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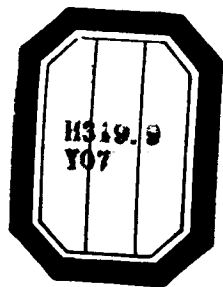


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本书是大学英语四、六级考试听力部分的新题型。本书精心编排 70 篇听力小文章,前 30 篇为 Spot Dictation,后 40 篇为 Compound Dictation,均附有答案,并配有外籍教师灌音的录音磁带。学生通过本书听力训练可以熟悉考试新题型,巩固提高听力能力,顺利通过考试。

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前 言

《大学英语听写填空与复合式听写 70 篇》是《大学英语考试专项训练》系列丛书之一。

本套丛书根据《大学英语教学大纲》和《大学英语考试大纲》以及新题型要求,按照试题类型分册编写而成。旨在帮助广大考生和英语自学者抓好英语基本功训练,巩固英语基本知识,熟悉如何考核。学生通过大量的试题实践操练,可望达到巩固提高自己的语言能力,顺利通过考试的目的。取材广泛,内容新颖,题目训练量之大,可谓是本套丛书之特色。

本套丛书包括:《大学英语阅读理解 1000 题》、《大学英语听力理解 500 题》、《大学英语英译汉 600 例》、《大学英语短文写作 200 篇》、《大学英语听写填空与复合式听写 70 篇》以及《大学英语改错 2000 题》(含托福考试、研究生考试内容)共 6 本。

《大学英语听写填空与复合式听写 70 篇》全书分两部分,第一部分是 Spot Dictation,第二部分是 compound Dictation,均附有答案。全书采撷原版文章之精华。但在实践中,我们发现非英语专业的学生所接触的文体和所掌握的词汇存在局限性,故根据《大学英语四、六级考试大纲》对原文略作改动。全书涉及知识面广,从科普知识到风土人情,从名人轶事到健身处世哲理,有一定的知识性和趣味性。本书考虑到语言由浅入深,循序渐进的原则,并配有外籍教师灌音的录音磁带。本书适合四、六级考生,也适合英语自学者作为听力练习,以提高听力能力。

由于编者水平有限,此书不免有不少错误,请各位读者不吝指教。

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Spot Dictation

Directions: There are 30 passages in this part. Listen to each passage three times. First, listen to the whole passage from the beginning to the end just to get a general idea of it. Then, in the second reading, you will hear a signal indicating the beginning of a pause after each sentence, sometimes two sentences or just part of a sentence. During the pause, you must write down the missing words you have just heard in the corresponding space. There is also a different signal indicating the end of the pause. When you hear this signal, you must get ready for what comes next from the recording. You can check what you have written when the passage is read to you once again without the pause.

Passage 1

"Everything happens for the best," my mother said whenever (1) _____. "If you keep on trying, one day (2) _____. And you'll realize that it wouldn't have happened (3) _____."

Mother was right, as I discovered (4) _____. I decided to try for a job in a radio station, then (5) _____. I hitchhiked to Chicago and knocked on the door of every station. (6) _____.

In one studio, a kind lady told me that big radio stations couldn't (7) _____. "Go to small towns and find a small station (8) _____," she said.

My father offered me his car. I drove to a small town. Luckily, I (9) _____. My mother was right. Something wouldn't have happened to me (10) _____.

Passage 2

The city of Tachikawa (立川), Japan, has decided to recycle tons of top-secret documents into toilet paper. And it promises it won't (1) _____.

Tachikawa's got about (2) _____ of taxpayers and other kinds of documents. It's decided to use them to make (3) _____. A paper maker is selling the toilet paper (4) _____. Each package (5) _____.

As far as security is concerned, planners try their best to (6) _____. If the documents were cut too small, the fibers would be (7) _____; but if a cutting machine wasn't used, (8) _____. The solution is that a cutting machine cuts the paper into (9) _____. Then the ink is (10) _____.

It's a good material to get people to think about recycling.

Passage 3

Most Americans don't like to get advice from (1) _____. When they need advice, they don't usually ask (2) _____. Instead many Americans write letters to newspapers and magazines which give advice (3) _____, including family problems, the use of language, health, cooking, (4) _____, clothes, and how to buy a house or a car.

(5) _____. Along with the letters there are answers written by people who (6) _____ how to solve such problems. Some of these writers are doctors; others are (7) _____. But two of the most famous writers of advice are (8) _____.

There is also one girl writer named Angel Lavalier, (9) _____
_____ at the age of ten. Her
advice to young readers now (10) _____
_____.

Passage 4

Water is one of the elements (1) _____.
_____. A person can go without food for almost two months, but without water he can (2) _____. Yet most people (3) _____
_____ how much water they should drink. In fact, many people live (4) _____.

Without water, we'd (5) _____ by our own waste products. When our bodies remove wastes, they need water. If there isn't enough water, (6) _____
_____ in our bodies. Water is also important (7) _____
_____ in digestion. It also carries oxygen to the cells through blood and (8) _____.

Daily water intake for (9) _____ is eight to ten eight-ounce glasses. For an overweight person or a person who exercises a lot or (10) _____, he may need more.

Passage 5

Until the twentieth century cigarettes were not an (1) _____.
_____. Men used tobacco (2) _____.
_____. Most women did not use tobacco.

The cigarette industry began in the 1870s with the development of the (3) _____. This (4) _____
_____ to produce great numbers of cigarettes very quickly, and it reduced the price.

Today cigarette smoking is (5) _____. About forty-three percent of (6) _____
_____ in the United States smoke cigarettes (7) _____. It is

(8) _____, however, that millions of people have given up smoking. Seventy-five percent of the (9) _____ have smoked cigarettes at some time during their lives, but twenty-six percent of these men and eleven percent of the women have stopped smoking. (10) _____ of persons who have given up smoking is increasing.

Passage 6

In our daily life, we should often consider cost, but not just price. In a street, I once observed 100-yard-long line of (1) _____. Fifty feet away, they could have been seated immediately at a restaurant that (2) _____. After breakfast, the same people (3) _____ to work in their work units, where they might risk more than \$3 (4) _____ for work.

There are many examples of being penny-wise and (5) _____. If you choose the airport bus (6) _____, you lose valuable time waiting for the bus to arrive and (7) _____. If you live (8) _____ from your office and (9) _____, your time on the way is costing you (10) _____.

Passage 7

At different times in a man's life his food (1) _____ his body. Among children food is quickly changed to (2) _____. Most of a (3) _____ is spent on growing tall; we (4) _____ only during the first twenty years of our lives. Working men get their (5) _____ from their food. Office workers, who (6) _____, may begin to grow fat when still quite young. Many older people

(7) _____. Perhaps the most difficult time is when a man (8) _____. His body and mind become (9) _____. That's when food changes quickly to fat. For office workers and older people (10) _____ are always recommended to keep fit.

Passage 8

We live in a crowded world. In many countries (1) _____ because there isn't enough food or good land to grow it on. Furthermore, the number (2) _____ has been increasing. So in many places men (3) _____ the sea.

Other countries (4) _____ what the sea has to give them. The Japanese get nearly half their food from the sea. Much of this is fish, but (5) _____. These appear in soups, vegetable dishes, and even (6) _____.

All these are plants that (7) _____ in the sea. But seaweeds (8) _____, too. In Ireland (9) _____ to make it possible for seaweed to grow on. When the weed is grown, it is cut off and the (10) _____ a new crop.

Passage 9

The Aral Sea in Central Asia, the world's fourth largest lake (1) _____. Its water level has fallen down almost 43 feet. Some 10,000 square miles of former sea bed now (2) _____.

The Aral Sea is dying because local farmers use too much water from its two feeder rivers to (3) _____. Very little water with (4) _____ reaches the Aral Sea. Yet people have to (5) _____ with it. There is no other water to use because (6) _____.

_____.

The local government wants to (7) _____. But this (8) _____. "The Aral Sea will become (9) _____ if the situation goes on like that," some scientists predicted. If it does, the health of three million people (10) _____.

Passage 10

While most computers don't draw much power, they collectively (1) _____ of commercial U.S. electricity consumption and represent the fastest growing sector of commercial (2) _____. Moreover, "for the (3) _____ that the nation's 30 million to 35 million personal computers are turned on, they aren't (4) _____. They're (5) _____ at night and on weekends," notes Brian J. Johnson, manager of a new U.S. Environmental Protection Agency program aimed at promoting more efficient computing.

To date, over 60 U.S. (6) _____, 12 makers of printers, and 30 companies producing software and hardware components have voluntarily signed onto this program. Its goal is to reduce the power drawn by an (7) _____. It's only over half its normal consumption. Together with other strategies for (8) _____, this program aims by the year 2000 to (9) _____. That in itself would reduce emission of carbon dioxide, the leading "greenhouse" gas, by 20 million tons. (10) _____.

Passage 11

Smoking, which may be a pleasure for some people, is a (1) _____ for their fellows. Further, medical authorities (2) _____.

_____ not only of those who smoke but also of those who don't. In fact, nonsmokers who must involuntarily (3) _____ may suffer more than the smokers themselves.

As you are doubtless aware, (4) _____ have joined in an effort to (5) _____ to ban smoking in the classrooms. I believe they are (6) _____. However, I would hope that it is possible to achieve this by (7) _____ to use good judgement and show concern for others (8) _____.

Smoking is (9) _____ in theatres, cinemas and in laboratories where there may be a fire hazard. Elsewhere, it is up to (10) _____.

Passage 12

According to the American Automobile Association, since 1964 all cars sold in the United States (1) _____ seat belts. Many studies of automobile accidents have shown that safety belts (2) _____. One study showed that forty percent of (3) _____ if they had been wearing seat belts.

Unfortunately belts are worn only by (4) _____ — about fifteen percent in cities, and only nine percent in small towns. And safety belts can't (5) _____ who don't wear them.

In order to find out what kinds of people wear seat belts a (6) _____ in several cities. The (7) _____ those who use their seat belts:

A. They don't smoke while driving.

B. (8) _____.

C. They know someone who (9) _____ in an automobile accident.

(10) _____ that

more people should wear safety belts.

Passage 13

A few months before June, 1944 Eisenhower was (1) _____. He commanded almost (2) _____. Most of the troops were American, British and Canadian forces (3) _____, and in addition there were (4) _____, Czech, Belgian, Norwegian and Dutch troops. Eisenhower's assignment was to enter the continent of Europe and undertake operations (5) _____.

On June 6, 1944, Eisenhower (6) _____. About 11,000 Allied planes flew to France. Ships began to (7) _____, heading for France. So the (8) _____ took place on the coast of France. It was the first step in (9) _____ from the Nazis. Adolf, Hitler's Third Reich which wanted to (10) _____ under the attack of the massive Allied and Russian forces.

Passage 14

People used to say, "The (1) _____ rules the world and behind every successful man there's a woman."

What they said means that men rule the world, but (2) _____.

Some women still like (3) _____. But some women (4) _____. They want good jobs. When they work, they want good pay. They want to (5) _____.

Today the best jobs are still given to men. Even when women do the same work, they are often (6) _____. Women want (7) _____.

The (8) _____ by women

who didn't want to stand behind successful men. They wanted to stand beside men, (9) _____. The movement isn't quite new, but many American women still don't agree with its purpose. But (10) _____ in women's lives and in men's lives, too.

Passage 15

Taking a sun-bath (1) _____. First you must choose a sunny day. Remember that (2) _____ between 11 A.M. and 2 P.M.. This is the time when (3) _____. At the right time, pick an open spot outdoors and (4) _____. You may want to bring along several things: suntan oil, (5) _____, a magazine, sunglasses or a pillow. It's better not (6) _____. Begin with a half hour, and then (7) _____ the time you spend in the sun. Certain parts of your body (8) _____. These include the backs of your knees, the (9) _____, your shoulders and your nose. Be sure to cover these spots with suntan oil when you first go outside. (10) _____ after you've been in the sun for a while.

Passage 16

There is (1) _____ that large cars cause more highway accidents than small cars. In the news recently was the story of a woman who (2) _____ while driving her car. The car was moving so fast that it (3) _____, causing a collision in which five people died. Those unnecessary deaths are (4) _____. A lighter and smaller car (5) _____ the fence, because the heavier the car, (6) _____ it will have in a collision. Furthermore, even if the lighter car had broken through the fence, its

(7) _____ would have been much less, and this would have reduced the (8) _____. Because of its small size, it might have (9) _____. The present design of the big automobile is (10) _____ the increasing deaths on the highways.

Passage 17

Alaska, which became the forty-ninth (1) _____ in 1959, was bought from Russia in 1867. The price (2) _____ for this huge piece of land was \$ 7,200,000. Secretary of State Seward arranged (3) _____. Because people in the United States at that time (4) _____, many of them did not (5) _____.

However, Alaska proved to be a wonderful buy. Over \$ 450,000,000, in gold has been taken from Alaska (6) _____. Alaskan streams and (7) _____, and so many salmon are caught each year in Alaska that (8) _____ salmon canning industry in the world. Alaskan hills have (9) _____ timber. In addition, the area has many fur-bearing animals, such as seals, foxes etc. (10) _____, he would be proud of his purchase.

Passage 18

What are intelligence tests ? (1) _____ ? The score you make on an intelligence test (2) _____ I. Q. (Intelligence Quotient). If your score is high, you have a "high I. Q." Most intelligence tests (3) _____ : skill with words, or verbal ability, and (4) _____, or mathematical ability. There are other kinds of intelligence that (5) _____.

Suppose you want (6) _____ an Eskimo child is. This particular child has never been to school. (7) _____, but he does know a great deal about catching fish. What kind of test could you give (8) _____, or mental ability? If you think about this, you will understand that most standard intelligence tests (9) _____. Neither do they measure all kinds of mental ability. They are designed to test the mental abilities you use in school. That is why girls and boys who have "high I. Q. s" are quite likely to (10) _____.

Passage 19

South America may be (1) _____. The first region is the towering mountain chain that (2) _____. Highlands in the northern, eastern, and (3) _____ form the second region. The third region consists of the (4) _____. The Andes Mountains are the longest unbroken chain (5) _____. They extend about five thousand miles along the western coast of South America. Altogether, they (6) _____.

The Andes (7) _____. In the southern part of the continent they are quite narrow. (8) _____, gleaming snowfields, and sparking glaciers (冰川). Farther north, (9) _____ twenty thousand feet above the level of the sea. (10) _____ Andes, the mountains spread out into parallel ranges.

Passage 20

For a long time, people who fish have had to (1) _____. Even big fishing ships, fitted with (2) _____, have their (3) _____. Wouldn't it be nice if fish could be (4) _____ of a whistle the

way some dogs do? Well, the days of "fish whistles" may (5) _____. Japanese companies are working on methods that will (6) _____ at the sound of an underwater whistle.

(7) _____: First, fish eggs are hatched in a laboratory. (8) _____, a whistle sounds. The young fish learn to return to their feeding areas at the sound of whistle. (9) _____ their offshore fishing waters to ships from other nations. (10) _____, Japan hopes to become less dependent on importing fish from other countries.

Passage 21

Only a small part of the (1) _____ is served by railroads. Most of the railroads have been (2) _____ of Buenos Aires, Sao Paulo, and Rio de Janeiro. (3) _____ network branching out from each of these cities.

Railroads in South America (4) _____ that it is very difficult to connect the various lines into a large system. (5) _____ is that the rails of some railroads are farther apart than those of others. (6) _____ tracks are spaced in five different widths. This makes it impossible for (7) _____ to use all the tracks in that country.

The railroads along the western coast of (8) _____ out in fan-shaped patterns from the main ports. Instead, most of them (9) _____ near the coast. A few railroad lines reach high up into the Andes Mountains. They are used (10) _____ from mines in the mountains to ports on the coast.

Passage 22

There are (1) _____. A person can live in ignorance, never quite understanding (2) _____. The same person can find out (3) _____ around him and see what he can do about these things. (4) _____, he probably will find life to be more interesting. He probably (5) _____ to decide more things for himself.

(6) _____ is one of things that can help you live this second way. (7) _____ the world events that influence your life. (8) _____, you will be able to make wiser decisions about many things. For example, (9) _____ more intelligently decide which men have (10) _____, needed for wise leadership.

Passage 23

The Mississippi was (1) _____. Today it is a river (2) _____ and not too tame. That is because of Mike Fink, (3) _____. The wildest thing on the whole river was Old Al. Old Al was the chief alligator (鳄鱼). (4) _____, and he made storms by beating the water with his tail.

When Old Al (5) _____, the waves grew huge, (6) _____, and there were (7) _____ a thousand miles of the Mississippi. (8) _____ Old Al's storms was Mike Fink. He was a river-man and he (9) _____ on the Mississippi. In those days a river-man had to fight Indians. Mike Fink (10) _____ of the whole Mississippi River.

Passage 24

In the (1) _____, in a cold and snowy