Harbin Institute of Technology (Shenzhen)

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English Listening Examination (A)

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Section 1 (4*7=28)

Directions: In this section, you will hear three news reports. At the end of each news report, you will hear two or three questions. The news report will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D).

News Report 1

- 1. What's the news report mainly about?
- A) Cleaning service in great demand all over the world.
- B) Two ladies giving up well-paid jobs to do cleaning.
- C) A new company to clean up the mess after parties.
- D) Cleaners gainfully employed at nights and weekends.
- 2. What are Rebecca Foley and Catherine Ashurst planning to do?
- A) Hire an Australian lawyer.
- B) Visit the U.S. and Canada.
- C) Settle a legal dispute.
- D) Expand their business.

News Report 2

- 3. What's the news report mainly about?
- A) The latest test on a rare animal species
- B) The finding of two new species of frog
- C) The second trip to a small remote island
- D) The discovery of a new species of snake
- 4. How did the newly discovered creature get its name?
- A) From its origin
- B) From its length
- C) From its colour
- D) From its genes

News Report 3

- 5. What does the report say about the Dutch king?
- A) He owns a fleet of aircraft.
- B) He is learning to be a pilot.
- C) He regards his royal duties as a burden.
- D) He held a part-time job for over 20 years.

- 6. Why does the king say he likes flying?
- A) He can demonstrate his superior piloting skills.
- B) He can change his focus of attention and relax.
- C) He can show his difference from other royalty.
- D) He can come into closer contact with his people.
- 7. What does the king say about passengers at the airport?
- A) They enjoyed his company.
- B) They liked him in his uniform.
- C) They rarely recognized him.
- D) They were surprised to see him.

Section 2 (4*7=28)

Directions: In this section, you will hear two long conversations. At the end of each conversation, you will hear four questions. The conversation will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C), and D).

Conversation 1

8. Why does the man need to share his apartment with a roommate?

- A. He finds it hard to afford the rent all by himself.
- B. He feels lonely living all by himself.
- C. He needs to find somebody to make the apartment more comfortable.
- D. He wants to get help with his courses from his roommate.
- 9. Which of the following statements is true about the man's house?
- A. The carpet in the living room is soiled in several places.
- B. The carpet in the living room is worn out in several places.
- C. The toilet is clogged and the sink has a few leaks.
- D. The windows in the bathroom can keep out rain and snow.
- 10. What will Shelley probably do after she's seen the place?
- A. Find a job for the man. B. Split the rent.
- C. Help Dave fix up the house. D. Look for another place.

Conversation 2

- 11. Why did Semenov's grandparents start a furniture plat in Bucharest?
- A) They were skilled carpenters themselves.
- B) It didn't need much capital to start with.
- C) Wood supply was plentiful in Romania.
- D) They saw a business opportunity there.
- 12. What was Semenov's grandfather trying to do?
- A) Provide quality furniture at affordable prices.
- B) Attract foreign investment to expand business.
- C) Enlarge their company by hiring more workers.
- D) Open some more branch companies in Germany.

- 13. What does Semenov say about her company's raw materials?
- A) They are from her hometown.
- B) They are imported from Germany.
- C) They all come from Romania.
- D) They come from all over the continent.
- 14. Where does Semenov's company sell their products?
- A) All across Europe.
- B) Throughout the world.
- C) Mostly in Bucharest.
- D) In Romania only.

Section 3 (4*11=44)

Directions: In this section, you will hear three passages. At the end of each passage, you will hear three or four questions. The passage will be spoken only once. After you hear a question, you must choose the best answer from the four choices marked A), B), C) and D).

Passage 1

- 15. Who did Jody Hubert primarily speak to?
- A) Students majoring in nutrition.
- B) Students in health classes.
- C) Ph.D. candidates in dieting.
- D) Middle and high school teachers.
- 16. Why does Jody Hubert show pictures of beautiful women to her audiences?
- A) To illustrate her point that beauty is but skin deep.
- B) To demonstrate the magic effect of dieting on women.
- C) To explain how computer images can be misleading.
- D) To prove that technology has impacted our culture.
- 17. What is Jody Hubert's main purpose in giving her speeches?
- A) To persuade girls to stop dieting.
- B) To promote her own concept of beauty.
- C) To establish an emotional connection with students.
- D) To help students rid themselves of bad living habits.

Passage 2

- 18. What were the college students in both groups required to do in the study?
- A) To solve word search puzzles.
- B) To send smartphone messages.
- C) To test their eyesight using a phone app.
- D) To install some audio equipment in a lab.

- 19. What do we learn about many of the students in the second test group after the phone rang?
- A) They could not go on until the ringing stopped.
- B) They could no longer concentrate on their task.
- C) They grabbed the phone and called back right away.
- D) They asked their experimenter to hang up the phone.
- 20. According to the passage, what is the most dramatic impact of smartphone use?
- A) A rise in emotional problems.
- B) A decline in sports activities.
- C) A reduction in the amount of sleep.
- D) A decline in academic performance.
- 21. What does the speaker suggest people do?
- A) Protect the eyesight of the younger generation.
- B) Take effective measures to raise productivity.
- C) Realize the disruptive effects of technology.
- D) Ensure they have sufficient sleep every day.

Passage 3

- 22. What does the speaker say about the skirt she is wearing now?
- A) It is not easily breakable.
- B) It came from a 3D printer.
- C) It represents the latest style.
- D) It was made by a fashion designer.
- 23. When did the speaker start experimenting with 3D printing?
- A) When she had just graduated from her college.
- B) When she attended a conference in New York.
- C) When she was studying at a fashion design school.
- D) When she attended a fashion show nine months ago.

24. What was the problem with the material the speaker worked on at a New York fashion house?

- A) It was difficult to print.
- B) It was hard to come by.
- C) It was hard and breakable.
- D) It was extremely expensive.
- 25. What does the speaker say about Filaflex?
- A) It is the latest model of a 3D printer.
- B) It is a plastic widely used in 3D printing.
- C) It gives fashion designers room for imagination.
- D) It marks a breakthrough in printing material.

参考答案

(部分题仅标出试题来源,听力材料可自行查找)

Section 1

1 C	2 D	(2019.6 四级第一套)
3 D	4 C	(2017.6 四级第一套)
5 D	6 B	7 C (2018.12 四级第二套)
Section 2		
8 A	9 A	10 D (听力材料及解析见下)
11 D	12 A	13 C 14 A (2018.12 四级第二套)

Conversation One

M: Hi, Shelley. Come on in.

W: Uh, yeah, I stopped by to see if you were still looking for a roommate to share your house.

M: Yep. I sure am. Ever since I cut back on my working hours to go to school, I've been really strapped for cash. Hey, let me show you around the place. Uh, here's the living room.

W: Oh. It looks like you could use a new carpet... and those stains?

M: Well. I've had a few problems with some former roommates. I know it needs to be cleaned, but I just don't have the money to do it right now.

W: Oh. And what about the kitchen?

M: Right this way. Look. It's completely furnished with all the latest appliances, except... Well, the refrigerator door is broken... a little bit... and it won't shut all the way. It needs fixing, but don't worry. I've pushed a box against it to keep it shut.

W: Hmm. Great. Well, how about the bathroom? ... No, no. Don't tell me. The toilet is clogged or the sink has a few leaks.

M: No, those work fine. Well, there's another slight problem. The windows. I've put up a piece of cardboard to keep out the rain and snow, and if it gets a little cold, you can always turn up the heat.

W: Hey, I think I've seen enough. I can't believe you've survived under these conditions.

M: So what do you think? You really can't beat a place like this for \$450 a month. So it has its problems, but we can fix those.

W: Uh, no, thank you. I think I've seen enough.

答案和解析

8.[A] 解析:对话开始,女士就提出了对话主题:看男士是否还需要人合租。男士急切地说:"要啊!自从为了上学减少了工作时间以来,我的钱就很紧张了。"故A正确。从选项来看,本题问男士的情形。答题关键是男士说的 strapped for cash,它与A中的 afford the rent 构成紧密的相关性。其他选项就没有这种相关的内容。(口语中, cash 即 money, be strapped 即"身无分文的"。)
9. [A] 解析:女士看到房间里的地毯时说:"看来你该换新地毯了……那些污渍是怎么回事?"可见A正确。soiled 意为"污染的,脏的"。

10.[D] 解析:对话结尾处,女士对该房子已毫无合租兴趣:"我想我已经看够了。真难以相信,你 在这样的条件下还能生活!"因此 D 正确。本题必须根据女士的语气推断。

Section 3

15 B	16 C	17 A	(2016.6 四级第二套)
18 A	19 B	20 C	21 C (2020.9 四级)
22 B	23 C	24 C	25 D (2016.12 六级第一套)