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前 言

本书在正式出版前,曾在华南理工大学多届学生中使用过,效果良好。现对原稿进行了部分删改,并根据 1996 年将采用的新题型,增补了相应的练习。

本书的特点是难度适当,知识覆盖面广,具有一定深度。旨在为广大英语四级考生提供一本有较强科学性、实用性和针对性的复习题集。各部分编写人员如下:

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因编写时间仓促,编者水平有限,故不足之处难免。望同行及使用人士批评指正。

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I . Listening Comprehension

Test 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 question will be spoken only once. After each question there will be a pause. During the pause, you must read the four suggested answers (A), (B), (C), and (D), and decide which is the best answer. Then mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a pencil.

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(C) At the airport.

(D) In a restaurant.

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 pencil.

Sample Answer ~~A~~ B C D

1. (A) Laundry worker.
(B) Plumber.
(C) Carpenter.
(D) Train conductor.

2. (A) He lent her an extra pen.
(B) He offered her a pencil.
(C) He said he didn't have any extra ink.
(D) He was afraid of losing his pencil.
3. (A) Bob is too tired to study any more.
(B) He told Bob not to study late at night.
(C) He had often advised Bob to study.
(D) Bob didn't hear the alarm.
4. (A) Diana's condescending attitude.
(B) Diana's choice of subject.
(C) Diana's negligence.
(D) Diana's irrelevant response.
5. (A) On the second floor.
(B) At a man's store.
(C) In the women's department.
(D) In a department store.
6. (A) Mary wouldn't call the woman again.
(B) Mary didn't call.
(C) Mary would call next time she came to town.
(D) That she hoped to come for dinner next time she came to town.
7. (A) They don't have to go to the concert.
(B) His brother should let them use the car.
(C) The subway is fine with her.
(D) A car wouldn't be any faster.
8. (A) The long wait.
(B) Her paycheck.
(C) The computer.
(D) The bank's excuses.
9. (A) The one for \$ 3.00.
(B) Neither.
(C) Both.
(D) The one for \$ 4.95.
10. (A) 8 : 50.
(B) 7 : 30.
(C) 8 : 00.

(D) 8 : 15.

Section B

Directions: In this section, you will hear 3 short passages. Both the passage and the question 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 One

Questions 11 to 13 are based on the passage you have just heard.

11. (A) At a school in London.
(B) At a school in the north of London.
(C) At a school in the north of England.
(D) At a school five miles away from home.
12. (A) Mr Andrews talking to the boys in the playground.
(B) The boys playing in the playground.
(C) The secretary speaking to Mr Andrews.
(D) Someone saying something about studying.
13. (A) It's difficult to find a school in London during the war.
(B) The story took place more than 20 years ago.
(C) The speaker answered the headmaster's question frankly.
(D) The speaker was accepted as a pupil after the interview.

Passage Two

Questions 14 to 16 are based on the passage you have just heard.

14. (A) Six hours.
(B) Eight hours.
(C) Seven hours.
(D) Nine hours.
15. (A) Put your feet in cold water before going to bed.
(B) Take a bath in cold water.
(C) Read a dull book.
(D) All of the above.
16. (A) Wine.

- (B) Milk with honey.
- (C) Coffee with milk.
- (D) Hot water with honey.

Passage three

Questions 17 to 20 are based on the passage you have just hear.

- 17. (A) Less than 200 years ago.
 - (B) More than 20 years ago.
 - (C) About 200 years ago.
 - (D) More than 1000 years ago.
- 18. (A) On the eastern coast of North America.
 - (B) On the southern coast of North America.
 - (C) On the northern coast of North America.
 - (D) On the western coast of North America.
- 19. (A) Mexico got California and New Mexico from the United States after a war.
 - (B) The United States got California and New Mexico from Mexico after a war.
 - (C) The United States bought Alaska from Mexico after a war.
 - (D) Mexico defeated the United States in the war.
- 20. (A) In 1860.
 - (B) In 1851.
 - (C) In 1865.
 - (D) In 1861.

Test Two

Section A

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Sample Answer A B C D

1. (A) She doesn't know how long they'll have to wait.
(B) They're going to be in Washington at eight.
(C) They're going to be very late.
(D) The train doesn't go near Washington.
2. (A) He won't go swimming without a lifeguard.
(B) He lost his key in the swimming pool.
(C) He can't keep his room clean.
(D) He's locked out of his room.
3. (A) He must read a lot of books.
(B) He doesn't like history.
(C) He can't get the books he needs.
(D) He has lost his watch.
4. (A) Check the price of calculators.
(B) Finish his statistics homework.
(C) Look for a job in mathematics.
(D) Use a smaller calculator.
5. (A) He wrote it last semester.
(B) He'll finish it in a few minutes.
(C) He never does assignments early.
(D) He isn't going to write it.
6. (A) You can buy two bookcases for \$9.90 each.
(B) One bookcase will cost her \$7.50 if she buys two or \$9.90 if she

only buys one.

- (C) A bookcase costs \$ 15. 00.
- (D) Bookcases cost \$ 14. 95 for two.
- 7. (A) The display lights were really blue.
- (B) The gown was blue.
- (C) The gown was green.
- (D) The gown was bright yellow.
- 8. (A) \$ 18. 50.
- (B) \$ 15. 50.
- (C) \$ 19. 50
- (D) \$ 14. 00.
- 9. (A) Eight.
- (B) Two.
- (C) Four.
- (D) Six.
- 10. (A) On the table.
- (B) He's wearing them.
- (C) On the cabinet.
- (D) Upstairs.

Section B

Directions: In this section, you will hear 3 short 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.

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- 11. (A) On Monday or Tuesday.
- (B) Next semester.
- (C) On Wednesday.
- (D) On Thursday.
- 12. (A) \$ 25. 00 late registration fee.

- (B) A schedule card signed by his faculty advisor.
 - (C) In the auditorium.
 - (D) A faculty advisor.
13. (A) Late registration.
- (B) To his faculty advisor.
 - (C) The auditorium.
 - (D) To the information booth on the walkway.

Passage Two

Questions 14 to 16 are based on the passage you have just heard.

14. (A) Since the invention of carriage.
- (B) Since the last century.
 - (C) Since the beginning of this century.
 - (D) Since 1970s.
15. (A) Speed.
- (B) Comfort.
 - (C) Safety.
 - (D) Distance.
16. (A) Travelling by air.
- (B) Travelling by car.
 - (C) Travelling by train.
 - (D) Walking across a street.

Passage Three

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

17. (A) Five.
- (B) Four.
 - (C) Three.
 - (D) Two.
18. (A) Jewellery.
- (B) Rare coins.
 - (C) Stamps.
 - (D) Diamonds.
19. (A) He was a gardener in the colonel's house.
- (B) He was a servant in the house.
 - (C) He took care of the colonel's son.

- (D) He looked after the colonel's property.
20. (A) He was in debt.
(B) He was in trouble.
(C) He could enter the library.
(D) All of the above.

Test Three

Section A

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Sample Answer ~~A~~ B C D

1. (A) No one knows how Mark gets to work.
(B) She doesn't think the record player works.
(C) She threw the old records away.
(D) It's surprising that Mary could repair the record player
2. (A) He used to have one like it.
(B) He didn't think it looked right.

- (C) He would like to have one.
(D) He couldn't ride it.
3. (A) To do whatever the committee asks of him.
(B) To make decisions in agreement with the committee.
(C) To run the committee according to his own ideas.
(D) To elect the committee chairman himself.
4. (A) He has a friend who majored in economics.
(B) He hasn't taken more than one economics courses.
(C) He's been learning a lot this year, too.
(D) He couldn't make any sense out of his course.
5. (A) At the post office.
(B) At his home address.
(C) At his mountain cabin.
(D) At his aunt's address.
6. (A) The woman doesn't like orange juice.
(B) The woman didn't come to see Everett.
(C) The man was in a car crash this morning.
(D) The man broke the container of juice.
7. (A) 9 : 20.
(B) 10 : 20.
(C) 11 : 20.
(D) 11 : 00.
8. (A) She will have a package tour with lots of stopovers.
(B) She will spend five days in Ireland.
(C) She will take a longer trip.
(D) She will spend five days in France.
9. (A) He was sick.
(B) He had to work.
(C) His wife had to work.
(D) His wife was sick.
10. (A) That he sees a nice motorcycle.
(B) The motorcycles look nicer than cars.
(C) That motorcycles can be dangerous.
(D) That the woman should be interested in motorcycles.

Section B

Directions: In this section, you will hear 3 short 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 One

Questions 11 to 13 are based on the passage you have just heard.

11. (A) For any length of time.
(B) At least 14 days.
(C) At most two weeks.
(D) A month.
12. (A) Textbooks.
(B) Newspapers and magazines.
(C) Stories.
(D) Novels.
13. (A) The students should treat the books carefully.
(B) The students ought not to talk loudly.
(C) The students can't lend the books to others without permission.
(D) The students need to help to clean the library.

Passage two

Questions 14 to 16 are based on the passage you have just heard.

14. (A) Aluminum.
(B) Steel.
(C) Alloy steel.
(D) Copper.
15. (A) It would burn on reentry to earth's atmosphere.
(B) It would break into very small pieces in the earth's atmosphere.
(C) It might cause considerable damage.
(D) It will not survive its atmospheric descent.
16. (A) The pieces would be concentrated in one area.

- (B) The Skylab would not completely burn before reentry.
- (C) There could be considerable property damage.
- (D) Some 400 to 500 pieces might survive reentry.

Passage Three

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

- 17. (A) A very large island.
 - (B) A very small island.
 - (C) A long, narrow island.
 - (D) A round, high island.
- 18. (A) Five million.
 - (B) Six million.
 - (C) Just over five billion.
 - (D) A little more than seven million.
- 19. (A) In Harlem.
 - (B) In Manhattan.
 - (C) In Chinatown.
 - (D) In the State of New Jersey.
- 20. (A) 50 metres.
 - (B) 510.25 metres.
 - (C) 411.75 metres.
 - (D) 110.55 metres.

Test Four

Section A

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Sample Answer ~~A~~ B C D

1. (A) She has not heard of Professor Savio.
(B) She is a good friend of Professor Savio.
(C) She has not heard of Professor Savio's brother-in-law.
(D) She does not know Professor Savio's brother-in-law.
2. (A) Bring her some water.
(B) Buy her some plants.
(C) Water her plants while she's away.
(D) Water her plants while he is on vacation.
3. (A) Adding some numbers.
(B) Locking the car.
(C) Trying to think of a solution.
(D) Finding another key.
4. (A) At a baggage counter.
(B) At an elementary school.
(C) At a bookstore.
(D) At a post office.
5. (A) Not everyone from England likes to read all the time.
(B) People who teach English like things besides books.
(C) The English like to read a lot and listen to music.
(D) English teachers usually like to read a lot.
6. (A) The man would understand if he had Frank's job.
(B) Frank could help him get a job on an airplane.
(C) Waiting on tables is an enjoyable job.
(D) She is tired of waiting for him there.

7. (A) Be at the theater by 8 : 30.
(B) Meet the woman at the Sea Breeze Inn.
(C) Have the car serviced.
(D) Have dinner at a drive-in restaurant.
8. (A) The twins are four.
(B) Jamie is there.
(C) The baby is two.
(D) The twins are five.
9. (A) In a bookstore.
(B) In a park.
(C) At a library.
(D) At home.
10. (A) Phil.
(B) Her brother.
(C) Don.
(D) The man's brother.

Section B

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Passage One

Questions 11 to 13 are based on the passage you have just heard.

11. (A) It usually means professional games.
(B) It usually means hunting wild animals and birds.
(C) It usually means games played during spare time.
(D) It usually means organized games.
12. (A) People interested in sports.
(B) people paid for the sports they play.
(C) Teachers for training sportsmen.
(D) Students taking part in athletic activities.