

Республиканская олимпиада школьников по английскому языку.

Муниципальный этап. 2020-21 уч.г.

7-8 класс

Время выполнения – 105 минут. Максимальное количество баллов – 70 баллов

LISTENING – 5 баллов (1 балл за правильный ответ), 10 минут

Task 1. Listen to two people talking about pets. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)?

You will listen to the recording twice.

- 1 The female speaker is not looking forward to walking the dog.
- 2 The female speaker took good care of her goldfish.
- 3 It was the cat's fault the mice got out.
- 4 The male speaker's mother changed her mind about buying an iguana.
- 5 Iguanas are small lizards.

TRANSFER YOUR ANSWERS TO THE ANSWER SHEET

Task 1. How can an enormous chamber 200 metres below the surface in one of the coldest places on the planet possibly help the survival of our planet? Read on and find out!

The Doomsday Vault

On 25th February 2008, what is known as ‘The Doomsday Vault’ started operating officially. It may sound like something from a spy film but is in fact a giant fridge in which the seeds from every known variety of plant and crop on the planet will eventually be deep frozen. They could remain in this state for up to 1,000 years.

The Doomsday Vault is like an insurance policy for the Earth and its construction was prompted by concerns about global warming and extreme climate change. The idea behind it is that should climate change or natural catastrophe one day devastate the planet, it will be possible to use the seeds stored here to re-establish crops and plants that have been lost. It already contains over 250,000 seed samples and has space for up to four and a half million – way beyond the species we can identify at present.

The remote area of Svalbard, Norway was chosen for siting the vault because of its location. It is deep within the Arctic circle and only 620 miles from the North Pole itself. It used to be important for mining but now houses very few people and is visited mainly by tourists and scientists. It is remote, isolated and has an extremely inhospitable climate, all of which made it an ideal place to construct the vault. It is so cold in the vault that the contents would never defrost even if the refrigeration unit should fail.

As well as being very cold, the vault is also very strong. It has been constructed from concrete and steel and will stand up to whatever nature or man could attack it with. It has already survived the biggest earthquake Norway has ever experienced.

The Doomsday Vault cost six million euros to build but scientists believe it was well worth the money. They have seen some existing seed vaults in other countries destroyed during conflict or natural disasters. Unique samples of seeds have been lost from these vaults which means that there are some varieties of plants that we shall never see again. Learning from these experiences the scientists behind the Doomsday Vault have done their utmost to ensure that the samples stored there, and with them the possible future of our planet, will be safe.

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Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)?

- 1 The Doomsday Vault is featured in a movie.
- 2 Food will be stored there in case it is needed in a catastrophe.
- 3 It will eventually contain items we don't yet know about.
- 4 The people in Svalbard are not very friendly.
- 5 This is the first vault to have been built to store seeds for the future.

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USE OF ENGLISH – 40 баллов (1 балл за правильный ответ), 45 минут

Task 1. Decide whether the words in bold are being used correctly. If not, change them. Put a tick (✓) if a sentence is correct.

1. Come **quick** or we will miss our bus.
2. You drive so **slow** that I am afraid someone will hit the car from behind.
3. I have never been **more surer** of anything in my life.
4. Ella was the **best** of the two sisters at gymnastics.
5. You did that somersault so **good**.
6. Rochelle felt **badly** about forgetting Devlin's birthday.
7. The jasmine has bloomed and smells very **sweet**.
8. You look **angrily**. What did I do?
9. She looked **suspiciously** at the man wearing the trench coat.
10. When was the last time you had no allergy symptoms and felt **good**?
11. In the library, you have to be **more quieter than** when you are outside.
12. She felt **good** about helping the puppy.
13. Which is the **worst**, a toothache or a headache?
14. She reacted **swift**, which made him feel **badly** about insulting her.
15. The herbs in the salad tasted **bitter**.

Task 2. Make corrections where needed. Put a tick (✓) if a sentence is correct.

16. I am dizzy and need to **lay** down.
17. When I got dizzy yesterday, I **laid** down.
18. My brother **lays** carpet for a living.
19. **Lay** the carpet after painting the walls.
20. We need to **lie** this baby down for a nap.
21. We will know when we have **lain** this issue to rest when we no longer fight about it.
22. The lions are **laying** in wait for their prey.
23. The lions have **laid** in wait for their prey.
24. I **laid** the blanket over her as she slept.

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25. I will **lie** my head on my pillow shortly.

Task 3. Put the phrases from the box in the correct sentences.

Hardly	Not only	Only by	Under no circumstances	Not until	Little	No sooner
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26. _____ was there a flood last spring, but gale-force winds caused a lot of damage as well.

27. _____ did we know that before night time we would be sheltering on the roof of our house.

28. _____ we'd seen the sea receding did we realise that a tsunami might follow the earthquake.

29. _____ should you try to switch on electrical devices in a building damaged by a flood.

30. _____ had we crawled under the table when the walls started cracking and glass from broken windows was flying around.

31. _____ had we heard the volcano warning that we switched on the radio to find out what we should do.

32. _____ following the emergency teams' instructions quickly and rigorously can everyone be brought to safety unharmed.

Task 4. Complete the Home Rules with the verbs. The number of letters is indicated for each verb.

33. If you sleep on it, (1) m _ _ _ it.

34. If you wear it, (2) h _ _ _ it.

35. If you eat off it, (3) c _ _ _ _ it up.

36. If you open it, (4) c _ _ _ _ it.

37. If you empty it, (5) f _ _ _ it in.

38. If you grow it, (6) w _ _ _ _ it.

39. If it rings, (7) a _ _ _ _ _ it.

40. If it cries, (8) l _ _ _ it.

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WRITING - 20 баллов, 40 минут

Student's ID _____

You have been asked to write a review of a film/cartoon that you liked when you were a little child. You must

- **give the name of the film;**
- **give the plot (сюжет) of the film in brief (вкратце)**
- **say what you liked about the film (2 details);**
- **say which character you liked best and why (2 reasons);**
- **say who you would recommend the film to watch .**

Write 150-200 words.