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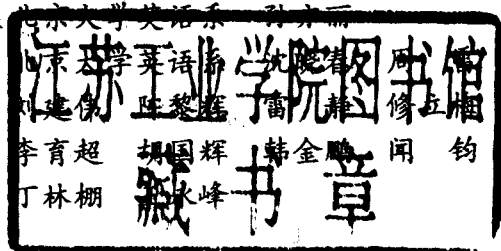
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Unit 1

Part I Warming-up Exercises

Section A Mini-talk

Directions: *In this section, you will hear 5 short conversations between two speakers. At the end of each conversation, a third voice will ask a question about what was said. Both the conversation and the question will be spoken only once. After each question there will be a pause. During the pause, you must read the four choices marked A), B), C) and D), and decide which is the best answer. Then mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a pencil.*

1. A) In a bank
C) On a plane
- B) In an office
D) On a pay telephone
2. A) In a few minutes
C) 9:30
- B) 9:00
D) 10:00
3. A) Her own safety in the air
C) Losing her luggage.
- B) Carrying her luggage.
D) The man at the airport.
4. A) There is no time to buy a magazine.
B) They don't have to pay for the magazine.
- C) The woman can read the magazine on the train.
D) The woman left the magazine in the waiting room.

5. A) The men are not permitted in the room.
B) They are bothered by the smoke.
C) There is very little breeze.
D) The room is on fire.

Section B Numbers

Directions: In this section, you will hear 10 sentences. There is one number in each of them. Listen carefully and write down the number quickly. You may replay the tape to listen again to check what you've written.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____

Section C Sentence Dictation

Directions: In this section, you will hear 8 sentences at a slow speed. Listen and write them down quickly and completely. You may replay the tape to listen again to check what you've written.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

7. _____

8. _____

Section D True or False Statements

Directions: *In this section, you are going to hear two passages or dialogues. While listening, you must read the ten statements in your book as quickly as possible and judge whether they are true or false. Then put a T(True) or an F(False) in each of the corresponding brackets.*

Passage One

- () 1. Goats are the best farm animal.
() 2. Goats can provide wool, but they cannot provide milk at all.
() 3. You can possibly raise a goat in a very small space.
() 4. Goats must live in the city.
() 5. Goats like to climb and can live on the steep slopes of mountains.

Passage Two

- () 6. A novel is a long real story about people.
- () 7. A novel is about all kinds of people.
- () 8. Ernest Hemingway wrote the novel *A Farewell to Arms*.
- () 9. The novel *Ulysses* covers less than twenty-four hours of a day.
- () 10. A novel only tells the thing the people do and think.

Part II Real-time Test

Section A Conversations

Directions: *In this section, you will hear 10 short conversations between two speakers. At the end of each conversation, a third voice will ask a question about what was said. Both the conversation and the question will be spoken only once. After each question there will be a pause. During the pause, you must read the four choices marked A), B), C) and D), and decide which is the best answer. Then mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a pencil.*

1. A) Paul's science teacher.
B) Paul's failing his science course.
C) Paul's interest in the course of science.
D) Paul's special help in school science.
2. A) That the secretary is not very efficient.
B) That the secretary is a man.
C) That the secretary has not been working there very long.
D) That the secretary is married.
3. A) He got through on the number an hour ago.

- B) He called the operator an hour ago.
 - C) He called the wrong person an hour ago.
 - D) His telephone wasn't in service an hour ago.
4. A) She is careless.
- B) She likes George very much.
 - C) She is not concerned with George's health.
 - D) She doesn't care what George said.
5. A) In a kitchen.
- B) In an orchard.
 - C) In a garden.
 - D) At a picnic.
6. A) She has French classes.
- B) She wants to visit her friends.
 - C) She has to review her French.
 - D) She is afraid to waste her time.
7. A) Her sister works at the bakery.
- B) The man is no judge of cakes.
 - C) She's surprised the man thinks she can cook.
 - D) Her sister bakes delicious cakes.
8. A) Nineteen years
- B) Twenty-seven years.
 - C) Twenty-nine years.
 - D) Twenty-five years.
9. A) 7:45
- B) 6:45
 - C) 7:15
 - D) 6:15
10. A) He took the wrong bus.
- B) He got lost.

- C) He missed the bus.
- D) He stayed too long at hotel.

Section B Passages

Directions: *In this section you will hear 2 short passages. At the end of each passage, you will hear some questions and the questions will be spoken only once. After each question there will be a pause. During the pause, you must read the four choices marked A), B), C) and D), and decide which is the best answer. Then mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a pencil.*

Passage One

1. A) It is a fairly recent development.
 B) It died out long ago in the beliefs of the people.
 C) It held sway for centuries but now does not affect the people.
 D) It still figures in the lives and beliefs of most Indians.
2. A) They were often remolded to fit new historical events.
 B) They were often discarded when no longer immediately relevant.
 C) They were made up by the priests.
 D) They were forbidden by the priests.
3. A) It is encouraged by the priests.
 B) It is encouraged by the government.
 C) It is immoral according to Indian mythology.
 D) It is illegal.

Passage Two

4. A) The care and proper selection of dogs for family pets.
 B) Different breeds of dogs.

- C) Responsibility for seeing that dogs are properly cared for.
D) Different kinds of books about dogs.
5. A) Children
B) Family
C) Parents
D) ASPCA
6. A) Because they are big and aggressive.
B) They provide companionship as well as protection.
C) Because most people are afraid of them.
D) Because they are easy to train.

Section C Spot Dictation

Directions: *In this section, you will hear a passage three times. First, you will hear 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, or part of a sentence. During the pause, you must write down the missing words you have just heard in the corresponding space on the Answer Sheet. 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.*

Although the Romans built theatres in Britain, such as the one at St Albans, these were not used once the Romans had left. In 1 people were entertained by clowns who made them laugh and singers whose songs told stories. The singers were perhaps 2 theatre in Britain. The church, however, was really 3 for bringing drama back into England. Stories from the Bible were 4 in the churches at times such as Christmas and Easter. By the

13th century the whole church was used to act out one of these 'plays' so that members of 5 were sitting among the actors while the play was happening. At this time the speeches were in Latin but between the 13th and 14th centuries drama left the churches and the words were then spoken in English, although the plays still told stories 6.

At this time the plays were acted on carts which were brought to different places in the town for the play to be 7. These early religious plays are known as '8' plays and many of them are very funny. They aimed to teach ordinary people, who could not read, about the Bible stories. 9. These are known as 'morality' plays. A few of the many groups of mystery plays have remained with us and are still acted. These are the mystery plays of the towns of Wakefield, York, Chester and Coventry. The groups produced at York are the most complete. 10.

Key to Unit 1

Part I

Section A

1. D 2. D 3. C 4. A 5. B

Section B

1. 600,000 2. 2,870,000 3. 18 4. 1911 5. 70%

6. 1500 7. 2,520 8. 4,860 9. 1.3 10. 8:45

Section C

1. Have you ever noticed that people who cannot read or write usually have better memories than those who can?
2. Representatives from a number of colleges met in 1900 and decided to prepare examinations for students who wanted to apply to any of the colleges represented.
3. It is a dream laboratory where researchers are at work studying dreams.
4. Woodcarving began as a necessity in America and developed into an art.
5. It is generally understood that a ballad is a song that tells a story, but a folk song is not so easily defined.
6. The most interesting architectural phenomenon of the 1970's was the enthusiasm for refurbishing older buildings.
7. The railroad industry could not have grown as large as it did without steel.
8. Television can also play an educational role in our daily life.

Section D

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|------|------|------|------|-------|
| 1. F | 2. F | 3. T | 4. F | 5. T |
| 6. F | 7. T | 8. T | 9. T | 10. F |

Part II

Section A

1. B 2. C 3. A 4. D 5. C
6. C 7. C 8. B 9. A 10. A

Section B

1. D 2. A 3. D 4. B 5. C 6. B

Section C

1. the Middle Ages
2. the first step towards
3. responsible
4. acted out
5. the audience
6. from the Bible
7. performed
8. mystery
9. Later came plays which were also lessons but this time about good and evil.
10. Of the morality plays, the most famous is the play called *Everyman* which dates back to about 1500.