

汕头大学 2017 年攻读硕士学位研究生入学考试试题

科目代码: 804

科目名称: 英语综合

适用专业: 英语语言文学

考生须知

答案一律写在答题纸上, 答在
试题纸上的不得分! 请用黑色字迹
签字笔作答, 答题要写清题号, 不
必抄原题。

Part One: Language and linguistics (50 points)

I. Choose SIX of the following terms and explain them according to your linguistic knowledge. (30 points, and 5 points for each)

1. Pragmatics
2. Psycholinguistics
3. Sociolinguistics
4. Design Features
5. Transfer
6. Interlanguage
7. Cooperative Principle
8. Reference
9. Lingua franca
10. Systemic Functional Grammar

II. Choose TWO of the following statements and explain them with your linguistic knowledge (10 points, and 5 points for each):

1. How do you understand the distinction between a synchronic study and a diachronic study?
2. Why does modern linguistics regard the spoken form of language as primary, not the written?
3. How do you understand competence and performance?
4. How does a sentence meaning differ from an utterance meaning?

III. Answer the following question (10 points)

Discuss in detail the locutionary act, illocutionary act and perlocutionary act. Illustrate your ideas with examples.

Part Two: British and American Literature (50 points)

I. Please explain the following literary terms (15 points: 3 points for each):

1. rhyme
2. narrator
3. epic
4. Jazz Age
5. structuralism

II. Please write a 200-word essay on one of your favorite poets or writers in British or American literature. Your discussion might cover the themes and writing techniques of his or her works, plus your understanding of the work in relation to its historical context. (20 points)

III. Please write a short essay on the following poem, explaining your understanding of it: (15 points)

When You Are Old

When you are old and grey and full of sleep,
And nodding by the fire, take down this book,
And slowly read, and dream of the soft look
Your eyes had once, and of their shadows deep;

How many loved your moments of glad grace,
And loved your beauty with love false or true,
But one man loved the pilgrim Soul in you,
And loved the sorrows of your changing face;

And bending down beside the glowing bars,
Murmur, a little sadly, how Love fled
And paced upon the mountains overhead
And hid his face amid a crowd of stars.

Part Three: Culture of English-speaking countries

(50 points)

I. There are ten items in this section. Beneath each item there are four expressions marked A, B, C and D. Choose one that best completes the statement. (15 points, 1.5 for each)

1. The great Charter was made in the interest of _____.
A. The king. B. The feudal lords. C. The townsmen. D. The serfs.
2. The "glorious revolution" of 1688 put _____ on the throne.
A. Charles I. B. Charles II. C. James II. D. William and Mary.
3. The general election in the UK is held every _____ year.
A. Two. B. Three. C. Four. D. Five.
4. The following figures were often considered the founding fathers of the American Republic EXCEPT _____.
A. George Washington. B. Thomas Jefferson.
C. Roger Williams. D. John Adams.
5. Jazz has its roots in the following EXCEPT _____.
A. West African musical culture. B. African American music tradition.
C. European military band music. D. American native Indian music.
6. What justified the unethical methods of the American speculators and successful business tycoons at the turn of the 20th century?
A. Social Darwinism. B. American Civil War.
C. Slavery. D. Economic progress.
7. Australia and China established diplomatic relations in _____.
A. 1971. B. 1972. C. 1973. D. 1974
8. The first European to sight New Zealand was _____.
A. Captain James Cook. B. Abel Tasman.
C. Young Nick. D. Captain Bligh
9. The capital of New Zealand is _____.
A. Auckland. B. Hamilton C. Wellington D. Christchurch
10. The writer in the romantic period who was regarded as a transcendentalist was _____.
A. Ralph Waldo Emerson B. Walt Whitman
C. Herman Melville D. Edgar Allan Poe

II. Judge whether each statement is true or false, and mark T for the true statement and F for the false. (15 points, 1.0 for each)

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item.)

- 11 _____ “No taxation without representation” was the rallying cry of the American Civil War.
- 12 _____ In the American federal system, authority is divided between the states and the national government.
- 13 _____ A few large companies, such as Amazon.com and eBay, did survive the disaster known as the dot-com bubble.
- 14 _____ Modern Americans have strong commitment to religion, and many are very worried about their life after death.
- 15 _____ Americans only like popular music while little attention is paid to classical music.
- 16 _____ In area, Canada is the largest country in the world.
- 17 _____ Ontario and Quebec are geographically located at the center of Canada.
- 18 _____ The majority of population in Toronto is of neither British nor French descent.
- 19 _____ The Canadian parliament is made up of the Queen, the Senate and the House of Commons.
- 20 _____ Chinese are now the second largest visible minority group in Canada.
- 21 _____ Introduced animals help to increase the biodiversity of the Australian continent.
- 22 _____ There are more Australians living in the coastal areas of Australian continent than in the center.
- 23 _____ New Zealand was named after Zeeland, the main Netherlands province.
- 24 _____ Before Europeans came to New Zealand, Maori had had their own written language and recorded their history in written form.
- 25 _____ Britain was once the main market for New Zealand’s farm products.

III. Explain each of the following items in your own words. (20 points, 4.0 for each.)

1. Puritanism
2. The Roman invasion
3. Multiculturalism policy in Canada
4. Heidelberg School
5. The Anglo-Irish treaty of 1922