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Hello and welcome to the Concours Pass Test of English. This test has been designed especially and exclusively for students participating in Concours Pass.

During this test you will have a series of exercises to help determine your proficiency in spoken and written English. For the entire test please remember that you are asked to choose just one answer for each question according to what you have heard or read. Then you should mark that answer clearly on your answer sheet by filling in the corresponding space. The sample question has been done for you to use as an example.

On behalf of everyone at Concours Pass, thank you for your interest and participation, and good luck to you all.

PART 1 – SHORT DIALOGUES

Directions

In Part 1 you will hear short dialogues between two people. Each dialogue is followed by one question. Neither the dialogues nor the questions will be repeated. In your test book you will read the question heard on the CD and four answers to that question.

Now listen to a sample question:

Man: Well, I just don't know what to do for my next vacation!
Woman: Why don't you come with us to Morocco?
Man: Unfortunately, hot weather really isn't my cup of tea.
Narrator: What does the man mean?

In your test book you read:

What does the man mean?
A) He has never been to a hot country.
B) He would love to go.
C) He does not like hot weather.
D) He takes his tea hot.

The best answer to the question "What does the man mean?" is choice C, "He does not like hot weather." Therefore, you should choose answer C.

Now begins PART 1.

1. What does the woman mean?
A) The man can ask her for help.
B) She was unaware of the problem.
C) The man will have time to work on his project today.
D) The man must work on the project today.

2. What does the man imply?
A) She can still get a ticket.
B) She should have bought her ticket earlier.
C) He already has his ticket.
D) He doesn't like the band.

3. What will the woman probably do?
A) Accompany the man to the bus stop.
B) Show the man the bus timetable.
C) Point out the bus stop to the man.
D) None of the above.

4. What does the woman mean?
A) She doesn't understand the man.
B) She thinks the admissions management is poor.
C) She's busy at 4pm.
D) She'll need to check her schedule.

5. What can be inferred about the woman?
A) She is afraid of horror films.
B) She is busy when the film is showing.
C) She has seen the film.
D) She loves horror films.

6. What does the man mean?
A) The woman should fly to Los Angeles.
B) The woman should get her motorcycle checked.
C) The woman should look into buying a new motorcycle.
D) The woman should cancel her trip to Los Angeles.

7. What had the woman assumed?
A) Kim was rushing.
B) The man was preparing the slides.
C) Kim didn't like giving presentations.
D) The presentation was later in the day.

8. What will the man probably do?
A) Go to the food store.
B) Give the woman his wallet.
C) Give the woman money.
D) Receive money from the woman.

9. What does the woman imply?
A) It was obvious the flight would be full.
B) She is going to Milan as well.
C) There is another flight later in the day.
D) The flight for Milan is arriving soon.
10. What does the man suggest the woman do?
A) Take the opportunity to act in the play.
B) Make a back-up plan.
C) Decide later about the play.
D) Decide not to participate in the play.
11. What does the man mean?
A) He doesn't want to meet the manager.
B) He needs advice from the manager.
C) He can meet the manager tomorrow.
D) He is busy tomorrow.
12. Where is this conversation probably taking place?
A) On a boat.
B) In a car.
C) In a restaurant.
D) In a train.
13. What does the woman imply?
A) It is a good idea despite the weather.
B) She will be going.
C) It is too far away.
D) The man should go.
14. What does the woman suggest the man do?
A) Arrange for a medical checkup.
B) Appoint a new doctor.
C) Make a point of the advantages.
D) Refuse to pay for the medical checkup.
15. What does the man mean?
A) She paid her teacher a lot of money.
B) She will earn more money now.
C) She should learn another instrument.
D) She has succeeded because of her hard work.
16. What is the woman's problem?
A) She is sick.
B) She has poor eyesight.
C) She is tired.
D) She can't fall asleep.

17. What does the man imply?
A) She should count the spaces before going.
B) He doesn't think there will be space.
C) He hopes to get into halls.
D) He isn't going to university this year.
18. What does the woman mean?
A) She didn't have enough time.
B) The meeting wasn't necessary.
C) The time of the meeting didn't suit her.
D) She had changed her mind about the meeting.
19. Where is this conversation probably taking place?
A) In a creche.
B) In a cinema.
C) In a supermarket.
D) In a restaurant.
20. What are these people discussing?
A) A sports facility.
B) A clothing department.
C) A software application.
D) A cinema.

PART 2 – SHORT TALKS

Directions

In Part 2 you will hear three short talks. Each talk is followed by three questions. The talks are about a number of different subjects and will not be repeated. In your test book you will read the questions and four proposed answers to each question. The question numbers will be said by the narrator in order to indicate how much time you have.

Questions 21 through 23 refer to the following announcement.

21. Where would this announcement most likely be heard?
A) In a regional airport.
B) In an international airport.
C) In an aerodrome.
D) In a domestic airport.
22. What is the main purpose of the announcement?
A) To inform passengers how to check-in.
B) To remind passengers about baggage restrictions.
C) To remind passengers about security measures.
D) To inform travelers about a technical problem.

23. What should you do if you need to check-in for a domestic flight leaving within the next 2 hours?
- A) Go to the blue zone.
 - B) Go to the green zone.
 - C) Go to the red zone.
 - D) Wait for a further announcement.

Questions 24 through 26 refer to the following message.

24. Who is most likely listening to the message?
- A) A colleague.
 - B) A Personal Assistant.
 - C) A boss.
 - D) A client.
25. When can the speaker meet with Sam Jones?
- A) On Friday.
 - B) This afternoon.
 - C) Before noon today.
 - D) Next week.
26. What does the speaker ask the listener to do?
- A) Tell Crispin to contact him.
 - B) Contact Smithson and Rawlings.
 - C) Change the architect.
 - D) Phone him back before 4pm.

Questions 27 through 29 refer to the following announcement.

27. Where is this announcement being made?
- A) At a hotel.
 - B) At a Biomedical Institute.
 - C) At a conference.
 - D) At a university.
28. What do the delegates need to do in the next 30 minutes?
- A) Sign in.
 - B) Sort out some details.
 - C) Allocate a room.
 - D) Find their seat in the restaurant.
29. What should the driver of the Lexus do?
- A) Move the car.
 - B) Sign in.
 - C) Contact reception.
 - D) Put the car in the car park.

PART 3 – COMPLETE THE SENTENCE**Directions**

In Part 3 there are 25 incomplete sentences, each with four words or phrases given beneath. You are to choose the one word or phrase that best completes the sentence. You may now begin.

30. I don't have _____ details about the trip.

- A) no
- B) none
- C) some
- D) any

31. The fire caused a lot of _____ to the premises.

- A) damage
- B) harm
- C) injury
- D) wound

32. If they had won, they _____ us.

- A) phoned
- B) would have phoned
- C) would phone
- D) will phone

33. The factory is regularly _____.

- A) controlled
- B) inspected
- C) analysed
- D) studied

34. How much of the report _____ so far this morning?

- A) have you written
- B) have you been writing
- C) you wrote
- D) were you writing

35. The bank has agreed to _____ me the money for the flat.

- A) borrow
- B) sell
- C) lend
- D) rent

36. This portrait must be _____ a lot of money.

- A) value
- B) figure
- C) price
- D) worth

37. She advised _____ the software to the latest version.
A) to upgrade
B) to upgrading
C) to be upgrading
D) upgrading
38. We've decided to _____ the meeting.
A) call off
B) call up
C) call round
D) call out
39. Will you sign the contract today if _____ on £5000?
A) will agree
B) would agree
C) agree
D) are agreeing
40. He's been working here a long time, _____?
A) does he
B) isn't he
C) doesn't he
D) hasn't he
41. The current _____ situation is forcing us to close several branch offices.
A) economic
B) economical
C) economics
D) economise
42. The appointment is _____ Thursday.
A) at
B) in
C) during
D) on
43. The drugs _____ in our Brazilian laboratory.
A) tested
B) test
C) were tested
D) are testing
44. If you spent less money on clothes, you _____ more for next summer's trip to Spain.
A) save
B) saved
C) will save
D) could save

45. Can you tell me when to _____ the bus for the Natural History Museum?
A) get off
B) get down
C) get round
D) get at
46. We're too late. There aren't _____ spaces left.
A) much
B) some
C) any
D) few
47. Look at those black clouds! It _____.
A) will rain
B) shall rain
C) is going to rain
D) rains
48. Lynne's exam results were a _____.
A) deception.
B) disappointment.
C) deceived.
D) deprivation.
49. It's the worst film _____.
A) I've never seen
B) I ever seen
C) I've ever seen
D) I never saw
50. We need to _____ standards throughout the factory.
A) raise
B) rose
C) risen
D) rise
51. He has been trying to find his phone _____ three days now.
A) since
B) for
C) during
D) while
52. How did your _____ to Istanbul go?
A) trip
B) travel
C) voyage
D) travelling

53. When I lived in Oslo, I _____ at home nearly all the time.
A) am used to eating
B) used to eating
C) am used to eat
D) used to eat
54. The German market has seen solid growth _____ the Italian market is in relative decline.
A) despite
B) whereas
C) nevertheless
D) therefore

PART 4 – WRITING

Directions

Read the following essay questions carefully and respond to **ONE** question on page 2 of your answer sheet in 180 to 200 words. You may make notes in the space provided for you below, but **only what is written on page 2 of your answer sheet will be scored** (25 points)

Essay Question One:

Studies have shown that close to 180,000 people move into cities daily, adding about 60 million new urban inhabitants each year. Discuss the causes and consequences of this phenomenon. Use specific reasons and examples to develop your essay.

or:

Essay Question Two:

Advances in technology and improvements in nutrition have produced remarkable physiological changes in the human body over a relatively short period. Humans are becoming taller, bigger and longer-living. Do you agree or disagree that this will always represent progress? Are there any limits? Use specific reasons and examples to support your answer.

PART 5 – TELEPHONE CALLS

Directions

In Part 5 you will hear conversations between two people. Each conversation will be heard only once and will be followed by several questions. In your test book you will read the questions and the four proposed answers to each question. The question numbers will be said by the narrator in order to indicate how much time you have.

Questions 55 through 57 refer to the following telephone call.

55. What does the man want to do?
A) Book the hotel for a celebration party.
B) Book a room in the hotel.
C) Book 12 rooms in the hotel.
D) Book a table in the restaurant.
56. What does Ben's Basket provide?
A) Meals until 11pm.
B) Drinks at all times.
C) Light meals and beverages until 11pm.
D) Snacks and drinks at all times.
57. Can the hotel satisfy the man's requirements?
A) Entirely.
B) Not at all.
C) Yes, excepting the sports facilities.
D) Yes, excepting the restaurant facilities.

Questions 58 through 60 refer to the following telephone call.

58. What is the relationship between the speakers?
A) Supplier-customer.
B) Manager-Assistant.
C) Company-client.
D) Colleague-colleague.
59. What is the aim of the phone call?
A) To update Mr. Shearing's schedule.
B) To complain about the changes.
C) To send a proposition.
D) To talk about on-going projects.
60. What will the woman probably do after the phone call?
A) Call Miss Reading.
B) Call Stephen.
C) Call the Estate Agents.
D) Make a conference call.
61. Why does the woman call the man?
A) To resolve a local conflict about waste collection.
B) To ask to have the bins removed.
C) To register her address for waste collection.
D) To ask how to dispose of her waste.
62. Where most probably is the man?
A) At the Waste Management Centre.
B) At the Town Hall.
C) In the Winscon district.
D) In the Rudlands district.

63. When is household waste collected?

- A) Every Tuesday.
- B) Every Monday.
- C) Every Monday and Friday.
- D) Every Monday and Wednesday.

PART 6 – CONCOURS PASS RADIO

Directions

In Part 6 you will listen to three shows on a popular radio station, CPR, otherwise known as Concours Pass Radio. Each show will be heard only once and will be followed by several questions. In your test book you will read the questions and four proposed answers to each question. The question numbers will be said by the narrator in order to indicate how much time you have.

Questions 64 through 67 refer to the following show.

64. What is this show mainly about?

- A) The price of organic food.
- B) The financial crisis.
- C) The organic food business.
- D) Rich consumers.

65. According to the woman, what will the market for organic food be in 2013?

- A) \$16 billion.
- B) \$16 million.
- C) \$60 billion.
- D) \$60 million.

66. Which is the biggest organic food market?

- A) United States.
- B) Europe.
- C) Latin America.
- D) None of the above.

67. What is said about the price of organic food?

- A) It is about right.
- B) It is 15% above the market price.
- C) It is 50% above the market price.
- D) It is preventing the widespread adoption of organic food by consumers.

68. What is this show mainly about?

- A) Effects of a recent company policy.
- B) Smartphones.
- C) Working hours.
- D) Popular politics.

69. What areas affected by BYOD are not mentioned?

- A) Security.
- B) Salary.
- C) Privacy.
- D) Working hours.

70. What are workers happy to have in exchange for extra work?

- A) A pay rise.
- B) Increased holiday time.
- C) Flexibility in working time.
- D) Their own device.

71. What percentage of workers had no password?

- A) 50 per cent.
- B) 70 per cent.
- C) 17 per cent.
- D) 15 per cent.

Questions 68 through 71 refer to the following show.

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Questions 72 through 75 refer to the following show.

72. What is this show mainly about?

- A) Solar power.
- B) The Australian economy.
- C) The climate commission.
- D) Renewable energy use in Australia.

73. What does the woman say about Queensland?
- A) It is particular.
 - B) It installed 754,000 solar panels.
 - C) It is leading in terms of solar energy.
 - D) It is lagging in terms of potential.
74. How much renewable energy is used in Australia?
- A) 10% of the total.
 - B) Double that of 2 years ago.
 - C) 754 Megawatts.
 - D) 75% of the total.
75. What is said about the cost of solar panels?
- A) It's 75 cents per square metre.
 - B) It's four cents per square metre.
 - C) It's 75% less than 4 years ago.
 - D) It's greater than wind power.

This is the end of our shows on Concours Pass Radio, and this is the end of our Test of English for Concours Pass. Thank you for your participation.