

2013 National English Contest for College Students

(Level A - Preliminary)

参考答案及作文评分标准

Part I Listening Comprehension (30 marks)

Section A (5 marks)

1—5 ACABB

Section B (10 marks)

6—8 CBA 9—10 BC 11—15 ACCAB

Section C (5 marks)

16—20 BACCA

Section D (10 marks)

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| 21. multi-national company | 22. failure | 23. easier | 24. motivator and (a) drawback |
| 25. subconscious doubt | 26. head-on | 27. success | 28. the unknown |
| 29. think ahead | 30. take advantage of | | |

Part II Vocabulary and Structures (15 marks)

31—35 CBABD 36—40 DBDDB 41—45 AACBA

Part III Cloze (10 marks)

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| 46. in | 47. which | 48. against | 49. undoubtedly | 50. gun |
| 51. information | 52. deafening | 53. explode | 54. effect | 55. at |

Part IV Reading Comprehension (40 marks)

Section A (10 marks)

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| 56. two | 57. production and consumption | 58. in need | 59. service their debts |
| 60. impact of their behavior | | | |

Section B (10 marks)

61. Because some of the figures resemble the ones that decorate Nazca pottery.
62. No, there are not. The author offers some guesses / theories.
63. No, they couldn't. People now can only see them from the air.
64. No, she didn't. The ground is too soft for the spacemen to land on.
65. She crusaded to preserve the patterns.

Section C (10 marks)

66. T 67. F 68. T

69. 城市的扩张侵占了农田和开阔的农村,这给许多国家敲响了警钟,他们被中心城市出现的令人困惑的城市化问题所震惊,于是已经开始建设为了满足现代需要而特别设计的新型城市。
70. 而且这些以霍华德的花园城市为原型的新型城镇,可以分散大城市中的剩余人口,对困扰着人们的过分拥挤的状况、住房短缺、贫民窟和交通堵塞起到了缓解作用。

Section D (10 marks)

71. serious investment 72. invasion 73. spontaneous uncertainty
74. unifying nations 75. satiation and disillusion

Part V Translation (10 marks)

76. Please all remain seated with your seatbelts fastened until the aircraft comes to a complete stop, and then leave via the emergency exits.
77. When you're feeling down or distressed, you probably yearn for more than a mouthful of something nutritious or delicious.
78. Although drums are often used to accompany other instruments, drum music plays an important role in religious rites in many cultures.
79. In Denmark, 24 people were left hanging upside down when a roller-coaster made an unscheduled stop.
80. Professional boxing arouses a wide variety of emotions among all levels of society and raises many issues, mainly moral and medical.

Part VI Error Correction (10 marks)

- Ever noticed how you seem to take longer to get over an illness if you take into 81. to
your bed for a few days instead of struggling on? The reason, according to the
leading American health magazine ~~the~~ Prevention, is that a whole range of bodily 82. ~~the~~
functions begin to weak after as short a time as one day in bed. Muscle tissue 83. weaken
starts to break down, rob the body of important minerals and leading to substantial 84. robbing
weakness in just a few days; bones start to break down and lose calciums; the body 85. calcium
is able to use food efficiently; heart and blood vessels get weak after a couple 86. unable
of days, which can lead to \wedge rise in pulse rate and a drop in blood volume; joint 87. a
stiffness and constipation are also common. "Prolonged bed rest is not to be 88. ✓
taken light," says Dr Benjamin Natelson, professor of neurosciences at New 89. lightly
Jersey Medical School. And that's why doctors these days make every effort to
getting patients up and moving as soon as possible after heart attacks and 90. get
operations.

Part VII IQ Test (5 marks)

91. DEMONSTRATOR

92. crane

说明: crane 作名词时有两个含义,一为“鹤”;二为“起重机”。

93. UFBS

说明:从 HIKE 的代码可知每个字母的后一个字母即为其代码。

94. moth found

说明:从第一个词中移走一个字母,添加到第二个单词中,构成一个新词,符合这个要求的作法只有从第一个单词中移出字母“u”。

95. A

说明:先观察第三和第四个图形,它们的区别是中心的方框颜色不同,所以 H 代表白方框, G 代表黑方框,再观察其它字母代表什么。可知 X 代表圆形与方框相嵌的图形为一个, Y 代表此图形为两

个,Z为三个,所以最后一个图形的代码为GX。

Part VIII Writing (30 marks)
(Omitted)

作文评分标准

一、评分原则:

1. 本题满分为 I 10 分;II 20 分,按四个档次给分。
2. 评分时,先根据文章的内容和语言初步确定其所属档次,然后以该档次的要求来衡量、确定或调整本档次,最后给分。
3. I 词数少于 100 或多于 140 的,II 词数少于 140 或多于 180 的,从总分中减去 2 分。
4. 如书写较差,以致影响阅卷,将分数降低一档。

二、各档次给分范围和要求:

第四档(很好):I 9-10 分;II 16-20 分

完全符合写作格式的要求,覆盖所有内容要点,表达思想清楚,文字通顺,连贯性很好,基本上无词汇和语法错误。

第三档(好):I 6-8 分;II 11-15 分

基本符合写作格式的要求,有个别地方表达思想不够清楚,文字基本通顺、连贯,有少量词汇和语法错误。

第二档(一般):I 3-5 分;II 6-10 分

未恰当完成写作格式的要求,漏掉内容要点,表达思想不清楚,文字多处出现词汇和语法错误,影响了对写作内容的理解。

第一档(差):I 1-2 分;II 1-5 分

未完成写作格式的要求,明显遗漏主要内容,表达思想紊乱,有较多词汇和语法的重大错误,未能将信息传达给读者。

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白卷;作文与题目毫不相关;内容太少,无法评判;所写内容无法看清。

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听力录音原文

Part I Listening Comprehension (30 marks)

Section A (5 marks)

In this section, you will hear five short conversations. Each conversation will be read only once. At the end of each conversation, there will be a twenty-second pause. During the pause, read the question and the three choices marked A, B and C, and decide which is the best answer. Then mark the corresponding letter on the answer sheet with a single line through the centre.

1. M: Can I help you?

W: Oh, thank you. Would you mind putting my case on the rack?

M: Not at all. There you are.

2. W: I mean, you've heard that term "couch potato". It kills the imagination.

M: Oh, Come on! Well, there's no evidence to show that.

W: It's obvious. People are just sitting there without being challenged intellectually.

3. M: So how did you hurt yourself?

W: I didn't use mitts while I was taking the roast out of the oven, so I burned myself.

M: You must be careful next time.

4. W: British Rail Lost Property, Waterloo.

M: Good morning. I left my briefcase on the train, the 7:47 from Bournemouth, this morning. It's sort of an average-sized, rectangular, leather briefcase with brass locks.

W: Sorry, we haven't got it, sir.

5. M: It was all my fault. I wish I hadn't been so thoughtless. I used to come back late from work, after stopping off at the pub on the way home, and didn't lift a finger to help when I did get home. I should've helped more with the baby and things like that.

W: Well yes, the main thing if you ask me is that you shouldn't have taken on that new job in London when she'd just had a baby.

M: Now I'm a divorced idiot.

Section B (10 marks)

In this section, you will hear two long conversations. Each conversation will be read only once. At the end of each conversation, there will be a one-minute pause. During the pause, read the questions, each with three choices marked A, B and C, and decide which is the best answer. Then mark the corresponding letter on the answer sheet with a single line through the centre.

Conversation One

W: The train gets in about six in the morning from Tokyo. I'll try and meet you at the station but I'm teaching that morning.

M: Don't worry. I can find my way.

W: The trouble is it's very difficult for me to get the time off. They're very short-staffed at the moment.

M: It's all right. It's not as though we're not used to travelling.

W: Anyway, you just get a taxi to the golf course which is where the main road ends. Unfortunately, the taxis don't like going any further because the roads get pretty rough after that.

M: Ok, we'll walk if it's not too far.

W: Yes. Just leave your suitcases at the clubhouse—the man at reception speaks English—and we'll pick them up later. Anyway, don't worry. I'll email you a map showing you the way from there.

M: No problem. It'll be an adventure.

W: I'll finish work and leave school at about twelve, so have a rest, maybe take a little walk and get a good look at that incredible view we have of the mountain. It's fantastic at this time of the year. It'll be quite safe to walk around. I'll be back about half past twelve.

M: It sounds wonderful. We're looking forward to it. Unfortunately Dad's legs aren't what they used to be but he can still get about. How long are you going to let us stay?

W: Don't ask such questions. As long as you like of course...

Conversation Two

W: Welcome to the Holiday Show. Today with me in the studio I have Richard Bennet, a travel consultant who's going to tell us about the holiday for those who have been everywhere. So Richard, what's the next frontier for the fearless traveller?

M: We're already working on plans that will get tourists into space within the next ten years.

W: So do you think that in a few years' time we'll be having hotels on the moon?

M: Well, possibly, but the first step will probably be suborbital trips. That's staying within the earth's orbit.

W: Then how will the tourists travel?

M: It's about a hundred times as high as a jet plane usually goes and to get that high you'd need rocket planes, or capsules boosted by rockets.

W: That must be exciting. Do tourists need any kind of training on earth?

M: Yes, because there'll be tremendous G -forces during one minute or so, and then a few minutes' experience of weightlessness at zero gravity before the rocket returns to earth. They need to get used to them through a couple of days' training.

W: So can you tell us who's going to be interested in trips like this?

M: Well, we hope the general public will be interested in hearing about it, but it's hardly for those wanting rest and recreation and in fact the sort of person who will probably want to do this is quite easy to target. They're basically risk-takers.

W: So you don't expect all that many people to go on these trips in the beginning?

M: No, we don't think many people are going to pay out such large sums of money for just a few minutes. So the next stage is likely to be keeping them up there in the orbit for three or four hours.

W: What can they do during this period?

M: They'll have the chance to see our planet from space, and also to see the darkness of space, and really spectacular sunsets and sunrises one after another.

W: So what about getting out of the earth's orbit and doing some real space tourism—holidays on Mars, for example?

M: Well, yes, there are plans, and the next step is involving a really quite sizeable number of people in moon tours.

W: So are we talking about hotels on the moon here?

M: As on a cruise, your hotel is your means of transport. So it would involve taking a shuttle up to a spaceship. And passengers could even suit up and go outside space walking if they wanted.

W: That will be marvelous!

Section C (5 marks)

In this section, you will hear five short news items. After each item, which will be read only once, there will be a pause. During the pause, read the question and the three choices marked A, B and C, and decide which is the best answer. Then mark the corresponding letter on the answer sheet with a single line through the centre.

16. Heavy rains and strong winds are battering parts of Jamaica as Hurricane Sandy approaches. Schools and airports have been closed, and a curfew is in place in cities to keep people off the streets. Meteorologists have expected between 25 and 50 centimeters of rain to fall. They predict Hurricane Sandy will reach Haiti, Dominican Republic and Cuba. Yvonne Nelson is a shelter manager in Kingston, Jamaica. She described the preparations underway.
17. A Greek man has been arrested on suspicion of stealing nine million personal data files in a mass breach of private information. Police said the 45-year-old was found to have taken data files containing Greek tax numbers, vehicle license plate numbers and home addresses. Some of the files may have been duplicated. The police are now trying to work out how the data found after they raided the man's home, came to be in his possession and whether he intended to sell it.
18. Google had intended to release its earnings report after the close of trading, but the report was put out early by mistake. It showed that Google's earnings fell by around 20% in the third-quarter when compared to the same period a year ago, to just over \$2bn. Google's share price immediately began to fall until trading was halted. Analysts said that the cost related to the acquisition of Motorola and the strong dollar had contributed to the fall in earnings.
19. A late draft of a report by the European Commission into certain measures at Europe's nuclear power plants says hundreds of problems have been uncovered which might require up to 30 billion dollars to put right. The report was commissioned in the wake of the Fukushima nuclear disaster in Japan to see how Europe's nuclear power plants would fare during extreme emergencies. A leaked draft says nearly all of them need to undergo improvements. Four reactors in two unnamed countries have less than an hour to restore safety functions if electrical power is lost.
20. Nepal has been waiting for four years for its politicians to agree to a new constitution. But a final deadline expired at midnight on Sunday without agreement, plunging the country into crisis. With the life of the current Assembly over, Nepal has entered a political vacuum. The prime minister addressed the nation to

announce fresh elections in six months' time. For many in Nepal, frustrated with this lengthy stalemate, it's depressing news. Politicians still seem as divided as ever on a central issue whether states in a new federal system should or shouldn't be formed along ethnic lines.

Section D (10 marks)

In this section, you will hear a radio talk. The talk will be read only once. For questions 21–30, complete the notes which summarise what the speaker says. You will need to write a word or a short phrase. Remember to write the answers on the answer sheet.

I'd like to tell you a little about myself first. I started out with nothing more than an inflated idea of my own ability and a lot of hope—but I'm now chairman of the Carocan Group, a multi-national company. So how did I get to be successful? That's what I'm going to talk about today.

We've all got our own definition of being successful. The actual achievements may be very different but the sensation is almost the same, and it's a very sweet and profound one, accomplishing whatever we set out to do. But most people don't feel that sensation as often as they'd like to—because of fear. I'm going to talk about those fears, in particular the fear of failure and the fear of success. The fear of failure is easy to understand—and sometimes it can, paradoxically, be a motivator as well as a drawback. People make many excuses for not taking chances—not enough time, family commitments, too much work—and all these are probably based on a subconscious doubt about their ability to actually succeed. But by not trying at all, people never know how much they can or can't do. So my advice is to admit your fear and meet it head-on. Get your friends around you, and decide that whatever happens, the experience will teach you something, and you will come out of it stronger than before.

The fear of success is more difficult to deal with; once you're successful, you have further to fall. Success brings with it fear of the unknown, because after all you've never done it before and the reactions of those around you are unpredictable. These reactions may include jealousy, resentment. But I can make one suggestion to you for overcoming this fear of success—think ahead. By anticipating the effects in this way you become better able to manage the fear of success. Finally, success is only worth it if we can enjoy it. There is no such thing as luck—success happens when you take advantage of opportunities that come your way, as I did and I can look back with pleasure on all I have achieved. Thank you for your time—and good luck to you all.