

2017 年 12 月大学英语四级考试真题(第 2 套)

Part I Writing (30 minutes)

Directions: For this part, you are allowed 30 minutes to write a short essay on **how to best handle the relationship between teachers and students**. You should write at least 120 words but no more than 180 words.

Part II Listening Comprehension (25 minutes)

Section A

Directions: In this section, you will hear three news reports. At the end of each news report, you will hear two or three questions. Both the news report and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on **Answer Sheet 1** with a single line through the centre.



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Questions 1 and 2 are based on the news report you have just heard.

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| 1. A) It tries to entertain its audience. | C) It wants to catch people's attention. |
| B) It tries to look into the distance. | D) It has got one of its limbs injured. |
| 2. A) It was spotted by animal protection officials. | |
| B) It was filmed by a local television reporter. | |
| C) Its videos were posted on social media. | |
| D) Its picture won a photography prize. | |

Questions 3 and 4 are based on the news report you have just heard.

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| 3. A) The distance travelled. | C) The spending on gas. |
| B) The incidence of road accidents. | D) The number of people travelling. |
| 4. A) Fewer people are commuting. | C) Job growth is slowing down. |
| B) Gas consumption is soaring. | D) Rush-hour traffic is worsening. |

Questions 5 to 7 are based on the news report you have just heard.

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| 5. A) He told a stranger the sad story about himself. | |
| B) He helped a stranger to carry groceries to his car. | |
| C) He went up to a stranger and pulled at his sleeves. | |
| D) He washed a stranger's car in return for some food. | |
| 6. A) He ordered a lot of food for his family. | C) He raised a large sum of money for him. |
| B) He gave him a job at his own company. | D) He offered him a scholarship for college. |
| 7. A) He works hard to support his family. | C) He is very good at making up stories. |
| B) He is an excellent student at school. | D) He has been disabled since boyhood. |

Section B

Directions: *In this section, you will hear two long conversations. At the end of each conversation, you will hear four questions. Both the conversation and the questions will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.*

Questions 8 to 11 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

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| 8. A) Attended an economics lecture. | C) Had a drink at Queen Victoria. | | |
| B) Taken a walk on Charles Street. | D) Had dinner at a new restaurant. | | |
| 9. A) Treat a college friend to dinner. | C) Attend his brother's birthday party. | | |
| B) Make preparations for a seminar. | D) Visit some of his high school friends. | | |
| 10. A) Gather statistics for his lecture. | | | |
| B) Throw a surprise birthday party. | | | |
| C) Meet with Jonathan's friends on the weekend. | | | |
| D) Join him in his brother's birthday celebration. | | | |
| 11. A) By car. | B) By train. | C) By taxi. | D) By bus. |

Questions 12 to 15 are based on the conversation you have just heard.

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| 12. A) Taking a vacation abroad. | C) Saving enough money for a rainy day. |
| B) Reviewing for his last exam. | D) Finding a better way to earn money. |
| 13. A) Preparing for his final exams. | C) Working part time as a waiter. |
| B) Negotiating with his boss for a raise. | D) Helping the woman with her courses. |
| 14. A) Finish her term paper. | C) Learn a little bit of Spanish. |
| B) Save enough money. | D) Ask her parent's permission. |
| 15. A) He has rich sailing experience. | C) He is also eager to go to Spain. |
| B) He speaks Spanish fluently. | D) He is easy to get along with. |

Section C

Directions: *In this section, you will hear three passages. At the end of each passage, you will hear three or four 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 four choices marked A), B), C) and D). Then mark the corresponding letter on Answer Sheet 1 with a single line through the centre.*

Questions 16 to 18 are based on the passage you have just heard.

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| 16. A) She went to the same university as her mother. | |
| B) She worked as a nurse in the First World War. | |
| C) She won the Nobel Prize two times. | |
| D) She was also a Nobel Prize winner. | |
| 17. A) She fought bravely in a series of military operations. | |
| B) She developed X-ray facilities for military hospitals. | |
| C) She helped to set up several military hospitals. | |
| D) She made donations to save wounded soldiers. | |
| 18. A) Both died of blood cancer. | C) Both won military medals. |
| B) Both fought in World War I. | D) Both married their assistants. |

Questions 19 to 21 are based on the passage you have just heard.

19. A) They were the first settlers in Europe.
B) They were the conquerors of Norway.
C) They discovered Iceland in the ninth century.
D) They settled on a small island north of England.
20. A) It was some five hundred miles west of Norway.
B) It was covered with green most time of the year.
C) It was the Vikings' most important discovery.
D) It was a rocky mass of land covered with ice.
21. A) The Vikings' ocean explorations. C) The Vikings' everyday life.
B) The making of European nations. D) The Europeans' Arctic discoveries.

Questions 22 to 25 are based on the passage you have just heard.

22. A) Work hard for a better life. C) Dream about the future.
B) Make mistakes now and then. D) Save against a rainy day.
23. A) Teach foreign languages for the rest of his life.
B) Change what he has for his past imaginary world.
C) Exchange his two-story house for a beach cottage.
D) Dwell on the dreams he had dreamed when young.
24. A) Criminal law. C) Oriental architecture.
B) City planning. D) International business.
25. A) Dream and make plans. C) Be content with what you have.
B) Take things easy in life. D) Enjoy whatever you are doing.

Part III Reading Comprehension (40 minutes)

Section A

Directions: In this section, there is a passage with ten blanks. You are required to select one word for each blank from a list of choices given in a word bank following the passage. Read the passage through carefully before making your choices. Each choice in the bank is identified by a letter. Please mark the corresponding letter for each item on **Answer Sheet 2** with a single line through the centre. You may not use any of the words in the bank more than once.

Questions 26 to 35 are based on the following passage.

Technological changes brought dramatic new options to Americans living in the 1990s. During this decade new forms of entertainment, commerce, research, and communication became commonplace in the U. S. The driving force behind much of this change was a(n) 26 popularly known as the Internet.

The Internet was developed during the 1970s by the Department of Defense. In the case of an attack, military advisers suggested the 27 of being able to operate one computer from another terminal. In the early days, the Internet was used mainly by scientists to communicate with other scientists. The Internet 28 under government control until 1984.

One early problem faced by Internet users was speed. Phone lines could only transmit information at a 29 rate. The development of *fiber-optic* (光纤) cables allowed for billions of bits of information to be received every minute. Companies like Intel developed faster microprocessors, so