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# 前　言

本书系河南省教育委员会统一组织编写的供非英语专业硕士研究生使用的英语听力教材。编写的依据是国家教育委员会1992年11月颁布的《非英语专业硕士研究生英语(第一外语)教学大纲》中有关听力的规定和要求。编写的目的在于培养和提高研究生基本的听的能力，掌握听力材料中心思想和重要内容的能力。

本教程共分四个部分。第一部分为基础和技巧训练，共18个单元，形式上以技巧训练名目排序，内容上配以商业、人口、购物、天气、教育、历史、地理、文化、医疗、演讲、科学等不同主题。第二部分为10套测试题。第三部分为第一部分和第二部分的听力文字材料。第四部分为第一部分和第二部分的答案。

本书的特点是内容材料充实，技巧训练项目新颖，不仅便于培养学生的听力理解能力，而且有利于培养学生听写的能力。这充分体现在第一部分的18个单元中，每个单元包括：准备练习，使学生兴奋起来，进入情景；听力技巧，其中有部分听写、重述选择和小型对话；段落和篇章，其中有听写填空、记录、多项选择和段落听写。学生学完本教材，在听的方面实际运用英语的能力和应试能力都将得到很大提高。本书也适用于具有一定英语水平的英语自学者。

本书编写的指导思想和内容虽经反复讨论，但因时间紧迫，缺点在所难免，衷心希望使用本教材的广大师生不吝指教。

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# Part One

# Practice

# Unit 1 Cardinals and Ordinals (Business)

## Part A: Warming-up

*Directions: Listen to the following trick with numbers. While listening, follow the 7 steps read by the speaker and complete the trick.*

1. Write down your house number:
   _____
2. Multiply your house number by 2:
   _____ × 2 = _____
3. Add 5 to the number you get:
   5 + _____ = _____
4. Multiply the number by 50:
   _____ × 50 = _____
5. Add your age to the number:
   _____ + _____ = _____
6. Add the number of days in a year to the number you get:
   _____ + _____ = _____
7. Substract 615 from the number you have:
   _____ − 615 = _____

## Part B: Listening Skills (Cardinals and Ordinals)

### I. Partial Dictation

*Directions: Listen to the following sentences carefully. Write down the missing words.*

1. Among the _____ questions on a _____ examination are _____ mathematics problems.
2. A lady named Jones in Texas, U. S. A., wrote a letter to

her sister in _____, which contained _____ words.

3. In _____ the scientist William Beebe dived _____ feet below the surface in a hollow steel ball. In _____ August Picard dived _____ feet. In _____ his son Jean dived to a depth of _____ feet.
4. Prof. Zhang's office is at ____, telephone number : _____.
5. Their dorm is on _____, No. _____.
6. It will be my _____.
7. There are _____ in the sky, which are invisible in the day time.
8. _____, I work _____.
9. The _____ congress began _____ and ended _____.
10. _____ is Mao Tse-tung's centenary of birth.

## II. Restatements

*Directions: For each question, you'll hear a short statement. Read the four choices given below and choose the one which is closest in meaning to the statement you have just heard.*

1. A) Mr Smith was silly enough to lend the camera to the staff.
   B) The camera was worth $1500.
   C) The camera cost the thief $500.
   D) Mr Smith sold the 500-dollar camera to the thief.
2. A) The doctor charges $25 for the first visit.
   B) The doctor charges nothing for each visit after the first.
   C) Any patient who comes to the doctor has to pay $500 for the first visit.
   D) The doctor charges $525 for the second visit.
3. A) He never lost his books before.
   B) He lost his books before.
   C) This is the first time that he lost his books.
   D) Billy has disappeared many times.
4. A) Scotland, lying in the northern part of Great Britain, is

half the size of England.

B) Scotland is half the size of Wales.

C) Scotland has an area of about 76000 square kilometres.

D) Great Britain has an area of 152000 square kilometres.

5. A) Paul knew none of the answers.

B) Paul knew two answers.

C) Paul knew seven answers.

D) Paul knew nine answers.

6. A) Three girls spoke English.

B) Six girls were present at the meeting.

C) Three girls attended the meeting.

D) Six girls from the English department came to the meeting.

7. A) There are fourteen lessons in all.

B) Lesson 30 is the most difficult.

C) Lesson 40 is the longest.

D) Lesson 14 is more difficult than Lesson 13.

8. A) His first book was published in 1981.

B) His last book was published in 1983.

C) He published one of his books in 1985.

D) He published two books in 1985.

9. A) Seven to three is four.

B) Three minus seven equals four.

C) Seven plus three is four.

D) Seven minus three equals four.

10. A) No other student is as smart as Bob.

B) The class has only three smart students.

C) Bob is not as smart as most of the other students.

D) Two students are smarter than Bob.

11. A) Mr Smith is thirty years old.

B) Mr Smith is three times as old as I am.

C) I'm three times older than Mr Smith.

D) Mr Smith is paid three times as much as I.

12. A) Children over five may go to school.
B) Children of six years old can go to school.
C) At the age of five, a child is not allowed to school.
D) At seven, a child is not old enough for school.
13. A) Today is hotter.
B) Today is as hot as yesterday.
C) Today is not so hot as yesterday.
D) Today is a little hotter than yesterday.
14. A) Today I've smoked none.
B) Today I've smoked up to nine cigarettes.
C) Today I've smoked more than ten cigarettes.
D) This is the ninth time I gave up smoking.
15. A) My seat is two rows behind.
B) My seat is twenty rows behind.
C) His seat is fifteen rows ahead.
D) His seat is two rows ahead.
16. A) He stayed there for ten days.
B) He stayed there for seven days.
C) He didn't leave until seven.
D) He left at ten o'clock.
17. A) Modern medicine was founded in the 1800's.
B) Modern medicine was found in the 1900's.
C) Modern medicine was invented in the 1900's.
D) Modern medicine emerged in the 1900's.
18. A) The film begins at two.
B) The film ends at two.
C) The film begins at 8:15.
D) The film ends at 9:45.
19. A) John took the elevator to the fifth floor.
B) John did most of his writing lying down.
C) John wrote five stories while living in the ground-floor apartment.
D) John got on five horses before finding one he enjoyed



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riding.

20. A) Each second 12 babies are born.
    B) Each day 12 people pass away.
    C) Each day 12000 babies come down to the world.
    D) Every day 5000 people pass away.

## III. Mini-talks

*Directions: You'll hear 30 short conversations between two speakers. At the end of each conversation, a third voice will ask a question about what was said. Read the four answers to each question, and choose the best one.*

1. A)The fifth floor. B)The sixth floor.
   C)The ninth floor. D)The third floor.
2. A)Once. B)Twice.
   C)Three times. D)Four times.
3. A)About 9. B)About 45.
   C)About 54. D)About 40.
4. A)Children 6—12 years old. B)Their fathers.
   C)Their mothers. D)Their sisters.
5. A)He was late for the film.
   B)He arrived at 11 o'clock.
   C)He arrived just on time.
   D)He had seen the film for eleven times.
6. A)SPRING THUNDER. B)POPULAR.
   C)PANDA. D)RED FLAG.
7. A)He's not so sure to buy the car.
   B)He's ready to buy that car.
   C)He's certain to buy the car.
   D)He's afraid to buy that car.
8. A)She thinks the man is correct.
   B)She hasn't earned much money.
   C)The man is exaggerating.
   D)The man doesn't hear well.

9. A)2. B)3. C)8. D)22.5.

10. A)The 68th Street. B)The 86th Street.
C)The 6th Street. D)The 8th Street.

11. A)None. B)Once. C)Twice. D)Three times.

12. A)Three years. B)Six years.
C)Sixteen years. D)Ten years.

13. A)Ten days at least. B)Fifteen days at least.
C)About ten days. D)Another five days.

14. A)In the First National Bank.
B)On the second floor of the First National Bank Building.
C)At the end of the corridor.
D)On the third floor of the First National Bank Building.

15. A)The girls asked 101 questions in all.
B)The girl asked too many questions.
C)The father counted in mind the number of her questions.
D)The father was patient with his daughter.

16. A)August 10. B)September 30.
C)October 5. D)October 19.

17. A)6235. B)60235. C)660235. D)6600235.

18. A)Three hours. B)Three hours and a quarter.
C)Two hours. D)Two hours and a half.

19. A)Two blocks ahead. B)At the third Avenue.
C)On the fifth Street. D)At the second Avenue.

20. A)3. B)4. C)5. D)6.

21. A)Before seven o'clock. B)At seven o'clock.
C)At two o'clock. D)At nine o'clock.

22. A)At 3. B)At 3:30.
C)At 5:30. D)At 8:30.

23. A)5. B)15. C)20. D)25.

24. A)4 hour. B)5 hours.
C)6 hours. D)10 hours.

25. A)22 degrees centigrade. B)32 degrees centigrade.

C)27 degrees centigrade. D)5 degrees centigrade.

26. A)10. B)16. C)17. D)18.
27. A)July 13. B)July 30 C)January 13. D)January 30.
28. A)None. B)Two. C)Seven. D)Nine.
29. A)100. B)50. C)30. D)20.
30. A)July 4th. B)July 14th.
C)August 14th. D)September 1st.

## Part C: Passages (Business)

### I. Spot Dictation

*Directions: You are going to listen to a passage. Listen carefully and fill in the blanks with the words you hear from the tape.*

Suppose that we lined up our __1__ in order of size, starting with the smallest, along an imaginary road from San Francisco to New York. There will be __2__ to the mile, or __3__. Suppose further that we planted a flag for each business. The height of the flagpole represents __4__: __5__ is shown by one foot of pole.

The line of flagpoles is a very interesting sight. From San Francisco, Nevada, it is almost unnoticeable, a row of poles about a foot high. From Reno eastward the poles increase in height until, near Columbus, Ohio — __6__ of the way across the nation — flags fly about 10 feet in the air.

But as we approach the eastern terminus, the poles suddenly begin to amount. There are __7__ in the country with sales __8__. These corporations occupy __9__ of the __10__ road. There are 200000 firms with sales __11__ or more. They occupy __12__. Then there are 1000 firms with sales of __13__ or more. They take up __14__ before the city limits, flags flying at cloud height, __15__.

At the very gates of New York, on the last 100 feet of the last mile, we find __16__. They have sales of __17__, so that

their flags are already miles high. Along the last 10 feet of the road, there are __18__. Their sales are __19__; their flags fly __20__ in the air, literally in the stratosphere.

## II. Note-taking

*Directions: You're going to listen to a passage. Listen carefully and complete the notes with the information you get from the tape.*

1. Topic: _____
2. Information about the doctor:
   (1) He charges _____ for the first visit, but only _____ for each visit after that.
   (2) He was _____ enough not to _____ by the businessman and did _____, though he took the _____ dollars from him.
3. About the businessman:
   (1) What do you think of him?

   _____
   (2) What do you learn from the story?

   _____

## III. Multiple Choice

*Directions: You are going to listen to a passage. At the end of the passage, a few questions will be asked about it. For each question, there are four answers below. Choose the best answer according to what you have heard.*

1. A)Because it was famous.
   B)Because it was difficult to find a cheap hotel.
   C)Because it was near many interesting places.
   D)Because they now had enough money.
2. A)By water. B)By air. C)By bus. D)By train.
3. A)At 6 a. m. B)At 11 a. m.
   C)At 8 p. m. D)At 10 p. m.

4. A)Disappointed. B)Excited.
C)Delighted. D)Satisfied.
5. A)7 :00—11 :30. B)12 :00—3 :00.
C)4 :00—5 :00 p. m. D)6 :00—9 :30 p. m.

**IV. Dictation**

*Directions: You are going to listen to a passage. Listen carefully and put down what you've heard.*

# Unit 2 Fractions and Proportions (Population)

## Part A: Warming-up

*Directions*: *Listen to the following carefully. Find the percentage of each continent's population in the world's total. Write it down behind the name of each continent.*

Asia _____%
Africa _____%
Europe _____%
Antarctica _____%
North America _____%
Oceania _____%
South America _____%

## Part B: Listening Skills (Fractions and Proportions)

### I. Partial Dictation

*Directions*: *Listen to the following sentences carefully. Write down the missing words.*

1. There are _____ air _____ fuel. They are _____.
2. The crude _____ decreased gradually from _____ in 1975 to _____ in 1977, and the _____ dropped steadily from _____ in 1975 to _____ deaths in 1977.
3. The insulation resistance of a cable is _____ to its length.
4. An increase in the oxygen content of a coal _____ reduces the calorific value _____.
5. The French national flag is formed of three stripes of different colors: blue, white and red, which are _____.



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