

Master's Program English Language Entrance Examination

This test will measure your ability to use and understand English as it is used in universities. There are four parts to it: reading comprehension, listening comprehension, structure and written expression, and writing.

Reading Comprehension:

A new hearing device is now available for some hearing-impaired people. This device uses a magnet to hold the detachable sound-processing portion in place. Like other aids, it converts sound into vibrations. But it is unique in that it can transmit the vibrations directly to the magnet and then to the inner ear. This produces a clearer sound. The new device will not help all hearing-impaired people only those with a hearing loss caused by infection or some other problem in the middle ear. It will probably help no more than 20 percent of all people with hearing problems. Those people who have persistent ear infections, however, should find relief and restored hearing with the new device.

1. What is the author's main purpose?
 - A. To describe a new cure for ear infections
 - B. To inform the reader of a new device
 - C. To urge doctors to use a new device
 - D. To explain the use of a magnet
2. The word "relief" in the last sentence means:
 - A. Less distress
 - B. Assistance
 - C. Distraction
 - D. Relaxation

Listening Comprehension:

Woman: This coffee is really terrible.

Man: I couldn't agree more.

Narrator: What does the man mean?

- A. He would like more coffee.
- B. He thinks the woman should complain.
- C. He also dislikes the coffee.
- D. He thinks the coffee is acceptable.

Structure and Written Expression:

With the passing of time and the encroachment of people, the habit of gorillas _____ to decrease.

- A. continuing
- B. which continue
- C. continues
- D. that it has continued

In _____, the crime rate has begun to drop due to neighborhood.

- A. the past few years
- B. a few years ago
- C. few years
- D. a few years since

Writing:

People attend college or university for many reasons (for example, new experience, career preparation, increased knowledge) . Why do you think people attend college or university? Use specific reasons and examples to support your answer.