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前 言

全国英语专业分级考试自 1990 年以来,已有十几年的历史。在这期间,考试规模和参考人数逐年增加,考试的权威性和社会影响力也不断提高,该考试对推动和促进我国英语专业的教学工作起到了巨大的积极作用。与此同时,很多学校都把能否通过英语专业等级考试作为衡量学生英语水平的重要标志。为了帮助学生顺利通过英语专业等级考试,我们特组织编写了《英语专业四级历年全真试题解析》。本书共收录了 1996 至 2004 年九套全真试题,并加以详细解答分析。其目的主要是使考生更好地熟悉英语专业四级考试的试题模式、水平和要求,以便在考试中取得优异的成绩。

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第一部分 试题部分

TEST FOR ENGLISH MAJORS (1996)

GRADE FOUR

TIME LIMIT: 140 MIN

PART I WRITING [45 MIN]

SECTION A COMPOSITION [35 MIN]

Write on ANSWER SHEET ONE a composition of about 150 words on the following topic.

Every college student would agree that life in college is not the same as it was in the middle school. Now, you have been asked by the Students' Union to write a passage entitled:

The Main Difference Between My College Life and Middle School Life

As a part of an introduction programme for new students coming in September.

You are to write in three paragraphs. In the first paragraph, state clearly what you think the main difference is between college and middle school life. In the second paragraph, state which life you prefer and why. In the last paragraph, bring what you have written to a natural conclusion with a summary or suggestion.

Marks will be awarded for content, organization, grammar and appropriacy. Failure to follow the instructions may result in a loss of marks.

SECTION B NOTE-WRITING [10 MIN]

Write on ANSWER SHEET ONE a note of about 50 – 60 words based on the following situation:

Your friend just won the first prize in the Provincial English Contest. Write a note of congratulations.

Marks will be awarded for content, organization, grammar and appropriacy.

- A. He forgot to lock the cold store door.
- B. He was forced to work throughout the night.
- C. He caught cold while working at the butcher's.
- D. He was locked up by accident in a cold store.

Questions 19 and 20 are based on the following news. At the end of the news item, you will be given 20 seconds to answer the questions. Now listen to the news.

19. Mr. Warren Christopher _____.
- A. believed there is hope for peace
 - B. will report to the UN on Thursday
 - C. will hold more talks before leaving the region
 - D. is not sure that the peace process will succeed
20. With whom did Mr. Christopher NOT meet?
- A. The Syrian President.
 - B. The PLO leader.
 - C. The Jordanian President.
 - D. The Israeli Prime Minister.

Questions 21 and 22 are based on the following news. At the end of the news item, you will be given 20 seconds to answer the two questions. Now listen to the news.

21. The number of the escaped prisoners is _____.
- A. 6
 - B. 5
 - C. 1
 - D. 7
22. Following the prison breakout, the Government is to _____.
- A. restructure the prison service
 - B. discipline some prison officers
 - C. recruit more security staff
 - D. look into security conditions

Questions 23 to 25 are based on the following news. At the end of the news item, you will be given 30 seconds to answer the three questions. Now listen to the news.

23. The aim of the agreement is to _____.
- A. encourage trade in the region
 - B. crack down on drug smuggling

- 40 and that visitors are welcomed as private individuals just as much as tourists.
26. A. it B. which C. this D. whether it
27. A. deliberate B. compulsory C. spontaneous D. voluntary
28. A. maintained B. watched C. renewed D. repaired
29. A. unused B. underdeveloped C. unwanted D. unspoilt
30. A. besides B. nearby C. alone D. beyond
31. A. interior B. inland C. inside D. inner
32. A. by B. at C. to D. on
33. A. develops B. extends C. enlarges D. prolongs
34. A. some B. nearby C. on average D. more
35. A. architectural B. archetype C. architecture D. archaeology
36. A. are giving B. have given C. been given D. have been given
37. A. primitive B. initial C. elementary D. original
38. A. times B. generations C. years D. age groups
39. A. resident B. dweller C. tenant D. housekeeper
40. A. lived in B. kept over C. resided with D. taken up

PART V GRAMMAR AND VOCABULARY

[15 MIN]

There are twenty-five sentences in this section. Beneath each sentence there are four words or phrases marked A, B, C and D. Choose one word or phrase that correctly completes the sentence. Mark your answer in the ANSWER BOOKLET.

41. You won't get a loan _____ you can offer some security.
A. lest B. in case C. unless D. other than
42. _____ time, he'll make a first-class tennis player.
A. Having B. Given C. Giving D. Had
43. I _____ the party much more if there hadn't been quite such a crowd of people there.
A. would enjoy B. will have enjoyed
C. would have enjoyed D. will be enjoying
44. This company has now introduced a policy _____ pay rises are related to performance at work.
A. which B. where C. whether D. what

45. He wasn't asked to take on the chairmanship of the society, _____ insufficiently popular with all members.
A. having considered B. was considered
C. was being considered D. being considered
46. This may have preserved the elephant from being wiped out as well as other animals _____ in Africa.
A. hunted B. hunting C. that hunted D. are hunted
47. The office has to be shut down _____ funds.
A. being a lack of B. from lack of
C. to a lack of D. for lack of
48. In international matches, prestige is so important that the only thing that matters is to avoid _____.
A. from being beaten B. being beaten
C. beating D. to be beaten
49. As it turned out to be a small house party, we _____ so formally.
A. need not have dressed up B. must not have dressed up
C. did not need to dress up D. must not dress up
50. Western Nebraska generally receives less snow than _____ Eastern Nebraska.
A. in B. it receives in
C. does D. it does in
51. _____ no cause for alarm, the old man went back to his room.
A. There was B. Since C. Being D. There being
52. The brilliance of his satires was _____ make even his victims laugh.
A. so as to B. such as to C. so that D. such that
53. If he _____ in that way for much longer he will find himself in the bankruptcy court.
A. carries on B. carries off C. carried by D. carried away
54. Although the false bank-notes fooled many people, they did not _____ to close examination.
A. look up B. pay up C. keep up D. stand up
55. He must give us more time, _____ we shall not be able to make a good job of it.
A. consequently B. otherwise C. therefore D. doubtlessly
56. When there was a short _____ in the conversation, I asked if anyone would

- like anything to drink.
- A. blank B. space C. pause D. wait
57. You can do it if you want to, but in my opinion it's not worth the _____ it involves.
- A. effort B. strength C. attempt D. force
58. The main road through Littlebury was blocked for three hours today after an accident _____ lorries.
- A. involving B. including C. combining D. containing
59. Very few scientists _____ with completely new answers to the world's problems.
- A. come to B. come round C. come on D. come up
60. Hotel rooms must be _____ by noon, but luggage may be left with the porter.
- A. departed B. abandoned C. vacated D. displaced
61. Half the excuses she gives are not true, but she always seems to _____ them.
- A. get on with B. get away with
- C. get up from D. get in on
62. The _____ physicist has been challenged by others in his field.
- A. respectable B. respectful C. respective D. respecting
63. With hundreds of works left behind, Picasso is regarded as a very _____ artist.
- A. profound B. productive C. prosperous D. plentiful
64. The city suffered _____ damage as a result of the earthquake.
- A. considered B. considerate
- C. considerable D. considering
65. Undergraduate students have no _____ to the rare books in the school library.
- A. access B. entrance C. way D. path

PART VI READING COMPREHENSION**[30 MIN]****SECTION A****[25 MIN]**

In this part there are four passages followed by questions or unfinished statements, each with four suggested answers marked A, B, C and D. Choose the one that you think is the correct answer.

TEXT A

In the past thirty years many social changes have taken place in Britain. The greatest of these have probably been in the economic lives of women.

The changes have been significant, but, because tradition and prejudice can still handicap women in their working careers and personal lives, major legislation to help promote equality of opportunity and pay was passed during the 1970s.

At the heart of women's changed role in society has been the rise in the number of women at work, particularly married women. As technology and society permit highly effective and generally acceptable methods of family planning there has been a decline in family size. Women as a result are involved in child-rearing for a much shorter time and related to this, there has been a rapid increase in the number of women with young children who return to work when the children are old enough not to need constant care and attention.

Since 1951 the proportion of married women who work has grown from just over a fifth to a half. Compared with their counterparts elsewhere on the continent, British women comprise a relatively high proportion of the work-force, about two-fifths, but on average they work fewer hours, about 31 a week. There is still a significant difference between women's average earnings and men's, but the equal pay legislation which came into force at the end of 1975 appears to have helped to narrow the gap between women's and men's basic rates.

As more and more women joined the work force in the 1960s and early 1970s there was an increase in the collective incomes of women as a whole and a major change in the economic role of large numbers of housewives. Families have come to rely on married women's earnings as an essential part of their income rather than as "pocket money". At the same time social roles within the family are more likely to be shared, exchanged or altered.

66. The general idea of the passage is about _____.

- A. social trends in contemporary Britain
- B. changes in women's economic status
- C. equal opportunity and pay in Britain
- D. women's roles within the family