

# Unit One Overseas Chinese

## Part I Listening Comprehension

**Directions:** This part is to test your listening ability. It consists of 3 sections.

### Section A

**Directions:** This section is to test your ability to give proper responses. There are 5 recorded questions in it. After each question there is a pause. The questions will be spoken two times. When you hear a question, you should decide on the correct answer from the 4 choices marked A, B, C and D.

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| 1. A. You can take a taxi.           | B. I'll fly to New York next week.       |
| C. It's about twenty miles.          | D. It's only six hundred yuan.           |
| 2. A. It's very far from here.       | B. It's very small, but nice.            |
| C. I've got a good idea.             | D. I've been there.                      |
| 3. A. I've got some paper.           | B. That's great.                         |
| C. OK, thank you.                    | D. Oh, no problem.                       |
| 4. A. Sure. You take the other end.  | B. Turn right at the next corner.        |
| C. I think it's too expensive.       | D. I'm afraid it doesn't work.           |
| 5. A. I'm sorry to hear that.        | B. I like Chinese food.                  |
| C. It's very kind of you to help me. | D. I'd like to, but I'll have a meeting. |

### Section B

**Directions:** This section is to test your ability to understand short dialogues. There are 5 recorded dialogues in it. After each dialogue, there is a recorded question. Both the dialogues and questions will be spoken two times. When you hear a question, you should decide on the correct answer from the 4 choices marked A, B, C and D.

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| 6. A. Pass a letter to Mr. Black. | B. Talk to Mr. Black.      |
| C. See Mr. Black.                 | D. Ask Mr. Black for help. |
| 7. A. In a store.                 | B. In a post office.       |
| C. At a restaurant.               | D. At a bus stop.          |

8. A. 9:55.                            B. 10:00.  
C. 9:50.                            D. 10:05.
9. A. A magazine.                    B. A dictionary.  
C. A book.                            D. A newspaper.
10. A. Too old.                        B. Too strict.  
C. Very quiet.                        D. Very nice.

## Section C

**Directions:** In this section you will hear a recorded short passage. The passage is printed in the paper, but with some words or phrases missing. The passage will be read three times. During the second reading, you are required to put the missing words or phrases in order of the numbered blanks according to what you hear. The third reading is for you to check your writing. Now the passage will begin.

John is a bus driver. He gets up at six o'clock, eats a light \_\_\_\_\_ 11 \_\_\_\_\_ in a hurry, and then rushes to work. He likes his job but hates to drive in bad \_\_\_\_\_ 12 \_\_\_\_\_. Rain and snow make the roads dangerous.

John's wife, Carol, works every day from \_\_\_\_\_ 13 \_\_\_\_\_ to noon as a bookkeeper. She likes keeping her house neat and tidy. She has a place for everything and throws out what she doesn't need. John is just the opposite. He \_\_\_\_\_ 14 \_\_\_\_\_ everything. He keeps clothes that don't \_\_\_\_\_ 15 \_\_\_\_\_ him any more, old magazines, boxes and papers. Nothing of his is in good order.

## Part II Vocabulary and Structure

**Directions:** This part is to test your ability to use words and phrases correctly to construct meaningful and grammatically correct sentences. It consists of 2 sections.

### Section A

**Directions:** There are 10 incomplete statements here. You are required to complete each statement by choosing the appropriate answer from the 4 choices marked A, B, C and D.

16. I like Japanese food because it is \_\_\_\_\_ being fresh.  
A. famous for      B. famous as      C. famous with      D. famous in
17. She is curious \_\_\_\_\_ that kind of animal.  
A. in      B. about      C. to      D. on
18. There are two doors, one of which \_\_\_\_\_ to the living room and the other to the kitchen.  
A. led      B. to lead      C. leading      D. leads



19. For the first two months, he earned nothing at all but his credit and \_\_\_\_\_ were looking better.
- A. reputation      B. honor      C. popularity      D. glory
20. —Kate is so good at music.  
—Right. She began to \_\_\_\_\_ the violin when she was six.
- A. show      B. perform      C. play      D. create
21. On April 1st they flew to Beijing \_\_\_\_\_ they stayed several days.
- A. when      B. where      C. which      D. there
22. And I \_\_\_\_\_ to him tonight to do all in my power to help him lead us through the challenges we face.
- A. admit      B. permit      C. pledge      D. plague
23. Is there any competition between China and these countries in the regional \_\_\_\_\_?
- A. committee      B. organization      C. corporation      D. cooperation
24. The meeting discussed how to \_\_\_\_\_ cooperation between the two companies.
- A. raise      B. promote      C. highlight      D. decrease
25. Don't worry. \_\_\_\_\_ you work hard, you are sure to pass the exam.
- A. As much as      B. As well as      C. As soon as      D. As long as

## Section B

**Directions:** There are also 5 incomplete statements here. You should fill in each blank with the proper form of the word given in the brackets.

26. The book had an extensive ( popular) \_\_\_\_\_ among Chinese readers.
27. The friends with whom I sat on ( graduate) \_\_\_\_\_ day have been my friends for life.
28. I'm afraid my attempt to make a cake wasn't very ( success) \_\_\_\_\_.
29. Many people thought the ( nominate) \_\_\_\_\_ was his for the asking, and for a good while I thought he would ask.
30. Take care of your car, because you drive the car and you need it every day. The car is ( necessarily) \_\_\_\_\_ for you.

## Part III Reading Comprehension

**Directions:** This part is to test your reading ability. There are 5 tasks for you to fulfill. You should read the reading materials carefully and do the tasks as you are instructed.

### Task 1

**Directions:** After reading the following passage, you will find 5 unfinished statements,

numbered 31 to 35. For each statement, there are 4 choices marked A, B, C and D.

The London Underground (usually called “the tube”) is the biggest subway system in the world. It is also the fastest way to travel in the city. The network consists of nine major *routes* (路线), called “lines”.

You can buy tickets at any underground station, at a ticket office, or from a ticket machine. Some of the ticket machines require exact money. All of the machines display “Change given” or “Exact money only” signs. The price of the ticket depends on the length of the trip. The longer the trip, the higher the cost of the ticket.

Trains stop at all stations. On some trains, passengers need to press a button to open doors. Every underground train car has maps that show all the stations on the line you are traveling on. There is a map of the whole underground system in every station. Smoking is not allowed on underground trains or in stations.

31. According to the passage, the other name of the subway in London is “\_\_\_\_\_”.

- A. the subway system                      B. the underground  
C. the lines                                 D. the tube

32. The underlined phrase “Exact money only” (Para. 2) means “\_\_\_\_\_”.

- A. change if offered                      B. no change is given  
C. no coins are accepted                D. only coins are accepted

33. On some trains, if a passenger wants to get off, he has to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. inform the driver                      B. show his ticket  
C. press a button                         D. read a map

34. A map of the whole underground system can be found in \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. every train                            B. every station  
C. some train cars                      D. some ticket offices

35. This passage mainly tells readers how \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. the London Underground works    B. the London Underground develops  
C. a passenger buys subway tickets    D. a passenger travels on a subway train

## Task 2

**Directions:** This task is the same as Task 1. The 5 unfinished statements are numbered 36 to 40.

An application letter—the letter you write to apply for a job—will probably be the most important kind of letter you will ever write. Very likely, it is a letter that you will write several times, as most people change employers several times during their business careers. Your first job, as well as each of those that follow, is almost certain to involve some writing—and most employers look upon an application letter as an excellent *indicator* (标志) of an applicant’s



writing and other communication skills.

The purpose of your application letter, which should go together with your resume, is to get you an in-person interview with the employer. If the letter is a good one, it most likely will achieve its objective.

The general plan of an application letter closely matches that of a sales letter. For an application letter, the “product” you are selling consists of your knowledge, your skills, your *personality* (个性)—everything about you that will enable you to perform the job to the satisfaction of the employer. As a result, you must understand the employer’s needs, know the specific requirements of the job you are seeking, and know what you have to “sell”.

36. The underlined word “those” (Line 4, Para. 1) refers to \_\_\_\_\_.

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| A. the jobs  | B. the letters   |
| C. the times | D. the employers |

37. Obviously, after you have presented your application letter, you will \_\_\_\_\_.

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| A. hand in a copy of your resume | B. expect an in-person interview |
| C. achieve your objective        | D. work for the employer         |

38. According to the passage, your application letter is important because \_\_\_\_\_.

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| A. it means how experienced you are              |
| B. it indicates how hard you can work            |
| C. it shows how well you can communicate         |
| D. it tells how successful the interview will be |

39. The writer of this passage compares an application letter to \_\_\_\_\_.

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| A. a strong personality | B. a satisfactory skill |
| C. a new product        | D. a sales letter       |

40. To ensure that the letter can satisfy the employer, you must \_\_\_\_\_.

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| A. know his needs      | B. tell your requirements        |
| C. show your knowledge | D. get familiar with his product |

### Task 3

**Directions:** The following is a letter to customers. After reading it, you should complete the information by filling in the blanks marked 41 to 45 in no more than 3 words in the table below.

Dear Brain Store Customers,

We hope you enjoyed books and other items included in your *catalogue* (目录). Whether you’re a teacher, trainer, or parent, we’re sure you will find hundreds of valuable teaching and learning resources here.

When your decisions are made, we’ll do the rest. We accept orders by mail, phone, fax

and online at [www.thebrainstore.com](http://www.thebrainstore.com). Based on available stock, your order will be delivered within two business days.

Since we are personally *committed* (承诺) to your total satisfaction, any Brain Store product sold is *guaranteed* (保证) for 90 days. Please call 800-325-4896 for additional information. Our friendly Customer Service Office is to answer all of your questions. Feel free to call us between 8:00 a. m. and 4:30 p. m., Pacific Standard Time, Monday through Friday or email us at [info@thebrainstore.com](mailto:info@thebrainstore.com).

**Information about a Book Store**

Name of the book store: \_\_\_\_\_ 41

Delivery period: within \_\_\_\_\_ 42

Orders can be accepted by: 1) mail

2) \_\_\_\_\_ 43

3) \_\_\_\_\_ 44

4) online at [www.thebrainstore.com](http://www.thebrainstore.com)

Guarantee period: \_\_\_\_\_ 45

## Task 4

**Directions:** The following is a list of sign language. After reading it, you are required to find the items equivalent (与……等同) to those given in Chinese in the list below.

A—No Turn

B—On Sale or Return

C—Please Shut the Door After You

D—Protect Public Property

E—Replace the Newspaper

F—Round-the-clock Business

G—Seat by Number

H—See to the Fire

I—Shooting Prohibited

J—Stand Clear of the Power Line

K—Ticket Good Only on the Day of Issue

L—Turn Off the Light Before You Leave

M—Wet Paint

N—No Parking



O—Drive Slowly

P—Photographs: Please Don't Bend

Q—Children and Women First

R—For Use Only in Case of Fire

S—Handle with Care

T—Keep Away from Fire

U—Keep Silence

V—Line Up for Tickets

Examples: ( K ) 票(证)仅当日有效 ( J ) 高压电线,请勿靠近

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| 46. ( ) 小心轻放 | ( ) 禁止停车      |
| 47. ( ) 对号入座 | ( ) 内有照片,请勿折叠 |
| 48. ( ) 昼夜营业 | ( ) 不准转弯      |
| 49. ( ) 排队购票 | ( ) 请随手关门     |
| 50. ( ) 油漆未干 | ( ) 爱护公物      |

## Task 5

**Directions:** There is an advertisement below. After reading it, you are required to complete the statements that follow the questions (No. 51 to No. 55). You should write your answers in no more than 3 words.

Experience Autoweb.com's better way to buy a car. Save time and money with our simple process. Let us guide you through the car-buying process:

1. Select your car.
2. Select your method for purchasing your car.
3. Complete a simple Contact Information Form.
4. You will be contacted within 24 hours (not including weekends and holidays) by phone or mail through either an Autoweb.com Dealer or online car selling partner who will:
  - confirm your selection
  - inform you of the vehicle's availability
5. Once your selection is confirmed, you will be given a *competitive price quote* (有竞争力的报价). If you agree with the price, you can arrange to buy or rent the vehicle right away. An Autoweb.com Customer Care *representative* (代表) will follow up within 3 days by email to make sure that you are completely satisfied with the service you received.

51. What should you do first when you decide to buy a car at Autoweb. com?

You should \_\_\_\_\_.

52. What form will you have to fill in when buying a car at Autoweb. com?

A simple \_\_\_\_\_.

53. What will an Autoweb. com Dealer do for you?

He will \_\_\_\_\_ and inform you of the vehicle's availability.

54. When will the price be quoted?

After your selection is \_\_\_\_\_.

55. Who will contact you when you accept the price and arrange to buy the car?

An Autoweb. com \_\_\_\_\_.

## Part IV Translation—English into Chinese

**Directions:** This part, numbered 56 to 60, is to test your ability to translate English into Chinese. Each of the four sentences (No. 56 to No. 59) is followed by 3 choices of suggested Chinese translation marked A, B and C. Write your translation of the paragraph (No. 60).

56. The atmosphere is not so capable of storing heat as ocean currents.

- A. 大气不像海水那样能储存热。
- B. 海流比大气能储存更多的热量。
- C. 大气储存热量的能力不如海流强。

57. People's attitudes towards gift giving may vary from country to country.

- A. 人们的态度是国家之间要互送礼。
- B. 不同国家的人对送礼的看法各不相同。
- C. 国与国之间人们对礼物的看法不尽相同。

58. Not all the new drugs have been sufficiently tested for safety.

- A. 所有的新药都不得未进行必要的安全检查。
- B. 所有的新药都未必进行过充分的安全检查。
- C. 并非所有的新药都经过了充分的安全检测。

59. First of all, our purpose is to apply science and technology to the solution of practical problems.

- A. 首先,提供解决实际问题的科学技术是我们的目标。
- B. 首先,我们的目的是运用科学技术来解决实际问题。
- C. 首先,我们的目标是在解决实际问题中依靠科学技术。



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## Production Planner Wanted

Applicants should be college graduates with at least two years' working experience in production control. Good command of mathematics and skills in operating computers are essential. Holders of PRETCO (高等学校英语应用能力考试) certificates are preferred. Please send a complete resume in English with one recent photo and expected salary to Post Office Box 67809, Hong Kong.

## Part V Writing

**Directions:** This part is to test your ability to do practical writing. You are required to write a letter according to the information given below in Chinese.

发信人:张玲

- 内容:1. 邀请 Jane 暑假期间到北京来度假;  
2. 陪同她浏览长城、故宫、颐和园等;  
3. 请回信告知是否能来。

写信日期:2016 年 4 月 6 日

Words for reference:

长城 the Great Wall

故宫 the Imperial Palace

颐和园 the Summer Palace