

英语考试试题

(A)

注意：答案请一律写在答题纸上，写在试题上无效

Part One Structure and Vocabulary (40%)

Directions: *In this part there are two sections. In Section I, you are to choose from the four choices under each sentence the one which is similar in meaning to the underlined part of the sentence. And in Section II, you are to choose the one that can best complete the sentence in question.*

Section I (20%)

1. As envisioned by NASA, the space station would not be a single facility, but several, including a manned base, two or more unmanned platforms, and a space transport vehicle.
A. predicted B. proposed C. programmed D. promulgated
2. Adam Smith wrote in his book *The Wealth of Nations* (1776), "It is not from the benevolence of the butcher, the brewer, or the baker, that we expect our dinner, but from their regard to their own interest."
A. felicity B. bounty C. endowment D. tribute
3. Over the past few decades, like its neighbor America, Canada is awash with violent films, TV programs and video games.
A. submerged B. obsessed C. bashed D. gluttoned
4. Computer technology is almost at the point at which humans can interface with their machines without any physical motion whatsoever.
A. any longer B. any time C. at all D. at least
5. He merely meant to give his opinion, not to start an argument.
A. simply B. sincerely C. actually D. definitely

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6. The combined evidence of history and ecology seems to support one general deduction: the less violent the man-made changes, the greater the probability of successful readjustment in the biotic pyramid.
A. inference B. induction C. hypothesis D. speculation
7. Specialists were invited to give students of the university lectures on how to ace a job fair.
A. prepare for B. qualify themselves for
C. outwit others at D. succeed in
8. To avoid lawsuits, manufacturers write long warning labels, anticipating every possible accident. The label on a child's Batman cape cautions that the toy "does not enable user to fly".
A. cloak B. bonnet C. abdomen D. wing
9. Steel makers in China are seeking measures to avoid repeated investment and inordinate competition caused by low concentration level and irrational geographical distribution of the industry.
A. immoderate B. fierce C. illicit D. lopsided
10. Career Builder is a job database on the Internet and its "personal search agent" is an interactive feature that lets visitors key in job criteria such as location, title, and salary.
A. type in B. click on C. retrieve D. view
11. If you are a member of an art association, you have to conform to the rules of it.
A. sneer B. comply with C. devise D. memorize
12. It is anticipated that this contract will substantially increase sales over the next three years.
A. apparently B. slightly C. considerably D. steadily
13. The new government embarked upon a program of radical economic reform.
A. initiated B. produced C. adopted D. implemented
14. Providing first-class service is one of the tactics the airline adopts to attract passengers.
A. methods B. attitudes C. thoughts D. solutions
15. John doesn't like going out, but occasionally he will go to the towns.
A. once again B. again and again C. now that D. now and then
16. While reading, first, get a sense of the general topic; then pin down the more specific scope of the passage; and finally, glean the author's purpose in writing the passage and the main idea he tries to convey.

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- A. analyze B. gather C. paraphrase D. review
17. Earthquake survivors trapped in rubble could one day be saved by an unlikely rescuer: a robotic caterpillar that burrows its way through debris.
A. crumbs B. scraps C. wrecks D. ruins
18. Ever since John Aspinall was a young boy, he has loved animals and he vowed that when he grew up, he would befriend large animals in trouble.
A. asserted B. expounded C. pledged D. reiterated
19. I tried to induce her to go with us, but she doesn't want to.
A. assume B. persuade C. force D. command
20. Mr. and Mrs. Wolf were very particular about coffee and always made it themselves.
A. special B. floppy C. fastidious D. unusual

Section II (20%)

21. Light is less vital to animals than it is to plants; indeed most small animals tend to shun the light _____ welcome it.
A. while B. instead of C. rather than to D. in addition to
22. The test of any democratic society lies not in how well it can control expression but in _____ freedom of thought and expression the widest possible latitude.
A. what it gives B. whether it gives C. where it gives D. why it gives
23. People cannot confess fully to their dreams, as easily and openly as once they could, _____ they be thought pushing, acquisitive and vulgar.
A. worry that B. be afraid of C. fear that D. lest
24. Lacking of experience left him _____ pickings on choosing a good job.
A. slim B. thick C. rich D. thin
25. _____ the availability of information about AIDS, fear and ignorance have created myths about this mysterious disease.
A. Due to B. Apart from C. Except D. Despite
26. Ann, my Australian friend, asked my opinion about the increasing divorce rate in China and whether this is a symbol of social progress or regress, _____, just a sign of social change.
A. instead B. or rather C. on the contrary D. on the other hand
27. The greater convenience of petroleum as compared with coal is, however, balanced by the fact that petroleum exists on Earth in far smaller quantities _____.

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- A. than coal is B. as coal exists C. than coal does D. as coal is
28. This standardization aims to provide a better basis for comparing candidates and reducing bias _____ race or gender.
A. on the grounds of B. now that
C. accounting for D. since
29. But technology is not enough. _____ in attitudes and lifestyles.
A. Just are changes as critical B. Just as critical are changes
C. Just as changes are critical D. Just are critical as changes
30. These years insurance companies in Chinese mainland have become _____ of the automobile loan market because of the high risk involved.
A. ignorant B. wary C. sanguine D. oblivious
31. As foreign-made cars and textiles are sweeping into the domestic market, America's machine-tool industry is _____.
A. by the cord B. by the thread C. on the ropes D. on the strings
32. In recent years, railroads have been combining with each other, _____ super systems, causing heightened concerns about monopoly.
A. which merges into B. to merge into
C. merged into D. merging into
33. At night, the moon casts a _____ veil over the lake --- a vast expanse of liquid silver, and the silence of the scene is broken only by the soothing of a refreshing breeze.
A. gauzy B. gauge C. gorge D. gouge
34. Unpredictability is part of the essential nature of research, but some scientists _____ forget this when writing their cut and dried reports for the technical journals.
A. tending to B. tend to C. tended to D. who tend to
35. Money spent on advertising serves directly to assist a rapid distribution of goods at reasonable prices, _____ establishing a firm home market and so making it possible to provide for export at competitive prices.
A. thereby B. but C. while D. for
36. A pH scale from 0 to 14 is used to measure the acidity of solution. Substances with pH _____ less than 7 are acidic, while those with units over 7 are alkaline.
A. codes B. digits C. degrees D. values

37. It has been known as a fact that the British has a fancy for the discussion of their weather and that, if given a chance, he will talk about it _____.
- A. at length B. by far C. at most D. by no means
38. SARS inflicted heavy casualties in that area and people there were _____ the government and Red Cross for help.
- A. looking at B. looking on C. looking to D. looking up
39. Despite living in two cities, they have _____ close links.
- A. remained B. maintained C. reserved D. preserved
40. Concerning the modern job interview, you should not expect an intimidating interrogation _____ test your ability to cope with stress.
- A. supposedly designing to B. supposedly designed to
C. hardly designing to D. hardly designed to

Part Two Translation (40%)

Section I (from English into Chinese)

Directions: *Read the following passage carefully and then translate the underlined sentences into Chinese. (20%)*

(1) We find ourselves in a bewildering world. We want to make sense of what we see around us and to ask: What is the nature of the universe? What is our place in it and where did it and we come from? Why is it the way it is?

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(2) Up to now, most scientists have been too occupied with the development of new theories that describe what the universe is to ask the question why. On the other hand, the people whose business is to ask *why*, the philosophers, have not been able to keep up with the advance of scientific theories. In the eighteenth century, philosophers considered the whole of human knowledge, including science, to be their field and discussed questions such as: did the universe have a beginning? However, in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, (3) science became too technical and mathematical for the philosophers, or anyone else except a few specialists. Philosophers reduced the scope of their inquiries so much that Wittgenstein, the most famous philosopher of this century, said, "The sole remaining task for philosophy is the analysis of language." (4) What a comedown from the great tradition of philosophy from Aristotle to Kant!

However, if we do discover a complete theory, it should in time be

understandable in broad principle by everyone, not just a few scientists. Then we shall all, philosophers, scientists, and just ordinary people, be able to take part in the discussion of the question of why it is that we and the universe exist. (5) If we find the answer to that, it would be the ultimate triumph of human reason – for then we would know the mind of God.

——From *Steven Hawking, A Brief History of Time*

Section II (from Chinese into English)

Directions: *Read the following passage carefully and then translate the underlined sentences into English. (20%)*

习近平在中央政治局常委中外记者见面会上的讲话(摘录)

(二零一二年十一月十五日)

女士们，先生们，朋友们：

大家好！让大家久等了，很高兴同各位记者朋友见面。

昨天，中国共产党第十八次全国代表大会胜利闭幕了。这些天来，各位记者朋友们对这次大会作了大量报道，向世界各国传递了许多“中国声音”。大家很敬业、很专业、很辛苦，在此，我代表十八大大会秘书处，向你们表示衷心的感谢。

(6) 全党同志的重托，全国各族人民的期望，这是对我们做好工作的巨大鼓舞，也是我们肩上沉沉的担子。

这个重大的责任，是对民族的责任……

中国共产党成立后，团结带领人民前赴后继、顽强奋斗，把贫穷落后的旧中国变成日益走向繁荣富强的新中国，中华民族伟大复兴展现出前所未有的光明前景。

(7) 我们的责任，就是要团结带领全党全国各族人民，接过历史的接力棒，继续为实现中华民族伟大复兴而努力奋斗，使中华民族更加坚强有力地自立于世界民族之林，为人类作出新的更大的贡献。

这个重大的责任，就是对人民的责任……

(8) 我们的人民热爱生活，期盼有更好的教育、更稳定的工作、更满意的收入、更可靠的社会保障、更高水平的医疗卫生服务、更舒适的居住条件、更优美的环境，期盼着孩子们能成长得更好、工作得更好、生活得更好。人民对美好生活的向往，就是我们的奋斗目标……

这个重大的责任，就是对党的责任……

(9) 新形势下，我们党面临着许多严峻挑战，党内存在着许多亟待解决的问题。尤其是一些党员干部中发生的贪污腐败、脱离群众、形式主义、官僚主义等问题，必须下大气力

解决。全党必须警醒起来。打铁还需自身硬。我们的责任，就是同全党同志一道，坚持党要管党、从严治党，切实解决自身存在的突出问题，切实改进工作作风，密切联系群众，使我们的党始终成为中国特色社会主义事业的坚强领导核心……

责任重于泰山，事业任重道远。我们一定要始终与人民心心相印、与人民同甘共苦、与人民团结奋斗，夙夜在公，勤勉工作，努力向历史、向人民交一份合格的答卷。

(10) 记者朋友们，中国需要更多地了解世界，世界也需要更多地了解中国。希望你们今后要继续为增进中国与世界各国的相互了解作出努力和贡献，谢谢大家！

——来源：新华网

Part Three Writing (20%)

Directions:

- A. Title: My Opinion on Social Networking Service
- B. Time limit: 50 minutes
- C. Word limit: 200-250 words
- D. Your composition should be based on the OUTLINE below.
- E. Your composition should be written neatly on the ANSWER SHEET.

OUTLINE:

1. A brief introduction to some popular social networking services
2. Some convenience they bring us and some potential risks they may cause
3. Your attitude towards it.