAIRS

RESIDENTIAL. COMMERCIAL

N. J. State FREE

License * 4807 ESTIMATES

24 Hour 7 Day Service

228-4495

461 GORDON WAY

HARRINGTON

6. What service is offered free by Markham Plumbing & Heating?

- [A] Installation
- [B] State licensing
- [C] Estimates of costs
- [D] Large or small repairs

7. In the ad, which of the following indicates that Markham Plumbing & Heat-

ing has been in business for a long time?

- [A] "Since 1935"
- [B] "N. J. State License * 4807"
- [C] "24 Hour 7 Day Service"
- [D] "Plumbing and Heating Installation"

8. For which of the following problems would one call Markham Plumbing & Heating?

- [A] A leak in the roof
- [B] A gas leak in the refrigerator
- [C] A short circuit in a wall plug that causes all the lights to go out
- [D] A broken bathroom pipe that is leaking water all over the floor

9. The words "Residential. Commercial" in the ad indicate that Markham Plumbing & Heating _____.

- [A] is licensed as a commercial establishment to work for private residences
- [B] is a profit-making business with a plumber always in residence
- [C] operates from a private home but makes commercial repairs
- [D] does work for private homes as well as for businesses

Questions 10-14

1001 Questions Answered about Birds

- Chapter I . The Classification of Birds
- Chapter II . The Distribution of Birds
- Chapter III . Bird Flight
- Chapter IV . The Migration of Birds
- Chapter V . The Internal Bird
- Chapter VI . The Exterior of Birds
- Chapter VII . The Senses of Birds
- Chapter VIII . The Life Cycle of Birds
- Chapter IX . The Size of Birds
- Chapter X . Numbers of Birds
- Chapter XI . Birdbanding

Chapter XII. Birdwatching

Chapter XIII. Attracting Birds to the Garden

Chapter XIV. Bird Conservation

Chapter XV. Birds in Mythology, Tradition and History

Chapter XVI. Adaptability of Birds

Chapter XVII. Birds Books for a Home Library

10. Which chapter of the book is likely to contain information on how far birds can fly?
- [A] Chapter V. [B] Chapter III.
- [C] Chapter XIV. [D] Chapter VII.
11. You are curious about how far birds can see. Which chapter of the book would you read?
- [A] Chapter XI. [B] Chapter V.
- [C] Chapter VI. [D] Chapter VII.
12. In which chapter would the author be likely to give you information about the seasonal flights of birds like wild geese?
- [A] Chapter I. [B] Chapter III.
- [C] Chapter IV. [D] Chapter VII.
13. Which chapter would you read if you are to write about the courtship and mating of birds?
- [A] Chapter XIII. [B] Chapter VII.
- [C] Chapter VI. [D] Chapter V.
14. If you want to know how birds are endangered and how they should be protected, which chapter would you refer to?
- [A] Chapter XIV. [B] Chapter XIII.
- [C] Chapter XV. [D] Chapter X.

Questions 15-18

Dear sir,

After reading some of the letters printed in this newspaper, I'm beginning to believe that the carbon monoxide in this city's air during the past year has already affected some people's ability to think straight.