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前言

本书汇集了大学英语四级考试模拟试卷 12 份。这些模拟试卷是由全国重点大学中从事多年大学英语教学工作并在测试方面有丰富经验的教师编写的。为了使本书在大学生四级考试准备过程中更好发挥辅导作用,本编辑部还特别邀请1988 和 1990 年度全国英语四级考试成绩名列前茅的海军电子工程学院和海军航空工程学院的大学英语四级考试负责教师编写了两套模拟试卷以供读者使用。

本书收入的试卷均是以新教学大纲和根据新教学大纲制订的考试大纲为依据,按教委颁布的样题为标准而编写的。每份试卷的形式和题量与样题一致;难度、覆盖率、干扰词(词组)均与样题接近。本书附有答题纸、参考答案及录音的文字纪录,不仅便于读者自测,而且特别适合各高等院校课堂测试练习之用。

本书各份试卷所选用的语言材料大多选自新从国外新获得的书籍,由编者选题或拟题;完形填充由各编写者精心编制;词汇与结构覆盖面广,按大纲规定的语言点命题,各试卷之间尽量避免重复;写作命题注意到多样化,体裁广泛。读者若能按要求和时限,答完一份模拟试卷,不仅可以测出自己是否达到大学英语教学大纲四级教学的要求从而明确自己的努力方向,同时也是一次语言技能的综合训练。

由于编者水平有限,本书错误和不足之处在所难免,欢迎读者批评指正。

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SIMULATED COLLEGE ENGLISH TEST 1

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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. 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 centre.

Example: You will hear:

You will read:

- A) At the office.
- B) In the waiting room.
- C) At the airport.
- D) In a restaurant.

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

From the conversation we know that the two speakers were talking about some work they have to finish in the evening. This is most likely to have taken place in the office. Therefore, $\begin{bmatrix} A \end{bmatrix}$ At the office is the best answer. You should choose answer $\begin{bmatrix} A \end{bmatrix}$ on the Answer Sheet and mark it with a single line through the centre.

- △ 1. A) Tom's.
- B) The woman's.
- C) Bob's.
- D) The man's.

- () 2. A) He didn't see it.
 - B) He liked it better than "Jaws".
 - C) He didn't like it.
 - D)He thought "Jaws" was better.

3. A) \$ 2. 00. B) \$6.00. C) \$ 4. 00. D) \$5.00. D) At 7:15. 4. A) At 7: 45. B) At 8:00. C) At 7:30. B) Red and blue. 5. A) Red. D) Red and green. C) Blue. B) The man's brother. 6. A) The man. D) The woman's brother. C) The woman. B) That Bob can't help. 7. A) That Bob is unkind.

C) That Bob will help.
D) That Bob wants money.
A) At Bill's home.
B) At school.

8. A) At Bill's home.

B) At school.

C) At the library.

D) At home.

9. A) At 9: 30. B) At 10:15. C) At 9:00. D) At 10:00.

10. A) John. B) Bill. C) The man. D) Sue.

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 centre.

Passage One

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

11. A) Los Angeles.

C) San Francisco.

B) Detroit.

D) New York.

12. A) None.

B) Four.

C) Five.

D) Three.

13. A) When he was thirty. B) Shortly before he died.

C) Six months after the accident. D) Two weeks before he died.

Passage Two

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

14. A) Until he eats it. B) At least thirty minutes.

C) All day. D) No more than thirty minutes.

15. A) A young one. B) A small one.

C) A big one. D) An old one.

- 16. A) Going to the veterinarian.
 - C) Proper feeding..

- B) A clean environment.
- D) Vigorous exercise.

Passage Three

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

- 17. A) The wheel.
- B) Movies.
- C) The camera.
- D) Nylon.
- 18. A) In the second half of the 19th century.
 - B) In the 1960's.
 - C) In the first part of the 20th century.
 - D) In the early 1800's.
- 19. A) Movies with sound.
- B) Nylon.

C) The radio.

D) The computer.

- 20. A) Japan.
- B) Russia.
- C) The United States.
- D) China.

Part II

Reading Comprehension

(35 minutes)

Directions: There are four reading passages in this part. Each passage is followed by some questions. For each question there are four suggested answers 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.

Questions 21 to 25 are based on the following passage:

During the last few years, there has been an enormous increase in the number of shops, stores and supermarkets which provide facilities for self-service. Their general purpose is to provide goods of every description attractively and hygienically (卫生地) and in perfect condition, so that the customer can serve herself, and then pay for the goods with the minimum of delay.

The organizers of a self-service store have their difficulties. They must display a great number of goods in minimum space without covering up anything. They must deal with perishable foodstuffs (易腐食品) requiring different ranges of temperature; and they must arrange a speedy flow of customers past the cash registers without overtaxing the operators.

For the purpose of display, many devices are used such as long lengths of adjustable shelves to take various sizes of packs, rotating circular shelves, islands of display stands, and racks for tubed foods.

Perishable foodstuffs and quick frozen fruit, vegetables and meat are kept in refrigerated self-service cabinets (橱柜), which keep goods at the required temperatures. These are at zero degrees Fahrenheit for frozen food, 28-32 degrees for meat and fish, and 40-50 degrees for dairy produce and provisions.

The problem of quick payment has been solved by the use of modern cash registers. One such machine called the Automatic Itemizing and Change Computing Cash Register, first records the cost of each item and totals the bill. Then it also registers the sum given in payment, and shoots out the right change into a cup near the customer.

Some of the advantages of self-service seem to be that there is no waiting to be served; there is wide variety of choice, and it is claimed that prepacked meat and vegetables are hygienic. Shopping is said to be more efficient and more economical. Nevertheless many people still prefer to be served by a small shop-keeper who knows them personally and will deliver goods to their homes.

21.	Which of the following statements is true?
	A) Supermarkets provide cheaper food.

- B) There is less delay in payment in supermarkets.
- C) Food and meat are more hygienic and tasty.
- D) Airconditioning is at different temperatures.

22.	The	problem	of	organizers	in	supermarket	is	
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- A) proper display of foods and easy flow of customers.
- B) to keep perishable foods refrigerated.
- C) to keep the shelves rotating.
- D) to provide a wide variety of goods.

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A)	cashiers.	
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B) sellers.

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- D) the cash registers.
- 24. The main advantage of self-service is
 - A) a greater variety of goods.

B) better service.

C) more hygienic food.

- D) efficiency and economy.
- 25. It may be inferred from the passage that self-service is

A) not popular

B) very new

C) catching on

D) on the decline

Questions 26 to 30 are based on the following passage:

As one works with color in a practical or experimental way, one is im-

pressed by two apparently unrelated facts. Color as seen is a mobile changeable thing depending to a large extent on the relationship of the color to other colors seen at the same time. It is not fixed in its relation to the direct stimulus which creates it. On the other hand, the properties of surfaces that give rise to color do not seem to change greatly under a wide variety of illumination colors, usually (but not always) looking much the same in artificial light as in daylight. Both of these effects seem to be due in large part to the mechanism of color adaptation mentioned earlier.

When the eye is fixed on a colored area, there is an immediate readjustment of the sensitivity of the eye to color in and around the area viewed. This adjustment does not immediately affect the color seen but usually does affect the next area to which the gaze is shifted. The longer the time viewing, the higher the intensity, and the larger the area, the greater the effect will be in terms of its persistence in the succeeding viewing situation. As indicated by the the work of Wright and Schouten, it appears that, at least for a first approximation, full adaptation takes place over a very brief time if the adapting source is moderately bright and the eye has been in relative darkness just previously. As the stimulus is allowed to act, however, the effect becomes more persistent in the sense that it takes the eye longer to regain its sensitivity to lower intensities. The net result is that, if the eye is so exposed and then the gaze is transferred to an area of lower intensity, the loss of sensitivity produced by the first area will still be present and appear as an "afterimage" superimposed on the second. The effect not only is present over the actual area causing the" local adaptation" but also spreads with decreasing strength to adjoining areas of the eye to produce "lateral adaptation. " Also, because of the persistence of the effect if the eye is shifted around from one object to another, all of which are at similar brightnesses or have similar colors, the adaptation will tend to become uniform over the whole eye.

- 26. The latter adjustment is NOT affected by which of the following?
 - A) Size of area.
- B) Intensity of color.
- C) Length of time.
- D) similar brightness.
- 27. This selection is concerned primarily with
 - A) the eye's adaptation to color
 - B) the properties of colored surfaces
 - C) the effect of changes in color intensity
 - D) none of these subjects

- 28. Whether a colored object would, on two viewings separated in time, appear to the viewer as similar or different in color would depend mostly on
 - A) the color mechanism of the eye in use at the time of each viewing
 - B) what kind of viewing immediately preceded each of the viewings
 - C) the properties of the surface being viewed
 - D) the individual's power of lateral adaptation
- 29. If a person's eye has been looking at an object in bright sunlight for some time, and then shifts to an object not well lit——such as lawn or shrub in shadow—we can expect .
 - A) a time lag in the focusing ability of the eye
 - B) some inability to see colors of the latter-named objects until loss of sensitivity has been regained
 - C) the immediate loss of the "afterimage" of the first object
 - D) adaptation in the central area of the eye but little adaptation in the lateral areas to the new intensity level
- 30. The present selection has apparently been preceded by some explanation of
 - A) some experiments with color pigments
 - B) the nature of color
 - C) the color properties of various surfaces
 - D) the mechanism of the eye's adaptation to color

Questions 31 to 35 are based on the following passage:

A summary of the physical and chemical nature of life must begin, not on the Earth, but in the Sun; in fact, at the Sun's very center. It is here that is to be found the source of the energy that the Sun constantly pours out into space as light and heat. This energy is liberated at the center of the Sun as billions upon billions of nuclei of hydrogen atoms collide with each other and fuse together to form nuclei of helium(氦), and in doing so, release some of the energy that is stored in the nuclei of atoms. The output of light and heat of the Sun requires that some 600 million tons of hydrogen be converted into helium in the Sun every second. This the Sun has been doing for several thousands of millions of years.

The nuclear energy is released at the Sun's center as high-energy gamma radiation, a form of electromagnetic radiation like light and radio waves, only

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of very much shorter wavelength. This gamma radiation is absorbed by atoms inside the Sun, to be reemitted at slightly longer wavelengths. This radiation, in its turn, is absorbed and reemitted. As the energy filters(達过)through the layers of the solar interior, it passes through the x-ray part of the spectrum (光), eventually becoming light. At this stage, it has reached what we call the solar surface, and can escape into space, without being absorbed further by solar atoms. A very small fraction of the Sun's light and heat is emitted in such directions that, after passing unhindered through interplanetary space, it hits the Earth.

31. '	What	does	the	passage	mainly	discuss	?
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- A) The production of solar light and heat.
- B) The physical and chemical nature of life.
- C) The conversion of hydrogen to helium.
- D) Radiation in the x-ray part of spectrum.
- 32. According to the passage, energy is released in the Sun when
 - A) helium atoms bind with each other
 - B) gamma radiation escapes from the spectrum
 - C) radiation is absorbed by helium
 - D) nuclei of hydrogen atoms collide
- 33. The passage indicates that, in comparison with radiowaves, gamma waves

C) The solar surface.

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D) Interplanetary space.

35. It can be inferred from the passage that the Sun's light travels

- A) through solid objects in space
- B) in many different directions
- C) more slowly than scientists previously believed
- D) further in summer than in winter

A) produce louder sound

B) are less magnetic

C) do not form in the Sun's center

D) are not as long

^{34.} According to the passage, through which of the following does the energy released in the Sun pass before it becomes light?

A) The X-ray part of the spectrum.

B) Electromagnetic space.

Questions 36 to 40 are based on the following passage:

One of the strongest arguments for the raising of the school leaving age (often referred to by its initials, ROSLA) has been that it will bring us some way nearer to the ideal of "equality of opportunity".

Many people like to think of our present system of schooling as providing plenty of steps up the ladder of success for clever children. It would be good to think that no-one who is really bright can be missed out when the state system is apparently so thorough. It is obvious, for instance, that many children from less wealthy homes reach university or do well in other ways.

Unfortunately we now have plenty of evidence that many children of every level of ability do much less well than they could. For instance, during the years of national military service it was possible to test the intelligence of all male 18-20 year olds. Half of those soldiers who were placed in the two highest ability group had left school at 15.

It has also been shown that the percentage of working class children going to university is almost the same now as it was in 1939. One study of 5000 children from birth to 21 years old indicated that up to half the bright pupils from working class homes left school when they reached 16 years old. Moreover, there is no difference in intelligence between the sexes, but far more boys than girls stay in education after 16.

It is clear from this and much other evidence that many children are still leaving school too early to benefit from the prizes—money, social respectability, and interesting jobs—which higher education gives. It is clear too that the reasons why such children leave have much to do with their social circumstances. Their parents often need the extra money another wage-earner would bring in; they do not value education for itself because their own was probably dull and unhappy. It is not so much that they force their sons and daughters to leave school, rather that they tend to say," It's up to you".

36.	It	is	hoped	that	ROSLA	will	give all	children	
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- A) a more enjoyable time at school
- B) the same chance in society
- C) the right to go to better schools
- D) higher scores in intelligence tests
- 37. People would like to think that
 - A) equal numbers of poor and wealthy children reach university

38. Working cla	ss children ar	e felt 1	to be	at	a	disadvant	age	be
A) many of	, the clever ones l	logue nob	بوم تامم	elus				•
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_	been achieved					•		
	those who dese	rve it						
D) has greatly	improved our	society					,	
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B) those with the least money get the best education

A) fine	B) debt
C) tax	D) bill
44. He called in at his paren	ts' house to his mother's health.
A) ask for	B) ask after
C) look after	D) look into
45. The politician failed to	the point to his audience.
A) get…away	B) get···round
C) get···down	D) get···across
46. They at home	waiting for a phone call and consequently missed
their train.	•
A) hung up	B) hung back
C) hung about	D) hung down
47. The government	_ more severe punishments to deal with street vio-
lence.	·
A) called in	B) made out
C) brought in	D) stood up for
48. Her singing will	_ the success of the party.
A) attribute to	B) distribute to
C) contribute to	D) associated with
49. The neighbours do not of	consider him quite as most evenings he
awakens them with his d	runken singing.
A) respectful	B) respectable
C) respective	D) respected
50. Finding it difficult to _	to the climate in the city, he decided to
move to the north.	
A) adopt	B) fit
C) adapt	D) suit
51. A prize will be	
A) rewarded	B) achieved
C) received	D) awarded
52. This ticket you	to a free meal in our new restaurant.
A) gives	B. grants
C) entitles	D) credits
53. I should say Henry is no	much a writer as a reporter,
A) that	B) so
C) this	D) as
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34.	-	as oeen said, the tourists have been picking leaves
	and cutting their names o	
	A) what	
	•	D) as
	The music sounds	
	A) sweet and beatifully	B) sweetly and beautiful
	C) sweetly and beautifully	D) sweet and beautiful
56.	I've no question	s to ask you.
	A) farther	B) further
	C) farthest	D) furthest
57.	This book is the	other in style.
	A) superior to	B) more superior
ı	C) superior than	D) more superior than
58.	Newton was one of the gr	eatest men ever lived.
	A) he .	B)that
	C) who	D) whom
59.	When he took the pen ba	ck to Mary, she said coldly:"You it
	sooner, for Iit	."
	A) should have returned.	·might need
100	B) should returnmight	have needed
	C) should have returned.	·might have needed
	D) must have returned	might have needed
60.	The African would take	and lead her round the farm.
	A) her hand	
	C) her by her hand	D) her by the hand
61.	In the darkness mother su	upposed John
	A) as I	B) to be I
	C) for me	D) to be me
62.	The hat is of al	
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	C) the most much big	•
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	difficult.	
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	C) once	D) least
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	ning of life.	
	A) with	B) to
	C) for	D) as
65.	1 the truth.	
	A) cannot help to speaking	ng B) cannot help to speak
	C) cannot but speak	D) cannot but to speak
66.	There were so many ticket	ts available were asked for.
	A) that	B) as
	C) which	D)what
67.	The judge decided to let the	he youth lightly as it was his first of-
	fense.	
	A) off	B) out
	C) through	D) up
68.	The country's wealth come	es chiefly from its many
		B) herd of cattles
	C) herds of cattle	
69.	thirty-six hours	the length of the time for which I should be paid.
	A) are	B) was
	C) is	D) were
70.	"May I stop work a little	earlier tonight?""No, you ."
	A) needn't	B) mustn't
	C) won't	D) shouldn't
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Paı	rt IV	Cloze
		(15 minutes)
Dir	ections. There are 20 blanks	in the following passage. For each blank there are four
		D) beneath the passage. You should choose the ONE that
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	le line through the centre.	with the corresponding tener on the runder sheet dain a
Ourig.	oc one un ough the centre.	
The	news did not come direct	tly to Ella herself 71 her indirectly in hints
		it as she was a calm, quiet girl, she 72 with-
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	the whole school was full of rumours and state-
		no right to be 73' at all because no one really
kno		of this year's art competition was. But Ella was
75		o sure, that 76 students in the class was ex-
1,0		- Students in the class was ex-
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