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**基础英语**      (共 11 页)

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**I. Vocabulary and Structure (40 )**

**Part 1**

**Directions: Choose one of the four alternatives which is closest in meaning to the**

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1. If a foreign object becomes lodged in the eye, medical help is necessary.  
[A] deposited in      [B] invisible to      [C] blurry to      [D] isolated in
  2. Footnotes help to keep the body of a written text free of nonessential facts.  
[A] complemented by [B] elucidated by      [C] imprisoned by [D] unhampered by
  3. George Ball came down with malaria when he was touring Mexico.  
[A] confided      [B] contracted      [C] recited      [D] flattered
  4. Much of the space in the National Gallery of Art is devoted to paintings presented to the museum by Andrew Mellon.  
[A] suitable for      [B] devoid of      [C] reserved for [D] divested of
  5. My wife didn't accede with what you suggested to us.  
[A] agree to      [B] believe in      [C] listen to      [D] argue about



Over the past 50 years scientists and psychologists have increasingly argued over whether genetics or environment has a greater impact upon human intelligence. Until recently there has been a clear division between two scientific camps: herediticians, who believe genetics and heredity play a nearly exclusive role in determining measurable intelligence; and environmentalists, who believe that environment and experience play the significant role.

The contentious scientific debate over “nature vs. nurture” has also occasionally been simplified and injected—rather explosively—into the contentious world of politics. In 1994, American Enterprise Institute scholar Charles Murray, along with Richard Herrnstein, published *The Bell Curve*, which was met with electrifying scientific and political criticism. The two herediticians were cast as racists and elitists, and labeled eugenicists for their conclusion that intelligence is genetically predetermined, inalterable and the cause for a “cognitive stratification” in the United States.

The authors were accused of slighting the genetic makeup of African-American in the book’s two chapters dealing with the disparity in IQ test results between whites and blacks. Some widely accepted research indicates that blacks score an average of 15 points (a full standard deviation), lower than whites on IQ tests.

Recently, Brookings Institution economist William Dickens has teamed with well-known IQ researcher James Flynn to step into the fray with a study published in the April 2001 edition of *Psychological Review*. The study, which may alter the nature vs. nurture debate about intelligence, presents a model designed to specially measure the impact of environment upon IQ gains.



## **V. Translation from Chinese into English (30' )**

初到异国，多数人都会被新的文化深深吸引并为之感到兴奋。到一个新的地方生活令初来乍到者喜不自禁。每次经历感觉都像是一次令人激动的奇遇。尝试新奇事物的渴望帮助他战胜最初的挑战。新来者有足够的情感能力忽视困难并很快从尴尬中解脱。有趣的是，这一欣喜的程度可能不会再达到。有些人较易调整并且对他们新奇的经历的兴奋程度可能持续长达六个月的时间。另一些人很早就遭遇困难或严酷的现实，并且可能发现他们的“蜜月”仅仅持续两三个星期甚至只有几天。

对有些人来说，文化冲击阶段持续仅两三个月。而对另一些面临更大困难或语言障碍的人来说，这一期间可能延长到一年。但你在一个新的环境生活得越长，你就越会慢慢适应它。人的生存能力与生俱来。无论困难看上去多么不可战胜，每个人都有天生的克服障碍的魄力。这帮助我们跨越文化冲击继续生活下去。

跨文化过渡过程有时充满困难。但它既是一个寻常的过程又是一个发展的过程。那正是我写这类文章以便帮助他人的原因。并且我相信无论将来你到哪里，了解这一过程并渡过它也将丰富你的生活。

## **VI. Writing (20' )**

Directions: "Still Waters Run Deep" is an old English proverb, which may have different connotations and implications to different people. Write an expository composition of no less than 200 words to talk about your own comment on the proverb.





[A] sweated                      [B] intruded                      [C] identified                      [D] deprived

17. Most rulers have a sense of majesty.

[A] responsibility                      [B] freedom                      [C] devotion                      [D] nobility

18. Cactus plants have spines that prevent animals from nibbling them.

[A] ruining                      [B] reaching                      [C] climbing                      [D] gnawing

19. I feel obligated to give my opinion on the subject.

[A] required                      [B] forbidden                      [C] determined                      [D] encouraged

20. One out of five bridges in the United States is outmoded.

[A] narrow                      [B] obsolete                      [C] illegal                      [D] concrete

## Part 2

Directions: Choose one from the four alternatives that best completes the sentence and mark the corresponding letter.

21. City planners must never forget that public acceptance of their ideas requires time.

So when their ideas are \_\_\_, they must continue to work.

[A] refused                      [B] rejected                      [C] denied                      [D] objected

22. In a family where the roles of men and women are not sharply separated and where many household tasks are shared to a greater or lesser extent, notions of male \_\_\_ are hard to maintain.

[A] privilege                      [B] predominance                      [C] prevalence                      [D] priority

23. The \_\_\_ difference in Chinese dialect has been a continuing problem ever since China became an empire in 221 B.C., and it is one big reason why the country has remained impoverished.



[A] enormous [B] immense [C] imminent [D] eminent

24. The police carried out an \_\_\_ investigation, but the missing woman was not yet found.

[A] exhausting [B] exhaustible [C] exhaustive [D] exhausted

25. The play is said to be worth seeing. You must have seen it yesterday evening, \_\_\_ you?

[A] didn't [B] mustn't [C] did [D] can't

26. Some people may have been daunted by the task because of the difficulties it brings, but I do not know of \_\_\_.

[A] them doing so [B] any having done so  
[C] their doing like that [D] any doing that way

27. It is illegal to use this equipment for \_\_\_ firefighting purposes. Unauthorized use is malicious destruction of property and is punished by a \$50,000 fine.

[A] other than [B] none but [C] otherwise [D] rather than

28. Suppose you tried to lift a 100-pound rock two feet, you \_\_\_ more work than if you \_\_\_ it one foot.

[A] would do... lifted [B] did... lifted [C] will do... will lift [D] would do... will

29. As is generally agreed, a home without love is not \_\_\_ a home as a body without a soul in a man.

[A] such [B] as much of [C] so much of [D] much of

30. The father can't even discipline himself, \_\_\_ setting a good example to his children.

[A] let alone [B] much less [C] still less [D] not to mention

31. The technician stopped trying, when he \_\_\_ the next time.



[A] could succeed

[B] must have succeeded

[C] would succeed

[D] might have succeeded

32. It looks like a terrible tiger but actually, \_\_\_ of pressed paper, it softens when damp and is washed away in a heavy rain.

[A] being made

[B] having been made

[C] to be made

[D] made

33. \_\_\_ for your help, we'd never have been able to get out of trouble.

[A] Had it not been

[B] If it was not

[C] If we had not been

[D] If there had not been

34. Etiquette to society is \_\_\_ apparel is to the individual.

[A] what

[B] that

[C] like

[D] which

35. The Olympic Games, which used to have strong religious associations, nowadays are held every four years in different countries \_\_\_.

[A] by turns

[B] in turn

[C] out of turn

[D] to a turn

36. While the bad weather lasted, campers were \_\_\_ at a local hotel.

[A] stayed up

[B] put up

[C] laid up

[D] held up

37. I know you think I am talking nonsense, Dick, but \_\_\_ you will realize that I was right.

[A] at one time

[B] at times

[C] in time

[D] all the time

38. We had set out in bright sunshine and thought the weather was set fair, but not for long, the sky began to cloud \_\_\_ and by the time we arrived it was a leaden grey.

[A] above

[B] across

[C] over

[D] throughout

39. I cannot give you an answer yet. I'd like \_\_\_ more time to consider my decision.

[A] quite

[B] fairly

[C] hardly

[D] rather

40. Your remarks were rather \_\_\_\_.

[A] out of place

[B] out of occasion

[C] out of situation

[D] out of condition

## II. Error spotting (20' )

Directions: Decide which underlined part is incorrect and mark the corresponding letter.

41. Although the advertising expenditure for instant coffee was far greater than  
[A] [B]

regular coffee, the producers of the former found their product strongly resisted in  
[C] [D]

the market places despite their product's manifest advantages.

42. The idle useless man, to no matter what extent his life may be prolonged, merely  
[A] [B] [C]

lives a meaningless life.  
[D]

43. Experience shows that success is less due to ability than to zeal. The winner is he  
[A] [B] [C]

who gives himself to work, body and soul.  
[D]

44. After several years of hard study, they have acquired a good deal of theoretical  
[A] [B]

knowledge related to their job.  
[C] [D]

45. He never hesitates to make such criticisms that are considered helpful to others.  
[A] [B] [C] [D]



46. The examination given yesterday must be very easy if all the students passed.  
[A] [B] [C] [D]

47. When faced with toothache or a heart attack, all that the unfortunate people  
[A] [B]  
concerned can do are to pay up and go to see the doctor.  
[C] [D]

48. I am deeply convinced that our peace of mind and joy we get out of living  
[A]  
depends not on where we are or what we have, or who we are, but solely upon our  
[B] [C] [D]  
mental attitude.

49. Don't force yourself to sit for such a job because it pays off well and because it's  
[A] [B] [C] [D]  
what people expected.

50. That small country at one time must be prosperous, for it enjoyed a high level of  
[A] [B] [C] [D]  
civilization.

51. Chinese dialects vary so widely as the speech of Peking, for example, is as  
[A] [B]  
different from the speech of Canton as English is from German.  
[C] [D]

52. Although there are many arguments for and against television, yet we must realize  
[A] [B]

that television in itself is neither good nor bad. It is the uses into which it is put  
[C] [D]  
that determines its value to society.

53. The American bald eagle has always and still is a better symbol than any other  
 [A] [B] [C]  
 bird of majesty, strength and grace.  
 [D]
54. He was a man whom all his friends admired and even won the respect of his  
 [A] [B] [C]  
enemies.  
 [D]
55. Considering the number of ethnic groups that make up the U.S. population, it is  
 [A] [B]  
 not surprising that Americans have a variety of different holidays, many of their  
 [C] [D]  
origins are uncertain.
56. Glare from snow causes snow-blindness if only something is provided for eyes to  
 [A] [B] [C]  
focus on in a broad expanse of barren snow-covered terrain.  
 [D]
57. Economics is as difficult if not more difficult than any other course in a business  
 [A] [B] [C] [D]  
 education curriculum.
58. The town borrowed money to build the school house, on the supposition that  
 [A] [B] [C]  
 population and property will increase.  
 [D]
59. In some countries, the papers and television feed the young with fantastic tales of  
 [A] [B]  
the poor's becoming rich.  
 [C] [D]
60. A mother will arrive at the discovery, either instinctively or by an unconscious  
 [A] [B]  
 series of trials and errors, that her baby is more at peace if holding on the left  
 [C] [D]



against her heart than on the right.

### III. Cloze (10')

Directions: Fill in each underlined space with one word that best suits the context of the following passage.

Monday, the second day of the week, means literally “day of the moon”. Here in Britain, it’s generally the 61 popular of days because for most people it means a 62 to work or school after the weekend break. Often, this prospect is viewed 63 a lack of enthusiasm, a sad feeling that’s sometimes referred to 64 “Monday morning blues”.

Sometimes the blues may be caused by too much weekend drinking; and formerly if workmen over-indulged and needed Monday as 65, this was humorously known as “keeping St. Monday”, as Monday was hoped to be a saint’s day to be observed. Someone who cannot afford to keep St. Monday is the 66, for traditionally Monday was—and to some 67 still is—“wash day”, the proper day 68 doing the laundry.

However, the day is not all blues and work. It has some redeeming features—that is, if you can believe folk rhymes, it’s a good day 69 which to be born. “Monday’s child is fair at face,” says one traditional rhyme, while another promised optimistically that 70 you get married on Monday, you’ll be wealthy.

### IV. Translation from English into Chinese (30')

Testing tells us we are measurably smarter than our recent forefathers. But the reasons for that century-long increase in intelligence have long been the subject of scientific—and occasionally political—debate.