

PhD Entrance Test in English Language

Name:

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1. The car appears ..... down.  
A breaking            **B** to have broken    C it broke            D it breaks
2. I checked the timetable so I ..... be wrong about the departure time.  
A needn't            B mustn't            C don't have to    **D** can't
3. I wouldn't put my money there if I ..... think it was safe.  
A won't            B wouldn't            **C** didn't            D would
4. I had run out of money but luckily I was able to ..... enough to get home.  
**A** borrow            B lend            C loan            D rent
5. We started early ..... to miss the worst of the traffic.  
A so that            B in so far            **C** in order            D as long as
6. Paul has just returned from Germany. When ..... ?  
**A** did he leave    B has he left            C did he left            D had he leave
7. I wonder if you can remember ..... the green coat is.  
A who's            B whom            C who            **D** whose
8. The police are looking ..... a case of shoplifting.  
A after            **B** into            C through            D up
9. We were introduced to draw a .....  
A half-circle            B mid-circle            **C** semi-circle            D mid-crescent
10. The headmaster asked me if I ..... the thief climbing up the window.  
A had been seeing    **B** had seen            C was seeing            D have seen
11. Who ..... home before it started to rain?  
A did go            B has gone            C was gone            **D** went
12. Tropical forests are being destroyed ..... the demand for hardwood for furniture.  
A except for            B apart from            C on behalf of            **D** owing to
13. The staff are always making mistakes because they are .....  
A disefficient            B misefficient            **C** inefficient            D unefficient

14. Go straight up and then the second ..... on the left.  
**A** turning                      B corner                      C bend                      D junction
15. However difficult a problem is, ..... always a way to get round it.  
 A is there                      B is                      **C** there is                      D it is
16. What will the car industry do when roads become so ..... ?  
**A** congested                      B traffic jams                      C difficult                      D driven
17. Our teacher encouraged us ..... this examination.  
 A taking                      **B** to take                      C we took                      D to have taken
18. He is intelligent ..... common sense.  
 A wants                      B fails                      **C** lacks                      D misses
19. .... the noise outside, Jane went to the window to see what was going on.  
 A With hearing                      **B** On hearing                      C Having hearing                      D Heard
20. She was used ..... the business.  
**A** to running                      B to run                      C running                      D be running
21. The hotel ..... on the edge of a lake.  
 A built                      B was building                      **C** has been built                      D has been build
22. Charlie ..... a good performance.  
 A had                      **B** gave                      C was having                      D gave us
23. If you keep trying you might ..... to do it.  
 A succeed                      **B** manage                      C maintain                      D discover
24. What is she doing? ..... her homework.  
 A She finished                      B She had finished                      C Finishes                      **D** Finishing
25. .... the weather forecast it will rain heavily later this morning.  
 A On account of                      B Because of                      **C** According to                      D Due to

## You Must Remember This ...

Sometimes you might feel that if you had a perfect memory, all your problems with learning would be (0) .... You would be able to (1) .... through exams without much revision. You would never again (2) .... the embarrassment of forgetting someone's name. But imagine, for a moment, not forgetting anything – not even last year's shopping (3) .... You would be (4) .... with information.

With hard work you can recall the parts of a verb or the layout of a town as you need them, so that you can learn a foreign language or (5) .... a taxi driver's licence. But the memory (6) .... called for by some professions are only one of the roles memory plays in our lives. Memory covers a (7) .... range of actions and needs. What we (8) .... about the brain is far from complete, so philosophers and scientists find it difficult to be (9) .... about the nature of memory. Remembering and forgetting can be understood in many different (10) .... but broadly, three distinct classes of memory have been established: Personal, cognitive and habit memory.

Personal memories are those acts of remembering which (11) .... specifically to each person's life history. If you say, "I remember the first time I travelled by train", you will probably have an image in your mind of the (12) .... and be able to describe things in it. Cognitive memory helps us learn, for example, stories, a speech or a (13) .... of music. Habit memory (14) .... those abilities needed to perform actions such as typing or driving. All these actions must be learned but once they have been, you will rarely remember anything (15) .... as you perform them.

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|----|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------------|
| 0  | A answered        | <b>B</b> solved | C improved     | D removed            |
| 1  | <b>A</b> sail     | B walk          | C run          | D float              |
| 2  | A encounter       | <b>B</b> face   | C realise      | D accept             |
| 3  | A receipts        | B notes         | <b>C</b> lists | D bills              |
| 4  | A overweight      | B stuffed       | C burned       | <b>D</b> overloaded  |
| 5  | A win             | <b>B</b> gain   | C earn         | D award              |
| 6  | A concepts        | B choices       | <b>C</b> feats | D methods            |
| 7  | <b>A</b> wide     | B large         | C long         | D big                |
| 8  | A study           | B learn         | C discover     | <b>D</b> know        |
| 9  | <b>A</b> precise  | B explanatory   | C correct      | D aware              |
| 10 | <b>A</b> ways     | B concepts      | C forms        | D types              |
| 11 | A connect         | B appear        | C have         | <b>D</b> refer       |
| 12 | <b>A</b> occasion | B happening     | C process      | D thought            |
| 13 | <b>A</b> piece    | B tune          | C sound        | D instrument         |
| 14 | A means           | <b>B</b> covers | C enables      | D directs            |
| 15 | A totally         | B hardly        | C knowingly    | <b>D</b> consciously |