



SAMPLE PROFICIENCY EXAM
ANSWER KEY (SESSION I & SESSION II)

1. **b.** Nevertheless
2. **a.** used to
3. **d.** feel
4. **d.** had better
5. **c.** conflict
6. **b.** less advanced than
7. **a.** so smoothly
8. **b.** whose
9. **c.** plenty of
10. **a.** appreciate
11. **d.** The rise in water temperatures until August is going to cause the strength of fish in Cheow Lan Lake to diminish.
12. **c.** The archeologists have stated that as no serious measures had been taken before, the number of illegal excavations increased.
13. **b.** The researchers are sure that the small fossils which were found in the meteorite come from a source other than our planet.
14. **d.** Universities will cancel all of the exchange agreements unless they reach an agreement by next week
15. **c.** The issue of the communication between the two hemispheres becomes clearer as scientists carry out more studies.
16. **d.** Even though the action of yawning is considered insignificant, it is shown to be equally important in lions' communication as roaring.
17. **a.** Although the researchers who had failed before discouraged Dr Aerith, she was determined to work on her project about plate tectonics.
18. **a.** Many academic journals have failed to notice the pioneering work of Dr Sobeck on Artificial Intelligence.
19. **d.** Aperture Laboratories were closed a decade ago because they did not follow the necessary safety regulations.
20. **d.** The technicians say that the data corruption could have been produced by the third-party hardware or the defective software.
21. **a.** they are creating wider habitats for living
22. **c.** The UK has been able to preserve most of all butterfly species.
23. **b.** have been documented very poorly
24. **d.** migrate
25. **a.** its options for finding a suitable habitat have decreased a lot
26. **c.** Using public transport more might be a good idea against global warming.
27. **a.** to explain why understanding the changes in one species' life is important
28. **d.** studied the Chinese dairy industry by looking at it from more than two aspects
29. **b.** Chinese farmers used to make milk products in the 12th century
30. **d.** influence people politically
31. **b.** Melamine was mistakenly
32. **c.** roots
33. **a.** the enzyme's
34. **c.** how the Chinese cope with lactose intolerance
35. **a.** Sadly, the region is also suffering from a big problem with plastic waste on its beaches
36. **c.** Lions will get bigger, and even at play, their huge size and strength can make them a threat
37. **d.** Last month, a robotics company called Boston Dynamics released a video that surprised everyone
38. **b.** In the bestseller one, she gives a clear description of her remarkable achievement
39. **c.** In the past, coffee was thought to bring about an increase in health risks
40. **a.** It was the most powerful storm of 2020 and was responsible for the serious destruction in the disaster area
41. **b.** Antarctica
42. **d.** There is no agreement between experts.
43. **a.** are larger than male peregrines
44. **d.** 6 or 7 years old
45. **d.** take a blood sample
46. **a.** time-consuming



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- 47. b.** maps have been made with digital methods for the last 70 years
- 48. a.** cave paintings might actually not be maps
- 49. d.** included other cities as well
- 50. b.** established certain principles for mapmaking
- 51. c.** started studying mapmaking around 700 AD
- 52. a.** helped mapmakers find their location on the planet
- 53. b.** satellite data can be used to follow changes in the earth's geography