

Innopolis University English Language placement test

There are 40 questions in this test: 30 in Section 1, and 10 in Section 2. Section 1 tests your ability to use appropriate vocabulary and grammar structures. Section 2 tests your skill to read and understand a text. You will have 40 minutes to complete the whole test.

Section 1.

Instruction:

Choose the best word or phrase (a, b, c or d) to fill each gap.

1. I found many examples of this grammatical rule, some of _____ I still remember.

- a. that
- b. which
- c. who
- d. whose

2. The first person to go to space was Yuri Gagarin, _____ became famous around the world in 1961.

- a. who
- b. which
- c. that
- d. whose

3. She cried because she was _____. This is not _____.

- a. devastating; surprised
- b. devastated; surprising
- c. devastating; surprising
- d. devastated; surprised

4. If I find plagiarism in your paper, I ___ you to the administration.

- a. will report
- b. am going to report
- c. am reporting
- d. will be reporting

5. This software offers the worst user experience I _____ so far.

- a. had
- b. have had
- c. have
- d. had had

6. What _____ this decision?

- a. prompt
- b. prompted
- c. does prompt
- d. did it prompt

7. Five years ago, this small historical building _____ to give space to a block of flats.

- a. is demolished
- b. had been demolished
- c. has been demolished

d. was demolished

8. I did not see her at the celebration yesterday. She _____ before I came.

- a. has left
- b. had left
- c. left
- d. was left

9. We _____ these experiments in chemistry class. You do not have to repeat it.

- a. have seen
- b. saw
- c. seen
- d. had seen

10. I _____ in the middle of the night because of a strange noise, while everyone _____ .

- a. woke up; was sleeping
- b. was waking up; slept
- c. would wake up; is sleeping;
- d. woke up; is sleeping

11. Last semester, this student _____ poor academic performance.

- a. did not demonstrated
- b. didn't demonstrated
- c. demonstrated
- d. demonstrates

12. I wish you _____ me the right answer to this item.

- a. told
- b. will have told
- c. telling
- d. have to tell

13. I was totally exhausted. The test _____ more difficult.

- a. couldn't had been
- b. couldn't have been
- c. could have been
- d. could not have

14. Would you mind if I _____ a phone call to my boss?

- a. made
- b. make
- c. will make
- d. would make

15. _____ Evenings / evenings are always best with friends.

- a. An
- b. (blank)
- c. Such
- d. A

16. I was wondering _____ help me with my small predicament.

- a. If could you
- b. could you

- c. if you could
- d. can you

17. Nadezhda _____ that she _____ at home yesterday.

- a. claims; is
- b. claimed; was
- c. claims; had been
- d. claimed; had been

18. If I _____ to bed earlier yesterday, I _____ feel better now.

- a. went; would
- b. had gone; would
- c. go; will
- d. have gone; can

19. I am tired today because last night I _____ reading the new book.

- a. could have stopped reading
- b. could stop reading
- c. could not stop reading
- d. cannot stop reading

20. - He does not look well after the gym.

- I am not surprised. He _____ for so long.

- a. is not used to exercising
- b. not used to exercise
- c. used exercising
- d. used to exercising

21. _____ students manage to complete the entire test because it is long and extremely complex.

- a. a little
- b. little
- c. few
- d. a few

22. Have you finished your homework _____?

- a. not yet
- b. yet
- c. never
- d. not already

23. I regret _____ here earlier.

- a. have come
- b. not to come
- c. not to be coming
- d. not having come

24. It is the first time I _____ a horse.

- a. have ridden
- b. had ridden
- c. rode
- d. rided

25. He ____ that he _____ English classes twice a week.

- a. said; will
- b. says; had
- c. said; is having
- d. says; has

26. I cannot live ____ their expectations, so I give _____ .

- a. up to; up
- b. up; up
- c. to; up
- d. in; to

27. I asked her ____ for a movie and some food.

- a. into
- b. out
- c. (blank)
- d. up to

28. These two tasks are ____ difficult.

- a. so
- b. such
- c. such as
- d. so little

29. If you are late for class ____ you should apologize.

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- a. , ; ,
- b. , ; (blank)
- c. (blank); (blank)
- d. (blank); ,

30. Do you remember _____ the door? Go and check it.

- a. closing
- b. close
- c. to close
- d. to closing

Section 2.

Text 1.

Instruction:

Read the text and answer 5 questions below. Write the correct answers in the space provided. You do not have to read the whole text; rather, you need only find the answers to the questions.

<https://www.nbcnews.com/science/science-news/sitting-bulls-great-grandson-identified-dna-fragments-rcna3912>

1. LaPointe found an ancient DNA researcher Willerslev to prove familial connection to Sitting Bull and rebury his bones.
 - a. True
 - b. False
 - c. Does not say
2. The main difficulty in establishing the familial connection between LaPointe and Sitting Bull was that the existing DNA methods could not be used due to degraded material.
 - a. True

- b. False
 - c. Does not say
3. The new method developed by Willerslev will be used to confirm the Romanov familial relationship.
- a. True
 - b. False
 - c. Does not say
4. The development of a new DNA analysis method required new type of equipment.
- a. True
 - b. False
 - c. Does not say
5. The task to define familial relationship between LaPointe and Sitting Bull was not typical for Willerslev.
- a. True
 - b. False
 - c. Does not say

Text 2.

Instruction:

Read the text and answer 5 questions below. Write the correct answers in the space provided. You do not have to read the whole text; rather, you need only find the answers to the questions.

<https://www.nbcnews.com/business/100-ships-idle-offshore-california-communities-see-rise-toxic-pollutan-rcna3984>

6. Los Angeles and Long Beach are America's most important ports due to significant imports they accept annually.
- a. True
 - b. False
 - c. Does not say
7. The greatest danger of the cargo ships in ports comes from what its diesel engines emit into the environment.
- a. True
 - b. False
 - c. Does not say
8. Particulate matters can lead to many cases of premature births of children but fewer developmental outcomes.
- a. True
 - b. False
 - c. Does not say
9. The pollution coming from ports affects disadvantaged social strata such as people with lower incomes.
- a. True
 - b. False
 - c. Does not say
10. Any solution to the backlog of ships will further increase pollution because of the increase unloading activities.
- a. True
 - b. False
 - c. Does not say