

2025 年 4 月高等教育自学考试

# 英语写作基础试题

课程代码:00597

1. 请考生按规定用笔将所有试题的答案写在答题纸上。

2. 答题前,考生务必将自己的考试课程名称、姓名、准考证号用黑色字迹的签字笔或钢笔填写在答题纸规定的位置上。

## I. 重写句子 (15 points, 1.5 points each)

**Rewrite the following sentences according to the requirement in each bracket. Write your answers on the answer sheet.**

**Example:** The history of English words is the history of our civilization in many ways (periodic sentence)

In many ways, the history of English words is the history of our civilization.

1. She filled a bucket with water to put off the fire. (Periodic sentence)
2. We are watering the trees. We don't have any rain for a month. (Compound sentence)
3. The muffler shop advertised same-day service, but my car wasn't ready for three days. (Complex sentence)
4. Jack dialed the police emergency number. He received a busy signal. He dropped the phone and ran. He didn't have time to call back. (Compound-Complex sentence)
5. The factory chimney smoked. The factory polluted the air. (Simple sentence)
6. David lopped dead branches off the tree, and Michelle stacked them into piles on the ground below. (Complex sentence)
7. My car is not starting on cold mornings. I think the battery needs to be replaced. I already had it recharged once. I don't think it would help to charge it again. (Compound-Complex sentence)
8. Our dog ran across the lawn. Our dog was under the hedge. (Parallel structure)
9. Cindy lost her temper. She also lost her manner. (Complex sentence)
10. Nothing could be done before the river's floodwater receded. The townspeople waited helplessly in the emergency shelter. (Compound-Complex sentence)

## II. 修改句子(15 points,3 points each)

Correct the errors in the following sentences, Write your answers on the answer sheet.

**Example:** My parents bought a house from a man with no inside plumbing.

My parents bought a house with no inside plumbing from a man.

11. I always have bad luck with cotton jeans they shrink so much they end up around my ankles.
12. Sara leaped up screaming a black spider was on her leg.
13. She's very tired when she gets home from work she often sleeps for an hour before dinner.
14. Brian sat nervously in the dental clinic. While waiting to have his wisdom tooth pulled.
15. I spent almost two hours on the phone yesterday. Trying to find a garage to repair my car.

## III. 辨认主题句(15 points,5 points each)

16. Choose the best topic sentence from the four options below. Write the corresponding letter of your choice on the answer sheet.
  - A. Course grades based on final tests don't accurately measure a student's knowledge of the subject.
  - B. The service line is frequently so long that a student gives up the idea of eating altogether.
  - C. On the road, a drunk driver is too dizzy to pay attention to traffic signs, and his lack of control may lead him to run a stop sign, exceed the speed limit, or swerve his car.
  - D. We are awakened by electric alarm clocks and music pouring from our radio; we operate our toaster, brush our teeth with an electric toothbrush, and shave with an electric razor.
17. Read the following paragraph and underline the topic sentence on the answer sheet.

Everything is changing. This is a prediction I can make with absolute certainty. As human beings, we are constantly in the state of change. Our bodies change everyday. Our attitudes are constantly evolving. Something we swore by five years ago is now almost impossible for us to imagine ourselves believing. The clothes we wore a few years ago now look strange to us in old photographs...
18. Read the following paragraph and choose the best topic sentence from the four options that follow. Write the corresponding letter of your choice on the answer sheet.

All plans should be in writing and someone should be responsible for central coordination. Hence, risks are lessened and opportunities to save money may arise. Coca-Cola, for instance, requires that all overseas marketing plans be submitted to the central office well in advance. This gives the company a chance to examine the concepts. Previous experiences with similar plans can be reviewed and necessary changes can be suggested. Sometimes central company managers find that similar plans or overseas ventures have failed in the past. Minor improvements tried overseas with success should also be reported. There is no need to reinvent the wheel. Coordination not only reduces the chance of errors, it also provides opportunities to learn improved methods.

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IV. 重新组合段落 (5 points, 1 point each)

19. Rearrange the following sentences so that they read logically. Put the corresponding letters in a proper sequence in the boxes provided on the answer sheet. The positions of some sentences have been given.
- A. Finally, give the mower a good cleaning with a rag and solvent until it looks like new.
  - B. Getting the power lawn mower for the summer use isn't that difficult. First, drain the oil from the crankcase and replace it with a can of 40-weight heavy viscosity oil.
  - C. Sixth, sharpen the edges of the blades with a file.
  - D. Third, replace the spark plug so the engine will start easily.
  - E. Next, replace the belt that turns the spindle. Even if the old one isn't worn, it will be stretched enough after a year's wear to slow the blade action.
  - F. Fifth, grease the ends of the spindle that turns the blades until they turn freely with the motor off.
  - G. Fourth, check the starter rope and replace it if it is frayed.
  - H. Seventh, drain any of last year's gasoline from the gas tank and fill it with fresh gas.

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V. 划掉与段落内容无关的两个句子 (10 points, 5 points each)

20. Read the following paragraph and cross out TWO irrelevant sentences on the answer Sheet.
- We enjoyed our visit to Dr. Baker's house, perched high up on a hill. Dr. Baker is a famous scientist and he is very tasteful. It is him who invited us to come to his house. Walking up the long driveway, we approached the huge bronze door. A butler was standing in the open doorway, ushering guests into the house. Going in, we passed the oak-paneled library and the formal dining room before we arrived at the ballroom, where the reception was being held. Under three sparkling chandeliers, more than a hundred people were enjoying champagne, delicious food, and good conversation.

VI. 写信 (40 points)

21. Write a letter of invitation in 150-200 words according to the following situation. Write your letter on the answer sheet.
- You are a teacher of English Department, Sun Yat-sen University. Your colleague and you were deeply impressed by Prof. Kevin Coster's thorough knowledge and profound understanding of British Drama. Write a letter to invite Prof. Kevin Coster to attend the National Seminar on British Drama, and tell him the time and place. Please sign your name as Li Fei.