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前言

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《当代实用英语综合实训(2)》包括8个单元,每个单元包括以下两个部分:

1. 根据《当代实用英语(2)》(学生用书)各个单元中 Text A 和 Text B 的内容而设计的相关练习,并配合各单元的主题,增加2~3篇快速阅读短文。

2. 结合高等学校英语应用能力等级考试(Practical English Test for College)的要求设计练习试题,所有题型和题量均以 A、B 级考试大纲和样题为依据。

在本书的编写过程中,我们阅读和借鉴了国内外一些相关的资料和文章,并得到了河南大学出版社有关人员的大力支持和帮助,在此,我们表示由衷的谢意。

由于水平有限,书中难免存在疏漏之处,希望广大师生批评指正。

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Unit 1

Shopping

PART ONE

I. Write down the words according to the meaning and the first letter given.

- | | | | |
|---------|---------|--------|---------|
| 1. 可用的 | a _____ | 2. 密码 | p _____ |
| 3. 崭新的 | b _____ | 4. 便利 | c _____ |
| 5. 户外的 | o _____ | 6. 仓库 | w _____ |
| 7. 购物商场 | m _____ | 8. 零售 | r _____ |
| 9. 拱廊 | a _____ | 10. 选区 | p _____ |

II. Fill in each blank with the proper form of the word given in the bracket.

- Online shopping has (provide) _____ some benefits for us, but it also has some disadvantages at the same time.
- People can (choose) _____ and buy all kinds of commodities they like as long as they click the mouse gently.
- In addition, (consumer) _____ have more choices and can do some comparisons when they are shopping on the Internet.
- However, for another, shopping on the Internet also has some (shortcoming) _____.
- And if this situation happens, the consumers would find nowhere to complain and never (pull out) _____ the money any longer.
- The traffic around shopping center is not (convenience) _____.
- Westfield Stratford City is the (large) _____ shopping center in the UK and also in Europe.
- Bullring, Birmingham is the (small) _____ shopping center in the UK welcoming over 36.5 million shoppers in its opening year.
- For one thing, online shopping has (bring) _____ some convenience for consumers.
- They can glance over various (commodity) _____ in all shapes, sizes and colors and decide to buy or not.

III. Translate the expressions into Chinese or English.

- shopping center _____
- to keep the bill _____

- | | |
|-----------------------|---------|
| 3. fixed prices | _____ |
| 4. out of stock | _____ |
| 5. ready-made clothes | _____ |
| 6. _____ | 交通事故 |
| 7. _____ | 网购 |
| 8. _____ | 拿回 |
| 9. _____ | 停车场 |
| 10. _____ | 随着网络的发展 |

IV. Match the English phrases in Column A with Chinese ones in Column B.

Column A

1. so-called
2. be filled with
3. pay in cash/card
4. go shopping
5. shopping mall

Column B

- a. 大型购物中心
- b. 所谓的
- c. 充满; 装满
- d. 现金/银行卡支付
- e. 购物

V. Choose the best answer for each of the following sentences.

1. The soldier died for his country, so his _____ is heavier than Mount Tai.
A. die B. death C. dead D. died
2. The man standing there is a _____ artist and writer.
A. distinguish B. distinguishing C. distinguishable D. distinguished
3. David became the _____ computer engineer in the company.
A. lead B. leader C. leading D. leadership
4. To everyone's _____, the girl finished the job quite well.
A. satisfied B. satisfactory C. satisfaction D. satisfying
5. No one should enter the playground without the _____ of the teacher.
A. permission B. permit C. permitting D. permitted
6. The _____ ordered him to pay a \$ 200 fine.
A. judge B. judgment C. judger D. judgments
7. To my _____, I won the race finally.
A. joys B. joyful C. joyless D. joy
8. How _____ Mary is! She is always acting the _____. She is really a _____.
A. foolish; foolishly; fool B. fool; foolish; fool
C. foolish; fool; fool D. foolishly; foolish; fool
9. You'd better do sports everyday if you want to keep _____.
A. health B. healthy C. healthily D. healthier
10. _____ speaking, Mary is not a great athlete.
A. Honestly B. Honest C. Honesty D. Dishonest
11. She made a _____ of his invitation, which upset him.
A. refuse B. refusal C. refutation D. refute

12. School _____ were very strict.
A. regulate B. regulations C. regular D. regularity
13. Emma can be very _____.
A. persuade B. pursue C. persuasive D. persuasion
14. _____, Lisa is good at tennis.
A. Surprisingly B. Surprise C. Surprises D. Surprising
15. _____, he escaped with only minor injuries.
A. Thank B. Thankful C. Thankfulness D. Thankfully
16. We shall all remember our teacher for the encouragement he gave us when we went so _____ to the sports meeting.
A. will B. willingness C. unwillingly D. would
17. The only _____ for his behavior is that he lost his mind.
A. explanation B. explanations C. explain D. explains
18. Today, we'll discuss a lot of cases where _____ tend to make mistakes when doing sports.
A. begin B. began C. beginners D. beginning
19. The two of them are in a _____ situation.
A. comparable B. compare C. comparison D. comparative
20. Jimmy has played a _____ role in the team he belongs to.
A. decide B. decision C. decisive D. decisions

VI. Cloze.

It was one of the last few days before Christmas, and the assistants in a large 1 had their hands full serving eager Christmas shoppers. At one corner, an old lady was 2 hats, black one for her daughter-in-law, light blue one for her niece, pink one for her granddaughter, red one for her sister and by the time she had 3 what she wanted, the counter was 4 with all colors and size. The salesgirl had finally 5 the bill and was about to 6 the next customer with a tiring voice, "Thank you very much, Madam." The old lady suddenly 7, "Oh, I almost forgot..." "Anything 8, Madam?" said the girl. "Yes," began the old lady, "I'd like to buy 9 one, but I'm not quite sure about what design I should choose. I wonder if you could 10." "Certainly, Madam." was the girl's 11. The old lady then went on to 12 that what she was looking for was a hat for a girl of her age. She was not 13 sure what color to choose, and the 14 was a problem too. The tired girl did her best to help the old lady 15 her mind, 16 her all kinds of hats. At last, the 17 hat was wrapped up and paid for as well, and 18 the girl was about to turn to the next customer, the old lady handed her a little 19 and said, "These now, dear, these are for you and thank you for being so 20. I do hope you have a merry Christmas!"

1. A. building B. store C. house D. office
2. A. chosen B. choosing C. looking D. looked
3. A. found B. asked C. suggested D. searched

- | | | | |
|----------------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|
| 4. A. filled | B. decorated | C. mixed | D. covered |
| 5. A. write out | B. fill | C. take out | D. give out |
| 6. A. turn to | B. look after | C. care for | D. think of |
| 7. A. called up | B. cried out | C. fell over | D. got through |
| 8. A. wrong | B. unusual | C. different | D. else |
| 9. A. another | B. each | C. one | D. any |
| 10. A. do me a favor | B. think about | C. wonder | D. help |
| 11. A. attitude | B. attention | C. reply | D. idea |
| 12. A. announce | B. introduce | C. speak | D. explain |
| 13. A. at all | B. a little | C. in nature | D. on earth |
| 14. A. eyesight | B. design | C. price | D. brand |
| 15. A. decide | B. determine | C. make up | D. wind up |
| 16. A. sharing | B. planning | C. pointing | D. handing |
| 17. A. discovered | B. decided | C. chosen | D. taken |
| 18. A. as | B. though | C. once | D. if |
| 19. A. money | B. parcel | C. note | D. praise |
| 20. A. eager | B. cautious | C. courageous | D. patient |

VII. Reading comprehension.

Passage One

A few years ago, I wanted to do something special for my birthday. I remembered how my parents gave me a very special treat when I was a child. I never enjoyed big parties so they decided to celebrate my birthday by organizing a party for the local orphans(孤儿). And that was the most beautiful gift I ever had!

Ten days before my birthday, I dashed to the cake shop. There it was!

I bought some other food to go with the special cake and then, smiling broadly, I drove to an orphanage(孤儿院).

There were different buildings, an orphanage and an old people's home run by the same management.

I went in anyway and it was the most unexpected surprise for the matron(保姆) and the kids! There were only six young boys in the home that day. They loved their feast! We sang, told stories, painted, cycled, and played in the garden. I felt like the oldest child there!

When the children's rest time came, we realized there was still a lot of food left. That's when the matron had a bright idea. She suggested the elders might enjoy a treat as well. So, I visited the elders' home! This time I was the youngest!

Two days later, the most unexpected beautiful surprises arrived through the post—lovely "Thank You" notes, one from the little children and the other from the elders!

Now when I walk down my memory lane, it does bring me loads of peace and lots of pleasure remembering that birthday!

1. Why did the author want to do something unique for his birthday? _____.
A. Because his parents celebrated his birthday in a special way when he was young
B. Because he wanted to organize a party for the local orphans
C. Because he wanted to stay with his parents
D. Because he received beautiful gifts at one of his birthdays
2. What did the author bring to the children of the orphanage? _____.
A. Toys B. Food C. Clothes D. Nothing
3. The author and the orphans did the following things at the orphanage EXCEPT _____.
A. taking food including a special cake
B. singing, telling old stories, painting and cycling
C. playing in the garden
D. playing with people in the elders' home
4. Which one is NOT the author's feeling after the birthday experience? _____.
A. Happy B. Peaceful C. Grateful D. Impressed
5. What did the author want to tell us in this passage? _____.
A. How the author celebrated his birthday
B. It's an enjoyable experience to spend his birthday with the people in need
C. Orphans and elder people liked to be visited by other people
D. Orphans and elder people calls for our attention

Passage Two

The concept of solitude(独处) in the digital world is almost non-existent. In the world of digital technology, e-mail, social networking and online video games, information is meant to be shared. Solitude can be hard to discover once it has been given up. In this respect, new technologies have shaped our culture.

The desire to be connected has brought solitude to an end as we've known it. People have become so reachable in the world of networks and connections that one can often be contacted even if they'd rather not be. Today we can talk, text, send e-mail and chat, not only from our computer, but also from our mobile phones as well.

Most developed nations have become dependent on digital technology simply because they've grown accustomed to it, and at this point not using it would make them an outsider. Also, many jobs and careers require people to be connected. From this point of view, technology has changed the culture of work. Being reachable might feel like a burden to those who may not want to be able to be contacted at all times.

I suppose the positive side is that solitude is still possible for anyone who really wants it. Computers can be shut down and mobile phones can be turned off. The ability to be "connected" and "on" has many advantages, as well as disadvantages. Travellers ended up lost on mountains, and mobile phones have saved countless lives. They can also make people feel trapped and forced to answer unwanted calls or reply to unwanted texts.

Attitudes towards our connectedness as a society vary across generations. Some find today's technology a gift. Others consider it a curse. Regardless of anyone's view on the

subject, it's hard to imagine what life would be like without daily advancements in technology.

6. From the beginning of the passage, why can't the concept of solitude in the digital world exist? _____.
A. It is easy to share information by e-mail, social networking, online video games and so on
B. People become open-minded in the world of digital technology
C. Solitude can be easy to discover once it has been given up
D. All above
7. Which is not the way of being connected in our daily life from this passage? _____.
A. Make phone calls B. Write e-mails C. Chat online D. Write a letter
8. What is the synonym of "contacted" in the third paragraph? _____.
A. Connected B. Told C. Wrote D. Confronted
9. What is the disadvantages of being "connected" in this text? _____.
A. Travellers may get lost in the mountains if they do not have a mobile phone
B. Mobile phones can be turned off
C. People are forced to pick up unwanted calls or reply to unwanted texts
D. Calling someone for a long time is not good for health
10. What is the author's attitude towards "being connected" in our modern society? _____.
A. Excited B. Positive C. Negative D. Neutral

Passage Three

For years, the giant squid(巨型乌贼) had remained a modern mystery. Living in the dark depths of the ocean, the creature is difficult for scientists to observe directly. It had also managed to avoid all attempts to film it. That changed last July: for the first time ever, scientists were able to catch the giant squid on video in its natural habit. They were amazed by what they saw. The scientists filmed the squid in the North Pacific Ocean, south of Tokyo, Japan. They followed it down to a depth of 2,952 feet. They shot more than 23 minutes of video before the squid swam off into even darker depths. The video footage will be released to the public later this month on the Discovery Channel.

Tsuemi Kubodera, a zoologist at Japan's National Museum of Nature and Science, led the team that filmed the squid. The team went into the ocean in a small submarine with lights invisible to both humans and squid. Since giant squid eat smaller squid, the scientists released a small squid as bait(诱饵). Then the scientists waited in the pitch black for the giant squid to approach.

The color video shows the creature is floating vertically, eating the bait squid. The giant squid is 9 to 10 feet long and is missing its two longest tentacles(触须). With those tentacles, it could have measured up to 26 feet long. It has huge black eyes as the size of dinner plates. "It was shining and so beautiful", Kubodera said.

Because the deep ocean is so unfriendly to humans, little is known about the giant squid. Scientists say catching the mysterious creature on video is an important step toward

understanding it. For centuries, sailors had reported seeing a huge, ocean-dwelling beast, thought to be the giant squid. The creature is also believed to be the subject of the Nordic myth of the kraken, a sea creature that supposedly attacked ship in Scandinavian waters over the past thousands of years.

11. Why is it difficult to film the giant squid? _____.
 - A. Because it is illegal to film the giant squid
 - B. Because it is too expensive to make such a film
 - C. Because the giant squid lives in the dark deep ocean
 - D. Because the giant squid is dangerous to humans
12. How did the Japanese team film the giant squid in the deep ocean? _____.
 - A. The team used a small submarine with lights invisible to both humans and squid to film the squid
 - B. Scientists released a small squid as bait
 - C. They used radar to track the squid
 - D. They stayed in the ocean for a long time to film the giant squid
13. We can learn from the first paragraph that scientists _____.
 - A. first saw the giant squid in the ocean
 - B. discovered a new sea creature in the ocean
 - C. have the ocean bottom secretly recorded on video
 - D. have first caught the legendary giant squid on video
14. The scientists released a small squid in the ocean to _____.
 - A. increase the number of the giant squid
 - B. trick the giant squid into coming out
 - C. make an educational film about it
 - D. show concern for the giant squid
15. Which of the following statements is TRUE? _____.
 - A. The giant squid caused many ship accidents in the ocean
 - B. The giant squid was the biggest threat to ancient sailors
 - C. The video of the giant squid could hopefully solve the Nordic puzzle
 - D. The giant squid has been confirmed to be the sea monster in the Nordic myth

VIII. Proofreading and error correction.

The passage contains 10 errors. There are no more than 2 errors in each sentence. In each case, only one word is involved. You should proofread the passage and correct it in the following way:

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

For a missing word, mark the position of the missing word with a “^” sign and write the word you believe to be missing in the blank provided at the end of the line.

For an unnecessary word, cross the unnecessary word with a slash “/” and put the word in the blank provided at the end of the line.

Proofread the given passage as instructed.

Three years ago I was admitted to an ordinary school. Disappointing as I felt at the poorly-equipped classroom, I found the teachers patient and considerately. What's more, I was very fond in the friendly atmosphere in class. I was determined to make best of it. I worked hard and get along well with my teachers and classmates. Whenever I had difficulties, they were always ready to helping me out. Soon, I became one of the top student in my class, which made myself confident and motivated.

What I experienced in high school tell me that it is not what you are given but how you make use of it which determines who you are.

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

IX. Writing.

假定你是即将毕业的大三学生王明,受学校校报英文版的邀请,写一篇英语短文,谈谈你的大学学习和生活的收获。

注意:词数约 150,开头已为你写好,不计入总词数。

With graduation approaching, I would like to share my experience with you.

PART TWO

PRETCO 考试 A 级试题

Part I Listening Comprehension (15 minutes)

Directions: *This part is to test your listening ability. It consists of 3 sections.*

Section A

Directions: *This section is to test your ability to understand short dialogues. There are 5 recorded dialogues in it. After each dialogue, there is a recorded question. Both the dialogues and the questions will be spoken only once. When you hear a question, you*

should decide on the correct answer from the 4 choices marked A, B, C and D given in your test paper. Then you should mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the center.

Example: You will hear: W: Are you catching the 13:15 flight to New York?

M: No, I'll leave this evening.

Q: What are the two persons talking about?

You will read: A. London.

B. An evening party.

C. An air trip.

D. The man's job.

From the conversation, we know that the man is to take a flight to New York. Therefore, **C. An air trip.** is the correct answer. You should mark C on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the center. Now the test will begin.

1. A. To help the woman.
B. To hand in something.
C. To go to some place.
D. To talk to the woman.
2. A. The woman doesn't like Peter.
B. Peter has never paid money back after borrowing it.
C. Peter has something wrong with his neck.
D. Peter is rich.
3. A. She wants to travel with the man.
B. She wants to know where the most beautiful place is.
C. She wants to know where London is.
D. She wants to get some advice on a trip to England.
4. A. English food is delicious.
B. He didn't like English food at all.
C. English food is delicious but he didn't like it at first.
D. English food is rather boring and distasteful.
5. A. The woman learns new words from dictionary, but the man learns them from reading.
B. The woman likes to look up dictionary but the man guesses the meaning from understanding.
C. The woman only reads newspapers while the man reads a lot of other materials.
D. The woman likes sports but the man doesn't.

Section B

Directions: This section is to test your ability to understand short conversations. There are 2 recorded conversations in it. After each conversation, there are some recorded questions. Both the conversations and questions will be spoken two times. When you hear a question, you should decide on the correct answer from the 4 choices marked A, B, C and D given in your test paper. Then you should mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the center.

Conversation 1

6. A. Table tennis, running and golf.
B. Tennis, jogging and golf.
C. Tennis, running and golf.
D. Golf, running and jogging.
7. A. About once seven days.
B. About once thirty days.
C. About once a year.
D. About once half month.

Conversation 2

8. A. In a shop. B. At home. C. In the street. D. In a restaurant.
9. A. Their children. B. Their grandparents.
C. Their friends. D. Their grandchildren.
10. A. Some records B. A toy suit.
C. A space suit. D. A model car.

Section C

Directions: This section is to test your ability to comprehend short passages. You will hear a recorded passage. After that you will hear five questions. Both the passage and the questions will be read two times. When you hear a question, you should complete the answer to it with a word or a short phrase (in no more than 3 words). The questions and incomplete answers are printed in your test paper. You should write your answers on the Answer Sheet correspondingly. Now listen to the passage.

11. What is the passage mainly about?

In the current society, _____ on the internet become more and more popular.

12. What is the first advantage of online shopping?

Online shopping can help us to _____ so that we can concentrate more time on study.

13. What is another advantage of online shopping?

Internet has _____ kinds of goods so we can save much money.

14. What is the disadvantage of shopping online?

Without face-to-face communication, we may buy some _____ products.

15. What conclusion can we draw?

We should _____ of the times.

Part II Vocabulary & Structure (15 minutes)

Directions: This part is to test your ability to construct grammatically correct sentences. It consists of 2 sections.

Section A

Directions: In this section, there are 10 incomplete sentences. You are required to complete each one by deciding on the most appropriate word or words from the 4 choices marked A, B, C and D. Then you should mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the center.

16. _____ the bad weather, the meeting has been put off until next day.
A. Due to B. As
C. For D. Because
17. It is said that Diana has made _____ in all her lessons.
A. many progresses B. a plenty of progress
C. a lot progresses D. great progress
18. — I _____ so hard recently that I haven't had any time for collecting new stamps.
— OK, I will ring you up if I have any news.
A. have worked B. have been working
C. am working D. worked
19. She wasted lots of time and money _____ instead of working hard.
A. running into B. running after
C. running across D. running risks
20. I _____ English classes every week, but I think I'll make it every day from next month.
A. took B. takes
C. take D. had taken
21. Recently I bought an ancient Greek vase, _____ was expensive.
A. which price B. its price
C. the price of which D. the price of it
22. Mr. Li _____ the company.
A. is charged by B. is in charge of
C. charge of D. charges
23. The flight _____ at 7:00 p. m. , so I have to be at the airport by 6:50 p. m. at the latest.
A. left B. would leave
C. will have left D. will be leaving
24. You'd better take some books there when you go to the railway station _____ you have to wait.
A. in case B. as if
C. due to D. even if
25. UN _____ food and clothes _____ those who lived in poor countries.
A. supplied; with B. supplied; of
C. provided; for D. provided; with

Section B

Directions: There are 10 incomplete statements here. You should fill in each blank with the proper form of the word given in brackets. Write the word or words in the corresponding space on the Answer Sheet.

26. An (excite) _____ look appeared on the boy's face when he heard the (excite) _____ news.
27. Jim is the only witness who has reported (see) _____ the whole accident.
28. It is about half an hour ago that he (come) _____ here.
29. The new mobile phone (cost) _____ me 5,000 yuan with which I can pay for one month's rent.
30. The Loch Ness Monster(尼斯湖水怪) (help) _____ attract tourists to Scotland since 1950s.
31. He felt very tired because he (work) _____ for eight hours.
32. In the next few years, the government will take (effect) _____ measures to bring the price of the house under control.
33. I did not accept any of the many gifts, because I (find) _____ none of them satisfactory.
34. In the UK, what (impress) _____ exchange students most was the Student Union where they could get lots of information.
35. The performance usually takes place outside the house, with the audience (seat) _____ on the chairs.

Part III Reading Comprehension (40 minutes)

Directions: This part is to test your reading ability. There are 5 tasks for you to fulfill. You should read the reading materials carefully and do the tasks as you are instructed.

Task 1

Directions: After reading the following passage, you will find 5 questions or unfinished statements. For each question or statement, there are 4 choices marked A, B, C and D. You should make the correct choice and mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the center.

The over-50s who grew up watching black-and-white programs and movies are likely to dream in grey, according to a research. And the under-25s who have watched color TV all their lives tend to have colorful experiences in the land of dreams.

Research from the first half of the 20th century, especially in the 1940s and 1950s, suggested that most of the dreams are in black and white. But results from tests in the 1960s and later suggested that nearly 80 percent of dreams contain some colors.

Since this period marked the transition from black-and-white films and TV to widespread