

國立高雄大學九十七學年度甄選入學招生考試試題

科目：英語聽力測驗
考試時間：50 分鐘

系所：西洋語文學系
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答案請由左至右書寫，每五題寫在同一行。如：1. ___ 2. ___ 3. ___ 4. ___ 5. ___

Section 1

Listen. Circle the best response.

1. A) Yeah. He never tells the truth. B) Yeah. He always helping people.
2. A) No, I don't think so. B) Nice to meet you, too.
3. A) Yeah, I like it, too. B) I know. They should build new highways.
4. A) Really? That my favorite American city. B) I didn't realize French was so important.
5. A) Yes, did you hear about the big fire? B) Yeah, I going to enjoy this.
6. A) Yes, it fun to make your own clothes. B) Yeah, but don't use too much soap.
7. A) The reception is very bad. B) I'll get someone to fix it right away.
8. A) No. I used to exercise, but I got too busy. B) It was pretty good.

Section 2

You will hear people speaking. How would you reply? Read the answers below. Listen.

Choose the best answer.

9. A) I didn't really understand it. B) I'm not sure what it is. C) Yes, thank you for asking.
10. A) Most stay in dormitories. B) I think they do. C) It sounds very convenient.
11. A) Only 10 to 12 in a class. B) About fifteen percent. C) Less than five hundred dollars a term.
12. A) Yes, of course they are. B) Oh, they're from all over. C) Most are going to the university.
13. A) I don't think so. B) No, I'm not really. C) I guess I'm pretty competitive.
14. A) Yes, I'm going to do it. B) Well, I like some things about both of them. C) No, I didn't think it was suitable.
15. A) No, they didn't eat any yesterday. B) Most do, but some don't. C) I suppose they like the taste.
16. A) I'm sure pandas are much bigger. B) I don't agree with it. C) Koalas come from Australia, I think.

Section 3

Read the sentences below. You are about to hear people speaking. Listen. Answer the questions.

17. What is the woman talking about?
A) Traveling back in time. B) Visiting her hometown. C) Planning a vacation.
18. Which of these statements best describes her?

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- A) She is untruthful. B) She is angry. C) She is imaginative.
19. What the man talking about?
A) His friends. B) His personality. C) His boss.
20. What kind of person is he?
A) He lazy. B) He disorganized. C) He emotional.
21. What does the man say about optimists?
A) They believe that things will get better. B) They are more realistic than pessimists. C) They try to improve things.
22. Why is it better to be an optimist?
A) Optimists are smarter. B) Optimists live longer. C) Optimists feel better about life.
23. What the man talking about?
A) What kind of business to own. B) Why people go into business. C) How to be a good manager.
24. What does he think business owners should do?
A) Treat their employees well. B) Get help from their families. C) Limit the hours they work.
25. What she talking about?
A) Why Columbus traveled. B) The people Columbus met. C) Where Columbus explored.
26. Which of these places did Columbus visit?
A) North America. B) Cuba. C) Columbus, Ohio.

Section 4

Read the sentences below. You are about to hear people having conversations. Listen. Answer the questions.

27. Where is the school located?
A) In downtown Seattle. B) Near downtown Seattle. C) Quite far from Seattle.
28. Where are most of the students from?
A) Asian countries. B) The United States. C) Europe and Latin America.
29. What kind of course does the woman want to take?
A) An easy course. B) A general course. C) An advanced course.
30. What does the man say about the painting?
A) It looks like a daytime scene. B) He would like to buy it. C) The colors are beautiful.
31. Where are they?
A) In an art class. B) In a museum. C) In a restaurant.
32. What does the painting make the woman think of?
A) The street where she lives. B) Something in a dream. C) A picture she saw before.
33. Which statement is correct?

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- A) Florence was just offered a job. B) Florence just left her job. C) Florence started a new job.
34. What did Florence decide to do two weeks ago?
A) Travel with Debbie. B) Stay home and work. C) Get a job in Europe.
35. Why doesn't Florence want to go to Europe next year?
A) It's cheaper to go now. B) She already made plans. C) Debbie can go next year.
36. Which of these statements is true?
A) Vincent Van Gogh lived in France. B) Vincent Van Gogh was born in Belgium. C) Vincent Van Gogh studied in Italy.
37. When did Van Gogh become famous?
A) While he was in Belgium. B) When he went to France. C) After his death.
38. What does the woman learn about Van Gogh?
A) He was a writer. B) He taught school. C) He played the violin.

Section 5

Read the sentences below. You are about to hear a passage being read. Listen. Answer the questions.

39. Why was the restaurant owner angry?
A) The poor man didn't like the smell of his food. B) The poor man stole food from his restaurant.
C) The poor man smelled his food without paying.
40. What did the wise man do in court?
A) He shook a bag of money. B) He asked his friend for money. C) He gave money to the judge.
41. What did the judge decide?
A) That the poor man had to work to pay his bill. B) That the restaurant owner had to give food to the poor man. C) That the poor man did not have to pay for anything.
42. Where does the man live?
A) In a town. B) In a resort. C) In the mountains.
43. Why do the mayor and his friends want a new ski resort?
A) The residents raised the money for it. B) It will make money. C) A skiing competition will be held in the town.
44. What does the man believe?
A) There are plenty of jobs already. B) The resort will bring more jobs. C) Jobs in tourism pay well.
45. Which statement is correct?
A) Meat consumption keeps going down. B) Meat consumption went down, then up. C) Meat consumption has always stayed the same.
46. What did people start doing 20 years ago?

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A) They began eating less butter. B) They began eating less margarine. C) They began eating less meat.

47. In the survey, what did 30% of the people say?

A) They care about their health. B) They don't care what food tastes like. C) They don't pay attention to food studies.

48. What is a sonnet?

A) An Italian song. B) A form of poetry. C) A play about love.

49. What is correct about all sonnets?

A) They have fourteen lines. B) They are written in English. C) They consist of four parts.

50. How many lines are in a quatrain?

A) Two. B) Four. C) Fourteen.

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Directions: Use the information in the paragraphs to answer each of the following questions.

Over 100,000 Germans migrated to the English colonies in North America. Most of them settled in Pennsylvania. Others settled in New York, Maryland, Virginia, the Carolinas, and Georgia. They formed the largest non-English-speaking community in colonial North America.

During the 1600s and 1700s, wars ravaged Germany. Marching armies trampled down fields of grain, stole cattle, and burned down farmsteads. In their wake, famines spread over the land. Taxes, levied to pay for the war, added to the people's plight.

Religious disputes also drove people to leave their homes. In Europe the rulers chose the church they wanted in their lands. Many pious Germans of strong convictions found this hard to bear. North America, especially Pennsylvania, offered them religious freedom.

1. During the Colonial Period, which language was the second most used language by Colonists?

- a. English
- b. German
- c. French
- d. Spanish

2. Why was Pennsylvania an extremely popular colony for Germans?

- a. Armies burned down farmsteads.
- b. It offered religious freedom.
- c. Taxes added to the people's plight.
- d. Famines spread over the land.

The Museum of Fine Arts, located in Boston, Massachusetts, was founded in 1870. The current structure, the result of many additions and restructures of the original building, was completed in 1981. Today the museum is home to more than 25,000 square feet of exhibition space. The collection varies and includes Asian art, Egyptian Old Kingdom sculptures, and distinguishable collections of silver, decorative arts, furniture, drawings, costumes, and musical instruments. One special note is the Museums extensive Impressionistic collection. Work from such artists as Degas, van Gogh, and Monet are included and available for viewing.

3. The current building of the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston was completed in

- a. 1870
- b. 1976
- c. 1981
- d. 1988

4. What type of art collection can be viewed at the museum?

- a. Furniture
- b. Costumes
- c. Sculptures
- d. All of the above

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5. Which of the following artists is not usually regarded as an Impressionistic painter?

- a. van Gogh b. Monet
c. Degas d. Matisse

In China, early in the Five Dynasties, a man named Li Ye used to make and fly kite in the imperial court. He once attached a whistle made of bamboo to the kite. The sound was let out when the kite was flying. Therefore the kite was named after Zheng, a kind of Chinese music instrument. It was then named Fengzheng till today.

The earliest kite in the world was made for military purpose by Mo-tse, a famous Chinese philosopher who lived 2300 years ago. He spent three years making an eagle and managed to fly it. The eagle later was regarded as the first kite in the world. Kite flying became a recreation probably from the Tang Dynasty when the royal family and aristocrats were addicted to it. It was said that the Emperor Xuanzong in the Tang dynasty was deeply attracted by a kite named Eight Immortals Crossing the Sea flying in the air. The invention of paper made kites cost less and quick spread among the common people. As time went by, kites flew to various counties in the world. The well-known British scientist, Dr. Needham, described kites as an important scientific invention spread to Europe from China in his book, *A History of China's Science and Technology*. The invention of kite aroused the dream of mankind to fly and led to invention of airplane.

6. How old is the invention of a kite?

- a. More than 2300 years b. 1000 years
c. 500 years d. 100 years

7. Whose design resulted in kites being named after Zheng, a Chinese music instrument?

- a. Emperor Xuanzong b. Mo-tse
c. Li Ye d. Needham

8. After what invention did kites become affordable and very popular among all people?

- a. String b. Paper
c. Eight Immortals d. Books

9. Who is credited for inventing the kite?

- a. Emperor Xuanzong b. Mo-tse
c. Li Ye d. Needham

Henry Hudson first set sail in 1607 in the attempt to find the Northwest Passage to the Far East. Three subsequent voyages followed. The first two voyages were made on the ship "Hopewell." After a third unsuccessful voyage, Hudson

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year later, nearly every state officially marked the day of celebration. In 1914, President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed Mother's Day as a national holiday, to be held on the second Sunday of May. Today, Mother's Day is celebrated in many countries throughout the world, although the celebrations do not fall on the same day in every country.

15. Who is responsible for making Mother Day a national U.S. holiday?

- a. President Lincoln
- b. Anna Jarvis
- c. Julia Ward Howe
- d. President Wilson

16. When is Mother Day celebrated in the United States?

- a. The 5th Sunday of March
- b. The third Sunday of June
- c. First of July
- d. The second Sunday of May

17. Which state was the first state to adopt a formal holiday to recognize mothers?

- a. California
- b. West Virginia
- c. Kentucky
- d. North Carolina

18. To whom did the Mothering Sunday? in England originally pay tribute?

- a. Lent
- b. Mary
- c. Christians
- d. Rhea

19. Who is commonly acknowledged as the person who created Mother's Day?

- a. Anna Jarvis
- b. Woodrow Wilson
- c. Julia Ward Howe
- d. the Republic

The cowbird is an unusual American bird, which builds no nest. Instead, a female lays an egg in the nest of another bird and leaves the chicks to be hatched and raised by the adopted parents. Usually these adopted parents don't seem to notice anything strange about the young cowbird, even though it may be twice the size of their own chicks.

20. What is remarkable about the cowbird?

- a. It builds its nest.
- b. It sits on the cow.
- c. It has its own chicks
- d. It builds no nest.

21. Where does the cowbird lay her eggs?

- a. In her nest.
- b. Beside a cow.
- c. In the nests of other birds.
- d. Beside a tree.

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22. How do other birds react to the young cowbird?

- a. With anger and jealousy.
- b. By ignoring the young cowbird.
- c. By starving the cowbird.
- d. By treating the young cowbird as its own.

The Parkins theater, converted from an old movie theater, opened in 1974. It was the first and only major theater in the United States specifically renovated for the presentation of dance. But the theater was never really successful. Demand for dance and drama decreased with the state of the economy. The theater was located outside the theatrical district and taxes were extremely high. As a result, the theater closed recently and has just been sold. The future of the building is uncertain. It may be destroyed and replaced by another building or it may be sold.

23. Why is the theater unique?

- a. It was the only theater outside the theater district.
- b. It was the first theater in America.
- c. It was the only major theater specifically designed for dance.
- d. It was the only theater located in New York.

24. What factor contributed to the recent change in the theater?

- a. The number of competing theaters increased.
- b. The weather began to change.
- c. The building was destroyed.
- d. The demand for dance decreased

25. What condition is the theater in now?

- a. It is being renovated.
- b. It has been closed.
- c. It has been torn down.
- d. It is still operating.

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Summary and Arguments (100%)

Please read the article and answer the following three questions:

A serious problem faces America today, a problem of such grave importance that our very existence as a nation is threatened. We must either cleanse our schools of evil-minded books, or we must either reconcile ourselves to seeing our children become welfare moochers and homeless bums.

History has shown time and time again that placement of immoral books in our schools is part of insidious plot designed to weaken the moral fiber of our youth from coast to coast. In Wettuckett, Ohio, for example, the year after books by Mark Twain, such as *Tom Sawyer* and *Huckleberry Finn*, were introduced into the school library by liberal free-thinkers and radicals, the number of students cutting classes rose by 6 percent. And in that same year, the number of high school seniors going on to college dropped from thirty to twenty-two.

The reason for this could either be a natural decline in intelligence and morals or the influence of those dirty books that teach our beloved children disrespect and irresponsibility. Since there is no evidence to suggest a natural decline, the conclusion is inescapable: once our children read about Twain characters skipping school and running away from home, they had to do likewise. If they hadn't read about such undesirable characters as Huckleberry Finn, our innocent children would never have behaved in those ways.

Now, I am a simple man, a plain old farm boy? the pseudo-intellectuals call me redneck just like they call you folks. But I can assure you that, redneck or not, I've got the guts to fight moral decay everywhere I find it, and I urge you to do the same. For this reason I want all you good folks to come to the ban-the-books rally this Friday so we can talk it over. I promise you all you right-thinking neighbors will be here.

(From *Steps to Writing Well*)

1. What is the possible title of this article? Please create an appropriate title for this article. (10%)
2. What is the author's main idea and what is s/he arguing for? Please summarize the main points in 200 words. (40%)
3. Are you for or against the author's idea? Please state your argumentation as clearly as possible. (50%)