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前言

高等学校英语应用能力考试 (Practical English Test for Colleges, 简称 PRETCO) 是经教育部批准、依据教育部高等教育司《高职高专教育英语课程教学基本要求》(以下简称《基本要求》) 而设置的全国统一的标准化考试, 旨在检测高等职业教育、普通高等专科学校教育和成人高等教育的学生是否达到了《基本要求》所规定的实际运用英语的能力。该考试分 A 级和 B 级两种。

该考试实行多年以来, 市面上出现的考试辅导用书品种数不胜数, 内容各异, 但是在历年的复习备考过程中, 有一点却是共通的, 那就是必须做一定量的最新的真题, 并对往年的真题进行系统的研究。本书汇编了近 6 年来高等学校英语应用能力考试 B 级的 12 套真题, 对所有题目除了给出答案外, 还进行了详尽、到位的解释, 并尽可能地讲明相关的知识点, 如相关的语法知识等, 与其他辅导书相比, 能更有效地帮助学生复习和培养解题能力。

本书适合参加高等学校英语应用能力 B 级考试的学生自学使用, 亦可作为教师在考前对学生进行强化训练的辅导用书。相信广大考生通过对本书提供的近年来统考真题的实战演练, 一定能够顺利地通过该考试, 并取得优异的成绩。

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2004 年 6 月高等学校英语应用能力考试

(B 级) 真题

Part I Listening Comprehension (15 minutes)

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

Section A

Directions: *This section is to test your ability to give proper responses. There are 5 recorded questions in it. After each question there is a pause. The 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 centre.*

Example: you will hear:

You will read: A. I'm not sure.

B. You're right.

C. Yes, certainly.

D. That's interesting.

From the question we learn that the speaker is asking the listener to leave a message. Therefore, "C. Yes, certainly." is the correct answer. You should mark C on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the centre.

[A] [B] ~~[C]~~ [D]

Now the test will begin.

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|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1. A. It's open at 9 a.m. . | B. Sorry, I have no idea. |
| C. That's all right. | D. Thank you. |
| 2. A. She is an English student. | B. She's not interested in music. |
| C. She's a friend of mine. | D. She's tall with dark hair. |
| 3. A. Thanks. | B. I don't think so. |
| C. Oh, no. | D. It doesn't matter. |
| 4. A. Sandwich and coffee. | B. Beer, please. |
| C. It's my favorite food. | D. I don't like this meal. |
| 5. A. A good one. | B. One dollar. |
| C. Six times a year. | D. In a book store. |

Section B

Directions: *This section is to test your 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 centre.

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|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| 6. A. His bag. | B. His tape. | C. His cap. | D. His book. |
| 7. A. It was wonderful. | B. It was disappointing. | | |
| C. It was boring. | D. It was unusual. | | |
| 8. A. Manager and secretary. | B. Doctor and patient. | | |
| C. Shop assistant and customer. | D. Taxi driver and passenger. | | |
| 9. A. At 1:40 | B. At 1:50 | C. At 2:00 | D. At 3:50 |
| 10. A. He was killed in an air crash. | B. He was wounded in a fight. | | |
| C. He was injured in an accident. | D. He was burnt in a fire. | | |

Section C

Directions: *In this section you will hear a recorded short passage. The passage is printed in 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.*

Tourism was not always as important as it is today. In the past only 11 people could travel on vacation to other countries. But in 12 one person in ten visited a country away from home.

More people travel today because there is a 13 middle class in many parts of the world. People now have more money for travel. Special airplane fares for tourists make travel 14 and thus more attractive than ever before.

One person does not travel for the same reason as another. But most people 15 seeing countries that are different from their own. They also like to meet new people and try new foods.

Part II Vocabulary and Structure (15 minutes)

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 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 centre.*

16. —How about having dinner at Sun Restaurant?
—It _____ good.
A. smells B. looks C. sounds D. appears
17. Seldom _____ my boss in such good mood since I came to work in this company.
A. I saw B. I have seen C. have I seen D. do I see
18. You'd better _____ the whole article at once.
A. copy B. copying C. to copy D. copied
19. The machine will continue to make much noise _____ we have it repaired.
A. when B. because C. if D. unless
20. The manager told us never to _____ till tomorrow what we can do today.
A. come up B. put off C. turn on D. give out
21. The children are getting more and more excited when Christmas is _____ near.
A. drawing B. joining C. taking D. operating
22. The old man has two daughters, _____ are doctors.
A. both of them B. both of whom C. both who D. they both
23. If you travel in a foreign country, a tour _____ may save you a lot of trouble.
A. director B. helper C. guide D. assistant
24. Dinner will be ready _____. Let's go and wash our hands.
A. at all B. at least C. just now D. right away
25. If you _____ smoking and drinking, your health will improve soon.
A. gave up B. give up C. had given up D. will give up

Section B

Directions: *There are also 10 incomplete statements here. You should fill in each blank with the proper form of the word given in the brackets. Write the word or words in the corresponding space on the Answer Sheet.*

26. John is the (clever) _____ student I have ever taught.
27. His suggestions turned out to be very (effect) _____ in the improvement of our production.
28. Sixty people (employ) _____ in this big factory last year.
29. It is difficult for a (foreign) _____ to learn Chinese.
30. Both of the twin brothers (be) _____ capable of doing technical work at present.
31. When Jenny came to Britain, she had to get used to (drive) _____ on the left.
32. She is well-known for her excellent (achieve) _____ in her career.
33. The chairman required that every speaker (limit) _____ himself to fifteen minutes.
34. He is (confidence) _____ even though he has failed several times.
35. No student is supposed (spend) _____ so much money in school in a week.

Part III Reading Comprehension (40 minutes)

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 or D. You should make the correct choice and mark the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet with a single line through the centre.*

People today are still talking about the generation gap. Some parents complain that their children do not show them proper respect, while children complain that their parents do not understand them at all.

What has gone wrong? Why has the generation gap appeared?

One important cause is that young people want to choose their own life style. In more traditional societies, when children grow up, they are expected to live in the same area as their parents, to marry people that their parents like, and often to continue the family occupation.

Parents often expect their children to do better than they do, to find better jobs, to make more money, and to do all the things that they were unable to do. Often, however, the high wishes that parents place on their children are another cause of the generation gap.

Finally, the high speed of social changes deepens the gap. In a traditional culture, people are valued for their wisdom, but in our society today the knowledge of a lifetime may be out of use overnight (隔夜).

36. According to the passage, children today expect their parents to _____.
A. give them more independence B. choose a good job for them
C. live together with them D. make more money
37. Parents often hope that their children will _____.
A. make as much money as they do
B. be more successful than they are
C. choose jobs according to their own will
D. avoid doing what their parents can't do
38. The generation gap has become wider than before because of _____.
A. the increasing dependence of children on parents
B. the influence of traditional culture on children
C. the rapid changes of modern society
D. the missing of lifelong occupation
39. In today's society, the knowledge of a lifetime _____.
A. is still very much
B. becomes out of date quickly
C. is essential for continuing family occupations
D. helps the young generation to find a better job

40. A proper title for this passage would be _____.
A. Parents' Viewpoints on Generation Gap
B. Relationship between Family Members
C. Generation Gap between the Young and the Old
D. Difference between Traditional Culture and Modern Knowledge

Task 2

Directions: *This task is the same as Task 1. The 5 questions or unfinished statements are numbered 41 to 45.*

For some employers, the policy of lifelong employment is particularly important because it means that they can put money and effort into their staff training and make them loyal to the company. What they do is to select young people who have potential and who can be trained. They then give the young people the kinds of skills that will make them suitable employees for the company. In other words, they adjust their training to their particular needs.

One recently employed graduate says that she is receiving a great deal of valuable training from the company. "This means that I will be a loyal employee," she says. "And it also means that the company will want to keep me. I am an important investment for them. So the policy is a good one because it benefits both the employer and the employee."

Recently, however, attitudes towards lifelong employment are beginning to change. Employees are slowly beginning to accept the idea that lifelong employment is not always in their best interest and that changing firms can have career advantages.

41. The purpose of lifelong employment is to _____.
A. adjust the needs of the company to its employees
B. make employees loyal to their company
C. select the best skilled young employees
D. keep the skilled staff satisfied
42. By training its employees a company can make them _____.
A. do their work more easily
B. more interested in their work
C. willing to invest money into the company
D. possess the necessary qualities for the job
43. Talking about the training she has received, a recently employed graduate has the view that _____.
A. it is still well-received by all the staff members today
B. it is valuable to the employer and the employee
C. it is helpful for attracting young employees
D. it is both useful and interesting
44. Attitudes towards lifelong employment are changing because _____.
A. job changes have career advantages

- B. it's boring to work in only one company
 C. only the employer benefits from such employment
 D. stable employment seldom offers better opportunities
45. The passage is mainly about _____.
 A. lifelong training of employees
 B. policies of lifelong employment
 C. attitudes towards lifelong employment
 D. employers' interest in lifelong employment

Task 3

Directions: *The following is an advertisement. After reading, you should complete the information by filling in the blanks marked 46 to 50 in no more than 3 words in the table below.*

Over a million people visit Hawaii (夏威夷) each year because of its beautiful weather and wonderful scenery (景色)! The Hawaiian Islands have very mild temperatures. For example, August, the hottest month, averages 78.4 °F, while February, the coldest month, averages 71.9 °F. In addition, the rainfall in Hawaii is not very heavy because mountains on the northern side of each island stop incoming storms; for instance, Honolulu averages only 23 inches of rain per year. This beautiful weather helps tourists to enjoy Hawaii's wonderful natural scenery, from mountain waterfalls to fields of flowers and fruits. And Hawaii's beautiful beaches are everywhere — from the lovely Konoa coast beaches on the large island of Hawaii to Waikiki Beach on Oahu. Warm sunshine and beautiful beaches — it is not surprising that so many people visit Hawaii each year. Are you going to join us? Don't miss the chance!

Hawaii

Famous for its 1) 46, and
 2) 47.

Average temperature: ranging from 48 to 78.4 °F.

Annual rainfall in Honolulu: 49.

Attractions for tourists: 50 and beautiful beaches.

Task 4

Directions: *The following is a part of contents of Office Practice. After reading it, you are required to find the items equivalent to (与……等同) those given in Chinese in the list below. Then you should put the corresponding letters in brackets on the Answer Sheet, numbered 51 through 55.*

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| A. answer phone | B. burglar alarm |
| C. date-stamp | D. electronic display material |
| E. headed paper | F. office information system |
| G. short hand | H. annual report |
| I. registered delivery | J. office automation |

K. time sheet

M. handbook

O. card-index

L. computer package

N. waste basket

P. blueprint

Example: (B) 防盗报警器

(G) 速记

51. () 年度报告

() 电子显示资料

52. () 计算机程序包

() 邮戳日期

53. () 办公自动化

() 废纸篓

54. () 印有信头的信纸

() 录音电话

55. () 挂号邮件

() 办公室信息系统

Task 5

Directions: Read the following passage. After reading it, you are required to complete the statements below it (No. 56 through No.60). You should write your answers briefly on the Answer Sheet correspondingly.

APPOINTMENTS

YOUNG Italian girl, student, speaks English and French, seeks post in a school or family, giving lessons or looking after children. —Write Box L. 1367, the Daily —, London, E. C. 4.

YOUNG man, once an officer, tired of uninteresting office work, is willing to go to any part of the world and to do anything legal; speaks several languages; drives all kinds of cars; exciting work more important than salary. —Write Box F. 238, The Daily —, London, E. C.

MARRIED couple wanted Gardener, country house 2 miles from Oxford, good bus service; family three adults, five children; wages £9; comfortable rooms with central heating. — Write Box S. 754, the Daily —, London, E. C.

56. What kind of work is suitable for the Italian girl?

Teach classes or _____.

57. What foreign languages does the Italian girl know?

She knows _____.

58. Why is the young man tired of his office work?

Because it is _____.

59. What does the young man think of salary?

He thinks that salary is _____ than exciting work.

60. What kind of helper are the married couple trying to find?

They are trying to find _____.

Part IV Translation—English into Chinese (25 minutes)

Directions: This part, numbered 61 to 65, is to test your ability to translate English into Chinese. Each of the four sentences (No. 61 to No. 64) is followed by four

choices of suggested Chinese translation marked A, B, C and D. Make the best choice and write the corresponding letter on the Answer Sheet. Write your translation of the paragraph (No. 65) in the corresponding space on the Translation / Composition Sheet.

61. This is rather for your father to decide than for you.
A. 这是你父亲的决定而不是你的决定。
B. 这取决于你父亲的决定而你该决定。
C. 这件事情该由你父亲决定而不是你来决定。
D. 这并不是为你而是为你的父亲才这样决定的。
62. Great changes in a country's social structure have always caused stresses.
A. 一个国家社会阶层的重大变化总会带来压力。
B. 一个国家社会结构的压力总引起巨大的变化。
C. 一个国家社会结构的巨变总会导致紧张状态。
D. 一个国家社会阶层的重大变化总是很突然的。
63. Clothes worn only a few times have to be put aside because of the change of the fashion.
A. 衣服穿过几次就变得不时髦了。
B. 因为气候的改变, 衣服几乎没穿就送人了。
C. 因为款式改变, 衣服没怎么穿就被放在一边了。
D. 因为流行款式的改变, 仅穿过几次的衣服也只好搁置在一边了。
64. Most of us, from earliest school days, have been told that daydreaming is a waste of time.
A. 我们大多数人从刚上学时就知道, 空想就是浪费时间。
B. 我们中许多人在学校里就知道, 白日做梦就是浪费时间。
C. 我们中许多人在学校里就知道, 白天做梦都是浪费时间。
D. 我们绝大多数早上学的人都知道, 上课时开小差是浪费时间。

65.

Production Planner Wanted

Applicants for the post of Production Planner should be college graduates with at least two year's work experience in production management. Being fluent in English and excellent at mathematics are essential. Applicants must have strong communication and team building skills. Our company offers good salary and other benefits. Please send a complete resume in English with one recent photo and expected salary to Post Office Box 67809, Hong Kong.

Part V Writing (25 minutes)

Directions: *This part is to test your ability to do practical writing. You are required to fill in an Application Form according to the following instructions given in Chinese. Remember to write it on the Composition / Translation Sheet.*

说明: 请以王曼丽的名义写一封求职信。

王曼丽, 24 岁, 毕业于黑龙江技术学院, 主修企业管理, 各门课程成绩都优良。学过速记与打字, 速度各为每分钟 90 字和 70 字。请为她拟出一份给 ABC 公司的自荐信, 希望能

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Words for reference:

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企业管理 Business Administration

速记与打字 shorthand and typing

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(B 级) 真题

Part I Listening Comprehension (15 minutes)

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

Section A

Directions: *This section is to test your ability to give proper responses. There are 5 recorded questions in it. After each question, there is a pause. The 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 centre.*

Example: You will hear:

You will read: A. I'm not sure.

B. You're right.

C. Yes, certainly.

D. That's interesting.

From the question we learn that the speaker is asking the listener to leave a message. Therefore, "C. Yes, certainly." is the correct answer. You should mark C on the Answer Sheet.

[A] [B] [~~C~~] [D]

Now the test will begin.

- | | |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. A. Hurry up. | B. Nothing left. |
| C. No more. | D. Me, too. |
| 2. A. It cost me twenty dollars. | B. It was a waste of time. |
| C. It took me three hours. | D. It's time for dinner now. |
| 3. A. Fourteen dollars. | B. It's next to the station. |
| C. Sorry, I have no money. | D. Sorry, I don't know the way. |
| 4. A. You're right. | B. But it's still early. |
| C. What do you think of it? | D. Why are you so late? |
| 5. A. Don't you know? | B. Thanks a lot. |
| C. No problem. | D. It doesn't matter. |

Section B

Directions: *This section is to test your ability to understand short dialogues. There are 5 recorded dialogues in it. After each dialogue, there is a recorded question. 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 centre.

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|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 6. A. Going shopping. | B. Giving directions. |
| C. Buying fruit. | D. Introducing himself. |
| 7. A. It has stopped snowing. | B. It's going to snow. |
| C. It has just begun to snow. | D. It's still snowing. |
| 8. A. By car. | B. By train. |
| C. By plane. | D. By ship. |
| 9. A. No Smoking. | B. No Parking. |
| C. Wet Paint. | D. Keep off the Grass. |
| 10. A. The Export Department. | B. The Import Department. |
| C. The Sales Department. | D. The Personnel Department. |

Section C

Directions: *In this section you will hear a recorded short passage. The passage is printed in 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.*

Almost every activity in life requires communication. When you make a speech at school, 11 your food at a restaurant, or tell a joke, you are communicating. Learning to speak and express your thoughts 12 is the basic requirement of good communication. But there is 13 to speaking — one that's often neglected. That's "listening". If you don't listen, how will you know what to say when your workmate needs help or your friend is upset? So, try to remember that good communicators listen twice 14 as they speak. Maybe that's why God gave us two ears and just one 15.

Part II Vocabulary and Structure (15 minutes)

Directions: *This part is to test your ability to construct grammatically correct sentences. It consists of 2 sections.*

Section A

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

16. The wine _____ a little bitter this time.
A. tastes B. sounds C. looks D. feels
17. So loudly _____ that the audience in the back heard him clearly.
A. does he speak B. did he speak
C. he speaks D. he spoke
18. I am going to attend the conference, but you _____ with me.
A. needn't to go B. don't need go C. needn't go D. needn't going
19. The police are _____ the traffic accident that happened yesterday.
A. looking down upon B. looking forward to
C. looking into D. looking after
20. It is reported that this medicine is _____ against lung cancer.
A. economic B. easy C. expensive D. effective
21. He has changed his _____ about buying a new car at least three times.
A. brain B. head C. mind D. thought
22. While _____ in London, the young engineer picked up some English.
A. staying B. stay C. stayed D. to stay
23. It will only take me a minute to get your watch fixed; it will be ready _____.
A. by the way B. right away
C. at last D. in that case
24. We were talking about the American tourist _____ we met during our trip to the Great Wall.
A. what B. which C. whose D. whom
25. More and more trucks are seen _____ between these two towns these days.
A. run B. to run C. be running D. being run

Section B

Directions: *There are also 10 incomplete statements here. You should fill in each blank with the proper form of the word given in the brackets. Write the word or words in the corresponding space on the Answer Sheet.*

26. Please remember (lock) _____ the door when you leave.
27. The local people are very (friend) _____ to the visiting tourists.
28. I suggested that he (call) _____ on the director a week later.
29. One can jump (high) _____ on the moon than on the earth.
30. He is asked to (short) _____ his report to one page.
31. Hardly had we gathered in the square when it (begin) _____ to rain.
32. Going abroad to have a holiday will be an (excite) _____ experience for me.
33. The problem (discuss) _____ at the meeting yesterday has not been solved yet.
34. Nothing can (do) _____ unless we are given more information about the situation.
35. Yao Ming, our favorite basketball (play) _____, is becoming a superstar (超级球星) in the world.