

大学英语六级考试预测试卷

College English Model Tests of Forecast

—— Band Six ——

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答 题 提 示

1. 本试卷是严格按照 2000 年新大纲的要求,由北京大学、上海交通大学等高校的英语骨干教师编写,覆盖面广,针对性强,权威性强,是考前训练的精品。
2. 本套试卷共 10 套试题,建议您每周做 1 套。
3. 自测时间可安排在上午或下午,不间断地进行 120 分钟,自主做题,不看参考答案。
4. 将心态调整到临战状态,与进考场无异。
5. 结束后,请认真对照标准答案,自己评分填好下表。然后找出自己的薄弱环节,在以后的复习中重点突破。

	总得分	听力理解	阅读理解	词 汇	完形填空(改错、翻译、简答问题)	短文写作
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Model Test Three

试 卷 一

Part I

Listening Comprehension

(20 minutes)

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. Each 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. Then mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the centre.

Example: You will hear:

You will read:

- A) 2 hours.
- B) 3 hours.
- C) 4 hours.
- D) 5 hours.

From the conversation we know that the two are talking about some work they will start at 9 o'clock in the morning and have to finish at 2 in the afternoon. Therefore, D) "5 hours" is the correct answer. You should choose answer [D] on the Answer Sheet and mark it with a single line through the centre.

Sample Answer: [A] [B] [C] [~~D~~]

- 1. A) 2 days. B) Saturday. C) 3 days. D) Friday.
- 2. A) At a museum. B) In a classroom. C) In a store. D) In a library.
- 3. A) His roommate stays awake all night. B) He wants to play his recorder at night.
- C) The present room is too expensive. D) He needs a quieter place to live in.
- 4. A) English people like to wear blue clothes at Christmas.
- B) Christmas is a family reunion for the British people.
- C) An Englishman does not get homesick if he is away from home.
- D) An Englishman feels very unhappy if he is away from home at Christmas.
- 5. A) He had chosen a ski area beyond his ability. B) He knew that he could easily ski down the slope.
- C) He had his mouth full of food. D) He looked down his ski coach.
- 6. A) The car repair. B) A car order. C) An insurance claim. D) A bank loan.
- 7. A) The model. B) The lens. C) The price. D) The flash attachment.
- 8. A) Mail an invitation to the Smiths. B) Obtain clothing for the Smiths.
- C) Have a party for the Smiths. D) Ask the Smiths to tell where they live.
- 9. A) He can not tell the truth. B) He can not drive.
- C) He has to search for his compartment. D) He has not yet found a room to rent.
- 10. A) Go to the party. B) Review her lesson. C) Ride with George. D) Go to the market.

Section B

注意:听力理解的B节(Section B)为复合式听写(Compound Dictation),题目在试卷二上,现在请取出试卷二。

Part II

Reading Comprehension

(35 minutes)

Directions: *There are four passages in this part. Each passage is followed by some questions or unfinished statements. For each of them there are four choices marked A), B), C) and D). You should decide on the best choice and mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the centre.*

Passage One

Questions 11 to 15 are based on the following passage:

At least two million children have died in the past decade as a result of wars launched by adults, many targeted as non-combatants or killed in action as soldiers. Three times that number were disabled or seriously injured, with many more suffering from disease, malnutrition, sexual violence, and the hardships of forced flight. And countless children struggle with the anguish of losing their homes, their possessions and those closest to them. Virtually every aspect of a child's development is damaged in such circumstances, and the psychological toll(代价) of armed conflict is incalculable.

The criminal exploitation and targeting of children in conflict is an assault not only on their rights, but also on the very cause of international peace and security. When children are denied the opportunity to grow up in an atmosphere of trust, tolerance and justice, the prospects for stemming war over succeeding generations are dim indeed. It is clear, for example, that the kind of warfare we have seen in the Middle East is hardening many children in the belief that violence is an acceptable way of resolving disputes.

Yet it is also true that we have seen significant progress in efforts to protect children in conflict situations, as well as steps to ensure that their interests are central to peacemaking, peacekeeping and peace-building activities. The pending establishment of an International Criminal Court means that the world will have an institution dedicated to challenging the impunity(免受惩罚) of war crimes against children and other civilians. At the same time, the role of business in intensifying or prolonging conflict and instability has come under scrutiny(详细审查) as a result of investigations into the links between armed conflict and the illegal trading of diamonds.

A global ban is now in force on the production and use of anti-personnel landmines(地雷), which indiscriminately kill or disable children and other civilians for decades after the end of fighting, while posing a comparably long-term threat to reconstruction and development. The shameless proliferation(扩散) of small arms and light weapons, which are easily handled by child soldiers, is now being addressed. And the increasing attention paid to war-affected children by the UN Security Council and a number of regional organizations has helped move children closer to the center of the international peace and security agenda.

11. In discussing the impact of wars on children, the author focuses on _____.

- A) the intensity of the impact
- B) the scope of the impact
- C) both the intensity and scope
- D) root causes of the impact

12. "The criminal exploitation" of children (Line 1, Para. 2) refers to _____.

- A) recruiting child soldiers
- B) killing children as combatants
- C) targeting children as civilians
- D) sexual violence on children

13. Children will see violence and war as an acceptable way of resolving violence if _____.
A) they find there is little hope to stem wars
B) they think their rights are infringed upon
C) they are constantly exposed to warfare
D) their fathers and forefathers told them so
14. What do we know about the International Criminal Court from this passage?
A) It is regarded as an effort in progress to protect children in conflict situations.
B) It examines the role of business in intensifying and prolonging conflicts.
C) Whether this institution should be established is still undecided.
D) The institution has put an end to impunity of war crimes against children.
15. This passage mainly talks about _____.
A) the impact of wars on children
B) how to protect war-affected children
C) criminal exploitation of children
D) children and world peace

Passage Two

Questions 16 to 20 are based on the following passage:

The U. S. Department of Labor statistics indicate that there is an oversupply of college trained workers and that this oversupply is increasing. Already there is an overabundance of teachers, engineers, physicists, aerospace experts, and other specialists. Yet colleges and graduate schools continue every year to turn out highly trained people to compete for jobs that aren't there. The result is that graduates cannot enter the professions for which they were trained and must take temporary jobs which do not require a college degree. These "temporary" jobs have a habit of becoming permanent.

On the other hand, there is a tremendous need for skilled workers of all sorts; carpenters, electricians, mechanics, plumbers, TV repairmen. These people have more work than they can handle, and their annual incomes are often higher than those of college graduates. The old distinction that white-collar workers make a better living than blue-collar workers no longer holds true. The law of supply and demand now favors the skilled workmen.

The reason for this situation is the traditional myth that college degree is a passport to a prosperous future. A large segment of American society equates success in life with a college degree. Parents begin indoctrinating(灌输) their children with this myth before they are out of grade school. High school teachers play their part by acting as if high school education were a preparation for college rather than for life. Under this pressure the kids fall in line. Whether they want to go to college or not doesn't matter. Everybody should go to college, so of course they must go. And every year college enrollments go up and up, and more and more graduates are overeducated for the kinds of jobs available to them.

One result of this emphasis on a college education is that many people go to college who do not belong there. Of the sixty percent of high school graduates who enter college, half of them do not graduate with their class. Many of them drop out within the first year. Some struggle on for two or three years and then give up.

16. What is implied but not stated in the passage is that in the past _____.
A) blue-collar workers made a better living than white-collar workers
B) white-collar workers made a better living than blue-collar workers

- C) blue-collar workers were looked down on
 - D) white-collar workers were looked up to
17. Which of the following is NOT a reason why college enrollments go up every year?
- A) Many people believe that the only way to success is through a college education.
 - B) Many parents want their children to go to college.
 - C) High school teachers urge their students to go to college.
 - D) Every young man and woman wants to go to college.
18. The word "myth" in the passage means _____.
- A) truth
 - B) a false belief
 - C) a strong argument
 - D) theory
19. By saying that "many people go to college who do not belong there", the author means that _____.
- A) many people who are not fit for college education go to college
 - B) many people who do not have adequate financial support go to college
 - C) many people who go to college drop out within the first year
 - D) many people who go to college have their hopes shattered
20. We can infer from the passage that the author believes that _____.
- A) every young man and woman should go to college
 - B) college education is a bad thing
 - C) people with a college education should receive higher pay
 - D) fewer people should go to college while more should be trained for skilled jobs

Passage Three

Questions 21 to 25 are based on the following passage:

The term "virus" is derived from the Latin word for poison, or slime. It was originally applied to the noxious stench emanating from swamps that was thought to cause a variety of diseases in the centuries before microbes were discovered and specifically linked to illness. But it was not until almost the end of the nineteenth century that a true virus was proven to be the cause of a disease.

The nature of viruses made them impossible to detect for many years, even after bacteria had been discovered and studied. Not only are viruses too small to be seen with a light microscope, they also cannot be detected through their biological activity, except as it occurs in conjunction with other organisms. In fact, viruses show no traces of biological activity by themselves. Unlike bacteria, they are not living agents in the strictest sense. Viruses are very simple pieces of organic material composed only nucleic acid, either DNA or RNA, enclosed in a coat of protein made up of simple structural units. (Some viruses also contain carbohydrates and lipids.) They are parasites, requiring human, animal or plant cells to live. The virus replicates by attaching to a cell and injecting its nucleic acid; once inside the cell, the DNA or RNA that contains the virus' genetic information takes over the cell's biological machinery, and the cell begins to manufacture viral protein rather than its own.

21. Which of the following is the best title for the passage?
- A) New Developments in Viral Research
 - B) Exploring the Causes of Disease
 - C) DNA: Nature's Building Block
 - D) Understanding Viruses
22. Before microbes were discovered it was believed that some diseases were caused by _____.
- A) germ-carrying insects
 - B) certain strains of bacteria
 - C) foul odors released from swamps
 - D) slimy creatures living near swamps

23. The word "proven" in (Line 4, Para. 1) is closest in meaning to which of the following?
 A) Shown. B) Imagined. C) Feared. D) Considered.
24. The word "nature" in (Line 1, Para. 2) is closest in meaning to which of the following?
 A) Self-sufficiency. B) Characteristics. C) Shapes. D) Speed.
25. The author implies that bacteria were investigated earlier than viruses because _____.
 A) bacteria are easier to detect B) bacteria are harder to eradicate
 C) viruses are extremely poisonous D) viruses are found only in hot climates

Passage Four

Questions 26 to 30 are based on the following passage:

Container gardening is especially adapted to contemporary living. Plants in containers display great variety of form and texture. They can be used to create instant indoor gardens; they can be moved from one home to another; and they can be moved outdoors in the summer and indoors during the cooler months.

Space is not a problem. Container gardening can be conducted in a single pot on a table or windowsill, in a more elaborate room divider, or in a built-in planter.

Just as there are many kinds of plants, there are many kinds of containers. Plants can be grown in any container that will hold a growing medium. The choice ranges from the common clay pot to cans, jars, boxes, baskets and tubs.

Most people select containers for both their practical and "esthetic qualities". These include cost, availability, weight, strength, durability, attractiveness, and decorative and sentimental value.

The size and shape of the container should be consistent with the plant's size and shape. Tall, tapering plants are more attractive in tall, relatively narrow containers. Short, compact plants appear more at home in shallow, wide containers.

Particularly important considerations for good plant growth are the volume and depth of the container, and some provision for drainage. Containers that have drainage holes in the bottom for removal of excess water are best. Water-tight containers are difficult to manage; excess water will accumulate at the bottom of the container and injure plant roots by excluding oxygen.

Container volume and depth become critical in relation to the quantity of available water and nutrients.

Besides the right kind of container, some fundamental requirements for plant growth must be provided. Plants need light, water, nutrients, and a satisfactory temperature range.

Light is the most critical requirement. The levels of all the other requirements are adjusted in relation to the amount of light that plants receive. When plants don't have enough light, they grow slowly and become tall and thin; it becomes difficult to avoid overwatering them. Plants are easier to maintain in good condition when their light requirements are met.

26. This article is primarily about _____.
 A) caring for indoor plants B) growing tropical plants
 C) making containers for plants D) choosing appropriate containers for indoor plants
27. The expression "esthetic qualities" might have something to do with the container's _____.
 A) size and shape B) drainage and light
 C) attractiveness and decorative value D) availability only
28. Many people believe that tall plants need _____.
 A) extra water B) more nutrients C) more sunlight D) enough warmth
29. The author implies that _____.

- A) plants in containers have more variety of form
 - B) plants can drown if they are given too much water
 - C) most plants should be placed on windowsills during winter months
 - D) some plants are particularly fit for container gardening
30. It can be inferred from the passage that _____.
- A) vegetables are easier to grow than flowering plants
 - B) plants generally grow slowly when kept indoors
 - C) most indoor plants live from three to five years
 - D) plants growing indoors need little care

Part III

Vocabulary

(20 minutes)

Directions: *There are 30 incomplete sentences in this part. For each sentence there are four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Choose the ONE answer that best completes the sentence. Then mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the centre.*

31. The plan was _____ when it was discovered just how much the scheme would cost.
- A) released
 - B) desert
 - C) resigned
 - D) abandoned
32. Now and then I saw the captain _____ the horizon for approaching ships.
- A) scanning
 - B) scrutinizing
 - C) exploring
 - D) sweeping
33. Some economical people take food tins with them and carry the _____ of the dinner home after a meal in a restaurant.
- A) remains
 - B) remainder
 - C) left-over
 - D) rest
34. These classical literary works are _____ of his originality as a writer.
- A) exemption
 - B) exemplification
 - C) examination
 - D) execution
35. The neighbours do not consider him quite _____ as most evenings he awakens them with his drunken singing.
- A) respectful
 - B) respected
 - C) respectable
 - D) respective
36. Being a soldier he is not only able to fire a gun but also aware of its firing _____.
- A) mechanism
 - B) mechanics
 - C) trigger
 - D) detector
37. If this ring was _____ and not modern the silver and workmanship would be of much better.
- A) ancient
 - B) antique
 - C) old
 - D) out-of-date
38. Bad examination results _____ her hopes of university.
- A) broke
 - B) shattered
 - C) resented
 - D) rectified
39. The paper contained a clear _____ of the theory of evolution.
- A) display
 - B) exposure
 - C) exposition
 - D) show
40. The surgeon devoted his whole lifetime to the studies of the two _____ hemisphere of the brain.
- A) concrete
 - B) discrete
 - C) separate
 - D) independent
41. The government has _____ an inquiry to investigate the bribery in local elections.
- A) set out
 - B) set up
 - C) set in
 - D) set about
42. I'm going to _____ all the preliminaries and deal with the main argument.
- A) skip
 - B) skim
 - C) miss
 - D) avoid
43. Experiments in the photography of moving objects _____ in both the United States and Europe well before 1900.
- A) were conducting
 - B) were conducted
 - C) had been conducted
 - D) had conducted

44. In traffic, an ambulance must have priority as it usually has to deal with some kinds of _____.
 A) crisis B) urgency C) emergency D) emergence
45. _____ one of America's greatest playwrights, Eugene O'Neil won the Nobel Prize for literature in 1936.
 A) Considering B) Considered C) Being considered D) Having considered
46. It's rather dangerous to touch it with a bare hand, you'd better _____ the handle with a plastic cloth.
 A) decorate B) animate C) stipulate D) insulate
47. You can't be _____ careful in making the decision as it was such a critical case.
 A) very B) too C) quite D) so
48. The cashier was asked to _____ every penny of the money that he took care of.
 A) account to B) use up C) amount to D) account for
49. Prof. Henry's book will show you _____ can be used in other contexts.
 A) that you have observed B) that how you have observed
 C) how that you have observed D) how what you have observed
50. We are _____ faced with the necessity to recognize that having more people implies a lower standard of living.
 A) readily B) smoothly C) inevitably D) deliberately
51. A ceremony was held _____ the dead statesman.
 A) in behalf of B) in honour of C) in respect of D) in virtue of
52. Parents have a legal _____ to ensure that their children are provided with efficient education suitable to their age.
 A) impulse B) influence C) obligation D) sympathy
53. The young man never listens to any suggestion that does not _____ with his own scheme.
 A) fall on B) fall in C) fall out D) fall through
54. People who refuse to _____ with the law will be punished.
 A) obey B) consent C) conceal D) comply
55. The theatre has been booked up _____ a few seats in the stalls.
 A) except B) except for C) besides D) but
56. It is well known that knowledge is the _____ condition for expansion of mind.
 A) incompatible B) incredible C) indefinite D) indispensable
57. If you want to reach the summit of the mountain, this path is only _____.
 A) practical B) practicable C) practised D) practising
58. Tom found a lost dog on the street and _____ the local station to broadcast a poignant appeal for the dog's owner to come forward.
 A) informed B) reminded C) notified D) startled
59. I feel much more optimistic about our ability to solve the problems which _____ our civilization.
 A) confront B) rescue C) encounter D) orientate
60. Your _____ warning saved our lives.
 A) instant B) latest C) timely D) former

试 卷 二

Part I

Listening Comprehension

Section B Compound Dictation

Directions: *In this section you will hear a passage three times. During the first reading, you should listen carefully for a general idea of the whole passage. Then listen to the passage again. When the first part of the passage is being read, you should fill in the missing word during the pause at each blank. After listening to the second part of the passage you are required to write down the main points according to what you have just heard. Finally, when the passage is read the third time you can check what you have written.*

Being Punctual

A punctual person is in the habit of doing a thing at the (S1) _____ time and is never late in keeping an (S2) _____. He knows that he can not get through his (S3) _____ amount of work unless he (S4) _____ keeps every appointment promptly and (S5) _____ with every piece of work when it has to be attended to. There is a (S6) _____ which says, "Time flies, never to be (S7) _____." Time is more (S8) _____ than material things.

The unpunctual man, on the other hand, never does what he has to do at the proper time. (S9) _____. The unpunctual man is a source of annoyance both to others and to himself.

Unpunctuality, moreover, is very harmful when it comes to doing one's duty, whether public or private. (S10) _____. In the end, he loses both time and his good name.

Part IV

Short Answer Questions

(15 minutes)

Directions: *In this part there is a short passage with five questions or incomplete statements. Read the passage carefully. Then answer the questions or complete the statements in the fewest possible words.*

All of us have been in a "bad mood" or have had the "blues" at one time or another. Sometimes we know why our feelings have been hurt, or we have been disappointed. Other times there doesn't seem to be a cause. In either case, for most of us the mood lifts and we continue with life as usual.

For some 17 percent of our population, depression is more serious and longer lasting. Depressed people may feel tired and sad; they may have changed eating and sleeping patterns. They may lose interest in the world and may not have the energy to get anything done. This may be due to abnormal feelings of helplessness that they experience. In several cases, there may be mad images and delusions(幻觉), suicidal tendencies, or complete withdrawal.

No one knows the cause of this disease. Some researchers consider it to be biological. Others consider it to be a result of basic weaknesses in the individual personality, especially in the face of a crisis situation. Some researchers consider it a reflection of certain flaws in our society.

There is disagreement between and within each group about treatment. Electroconvulsive therapy(疗法) (ECT) has been widely used since 1940. More recently, antidepressant drugs have been used. These drugs seem to increase the efficiency of monoamine neuron-transmitter in the brain. One hypothesis is that problems with these transmitters, which carry messages from one nerve to the other, cause depression. If the individual is not too depressed to respond, psychotherapy may be helpful. Dr Beck, in his book "Depres-

sion—Cause and Treatment”, suggests cognitive therapy, in which the patient can be helped to realize that his mistaken ideas about the world, himself, and the future are not accurate. One way to do this is by structuring tasks that are easy enough so that the patient can succeed, and gradually increasing the difficulty of the task.

No matter what the treatment, depressed people need the support of friends and family. The mood will lift through some form of treatment, or even by itself.

Questions: (注意:答题尽量简短,超过 10 个词要扣分,每条横线限写一个英语单词,标点符号不占格。)

61. The meaning of “the blues” is

_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

62. The exact cause of depression is

_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

63. Depression might be caused by

_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

64. The cognitive therapy is

_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

65. The title for this passage is

_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Part V

Writing

(30 minutes)

Directions: For this part, you are allowed thirty minutes to write a composition on the topic **Specialist or Generalist**. You should write no less than 150 words and you should base your composition on the outline (given in Chinese) below:

1. 有人认为专业人士更有发展前途,为什么?
2. 有人认为通才更有发展前途,为什么?

Specialist or Generalist

