

# 2012 National English Contest for College Students

(Level D – Sample)

## 参考答案及评分标准

### Part I Listening Comprehension (30 mark)

### Part II Vocabulary and Structure (15 points)

31—35 DBCAB

36—40 CDDBC

41—45 BACAC

### Part III Cloze (10 marks)

46. contributions

47. survive

48. spent

49. unwilling

50. so

51. persuaded

52. immersed

53. due

54. absorbed

55. occasion

### Part IV Reading Comprehension (40 marks)

#### Section A (10 marks)

56. D

57. B

58. fatality

59. passive safety

60. psychological

#### Section B (10marks)

61. A third of people involved in the survey were not satisfied with their holidays.

62. Flight delays.

63. T

64. F

65. T

#### Section C (10marks)

66. The baker was asked to bake a special pizza for a visit by the Italian King and Queen in 1889, and so the first pizza Margarita was created, named after the Queen.

67. The world's largest pizza was baked in Havana, Cuba.

68. It means “empty orchestra”.

69. 比萨饼成为意大利人极为喜爱的菜肴,然而比萨饼是在二战后成千上万的美国士兵从欧洲回国后才真正成为国际菜肴的。

70. 这种热潮迅速蔓延,特殊的卡拉 OK 机得以发明。卡拉 OK 的妙处是不管你唱得如何糟糕,唱完后大家都会报以掌声。对于压力很大的日本商人来说,这是极佳的解压方式。

#### Section D (10marks)

71. concise

72. courteous

73. a bad impression

74. abbreviations and punctuation

75. equivalent

### Part V Translation (10 marks)

76. We carried out the first plan without any difficulty.  
77. Professor Yang has dedicated his life to the search after harmony, truth and beauty.  
78. She is out of question the greatest authority on this subject now living.  
79. You can borrow my dictionary provided that you return it before I go home.  
80. Your teacher will take your recent illness into consideration when judging your examination results.

### Part VI Error Correction (10 marks)

The speed of sound is how far a sound wave travels in a certain period of time. Sound waves travel through different substances at similar speeds. For example, they travel through dry air at sea level at 344 mps (meters per second) and through water at 1480 mps. Sound waves travel the faster in liquids than in air but the speed is also affected by temperature. The colder the air, the slower the sound waves, and vice versa. We can easily find the speed of sound by using equipments that measures the time it takes for an echo to travel a known distance. For instance, a ship caught in a fog can avoid hit the cliffs by sounding a foghorn and wait for the echo. In this case, it is necessary to remember that the distance traveled by the sound is actual twice the distance from the initial sound to what the echo is bouncing back because the sound is making a round trip.

We can also tell how far away a thunder storm  $\wedge$  by understanding the speed of sound. As soon as the lightning is seen, we can count in seconds until we hear the thunder. We then calculated where the lightning (and hence the storm) is in relation to where we are by multiplying the number of seconds by 344 meters.

81. different

82. the

83. equipment

84. ✓

85. hitting

86. waiting

87. actually

88. where

89. is

90. calculate

### Part VII IQ Test (5 marks)

91. 画蛇添足。  
92. C. (6,12,1,13,5 each number in the break up signifies the corresponding letter in the alphabet, 6→f, 12→l...etc. Similarly, 2,12,15,1,20 signifies bloat.)  
93. Three. (If the person picks up two socks then there is a possibility of them being different in color. If he picks up three socks then they are guaranteed red or white. So the minimum number of socks required is three.)  
94. Through.  
95. C.

### Part VIII Writing (30 marks)

(参考范文略)