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11 класс

Вариант № 24-ОШ-2-11 Английский язык-1

На выполнение олимпиадных заданий отводится 150 минут. Вам предлагается выполнить четыре категории заданий.

При выполнении заданий внимательно читайте инструкцию к каждому заданию.

Максимальное количество баллов за ответы:

- Часть 1. (Reading) - 30 баллов;
- Часть 2. (Writing) - 30 баллов;
- Часть 3. (Use of English) - 20 баллов;
- Часть 4. (Cultural Studies) - 20 баллов.

Part 1. Reading

You are an editor of a magazine. You have come across an interesting article but some parts of the article have been mixed up. Use the headline and the initial paragraph of the article and put the parts to the title and in the right order so that you should receive the original article.

Tasks 001-005. (5 баллов, по 1 баллу за каждый правильный ответ)

Article 1.

DANIEL BOONE AND WILDERNESS ROAD

Daniel Boone was a pioneer, explorer, soldier, businessman, and politician most famous for his exploration and settlement of Kentucky. Born in November of 1734 in Reading, Pennsylvania to his Quaker parents who were fleeing religious **persecution** in England, he was the sixth of eleven children. Growing up at the edge of the frontier, he received his first rifle at the age of 12 and began to learn hunting and trapping skills from both local settlers as well as hunters from the nearby Lenape tribe.

The Transylvania company commissioned Daniel Boone to create a trail from Fort Chiswell, Virginia through the Cumberland Gap in 1775. The Transylvania Company chose Boone because he was considered to be the most experienced and knowledgeable explorer of the area at the time. The company's goal was to colonize the resource-rich area and establish "Kentucky" as the 14th official colony.

A) Despite the danger, Wilderness Road was used by hundreds of thousands of people. Eventually, using Native American trails, the road was lengthened all the way up through

Louisville, Kentucky ending at the Falls of the Ohio. The trail was also widened and re-routed in some areas to allow the passage of wagons and carriages.

B) In March of 1775, Daniel Boone led a group of around thirty men to begin the journey through the wilderness. Using axes, they began in present-day Kingsport, Tennessee, and started trailblazing north. Early traces of paths and trails used by buffalo as well as native American warriors were used to help create the road.

After getting through the Clinch Mountains, the party crossed Clinch River near present-day Speers Ferry, Virginia, following Stock Creek until they were able to cross through Kane's Gap into the Powell River Valley. Soon before reaching their desired location for the new settlement at the Kentucky River, the group was attacked by Shawnee tribe members, who had not **conceded** their rights to the land. Most of the group managed to escape, but there were some **fatalities**. Soon after, the group finally arrived south-side of the Kentucky River in what is now Madison County, Kentucky in April.

C) It is estimated that as many as 300,000 settlers traveled along Wilderness Road from 1775 to 1810. The route was also used by farmers and merchants to sell their goods at markets closer to the coasts as well as supplying much needed food and items to new and growing settlements in Kentucky.

Use of Wilderness Road had declined by 1840. The progression of steamboats, ferries, and waterway travel through the Erie Canal as well as the opening of the National Road led to the eventual decline of travelers. A segment of Wilderness Road was one of the first roads to be paved in the United States.

D) Wilderness Road was more than 200 miles, starting in Virginia making its way through multiple mountain ranges and into central Kentucky, allowing the foundation of the first settlements such as Boonsboro, Benjamin Logan's, and Harrod Town. At first, the road was steep and rough, the only way through being horseback or on foot. However, the rough **terrain** was not the only obstacle travelers faced. **Outlaws** would often ambush small groups in order to rob and loot anything of value. Native Americans from tribes such as Chickamauga and Shawnee, who no agreements had been reached with, would also organize attacks against settlers **encroaching** their ancestral hunting grounds. Dangerous wildlife such as bears, panthers, and wolves as well as venomous snakes and insects posed a threat too.

E) Native Americans such as the Cherokee already used these lands for living and hunting. To avoid aggression from the Native Americans, who had already attacked Daniel Boone's group of settlers in 1773, killing multiple people including one of his sons, the head of the Transylvania Company attempted to negotiate with the Cherokee directly. A compromise was eventually reached; the Cherokee agreeing to sell the land in exchange for 10,000 lbs. of goods. Predictably, the goods were never received as the colonial governor of Virginia later nullified the sale.

Tasks 006-010. (5 баллов, по 1 баллу за каждый правильный ответ)

Article 2.

WORLD ENGLISH

The first significant step in the progress of English towards its status as a world language took place in the last decades of the 16th century. At that time, the number of mother-tongue English speakers in the world is thought to have been between five and seven million, almost all of them living within the British Isles. Between the end of the reign of Elisabeth I (1603) and the beginning of the reign of Elisabeth II (1952), the figure increased almost fiftyfold to around 250 million, the majority (around four-fifths) living outside the British Isles. Most of the people were, and continue to be, Americans, and it is in the 16th-century North America that we find a fresh **dimension** being added to the history of the language.

A) By the time of the first **census**, in 1790, the population of the country was around 4 million, most of whom lived along the Atlantic coast. A century later, after the opening up of the west, the population numbered over 50 million, spread throughout the continent. The accent which emerged can now be heard all over the so-called Sunbelt (from Virginia to southern

California), and it is the accent most commonly associated with present-day American speech. It was not only England which influenced the directions the English language was to take in America. The Spanish had occupied large parts of the west and south-west. The French were present in the northern territories, around St. Lawrence River, and throughout the middle regions (French Louisiana) as far as the Gulf of Mexico. The Dutch were in New York (originally New Amsterdam) and the surrounding area. Large numbers of Germans began to arrive at the end of the 17th century settling mainly in Pennsylvania and its hinterland. In addition, there were increasing numbers of Africans entering the south, as a result of the slave trade, and this dramatically increased in the 18th century.

B) During the 17th century, new shiploads of immigrants brought an increasing variety of linguistic backgrounds. Pennsylvania, for example, came to be settled mainly by Quakers whose origins were mostly in the Midlands and the north of England. People speaking very different kinds of English thus found themselves living alongside each other, as the “middle” Atlantic areas (New York, in particular) became the focus of settlement. As a consequence, the sharp divisions between regional dialects gradually began **to blur**. The concept of the “melting pot” must have applied very early on to immigrant accents.

C) The first expedition from England to the New World was commissioned by Walter Raleigh in 1584, and proved to be a failure. A group of explorers landed near Roanoke Island, in what is today North Carolina, and established a small settlement. Conflict with the native people followed, and it proved necessary for a ship to return to England for help and supplies. By the time these arrived, in 1590, none of the original group of settlers could be found. The mystery of their disappearance has never been solved.

The first permanent English settlement dates from 1607, when an expedition arrived in Chesapeake Bay. The colonists called their settlement Jamestown (after James I) and the area Virginia (after the “Virgin Queen”, Elisabeth). Further settlements quickly followed along the coast, and also on the nearby islands, such as Bermuda. Then, in November 1620, the first group of puritans, 35 members of the English Separatist Church, arrived on the Mayflower in the company of 67 other settlers. Prevented by storms from reaching Virginia, they landed at Cape Cod Bay, and established a settlement at what is now Plymouth, Massachusetts.

D) In the 18th century, there was a **vast** wave of immigration from Northern Ireland. The Irish had been migrating to America from around 1600, but the main movements took place during the 1720s, when around 50,000 Irish and Scotch-Irish immigrants arrived. By the time independence was declared (1776), it is thought that one in seven of the colonial population was Scotch-Irish. Many stayed along the coast, especially in the area of Philadelphia, but most moved inland through the mountains in search of land. They were seen as frontier people, with an accent which at the time was described as “broad”. The opening up of the south and west was largely due to the pioneering spirit of this group of settlers.

E) The group was extremely mixed, ranging in age from young children to people in their 50s, and with diverse regional, social, and occupational backgrounds. What the “Pilgrim Fathers” (as they were later called) had in common was their search for a land where they could find a new religious kingdom free from humiliation and “purified” from the church practices they had experienced in England. It was a successful settlement, and by 1640 about 25,000 immigrants had come to the area.

Tasks 011-020. (10 баллов, по 1 баллу за правильный ответ на каждый вопрос)

Reread the two assembled texts. Choose the meaning the words and phrases in bold have in one of the texts.

011. The underlined word “**persecution**” means the same as:

- A. misunderstanding
- B. stimulation
- C. ill-treatment
- D. annoyance

012. The underlined word “concede” means the same as:

- A. admit
- B. deny
- C. prove
- D. doubt

013. The underlined word “fatality” means the same as:

- A. effect
- B. gainer
- C. damage
- D. victim

014. The underlined word “terrain” means the same as:

- A. area
- B. landscape
- C. climate
- D. habitat

015. The underlined word “outlaws” means the same as:

- A. vandals
- B. bandits
- C. pickpockets
- D. sufferers

016. The underlined word “encroach” means the same as:

- A. intrude
- B. rebuild
- C. divide
- D. harm

017. The underlined word “dimension” means the same as:

- A. enormousness
- B. greatness
- C. size
- D. scope

018. The underlined word “census” means the same as:

- A. count
- B. population
- C. reform
- D. shift

019. The underlined word “to blur” means the same as:

- A. to complicate
- B. to clear up
- C. to become indistinct
- D. to be exposed

020. The underlined word “vast” means the same as:

- A. undersized
- B. huge
- C. infinite
- D. immeasurable

Tasks 021-030. (10 баллов, по 1 баллу за правильный ответ на каждый вопрос)

Here is a summary of the article “Daniel Boone and the Wilderness Road”. However, it contains some vocabulary, grammar and factual errors. Decide which of the sentences contain an error if any. There can be more than 1 error in a sentence. Some sentences do not have errors at all. If there are no errors in the sentence choose “0”.

021. The text tells the story of exploration and settlement of Kentucky.

- A. 0
- B. 1
- C. 2
- D. 3
- E. 4
- F. 5

022. Daniel Boone with his parents fled from religious persecution in England.

- A. 0
- B. 1
- C. 2
- D. 3
- E. 4
- F. 5

023. He was chose by the Transylvania Company because he was considered the youngest and the strongest of all the explorers of the time.

- A. 0
- B. 1
- C. 2
- D. 3
- E. 4
- F. 5

024. Wilderness Road was lengthened all the way down though Louiswille, Kentucky.

- A. 0
- B. 1
- C. 2
- D. 3
- E. 4
- F. 5

025. Traces of paths and rails used by animals as well as Native American tribes were used to help to create the road.

- A. 0
- B. 1
- C. 2
- D. 3
- E. 4
- F. 5

026. Active use of the Wilderness Road declined by the second half of the 19th century.

- A. 0
- B. 1
- C. 2
- D. 3

E. 4
F. 5

027. One part of Wilderness Road became one of the first paved roads in the country.

A. 0
B. 1
C. 2
D. 3
E. 4
F. 5

028. Wilderness Road was too short to allow the foundation of settlements in central Kentucky.

A. 0
B. 1
C. 2
D. 3
E. 4
F. 5

029. The territory where the Transylvania Company planned to establish the 14th official colony was never used before.

A. 0
B. 1
C. 2
D. 3
E. 4
F. 5

030. Compromise with the Cherokee was reached but the colonel governor of Kentucky disapproved of it.

A. 0
B. 1
C. 2
D. 3
E. 4
F. 5

Part 2. Writing

Tasks 031-035. (10 баллов, по 2 балла за каждое правильно составленное предложение)

Use the following separate words in the order given to write a coherent sentence, based on information in the article “World English”. You may change the form of the given words. You may use your sentences as parts of your outline for your commentary on the article “World English”.

031. The first significant step / increased the figure / history of the language

032. Further settlements / arrived in the company /reaching the land

033. New shiploads of immigrants / came to be settled/ began to blur

034. a wave of immigration / moved inland / pioneering spirit

035. population numbered / the first census / spread throughout

Task 036. (Максимальное количество - 20 баллов)

Write your commentary on the article “World English”. Your commentary is to be between 180-200 words. You are not allowed to cite from the original text pieces longer than 4 words running. Your text should contain various points of view, including your own.

To fulfill the task successfully you are:

- to briefly convey the content of the article;
- to mention various/possible views of the issue;
- to divide your text into logically connected paragraphs.

Part 3. Use of English

Tasks 037-046. (20 баллов, по 2 балла за каждый правильный ответ)

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. DO NOT USE SHORT FORMS. The number of words you should write is specified in the sentence.

The example (0) is done for you.

(0) I consider him my worst enemy.

look

I _____ my worst enemy. (4 words)

=I **look upon him as** my worst enemy.

037. The new plan cannot be implemented immediately.

effect

The new plan cannot be _____ immediately. (3 words)

038. It was heavy snow on the line that delayed the train.

held

The train would have arrived on time if it _____ up by heavy snow on the line. (4 words)

039. I assume you will be at the meeting tonight.

granted

I _____ you will be at the meeting tonight. (4 words)

040. It will be a pleasure for us to see you next Monday.

looking

We are _____ you next Monday. (4 words)

041. They have replaced the old glass bottles with new plastic ones.

substituted

Old glass bottles _____ the new plastic ones. (4 words)

042. Eliza realized she'd forgotten to buy milk the moment she came home.

sooner

No _____ she realized she'd forgotten to buy milk. (6 words)

043. You must never let anyone else use your passport.

should

Under _____ let anyone else use your passport. (4 words)

044. People will always want entertainment, providing that they have time to enjoy it.

long

There will always be a need for entertainment _____ people have time to enjoy it. (3 words)

045. Because he was injured he couldn't play in the next game.

prevented

His _____ in the next game. (5 words)

046. My mother was the person who started my interest in collecting pottery.

got

It was my mother _____ in collecting pottery. (4 words)

Part 4. Cultural Study

Tasks 047-056. (20 баллов, по 2 балла за каждый правильный ответ)

Show how well you know English-speaking countries. Read the article and choose the correct option to complete the text.

INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION

(047. _____), the process of pushing people off their lands and making their lands pastures for sheep, as the result of the increased demand for (048. _____) made a lot of people move from villages to town. They had to buy food and other things which they had always made themselves when they lived on their own land. The growth of town population caused the increased demand for food and clothes. Goods had to be produced quicker. The invention of various machines made mass production possible. Each machine made one simple operation, which caused the (049. _____) among workers.

Meanwhile, the appearance of machines which made the process of production much quicker put many people out of work. The employers treated their workers severely paying them little money and providing them with very bad working conditions. Workers tried to protect themselves against powerful employers joining together into workers' societies. The government (050. _____) these unions and the unemployed began to break up the machines which had put them out of work. These people are known as (051. _____) by the name of the first person to break up his machine). The government did not support the workers and passed an act which said that breaking of machinery was punishable (052. _____).

The production of good iron and steel in large quantities needed more effective fuel than wood. Britain began to use coal and became the leading iron producer in Europe.

John Wilkinson built the largest iron works in Britain. He built the first iron bridge over the (053. _____) in 1779. He made first iron boats. Wilkinson improved (054. _____) using iron and steel for making its parts. He himself was buried in an iron coffin.

British cotton and woolen cloth was popular in Europe. So the process of its production had to be perfected. In (055. _____) a spinning machine was invented. In (056. _____) a weaving machine made the process of cloth-making quicker. One invention led to another and soon various machines could do the work of many people.

047.

- A. cages
- B. enclosures
- C. ghettos
- D. courtyards

048.

- A. grass
- B. land
- C. wool
- D. workforce

049.

- A. division of labour
- B. shortage of work
- C. satisfaction
- D. abundance of goods

050.

- A. improved
- B. ignored
- C. underestimated
- D. banned

051.

- A. Luddites
- B. Chartists
- C. Unionists
- D. Laborists

052.

- A. by exile
- B. by fine
- C. by death
- D. by arrest

053.

- A. River Thames
- B. River Severn
- C. River Danube
- D. Mississippi River

054.

- A. iron boat
- B. idea
- C. steam engine
- D. ironwork

055.

- A. 1733
- B. 1764
- C. 1769
- D. 1771

056.

- A. 1760
- B. 1785
- C. 1812
- D. 1831



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Tasks 001-005. (5 баллов, по 1 баллу за каждый правильно расположенный абзац текста)

Article 1.

IS FREE WILL AN ILLUSION?

Physicists and philosophers have long argued over whether we truly make our own decisions. Can neuroscientists finally settle the issue?

A) While that question has long been the preserve of the physicists, philosophers and religious scholars, a growing number of biologists and neuroscientists are now weighing in. So, with the debate having moved into new territory, can we finally figure out, once and for all, whether we have free will?

B) In fact, the latest argument against free will comes from Robert Sapolsky, a neuroscientist. He argues that the more we discover about how the brain works, and the many different influences on human behaviour, the less room there is to squeeze in the capacity for independent decision-making. To take just a handful of examples: geneticists have found hundreds of DNA variants that influence our tendency to be depressed or impulsive; epidemiologists have shown that how well a fetus is nourished during pregnancy can cause

enduring “epigenetic” changes to DNA with lifelong consequences for mental health; and social scientists have demonstrated how experiences in our early life may mould our tendencies to be **anxious** or to commit crimes. “It’s one big seamless arc,” says Sapolsky. “There’s no aspect of behaviour that’s not being influenced by a zillion of these factors.” We may not yet know everything about how the brain makes decisions, says Sapolsky, but one day we might understand near-enough everything. And even now, he adds, we know enough to suggest we won’t make any startling new discoveries to indicate that the brain can avoid being influenced by such factors. “It would require some findings that defy most of biology to find a place to shoehorn [free will] in. There’s no crack where you could discover that there’s where our neurons, instead of communicating with neurotransmitters, start whispering to each other – and that’s why someone decided to rob the bank.” Sapolsky’s argument goes to the **crux** of his interest in how we think about morality and criminal justice. As someone who, earlier in his research career, helped to uncover the way that stress hormones can change the brain, Sapolsky has previously acted as an expert witness in court cases, arguing that defendants should get shorter prison sentences because they were abused as children. “I say to the jurors: ‘If you had the exact same upbringing, with the exact same biology, you’d be sitting at the table as the defendant’,” he says. Such ideas have been challenged, however.

C) For instance, when the first simple life forms appeared on Earth, one of the most interesting essential qualities was that they did stuff. Before that, things happened: grains of sand tumbled around, chemicals reacted and etc. But those were inert physical processes. The first life forms, however, used energy to work against the second law of thermodynamics – the principle that everything tends to become more disorganized over time – and **hence** stay alive. Agency is a really core property of living things and also where we can find the source of free will. In fact, this is what the nervous system evolved for. It’s primarily a control system, the job of which is to define a repertoire of actions and choose between them. This control system has been elaborated over evolution to give greater and greater autonomy, which suggests that we might just be the captains of our souls, after all. Whether any of this will allow free will sceptics and believers to reach an accord is far from clear. There have been thousands of years of discussion about this issue and, obviously, if there were a simple answer, they would have figured it out by now.

D) Suppose you approach a fruit bowl overflowing with apples, oranges and bananas, all perfectly ripe. On this occasion, you choose an orange. Or do you? Because although it may feel like you were free to pick an apple or a banana instead, many of those who **contemplate** such things insist that you aren’t at liberty to choose at all. The same goes for all sorts of decisions we **fret over**, from the trivial to the consequential. If we could somehow rewind the universe, they say, you would behave in exactly the same way - because that is how your brain is made. Your sense of having free will is just an illusion. The implications of such a claim are alarming because they force us to rethink many cherished assumptions. If our choices are somehow predetermined, there is no point agonising over moral dilemmas and less justification for punishing people for their crimes. This stuff matters. But can it really be true that none of us, as the poet William Ernest Henley put it in his stirring poem *Invictus*, is the captain of our soul?

E) As many other neuroscientists point out, a decision can be influenced by something without being determined by it. A gene variant or stress hormone could make a choice more likely without making it 100 per cent certain, for example. If you think free will exists, that’s not to say that there aren’t influences and constraints on our behaviour. Moreover, other evidences can be found in the evolution of biological agency, or the ability to act with intention or purpose.

Tasks 006-010. (5 баллов, по 1 баллу за каждый правильный ответ)

Article 2.

THE SMARTER WAY TO UNWIND

We are finally getting a grasp of what rest and relaxation actually do to the brain and body. The insights could help us all recharge our batteries, but in the past the idea of rest used to be **neglected** scientifically.

A) When comes to defining rest, Claudia Hammond - a psychology professor – says that people intuitively understand the word, but the struggles to **pin it down** precisely are a major barrier to scientific investigation. The definition that emerged for Hammond was “an activity that is **restorative**, intentional, relaxing”. She was the lead investigator of The Rest Test, which revealed just how wide-ranging and personal people's favourite restful activities are.

B) Researches preferred to study the body or brain engaging in active tasks or just sleeping rather than in difficult-to-define “unwind in full”. Sleep studies have been a bona fide branch of neuroscience for decades, but only now are a host of new studies from multiple disciplines beginning to explain why waking rest is also important. When we choose the right activities in the right doses, rest can be a vital process for the optimal functioning of our bodies and minds.

C) Occupational health psychologists study how employees recover, day-to-day, from the stress of demanding jobs. There are several key aspects to the most beneficial restful activities, but vital is a microbreak. While actually at work, we should consider incorporating regular "microbreaks"-as brief as 10 minutes long- from demanding activities, with studies showing that short periods of rest that are completely detached from your job can increase vigour, reduce fatigue and improve overall well-being as neuroscientists believe that continuous mentally taxing work can even lead to poorer decision-making, since it reduces "cognitive control", which is our ability to flexibly direct our thoughts and behaviour in order to reach a long-term goal. "Cognitive control" is something we use any time we are not doing something automatic. For example, learning the piano, where every movement is consciously executed, requires this, whereas accomplished pianists can play without it. Making rational decisions, such as choosing to take a larger reward later over a smaller one now, requires cognitive control. Such decisions typically get harder as we become fatigued. The harder tasks constantly required - and so **depleted** - cognitive control.

D) Moreover, in terms of acquiring knowledge, regular microbreaks may also aid effective learning. Neuroscientists have long known that memory consolidation occurs during sleep, but now studies suggest that waking rest can also strengthen the brain's records of what we have just learned. For instance, just 15 minutes of quiet contemplation can help participants recall more content from a story they have just heard. The effect holds across numerous types of memory, including memories of words, navigation memory and procedural memory, such as learning new physical tasks. And the effect is as strong as that of sleep. What's more, when researchers looked carefully at the brain's electrical activity during waking rest, they found most of the patterns sleep researchers had linked to memory consolidation. It goes without saying that everybody may instigate a greater valuing of rest and balance.

E) After reading, the most popular activities were- in order of preference- spending time in nature, listening to music, a good walk, a nice hot bath, daydreaming, watching TV and practicing mindfulness. In terms of health, rest has long been associated with resisting, and recovering from, illness. In the past, patients were often recommended "bed rest" for effective **recuperation**, but today it is viewed as a last resort, since lengthy stints of complete inactivity are now known to diminish cardiovascular function, and etc. Nevertheless, reduced energy expenditure can help the body devote more resources to the immune system, which helps fight infections more effectively. Moreover, rest and a good work-life balance are also increasingly viewed as important means of protecting against stress-related illnesses, such as burnout, as well as maintaining good mental health overall.

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011. The underlined word "**anxious**" means the same as:

- A. inclined
- B. exhausted
- C. cheerful
- D. worried

012. The underlined word "**neglected**" means the same as:

- A. justified
- B. diminished
- C. promoted
- D. disregarded

013. The underlined word "**crux**" means the same as:

- A. a widely held-belief
- B. the most important part of a problem
- C. a titbit
- D. the gist

014. The underlined word "**pin down**" means the same as:

- A. clarify
- B. define
- C. point out
- D. exaggerate

015. The underlined word "**recuperation**" means the same as:

- A. shifted
- B. recurrence
- C. recovery
- D. renovation

016. The underlined word "**contemplate**" means the same as:

- A. explain
- B. consider
- C. doubt
- D. encourage

017. The underlined word "**depleted**" means the same as:

- A. improved
- B. changed
- C. distorted
- D. drained

018. The underlined word "**fret over**" means the same as:

- A. worry about
- B. put up with
- C. take care of
- D. look forward to

019. The underlined word **“hence”** means the same as:

- A. although
- B. because
- C. therefore
- D. however

020. The underlined word **“restorative”** means the same as:

- A. regenerative
- B. dangerous
- C. wonderful
- D. harmful

Tasks 021-030. (10 баллов, по 1 баллу за правильный ответ на каждый вопрос)

Here is a summary of the article “Is Free Will an Illusion?”. However, it contains some vocabulary, grammar and factual errors. Decide which of the sentences contain an error if any. There can be more than 1 error in a sentence. Some sentences do not have errors at all. If there are no errors in the sentence choose “0”.

021. According to the text you are not free to pick up any fruit without analyzing your decision beforehand.

- A. 0
- B. 1
- C. 2
- D. 3
- E. 4
- F. 5

022. Many cherished assumptions have been rethought because of the famous poem “Invictus” by William Ernest Henley.

- A. 0
- B. 1
- C. 2
- D. 3
- E. 4
- F. 5

023. Robert Sapolsky used to work on “free will” concept.

- A. 0
- B. 1
- C. 2
- D. 3
- E. 4
- F. 5

024. Our behaviour is predetermined because of our brain structure.

- A. 0
- B. 1
- C. 2
- D. 3
- E. 4
- F. 5

- 025.** Neuroscientists have finally unraveled the mystery whether free will is an illusion or not.
A. 0
B. 1
C. 2
D. 3
E. 4
F. 5
- 026.** Biological agency is potentially one of the factors where free will can be found.
A. 0
B. 1
C. 2
D. 3
E. 4
F. 5
- 027.** Robert Sapolsky claims that just few factors can influence our behaviour.
A. 0
B. 1
C. 2
D. 3
E. 4
F. 5
- 028.** Originally, control system is something that gives more freedom to choose.
A. 0
B. 1
C. 2
D. 3
E. 4
F. 5
- 029.** All people committed crimes should be acquitted because their choices weren't conscious.
A. 0
B. 1
C. 2
D. 3
E. 4
F. 5
- 030.** The idea "free will is an illusion" is full of ambiguity.
A. 0
B. 1
C. 2
D. 3
E. 4
F. 5

Part 2. Writing

Tasks 031-035. (10 баллов, по 2 балла за каждое правильно составленное предложение)

Use the following separate words in the order given to write a coherent sentence, based on information in the article “The smarter way to unwind”. You may change the form of the given words.

You may use your sentences as parts of your outline for your commentary on the article “The smarter way to unwind”.

031. better means / cope with stress / resting

032. employees / tend to / highly productive / short spurt

033. error / prone to / focused work / interrupt

034. adopt new rules / sedentary lifestyle / adverse effects / encourage

035. the key / frequent / ensure/ rejuvenate / well-being

Task 036. (Максимальное количество - 20 баллов)

Write your commentary on the article “The smarter way to unwind”. Your commentary is to be between 180-200 words. You are not allowed to cite from the original text pieces longer than 4 words running. Your text should contain various points of view, including your own.

To fulfill the task successfully you are:

- to briefly convey the content of the article;
- to mention various/possible views of the issue;
- to divide your text into logically connected paragraphs.

Part 3. Use of English

Tasks 037-046. (20 баллов, по 2 балла за правильный ответ)

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. DO NOT USE SHORT FORMS. The number of words you should write is specified in the sentence.

The example (0) is done for you.

(0) The meeting takes place next Thursday.

scheduled

The _____ next Thursday. (4 words)

= The **meeting is scheduled for** next Thursday.

037. It was proposed that a new swimming pool should be built.

forward

They _____ to build a new swimming pool. (4 words)

038. She was the only one who came up with a solution to the problem.

succeeded

Only she _____ to the problem (5 words)

039. It is certain that she will call back this afternoon.

bound

She _____ this afternoon. (5 words)

040. We could not understand the book at all.

sense

We could _____ the book. (4 words)

041. He has a more complex personality than you may think.

depths

He _____ than you may think. (5 words)

042. The charity program needs to be supported by the local authority.

backing

The charity program _____ the local authority. (4 words)

043. It is rather difficult to carry out surveillance on the suspects.

tabs

It is rather difficult to _____ the suspects. (3 words)

044. His car became his most prized possession when he first bought it.

pride

His car became _____ he first bought it. (5 words)

045. The majority of her clientele is made up of really wealthy people.

comprise

Wealthy people _____ her clientele. (4 words)

046. His controversial new theory is in complete opposition to common sense.

flies

His controversial new theory _____ common sense. (5 words)

Part 4. Cultural Study

Tasks 047-056. (20 баллов, по 2 балла за каждый правильный ответ)

Now show how well you know English-speaking countries. Read the article and choose the correct option to complete the text.

STILL A CUPPA CULTURE?

Are the Brits still a nation of tea drinkers? Or is this just another tired cliché? And why have these tiny curled leaves become so firmly rooted in our culture, infusing our vocabulary with expressions like “tea and sympathy” or “storm in a teacup”? The UK Tea & Infusions Association says Brits consume a whopping 100 million cups of tea each day.

Nobody knows who the first tea drinkers were. Some historians believe that prehistoric humans made a type of tea, but it's the one nation who claims to have first drunk it hot. The leaves of *Camellia sinensis* were likely already being brewed to make tea in **(047. _____)** in the second millennium BC. The beverage reached Europe in the early **(048. _____)** century. Dutch and Portuguese merchants began to import tea leaves, but the trend was slow to cross the Channel because the British had weak trading ties with China. **(049. _____)**, in the City of London, was probably one of the first places in England to serve tea, in the 1650s.

Perhaps it's a Portuguese princess, **(050. _____)** of Braganza, we should thank for our ongoing love affair with tea. When she married **(051. _____)** of England in 1662, she introduced this trendy beverage to the ladies of the English court. It's

not clear how she liked to take her tea, but we do know that, by the 1730s, the British upper classes had begun drinking tea sweetened with sugar.

The tea-drinking habit took a bit longer to filter down to Britain's working classes. Tea leaves were highly taxed – up to 100 per cent at one point in the mid-18th century. Most people simply couldn't afford to drink it. This created a flourishing trade in smuggled tea, but the quality of the illegal product was unreliable. A major turning point in Britain's trade in tea came in 1784, when Parliament passed the (052. _____) – cutting the tax on tea from 119 per cent to 12.5 per cent. Suddenly, smuggling tea was no longer profitable and the real thing became affordable for everyone.

Until the early (053. _____) century, most of the tea imported to Britain came from China. Although Chinese production was fast and efficient, the British wanted to control this valuable commodity for themselves. They began to set up tea plantations in their colonies, first in India and (054. _____) in the 1840s and, later on, in Kenya. In 1848, the (055. _____) even sent a Scottish botanist called Robert Fortune to steal tea plants from China and take them to India. Back in Britain, the (056. _____) was in full swing. Tea was a contributing factor in its success. Drinking boiled water provided calories for hungry factory workers. By the outbreak of the First World War, tea had become essential to national morale. Even after the war, its popularity kept increasing.

047.

- A. China
- B. India
- C. Japan
- D. Mexico

048.

- A. 15th
- B. 16th
- C. 17th
- D. 14th

049.

- A. Grecian coffee house
- B. Garraway's coffee house
- C. Pasqua Rosee's coffee house
- D. Hogarth's coffee house

050.

- A. Catherine
- B. Maria Teresa
- C. Maria Ana
- D. Isabella

051.

- A. George V
- B. Henry VIII
- C. George VI
- D. Charles II

052.

- A. The Representation of the People Act
- B. Commutation Act
- C. The First Act of Supremacy
- D. The Slave Trade Act

053.

- A. 17th
- B. 20th
- C. 18th
- D. 19th

054.

- A. Ceylon
- B. Sri Lanka
- C. Java
- D. Sumatra

055.

- A. Queen's Tea Council
- B. British Merchants Association
- C. British East India Company
- D. British Tea Corporation

056.

- A. Great Exhibition
- B. Industrial Revolution
- C. Civil War
- D. Great Fire of London