# Всероссийская олимпиада школьников по английскому языку 2019-2020 учебный год Муниципальный этап

#### 7-8 классы

#### Part 1

#### **Listening (12 points)**

Time: 20 min.

#### Task 1

You will hear an interview with a man called Paul Vaughan, who is talking about his job as a TV cameraman. For each question, choose the correct answer A, B or C.

- 1. What made Paul decide to become a cameraman?
- A. He read a book.
- B. He saw a film.
- C. He talked to a relative.
- 2. What kind of programme did Paul work on first?
- A. a travel show
- B. a thriller
- C. a news programme
- 3. What happened to Paul when filming on an Australian beach?
- A. He got very sunburnt.
- B. He had an accident.
- C. He had to stop filming.
- 4. What did Paul win a prize for?
- A. an advertisement for television
- B. a film for the cinema
- C. an educational video

5. Who would Paul like to work with in future?
A. people with no training in acting
B. students at drama school
C. some famous actors
6. What does Paul like most about his job?
A. meeting interesting people
B. seeing unusual places
C. creating something special
Task 2
You will hear a teacher talking to a group of students about a school trip. For
each question, fill in the missing information in the numbered space.
School Trip
Morning:
<ul> <li>The coach leaves school at 9.00 a.m.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Visit to a (7): factory (includes a guided tour).</li> </ul>
<ul><li>You need money for the (8)</li></ul>
Afternoon:
<ul><li>We stop for lunch next to the (9)</li></ul>
<ul> <li>Choice of organised activities:</li> </ul>
EITHER
(10) show at Grand Theatre (cost (11) for students)
OR
Visit to (12)
- The coach departs at 5.30 p.m.

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#### Part 2

## **READING (15 points)**

Time: 20 min.

#### Task 1

Have you ever wondered how birds find their way when flying? Read and find out. Choose the best answer A, B, C or D for the questions 1-5.

The pigeon is famous for always being able to find its way home. In fact racing pigeons is a popular sport in some countries. Owners take their birds hundreds of miles away and then release them. The bird that gets back home in the fastest time is the winner. Until now it has been thought that the birds have their own built-in system of navigation and use the position of the sun and stars to guide them.

However a ten-year study has proved to scientists that pigeons travel rather like drivers do and follow the major roads. The birds that were monitored in the study were constantly flying along motorways and even turning left and right at main junctions, while ignoring small winding roads.

A professor of zoology at Oxford University and a racing pigeon expert agree. The professor says that birds use their traditional forms of navigation first but when they fly the same route again they remember the roads and follow them. A group of birds was released as a test and all flew along the same major road and turned right at the first junction. The pigeon racer describes this research as absolutely accurate. Every Saturday, he says, you can see flocks of pigeons flying along the motorways.

## 1. Pigeon racing consists of:

- A. owners seeing how far each pigeon can fly.
- B. scientific research into the way pigeons fly.
- C. pigeons being released on the motorways.
- D. owners seeing which pigeon gets home first.

- 2. Pigeons' "built-in system of navigation" refers to:
  - A. their natural instinct for finding their way.
  - B. their natural ability to follow major roads.
  - C. the fact that they fly as a large flock.
  - D. special equipment the researchers have used to track them.
- 3. The roads pigeons followed were:
  - A. all the roads going in the right direction.
  - B. only motorways.
  - C. the important direct routes.
  - D. the smaller less busy country roads.
- 4. A junction is:
  - A. a sharp bent in the road.
  - B. where a motorway and a road meet.
  - C. a place where one road crosses another.
  - D. a place where you can buy petrol.
- 5. Pigeons are especially seen on Saturdays because:
  - A. that's the day the roads are busiest.
  - B. that's the day the research takes place.
  - C. that's the day pigeon racing takes place.
  - D. that's the day the motorways are open.

#### Task 2

Look at the sentences below about the ancient Chinese art of Feng Shui. Read the text and decide if each sentence 6 - 15 is TRUE, FALSE or the information is NOT STATED in the text.

#### Feng Shui

Feng Shui is the art of arranging your home and the things in it in the best possible way. It began in China about 5000 years ago, but recently architects and designers all over the world have started to include the idea in their work. The most important thing to understand about Feng Shui is the idea of chi, which means vital energy or life force. The art of Feng Shui is to make sure the right objects are in the right places so that the chi can flow freely around the home. This is said to create good health and financial well-being as well as improved relationships between parents and children and husband and wife. You can improve your own Feng Shui by trying some of the techniques listed below.

Firstly, keep the hall of your home clear of shoes, umbrellas and other objects. This is to allow the chi to enter your home freely. If possible, put a small indoor fountain in this part of your home.

In the living room, choose furniture which is the right size for the room and arrange it so that people can move around the room comfortably. If the room is small, hang a mirror to create a feeling of space. Make sure you have blinds or curtains to prevent the chi from escaping.

The bedroom is considered a very important area in Feng Shui. It is best not to have a television or any other electrical item in here, but if you find it impossible to live without them, you can cover them with a plastic table-cloth when you have finished using them. The table-cloth must be plastic – other materials will not work. It is also important to unplug everything before you sleep. The head of the bed should be against a wall rather than under a window, as this would allow your chi to escape. You should be able to see the door easily while you are lying in bed. Place lamps by your bed for lighting instead of bright lights in the ceiling.

Try these simple ideas for a few months and see how much energy and happiness you can bring into your home.

- 6. Feng Shui has been practised all over the world for 5000 years.
- 7. Feng Shui says that family members will get on better with each other if the home is properly furnished.

- 8. The entrance of the home should be well lighted.
- 9. The living room should be made to look as small as possible.
- 10. Windows in the living room should be covered.
- 11. There shouldn't be any plants in the bedroom, if possible.
- 12. A sheet could be used instead of a table-cloth to cover the TV.
- 13. Sleeping under a window is not a good idea.
- 14. It's important to have a good view of the bedroom door from the bed.
- 15. A single strong light in the bedroom is better than several soft ones.

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#### Part 3

### **USE OF ENGLISH (19 points)**

Time: 20 min

#### TASK 1

For questions 1-11, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given.

# Here is an example (0). 0 What type of music do you like best? FAVOURITE What ................ type of music? The gap can be filled by the words 'is your favourite', so you write: Example answer: 0 is your favourite 1. Suzy says she will only play tennis if Fiona plays with her.

2. Sandra's sister can ski better than she can.

Suzy has refused \_\_\_\_\_\_ plays with her.

UNLESS

SKIER			
Sandra is as her sister.			
3. Graham likes to spend time alone just before a race.			
BY			
Graham likes to spend time just before a race.			
4. We're not going to have our car washed because it costs too much.			
AFFORD			
We have our car washed.			
5. Denise always keeps her mobile switched on because David may need to contact			
her.			
CASE			
Denise never switches her mobile needs to contact her.			
<b>6.</b> Learning to sew seemed a waste of time to Lisa.			
POINT			
Lisa couldn't learning to sew.			
7. One of us ought to go and meet the visitor at the airport.			
SHOULD			
The visitor one of us at the airport.			
<b>8.</b> The band probably won't do another tour this year.			
UNLIKELY			
The band another tour this year.			
9. According to the gossip, the actress will be getting married soon. RUMOURED			
The actress getting married soon.			
10. Mark can't wait to use his new computer-games con sole.			
FORWARD			
Mark is his new computer-games console.			
11. The country's economic problems are less serious than people had been led to			
believe.			
AS			
The country's economic problems people had been led to believe.			

Task 2

For questions 12-19, read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of some of the lines to form a word that fits in the gap in the same line. There is an example at the beginning

(0). Example: 0 importance

# Understanding time

0	Since the earliest times, civilizations have understood	IMPORTANT
	the (0) <u>importance</u> of time.	
12	If you want to plan your future, or simply know how	MEASURE
	long things take to do, then the precise (12) of	
	time is a necessity.	
13	That's why ancient cultures put such a lot of effort into	RELY
	the development of (13) calendars and clocks.	
14	At first, people used the (14) of movements	OBSERVE
	in the night sky as a way of predicting annual events.	
15	The Ancient Egyptians realised that it would be (15)	USE
	to divide days up into smaller units of time.	
16	They were responsible for the (16) of the system	INVENT
	of twenty-four hours in a day that we still use today.	
17	The first clocks were sundials using the (17) of	LONG
	the Sun's shadow to mark the passing of the day.	
18	This worked well in sunny countries but was (18)	APPROPRIATE
	for places where the sky was often cloudy.	
19	People living there had to wait for the development of	ACCURATE
	the mechanical clock before they could tell the time	
	with any degree of (19)	

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# Part 4 WRITING (20 points)

Time: 30 min.

Libraries aren't very popular with modern teens. Write a short article into your local newspaper expressing your opinion. Remember to mention:

- why and where libraries appeared;
- if you and your friends go to the school library or any;
- what modern libraries offer to their visitors;
- what the future of libraries is;
- conclude your article with an appeal to your readers.

Write no more than 120–150 words.

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Speaking (20 points)

# Give a 2-minute talk about sports.

## Remember to say:

- why a lot of young people do sports nowadays
- what sports clubs and teams there are in your school
- what you do to keep fit

You have to talk for 1.5-2 minutes.

**Total: 86 points**