

科目	英文寫作	適用系所	外國語文學系英語文研究碩士班	時間	90分鐘
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※請務必在答案卷作答區內作答。

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I. One of the four underlined parts in each question is incorrect. Choose the incorrect one. 20%

1. Leaning against the lamppost with his hands in his pockets were a good-looking man.  
A B C D
2. We quickly switched from one news program to another each one had the same story.  
A B C D
3. Since Carla is a new student, she thinks she is the only person. Who doesn't know anyone else.  
A B C D
4. One of the things I like about the corner store is that you can buy homemade sausage there.  
A B C D
5. In the morning, strips of sunlight glows on the kitchen floor.  
A B C D
6. Not only the students but also the teacher were happy when the class won the game.  
A B C D
7. To remind people of their selfishness. Steve leaves handwritten notes on cars that take up two parking spaces.  
A B C D
8. When someone comes to the door, my dog races upstairs. Then hides under the bed. Strangers really terrify him.  
A B C D
9. There are two birds sing on the tree which is in the middle of the garden.  
A B C D
10. Munching leaves from a tall tree, the children were fascinated by the eighteen-foot-tall giraffe.  
A B C D

II. Choose a logical conjunction/adverbial conjunction from the following list to complete each sentence. 15%

otherwise    if    before    although    nevertheless    but    therefore

1. You should have looked at the label \_\_\_\_\_ you washed that wool sweater.

2. \_\_\_\_\_ the boy was wearing headphones, nearly everyone on the bus could hear the beat of the song on his iPod.
3. I insisted that my wife stop smoking; \_\_\_\_\_, I would have suffered the effects of the secondhand smoke from her cigarettes.
4. We packed the groceries carefully; \_\_\_\_\_, the bread was squashed and two eggs were broken.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ you open the windows, the paint fumes will disappear more quickly.

**III. Write the appropriate verb tenses to complete the following sentences. 15%**

1. Miho \_\_\_\_\_ (finish) taking her English and math placement tests before she received a call from the hospital about her father.
2. She \_\_\_\_\_ (write) to the newspaper several times, but the editor has never published her letters.
3. The mayor \_\_\_\_\_ (present) a speech at the neighborhood board meeting when the civil defense siren sounded.
4. I have dreaded heights ever since my brother \_\_\_\_\_ (push) me off a wall.
5. The plane would \_\_\_\_\_ (run) off the runway if the pilot hadn't been so skillful.

**III. Summary Writing: Read the following passage and summarize it in about 100 words. 25%**

John Steinbeck's famous novel, *The Grapes of Wrath*, told of the migration of thousands of poor farmers and their families from the Dust Bowl of Oklahoma to a greener and wealthier California in the Great Depression of the 1930s. The dust-bowl conditions affected huge tracts of prairie land, turning once productive farms into vast desert-like regions.

Poor farming practices, coupled with years of poor rainfall, led to the creation of the American Dust Bowl. These causes are unfortunate but understandable. However, a new phenomenon has been recognized – one that is causing major dust problems around the world. It appears to be the result of the so-called “four-wheel-drive epidemic,” or as one professor of geography at Oxford University recently named it, “Toyotarization.”

The growth in popularity of off-road vehicles is blamed for not only causing major traffic problems in our cities but also throwing vast quantities of fine dust into the atmosphere. As the off-road crowds tear up the arid regions in various locations, they break the surface rust, liberating fine particles into the atmosphere. The dust, estimated to be in the region of 3 billion tones, swirls around the earth for thousands of kilometers and is responsible for creating dust storms across four continents. The trend is continuing to grow.

In many countries, adverse effects are being felt in health, agriculture and lifestyle. Some of the poorest regions in Africa are the most severely troubled, but evidence of the dust problem is to be found in the United States, China and the Middle East.

It seems that unless strong government action is taken quite soon, there will be an increase in the severity of the dust problem that is already plaguing many parts of the world.

#### IV. Essay Writing: 25%

The following chart shows the top six majors enrolled by the international students at one university in the United States in 2012. Write a report to describe the information presented in the chart. You should write at least 150 words.

