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Caucasus International University

## English Test for MA Candidates

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**Task I: Read the text and questions below and choose the correct answer. (1 point per 1 correct answer)**

## **Liam Killeen**

Liam Killeen is a rising star in cross-country mountain biking. He has raced since he was 12 and had had both successes and disappointments in that time. His worst moment so far was during a recent World Championship. His front tyre started to lose air in the last part of the race and he finished fourth. This was not the first time he'd been unlucky. In a previous race, it was raining heavily and he crashed his bike just minutes after the start.

He often gets nervous before a race but thinks that this is a good thing. "Nervous energy makes you go faster and on the day, it's all about winning. The important thing is to stay positive".

Liam likes a hard race with steep climbs. "They make all the difference. You have to be really fit to get ahead." He also enjoys entering competitions at top levels as there are fewer riders in the race and this makes the start easier. "You can get into the front group more quickly".

Liam has been chosen to go to the Olympic Games and one day he would like to win a medal. "I'm quite young and expect to be riding until my mid-thirties so I've got enough time to achieve my dream. I know the Olympics are hard and I'll have to produce my best performance yet. But I feel confident."

Liam trains for 30 hours a week – always outside – and he reaches speeds of 65 kph. He thinks that cycling professionally is the best job in the world and would recommend it to anyone. His advice to people starting to race is, "Be prepared for some hard work. If the training was easy, it wouldn't make you faster."

- 1. What is the writer trying to do in the text?**
  - A. Encourage people to cycle as a hobby
  - B. Give details of Liam's cycling career
  - C. Compare cycling with other sports
  - D. Explain why Liam became a cyclist
  
- 2. What happened towards the end of one of Liam's races?**
  - A. He fell off his bike.
  - B. The weather got really bad.
  - C. He was involved in an accident.
  - D. There was a problem with his bike.

3. **Liam prefers a race that**
- A. Includes some hilly ground.
  - B. Has a lot of riders taking part.
  - C. Attracts less experienced riders.
  - D. Allows him to get ahead at the end.
4. **What does Liam say about the Olympics?**
- A. He thinks he will perform badly.
  - B. Most riders will be younger than him.
  - C. The race is longer than he is used to it.
  - D. He is looking forward to the challenge.
5. **Which of the following would Liam say about cycling?**
- A. I think everyone should start cycling. You don't need to train very hard to get good at the sport and it's great fun.
  - B. I often get nervous before a race and I think that makes me perform badly but I don't intend to give up.
  - C. I know it's not possible to win every race but I love cycling. I plan to continue the sport for a quite a few more years.
  - D. I have to cycle at least 4 hours a day. To get faster I'll have to do even more and I don't know if I have enough time for that.

**Task II: Read the text below and choose the correct word (A, B, C or D) for each space. (1 point for each correct answer)**

### **A lucky picnic**

When I was a child we used to go my grandmother's house. We often had a picnic in a wood which was (1).....of wild flowers. We always used to go to the (2)..... place. One day when we had finished our picnic, my mother noticed that she had (3)..... her ring, (4).....had her initials inside it.

We looked everywhere for it and we carried on until it was dark and we had to give (5)..... Thirty years later, I was on holiday with my own children and we

(6).....the same wood. We decided to have a picnic there. It was my son who made a lucky day. He was bored with the picnic (7).....he started digging a hole (8).....a tree. Suddenly, he (9).....up a ring. It had some writing inside it and we all (10).....it was my mother's ring. She was really happy when we gave it back to her!

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|-----------------|----------|---------------|---------------|
| 1. A busy       | B full   | C complete    | D crowded     |
| 2. A single     | B same   | C similar     | D alike       |
| 3. A lost       | B stolen | C disappeared | D missed      |
| 4. A where      | B whose  | C which       | D who         |
| 5. A back       | B away   | C out         | D up          |
| 6. A realized   | B came   | C found       | D met         |
| 7. A because    | B but    | C although    | D so          |
| 8. A on         | B under  | C between     | D at          |
| 9. A held       | B took   | C looked      | D came        |
| 10. A persuaded | B agreed | C promised    | D recommended |

**Task III: For each question, complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first. Use no more than three words: (1 point for each correct answer)**

- It was smaller than all the other phones in the shop.  
**It was.....phone in the shop.**
- Her friend has a similar one.  
**A friend of.....has a similar one.**
- There's silver cover on the phone.  
**Her phone.....a silver cover.**

4. She had a really old phone before.

**She.....to have a really old phone.**

5. She was given that phone by her mother.

**Her brother.....that phone.**

### Task IV: Circle the correct item: (1 point for each correct answer)

1. She's exhausted she's been on the ..... all day.

**A** travel

**B** go

**C** hold

2. Although I had no..... of going to bed late, I did because there was a great film on TV last night.

**A** purpose

**B** intention

**C** plan

3. If you always expect the best, then you're definitely a(n).....person.

**A** reliable

**B** ambitious

**C** optimistic

4. She .....to have apologised for her behaviour.

**A** ought

**B** could

**C** might

5. If you have stomach ache, then you may have.....

**A** hay fever

**B** indigestion

**C** insomnia

6. I prefer playing football..... playing squash.

**A** than

**B** from

**C** to

7. You have some free time..... you?

**A** don't

**B** haven't

**C** do

8. He had a nasty black .....on his leg after he fell off the ladder.

**A** ache                      **B** bruise                      **C** pain

9..... you like me to help you with your homework?

**A** Could                      **B** May                      **C** Would

10. I do not trust people who go back on their..... .

**A** word                      **B** promise                      **C** talk

11. I am a better cook than Tom .....I?

**A** am                      **B** aren't                      **C** am not

12. I've got a terrible headache, and it won't go away.

Have you tried..... some aspirin?

**A** to take                      **B** take                      **C** took                      **D** taking

13. Boxing is a sport..... requires a lot of speed and fitness.

**A** it                      **B** that                      **C** what                      **D** where

14. Jon..... working on this project for a couple of months so he hasn't made much progress yet.

**A** is only                      **B** has only been                      **C** was only                      **D** had only been

15. I was wondering..... I could ask you some questions.

Sure, go ahead.

**A** what                      **B** if                      **C** that                      **D** how

16. What clothes should I pack for a trip to Boston?

Well, it depends..... the time of year that you go.

**A** on                      **B** with                      **C** up                      **D** to

17. I've finished this salad and I'm still hungry. I .....ordered something more filling.  
A must have    B would have    C should have    D may have
18. Do you ever ask your neighbours to do favours..... you?  
A for    B to    C with    D about
19. Some married couples seem to get more..... over time.  
A alike    B same    C like    D equal
20. I don't know how much this card costs. The price label's..... off.  
A gone    B taken    C done    D come
21. Ben got the job because he..... a very good impression at his interview.  
A made    B did    C put    D took
22. It was a good deal because breakfast was ..... in the price.  
A included    B self-contained    C booked
23. There is..... to do and see here.  
A many    B plenty    C too much
24. I'm..... about the times the buses leave.  
A familiar    B sure    C known
25. The area has got many..... beaches.  
A unspoilt    B narrow    C rocky
26. There was a power..... last night.  
A trouble    B break    C cut
27. The cloudy skies will have cleared ..... this afternoon.

**A** by                      **B** since                      **C** after

28. There was an..... list of people for the hiking trip.

**A** extended                      **B** extensive                      **C** exaggerated

29. Do ..... your coat before going out. It's very cold.

**A** on                      **B** up with                      **C** up

30. Leave a phone number so that we can get in .....with you in an emergency.

**A** open                      **B** touch                      **C** view

31. Do you know when he..... back?

**A** will be                      **B** has been                      **C** is

32. Would you like ..... to drink?

**A** anything                      **B** something                      **C** nothing

33. Don't forget to buy a ..... of toothpaste.

**A** packet                      **B** jar                      **C** tube

34. She refrained ..... commenting on his bad behaviour.

**A** to                      **B** for                      **C** from

35. He can do that in no time. It will be a piece of .....for him.

**A** bread                      **B** toast                      **C** cake

36. She's very fit. She works ..... daily.

**A** out                      **B** on                      **C** over

37. My new furniture ..... being delivered today.



**A is**                      **B are**                      **C will**

38. The bread was ....., so he complained to the waiter.

**A tough**                      **B stale**                      **C bitter**

39. Would you like your steak well done or .....

**A rare**                      **B still**                      **C scrambled**

40. If I ..... more time, I would go jogging every morning.

**A have**                      **B have had**                      **C had**

41. I wish she ..... to book tickets for the performance. It was a great show.

**A hadn't forgotten**    **B didn't forget**                      **C wouldn't forget**

42. The two..... demanded a ransom of 150,000 in order to release the businessman.

**A burglars**                      **B kidnappers**                      **C muggers**

43. Don't forget to..... the blender in before turning it on, otherwise it won't work.

**A switch**                      **B put**                      **C plug**

44. The boy..... was speaking to your daughter is the captain of the football team.

**A who**                      **B which**                      **C whose**

45. Isn't the soup delicious? It was made.....mushrooms and onions.

**A by**                      **B from**                      **C with**

46. Professor Marcus is married ..... a well-known actress.

**A to**                      **B with**                      **C at**

47. We ..... to complete our reports before lunchtime.

**A** had made

**B** were made

**C** must be made

48. . When travelling by aeroplane, keep in..... that your luggage shouldn't be more than 20 kilos.

**A** thought

**B** mind

**C** reason

49. I haven't..... to attend the meeting. Have you?

**A** being asked

**B** be asked

**C** been asked

50. He's got two brothers, one of..... lives in the USA.

**A** whom

**B** which

**C** whose

51. If you are caught.....on an exam, you will not receive a grade.

**A** deceiving

**B** forging

**C** cheating

52. Dan was ..... by the news of the stock market crash.

**A** excited

**B** shocked

**C** nervous

53. Susan and Moira have ..... taste in clothes.

**A** strong

**B** interested

**C** similar

54. She has been playing tennis ..... she was four years old.

**A** before

**B** since

**C** after

55. I ..... waiting for you for two hours!

A have been            B has been            C had been

56. Jim is tall with ..... hair, a broad nose and glasses.

A crooked            B spiky            C pointed

57. Billy ..... with musicians every day.

A is practised            B practises            C is practicing

58. My mother's brother's daughter is my .....

A niece            B aunt            C cousin

59. Nothing bothers her. She's very.....

A easy-going            B impatient            C nervous

60. Tolkien is ..... as the author of 'The Hobbit'.

A knowing            B known            C knowed

61. Dr Dawson is a very ..... person in our town.

A influential            B known            C visible

62. Kevin is probably the most ..... person I've ever met. He is always in such a good mood.

A aggressive            B cheerful            C anxious

63. Stop being so anxious and worried ..... everything.

A of            B for            C about

64. We usually take the children to the park ..... a week.

A twice                      B often                      C sometimes

65. She's ..... sailed in a yacht.

A never                      B only                      C lately

66. This shirt .....very soft. What's it made of?

A is feeling                      B has felt                      C feels

67. Large country houses really .....to me. I find them very practical.

A appeal                      B are appealing                      C have appealed

68. Neil.....to the bank, but he won't be long.

A has gone                      B has been                      C has been going

69. Go along Kensington Street and then .....left at the stop sign.

A pass                      B cross                      C turn

70. The owners have decided to ..... the old castle into a guesthouse.

A change                      B redecorate                      C convert

### Task V: Writing comprehension (Max- 10 points)

**Some people think that poverty is the reason behind most crimes.  
Do you agree or disagree? (Write 130-150words)**



