

2016 年 10 月高等教育自学考试全国统一命题考试

英语国家概况 试卷

(课程代码 00522)

本试卷共 5 页, 满分 100 分, 考试时间 150 分钟。

I. MULTIPLE CHOICE

Read the following unfinished statements or questions carefully. For each unfinished statement or question, four suggested answers marked A, B, C and D are given. Choose the one that you think best completes the statement or answers the question. Write the letter of the answer you have chosen in the corresponding space on the ANSWER SHEET. (30 points, 1 point each)

1. Britain's climate is of the maritime type, characterized by the following EXCEPT _____.
A. heavy fog B. rainstorms
C. cool temperatures D. frequent cloudy days
2. Between 1649 and 1660, England was not ruled by a monarch, but declared by Oliver Cromwell a _____.
A. Republic B. Dominion
C. Federal State D. Commonwealth
3. _____ was ceded to Britain by the 1763 Treaty of Paris after the Seven Years' War.
A. Canada B. India
C. New Zealand D. Australia
4. In 1265 _____ summoned the Great Council to meet at Westminster, which has been seen as the earliest parliament.
A. the Pope B. Prince Edward
C. Simon de Montfort D. King Henry III
5. Currently, _____ is the head of state of the UK.
A. George VI B. David Cameron
C. Gordon Brown D. Queen Elizabeth II
6. Under the rule of William the Conqueror, _____ were at the bottom of the English feudal scale.
A. serfs B. barons
C. knights D. freemen

7. Of the following British newspapers, _____ displays clear political sympathies with the Labor Party.
A. *The Times* B. *The Guardian*
C. *the Daily Mail* D. *The Daily Telegraph*
8. The Authorized Version of the Bible published in 1611 was made under the command of _____.
A. James I B. Elizabeth I
C. Edward IV D. Henry VIII
9. Which of the following statements is NOT true about the Black Death?
A. It led to the Peasant Uprising of 1381.
B. It prevented the development of capitalism in England.
C. It is a deadly bubonic plague, an epidemic disease spread by rat fleas.
D. It killed between one half and one third of the population of England.
10. _____ is the first city to host the modern Olympic Games three times.
A. Atlanta B. London
C. Sydney D. Los Angeles
11. _____ forms a natural boundary between Mexico and the United States.
A. The Colorado River B. The Columbia River
C. The Mississippi River D. The Rio Grande River
12. _____, which is the chief center of the American Revolution, is sometimes called the birthplace of America.
A. The South B. New England
C. The Midwest D. The Middle Atlantic States
13. During the 19th century, _____ became an ideology integral to the American nationalist movement.
A. Isolationism B. McCarthyism
C. Manifest Destiny D. Truman Doctrine
14. The English founded their first permanent settlement on the American continent at _____ in 1607.
A. Plymouth B. Maryland
C. Jamestown D. Massachusetts
15. The first important national labor organization in the United States, founded in 1869, was the _____.
A. Knights of Labor (KOL)
B. Trades Union Congress (TUC)
C. American Federation of Labor (AFL)
D. Congress of Industrial Organizations (CIO)
16. _____ is one of the America's first internationally popular writers in the early 19th century.
A. Sinclair Lewis B. John Steinbeck
C. Washington Irving D. William Faulkner

17. Many great American inventors contributed to the scientific advancement and technological innovation in American culture, and among them _____ invented the telegraph.
A. Samuel Morse B. Thomas Edison
C. Eli Whitney D. Robert Fulton
18. Britain recognized the independence of the United States when the Treaty of Paris was signed in September _____.
A. 1776 B. 1781
C. 1783 D. 1787
19. The _____ is the longest war that the US has ever fought in history.
A. Korean War B. Vietnam War
C. Afghanistan War D. Persian Gulf War
20. On the 30th of April, 1789, George Washington took the oath of office in _____, which housed the government.
A. New York B. Lexington
C. Philadelphia D. Washington, DC
21. _____ is often considered the largest French-speaking city outside France.
A. Ottawa B. Quebec
C. Toronto D. Montreal
22. The _____ in Canada has 105 members who are appointed by the Governor-General on the recommendation of the prime minister.
A. Congress B. Senate
C. House of Commons D. House of Representatives
23. In Canada, among the linguistic groups whose mother tongue is neither English nor French, the largest one speaks _____.
A. Indian B. German
C. Inuktitut D. Chinese
24. _____ is the first Australian to win the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1973.
A. Keri Hulme B. Patrick White
C. Henry Kingsley D. Thomas Keneally
25. Australia was first founded by the English government as a _____ in the 1700s.
A. dominion B. prison colony
C. gold mining base D. self-governing colony
26. _____ is the oldest party in Australia.
A. The National Party B. Australian Democrat
C. The Australian Labor Party D. The Liberal Party of Australia
27. In New Zealand, the _____ sector accounts for about two thirds of both the workforce and the national income.
A. forestry B. tourism
C. mining D. service

28. New Zealand director Peter Jackson directed the film _____.
A. *The Piano* B. *Whale Rider*
C. *The Lord of the Rings* D. *Once Were Warriors*
29. In the year of _____, the Irish Free State left the British Commonwealth and became the Republic of Ireland.
A. 1918 B. 1920
C. 1921 D. 1948
30. The President's term of office in Ireland is _____ years.
A. four B. five
C. six D. seven

II. BLANK FILLING

Choose 10 answers from the box and write the correct letter in the blanks 31-40 on the ANSWER SHEET. (20 points, 2 points each)

31. Pop music underwent a revolution when the _____ became world famous and turned their hometown of Liverpool into a place of pilgrimage.
32. The decisive characteristic of the two-party system in Britain is that the main opposition party forms a "_____" government, ready at any time to take office.
33. In the mid-5th century, the three Teutonic tribes who invaded Britain were Angles, Saxons, and _____.
34. In 1620, the Pilgrims left England and crossed the Atlantic Ocean in a ship called the _____ to reach Plymouth in North America.
35. The Great Lakes are the economic lifeline of the _____ of the US.
36. Amendments to the US Constitution must have the approval of _____ of the states before they can enter into force.
37. _____, also known as the Hart-Cellar Act, resulted in new immigration from non-European nations, which changed the ethnic make-up of the US.
38. The Indians, often collectively called the _____, are the largest of the aboriginal groups in Canada.
39. The three largest Australian cities—Sydney, Melbourne, and _____—are located on the eastern and southeastern coasts.
40. The _____ is a national symbol of New Zealand, and New Zealanders refer to themselves with this hen-sized flightless bird.

- A. Jutes
- B. kiwi
- C. Beatles
- D. shadow
- E. coalition
- F. Midwest

- G. Brisbane
 - H. two thirds
 - I. *Mayflower*
 - J. three fourths
 - K. First Nations
 - L. The Immigration and Nationality Act of 1965
- *****

III. TERM EXPLANATION

Define the following terms in English. Write your answers on the ANSWER SHEET in around 40 words. (10 points, 5 points each)

- 41. the Emancipation Proclamation
- 42. the mixed member proportional (MMP) system of New Zealand

IV. SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

Give a brief answer to each of the following questions. You are required to use complete sentences. Write your answers on the ANSWER SHEET. (30 points, 3 points each)

- 43. What are the four parts of the United Kingdom?
- 44. Why did the Chartist movement fail?
- 45. How was Amerigo Vespucci associated with the American continent?
- 46. What are the main causes of the differences of climate in Canada?
- 47. What contributed to the great increase in the aboriginal population in Canada in the second half of the 20th century?
- 48. What is the most widespread religion in Australia?
- 49. How can a referendum proposal become law in Australia?
- 50. What was the purpose of the Belfast Agreement?
- 51. What are the two large landmasses of New Zealand?
- 52. What are the languages that have influenced the Modern Irish?

V. ESSAY QUESTION

Write 100-120 words on the following topic on the ANSWER SHEET.
(10 points)

- 53. Explain the Bill of Rights of the UK and the Bill of Rights of the US respectively and analyze their similarities.

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IV. Short Answer Questions. (30 points, 3 points each)

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