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英语国家概况试题

课程代码:00522

请考生按规定用笔将所有试题的答案涂、写在答题纸上。

选择题部分

注意事项:

- 1. 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。
- 2. 每小题选出答案后,用 2B 铅笔把答题纸上对应题目的答案标号涂黑。如需改动,用橡 皮擦干净后,再选涂其他答案标号。不能答在试题卷上。

I. MULTIPLE CHOICE

Read the following unfinished statements or questions carefully. For each unfinished statement or question, four suggested answers marked A, B, C and D are given. Choose the one that you think best completes the statement or answers the question. Mark the letter of the answer you have chosen in the corresponding space on the ANSWER SHEET. (30 points, 1 point each)

l.	King Edward was known as the	because of his religious piety.
	A. Defender	B. Protector
	C. Conqueror	D. Confessor
2.	is the birthplace for cricket.	
	A. England	B. Scotland
	C. Northern Ireland	D. Wales
3.	Which of the following statements is t	true about Henry II's reform?

- - A. He abolished the annual land tax and replaced it with a heavier one.
 - B. He divided the country into six circuits and appointed local barons to hear cases.
 - C. He ordered that all cases involving clerks should be tried in the Bishop's courts.
 - D. He increased the work of the Chancery both in amount and in sophistication.

4.	In Britain, the parliamentary general	elec	tion is normally held every	
	years; while in the US, the presidentia	ıl ele	ction is held every years.	
	A. six / five	В.	five / six	
	C. five / four	D.	six / four	
5.	The is a member of all three b	oranc	thes of the British government.	
	A. prime minister	В.	lord chancellor	
	C. Archbishop of Canterbury	D.	leader of the opposition party	
6.	Scottish inventor modified ar	nd in	proved the design of steam engine	
	and produced a very efficient one with			
	A. James Watt	В.	John Kay	
	A. James WattC. Richard Arkwright	D.	Samuel Crompton	
7.	The great majority of British parents s	send	their children to	
	A. state schools	В.	home schools	
	A. state schoolsC. public schools	D.	private schools	
8.	The narrowest part of the English Cl	hann	el between England and is	
	the Straits of Dover.			
			Belgium	
	C. Germany	D.	the Netherlands	
9.	The Hundred Years' War started in _		_ and ended in 1453, in which the	
	English lost all of its territories in the European continent EXCEPT			
	A. 1337 / Calais	В.	1337 / Flanders 1346 / Flanders	
	C. 1346 / Calais	D.	1346 / Flanders	
10.	The English Civil War is also called the	he _	·	
	A. Seven Years' War	В.	British Reformation	
	C. Puritan Revolution	D.	Glorious Revolution	
11.	, the only American playwright	ht to	win the Nobel Prize for Literature,	
	is often considered the father of Amer	rican	drama.	
	A. Arthur MillerC. D. H. Lawrence	В.	Eugene O'Neill	
	C. D. H. Lawrence	D.	William Faulkner	
12.	The Mississippi River, also called		, has played a vital role in	
	American history.			
	A. the American Ruhr		the Moon River	
	C. Old Man River	D.	Old Mother River	
13.	The decision on setting up a world	orga	anization, the United Nations, was	
	made at Conference in 1945.			
	A. Yalta	B.	Paris	
	C. Teheran	D.	Potsdam	
14.	The American Constitution, the wo	orld'	s oldest written constitution, was	
	drawn up in			
	A. 1781	B.	1787	
	C 1789	D	1798	

15.	Though is no longer the m		•
	referred to as "the national sport" by t	the A	Americans.
	A. rugby	В.	football
	C. baseball	D.	basketball
16.	In the 1960s' Civil Rights Movement	ent,	African Americans demanded the
	following EXCEPT the		
	A. equal right to vote		
	B. equal treatment in education		
	C. equal treatment in transportation		
	D. election of a president of African	origi	n
17.	The difficult period of political, soci	al, a	nd economic changes in the South
	after the American Civil War is known	n as	·
	A. Reformation	B.	Urbanization
	C. Modernization	D.	Reconstruction
18.	All the following institutions of higher	er ed	ucation are located in New England
	EXCEPT		
	A. Yale	B.	MIT
	C. Stanford	D.	Harvard
19.	Among the US religious follower	rs,	account for the largest
	percentage.		
	A. Jewish	B.	Buddhists
	C. Protestants	D.	Roman Catholics
20.	is the day to honor the Ameri	ican	dead of all wars.
	A. Veterans Day	B.	Memorial Day
	C. Independence Day	D.	Thanksgiving Day
21.	In the year of, Canada was fi	nall	y a fully independent nation.
	A. 1931	B.	1939
	C. 1982	D.	1999
22.	In terms of land area, Canada spans		time zones and borders three
	oceans.		
	A. three	B.	four
	C. five	D.	six
23.	The first novel set in Canada was	,	published in 1769.
	A. Anne of Green Gables		
	B. Orion and Other Poems		
	C. Wild Animals I Have Known		
	D. The History of Emily Montague		

24.	The parliament of Australia consists	s of the Senate and the	
	A. House of Lords	B. House of Burgesses	
	C. House of Commons	D. House of Representatives	
25.	In 1770, visited southeaster	n Australia near what is now Sydney a	nd
	claimed the land for Britain.		
	A. James Cook	B. Abel Tasman	
	C. William Dampier	D. Samuel de Champlain	
26.	is the only major city of Australia not located on a coast.		
	A. Sydney	B. Canberra	
	C. Melbourne	D. Brisbane	
27.	Which of the following statements	about the Maori of New Zealand is NO	TC
	true?		
	A. Most Maori today are as well-pa	aid as the Pakeha.	
	B. The arrival of Europeans disrup	ted Maori social networks.	
	C. There are various explanations is	for the origins of the Maori.	
	D. Traditional Maori social organiza	ration was based on clans.	
28.	, located in northern Nort	h Island, is the largest city and chi	ief
	commercial center in New Zealand.		
	A. Hamilton	B. Auckland	
	C. Christchurch	D. Wellington	
29.	From the late 8th to the 10th cent	ary, invaded parts of Ireland b	ut
	were eventually defeated by the Iris	h.	
	A. Celts	B. Saxons	
	C. Vikings	D. Normans	
30.	Which of the following statements about Irish president is NOT true?		
	A. He normally acts on the advice	•	
	B. He heads the cabinet and president	5	
	C. He signs and promulgates bills p	•	
	D. He is elected directly by the pub	lic for a term of seven years.	

非选择题部分

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II. BLANK FILLING

Choose 10 answers from the box and write the correct letter in the blanks 31-40 on the ANSWER SHEET. (20 points, 2 points each)

	The British prime minister is the leader of the majority party in the
32.	In the UK, the of 1832, though called the "Great Charter of 1832".
	was regarded as a great betrayal by the middle class of the working classes.
33.	In the summer of 1588 the Spanish fleet, the, was defeated by the
	English navy.
34.	The is the term used for the first ten amendments to the Constitution
	of the United States.
	The leader of the is the vice president of the United States.
36.	By 1608, Samuel de Champlain had reached, where he founded
	France's first permanent Canadian colony.
	In Canada the word "Indian" has a legal definition under the
38.	The six colonies of Australia joined together to form a on January 1
	1901 when the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act was enacted by
	the British Parliament.
39.	In 1951, Australia, New Zealand, and the United States signed the
	creating a Pacific defense alliance.
40.	In Ireland, health services are administered by eight regional health boards
	under the general supervision of the

	Armada
	Quebec
	Senate
	ederation
	Reform Act
	onfederation
	Bill of Rights
	ANZUS Treaty adian Act of 1876
	ouse of Commons
	House of Representatives
L. L	Department of Health and Children

III. TERM EXPLANATION

Define the following terms in English. Write your answers on the ANSWER SHEET in around 40 words. (10 points, 5 points each)

- 41. Open University in the UK
- 42. "the land down under"

IV. SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

Give a brief answer to each of the following questions. You are required to use complete sentences. Write your answers on the ANSWER SHEET. (30 points, 3 points each)

- 43. Why did the Romans never fully occupy Britain between 55 BC and 410 AD?
- 44. What are the three elements of the British Parliament?
- 45. What languages contributed to the shaping of the English language in history?
- 46. What was the aim of the Progressive Movement in American history?
- 47. What judicial power does the US Supreme Court have while British courts do not?
- 48. What are the two official languages of Canada?
- 49. Why is Australia Day celebrated on January 26?
- 50. Why did the aboriginal people of New Zealand adopt the name "Maori"?
- 51. What is the meaning of the name of Ireland's capital?
- 52. Who is the author of the novel *Ulysses*?

V. ESSAY QUESTION

Write 100-120 words on the following topic on the ANSWER SHEET. (10 points)

53. What were the impacts of the War of 1812 on the development of the United States?