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高等学校英语应用能力考试 专项训练及模拟试题

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第三章 阅 读 理 解

一、题型分析

《高等学校英语应用能力考试大纲》中规定阅读理解主要测试考生从书面材料中获取信息的能力。本部分测试的文字材料包括一般性阅读材料(文化、社会、常识、科普、经贸、人物等)和应用性文字材料,其内容能为不同专业学生所理解。其中,实用性文字材料约占 60%~70%,主要包括商务信函、传真、电子邮件、广告、产品和厂家介绍、产品维护及使用说明、科技文献、技术专利、招、投标书、合同书、意向书、业务单证、文章摘要、书籍序言等。本部分共有五项任务,占总分的 35%,测试时间为 40 分钟。每项 Task 都有 5 道小题,其中 Task 1~2 每小题 2 分;Task 3~5 每小题 1 分。

理解性阅读理解取决于三要素的相互作用:词汇、语法结构和含义。换言之,成功的理解取决于运用语言的实际能力。一般来讲,掌握阅读技能,不仅能使阅读比较容易进行,而且在某种程度上有助于提高阅读理解能力。高等学校英语应用能力考试主要测试以下阅读技能:

- (1) 了解语篇和段落的主旨和大意;
- (2) 把握语篇中的事实和主要情节;
- (3) 理解语篇上下文的逻辑关系;
- (4) 对句子和段落进行推理;
- (5) 了解作者的目的、态度和观点;
- (6) 根据上下文正确理解生词的意思;
- (7) 了解语篇的结论;
- (8) 进行信息转换。

针对这些技能,阅读理解题型可分为主旨题、细节推理题、是非判断题及词汇释义题几大类,后面将分别讲解。

二、答题技巧

有效的阅读过程:浏览全文,掌握文章主题→根据段首句,抓住中心思想→细读原文,确定主题句和支持主题部分→根据语篇标志,识别段落之间关系→找到文章结论。

阅读忌讳:阅读时最大的忌讳是试图弄懂文章中的每一个词。对付生词的有效方法是合理化原则顺势阅读。若生词不影响对词义的理解就顺势读下去,如有影响,则根据语境推测其意。

- D) should be relearned again and again
4. The meaning of a learned material _____.
A) has little to do with remembering it
B) prevents the remembering of it
C) depends on conditions under which it is learned
D) has a good effect on how well it is remembered
5. The passage is mainly concerned with _____.
A) ways to improve memory
B) ways to prevent forgetting
C) remembering and forgetting
D) experiments on memory

Passage 2

"Time cannot be added to a person's life, but it can be made more valuable by avoiding waste." This was the philosophy of a man who developed most of his time to the creation of new plants: Luther Burbank, the plant magician.

Burbank has been called the "plant magician" because he could do things with plants which were as amazing as the tricks of a magician. He truly astonished the world with his achievements in the development of many kinds of plants, such as giant fruits with new flavors and trees which grew faster than their ancestors. These, and many more achievements were of great economic value and benefit to people all over the world.

In his lifetime of seventy-seven years, Burbank became an American legend. He began his life in 1849 on a farm in the state of Massachusetts. It was the same year that men across the continent in California discovered gold, that precious metal was so eagerly sought after in the earth. Eventually Burbank would follow them. But he would spend his life drawing a different treasure from the same California earth — a wealth of new plants and fruits.

The Massachusetts countryside may have provided young Burbank with a feeling for the mysterious of nature, but his scientific training came during the visits of an uncle who was a scientist. Through his uncle, Luther met the famous naturalist, Louis Agassiz. Agassiz introduced him to the complicated process by which plants grow, such as the steps in the making of seeds from pollen carried by insects, by birds, by the very winds of the field attracted by the ways of nature. Burbank took his first steps into the work that was to occupy his whole life.

1. Luther Burbank was _____.
A) a magician
B) a farmer
C) a philosopher
D) a scientist
2. Luther Burbank died in _____.
A) 1849
B) 1877

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Dear Sirs,

I am applying for the position of a secretary you have advertised in *China Daily*. I'm enclosing my CV and looking forward to hearing from you soon.

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2. 感谢信 (Letter of Thanks)

在收到别人赠送的礼物、得到别人的帮助或别人向你表示友好等情况下,应表示感谢。感谢信与一般私人信件相同,应包括日期、收信人的姓名(或称谓)、结尾敬语及署名等内容。感谢信应简明扼要,讲明写信的事由,向收信人表达诚挚谢意。

常用句型及表达:

Thank you so much for ...

It was kind of you to ...

Thank you ever so much for ...

With many thanks to you for ...

I am so grateful to you for ...

Please accept my sincere (profound) appreciation for ...

样本:

A Letter of Thanks

December 20, 2003

Dear Uncle John,

What a nice Christmas gift! A CD of Christmas songs is something I've wanted for a

confidence. Maybe they are afraid of speaking English openly.

The best way out, as a result, would be a bit more confidence and practice. No one would laugh at you even though you make some mistakes for they understand English is a foreign language to you. Don't care too much about the small mistakes you may make in your conversation because you can correct them easily if you practice enough. But you do have to take great care to make people understand what you are trying to say. If you keep practicing English all the time, you will surely find that talking with a native speaker is not at all difficult.

36. The problem that most Chinese students have in learning English is that they are unable to _____.
A) master the basic structure B) write beautiful English
C) learn difficult grammar D) talk to a foreigner
37. Many Chinese learners of English are weak at speaking because _____.
A) they haven't studied long enough
B) they can't organize ideas in English
C) they don't have enough confidence and practice
D) they don't feel like talking to an English speaker
38. The best way to solve this problem, according to this passage, is by _____.
A) practicing more B) listening more
C) learning more grammar D) making more friends
39. The passage implies that _____.
A) Chinese students usually fear to have a conversation with a foreigner
B) foreigners are patient when a Chinese makes mistakes in conversation
C) Chinese students should speak more to improve their spoken English
D) foreigners are very good and polite listeners
40. In practicing speaking, Chinese students should _____.
A) pay no attention to the mistakes they make
B) take care of their mistakes and try to correct all of them
C) focus more on making themselves understood
D) care more about the sentence structure and grammar

Task 2

Directions: After reading the following passage, you will find 5 questions or unfinished statements, numbered 41 through 45. For each question or statement there are 4 choices marked A), B), C) and D). You should make the correct choice and mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the center.

Like most people, I was brought up to look upon life as a process of getting. It was not until in my late thirties that I made this discovery: giving-away makes life so much more

exciting. One discovery I made about giving-away is that it is almost impossible to give away anything in this world without getting something back, though the return often comes in an unexpected form. One Sunday morning the local post office delivered an important special delivery letter to my home, though it was addressed to me at my office. I wrote the postmaster a note of appreciation. More than a year later I needed a post-office box for a new business I was starting. I was told at the window that there were no boxes left, and that my name would have to go on a long waiting list. As I was about to leave, the postmaster appeared in the doorway. He had overheard our conversation. "Wasn't it you that wrote that letter a year ago about delivering a special delivery to your home?" I said it was. "Well, you certainly are going to have a box in this post office if we have to make one for you. You don't know what a letter like that means to us. We usually get nothing but complaints."

41. At first the author looked upon life as a process of getting. He formed this view of life because _____.
A) other people were selfish
B) he thought it exciting to get from others
C) of his early education
D) of his character
42. The author wrote a note of appreciation to the post office because _____.
A) he knew what such a note would mean to the post office
B) he had discovered giving-away made life all the more exciting
C) he believed he would get something back by doing so
D) the postman delivered an important letter in time
43. When the author needed a post-office box, _____.
A) many had applied for post-office boxes before him
B) he asked to put his name on a waiting list
C) he tried to see the postmaster
D) he wrote the postmaster a note of appreciation
44. The postmaster promised _____.
A) to make another post-office box for the author
B) to let the author have a post-office box
C) to include the author's name on the list
D) to deliver the author's mail to his home
45. The postmaster interfered (插话) because _____.
A) he overheard their conversation
B) he had received a lot of complaints for lack of post-office boxes
C) he was thankful for the letter the author had written
D) he was proud of their good service

36. The passage is about _____.
 A) Chinese tea
 B) why tea is important
 C) the tea time in England
 D) different ways of tea drinking in different countries
37. Tea is popular _____.
 A) all around the world
 B) only in the U.S.
 C) only in English-speaking countries
 D) in Asian countries
38. The Chinese drink tea _____.
 A) for breakfast
 B) in a special ceremony
 C) when they get together
 D) only in teahouse
39. The English like to _____.
 A) eat cakes and cookies with their tea
 B) drink their tea plain
 C) have tea with dinner
 D) drink their tea in a special room
40. Iced tea is popular _____.
 A) in the winter
 B) in England
 C) for breakfast
 D) in the U.S.

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Perhaps you are going to finish school soon and like many other students, you want to further your study abroad. Here are some points you should bear in mind if you intend to apply for a scholarship to study in the United States of America.

First of all, you will have to ask for an application form, fill in the form with great care, and then send it in with a copy of your school records. After that, you will have to ask your teachers to write some letters of recommendation. You will also need to take some tests such as TOEFL and GRE. You may apply to several universities at the same time. Overseas students in the States are not allowed to work in their spare time except in the summer, and you need to get permission from U.S. Immigration Bureau to do that.

41. This passage is taken from a booklet for _____.
 A) visiting scholars to America
 B) workers who are going to work in America
 C) American students who are going to graduate
 D) those who want to study in American universities
42. The author intends to give some _____ in the passage.

motion without the wheel.

41. What mankind first _____ was the wheel.
A) invention B) to invent
C) invented D) inventing
42. In ancient times, _____ were used to move weights.
A) wheels B) smooth logs
C) the earliest wheels D) the first invention
43. Mankind's rolling from one place to another _____ a wheel's being placed on an axle.
A) led to B) started from
C) began with D) was
44. The first wheels in Egypt appeared _____.
A) 2,000 years before B) 2,000 years ago
C) 4,000 years before D) about 4,000 years ago
45. Wheels are so important that _____.
A) the world would be better without them
B) the world will roll on them
C) the world couldn't go on with its motion without them
D) mankind would have some other inventions instead of them

Task 3

Directions: After reading the following passage, you are required to complete the outline below it (No. 46 through No. 50). You should write your answers briefly on the Answer Sheet correspondingly.

If you hold your breath for even a minute, your lungs hurt. Three minutes without any breathing would make the cells in your brain begin to die. A need for the oxygen gas in air is why man must breathe to stay alive. This need is greater than any of his other bodily requirements. He can live for days without water, and weeks without food. But a lack of oxygen gas kills him almost immediately. The same is true of nearly all plants and animals. If there were no oxygen on the earth, life would not exist as we know it.

The cells in your brain begin to die if you hold your 46 for three minutes.

Man must breathe 47 in air to stay alive.

Man can live for days without 48 and weeks without 49.

Nearly all 50 need oxygen.

Task 4

Directions: The following are some words often used in computer science. After reading it,

Model Test 5

Part I Listening Comprehension (15%)

Directions: *This part is to test your listening ability. It consists of 3 sections.*

Section A

Directions: *This section is to test your listening ability to understand short dialogues. There are 5 recorded dialogues in it. After each dialogue, there is a recorded question. Both the dialogues and questions will be spoken two times. When you hear a question, you should decide on the correct answer from the 4 choices marked A), B), C) and D) given in your test paper. Then you should mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the center.*

Example: *You will hear:* W: Are you catching the 13:15 flight to New York?

M: No, I'll leave this evening.

Q: What are the two persons talking about?

You will read: A) New York City.

B) An evening party.

C) An air trip.

D) The man's job.

From the dialogue we learn that the man is to take a flight to New York. Therefore, C) An air trip is the correct answer. You should mark C) on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the center. Now the test will begin.

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| 1. A) A doctor. | B) Her boss. |
| C) A policeman. | D) A salesman. |
| 2. A) On Thursday morning. | B) On Saturday morning. |
| C) On Saturday afternoon. | D) On Friday morning. |
| 3. A) She is ill in hospital. | B) She has an appointment with her teacher. |
| C) She is not at home. | D) She is ill at home. |
| 4. A) \$1.40. | B) \$4.30. |
| C) \$8.60. | D) \$6.40. |
| 5. A) He will take a bus. | B) He will walk. |
| C) He will take a taxi. | D) He will drive. |

Section B

Directions: *This section is to test your listening ability to understand short conversations.*

Part II Vocabulary & Structure (15%)

Directions: *This part is to test your ability to use words and phrases correctly to construct meaningful and grammatically correct sentences. It consists of 2 sections.*

Section A

Directions: There are 10 incomplete statements here. You are required to complete each statement by choosing the appropriate answer from 4 choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then you should mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the center.

16. I'm looking forward _____ the Science Museum.
A) to visit B) to visiting
C) visiting D) to having visited
17. He likes _____, but he doesn't like _____ today because he doesn't feel very well.
A) to swim, to swim B) to swim, swimming
C) swimming, swimming D) swimming, to swim
18. Lily wanted to know _____ baby it was on the grass.
A) whose B) that
C) whom D) what
19. Let us do that this way, _____?
A) shall we B) will we
C) will you D) do you
20. _____ the traffic jam, Mr. Smith would have reached the destination on time.
A) In case of B) In spite of
C) Because of D) But for
21. The mother was much kinder to her youngest child than her other children, _____, of course, made the others jealous.
A) that B) whom
C) which D) what
22. — "Will you go to the cinema with us?"
— "I'll _____."
A) glad B) be glad
C) glad to D) be glad to
23. Never _____ a man speaking in such a rude way.
A) have I met B) I have met
C) do I have D) have I do
24. He insisted that we _____ another group of people to do the task.
A) sent B) send

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Task 4

Directions: The following is a part of the contents of a Hotel handbook. After reading it, you are required to find the items equivalent to those given in Chinese in the table below. Then you should put the corresponding letters in the brackets on the Answer Sheet, numbered 51 through 55.

- A. Walkman
- B. Floppy disc
- C. Duplicator
- D. Browser
- E. Charger
- F. Electrograph
- G. Digital camera
- H. Hair drier
- I. Teleprinter
- J. Scanner
- K. Dynamo
- L. Electronic iron
- M. Auto teller machine
- N. Razor
- O. Refrigerator
- P. Vacuum cleaner
- Q. Electronic stove

all been decided to be celebrated on a Monday so that the workers may have 3-day weekends — that is, Saturday, Sunday and Monday in order to rest or travel or do things with their families. Major holidays in the United States such as New Year's Day or Christmas Day or the day, when we remember the first settlers of the United States, called Thanksgiving Day are celebrated all over the country. During these holidays most businesses close and the workers stay home and celebrate with their families.

Vacation can be from 2 weeks a year to 4 weeks a year. This usually depends on how long you've been working for a company, what type of position you have, whether you have a very high position or a very important position and it's difficult to find someone to replace you. In this case, you might take a few days at a time rather than taking one month all at once. Usually the more time you spend working for a company, the more time you may get for a vacation.

41. The government of the United States makes it a rule for workers to have a _____ weekend almost once a month.
A) 1-day
B) 2-day
C) 3-day
D) 4-day
42. Workers in the United States sometimes work from _____.
A) Monday to Saturday
B) Tuesday to Sunday
C) Thursday to Friday
D) Tuesday to Friday
43. Which statement is NOT true according to this passage?
A) Only a few shops remain open on New Year's Day.
B) Most of the workers needn't work on Christmas Day.
C) Days on vacation must be more than all the holidays in a year.
D) All the workers have a half-month vacation.
44. The reason why someone has to divide his vacation into several parts is that _____.
A) no one can be found to take his place
B) he hasn't a most high position
C) he plays an important role in his work
D) he hasn't been working for his company
45. Which of the following is the best title for this passage?
A) Holidays in the United States
B) Vacation in the United States
C) How Do the Workers Spend Their Holidays?
D) Something About the Holidays and Vacation in the U.S

Task 3

Directions: After reading the following passage, you are required to complete the outline below it (No. 46 through No. 50). You should write your answers briefly on the Answer Sheet correspondingly.

proper form of the word given in the brackets. Write the word or words in the corresponding space on the Answer Sheet.

26. When the price of the stock _____ (go) up, you can sell it and make a profit.
27. Many _____ (tour) here are foreigners, and some are Americans.
28. It is no use _____ (try) to do it.
29. He _____ (frighten) by the dog last night.
30. It is high time we _____ (make) a plan for the work of the coming year.
31. His frequent _____ (fail) to report to work on time led to his dismissal.
32. It's _____ (legal) for those stores to sell fireworks without licenses.
33. His _____ (old) brother is a famous singer.
34. They are students of the Computer _____ (engineer) Department.
35. The _____ (tradition) education is different from the open education.

Part III Reading Comprehension (35%)

Directions: *This part is to test your reading ability. There are 5 tasks for you to fulfill. You should read the reading materials carefully and do the tasks as you are instructed.*

Task 1

Directions: *After reading the following passage, you will find 5 questions or unfinished statements, numbered 36 through 40. For each question or statement there are 4 choices marked A), B), C) and D). You should make the correct choice and mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the center.*

Last summer, my wife and I went to visit the town where we both grew up. We hadn't been there since we married ten years ago.

First, we went to the neighborhood where my wife spent her childhood. It hadn't changed very much. The house where she was born was still there, but it was now a different color. The same neighbors still lived next door. They were very glad to see Jane, and asked us to come in and have a cup of coffee. We learned about all the neighbors, old and new. Jane had a very good time. As soon as one question was asked, she would ask the next. "What happened to the Blacks who used to have the little yellow house on the corner?" "Do Fred and Whites still live down the street?" "What about Miss Burton who lived alone?"

Then we went to see the neighborhood where I grew up. What a disappointment! It was all changed. All the old houses I remembered were gone and in their place were some very modern ones. I didn't know any of the people who lived there. Someone has said that you can't go home again. Jane might not think so, but I believe this is true.

36. Where did they go last summer?

Task 3

Directions: After reading the following passage, you are required to complete the outline below it (No. 46 through No. 50). You should write your answers briefly on the Answer Sheet correspondingly.

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The 48 between 49 and China shall be promoted by the 50 for EFI.

Task 4

Directions: The following is a part of the contents of a Hotel handbook. After reading it, you are required to find the items equivalent to those given in Chinese in the table below. Then you should put the corresponding letters in the brackets on the Answer Sheet, numbered 51 through 55.

- A. Research and Development Department
- B. After-sales
- C. Human Resources Management
- D. Financial Services
- E. Annual Turnover
- F. Packaging Material
- G. Work Shifts
- H. Trade Fair
- I. Sales Representative

Enclosed: catalogue, price lists, order form

56. What product is the letter dealing with?

57. What did Mr. Pat Brown ask for in his letter?

58. How many kinds of sample aromas are included?

59. Apart from Price Lists, what else does Jim O'Reilly enclose?

60. Who is the sales manger's assistant?

Part IV Translation — English to Chinese (20%)

Directions: *This part numbered 61 through 65 is to test your ability to translate English into Chinese. After each of the sentences numbered 61 to 64, you will read four choices of suggested translation. You should choose the best translation and mark the corresponding letter on your Answer Sheet.*

61. There is still some weakness in the legs, but her general condition is good.

- A) 她双腿仍有些软弱无力, 但总的情况尚好。
- B) 有一些缺点在她的双腿中, 但她的将军对她很好。
- C) 有一些缺点在她的双腿中, 但她的总体情况是好的。
- D) 她双腿总体情况是好的, 但还有一些软弱无力。

62. It took more or less a whole day to paint the ceiling.

- A) 用了将近一整天的时间在粉刷天花板。
- B) 它用了将近一整天的时间在粉刷天花板。
- C) 粉刷天花板用了将近一整天的时间。
- D) 它用了一天多或者少于一整天的时间粉刷天花板。

63. She is no less diligent than her sister.

- A) 她勤奋不亚于姐姐。
- B) 她不如姐姐勤奋。
- C) 她和姐姐一样勤奋。
- D) 她比姐姐勤奋不会少。

64. I was just preparing to go to bed when the telephone bell rang.

- A) 我正准备上床时, 电话铃突然响了。
- B) 当电话铃响时, 我正准备上床。
- C) 我正准备上床, 这时电话铃突然响了。
- D) 电话铃正准备响, 我就上床了。

65. A couple of times during her senior year I went into her room at night, the light off, but before she went to sleep. I'd sit on the edge of her bed, and she'd tell me about

M: This time it's really important. I told Karen I'd pick her up at 9:00 and she'll kill me if she doesn't see me after she gets off the plane.

W: That's your problem. I told Mom I'm not going to do the housework any more when it's your turn.

M: Look, if you finish them tonight, I'll do them all next week. I promise. Just think of all the free time you'll have. What do you say?

W: No way! Next week you'll have some other excuse.

Q6: Where is Tom going?

Q7: What does Tom promise to do if Karen helps him this time?

Conversation 2

M: Darling, before we go out, let's check and see if we have everything done.

W: If I'm not mistaken, we've completed everything.

M: I can't remember if I turned off the gas.

W: Oh, I'm afraid you didn't.

M: I'm sorry, I completely forgot.

W: I can't find our keys.

M: Did you leave the keys in the kitchen?

W: Now, I recall, I left them in the bathroom.

M: Be sure to remind me to pay the telephone bill after we get back.

W: Don't worry. I will.

Q8: What's the possible relationship between the two speakers?

Q9: Where did the woman leave the keys?

Q10: What did the man ask the woman to remind him about?

Section C

Directions: *In this section you will hear a recorded short passage. The passage is printed on the test paper, but with some words or phrases missing. The passage will be read three times. During the second reading, you are required to put the missing words or phrases on the Answer Sheet in order of the numbered blanks according to what you hear. The third reading is for you to check your writing. Now the passage will begin.*

Tony was a sailor on a big ship. The ship he worked on went to Korea and New Zealand. Tony was often on the ship for several months at a time. When he woke up in the morning and looked out, he only saw the sea, or sometimes a port. Two years ago, Tony married a beautiful Indian girl. And he bought a small house with a garden, which was far away from the sea. After the honeymoon, he had to return to his ship. And he did not come home for two months. Then his ship reached the harbor near his home, and he had a week's leave. He left the ship and took a bus to his home. His wife was very happy to see