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前 言

科学技术的不断进步与发展给目前的大学英语教学提出了新的更高的要求。众所周知,英语教学是一门实践性较强的工作。它不仅要求在教学中必须培养学生写的能力、说的能力,而且还要培养其听的能力,因为听不懂不利于实现交际中的既定目标。事实上,据笔者调查,目前大学生中有一部分人在听力理解方面还存在较大的问题,以至于“闻听力色变”,因而在全国大学英语四级水平考试中不能顺利过关者不乏其人。其主要原因是对加强听力理解训练缺乏应有的重视,未能充分地进行较有针对性的训练,也未能注意考试题型的变化。结果有些考生对于考试中出现的新题型感到一筹莫展、束手无策。为此,笔者特根据《大学英语四级考试大纲》与《关于大学英语四级考试采用新题型的通知》的精神与要求编写了本书,以便学生在训练中有的放矢,在短期内收到事半功倍的效果。

本书的特点是针对性、目的性、实用性、科学性较强,具有较好的时效性与新颖性,充分注意了包括新题型在内的各种四级考试题型的训练,旨在提高学生的听力水平,培养其应试能力。

本书内容包括对话、短文、听写填空,配有录音原文与答案,录音磁带共有4盒,可供高等院校学生、自学者使用。

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Part I

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. 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 single line through the center.

1. A) The program was on too late.
B) The rain didn't let up until after the speech.
C) He doesn't like the president.
D) He had a late class.
2. A) 8:20 B) 9:10
C) 8:30 D) 9:40
3. A) She's tired of farming and teaching.
B) She's changing jobs.
C) She was dismissed from her job.
D) The school is fiery.
4. A) Mr. Benson's characteristics.
B) A candidate for the head of the department.

- C) Mr. Benson's appointment with the chairman.
D) Mr Benson's position and abilities.
5. A) It's not good.
B) It's crowded.
C) It's expensive.
D) It's far away.
6. A) In a department store.
B) In a drugstore.
C) In the chemist's.
D) In a bookshop.
7. A) At a post office.
B) At a bank.
C) At a cinema.
D) In a restaurant.
8. A) The pearl.
B) The climate.
C) The sea food.
D) The heat.
9. A) To write an article.
B) To post her letter.
C) To go to the store.
D) To call up instead.
10. A) She is making an interview for a job.
B) Strangers and teachers.
C) Old friends who haven't seen each other for a while.
D) She has been flying for several years.

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 choices marked A), B), C) and D).

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

Passage One

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

11. A) Two heavy bags.
B) A handbag.
C) Two heavy suitcases.
D) A bag and a case.
12. A) When the train began to move.
B) When he was very far away.
C) When he just got off.
D) When he went to the door.
13. A) To say goodbye.
B) To give him some.
C) To teach him a lesson.
D) To help him with the suitcase.

Passage Two

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

14. A) Animal. B) Policemen.
C) Children. D) Soldiers.
15. A) To rob somebody.
B) To advise Tom.

- C) To have a drink.
- D) To read Tom's story.
- 16. A) Rather poor.
- B) Too short.
- C) Not very excited.
- D) Quite good.

Passage Three

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

- 17. A) English.
- B) French.
- C) American.
- D) Japanese.
- 18. A) Japanese.
- B) French.
- C) German.
- D) American.
- 19. A) Polynesian.
- B) American.
- C) English
- D) Japanese.
- 20. A) Americans.
- B) They speak with the same speed.
- C) Englishmen.
- D) The passage doesn't mention.

Section C

Directions: In this section, you will hear a passage of about 120 words three times. The passage is printed on your Answer Sheet with 50

words missing. 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, sometimes two sentences or just 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 pauses.

Television encourages passive enjoyment. We (1) _____. It is so easy to sit in our armchairs (2) _____. Little by little, television (3) _____. We get so lazy, we (4) _____ in semi-darkness, glued to our sets, (5) _____. Television may be (6) _____ of communication, but if (7) _____. We only become aware (8) _____ when we spend a holiday by the sea or in the mountains, (9) _____, (10) _____, we quickly discover how little we miss the hypnotic tyranny of King Telly.

Unit Two

Section A

Directions: In this section, you will hear ten short conversations. At the end of each conversation, a question will be asked 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 single line through the center.

1. A) He wanted Mary to come, but she couldn't.
B) He invited Mary to the party.
C) He didn't invite Mary to the party.
D) He didn't want to have a party because of business.
2. A) Six blocks.
B) She's in a hotel.
C) The woman needs a hotel.
D) About two blocks.
3. A) He is going to teach a foreign student.
B) He wants to play golf.
C) He teaches foreign students today.
D) He is too tired.
4. A) 12:00.
B) 12:05.

- C)11:00.
D)10:00.
5. A) Mary's nurse.
B) John's teacher.
C) Tom's employee.
D) Tom's boss.
6. A) In the First National Bank.
B) At the end of the corridor.
C) On the 2nd of the First National Bank Building.
D) On the 3rd floor of the First National Bank Building.
7. A) The price of gas.
B) The increasing number of cars.
C) The cost of repairing cars.
D) The poor quality of certain cars.
8. A) The woman will take a rest.
B) The woman does not like the cinema.
C) The woman was angry because of the movie.
D) She has nothing to carry to the movie.
9. A) She doesn't know when the meeting begins.
B) She have some idea of how he should reach the man's place.
C) She doesn't want to come to the meeting at the man's house.
D) She is to come to the meeting at his house.
10. A) Ten or eleven times.
B) Eight times.
C) Three times.
D) Twice.

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 choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the center.

Passage One

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

11. A) Buckingham Palace.
B) Oxford Street.
C) The National Gallery.
D) The British Museum.
12. A) Have you some very good meals?
B) Go shopping and farming.
C) See some very good plays.
D) Do sight seeing now.
13. A) They thought English food was bad.
B) They will visit Paris once more.
C) They paid a visit to Sydney last October.
D) They didn't carried their umbrella last year.

Passage Two

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

14. A) Involuntary actions.
B) Voluntary actions.
C) Teacher-student relationship.
D) Success and failure.

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15. A) To take the control of the surroundings.
B) To change the environment.
C) To help the body to adjust to the changes in the environment.
D) To avoid any damage.
16. A) To avoid the damages.
B) To give another example of a reflexive action.
C) To protect their eyes.
D) To tell them about the topic of talk.

Passage Three

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

17. A) It was famous for its film industry.
B) It became one of the biggest cities in California.
C) It was only a small village.
D) It became a suburb of Los Angeles.
18. A) He discovered oil in and around Hollywood in 1908.
B) He turned Hollywood into a big district of film industry in 1908.
C) He set up oil wells in the neighbourhood of Hollywood in 1908.
D) He set up a film-producing workshop in Hollywood in 1908.
19. A) In a workshop.
B) In the open.
C) Along the seaside.
D) On a fine day.
20. A) More television films are produced.
B) Man-made light has taken the place of natural light.

C) More films are taken for the cinema.

D) Oil production has become more important than the film industry.

Section C

Directions: In this section, you will hear a passage three times. The passage is printed on your Answer Sheet with twenty words missing. 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 blank. During the pause, you must write down the word 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 pauses.

I wish I had (1) _____ very young and had (2) _____ of children. There were two people I (3) _____ have married. The first was an (4) _____ with a title and she didn't want to marry, didn't want to change her name. The second died. So I never (5) _____, never knew the joy of parenthood. But I don't have too many (6) _____ about my life. (7) _____ that seem very big when you are young become (8) _____ small in later years. I do wish, (9) _____, that my father had lived to see me to be a dancer. He didn't like the idea of my going into (10) _____ at all. He was a country (11) _____, a cricketer and a (12) _____ man, and, although he didn't mind when, at the age of eleven I began acting, the (13) _____ of a boy of his being a (14) _____ dancer was a bit too much. I'm sorry

I never proved myself to him.

I still travel the world, giving classes and (15) _____ plays, but the thing I (16) _____ most now is living. My life has (17) _____ been exciting and still is. (18) _____ I regret that I didn't know at 18 how hard a dancer's life would be. Luckily, I was successful. (19) _____ I'd done, I would have wanted to (20) _____ the top.

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. 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 single line through the center.

1. A) Twenty-three minutes.
B) Twenty-five minutes.
C) Sixty-two minutes.
D) Forty-four minutes.
2. A) She prefers the artists she had studied.
B) She hopes they will take some of the paintings away.
C) She hasn't gone to see the exhibit yet.
D) She doesn't want to describe the exhibit.
3. A) She likes to go to some other place on Sunday.
B) She doesn't like to go to the zoo on Sunday.
C) She does like going there on Sundays.
D) She is fond of films on Sunday.
4. A) He liked employing it.
B) He happened to have had his camera lost.

- C)He got another new camera on the trip.
D)He left his camera in his friend's car.
5. A)Because she'd like to have it in a new restaurant.
B)Because she doesn't care to.
C)Because she has to work.
D)Because she has bought an apartment.
6. A)Listening to quiet music.
B)Listening to loud music.
C)Studying English and other subjects.
D)Talking over the phone.
7. A)She's trying to learn dancing.
B)She was in hospital with an illness.
C)She's learning how to swim.
D)She's practising wushu with the teachers.
8. A)He thinks the lawyer was not realistic.
B)He thinks the lawyer didn't like the performance.
C)He thinks the lawyer would be a lucky man.
D)He thinks the lawyer were dreaming of the truth.
9. A)The vice manager and assistant.
B)A junior sales manager.
C)A poet but as a secretary.
D)A bookkeeper.
10. A)He is very ill.
B)he needn't.
C)His boss doesn't wish him to.
D)He's going to play golf.