**Appendix 1**

Sample sentences for the cloze tests

1. When we walked along the seaside, we could see a full moon ***above*** the sea level.
2. Get your hands ***above*** your head! I will arrest you!
3. The castle is on the hill ***above*** the town, so we can enjoy a great view of the towns from the castle.
4. Taiwan is located ***above*** Philippines, so the weather in Taiwan is a little bit colder than Philippines.
5. I got an “A” grade in the test. This is ***above*** average.
6. Today it is quite warm for January. I guess it was ***above*** the average temperature.
7. Gold rose ***above*** $400 a gram. It was $396 a gram, now it is $401 a gram.
8. Do not live ***above*** your budget, or you would go bankrupt and your life would be collapsed.
9. I am a junior member of the company but I want to become a manager. Unfortunately, there are several people ***above*** me blocking my advancement.
10. I am not a child, I am an adult and I don’t do such things. I am ***above*** such childish behavior.
11. He is a manager while I am his assistant. So he is ***above*** me in rank.
12. Her lecture is ***above*** my comprehension. It’s too difficult to understand the content.
13. She put her hand ***on*** her head. She touched her hair.
14. She rode around the field ***on*** her horse.
15. He hung his jacket ***on*** a hook, took his shoes off and entered the house.
16. I have some money ***on*** me. I’ve got about $100 in my pocket.
17. I come from a small town ***on*** the Mississippi River.
18. I usually sleep ***on*** my back but last night my back was hurting so I slept on my front.
19. That student lives ***on*** burgers, French fries and Coca-Cola. It’s very unhealthy.
20. Something is ***on*** her mind. She looks very worried.
21. Mr. Edwards quit last month. He is no longer ***on*** the staff here.
22. I was a very good student. I always took notes ***on*** the lecture.
23. His eyes were ***on*** the stranger in the doorway. She was very beautiful and he couldn’t stop looking at her.
24. The heat last summer told ***on*** him. It made him feel very ill.
25. At the gate of the university there is a guard ***on*** duty from 8 am to 10 pm.
26. The train arrives every hour ***on*** the hour. The next train is at 10 am and the one after that is at 11 am and so on.
27. She spoke to Jim, the person from the house next door, ***over*** the fence. When she sees Jim in his garden she likes to chat with him.
28. I spilled milk ***over*** the floor so I got a mop and bucket and cleaned it up.
29. He often goes ***over*** the speed limit. He drives too fast.
30. My boss and I had an argument ***over*** money. I think I don’t get paid enough.
31. The two company bosses talked about their business plan ***over*** lunch.
32. It is no use discussing this any further ***over*** the phone. Let’s meet face to face.
33. She stayed with her grandparents ***over*** the summer.
34. You must not cross ***over*** the river even though it is shallow and you can easily see the bottom of the river. It’s dangerous.
35. Please look ***over*** my composition. I would like to know what you think about it.
36. It was a little cold today. He wore a jacket ***over*** his shirt.
37. Health should be given priority ***over*** all other considerations. Health is the most important thing in one’s life.
38. He talked to me ***over*** the table while we were drinking coffee together.
39. She rode around the field ***over*** her horse.
40. Can you tell me what 50 ***over*** 100 means? It’s a quite simple math question.

**Appendix 2**



**Appendix 3**

