

全国 2018 年 4 月高等教育自学考试

英语国家概况试题

课程代码:00522

请考生按规定用笔将所有试题的答案涂、写在答题纸上。

选择题部分

注意事项:

1. 答题前,考生务必将自己的考试课程名称、姓名、准考证号用黑色字迹的签字笔或钢笔填写在答题纸规定的位置上。
2. 每小题选出答案后,用 2B 铅笔把答题纸上对应题目的答案标号涂黑。如需改动,用橡皮擦干净后,再选涂其他答案标号。不能答在试题卷上。

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. "Chunnel" is a channel _____ that joins England to France.
A. highway
B. bridge
C. tunnel
D. cable
2. When George VI died in 1952, _____ was crowned.
A. Prince Charles
B. Queen Elizabeth II
C. Mary Tudor
D. Lord Darnley
3. On July 7, 2005, London was struck by _____, Britain's worst attack since World War II.
A. a fire
B. a tornado
C. an earthquake
D. a terrorist bombing
4. Margaret Thatcher was removed by her own party in 1990 partly because of her _____.
A. opposition to European Union
B. imposition of property taxes
C. weakening of trade unions
D. failure to control inflation

5. In the UK, historic _____ remain important cultural units and serve as a focus for local identity, though they have little administrative power.
- A. cities
B. towns
C. shires
D. counties
6. British culture industry accounts for _____ of the world's cultural exports.
- A. one-sixth
B. one-fourth
C. one-third
D. one-half
7. The causes of the Hundred Years' War were territorial and _____.
- A. racial
B. political
C. economic
D. religious
8. The real legislative body in the UK is _____.
- A. the Cabinet
B. the Sovereign
C. the House of Lords
D. the House of Commons
9. In the UK, primary education is free and compulsory from age _____.
- A. 4 to 10
B. 5 to 11
C. 7 to 12
D. 8 to 13
10. In the US, _____ introduced the assembly-line method of making cars.
- A. Henry Ford
B. Wilbur Wright
C. Andrew Carnegie
D. John D. Rockefeller
11. _____, accepted by all the states in America by March 1781, was intended for a more permanent and legitimate union of the states.
- A. The Treaty of Paris
B. The American Constitution
C. The Articles of Confederation
D. The Declaration of Independence
12. Among many of the important rivers in the United States, _____ has been called "father of waters."
- A. the Missouri
B. the Mississippi
C. the Ohio River
D. the Colorado River
13. The moviemaker of *Reservoir Dogs* is _____.
- A. Quentin Tarantino
B. Steven Soderbergh
C. Kevin Smith
D. Spike Lee

14. The first representative assembly in America, which was organized by the people of Virginia in 1619, was _____.
- A. the Senate
 - B. the Congress
 - C. the House of Burgesses
 - D. the House of Representatives
15. The first railroad to cross the entire country of the US was completed in Utah in _____.
- A. 1865
 - B. 1869
 - C. 1870
 - D. 1893
16. The final defeat of the Native Americans came in the battle of Wounded Knee in _____ in 1890.
- A. Kansas
 - B. South Dakota
 - C. California
 - D. New Hampshire
17. President _____ visited China in 1972, which led to the establishment of diplomatic relations between China and the US.
- A. Nixon
 - B. Carter
 - C. Reagan
 - D. Kennedy
18. The largest state in the US is _____.
- A. Texas
 - B. Alaska
 - C. Nevada
 - D. Carolina
19. Why was the new continent named America after Amerigo Vespucci?
- A. Because he gave his own name to the new continent.
 - B. Because he was the first European to reach the new continent.
 - C. Because he proved the land was not India, but a new continent.
 - D. Because he was the first European to discover the new continent.
20. Who is considered the father of Canadian literature?
- A. Alice Munro.
 - B. Frances Brooke.
 - C. Ernest Thompson Seton.
 - D. Charles G. D. Roberts.
21. Plant life in Canada varies with land type and climate, and by far the most abundant form is _____.
- A. long grass
 - B. scattered trees
 - C. boreal forest
 - D. muskeg swamp

22. _____ is the principal religion in Canada.
- A. Buddhism
B. Christianity
C. Islam
D. Hinduism
23. Although Australia is not a large continent, it is the world's _____ largest country.
- A. third
B. fourth
C. fifth
D. sixth
24. _____ is Australia's primary crop, for both domestic consumption and exports.
- A. Cotton
B. Wheat
C. Sugar
D. Fruit
25. In Australia the Constitution can be changed only by _____.
- A. referendum
B. the Parliament
C. the British monarch
D. the Supreme Court
26. New Zealand lies in _____ latitudes of the Southern Hemisphere.
- A. cold
B. tropical
C. subtropical
D. temperate
27. In New Zealand there is wide-spread participation in _____.
- A. soccer
B. basketball
C. rugby football
D. high jump
28. Appointed by the British monarch, the Governor-General in New Zealand holds a _____ term.
- A. three-year
B. four-year
C. five-year
D. six-year
29. Politically, Ireland is divided between the Republic of Ireland and _____.
- A. Northern Ireland
B. Scotland
C. England
D. Wales
30. In _____, the Irish Free State left the British Commonwealth and became the Republic of Ireland.
- A. 1918
B. 1920
C. 1921
D. 1948

非选择题部分

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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. In the UK, _____ dominates the extensive built-up area of the West Midlands metropolitan area.
32. In 597, _____ became the first Archbishop of Canterbury.
33. The two party names Whigs and Tories originated with _____.
34. As the epicenter of American commercial theater, _____ is one of the largest theater communities in the world.
35. The _____ policy towards the Soviet Union was openly declared by President Truman on March 12, 1949.
36. The Atlantic and Pacific oceans, the Gulf of Mexico, and _____ influence the climate of the United States.
37. The totem-pole _____ of the Northwest Coast Indians are now recognized as important works of Canadian visual art.
38. _____, the state capital of Victoria, is Australia's second largest city in terms of population.
39. In 1944, New Zealand and Australia signed _____, claiming a voice in the postwar affairs of the Pacific.
40. The _____ religion had a major influence on Ireland long before the adoption of Christianity in the 5th century.

- A. the Great Lakes
- B. the Canberra Pact
- C. carvings
- D. Birmingham
- E. appeasement
- F. Broadway
- G. Celtic
- H. paintings
- I. the Glorious Revolution
- J. St. Augustine
- K. containment
- L. Melbourne

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. Manifest Destiny
42. the Treaty of Waitangi

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. In what literary areas did the English Renaissance find its expression?
44. What are the three functions of the Community Health Service in the UK?
45. What was the aim of the Marshall Plan?
46. Why are many American Hispanics in low-paying jobs?
47. What did the Progressive Movement in the US demand?
48. Why do most people in Australia live along the coasts?
49. When and why was the ANZUS Treaty signed?
50. What natural conditions allow for the year-round outdoor activities in New Zealand?
51. When was Ireland's entry into the European Community and what was the effect?
52. Who are the two Irish poets that won the Nobel Prize for Literature?

V. ESSAY QUESTION

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

53. What were the results of the Industrial Revolution in Britain?