

## 國立中正大學九十四學年度碩士班招生考試試題

共同科目：英文

### A. Vocabulary (30%)

Choose the **ONE** that is closest in meaning to the underlined word.

- This sounds tedious if you haven't done it, but actually it is fun.  
(A) boring (B) interesting (C) dangerous (D) satisfying
- Many of the lethal substances polluting the air are invisible and odorless.  
(A) helpful (B) hidden (C) deadly (D) tiny
- Over the same time period, minorities have made substantial progress in catching up with whites.  
(A) little (B) considerable (C) reasonable (D) slow
- The race problem has tended to obscure other issues which may fundamentally be more divisive.  
(A) cloud (B) raise (C) distort (D) include
- They looked poised to become the dominant force in English soccer, but the reality is a great deal different.  
(A) set (B) afraid (C) quiet (D) nervous
- The whole apparatus would come to a standstill without his or her individual contribution.  
(A) mind (B) understanding (C) conclusion (D) halt
- Panic will aggravate the problem, making breathing more difficult.  
(A) worsen (B) improve (C) solve (D) raise
- The majority have seen living standards plummet as prices have far outpaced wage increases.  
(A) improve (B) drop (C) sustain (D) rise
- Gaining knowledge and experience of living and working in a country is invaluable.  
(A) useful (B) useless (C) necessary (D) worthless
- Most of the orangutans have been confiscated from illegal wildlife traders.  
(A) sized (B) bought (C) sent (D) stolen
- We hope to tackle the environmental problems facing our society.  
(A) deal with (B) take account of (C) deal in (D) take advantage of
- He was in agony because he had broken his leg.  
(A) anger (B) coma (C) disbelief (D) pain
- You need to curb your impatience and remember that success is a matter of hanging on after others have let go.

- (A) further            (B) show            (C) control            (D) arouse
14. He unwittingly revealed the basic philosophy of the nutrition program in operation at this school.  
(A) unnecessarily (B) at once            (C) unintentionally (D) on purpose
15. He managed to procure a ticket for the concert.  
(A) steal            (B) obtain            (C) return            (D) give away

**B. Sentence Completion (30%)**

Choose the **ONE** that best completes each of the following sentences.

16. Trying to pump up children's IQs in artificial ways may lead to increased stress\_\_ the kids.  
(A) at            (B) with            (C) on            (D) in
17. The orange apes were on the verge of a grisly distinction, \_\_\_\_\_danger of becoming the first ape to disappear form the wild.  
(A)have            (B) had            (C) in            (D) with
18. A sure way to really change body shape is \_\_\_\_\_exercise.  
(A) through            (B) at            (C) if            (D) in
19. \_\_\_\_\_ the perils, however, the sport can be relaxing.  
(A) For            (B) Despite            (C) Even thought (D) As
20. Students at the prestigious universities sacrifice their youth \_\_\_\_\_ a successful adulthood.  
(A) for the sake of (B) full of            (C) in terms of            (D) through
21. College is stressful enough without \_\_\_\_\_ to worry about whether you have the right shoes or book bag.  
(A) has            (B) hasing            (C) having            (D) have
22. You may be late \_\_\_\_\_ your 8 a.m. lecture, but your feet will make a styling entrance.  
(A) with            (B) for            (C)of            (D) in
23. Those \_\_\_\_\_ with the laurel at Olympia were treated as demigods forever after.  
(A) crowned            (B) crowning            (C) crown            (D) had crowned
24. The push reflects a shift in \_\_\_\_\_ the public regards its artistic institutions.  
(A) why            (B) how            (C) what            (D) when
25. The Neues Museum is being rebuilt to \_\_\_\_\_ Egyptian and prehistoric works.  
(A) house            (B) have house            (C) a house            (D) houses
26. My brain was helping science explain why actual human beings refuse to behave \_\_\_\_\_ equations say they should.  
(A) so            (B) how            (C) as            (D) that

27. People don't save enough for their retirements because of a phenomenon known as forward discounting: they value money more in the here and now than 20years \_\_\_\_\_ the road.  
 (A) on (B) of (C) down (D) up
28. The private media have at times gone too far with their criticism of the government, damaging their credibility and \_\_\_\_\_ of the opposition.  
 (A) those (B) that (C) ones (D) one
29. an industrial park has risen on one side of the airport road; modern apartment blocks stand on \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (A) one (B)others (C) the others (D) the other
30. Journalists' memoirs tend to fall \_\_\_\_\_two categories—those with a story to tell, or those with a score to settle.  
 (A) at (B) into (C) down (D) on

**C. Reading Comprehension (20%)**

You will read several passages. Each one is followed by several questions about it.

You are to choose the **ONE** best answer to each question.

**Questions 31-32**

Like all the world's great cities, Kuala Lumpur is a sports town, captivated by the competitive pleasures of test-your-mettle games as well as spectator sports. KL has had to invent its sports scene almost from scratch — and has done so brilliantly, putting its own stamp on games like golf and becoming an international contender in football and cricket. KL and its environs also boast a rich array of natural wonders, so that active travelers can indulge in a host of pursuits, from cycling to trekking.

31. What does 'from scratch' on line 3 of this passage mean?  
 (A) from nothing (B) from a firm foundation  
 (C) from football (D) from cricket
32. Among the activities visitors to Kuala Lumpur can do, which of the following is NOT mentioned in this passage?  
 (A) riding a bicycle (B) taking a long walk  
 (C) collecting stamps (D) watching sports

**Questions 33-35**

The excessive demand for university seats has proved to be an important factor in promoting e-learning as a viable alternative to 'brick and mortar' tertiary institutions but it is not just market dynamics at work. Long considered inferior to the centuries'

old tradition of on-campus learning, on-line learning has much more to offer now than it did in the ‘bad old days’ around the time of the ‘dot com’ boom. Learning management systems have advanced quite dramatically, course content is media-rich taking full advantage of the rapidly increasing access to broadband, and the establishment of reputable tertiary institutions in the e-learning sphere has brought confidence and stability to a maturing industry.

33. What does ‘the excessive demand for university seats’ mean?
- (A) There are too many seats at a university.  
(B) Too many people would like to go to university.  
(C) The university is a demanding place.  
(D) Tuition fees are high.
34. What does ‘maturing industry’ on line 8 of this passage refer to?
- (A) a learning management system      (B) a tertiary institution  
(C) broadband      (D) on-line learning
35. What does this passage primarily discuss?
- (A) the tradition of on-campus learning      (B) what we can do to enter a university  
(C) the market of e-learning      (D) why e-learning is getting more popular

#### Question 36-40

Like most women, Helen Bruce, 44, wife, mother and manager at a London-based computer company, was well acquainted with the emotional chambers in her heart. Joy, sadness, love. But Bruce never thought much about her heart as a muscular pump; the size of a fist, weighing less than a can of soda, beating 100,000 times a day. And she certainly didn’t think it was vulnerable to disease. Neither did her doctor. When she went to him complaining of stomach cramps last May, he told her it was indigestion. When the cramps didn’t go away, the diagnosis changed to gallstones. But while Bruce was waiting for her nonpriority gallstones appointment — weeks away — the pains got so bad that she was rushed to the hospital by ambulance. The diagnosis: heart attack. “I didn’t think the doctor was talking to me,” she says, “I was thinking, ‘Women my age can’t have heart problems’.”

That’s a misconception many women share. According to the World Heart Federation, heart disease is the NO.1 cause of mortality among women worldwide, according for more than one third of all female deaths — about 8 million each year.

36. Which statement about Helen Bruce is true?
- (A) She died of a heart attack.      (B) She had a heart attack.  
(C) She had indigestion.      (D) She had gallstones

37. Which statement about the heart is true?  
(A) It is as big as a fist (B) It is heavier than a can of soda.  
(C) It only causes problems for men. (D) It can never get sick.
38. What does “neither did her doctor” on line 5 of this passage mean?  
(A) Her doctor did not have the heart disease, either.  
(B) Her doctor did not know the answer, either.  
(C) Her doctor did not think that her heart might get sick, either.  
(D) Her doctor did not cure her illness, either.
39. What does the misconception on line 11 of this passage refer to?  
(A) Young women cannot have heart problem.  
(B) Most women know a lot about their hearts.  
(C) Most women are well acquainted with the emotional chambers in their hearts.  
(D) Heart problems will cause gallstones.
40. How many women die a year?  
(A) about 1 million (B) about 3 million  
(C) about 8 million (D) about 24 million

#### **D. English Writing**

Write a short composition in which you discuss the job you would love to have.