

2012 National English Contest for College Students

(Level C – Sample)

Part I Listening Comprehension

Omitted.

Part II Vocabulary and Structure

31—35 BDADC

36—40 DCCAB

41—45 BDACA

Part III Cloze

46. place 47. amusing 48. with 49. addition 50. eased

51. laughter/laughing 52. communication 53. healthy 54. fight 55. Whatever

Part IV Reading Comprehension

Section A

56. diversify 57. boom 58. springing 59. with 60. ten/10

Section B

61. T 62. F 63. T

64. Ninety/90 minutes.

65. To recognize the architecture of a lecture and to figure out what is worth taking down.

Section C

66. fishing/catching fish

67. fake emails; false websites

68. 5 percent/5%

69. C

70. B

Section D

71. The degree of movement and the depth at which they occur.

72. The waves formed a ripple effect. /The waves affect different countries at different times and in different ways.

73. As waves approach the shore and are slowed by the rising sea floor, they begin to stack up.
74. 当地震强度超过里氏 6.5 级,震源深度小于 50 公里,就会发生海啸,否则,地震的能量会被周围环境所吸收。
75. 然而,这一现象会给了了解海啸的人意识到状况的机会,逃离灾难。

Part V Translation

76. It is estimated that each year about 1.2 million people die from car accident around the world.
77. These human destructive activities will not bring about an end to the world at once.
78. Everyone breaths a sign of relief on hearing the news that he is still alive.
79. It is highly likely that the temperature will drop below 0°C /zero degree centigrade tomorrow.
80. The taxi driver strike stems from their dissatisfaction with low salary.

Part VI Error Correction

As we demand more and more space for ourselves on the planet, we are inevitably destroying the biodiversity that surrounds them. Some experts have calculated that human activity is irresponsible for the extinction of about a hundred species of plant and animal life a day, means that four species are wiped out every hour.

The main way ^ which human activity is endangering countless life forms around the world is the destruction of the natural habitats that plants, animals and insects need to survival. Unfortunately, some of the planet's richest and most delicate ecosystems are also the most vulnerable. Over half of all species live in the tropical rainforests, and these are being destroyed at an alarming rate.

Ironically, our lack in interest in the consequences of our actions will eventually put our survival at risk. Studies have shown that contamination are causing disease and declining populations. It is no exaggeration to claim it our existence is under serious threat.

81. us

82. responsible

83. meaning

84. in

85. √

86. survive

87. the

88. of

89. is

90. that

Part VII IQ Test

91. You don't bury survivors.
92. 26
93. notable. The notable doctor said "I think Seaman Jones will have to wait as I am not able to do the operation as there is no table."
94. His son.
95. A

Part VIII Writing

I

One possible version:

Dear Sir or Madam,

I have seen your advertisement for a receptionist at your school, and I would very much like to apply for the post.

My mother tongue is Chinese, but I speak Chinese and Korean fluently because my mother is from Korea. I have learned English as my major and French as my second foreign language. I should point out that I have worked for two years as a part-time hotel receptionist, so I am used to dealing with members of the public, and am familiar with all aspects of the work. I love contacting with people.

I have pleasure in enclosing my curriculum vitae. And I am looking forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,

Frank

II

One possible version:

Have you ever thought grass is greener on the other side of the fence? Not just the grass, also your friend's sports car or life somewhere else.

I have been lingering on those questions for a long time. But it turns out that nothing in my life has got changed by wondering about those meaningless questions. Each individual is created unique and nothing can guarantee a better world if we are swapped with others. I think the key to a happy life is being content with who we are and where we are right now. We can and should work hard to where we want to be, to achieve our goals and dreams. To be able to resist the temptation of thinking that other people have it better. Meanwhile, cherish what we have taken for granted, e. g. freedom, health, love and friendships. We may not have an easy life, but it is our life. Our grass is greener.