

托福阅读题型突破句子简化题

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第一章 基础介绍

一 托福考试介绍

II	NTRODUCTION OF	FTOFEL
考试形式	几个重要的数字	说明
	• 1st	1
	• 3or4	2
	• 60or80	3
	• 700	4
	• 12—14	5
文章特点	文章的重要特征	说明
	 university-level textbooks 	1.
	• different subjects	2
题目类型	各题型名称	说明
	1. Factual Information	٦
	questions	
	2. Negative Factual	
	Information questions	
	3. Inference questions	
	4. Rhetorical Purpose	
	questions	[
	5. Vocabulary questions	
	6. Reference questions	
	7. Sentence Simplification	
	questions	
	8. Insert Text questions	1
	9. Prose Summary	}-
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二 评分体系

RAW POINT	SCALE	RAW POINT	SCALE
TOTAL	SCORE	TOTAL	SCORE
45-44	30	24	16
43-41	29	23	15
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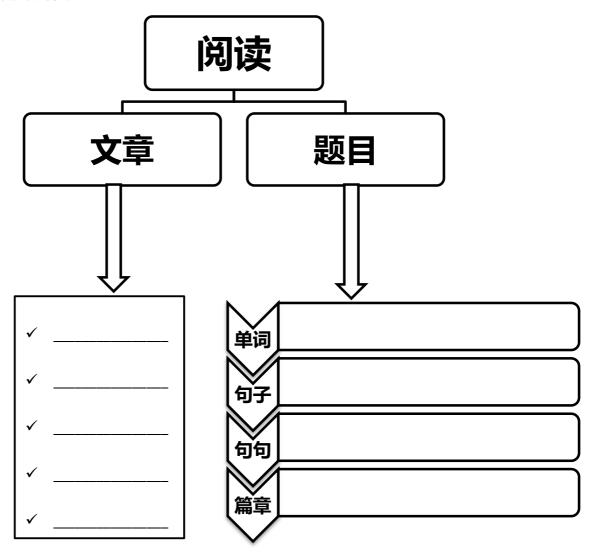
三 备考常见问题

	常见问题 Q&A
1. 关于考试界面	
2. 关于电脑阅读	
3. 关于复习资料	
4. 关于阅读加试	

四 学术类阅读的目的

Pu	rpo	oses for Academic Re	ading
Basic		特征描述	重点说明
comprehension	>	Understanding the general	
		topic or main idea, major	
		points	
	>	Facts and details,	
		vocabulary in context, and	
		pronoun references	
	>	Making inferences about	
		what is implied in a passage	
Reading to learn		特征描述	重点说明
learn	>	Recognizing the	
		organization and purpose	
		of a passage	
	>	Understanding	
		relationships between ideas	
	>	Organizing information into	
		a category chart or a	
		summary in order to recall	
		major points and important	
		details	
	>	Inferring how ideas	
		throughout the passage	
		connect	
Reading to find information		特征描述	重点说明
mormauon	>	Effectively scanning text	
		for key facts and important	
		information	
	>	Increasing reading fluency	
		and rate	

五 阅读突破体系



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题型一:句子简化题

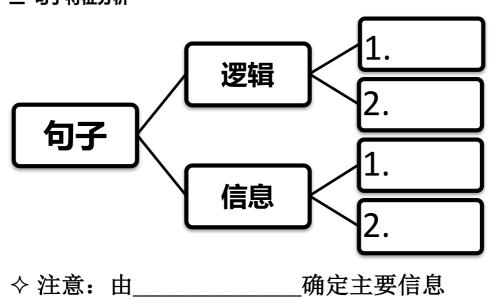
一 题型介绍

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In this type of question you are asked to	
choose a sentence that has the same	
essential meaning as a sentence that	•
occurs in the passage. Not every reading	
set includes a sentence simplification	题目本质
question. There is never more than one	•
on a set	
	核心能力
	•句子的理解能力

二 提问方式

Which of the following best express the essential information in the highlighted sentence? Incorrect answer choices change the meaning in important ways or leave out essential information.

三 句子特征分析



	句子	逻辑关系提取	
层	提取方法	常考逻辑	关键词
间	1.划分,	▶ 转折让步	
	2.逻辑关系由表示	▶ 因果关系	
逻		▶ 时间条件	
辑		▶ 并列对比	
		▶ 补充说明	
层	提取方法	常考逻辑	关键词
内	1.划分	▶ 因果关系	
	2.明确各成分间的关系	▶ 比较关系	
逻	3.逻辑关系由	▶ 否定关系	
辑	和	▶ 解释关系	
		▶ 论证关系	
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六 例题分析

例 1

The extreme seriousness of desertification results from the vast areas of land and the tremendous numbers of people affected, as well as from the great difficulty of reversing or even slowing the process

- 10. Which of the sentences below best expresses the essential information in the highlighted sentence in the passage?
- o Desertification is a significant problem because it is so hard to reverse and affects large areas of land and great numbers of people.
- oSlowing down the process of desertification is difficult because of population growth that has spread over large areas of land.
- oThe spread of deserts is considered a very serious problem that can be solved only if large numbers of people in various countries are involved in the effort.
- oDesertification is extremely hard to reverse unless the population is reduced in the vast areas affected.

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例 2	

Apprentices were considered part of the family, and masters were responsible not only for teaching their apprentices a trade but also for providing them some education and for supervising their moral behavior

- 2. Which of the sentences below best expresses the essential information in the highlighted sentence in the passage?
- oMasters demanded moral behavior from apprentices but often treated them irresponsibly.
- oThe responsibilities of the master to the apprentice went beyond the teaching of a trade.
- oMasters preferred to maintain the trade within the family by supervising and educating the younger family members.
- oMasters who trained members of their own family as apprentices demanded excellence from them.

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例 3		

One explanation for green icebergs attributes their color to an optical illusion when blue ice is illuminated by a near-horizon red Sun, but green icebergs stand out among white and blue icebergs under a great variety of light conditions

- 3. Which of the sentences below best expresses the essential information in the highlighted sentence in the passage?
- One explanation notes that green icebergs stand out among other icebergs under a great variety of light conditions, but this is attributed to an optical illusion.
- One explanation for the color of green icebergs attributes their color to an optical illusion that occurs when the light from a near-horizon red Sun shines on a blue iceberg.
- One explanation for green icebergs attributes their color to a great variety of light conditions, but green icebergs stand out best among other icebergs when illuminated by a near-horizon red Sun.
- One explanation attributes the color of green icebergs to an optical illusion under special light conditions, but green icebergs appear distinct from other icebergs under a great variety of light conditions.

答案_____ 例 4

But detractors maintain that the terraces could also have been created by geological activity, perhaps related to the geologic forces that depressed the Northern Hemisphere far below the level of the south, in which case they have nothing whatever to do with Martian water.

- 9. Which of the sentences below best expresses the essential information in the highlighted sentence in the passage? Incorrect choices change the meaning in important ways or leave out essential information.
- oBut detractors argue that geological activity may be responsible for the water associated with the terraces.
- oBut detractors argue that the terraces may have been formed by geological activity rather than by the presence of water.
- oBut detractors argue that the terraces may be related to geological forces in the Northern Hemisphere of Mars, rather than to Martian water in the south.
- oBut detractors argue that geological forces depressed the Northern Hemisphere so far below the level of the south that the terraces could not have been formed by water.

答案_{____} 例 5

Earth is a target in a cosmic shooting gallery, subject to random violent events that were unsuspected a few decades ago

- 11. Which of the sentences below best expresses the essential information in the highlighted sentence in the passage?
- oUntil recently, nobody realized that Earth is exposed to unpredictable violent impacts from space.
- oIn the last few decades, the risk of a random violent impact from space has increased.
- oSince most violent events on Earth occur randomly, nobody can predict when or where they will happen.
- oA few decades ago, Earth became the target of random violent events originating in outer space.

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例 6		

The structure of the backbone shows, however, that Ambulocetus swam like modern whales by moving the rear portion of its body up and down, even though a fluke was missing.

- 10. Which of the sentences below best expresses the essential information in the highlighted sentence in the passage?
- oEven though Ambulocetus swam by moving its body up and down, it did not have a backbone.
- oThe backbone of Ambulocetus, which allowed it to swim, provides evidence of its missing fluke.
- oAlthough Ambulocetus had no fluke, its backbone structure shows that it swam like modern whales.
- oBy moving the rear parts of their bodies up and down, modern whales swim in a different way from the way Ambulocetus swam.

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例 7		

Hills and mountains are often regarded as the epitome of permanence, successfully resisting the destructive forces of nature, but in fact they tend to be relatively short-lived in geological terms.

- 9. Which of the sentences below best expresses the essential information in the highlighted sentence in the passage?
- oWhen they are relatively young, hills and mountains successfully resist the destructive forces of nature.
- oAlthough they seem permanent, hills and mountains exist for a relatively short period of geological time.

oHills and mountains successfully resist the destructive forces of nature, but only for a short time.

oHills and mountains resist the destructive forces of nature better than other types of landforms.

答案_____ 例 8

For example, people who believe that aggression is necessary and justified-as during wartime-are likely to act aggressively, whereas people who believe that a particular war or act of aggression is unjust, or who think that aggression is never justified, are less likely to behave aggressively.

- 8. Which of the sentences below best expresses the essential information in the highlighted sentence in the passage?
- •People who believe that they are fighting a just war act aggressively while those who believe that they are fighting an unjust war do not.
- oPeople who believe that aggression is necessary and justified are more likely to act aggressively than those who believe differently.
- oPeople who normally do not believe that aggression is necessary and justified may act aggressively during wartime.
- oPeople who believe that aggression is necessary and justified do not necessarily act aggressively during wartime.

答案_{____} 例 **9**

Continued sedimentation—the process of deposits' settling on the sea bottom—buries the organic matter and subjects it to higher temperatures and pressures, which convert the organic matter to oil and gas.

- 4. Which of the sentences below best expresses the essential information in the highlighted sentence in the passage? Incorrect choices change the meaning in important ways or leave out essential information.
- oHigher temperatures and pressures promote sedimentation, which is responsible for petroleum formation.
- opeposits of sediments on top of organic matter increase the temperature of and pressure on the matter.
- oIncrease pressure and heat from the weight of the sediment turn the organic remains into petroleum.
- oThe remains of microscopic organisms transform into petroleum once they are buried under mud.

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例 10

Estimates indicate that the aquifer contains enough water to fill Lake Huron, but unfortunately, under the semiarid climatic conditions that presently exist in the region, rates of addition to the aquifer are minimal, amounting to about half a centimeter a year.

- 3. Which of the sentences below best expresses the essential information in the highlighted sentence in the passage?
- oDespite the current impressive size of the Ogallala aquifer, the region's climate keeps the rates of water addition very small.
- oAlthough the aquifer has been adding water at the rate of only half a centimeter a year, it will eventually accumulate enough water of fill Lake Huron.
- oBecause of the region's present climatic conditions, water is being added each year to the aquifer.
- oEven when the region experiences unfortunate climatic conditions, the rates of addition of water continue to increase.

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例 11		

Large wind farms might also interfere with the flight patterns of migratory birds in certain areas, and they have killed large birds of prey (especially hawks, falcons, and eagles) that prefer to hunt along the same ridge lines that are ideal for wind turbines.

- 8. Which of the sentences below best expresses the essential information in the highlighted sentence in the passage?
- oHawks, falcons, and eagles prefer to hunt along ridge lines, where wind turbines can kill large numbers of migratory birds.
- oWind turbines occasionally cause migratory birds to change their flight patterns and therefore may interfere with the areas where birds of prey prefer to hunt.
- oSome of the best locations for large wind farms are places that may cause problems for migrating birds and birds of prey.
- oLarge wind farms in certain areas kill hawks, falcons, and eagles and thus might create a more ideal path for the flight of migratory birds.

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例 12

Only the last of these was suited at all to the continuous operating of machines, and although waterpower abounded in Lancashire and Scotland and ran grain mills as well as textile mills, it had one great disadvantage: streams flowed where nature intended them to and water-driven factories had to be located on their banks whether or not the location was desirable for other reasons.

- 1. Which of the sentences below best expresses the essential information in the highlighted sentence in the passage?
- oRunning water was the best power source for factories since it could keep machines operating continuously but since it was abundant only in Lancashire and Scotland, most mills and factories that were located elsewhere could not be water driven.
- oThe disadvantage of using waterpower is that streams do not necessarily flow in places that are the most suitable for factories which explains why so many water—powered grain and textile mills were located in undesirable places
- oSince machines could be operated continuously only where running water was abundant, grain and textile mills as well as other factories tended to be located only in Lancashire and Scotland
- oRunning water was the only source of power that was suitable for the continuous operation of machines, but to make use of it factories had to be located where the water was, regardless of whether such locations made sense otherwise.

答案_____ 例 13

These plants (dandelions) are termed opportunists because they rely on their seeds' falling into settings where competing plants have been removed by natural processes, such as along an eroding riverbank, on landslips, or where a tree falls and creates a gap in the forest canopy.

- 6. Which of the sentences below best expresses the essential information in the highlighted sentence in the passage?
- oBecause their seeds grow in places where competing plants are no longer present, dandelions are classified as opportunists.
- oDandelions are called opportunists because they contribute to the natural processes of erosion and the creation of gaps in the forest canopy.
 - The term opportunists apply to plants whose seeds fall in places where

they can compete with the seeds of other plants.

oThe term opportunists apply to plants whose falling seeds are removed by natural processes.

答案_____ 例 14

He refused to develop projection technology, reasoning that if he made and sold projectors, then exhibitors would purchase only one machine-a projector-from him instead of several

- 3. Which of the sentences below best expresses the essential information in the highlighted sentence from the passage?
- oEdison was more interested in developing a variety of machines than in developing a technology based on only one.
- oEdison refused to work on projection technology because he did not think exhibitors would replace their projectors with newer machines.
- oEdison did not want to develop projection technology because it limited the number of machines he could sell.
- oEdison would not develop projection technology unless exhibitors agreed to purchase more than one projector from him.

答案_____ 例 15

Fladmark's hypothesis received additional support from the fact that the greatest diversity in Native American languages occurs along the west coast of the Americans, suggesting that this region has been settled the longest.

- 6. Which of the sentences below best expresses the essential information in the highlighted sentence in the passage? Incorrect choices change the meaning in important ways to leave out essential information.
- oBecause this region has been settled the longest, it also displays the greatest diversity in Native American languages.
- oFladmark's hypothesis states that the west coast of the Americas has been settled longer than any other region.
- oThe fact that the greatest diversity of Native American languages occurs along the west coast of the Americans lends strength to Fradmark's hypothesis
- oAccording to Fladmark, Native American languages have survived the longest along the west coast of the Americas.

答案_____ 例 16 But as more and more accumulations of strata were cataloged in more and more places, it became clear that the sequences of rocks sometimes differed from region to region and that no rock type was ever going to become a reliable time marker throughout the world.

- 6. Which of the sentences below best expresses the essential information in the highlighted sentence in the passage? Incorrect choices change the meaning in important ways or leave out essential information.
- oThe discovery of regional differences in the sequences of rocks led geologists to believe that rock types could someday become reliable time markers.
- oCareful analysis of strata revealed that rocks cannot establish geological time because the pattern of rock layers varies from place to place.
- oSmith's catalogs of rock strata indicated that the sequences of rocks are different from place to place and from region to region.
- oBecause people did not catalog regional differences in sequences of rocks. It was believed that rocks could never be reliable time markers

答案_	 	
例 17		

The Whigs were strongest in the towns, cities, and those rural areas that were fully integrated into the market economy, whereas Democrats dominated areas of semisubsistence farming that were more isolated and languishing economically

- 11. Which of the sentences below best expresses the essential information in the highlighted sentence in the passage?
- •Whigs were able to attract support only in the wealthiest parts of the economy because Democrats dominated in other areas.
- oWhig and Democratic areas of influence were naturally split between urban and rural areas, respectively.
- oThe semisubsistence farming areas dominated by Democrats became increasingly isolated by the Whigs' control of the market economy.
- oThe Democrats' power was greatest in poorer areas while the Whigs were strongest in those areas where the market was already fully operating.

答案_____ 例 18

Contrary to the arguments of some that much of the pacific was settled by Polynesians accidentally marooned after being lost and adrift, it seems reasonable that this feat was accomplished by deliberate colonization expeditions that set out fully stocked with food and domesticated plants and animals

- 9 Which of the sentences below best expresses the essential information in the highlighted sentence in the passage?
- oSome people have argued that the Pacific was settled by traders who became lost while transporting domesticated plants and animals.
- oThe original Polynesian settlers were probably marooned on the islands, but they may have been joined later by carefully prepared colonization expeditions.
- oAlthough it seems reasonable to believe that colonization expeditions would set out fully stocked, this is contradicted by much of the evidence.
- oThe settlement of the Pacific islands was probably intentional and well planned rather than accidental as some people have proposed.

答案_____ 例 1**9**

Many ecologists now think that the relative long-term stability of climax communities comes not from diversity but from the "patchiness" of the environment, an environment that varies from place to place supports more kinds of organisms than an environment that is uniform

- 11. Which of the sentences below best expresses the essential information in the highlighted sentence in the passage?
- oEcologists now think that the stability of an environment is a result of diversity rather than patchiness.
- oPatchy environments that vary from place to place do not often have high species diversity.
- oUniform environments cannot be climax communities because they do not support as many types of organisms as patchy environments.
- oA patchy environment is thought to increase stability because it is able to support a wide variety of organisms.

答案_____ 例 20

There appear to be many unexplored matters about the motivation to reflect-for example, the value of externally motivated reflection as opposed to that of teachers who might reflect by habit.

11. Which of the sentences below expresses the essential information in the highlighted sentence in the passage?

- oThe practice of being reflective is no longer simply a habit among teachers but something that is externally motivated
- oMost teachers need to explore ways to form the habit of reflection even when no external motivation exists
- oMany aspects of the motivation to reflect have not been studied, including the comparative benefits of externally motivated and habitual reflection among teachers
- oThere has not been enough exploration of why teachers practice reflection as a habit with or without external motivation

答案_		
例 21		

If the pores are large, the water in them will exist as drops too heavy for surface tension to hold, and it will drain away; but if the pores are small enough, the water in them will exist as thin films, too light to overcome the force of surface tension holding them in place; then the water will be firmly held.

- 12. Which of the sentences below best expresses the essential information in the highlighted sentence in the passage?
- oSurface tension is not strong enough to retain drops of water in rocks with large pores but it strong enough to hold on to thin films of water in rocks with small pores.
- oWater in rocks is held in place by large pores and drains away from small size pores through surface tension.
- oSmall pores and large pores both interact with surface tension to determine whether a rock will hold water as heavy drops or as a thin film.
- oIf the force of surface tension is too weak to hold water in place as heavy drops, the water will continue to be held firmly in place as a thin film when large pores exist.

答案	
例 22	

Perhaps, like many contemporary peoples, Upper Paleolithic men and women believed that the drawing of a human image could cause death of injury, and if that were indeed their belief, it might explain why human figures are rarely depicted in cave art.

- 6. Which of the sentences below best expresses the essential information in the highlighted sentence in the passage?
 - OUpper Paleolithic people, like many contemporary peoples, believed that if

they drew a human image in their cave art, it would cause death or injury.

- oMany contemporary people believe that the drawing of a human image can cause death or injury, so they, like Upper Paleolithic people, rarely depicted human figures in their cave art.
- oIf Upper Paleolithic people, like many contemporary peoples, believed that the drawing of a human image could cause death or injury, this belief might explain why human figures are rarely depicted in cave art.
- oAlthough many contemporary peoples believe that the drawing of a human image can cause death or injury, researchers cannot explain why Upper Paleolithic people rarely depicted human figures in their cave art.

答案_____ 例 **23**

The tradition of religious sculpture extends over most historical periods but is less clearly delineated than that of stonewares or porcelains, for it embraces the old custom of earthenware burial ceramics with later religious images and architectural ornament.

- 4. Which of the sentences below best expresses the essential information in the highlighted sentence in the passage?
- oWhile stonewares and porcelains are found throughout most historical periods, religious sculpture is limited to the ancient period.
- oReligious sculpture was created in most periods, but its history is less clear than that of stonewares or porcelains because some old forms continued to be used even when new ones were developed.
- •While stonewares and porcelains changed throughout history, religious sculpture remained uniform in form and use.
- oThe historical development of religious sculpture is relatively unclear because religious sculptures sometimes resemble earthenware architectural ornaments.

答案_____ 例 **2**4

This scenario (phytoremediation) begins with the planting of hyper accumulating species in the target area, such as an abandoned mine or an irrigation pond contaminated by runoff.

- 10. Which of the sentences below best expresses the essential information in the highlighted sentence in the passage?
- oBefore considering phytoremediation, hyper accumulating species of plants local to the target area must be identified.

oThe investigation begins with an evaluation of toxic sites in the target area to determine the extent of contamination.

oThe first step in phytoremediation is the planting of hyper accumulating plants in the area to be cleaned up.

oMines and irrigation ponds can be kept from becoming contaminated by planting hyper accumulating species in targeted areas.

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例 25	

As a result of crustal adjustments and faulting, the Strait of Gibraltar, where the Mediterranean now connects to the Atlantic, opened, and water cascaded spectacularly back into the Mediterranean

10. Which of the sentences below best expresses the essential information in the highlighted sentence in the passage?

oThe strait of Gibraltar reopened when the Mediterranean and the Atlantic became connected and the cascades of water from one sea to the other caused crustal adjustments and faulting.

oThe Mediterranean was dramatically refilled by water from the Atlantic when crustal adjustments and faulting opened the Strait of Gibraltar, the place where the two seas are joined.

oThe cascades of water from the Atlantic to the Mediterranean were not as spectacular as the crustal adjustments and faulting that occurred when the Strait of Gibraltar was connected to those seas.

oAs a result of crustal adjustments and faulting and the creation of the Strait of Gibraltar, the Atlantic and Mediterranean were connected and became a single sea with spectacular cascades of water between them.

答案		

题型一: 句子简化题

- 例 1 答案 A
- 例 2 答案 B
- 例 3 答案 D
- 例 4 答案 B
- 例 5 答案 A
- 例 6 答案 C
- 例7答案B
- 例 8 答案 B
- 例 9 答案 C
- 例 10 答案 A
- 例 11 答案 C
- 例 12 答案 D
- 例 13 答案 A
- 例 14 答案 C
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- 例 17 答案 D
- 例 18 答案 D
- 例 19 答案 D
- 例 20 答案 C
- 例 21 答案 A
- 例 22 答案 C
- 例 23 答案 B
- 例 24 答案 C
- 例 25 答案 B

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句子简化题

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