# 四级能力自测卷



## Part I

# Writing

(30 minutes)

Directions: For this part, you are allowed 30 minutes to write an essay. Suppose you have two options upon graduation; one is to find a job somewhere and the other to start a business of your own. You are to make a decision. Write an essay to explain the reasons for your decision. 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.

- 1. A) It was dangerous to live in.
  - B) It was going to be renovated.
- 2. A) A strike.
  - B) A storm.

- C) He could no longer pay the rent.
- D) He had sold it to the royal family.
- C) A forest fire.
- D) A terrorist attack.

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

- 3. A) They lost contact with the emergency department.
  - B) They were trapped in an underground elevator.
  - C) They were injured by suddenly falling rocks.
  - D) They sent calls for help via a portable radio.
- 4. A) They tried hard to repair the elevator.
  - B) They released the details of the accident.
  - C) They sent supplies to keep the miners warm.
  - D) They provided the miners with food and water.

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

- 5. A) Raise postage rates.
  - B) Improve its services.
- 6. A) Shortening business hours.
  - B) Closing offices on holidays.
- 7. A) Many post office staff will lose their jobs.
  - B) Many people will begin to complain.
- C) Redesign delivery routes.
- D) Close some of its post offices.
- C) Stopping mail delivery on Saturdays.
- D) Computerizing mail sorting processes.
- C) Taxpayers will be very pleased.
- D) A lot of controversy will arise.

### **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.

- 8. A) He will be kept from promotion.
  - B) He will go through retraining.
- 9. A) He is always on time.
  - B) He is a trustworthy guy.
- 10. A) She is a trade union representative.
  - B) She is in charge of public relations.
- 11. A) He is skilled and experienced.
  - B) He is very close to the manager.

- C) He will be given a warning.
- D) He will lose part of his pay.
- C) He is an experienced press operator.
- D) He is on good terms with his workmates.
- C) She is a senior manager of the shop.
- D) She is better at handling such matters.
- C) He is always trying to stir up trouble.
- D) He is always complaining about low wages.

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

- 12. A) Open.
- B) Friendly.
- C) Selfish.
- D) Reserved.

- 13. A) They stay quiet.
  - B) They read a book.
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- C) They talk about the weather.D) They chat with fellow passengers.
- 14. A) She was always treated as a foreigner.
  - B) She was eager to visit an English castle.
  - C) She was never invited to a colleague's home.
  - D) She was unwilling to make friends with workmates.
- 15. A) Houses are much more quiet.
- C) They want to have more space.
- B) Houses provide more privacy.
- D) They want a garden of their own.

### 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.

- 16. A) They don't have much choice of jobs.
  - B) They are likely to get much higher pay.
  - C) They don't have to go through job interviews.
  - D) They will automatically be given hiring priority.
- 17. A) Ask their professors for help.
- C) Visit the school careers service.
- B) Look at school bulletin boards.
- D) Go through campus newspapers.
- 18. A) Helping students find the books and journals they need.
  - B) Supervising study spaces to ensure a quiet atmosphere.
  - C) Helping students arrange appointments with librarians.
  - D) Providing students with information about the library.

19. A) It tastes better.	) It may be sold at a higher price.
B) It is easier to grow.	) It can better survive extreme weathers.
20. A) It is healthier than green tea.	) It will replace green tea one day.
B) It can grow in drier soil.	) It is immune to various diseases.
21. A) It has been well received by many tea drinker	
B) It does not bring the promised health benefits.	The party of Western seen "The party by
C) It has made tea farmers' life easier.	out of ten, who may as man the state of
D) It does not have a stable market.	
Questions 22 to 25 are based on the passage you	have just heard
22. A) They need decorations to show their status.	V the second of the second play the second pla
B) They prefer unique objects of high quality.	A while he remissioned about a well-golden to
C) They decorate their homes themselves.	
D) They care more about environment.	The state of the s
23. A) They were proud of their creations.	Section B. To menting quant (1945 m.)
B) They could only try to create at night.	Lirections I this section, to read notice to we
C) They made great contributions to society.	the state of the s
D) They focused on the quality of their products.	the married of the second of the second of
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	) To preserve the traditional culture.
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Part III Reading Comp	orehension (40 minutes)
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Directions: In this section, there is a passage with	ten blanks. You are required to select one word
	in a word bank following the passage. Read the
	ng your choices. Each choice in the bank is
	corresponding letter for each item on Answer
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Questions 26 to 35 are based on the following pas	
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fighters only get <i>probation</i> (缓刑).	
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Questions 19 to 21 are based on the passage you have just heard.

Some progress has been made in the *prosecution* (起诉) of animal fighters. But federal judges often rely heavily on the U. S. Sentencing Guidelines when they \_\_29 \_\_ penalties, and in the case of animal fighting, those guidelines are outdated and extremely \_\_30 \_\_.

The U. S. Sentencing Commission, which \_\_31 \_\_ these sentencing guidelines, is revisiting them, proposing to raise the minimum sentence from 6 - 12 to 21 - 27 months. This is a step in the right