



**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