

2005 年上海海事大学攻读硕士学位研究生入学考试试题

(答案必须做在答题纸上, 做在试题上不给分)

考试科目: 英语语法

I. Fill in each blank with an appropriate preposition or adverb particle: (15%)

1. We were greatly taken _____ by his caprice.
2. I have no time to cultivate a hobby or new forms of interest; I am _____ to my ears in work.
3. I felt I would never get _____ the shock of his being worked to death.
4. Perhaps because of his Anglo-American parentage he could look _____ national interest.
5. Both were masterly writers _____ a sense of history and patriotic inspiration.
6. So long as we have Jim, a man with exceptional ability in management, things will be working well even if we come up _____ unexpected difficulties.
7. Nowadays population growth is already _____ proportion to the available natural resources.
8. The film "A Room _____ a View", based on E.M. Foster's third novel, was probably conceived in Italy.
9. We are eager to know what is _____ the whaler's practice of discarding the fins.
10. Frequent hiccups and sweating are complaints Betty has learned to live _____.

II. Correct errors, if any, in the following sentences without altering the basic intended meaning. Leave out those you deem acceptable: (15%)

1. They all considered him to act disgracefully.
2. Drug abuse is one of the problems confronted with modern Western society.
3. Acting on the information received, the police have arrested two suspects.
4. A good theory is characteristic of the fact that it makes a number of predictions that could in principle be disproved or falsified by observation.

5. They would say that God, omnipotent, could start the universe off any way he wanted.
6. A physical theory is always provisional although it becomes invalid when disproved.
7. At least until recently, most of the hackers invading government computers are just teenagers.
8. The sudden rise in oil prices led to an economic crisis.
9. Yet they will not offer specific details, government investigators hint at some serious cyber raids.
10. But eventuality can be cold comfort in an era when tomorrow is radically different from today and unrecognized compared to yesterday.
11. Never has technology or our relationship to it been such an onus.
12. Computer ownership and Internet access are highly stratified in line with wealth, race, education and geography.
13. Man about to bury in his own waste is caught in a vicious cycle.
14. Scientists are doing research into cancer and other diseases which causes are still unknown.
15. He dared not go near Ruth's neighbourhood in the day time, but night found that he was lurking like a thief around the Morse home stealing glances at the windows.

III. Put the verbs (in the brackets) into the proper forms: (30%)

1. After the data _____ (be) gathered and analyzed, you can decide which elements are most essential to your study.
2. One third of the population of India _____ (be) illiterate.
3. Neither your aunt nor I _____ (have) any other thought but what is best for you.
4. By the time he retires, Professor Baker _____ (teach) for almost forty years.
5. I _____ (write) to him because he phoned me shortly afterwards.
6. You _____ (write) such a long essay. The teacher only asked for 300 words, and you have written 600.

7. Something must be done quickly if endangered species _____ (save).
8. We can go when the ground _____ (dry).
9. Sunbelt cities like Atlanta and Houston _____ (never mushroom) so prosperously without air conditioning.
10. While it is essential that the text _____ (cover) the subject adequately it is also important that it _____ (be) neither too detailed nor too complex for the intended reader.
11. Supposing this ferry _____ (sink), what would we do?
12. A new technique _____ (work out), the yields as a whole _____ (increase) by 30 percent in this area.
13. The standard of cooking here leaves a lot _____ (desire).

IV. Combine each group of sentences into one by means of subordination in the most logical and coherent way: (15%)

1. Aristotle believed that everything was made out of four elements, earth, air, fire and water.
Aristotle's theory was simple enough to qualify, but it did not make any predictions.
2. Newton's theory of gravity was based on even simpler model.
In this model bodies attracted each other with a force that was proportional to a quantity called their mass.
3. We view these trends as favorable without the slightest question.
We see computer technology as empowering.
4. His parents allowed him to go swimming.
He had to keep near the other boys.
5. They all seemed afraid to say what was in their minds.
They feared it might start trouble.

V. Rewrite the following using non-finite clauses, verbless clauses, or absolute constructions: (20%)

1. They knew he was an experienced seedling grower and so they often asked him for help.
2. Once or twice, Tom was driven beyond endurance and he ran away from the plantation.
3. As I was young and short, I was afraid they wouldn't let me go.
4. He groaned and fell to the floor and blood was streaming from his nose.
5. The sun shone again as the dark clouds had dispersed.

VI. Translate the following into Chinese: (20%)

I can't overemphasize how important the relationships are that you establish within the company. The best strategy is to have a mix of friends. Don't limit associations to employees on your own level. This risks developing an attitude that puts management on one side and the employee on the other.

Cultivate with people on higher levels who can help you understand a management perspective. And develop relationships with positive people – those who think well of the company, other employees and themselves. Avoid the complainers – they just diminish your own optimism. And one final word. Don't air your day-to-day gripes with friends at work. They can come back to haunt you.

VII. Write a short essay entitled "How to Improve the Communicative Competence in English". Try to demonstrate your good command of the English syntactic devices of coordination and subordination: (35%)