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## 内容简介

本书是根据国家教委颁布的《大学英语教学大纲》、《大学英语四级考试大纲》以及全国大学英语四、六级委员会《关于全国大学英语四级考试采用新题型的通知》精神而编写的英语听力辅助教材。全书共有 22 套听力试题，内容丰富，针对性强，是大学英语四级强化阶段的理想听力教材。

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## 前 言

在大学英语四级考试中,听力理解部分一直是学生的薄弱环节。四级考试新题型的采用更加大了听力部分的难度。为了更好地配合听力教学,切实提高学生的听力水平和应试能力,我们编写了《全新大学英语四级听力》一书,作为四级听力教学和测试的辅导材料。

本书包括了全国大学四、六级考试委员会公布的所有听力理解题型,共有22个单元模拟试题,并配有8盒录音磁带。

本书选材广泛,内容新颖,语音纯正,语速标准,出版前曾在多所高校试用,受到广大师生普遍欢迎。许多师生对本书提出了中肯的建议,此次蒙北京科学技术出版社出版之际,我们对他们表示衷心感谢。

由于编者水平有限,书中不妥之处在所难免,敬请广大师生不吝赐教,以使本书不断完善。

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# Listening Comprehension

## Unit One

### Section A

**Directions:** In this section, you will hear 10 short conversations. At the end of each conversation, a question will be asked about what was said. 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 single line through the centre.

Example: You will hear:

You will read:

- A) At the office.      B) In the waiting room.  
C) At the airport.    D) In a restaurant.

**Sample Answer** [A] [B] [C] [D]

From the conversation we know that the two were talking about some work they have to finish in the evening. This is most likely to have taken place at the office. Therefore A) "At the office" is the best answer. You should choose answer [A] on the Answer Sheet and mark it with a single line through the centre.

1. a. In a lecture room.                      b. In a hospital.  
c. In a factory.                              d. At a doctor's office.
2. a. \$ 20    b. \$ 30  
c. \$ 40    d. \$ 60
3. a. Running a race.  
b. Doing morning exercises.  
c. Trying to catch somebody.  
d. Running away from the woman.
4. a. The man doesn't know Mr. Hill very well.  
b. Mr. Hill doesn't live in that neighborhood.  
c. Mr. Hill has gone out.  
d. The man's name is not Hill.
5. a. His magazine.                              b. Mr. Jenison.  
c. His case.                                      d. His glasses.
6. a. Answering the telephone.              b. Having a talk with Mr. Ted.  
b. Doing some washing.                      d. Doing the washing up.
7. a. Two police officers.                      b. Two friends.  
c. Two strangers.                              d. A policeman and a stranger.
8. a. At a gas station.                              b. At Mr. Hyden's home.  
c. At a department store.                      d. At the woman's home.
9. a. Once a week.                                      b. Twice a week.  
c. Three times a week.                      d. Five times a week.
10. a. He lost his umbrella.  
b. He lent the woman his umbrella.  
c. He borrowed the woman's umbrella.  
d. He bought an umbrella.

## Section B

**Directions:** In this section, you will hear three passages. At the end of each passage, you will hear some questions. Both the passage and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C), and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the centre.

### Passage 1

**Questions 11 to 13 are based on the passage you've just heard.**

11. a. A wedding in June will be guarded by the goddess June.  
b. One day in June is longer than any other day of the year.  
c. A wedding in June will bring the newlyweds more children.  
d. It is a custom handed down to us from ancient Rome.
12. a. It would bring him bad luck.  
b. Love would escape from the heart.  
c. Evil spirits would be around.  
d. His third finger would be broken.
13. a. A lasting marriage.                      b. Health and wealth.  
c. Peace and luck.                              d. Love and faithfulness.

### Passage 2

**Questions 14 to 16 are based on the passage you've just heard.**

14. a. Because he didn't like city lawyers.  
b. Because he didn't want to specialize immediately.  
c. Because he failed the bar exams.  
d. Because he didn't want to work on tax cases.

15. a. One of the partners works a little less than the others.  
b. Frank takes all the civil liberties cases.  
c. The senior partner is too sick to work.  
d. There are five partners in all.
16. a. Insurance cases.                      b. Divorce cases.  
c. Corporation law.                      d. Criminal cases.

### Passage 3

Questions 17 to 20 are based on the passage you've just heard.

17. a. A teacher enjoys a spacious routine.  
b. A teacher only needs to work forty-eight weeks a year every year.  
c. There is little to be done outside teaching hours.  
d. A teacher seldom uses his spare time to do routine work.
18. a. Research.                              b. Preparing examinations.  
c. Reading papers.                      d. Interviewing students.
19. a. He can work in the quiet of a book-room.  
b. He has a light timetable in comparison with businessmen.  
c. He is not chained to his desk and the telephone.  
d. He does not feel exhausted on weekends.
20. a. Nine days.                              b. Five days.  
c. Two weeks.                              d. A month.

## Unit Two

### Section A

**Directions:** In this section, you will hear 10 short conversations. At the end of each conversation, a question will be asked about what was said. 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 single line through the centre.

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|---------------|---------------|
| a. \$ 45,000. | b. \$ 15,000. |
| c. \$ 40,000. | d. \$ 30,000. |
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|----------|----------|
| a. Jack. | b. Tom.  |
| c. John. | d. None. |
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|--------------------|-----------------------|
| a. In a library.   | b. In a reading-room. |
| c. In a bookstore. | d. In a food store.   |
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|----------------|----------------|
| a. 25 minutes. | b. 20 minutes. |
| c. 15 minutes. | d. 30 minutes. |
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|-------------------------------------|--|
| a. He is not satisfied with it.     |  |
| b. He's never got a satisfying job. |  |
| c. He doesn't care about it.        |  |
| d. He is happy with it.             |  |
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|---|--|
| a. Marianna was ignorant of the woman.              |  |
| b. Marianna took the woman for somebody else.       |  |
| c. The woman should scold Marianna but not the man. |  |

- d. The woman should lose some weight.
7. a. Two friends.                      b. Husband and wife.  
c. Two strangers.                      d. Doctor and patient.
8. a. The man will be fined.  
b. The man will have a quarrel with the woman.  
c. The woman will accept the book unwillingly.  
d. The manager will accept the book unwillingly.
9. a. The man.                              b. The child.  
c. The woman.                            d. Mrs. Mich.
10. a. A cook.                                b. A dentist.  
c. A teacher.                                d. A waiter.

## Section B

### Compound Dictation

**Directions:** In this section, you will hear a passage three times. When the passage is read for the first time, you should listen carefully for its general idea. Then listen to the passage again. When the passage is read for the second time, you are required to fill in the blanks numbered from S1 to S7 with the exact words you have just heard. For blanks numbered from S8 to S10 you are required to fill in the missing information. You can either use the exact words you have just heard or write down the main points in your own words. Finally, When the passage is read for the third time, you should check what you have written.

Cultures are always changing, although some cultures change faster than others, and some parts of a culture change faster than other parts. American culture has changed rapidly. Other cultures have been (S1) \_\_\_\_\_ stable for thousands of

years.

A (S2) \_\_\_\_\_ culture is one that developed a long time ago and has (S3) \_\_\_\_\_ much the same over a long (S4) \_\_\_\_\_.

One way cultures change is through the (S5) \_\_\_\_\_ of diffusion, or the spread of new ideas, new inventions, and new ways of doing things. The use of an invention becomes (S6) \_\_\_\_\_ if it meets needs or solves problems. Bicycles spread world wide because they proved to be a most (S7) \_\_\_\_\_ means of local transportation. New ideas and the use of new things usually spread first in the society where these were conceived and produced. Then, (S8) \_\_\_\_\_

Records and tapes have spread rock music around the world.

(S9) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_. Such a culture

( S10 ) \_\_\_\_\_

## Unit Three

### Section A

**Directions:** In this section, you will hear 10 short conversations. At the end of each conversation, a question will be asked about what was said. 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 single line through the centre.

1. a. The man is dying.  
b. The man is almost killed in an accident.  
c. The man is only slightly hurt.  
d. The man's left leg will be cut off.
2. a. The blue shirt.                      b. The yellow shirt.  
c. The red shirt.                         d. None of them.
3. a. The man.                                b. The woman.  
c. Mr. Bill                                  d. Someone else.
4. a. Boss and secretary.                b. Doctor and patient.  
c. Teacher and Student                d. Doctor and nurse.
5. a. \$ 19                                      b. \$ 12  
c. \$ 7                                         d. \$ 5
6. a. An armyman.                         b. A policeman.  
c. A box office clerk.                 d. A ticket seller.
7. a. A gardener.                         b. A farmer.  
c. A pedlar.                                d. A cook.

8. a. 8:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m.  
b. 8:00 a. m. to 12:00 at noon.  
c. 9:00 a. m. to 12:00 at noon.  
d. 9:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m.
9. a. Taking his dog for a walk.  
b. Going home.  
c. Going to his office.  
d. Doing morning exercises.
10. a. The man should drink the tea right away.  
b. It is too cold for the man to continue.  
c. Someone is waiting for the man.  
d. The man is waiting for somebody.

## **Section B**

**Directions:** In this section, you will hear three passages. At the end of each passage, you will hear some questions. Both the passage and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C), and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the centre.

### **Passage 1**

**Questions 11 to 13 are based on the passage you've just heard.**

11. a. College football has become a big business at all schools.  
b. College football has brought the coaches a lot of money.  
c. College football is nothing but bad for colleges and universities.  
d. Playing football at college is great fun.

12. a. To offer help to the high school football players.  
b. To attract football stars to play football for their colleges.  
c. To play football there for higher pay.  
d. To train the high school stars every afternoon.
13. a. A football player fails in exams because he can't focus on his studies.  
b. People used to play football for fun, not for money.  
c. College football has become so commercial that it should be stopped.  
d. Football is called a spectator sport because many students participate in it.

### **Passage 2**

**Questions 14 to 16 are based on the passage you've just heard.**

14. a. We will enjoy far more sunshine.  
b. We will breathe fresher air.  
c. We will live in little boxes and eat official food.  
d. We will lead better lives than we are today.
15. a. Many essential materials will be used up.  
b. Few problems will appear as a result of mechanization.  
c. Many jobs that people do today will be replaced by mechanization.  
d. Many people will be needed to run the machines.
16. a. Because they have to work hard to support the growing population.  
b. Because they are afraid of being weeded out in such a competitive society.

- c. Because they want to earn more money to meet the high cost of living.
- d. Because they have to find ways to pass the time after their retirement.

### **Passage 3**

**Questions 17 to 20 are based on the passage you've just heard.**

- 17.
  - a. To work to the best of his abilities.
  - b. To work beyond his abilities.
  - c. To overcome the limits of his abilities.
  - d. To be good despite the limits of his abilities.
- 18.
  - a. To develop children's potential and ability to the fullest.
  - b. To prepare them for the purpose of life-long learning.
  - c. To enable them to become useful and loyal citizens.
  - d. All of the above.
- 19.
  - a. Mathematics.
  - b. Physical education.
  - c. Humanities.
  - d. Moral education.
- 20.
  - a. Coping with the constantly changing world.
  - b. Understanding and appreciation of beauty.
  - c. Developing sound values and good citizenship.
  - d. Developing team spirit and a rounded character.

## Unit Four

### Section A

**Directions:** In this section, you will hear 10 short conversations. At the end of each conversation, a question will be asked about what was said. 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 single line through the centre.

- Vegetables are most useful for people's health.
  - Fruits are most useful for people's health.
  - Both fruits and vegetables are most useful for people's health.
  - Neither fruits nor vegetables are most useful for people's health.
- Mrs. Smith.
  - Mrs. Muller.
  - Mrs. Muller's secretary.
  - Mrs. Jackson.
- At school.
  - At the exhibition.
  - In the hospital.
  - At her uncle's home.
- She overslept.
  - She walked too slowly.
  - Something happened to her car.
  - Something happened to the high way.
- 10 minutes.
  - 20 minutes.
  - 30 minutes.
  - 40 minutes.