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## 编 者 的 话

近年来,随着我国对外经济、文化、技术交往的不断扩大,每年都有数以万计的人赴欧、美、澳等地区和国家考察,访问,进修或攻读学位。语言,作为交流的重要手段,已成为他们必须解决的重要问题。同时,他们也急切地希望知道什么是出国的英语标准以及如何检测自己现有的英语水平。《出国人员英语水平测试模拟试卷汇集》(以下简称“汇集”)正可以满足大家的这一渴求。

《汇集》是我们在多年出国人员英语培训过程中所积累的大量英、美国家英语测试资料的基础上,经反复比较,选择,并模拟我国教育部有关出国英语测试的标准而整理、编写的。测试的项目既包括了美国 TOEFL 的主要测试内容,如听力,语法,词汇,阅读;也编入了英国 ELT 中最能反映英语水平的写作与综合填空项目,并力图在形式、选材和难度等方面最大限度地接近现代英语测试的水准。

《汇集》试图通过每份模拟试卷向读者揭示出现代英语测试的特点与趋势,即量多、面广、速度快、难度大。以语法测试为例,《汇集》表明,传统的、机械式的语法结构操练题已逐渐演变为句子结构,词汇词义及句子逻辑纵横交织,隐晦,曲折的综合性试题,从而提醒读者,不仅要熟练掌握英语语法结构,而且要特别注意掌握典型的、表现英语特色的语言现象,如惯用法。又如,《汇集》根据当今阅读理解测试的“三快”(阅读快,理解快,反应快)要求,选辑了题材、体裁各异,篇幅略同但数量多于 TOEFL 的短文,编写了含蓄型、判断性的理解题,鞭策应试者去提高阅读速度,增强理解能力。再如“听力测试”,我们在仔细研究了国外大量听力试题,特别是 TOEFL 八十年

代的听力试题后,总结出带有普遍规律的类型及新的发展趋势,并使之在《汇集》“听力测试”题中尽可能得到较全面的、集中的反映,读者若能反复练习,定会受益匪浅。

《汇集》的读者不只限于各类出国人员,报考国内外非英语专业研究生的人员也可从中得到裨益。如《汇集》中的“综合填空”,不但是赴英人员必考的项目,也是研究生入学英语考试中的一个重要测试项目。它集语法、词汇、逻辑思维于一体,要求应试人员不但要有较扎实的语法和词汇的功底,而且要有较严密的逻辑思维、丰富的学识及良好的语感,最能考察一个人综合运用语言知识的能力。《汇集》中的十二篇“综合填空”有一定的难度和深度,读者可用它作为衡量自己综合运用语言知识能力的标尺。此外,《汇集》所提供的十二篇作文题及其范文对于大、中学校的教师,科技人员以及有志于提高英语水平的自学者都不失为一份训练和指导的有益资料。全国各类出国人员英语培训班也可用它作为训练教材。

《汇集》共收入模拟试卷十份,教育部出国英语水平测试试卷两份,共有语法结构题 240 道,词汇题 240 道,阅读理解题 480 道,综合填空题 240 道,听力题 420 道(附录音带及文字材料),作文十二篇(附范文),以及全部试题的参考答案。

《汇集》在编著过程中曾得到南京航空学院外语教研室顾伟刚副教授、美籍教师 Kimberly A. Chang 和 Timothy Vinzani 的大力支持,他们审校了全部文字材料,上海外文书店张增燧同志对本书提出了许多有价值的建议,在此一并表示衷心的感谢。由于编者水平所限,《汇集》中谬误之处在所难免,敬请读者不吝赐教,提出宝贵的批评和意见。

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# **A COLLECTION OF THE ENGLISH PROFICIENCY MODEL TEST PAPERS**

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# THE ENGLISH PROFICIENCY

## MODEL TEST (Test 1)

### Paper One

#### Part I: Grammatical Structure (20 minutes)

##### Section A (1 mark each)

*Directions:* There are 10 items in this section. There are four words or phrases marked A, B, C, and D beneath each sentence. Choose the *one* word or phrase that best completes the sentence. Mark your answer by blackening the corresponding letter on the *Answer Sheet* with a pencil.

Example: I avoided \_\_\_\_\_ his hand outstretched to assist me as I stepped out of the boat.

- A. to touch
- B. touching
- C. that I touched
- D. to be touching

Sample Answer

A ● C D

1. We have made a few friends, \_\_\_\_\_ often invite us to their homes.

- A. and who
- B. who they
- C. who
- D. whom

2. He often attends public lectures at the University of California, chiefly \_\_\_\_\_ his English.  
A. to improve      C. for the purpose of  
B. as to improve    D. having improved
3. It was almost dark in the streets \_\_\_\_\_ a few very powerful spotlights.  
A. excluding      C. except  
B. but for      D. except for
4. The design changes were not, in fact, either reported \_\_\_\_\_ reviewed by city building inspectors.  
A. nor      ✓ C. or  
B. and not      D. but not
5. It is high time that class legislation \_\_\_\_\_ here.  
A. must cease      C. be ceased  
B. ceased      D. ceases
6. Ironically, sails were the salvation of many steamships \_\_\_\_\_ mechanical failures.  
A. they suffered    C. were suffered  
B. suffered      ✓ D. that had suffered
7. \_\_\_\_\_ some mammals came to live in the sea is not known.  
A. Which      C. Although  
B. Since      ✓ D. How
8. Rich tobacco and champion race horses have \_\_\_\_\_ of Kentucky.  
-A. long been symbols    C. symbols been long  
B. been long symbols    D. long symbols been
9. Until the mid-1970s, smugglers shipped millions of tons of marijuana and cocaine to the United States without \_\_\_\_\_.  
A. being paid    ✓ B. being discovered



- C. them being punished      D. any charge
10. He \_\_\_\_\_ with Paul Castro at least four times in the past three years.
- A. has been seen met      C. was to meet
- B. had seen meeting      D. had been seen meeting

**Section B** (1 mark each)

*Directions:* There are 10 sentences in this section. Each sentence has four parts underlined. The four underlined parts are marked by A, B, C, and D. Identify the *one* underlined part that is wrong. Mark your answer by blackening the corresponding letter on the *Answer Sheet* with a pencil.

Example: It was during the 1920s that the friendship

between my father and your father reached

their highest point.

Sample Answer  
A B ● D

Answer C "their" is wrong because the sentence should read, "It was during the 1920s that the friendship between my father and your father reached *its* highest point." So you should choose C.

11. Americans place far more emphasis on a good family
- life as on having a high income, material possessions
- or social recognition.

12. Walt Disney always said that the secret of making dreams  
come true could be summarized in confidence, courage,  
constancy and being curious.
13. Originally, we were scheduled to leave for Teheran  
in early summer, but delayed to depart because of  
an unexpected incident.
14. Rarely before the prospect of a large federal deficit  
has generated as much alarm as has occurred since  
Mr Reagan took office.
15. Roger Murgatroyd raised early and sat on the hotel-  
room balcony, watching the sun ride up the Indian  
Ocean.
16. By 1642 all towns in the colony of Massachusetts  
was required by law to have schools.
17. Dairy farm is carried on in all parts of the United  
States.
18. Even though it may be the most harmless of snakes,

I am not enthused about having it in a cage in my D

room.

19. They're the ones who assert that a better bridge could  
A B

be built had we had their assistance.  
C D

20. Realising how little I had been able to accomplish B  
A

my fears of failure grew rapidly, robbing me of what  
C D

little confidence I had had.

## Part II: Vocabulary and Reading Comprehension (60 minutes)

### Section A Vocabulary (1 mark each)

*Directions:* There are 20 questions in this section. Each sentence has a word or phrase underlined. There are four other words or phrases beneath each sentence. Choose the *one* word or phrase which would *best keep the meaning* of the original sentence if it were substituted for the underlined part. Mark your choice by blackening the corresponding letter on the *Answer Sheet* with a pencil.

Example: The operation carries such *risks* as infections and blood clots.

A. manners

B. dangers

C. damages

D. hardship

Sample Answer

A ● C D

The best answer is "B" because "dangers" has the same meaning as "risks" in the sentence.

21. Loud noises can be annoying.  
A. hateful      C. unnerving  
B. painful      D. irritating
22. Because of setbacks like these, the Postal Service is in trouble today.  
A. failures      C. dishonesty  
B. sufferings      D. ignorance
23. The new program would be strictly voluntary, aimed primarily at large mailers.  
A. sensual      C. unforced  
B. ineffectual      D. unintentional
24. We have to adapt to electronic communications or eventually be overwhelmed by them.  
A. steered      C. conquered  
B. conceded      D. exhausted
25. Memory of that gruesome night remains very much on people's minds in Kansas City.  
A. unforgettable      C. glimmering  
B. gloomy      D. horrible
26. The number of missing children in the United States is appalling.  
A. increasing      C. surprising  
B. shocking      D. incredible
27. The Great Wall is one of the world's most magnificent engineering feats.  
A. achievements      C. honor  
B. miracles      D. wonders

28. Architects used whatever materials were at hand to build the tower.  
A. useful                      C. available nearby  
B. easy to get              D. within the reach
29. The first step in planning a marketing strategy for a new product is to analyze the breakdown of sales figures for competitive products.  
A. decrease in              C. itemization of  
B. recordering of              D. collapse in
30. Human facial expressions differ from those of animals in the degree to which they can be deliberately controlled and modified.  
A. both                      C. absolutely  
B. noticeably              D. intentionally
31. He gave out that he would come to my headquarters and investigate the matter.  
A. announced              C. distributed  
B. donated                  D. said
32. I shall stick at the job until I've finished it.  
A. adhere to              C. preserve  
B. hesitate in              D. stand for
33. Almost all economists agree that nations gain by trading with one another.  
A. cooperate              C. become more stable  
B. profit                      D. become more dependent
34. Below 600 feet, ocean waters range from dimly lit to completely dark.  
A. perversely              C. faintly  
B. erratically              D. sufficiently
35. The Constitution's vague nature has given it the flexibi-

lity to be adapted when circumstances change.

- A. imprecise      C. unpolished
- B. diffuse      D. elementary

36. Scientists are discovering that certain colors do indeed have a profound influence on our lives.

- A. power      C. significance
- B. affect      D. effect

37. Recent discoveries have given astonishing insights into the complexity of eyesight.

- A. explanations about      C. brightness of
- B. understandings of      D. solution to

38. When problems such as energy crisis, inflation and population explosion arise, people are asked to bite the bullet.

- A. live with the unfair decisions
- B. share the bitterness and endure the hardship
- C. give up their wealth
- D. stop earning money

39. You should not indulge yourself in the habit of lying late in bed.

- A. take to such intemperate
- B. allow yourself for the
- C. be self-content with the
- D. complain about

40. Being in town lately, I availed myself of the opportunity to visit the shops.

- A. scope      C. occasion
- B. range      D. chance

**Section B Reading Comprehension** (1 mark each)

*Directions:* In this section there are passages followed by questions or unfinished statements, each with four suggested answers. Choose the *one* you think is the best answer. Mark your answer by blackening the corresponding letter on the *Answer Sheet* with a pencil.

Questions 41-44 are based on the following passage:

The very success of communications satellite systems has raised widespread concern about their future. Some countries are already using satellites for domestic communications in place of conventional telephone lines on land. Although this technique is extremely useful for linking widely scattered villages in remote or mountainous regions, in heavily built-up areas where extensive telephone and telegraph systems already exist, domestic satellites (or "domsats") are seen by the land-line networks as unfair competition. Despite such opposition, domsats are gaining support from many businesses and public interest groups in the United States, and seem likely to be more widely utilized in the future.

41. The passage mentions which of the following as a major advantage of domsats?
- A. They are inexpensive to operate.
  - B. They easily connect distant points.
  - C. They can be directed by remote control.
  - D. They can be built to be very light.
42. According to the passage, the use of domsats is especially valuable for which of the following?

- A. Mountain areas      C. Small countries
  - B. Busy cities      D. Private businesses
43. Who objects to the use of domsats?
- A. Managers of international business groups.
  - B. People in small villages.
  - C. Operators of conventional communications systems.
  - D. Large public interest groups.
44. According to the passage, future United States domsats will probably
- A. be produced competitively.
  - B. carry telephone messages only.
  - C. become a government monopoly.
  - D. increase in use.

Questions 45-48 are based on the following passage:

In 1971 an average postal employee earned \$10,187 in wages and fringe benefits. Today the figure is \$24,399, and by 1984 it will be \$28,000. To help finance these rising costs, the Postal Service has increased its rates six times in the last decade. The first-class stamp that cost six cents in 1971 costs 20 cents today—an increase of 233 percent—almost double the rise in the cost of living for the same period. The cost of second-class mail has skyrocketed by nearly 500 percent.

For all its costs and service problems, it's much too early to consign the Postal Service to the deadletter file — largely because of one man. In the four years William F. Bolger has served as Postmaster General, he has presided over the biggest volume increase in postal history, prevailed in tough bargaining sessions that prevented a nationwide strike last year, and spurred the use of modern technology. Almost



everyone agrees that he has been the most effective Postmaster General in recent memory.

45. The increased rates of the postal service in the last ten years were largely due to
- A. the rise in the cost of living.
  - B. William F. Bolger, the Postmaster General.
  - C. the refusal of utilizing modern technology.
  - ✓ D. the rapid increase in wages and other benefits of the postal employees.
46. If you paid 50 cents to mail ten second-class letters in 1971, today you would have to pay
- A. \$20      B. \$2.5      C. \$2.33      D. \$25
47. What do the Americans think of William F. Bolger?
- A. He was quite a nuisance.
  - B. He was no better than his predecessors.
  - C. He was capable and competent as the Postmaster General.
  - D. He was responsible for an unsuccessful strike.
48. Which of the following statements about Bolger is NOT true?
- A. Through William F. Bolger's efforts, a nationwide strike was finally prevented.
  - B. William F. Bolger served a four-year term as the Postmaster General.
  - C. Never before in postal history has any man like Bolger helped to gain the biggest volume increase.
  - D. Bolger's only error was to refuse to use modern technology in postal service.

Questions 49-53 are based on the following advertise-