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https://www.100test.com/kao_ti2020/642/2021_2022__E5_89_91_E 6_A1_A5_E9_9B_85_E6_c10_642927.htm 一直以来,雅思试题 背后的各种故事都是考生津津乐道的话题,对于多年浸淫考 试文化的数十万中国考生而言,任何有关试题的内幕都是绝 对不可放过的异宝奇珍,无不想观之而后快。这其中,剑桥 官方如何从无到有"变出"白纸黑字的雅思试题这一试卷开 发流程更像是一位蒙着神秘面纱的美女,分外迷人却难睹真 容。今天,笔者就带领大家走进这位"美女"雅思试卷开发 流程,揭开她身上的神秘面纱。首先来看一张图表。The IELTS Question Paper Production Process 这就是今天的主题: 雅思试卷开发流程。很清楚,从Commissioning of Material for Question Papers直至Live Test Release,该过程主要涉及9大基本 环节,而在Pre-editing and Editing of Material以及Pretest Review 两个阶段则各存在一次"检定"通过则继续,否则弃之或推 倒重来(Rejection or Revision of Material)。具体而言,雅思 考题从无到有这一步步走来经过了哪些波折?接下来朗阁海 外考试研究中心就为大家分别做一解读。 Commissioning of Material for Question Papers: 委托编选试题素材来源

: www.100test.com There are one or two commissions each year for each of our item writing teams. These feed material into the question paper production process. To reflect the international nature of IELTS, test material is written by trained groups of item writers in the United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand and the USA and is drawn from publications sourced anywhere in the world. Overall test

content is the responsibility of both externally commissioned language testing professionals the chairs for each of the Listening, Reading, Writing and Speaking sub-tests and of Cambridge ESOL staff. Item writers work from test specifications. These specifications detail the characteristics of the IELTS sub-tests, outline the requirements for commissions and guide writers in how to approach the item writing process including 0selecting appropriate material. developing suitable items and submitting material for pre-editing and editing. 解读:雅思考试每年有1到2次试题素材的委托编选, 材料的选择体现了雅思考试的国际性,既有来自英国、澳大 利亚、新西兰及美国的专业编写人员根据考试要求完成的文 章,也有从全球范围内遴选的出版物。负责人员既有对外委 托的语言测试专家(他们将担任听说读写四个分项测试开发 团队的负责人),也来自剑桥考试委员会自身。Pre-editing and Editing of Material: 试题编写 Pre-editing is the first stage of the editing process and takes place when commissioned materials are initially submitted in draft form by item writers. A meeting is held involving chairs and Cambridge ESOL staff to review the material. The purpose of pre-editing is to ensure that test material is appropriate in terms of: topic topicality level of language suitability for the task length focus of text style of writing focus of task level of task. At this stage, guidance is given to item writers on revising items and altering texts for resubmission. This is seen as an important element in item writer training and advice is also offered on any rejected texts and unsuitable item types. Following pre-editing feedback, material is completed and submitted for editing. Editing

takes place at meetings involving Cambridge ESOL staff and chairs. Item writers are encouraged to participate in editing meetings dealing with their material. This is seen as another important part of their ongoing training. At editing, texts and 0selected items are approved for pretesting or are sent back to a writer for further revision. Revised material is then re-edited at a subsequent meeting. 解读:雅思试题 编写实际分为预编写和正式编写两个步骤。听说读写每个单 项组负责人与剑桥工作人员之间首先将进行一次编辑会议, 就试题素材的题材、时效性、语言难度、长度、文体等9大方 面进行商讨,确定其是否适合用于试题编写;接下来,试题 编写团队得到指令,正式开始题目编写及素材改编,在此期 间编辑会议将不断进行。 Pretest Construction: 生成先期测试 题 Pretesting: 进行先期测试 IELTS pretests are very similar to the tests that will be used in live administrations. The tasks are in their final form including task rubrics (instructions) and examples. Listening pretests are professionally recorded to ensure that they are of acceptable quality. Listening and Reading pretests are administered to IELTS candidates at 0selected centres or to prospective candidates on IELTS preparation courses. The pretests are marked at Cambridge ESOL and statistically analysed. Writing and Speaking pretests are administered to representative samples of candidates to assess the appropriateness of this material for use in live tests, and to establish that the tasks are capable of eliciting an adequate sample of language to allow for the assessment of candidates against the scoring criteria. 解读:一旦编写工作初步 完成,先期测试题就将生成并进行现场测试以检验试题是否

达到标准。先期测试题和实际的考试用题非常相似,其中听 读两个部分会在选定的考点或正参加雅思备考课程的潜在考 生中进行,而说和写则通过代表性的考生样本群体来测试, 为试题效果分析提供数据。 Pretest Review: 先期测试评估 The Validation Unit at Cambridge ESOL collates and analyses the pretest material. Listening and Reading pretests All candidate responses are analysed to establish the technical measurement characteristics of the material, i.e. to find out how difficult the items are, and how they distinguish between stronger and weaker candidates. Both classical item statistics and latent trait models are used in order to evaluate the effectiveness of the material. Classical item statistics are used to identify the performance of a particular pretest in terms of the facility and discrimination of the items in relation to the sample that was used. Rasch analysis is used to locate items on the IELTS common scale of difficulty. In addition, the comments on the material by the staff at pretest centres and the immediate response of the pretest candidates are taken into account. At a pretest review meeting, the statistics, feedback from candidates and teachers and any additional information are reviewed and informed decisions are made on whether texts and items can be accepted for construction into potential live versions. Material is then stored in an item bank to await test construction. Writing and Speaking pretests Separate batches of Writing pretest scripts are marked by IELTS Principal Examiners and Assistant Principal Examiners. At least two reports on the task performance and its suitability for inclusion in live versions are produced. On the basis of these reports, tasks may be banked for

live use, amended and sent for further pretesting or rejected. Feedback on the trialling of the Speaking tasks is reviewed by experienced examiners, who deliver the trialling tasks, and members of the item writing team who are present at the trialling sessions. The subsequent reports are then assessed by the paper chair and Cambridge ESOL staff. 解读:在进行先期测试采集分析数据的 基础上, 剑桥考试委员会试题复核小组(Validation Unit)将 汇总各项测试数据进行分析。所有考生的回答都将进行分析 以确认试题的技术特征也即试题的难度及区分度而这将用到 一系列专业的数据分析统计方法和工具。通过验证的试题则 将被收入题库,用于将来正式的考试。 Banking of Material: 试 题入库 Cambridge ESOL has developed its own item banking software for managing the development of new live tests. Each section or task is banked with statistical information as well as comprehensive content description. This information is used to ensure that the tests that are constructed have the required content coverage and the appropriate level of difficulty. 解读:剑桥大学考 试委员拥有自己专门的题库软件用于管理新的试卷生成。每 个考试项目在题库中都备注有详细的内容说明及统计分析信 息,用以确保所生成的题目在涉及的内容和难度水平上符合 要求。 Standards Fixing Construction: 评分标准校正 Standards fixing ensures that there is a direct link between the standard of established and new versions before they are released for use at test centres around the world. Different versions of the test all report results on the same underlying scale, but band scores do not always correspond to the same percentage of items correct on every test

form. Before any test task is used to make important decisions, we must first establish how many correct answers on each Listening or Reading test equate to each of the nine IELTS bands. This ensures that band scores on each test indicate the same measure of ability. 解 读:新的现场考试题目生成并全球发布之前,评分标准校正 环节的存在确保了新的考试与已经进行过的考试之间在评分 标准上有着直接联系。由于每次不同的考试的结果都同样反 映在雅思考试的9分制评分体系上,评分标准校正环节确保了 每次考试虽然分数段对应的正确率不一定相同,但同样的总 分能够反映出同样的能力。 Live Test Construction and Grading: 生成现场测试 Live Test Release: 发布现场测试 At regular test construction meetings, Listening and Reading papers are constructed according to established principles. Factors taken into account are: the difficulty of complete test versions and the range of difficulty of individual items the balance of topic and genre the balance of gender and accent in the Listening versions the balance of item format (i.e. the relative number of multiple choice and other item-types across versions) the range of Listening/Reading skills tested. The item banking software allows the test constructor to model various test construction scenarios in order to determine which tasks should be combined to create tests that meet the requirements. Data are collected routinely from live administrations and analysed both to confirm the accuracy of the initial grading process and to support additional investigations into quality assurance issues. 解读:现场考试题目根据既定的原则,在定期 的试题生成会议上,雅思考试的题目根据难度、平衡度以及

广度等方面的5大原则最终被生成并发布,这其中题库软件根 据场景的要求可以帮助试题生成人员确定特定题目的组合。 对于广大考生而言,以上对于雅思考试官方试题开发流程的 解密意味着什么?笔者认为,意义有三。 Point of Interest One: 根据官方公布的试题开发流程我们可以发现,由于雅思考试 每年只进行1到2次新试题素材的委托编选,则意味着每年只 会有一次到两次的试题库更新的可能,而且还只是部分的。 这告诉我们雅思考试的试题的确是相对稳定的一个库,而对 于机经的学习和掌握可以让我们对于短则半年,长到一年的 范围内的考题有相对的熟悉,从而帮助考生备考,提高考试 成绩。 Point of Interest Two: 同时,由于试卷开发流程中明确 表明存在"评分标准校正"这一环节,目前国内考生中广为 流传的雅思考试难度变化、评分标准变化、特定时间考试比 其他考试时间更难/更易、某次考试特别难/易……等等说法 ,都属"庸人自扰"。事实上,由于这一校正环节的存在, 即便某次考试的确有着更高一点的难度,但评分标准确定的 结果则是可以以较低的正确率得到同样的最终分数,也就体 现出来对能力测试的一致性。所以, 朗阁海外考试研究中心 建议广大考生还是应该关心自己应该关注的事情,提高语言 能力,熟悉考试方法,而不是胡乱猜忌,平添烦恼。 Point of Interest Three: 我们还可以注意到,在雅思考试的试题开发的 过程中,筛选、编选合乎雅思要求,合乎A类G类题材、长度 难度、文体等等方面标准的内容才会被选择留下,再经由 严格的步骤最终完成一组试题的编写。所以朗阁海外考试研 究中心提醒广大考生,一定不要在雅思备考过程中盲目选择 应试材料,病急乱投医,这样做的后果很可能是你花了时间

付出了金钱却走了弯路。忠告大家,一定要选择有实力的专业的培训机构根据雅思考试官方要求编写的材料,正确备考。相关推荐:#0000ff>2010下半年雅思考试趋势以及应对政策100Test下载频道开通,各类考试题目直接下载。详细请访问www.100test.com