

# 南京大学 2006 年攻读硕士学位研究生入学考试试题(三小时)

考试科目名称及代码 英语 221  
 适用专业: 外国语学院非英语专业

**注意:**

1. 所有答案必须写在研究生入学考试答题纸上;写在试卷和其他纸上无效;
2. 本科目允许/不允许使用无字典存储和编程功能的计算器。

**I. Choose the best answer for each of the following sentences. (25%)**

1. The idea of opening a new supermarket here was \_\_\_\_\_, because there were two here already.  
 a. ill-assorted                      b. ill-collocated                      c. ill-conceived                      d. ill-informed
2. \_\_\_\_\_ that is found is valuable.  
 a. Not every pearl                      b. Every pearl that is not  
 c. It is not every pearl                      d. No pearl
3. I will give you \_\_\_\_\_ to finish it.  
 a. two weeks time    b. two week's time    c. two-week time    d. two weeks' time
4. During the past year the \_\_\_\_\_ of automobile accidents in Nanjing has decreased.  
 a. degree    b. quantity    c. number    d. amount
5. The sport of swimming needs no special equipment \_\_\_\_\_ a pair of shorts.  
 a. and                      b. only                      c. also                      d. except
6. \_\_\_\_\_, she often behaves like a child.  
 a. As old is she    B. As old she is    C. Old as is she    D. Old as she is
7. Your story about the frog turning into a prince is \_\_\_\_\_ nonsense.  
 a. sheer    b. shear    c. shield    d. sheet
8. I could see that my wife was \_\_\_\_\_ having that fur coat, whether I approved of it or not.  
 a. adequate for    b. intent on    c. short of    d. deficient in
9. The \_\_\_\_\_ runner can run 2 miles in fifteen minutes.  
 a. common    b. usual    c. average    d. general
10. As an excellent shooter, Peter practiced aiming at both \_\_\_\_\_ targets and moving targets.  
 a. standing    b. stationary    c. still    d. stable
11. In American universities, classes are often arranged in more flexible \_\_\_\_\_ and many jobs on campus are reserved for students.  
 a. scales    b. patterns    c. grades    d. ranks

12. Parents have a legal \_\_\_\_\_ to ensure that their children are provided with efficient education suitable to their age.  
 a. impulse b. influence c. obligation d. sympathy
13. Most nurses are women, but in the higher ranks of the medical profession women are in a \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a. scarcity b. minority c. minimum d. shortage
14. David likes country life and has decided to \_\_\_\_\_ farming.  
 a. go in for b. go back on c. go through with d. go along with
15. The honor was \_\_\_\_\_ him just after the war.  
 a. entitled on b. conferred upon c. bestowed to d. granted on
16. It is important to disengage you emotions \_\_\_\_\_ the working relationship.  
 a. from b. out of c. in d. off
17. Shanghai has been built into a \_\_\_\_\_ of skyscrapers, shopping centers and hotels.  
 a. megaton b. metropolis c. periscope d. megaphone
18. Our native language is a part of our natural heritage, a personal possession \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a. no more than our own as the geography of our birthplace  
 b. no less than our own as the geography of our birthplace  
 c. not so little our own than the geography of our birthplace  
 d. no less our own than the geography of our birthplace
19. I think he is very wise."  
 "No, he is \_\_\_\_\_ than wise."  
 a. kinder b. more kind c. more kindly d. less kind
20. I called \_\_\_\_\_ her at home.  
 a. in the hope of finding b. hoping to find c. hope finding d. with the hope find
21. You didn't hear us come in last night. That's good. We tried \_\_\_\_\_ noisy.  
 a. to be not b. not to be c. not be d. be not
22. America is \_\_\_\_\_ interfering with Iraq's domestic affairs.  
 a. accused of b. charged of c. charged for d. accused being
23. He \_\_\_\_\_ very quickly to the life of a sales manager.  
 a. adapted b. adopted c. adjourns d. adjusted
24. John may win the first prize. He has started \_\_\_\_\_ the speed of 80 miles.  
 a. at b. of c. on d. in
25. An increase in a nation's money supply, without an accompanying increase in economic activity, \_\_\_\_\_ result in higher prices.  
 a. tends b. tends the c. tending to d. will tend to

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### II. Cloze (10%)

Travelers in china, especially those wayward \_\_\_1\_\_\_ who go through the seldom visited parts of the Chinese inland, are equally amazed at the low standard of \_\_\_2\_\_\_ of the Chinese toiling masses and at their cheerfulness and contentment under such \_\_\_3\_\_\_. Even in the famine-stricken provinces, like Shenxi, this \_\_\_4\_\_\_ of contentment generally prevails in all except extreme cases, and some Shenxi farmers can still \_\_\_5\_\_\_ even now.

Now a lot of the so-called misery of the Chinese people is due undoubtedly to the \_\_\_6\_\_\_ of a warped European standard, the standard which cannot conceive of any man being \_\_\_7\_\_\_ unless he is living in an overheated apartment and owns a radio. If this standard were correct, there should have been no happy person in the world before 1850, and there should be more happy people in the United States in gemütliches Bavaria. For myself, I am inclined to think that the man who sits on a chair that is a real chair, and sleeps on a bed that is a real bed is a happier man. The standard that measures a man's \_\_\_8\_\_\_ by the number of mechanical buttons he presses he must, therefore, be a \_\_\_9\_\_\_ standard, and a lot of this so-called mystery of Chinese contentment is of the \_\_\_10\_\_\_ own making.

### III. Reading comprehension (10%)

Remember that most early settlers were poor, sometimes persecuted people, that was the reason they left their homelands. Those who held wealth and power were content to stay where they were. However, before an individual can go into space, he must have enough money to pay for the trip and the supplies he will need. If a man has that much money, he can probably invest it quite profitably in a business on Earth.

There is another drawback: even if a man has the money and wants to go he will have a hard time getting there. Because of the expense of building rocketships there will not be many of them, and those that do exist will belong to the government or to a few big corporations, not to individuals. Anyone who wants to make a space trip

will have to be valuable, either to the government or to a business.

The physical qualifications will be rigorous, and candidates for space travel will be expected to have a high level of scientific training or special skills that will be of use on the other worlds. Obviously, not many of the old-fashioned pioneers would have fulfilled these qualifications.

Since very few men will qualify for space travel or for settling on other planets, we cannot expect a rapid spread of men through space. There will be nothing like the

rush to settle the Old West in the United States. There will be only a few who will be sent to the other planets. These men and women will go out into space to stay for years, since that will be cheaper than transporting them back and forth. Because science will want to study the other worlds fully, many of these people will be members of scientific teams engaged in studies that will take them years to finish. It is from these people and their children that colonies might grow up in time.

Such settlements can grow --- if there is a way for people to live on other planets, either without supplies from Earth or by the settlers' being able to provide something to trade with Earth. In the old days, the miners and trappers who opened up new lands had furs and metals to trade for the supplies they needed, and could even carry these trade goods on their backs if necessary. Perhaps there will be valuable materials on Mars, Venus, or the moon. If so, they will have to be very valuable indeed to justify the high cost of transporting them back to Earth by spaceship; even pure gold might not be worth the expense.

The new territories, then, will probably have to supply all the colonists' needs. Everything that can be found or made there will have to be used. On the moon, this might mean digging into its surface, mining rock that will supply water and air, and growing plants in hydroponics tanks. Because of the power that can be obtained from sunlight, much can be done to make the moon self-supporting.

On Mars many conditions are similar to those on Earth, and the job of living on that planet may be somewhat easier. There the settlers will probably begin with airtight buildings made of some kind of plastic---perhaps even supported by inflated sections just as small swimming pools are today. In time it may prove simpler to put a big transparent plastic dome over the whole group of houses in order to hold in breathable air. The oxygen the people will need may already be in the atmosphere, even though we can find no sign of it. In that case, perhaps it could be compressed for breathing. That failing, the oxygen could be separated from water. There is very little water on Mars, but the small amount that freezes each winter to form the cap around each pole could be collected and used. Growing food on Mars would not be too difficult. There is a good prospect that our plants could be grown in Martian soil,

provided hothouses are covered with transparent plastic to protect the plants from the extreme temperature changes.

Settlers on the planet could then obtain their own food, air, water, and clothing from plant fibers. Power would probably have to come from one of the small atomic power plants that are already being designed. In time the space outposts could become self-sufficient.

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It is certain that, at first, people in the planetary outposts will keep talking about the day when they will go back to Earth. But children born in the space colonies will grow up regarding them as home; eventually they will probably abandon the idea of returning to Earth. After a few generations they will consider themselves citizens of the world they are on. They might not even be happy or physically comfortable if they did someday return to Earth.

There will be very few trips between planets, probably, but the inhabitants of other worlds will not be completely isolated from Earth. Radio waves can cover the distance to Mars very easily. Discoveries made by the colonists will be reported back to Earth, and what is learned on this world will help the settlers there, providing advantages for all of us.

There will be no covered wagons or gold rushes in space, but the new pioneers will do without them. Someday men will look into the heaven with the warm feeling that there are friends and neighbors up there.

1. Most of the space explorers will be seeking \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. wealth    b. knowledge    c. adventure    d. colony
2. People on Earth will profit most from \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. products sent back from other planets  
b. information obtained from colonists  
c. explorers returning from other planets  
d. the adventure of the colonists
3. In planetary outposts, power may be obtained from \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. hydroponic tanks    b. the sun    c. atomic power plants    d. both a and b
4. In a large colony on Mars, most of the inhabitants would have \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. been part of a scientific team  
b. been transported at least once to the Earth  
c. come from the Earth  
d. lived there all their lives
5. The author's purpose in writing this article was to \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. share his thoughts about the future  
b. urge people to prepare themselves for space living  
c. show that colonizing space is impractical  
d. provide reasons for scientific exploration

**IV. Translate the following passage into Chinese (30%)**

Americans seem to live and breathe and function by paradox, but in nothing are they so paradoxical as in their passionate belief in their own myths.

They truly believe themselves to be natural-born mechanics and do-it-yourself-ers. They spend their lives in motorcars, yet most of them—a great many of them at least—do not know enough about a car to look in the gas tank when the motor fails. They believe implicitly that they are the heirs of the pioneers; that they have inherited self-sufficiency and the ability to take care of themselves, particularly in relation to nature. There isn't man among them in ten thousand who knows how to butcher a cow or pig and cut it up for eating, let alone a wild animal. By natural endowment, they are great rifle shots and great hunters—but when hunting season opens there is a slaughter of farm animals and humans by men and women who couldn't hit a real target if they could see it.

**V. Translate the following passage into English (25%)**

友谊对我们是重要的，每个人都需要友谊。在我们的生活中，如果我们没有友谊，就会像没有空气和水一样无法生存。友谊给我们安全感及温暖，友谊鼓励我们不断进步。

但真正的友谊来之不易，忠贞的友谊应该是真诚、无条件的，它基于互相理解。一些人试图从朋友处得到回报，他们的朋友也尽量利用他们。如果这种关系也算得上友谊，那我们就根本不需要朋友。

两位朋友间的相互理解指他们有共同的思想，并且彼此信任。否则，他们就不会互相帮助，就无法使友谊长存。正如一句谚语所言，“患难之中见真情”，真正的友谊应该能经受所有的考验。