

2025 National English Competition for College Students

(Type A – Preliminary)

参考答案及作文评分标准

Part I Listening Comprehension (30 marks)

Section A (5 marks)

1—5 DDAAB

Section B (10 marks)

Conversation One

6—10 ACDCB

Conversation Two

11. 150 12. volunteer; early 13. poor 14. changes 15. continue

Section C (5 marks)

16—20 ACABD

Section D (10 marks)

21. Three/3.

22. Minimum of two years (two years' time). / Two-year (paralegal/work) experience at least.

23. (On) May 7 (2023).

24. At an architectural firm.

25. His resume.

Part II Vocabulary & Grammar (15 marks)

26—30 CCABD 31—35 AADCB 36—40 DCBBA

Part III Cloze (10 marks)

Section A (5 marks)

41. warmer 42. alarming 43. comes through 44. essentially 45. affordable

Section B (5 marks)

46. observation 47. referring 48. believable 49. when 50. qualification

Part IV Reading Comprehension (30 marks)

Section A (10 marks)

51—55 CAGED

Section B (10 marks)

56. On its trunk.

57. It was something to be offered up to their gods, used as money and hoarded like gold.

58. West and Central Africa.

59. Outrunning disease.

60. (Local) Middlemen.

Section C (10 marks)

61. *Candid Camera* 62. ordinary people 63. audience / viewer

64. simple and unchallenging 65. decline

Part V Translation (15 marks)

Section A (5 marks)

66. 人们常常谈论中国的改革和成功,以及中国取得的成就。这正是因为中国共产党的领导层从一开始就把这个国家人民的团结一心视为他们所要做的一切的基础。每一个来到中国的外国人都会发出惊呼:“哇,了不起!”深入了解后你会发现,这是因为有规划、有执行力,以及有问责制。当你说中国把非洲置于债务陷阱,那就是认为非洲人自己没有思考能力,不能决定什么应该优先,没有谈判能力,也没有能力评估借贷与偿还债务会对自己国家带来怎样的影响。

Section B (10 marks)

67. Beginning from 1996, World Athletics Day usually takes place every year in May and is celebrated by sports organizations and schools all over the world. This international event takes the form of championships for young athletes who are aged 17 or younger. Its aim is to make athletics more popular among school children and young people, and encourage them to tap their sports potential. Many schools make athletics their main sports. Talented young people can have the opportunity to showcase their sports talent, and some of them can even receive professional training. Lucky participants who have won grand prizes will also be able to participate in international sports contests.

Part VI IQ Test (10 marks)

68. Vegetable.

69. I. (解析: Each letter corresponds in alphabetic position with the number above it. I is the 9th letter of the alphabet.)

70. They are king and subject.

71. Jellyfish D is the baby's mum.

72. A. (解析: The two circles below combine to produce the circle above, but similar symbols disappear.)

Part VII Error Correction (10 marks)

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- 73. makes
- 74. in
- 75. educational
- 76. creative

- 77. a
- 78. recent
- 79. application
- 80. openings
- 81. to
- 82. ~~had~~

Part VIII Writing (30 marks)

参考范文略

作文评分标准：

一、评分原则

1. 本题满分为 A 10 分;B 20 分,按四个档次给分。
2. 评分时,先根据文章的内容和语言初步确定其所属档次,然后以该档次的要求来衡量,确定或调整本档次,最后给分。
3. A 词数少于 100 词或多于 130 词的,B 词数少于 160 词或多于 200 词的,从总分中减去 2 分。
4. 如书写较差,以致影响阅卷,将分数降低一档。

二、各档次给分范围和要求

第四档(很好):A 9—10 分;B 16—20 分

完全符合写作格式的要求,覆盖多个内容要点,表达思想清楚,文字通顺,连贯性很好,基本上无词汇和语法错误。

第三档(好):A 6—8 分;B 11—15 分

基本符合写作格式的要求,有个别地方表达思想不够清楚,文字基本通顺、连贯,有少量词汇和语法错误。

第二档(一般):A 3—5 分;B 6—10 分

未恰当完成写作格式的要求,漏掉内容要点,表达思想不清楚,文字多处出现词汇和语法错误,影响了对写作内容的理解。

第一档(差):A 1—2 分;B 1—5 分

未完成写作格式的要求,明显遗漏主要内容,表达思想混乱,有较多词汇和语法的重大错误,未能将信息传达给读者。

0 分

白卷;作文与题目毫不相关;内容太少,无法评判;所写内容无法看清。

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听力录音原文

Part I Listening Comprehension

Section A

*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'll 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. **M:** Oh, no! Look at the time! There's no way I can make it downtown on time for my doctor's appointment.
W: Sure you can. Take my car. Just bring it back in time for me to get to my computer class tonight. Here's the key.
M: Great. Thanks. Is it parked in the garage?
W: No, it's that old blue van across the street. Drive carefully. It looks like it might rain.
Question: Where is the woman's car?
2. **W:** I was surprised to see that Mr Wing wasn't at the meeting this morning.
M: No, he'll be out of office until next week. He's on vacation.
W: Oh, I didn't realize he was away on a trip. That's unfortunate, because I wanted his help with my project. My boss wants it done by Friday.
M: Why don't you ask Mr Wing's assistant? She'll be in tomorrow. She'll help you with it.
Question: Who will help the woman with the project?
3. **M:** What a nice, sunny day. I'm really enjoying this walk.
W: Me, too. There's not a cloud in the sky. What a treat this is after all that rain last week!
M: We should walk more often. We should do it every day.
W: Well, not every day. The weather is nice today, but that'll end. Tomorrow it's supposed to rain again.
Question: When will the weather change?
4. **W:** They're showing a great movie at the theatre tonight. Do you want to go with me?
M: I wish I could, but I have to work late. Why don't you go ahead without me?
W: You're always working late. The movie doesn't start till after 9:00. Why don't you just work a few hours and then meet me at the theatre?

M: That's a good plan. You go early and get the tickets. I'll look for you by the front entrance at around nine.

Question: Why does the man say he can't go to the movie with the woman?

5. **M:** I can't believe how much those museum tickets cost. I've never paid so much before to see arts.

W: But don't you think it was worth it? The paintings we saw were fantastic.

M: I guess you're right. There was some very nice work there. Well, do you want to go back to the hotel now?

W: No, it's only 3:00. Let's get a snack, then we can take a walk in the park. It's not far from here.

Question: What is the man's complaint?

Section B

*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.*

W: Hi, Joe. I understand you took Introduction to Physics last semester. Can you tell me about the course?

M: Sure. The lecture or the lab?

W: You mean, there're both a lecture and a lab in this course?

M: Actually, there're three lectures each week and a lab.

W: Do I have to take both the lecture and the lab? The lecture doesn't sound too bad to me, but I know I don't want to spend my time in the lab.

M: Well, you don't have to spend some time in the lab if you want to take physics. It's required that you take the two of them together in the same semester.

W: When do the lectures and lab sessions meet?

M: The lectures are three times a week, on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings for one hour each day. Then you must take the lab, on either Tuesday or Thursday afternoon, from one o'clock to five o'clock.

W: For four hours? Does it really take four hours each week to complete the physics lab?

M: Oh, it usually takes more than four hours, and then you have to go home and write the lab report.

W: There's a lab report every week?

M: Yes, indeed, usually about ten pages long.

W: A ten-page lab report every week in addition to more than four hours in the lab?

M: Oh, and don't forget the lectures and all the reading assignments and exams.

W: This does not sound like a fun course to me.

M: Interesting, maybe. But fun, no. And a lot of work, definitely.

Conversation Two

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

W: So, Mr West, what does the future hold for Angleside?

M: Well, we've just announced our future plans for the company.

W: And how many jobs will have to go?

M: We'll be losing 100 jobs here in Swindon, and another 50 jobs will go from our branch. However, we'll be offering volunteer redundancy and early retirement and hope to cover most of the job losses this way.

W: And what has led to this situation? Are these cuts a result of Angleside's poor performance over the past five years?

M: No, the company hasn't been doing badly. This has nothing to do with the figures; it just makes good business sense.

W: So are you saying that your figures are not the basis for this decision to cut jobs?

M: Absolutely. We decided to change the way we operate our business two years ago.

W: So are you confident that the company will continue to operate into the future?

M: Yes, of course. We're completely confident about this.

W: And how are you going to deal with the discontent of your workforce over this announcement?

M: We will do our very best to make things as easy as possible for our employees.

W: Well, we're out of time. Thank you very much for answering my questions.

M: Thank you.

Section C

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. Tsung-Dao Lee, a Chinese American physicist who shared the Nobel Prize in Physics in 1957 for overturning what had been considered a fundamental law of nature—that particles are always symmetrical—died on Sunday at his home in San Francisco. He was 97. His death was announced in a joint statement by the Tsung-Dao Lee Institute at the Jiao Tong University in Shanghai and the China Center for Advanced Science and Technology in Beijing. Dr. Lee was a longtime professor at Columbia University. The theory that Dr. Lee overturned was called the law of conservation of parity, which said that every phenomenon and its mirror image should behave precisely the same. At the time he challenged the theory, in 1956, it had been widely accepted for 30 years.

17. The suite of office is conveniently located close to downtown and major bus lines. The 3,000–square–foot floor plan has lots of potential, with space for ten offices, two conference rooms, and a large reception area. Large windows make it pleasant and sunny. Ample tenant and customer parking is in the rear of the building. Contract includes minor renovations to be made at the owner’s expense prior to move–in; new tenant chooses paint and carpet colours. Call now for an appointment to see this incredible space. Melissa Soto Rental Agency, 637–2120.
18. A coalition of the French left won the most seats in the high–stakes legislation elections Sunday, beating back a far–right surge but failing to win a majority. The outcome left France, a pillar of the European Union and Olympic host country, facing the stunning prospect of a hung parliament and political paralysis. The results showed just over 180 seats for the New Popular Front leftist coalition, which placed first, ahead of Macron’s centrist alliance, with more than 160 seats. Marine Le Pen’s far–right National Rally and its allies were restricted to the third place, although their more than 140 seats were still way ahead of the party’s previous best showing—89 seats in 2022.
19. We at the First Main Street Bank are expanding our services to help your business grow. For more than a century, we have been proudly providing the local business community with a full range of banking services, including small–business loans, special accounts, financial management services, and more. Now we are offering for the first time our free online business banking service, bringing you the convenience of paying telephone and utility bills, managing your payroll and accounts, real–time transactions, and more, all online. It’s easy to set up and easy to use. Stop by any First Main Street branch to talk with the accounts manager about using online banking services to enhance your business banking experience. Call the main office at 438–0832 to find the location of a First Main Street Bank branch near you.
20. Chinese scientists have developed a wireless brain–computer interface implant that they say has made “breakthrough progress” in their first patient and is less invasive than Elon Musk’s Neuralink chip. Tsinghua University in Beijing announced on WeChat on Tuesday that the device created by its research team had made significant progress in rehabilitating a patient who received the implant on October 24. The patient is part of an ongoing human clinical trial that has been registered both domestically and internationally, and the device will have to undergo further study before it can seek approval for clinical use.

Section D

*In this section, you will hear **an advertisement and a letter**. The advertisement and the letter will be read **twice**. After listening, answer the questions using **no more than five** words. Write the answers on the **answer sheet**.*

HELP WANTED

Busy downtown law firm seeks certified lawyers to assist three attorneys. Duties include legal research, assisting with documents, providing legal information to clients, some word processing. Requires minimum of

two years' legal experience and word processing and database skills. Knowledge of French or Spanish desirable. Send resume and names of three references before June 1 to Martha Lee, P.O. Box 7, Williamsburg, MA 01234. No phone calls, please. We will contact you to make an appointment for an interview.

May 8, 2023

Martha Lee

PO. Box 7

Williamsburg, MA 01234

Dear Ms. Lee,

I am writing in response to your ad in yesterday's paper for a certified lawyer. I have recently completed a legal training course and received my certificate last March. I am looking for a job in a small downtown firm. I am proficient with the commonly used word processing and database programmes. I have a working knowledge of French and will be taking a Spanish course starting June 15. My job experience includes three years as an office assistant at an architectural firm. I have not worked for the past year, as I was busy with my legal training course.

I would really enjoy the opportunity to work at a firm such as yours. I am enclosing my resume and would be happy to provide you with letters of reference. I look forward to meeting with you soon.

Sincerely,
James Jones

This is the end of the listening part. Please transfer your answers to the answer sheet.