

2022 年 5 月初赛试题

(Total: 150 marks Time: 120 minutes)

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, one question will be asked, and you have **fifteen seconds** to read the **four** choices marked **A**, **B**, **C** and **D**, and decide which is the best answer. Then mark the corresponding letter on the **answer sheet** with a single line through the centre.*

1. A. He's a doctor.
C. He's a pharmacist.
2. A. Chef and customer.
C. Employer and employee.
3. A. The post office.
A. A police office.
4. A. To watch Shakespeare's plays.
B. To see Shakespeare's tomb.
C. To admire the beauty of the world-famous town.
D. To visit the school where Shakespeare learned Latin.
5. A. It has come to an end because she is advanced in years.
B. It is conducive to the protection of chimpanzees.
C. It helps young people learn more about the environment.
D. It is the longest continual study of animals in the wild.

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.*

Conversation One

*Listen to the conversation. Then read the **four** choices marked **A**, **B**, **C** and **D**, and decide which is the best answer according to what you hear. Then mark the corresponding letter on the **answer sheet** with a single line through the centre.*

6. What's the probable relationship between the speakers?
- A. Father and daughter. B. Two strangers.
- C. Customer and lawyer. D. Student and landlord.
7. Why is it difficult for the woman to rent a flat in the area?
- A. Because many schools are located in the area.
- B. Because she is not familiar with the area.

- C. Because the area has many technology companies.
 D. Because the area is a well-known tourist destination.
8. How much does the woman have to pay for rent?
 A. £4 a day. B. £400 a month. C. £14 a week. D. £40 a week.
9. Where is the woman staying at the moment?
 A. In a small flat. B. In a dormitory.
 C. In a friend's house. D. In a hotel.
10. What's the new flat like?
 A. It's a bit noisy. B. It's on the second floor.
 C. It has two bedrooms. D. It has two living-rooms.

Conversation Two

*Listen to the conversation. Then complete the following sentences with **one word or one letter** according to what you hear. Write the answers on the **answer sheet**.*

11. This is the right place for Geoff to to learn foreign languages.
 12. The language that Geoff is going to learn is .
 13. Geoff's classroom is in Building .
 14. Geoff would like to go to the lessons but he can't.
 15. They describe their classes by level and number. Geoff's class is called " One".

Section C (5 marks)

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

16. Where is this store?
 A. Next to the train station. B. At the city centre.
 C. Beside a park. D. Near City Mall.
17. What are people of Woodsville asked to do?
 A. Stop using their cars. B. Call the police for help.
 C. Help clear up the streets. D. Stay away from the downtown area.
18. When did Clear Sound take over the FreeTel Company?
 A. At the beginning of this year. B. Less than six months ago.
 C. About two and a half years ago. D. Near the end of last year.
19. What is the main purpose of this talk?
 A. To give traffic information.
 B. To give driving directions.
 C. To report on road repair work.
 D. To describe areas of interest in the city.
20. Why will airport workers go on strike?
 A. Because they are working in freezing cold conditions.

- B. Because they are having problems with passengers.
- C. Because they are unable to get their salary increase.
- D. Because they are required to work longer hours.

Section D (10 marks)

*In this section, you will hear **two** short passages. The passages will be read only **once**. After each passage, there will be a **one-minute** pause.*

Dictation

*Listen to the passage. Then fill in the blanks with **the exact words or phrases** you hear. Write the answers on the **answer sheet**.*

Wushu, which means martial arts in Chinese, has grown in popularity throughout Turkey.

In a sports center located on the outskirts of Ankara, the Turkish capital, young athletes are training strenuously.

“We are committed to martial arts and there is a real interest in *wushu*, which incorporates different techniques. Our athletes

are (21) _____,” Serkan Bakir, a well-known martial arts instructor and competitor, says.

Bakir explains that amid the global health crisis, *wushu*, which emphasizes quickness, power and relaxed movement, provides an excellent opportunity for people who wish to (22) _____ their immune and cardiovascular systems.

“There are many variations of Chinese martial arts. *Taichi*, for example, can be performed by a toddler or someone who is 85 years old. It can help people stay in (23) _____. Everyone can benefit from it, especially when we have to stay fit to fend off the coronavirus,” he notes.

Standard *wushu* training concentrates on a core curriculum of eight major styles, whereas modern *wushu* consists of a variety of styles which can be (24) _____ bare-handed and weapon play.

The team consists of bare-handed style athletes and most of them have won a local, national or an international title as part of the Turkish national team.

Beyzanur Karakaya, a 22-year-old woman, is currently (25) _____ a master’s degree in sports education at university in Ankara. Her goal is to improve in her field and eventually travel to China to master the art of *wushu*, which she has practiced for about 10 years.

“I have never been to China or competed against a Chinese athlete, but if I have the opportunity, I would love to go there and train with masters. That would be wonderful,” she says.



Summary

Listen to the passage, and complete the table with **no more than three words** for each blank according to what you hear. Write the answers on the **answer sheet**.

Women Drivers	
The idea that women make worse drivers is a stereotype.	
Firstly	being (26) _____ towards other road users like pedestrians and cyclists
	staying calm in stressful situations
	having fewer “road rage” incidents
Secondly	being cautious
	taking fewer risks when (27) _____
Thirdly	being more responsible and less likely to drive when tired or (28) _____
Women are less competitive and aggressive than men behind the wheel.	
Accidents	being indecisive
	reacting slowly
	lacking confidence
	being easily (29) _____
Research	map reading being more difficult
	having problems with (30) _____
	causing more minor accidents
	having poor spatial awareness

Part II Vocabulary & Grammar (15 marks)

There are **15** incomplete sentences in this part. For each blank there are **four** choices marked **A, B, C** and **D**. Choose the one that best completes the sentence. Then mark the corresponding letter on the **answer sheet** with a single line through the centre.

31. There were many people present and he appeared only for a few seconds, so I only caught a _____ of him.
A. view B. glimpse C. look D. sight
32. A thorough study of biology requires _____ with the properties of trees and plants, and the habit of birds and beasts.
A. acquisition B. discrimination C. curiosity D. familiarity
33. Advertisers always try to improve the image of a product by _____ it _____ a symbol or image most people respect and admire.
A. acquainting; with B. directing; to C. associating; with D. binding; to
34. Mr. Wang had an unusual _____ : he was first an office clerk, then a sailor, and ended

up as a school teacher.

A. career B. profession C. occupation D. position

35. Tom's mother tried hard to persuade him to _____ from his intention to invest his savings in the stock market.

A. pull out B. give up C. draw in D. back down

36. Computer studies of the decrease in mammoth numbers suggest that it was a particular _____ of overhunting by humans and _____ in the climate at the time which led to their disappearance.

A. attachment; diversions B. addition; transformations
C. combination; changes D. connection; adjustments

37. —Did you get any information from Mr. Lee?

—He _____ an expert, but he doesn't seem to know much.

A. believes to be B. is supposed to be C. thought to be D. is claimed being

38. Strangely, some people find that they can smell one type of flower but not another, _____ others are sensitive to the smells of both flowers.

A. when B. since C. for D. whereas

39. This is an exciting area of study, and one _____ which new applications are being discovered almost daily.

A. in B. from C. amid D. over

40. —Why didn't you come to Wang Li's birthday party yesterday?

—Well, I _____, but I forgot it.

A. should B. must C. should have D. must have

41. _____ can be seen from the comparison of these figures, the principle involves the active participation of the patient in the modification of his condition.

A. It B. As C. That D. What

42. _____ for the timely investment from the general public, our company would not be so thriving as it is.

A. Had it not been B. Were it not C. Be it not D. Should it not be

43. —OK. How much are the classes?

—They're £1.5 an hour for members.

—Great. Now, I'd like to come in and look at the facilities. _____

—Yes, no problem.

A. Westfield Sports Centre, can I help you?

B. Do you have any yoga class suitable for me?

C. Can I come here on each of these days?

D. Would someone be able to show me around?

44. —Hi, Carl. Have you written your assignment yet?

—Hi, Sue. No, I haven't, but I've been trying to get some ideas together.

—What sorts of things have you been doing?

—Well, I've worked really hard for the last two weeks and I've nearly finished all the books on the reading list. _____

A. I'll have to get hold of a copy; they sound very useful.

- B. I'll tell you what other things I found really important.
 C. I've made quite a lot of notes but they're not very structured.
 D. I've decided I need to read the most helpful parts of the books.
45. —Alan! Will you help me write this advertisement for the spare room?
 —Yes, we've got so much space. It would be great to get some money to help you with the rent
 —Now, we need to make it sound inviting.
 —Well, the room might be on the small side but the windows are very big, so the natural light is really nice. _____
 A. Few rooms have such good natural light.
 B. It's not luxurious but it's very inexpensive.
 C. It's a great room for those who burn the midnight oil.
 D. Both of the lights in the ceiling are old but bright.

Part III Cloze (10 marks)

Read the following passage and fill in each blank with **one** word in one of the following **three** ways: according to the context, by using the correct form of the given word, or by using the given letter(s) of the word. Remember to write the answers on the **answer sheet**.



It might be said that the great writers of each generation have not only succeeded in evoking a place or people, but also found a distinctive, previously unheard voice through which to do so. From Dostoevsky to F. Scott Fitzgerald, the universally recognized writers of each nation have cultivated a style that is precisely their own, while seemingly

representative of the national tenor.

Chinese essayist and translator Lu Xun (1881—1936), a (46) _____ (lead) figure in the New Culture Movement of the 1920s in China, surely sits amid that tradition of voice creators. His works, including *Medicine* and *Kong Yiji* and the various literary journals he helped edit and publish illuminated Chinese society through (47) cha _____ that everyone could recognize but no one had before seen on the page. *Kong Yiji* tells the story of an aging, ridiculed scholar who fails the *xiuca*i examination and is mocked in the local bar, and implicitly criticizes the futility of an exam-based education (48) sys _____ and human indifference. In *An Incident*, we confront a passenger whose rickshaw collides with a pedestrian. The passenger asks, “When do my social obligations to others begin?”

Lu Xun's style is defined by intricate symbolism and philosophical questions as they arose in everyday life—“how should one act as a friend, a citizen, a partner”—which (49) _____ (they) are interwoven with often melancholic existential realities and historical commentary on China as it moved away from an imperial system and into years of reform and revolution.

These were facets of Lu Xun's voice, but perhaps the most important was that he

often wrote in vernacular Chinese. For (50) _____ (century), literary writing was composed in the classical style, or *wenyanwen*, which followed a different syntactical structure (51) _____ spoken speech and held myriad references to ancient tropes and stories, making it illegible for someone without formal training.

With the rise of Lu Xun and several contemporaries, prose became a reality, and a new generation of fiction writers emerged. Lu Xun was not just writing in a new voice, (52) _____ daring to record the voices and speech he heard around him.

Lu Xun is thus recognized as one of China's first "modern" writers, and his focus on dissonance and alienation, and questions of existence as they overlapped with politics, were radically new.

But in order to see the world out of which Lu Xun was writing, and the traditions which he was negotiating, it seemed important to experience the very space in which he grew up. In what (53) _____ world did Lu Xun live, and did his career in part come as a reaction to that? Could one sense the very same world Lu Xun talked about in his prose, or had it morphed into something unrecognizable?

I headed last week with a few fellow researchers to Lu Xun Guli, or the ancient roads and houses where Lu Xun grew up and studied, located in the centre of Shaoxing. Lu Xun's own family home was built in the Qing Dynasty, and it's (54) _____ by canals where tourists can hire gondolas, and *choudoufu* vendors call out their best prices. We arrived an hour before a thunderstorm rolled through Shaoxing, which created a dense fog and frenzy to move through the house, as many hustled to avoid the coming rain.

Yet even amid the tourist rush, one has the visceral sense that this was a writer (55) _____ not only existed on a hinge between two radically different worlds, but also had to work tirelessly to create such a "modern" literary space.

Part IV Reading Comprehension (30 marks)

*There are **three** passages in this part. Each passage is followed by several questions. Respond to the questions using information from the passage. Remember to write the answers on the **answer sheet**.*

Section A (10 marks)

Questions 56–60 are based on the following passage.

Businesses need to predict change and spot emerging trends in order to stay relevant and beat the competition. But how can they know what the next big thing is before everyone else?

FADS VERSUS TRENDS

One important step in identifying trends is to distinguish them from fads, which don't last long. In 2011, a craze called "planking"—where people photographed themselves lying face down, usually in an odd public place—became popular. (56) _____ It's often hard to tell the difference between trends and fads in the early stages. But there are several signs we can look out for. First, trends can make money; businesses should be able to see how they can take advantage of a new trend and plan long-term strategies. Second, trends tend to link with one another. For example, the trend of online shopping is related to a bigger

trend—the rise of electronic commerce. And third, trends usually appeal to a wide range of people. (57)

Another way of spotting trends is to observe people's hobbies. The idea for social networking sites like Facebook, Instagram, and Snapchat came from noticing that people like to share photographs or personal information in their free time.

IN SEARCH OF TRENDS

The importance of spotting trends has led to a growing industry with a range of new jobs. (58)

Social media analysts—a job title that didn't even exist before the mid-2000s—look through huge amounts of data online. Kevin Allocca, whose job is to analyze trends on YouTube, spends his day monitoring news headlines and popular videos to help his company look out for industry trends.

NEW TECHNOLOGY

(59) Allocca uses organization tools such as gRead Pro and NetNewsWire to help filter the many websites he monitors every day.

Predictive tech analyzes online conversations, blogs, videos, and even photo description. Predictive tech apps search the Web for keywords such as *trend*, *becoming more*, and *recently*, and then compares the date to find common topics.

There are also predictive tech websites that encourage trend spotters to work together and submit ideas for new trends. Springwise is a website that allows its members to submit business ideas that they think will work in their city or country. If a member's idea is featured on the website, they receive points that can be exchanged for money.

(60) Businesses around the world are competing to find the next big thing, and only those that are able to predict and make use of trends will come out on top.

Question 56–60

*Choose from the sentences A–G the one which best fits each gap of 56 – 60. There are **two extra** sentences which you don't need to use.*

- A. These vary from individual trend consultants to entire teams of people in large corporations.
- B. Trend consultants have spent the majority of their careers with varying software suppliers developing technology.
- C. Planking fails in all three areas, and sure enough, by early 2012, it started to lose popularity.
- D. However, this turned out to be nothing more than a fad.
- E. Trend spotting isn't easy, but it is an important skill.
- F. Planking has achieved notoriety as an online fad, as people try to plank in the most unlikely places.
- G. New forms of technology also aid trend spotters.

Section B (10 marks)

Questions 61–65 are based on the following passage.

Wilbur and Orville Wright were the two youngest sons of Bishop Milton Wright,

"The Wright Brothers'
FIRST FLIGHT

A FLYER IN THE WALL HISTORY

We followed their marvelous flight — the first step in the long way to conquering the air.

Look ahead! We'll go on like that soon, conquering the air — it's bound!

Orville and Wilbur Wright had always had a compelling interest in aeronautics and mechanics. As young boys they earned money by making and selling kites and mechanical toys. Later, they designed a newspaper-folding machine, built a printing press, and operated a bicycle-repair shop. In 1896, when they read about the death of Otto Lilienthal, the brothers' interest in flight grew into a compulsion.

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By 1905 the Wrights had perfected the first airplane that could turn, circle, and remain airborne for half an hour at a time. Others had flown in balloons or in hang gliders, but the Wright brothers were the first to build a full-size machine that could fly under its own power. As the contributors of one of the history, the Wright brothers are accurately called the fathers of aviation.

Questions 61–65

Answer the following questions with the information given in the passage.

61. What did some people think of the idea of flying an aircraft in the Wright brothers' time?
62. How did the death of Otto Lilienthal influence the Wright brothers?
63. What almost made the Wright brothers abandon their efforts?
64. When did the Wright brothers build their first airplane?
65. What kind of plane did the Wright brothers build that made them famous in aviation history?

Section C (10 marks)

Questions 66–70 are based on the following passage.



Mike McCue is the CEO of a company in the United States called Tellme Networks. His company provides information to people over the phone about a variety of topics such as weather and sport score. In 2006, the Fast Company Magazine reported that Mike has a special way to check whether his new ideas for products are good ones. Each time he develops a new project, he puts it through what he calls the “Mom Test”. The test requires that his mother, who is 66 years old, understands how to use product, wants to use the product, and is able to use the product. Every time he has a new product idea, he calls his mom. If he can explain it in a way that she understands, he feels a lot more confident about selling the idea to potential investors. He had one idea about introducing a product like Skype, which enables people to use Internet to talk to each other, but rejected it because it did not meet with approval from his mother.

Although Mike McCue has discovered that simplicity is often not only important for product design but also for attracting customers, his mother represents a very important and growing market segment, which should be listened to and catered to. This group of people called the “silver generation”—that is, people who are over 65 years of age. In Japan, in 2015 a quarter of all people were over 65. Some projections estimate that this group will spend \$95 billion a year on products to make their lives easier. While this is particularly true in Japan, with one of the most aging populations in the world, similar trends can be seen in other countries too, particularly in the U.S. and in Europe.

Naturally, some companies are paying attention to this huge potential new market. The introduction of the Easyphone by NTT Docomo is a good example of how companies are

gradually recognizing the needs of the silver generation. Unlike many of its other phones aimed at different segments of the market, NTT Docomo does not complicate its Easyphone with unnecessary functions. The phone is simple and plain to design. Similarly, the Life Phone, recently launched in the U. K., includes features which help those with hearing or sight problems.



NTT Docomo is not the only company interested in this market. The car company Nissan has developed vans with ramps for wheelchair access and cars with special modifications aimed at assisting elderly drivers. Also, Sanyo has developed a special bathtub that allows people in wheelchairs to take baths. It is not just in high-technology industries that this is occurring. Companies in every sector have to pay attention to the silver generation. For example, construction companies are building more homes with features such as wheelchair access and home elevators. Food companies are also developing products that meet the special dietary needs of older people.

Companies like these and others are learning crucial lessons about their rapidly changing markets. In this day and age, they have to be very careful about their marketing strategy. The days of the “one-size-fits-all” approach are certainly gone. Companies need to clearly recognize every segment of their market and design appealing products. Companies that don’t do this are putting their future survival at risk. When marketing to the over 65s, they should remember that simple is beautiful. They should also remember that the future is bright: the future is silver.

Questions 66–70

*Complete the summary below with information from the passage, using **no more than three words** for each blank.*

The 20th century was the era of the young; the 21st century is the age of the (66) generation. As businesses made (67) about the number of elderly people and how much money they have, they are recognizing that they must (68) this huge market and make products which (69) with their approval. Companies that fail to understand this crucial fact are putting (70) at risk.

Part V Translation (15 marks)

Section A (5 marks)

*Translate the following paragraph into Chinese. Write the answers on the **answer sheet**.*

71. Winners do not dedicate their lives to a concept of what they imagine they should be: rather, they are themselves and as such do not use their energy putting on a performance, maintaining pretence, and manipulating others. They are aware that there is a difference between being loving and acting loving, between being stupid and

acting stupid, between being knowledgeable and acting knowledgeable. Winners do not need to hide behind a mask. Winners do not play “helpless”, nor do they play the blaming game. Instead, they assume responsibility for their own lives.

Section B (10 marks)

Translate the following paragraph into English. Write the answers on the **answer sheet**.

72. 我们相信，我们从小都是以一种方式看世界的。但某些时候我们需要拓宽眼界。学习英语会帮助你通过一种不同的语言了解世界。通过不同的语言了解世界也会帮助你从不同的角度看待世界。换句话说，学习英语有助于开阔你的视野。

Part VI IQ Test (10 marks)

There are **five** IQ Test questions in this part. Write the answers on the **answer sheet**.

73. A car travels the first half of a motorway journey at an average speed of 40 mph, and the second half of the journey at an average speed of 60 mph. What is the average speed for the entire journey?
74. What phrase is suggested by the arrangement of letters below?

C
O N
F E R
E N C E

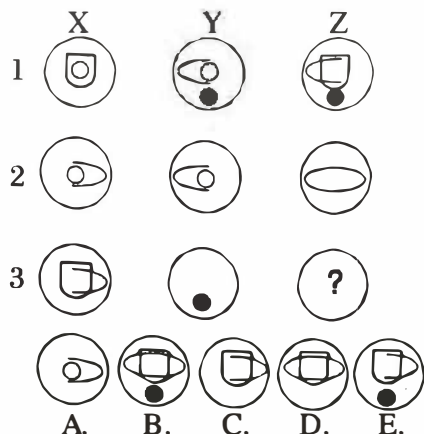
75. There is a logical connection between the times on these digital watches. What time should appear on the fourth watch?



76. Which matchstick man is needed to continue the series?



77. Which symbol should replace the question mark?



Part VII Error Correction (10 marks)

There are 10 errors altogether in the following passage. The errors are: missing words, unnecessary words and wrong words. Please correct them as follows: for a missing word, mark its position with the symbol “^” and write it; for an unnecessary word, cross it out with the symbol “\” ; for a wrong word, underline it and write the correct word. An example of how to correct the error is provided below. Write the answers on the **answer sheet**.

For example:

One of my favourite writers are Charlotte Brontë. She was born in the early
is
nineteenth century when women had far fewer opportunities ^ they have now.
than
She lived in a small village in Yorkshire and she took great pleasure in walking
on the moors ~~where~~ near her home.

The island is beautiful. Don't be dismayed when you get off the plane and find you in a large, rather ugly city with little sense of the old way of life you have read. Just a short car ride way is the island you have been promised with its small villages and slow pace of life. And there is really something for everyone. For those that like sunbathing, it has some of the most beautiful beaches in the world. If you like walking, the paths take you across some breathtaking scenery. Few other places can match the stunning landscape of this island. For water sports enthusiasts, there are many unusual activities such as diving of pearls or turtle spotting, along with a few of the more common sports such as waterskiing or windsurfing. If history is your thing, don't worry. There's plenty of history round every corner. Ruin from the ancient civilisations that lived here over 3,000 years ago are everywhere, and although a lot of people come here just to see the palace, or you can find some lesser remains scattering around the surrounding hills.

Visit it any time of the year but you will not be disappointed. Not many places in the world can offer so many. No holiday will ever match this one—this island has got it all!

Part VIII Writing (30 marks)

Section A (10 marks)

88. Suppose you are Li Hua, working for Student Advice Service. Read about Nadia below, and then think of some advice for her.

From nadiaj@awll.com

To Student Advice Service

I'm a student in London. This is a very expensive city and I don't get a lot of money—my parents pay my university fees but they can't afford to give me any extra money. I have a part-time job in a restaurant, but it doesn't pay very much either. I'm

using my credit cards a lot and now I'm in debt. What should I do?

Nadia



*Write a reply to her of **at least 120 words** on the **answer sheet**.*

Section B (20 marks)

89. *Write about the following topic.*

Science and technology can solve any problem. They have made modern life healthier and more comfortable. Our government should spend more money on scientific research and less on other things.

What is your opinion of the above statement?

*Write an article of **at least 180 words** in an appropriate style on the **answer sheet**.*