

ВСЕРОССИЙСКАЯ ОЛИМПИАДА ШКОЛЬНИКОВ ПО АНГЛИЙСКОМУ ЯЗЫКУ
7-8 КЛАССЫ РАЙОННЫЙ ЭТАП

LISTENING (12 points) Time: 12 min

Task 1. You will hear an interview with an architect called Scott Tenbury. For each question 1-6, choose the correct answer (A, B or C). You will hear the recording twice.

1. What does Scott say about his 'capsule' apartment in Japan?
A It was too small for him to feel comfortable in.
B There was a lot of noise from nearby apartments.
C He had to think carefully about where to put things.

2. Scott says that the 'upside-down' house he lived in?
A wasn't as exciting as he thought it would be.
B attracted a lot of interest from tourists.
C needed repairing regularly.

3. How did Scott feel when he had to leave his home in London?
A disappointed that it became so expensive to live in.
B pleased to escape the effects of the weather.
C amazed that so many people wanted to buy it.

4. What does Scott enjoy about living in cities?
A having access to facilities.
B getting interesting jobs.
C seeing lots of people.

5. What problem has Scott had with his 'water building' ?
A It's hard to find the right colour for it.
B It's difficult to build on water.
C It's not easy to get the right shape.

6. Why would Scott like to design a railway station?
A to create something people love.
B to test his design skills.
C to improve transport services.

Task 2. You will hear a student giving a talk about a person she admires. For each question 7-12, fill in the missing information in the numbered space. Write not more than 2 words in each space. Write numerals in numbers. You will hear the recording twice.

Michael Foale: a spaceman

Michael originally comes from (7)..... ,
Michael has spent a total of (8)in space.
Michael's first job was with a company that made (9)
Michael has to wear both a spacesuit and (10)when he walks in space.
In his most difficult space walk Michael had to put a new (11)..... on a satellite.
Michael was surprised to find that the Moon is (12)in colour.

Transfer your answers to the answer sheet

Read the article and do the tasks below.

From walking along the entire Amazon River to skiing to the South Pole, take a look at some of the 21st century's most amazing adventurers!

Amazing adventurers

Have you ever dreamt of climbing Mount Everest or visiting Antarctica? If so, you're not alone. Every year, thousands of people try to climb the world's highest mountains or walk across continents. In the past, explorers had compasses and maps, but today's adventurers have satellite phones and GPS. They also use their travels to let the world know about climate change and help people in the countries they visit. Let's take a look at some of the 21st century's greatest adventurers.

Amazon adventurer

Ed Stafford from the UK is the first person to walk the length of the Amazon River. He started by a small stream in the Andes mountains of Peru and arrived at the river's mouth in Brazil, two years and four months later. Snakes, crocodiles and jaguars live in the Amazon rainforest, so it's a dangerous place. Luckily, Ed avoided the big animals, but he was bitten by ants and mosquitoes every day. On his trip, Ed had to find food each morning. Sometimes the fruit, nuts and fish he ate were hard to find and Ed often felt weak and hungry. Technology was essential for Ed. He used a radio to ask local people for food and permission to enter their land. Many of them came to meet him and guide him through the dense rainforest. As he walked, Ed wrote a blog about his daily experiences. Ed used his walk to let the world know about climate change and raise money for environmental charities in Brazil and Peru.

A mountain climber

Four thousand climbers, aged between 13 and 80, have been to the top of Everest. Climbing high mountains requires a lot of preparation and is very dangerous, but some of the world's best climbers are now looking for new challenges. Gerlinde Kaltenbrunner from Austria fell in love with climbing as a teenager. When she left school, she worked as a nurse and climbed in her free time. Starting with Everest, she has been climbing all the world's fourteen peaks over 8,000 metres. To increase the challenge, Gerlinde climbs without using oxygen tanks. Low oxygen levels can make climbers ill, so Gerlinde has to climb slowly. Gerlinde is passionate about Nepal and raises money for a charity for poor children and orphans there.

More than one adventure

Some of today's adventurers go from challenge to challenge. Meagan McGrath from Canada has climbed the highest mountain on each continent, ridden a bike across Canada and run a long-distance race in the Sahara Desert. But perhaps her most incredible journey was a skiing trip to the South Pole. She pulled a tent and all her food on a sledge behind her as she skied. On the first day, she fell into a glacier and had to be rescued. Many people would have given up, but Meagan decided to carry on. Skiing through ice storms, she arrived at the South Pole forty days later.

Erik Weihenmayer from the United States is another unstoppable adventurer. He's climbed mountains, ridden a bike through the deserts of Morocco and kayaked through the Grand Canyon. Amazingly, Erik has been blind since the age of 13. Apart from his travels, he helps people with disabilities to live active lives and takes groups of young blind people on climbing expeditions.

Where next?

Despite new technologies, adventurers still have to live with terrible weather, lack of food and wild animals. Preparation and training are essential, but if you have a sense of adventure, there are continents to cross and hundreds of mountains to climb.

Robin Newton

Task 1. Complete the sentences with no more than 4 words in each gap.

1. Modern explorers use _____.
2. Ed often didn't have enough _____.
3. Erik takes groups of blind people up _____.
4. Gerlinde supports a charity that helps _____.

Task 2. Which adventure/adventurers (Gerlinde/Erik/Ed/Meagan)

5. _____ used technology to contact local people.
6. _____ hasn't done a long-distance bike ride.
7. _____ had to look out for wild animals.
8. _____ had to go slowly because there wasn't much oxygen.
9. _____ has climbed mountains in all parts of the world

Task 3. Complete the sentences with the numbers according to the text. Write the numbers in words.

10. The oldest person to climb Everest is _____ years old.
11. Ed Stafford's journey took _____ months.
12. Erik Weihenmayer has been blind since he was _____.
13. There are fourteen mountains with a height over _____ metres.
14. More than _____ climbers have climbed Everest.

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USE OF ENGLISH (10 points) Time: 10 min

Task 1. Each group of four words should remind you of another word. You have been given some of the letters of the word to help you. The first one has been done as an example.

0)	brake	boot	seatbelt	windscreen	<u>c a r</u>
1)	leaf	branch	wood	forest	___ e
2)	rose	plant	insect	garden	__ o _ e _
3)	wings	toilet	cabin	windows	p _ a _ _
4)	farm	swim	eggs	lake	_ u _ _
5)	high	rocks	climb	snow	___ n ___ n
6)	ears	soft	fur	carrots	r _ b _ _ _
7)	cabin	sail	deck	seats	_ o _ _
8)	collar	pet	bark	friend	_ o _
9)	ships	waves	deep	dolphins	___ e _ _
10)	wings	fur	blind	cave	___ t

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CULTURE STUDIES (10 points) Time: 10 minutes

Task 1. For each item choose the correct option, A,B or C.

1. What's the name of the London underground?
A Metro **B Tube** C Subway
2. Which animal can look at a king?
A a dog **B a cat** C a lion
3. Queen Elizabeth II reigned for _____ years.
A 63 **B 96** C 70
4. What river does London stand on?
A the Thames **B the Severn** C the Clyde
5. Robert Burns is a/an _____ poet.
A English **B American** C Scottish
6. Who discovered the law of gravity when an apple fell on his head?
A Darwin **B Fleming** C Newton
7. Who is the author of **the Lord of the Rings**?
A Burns **B Tolkien** C Wilde
8. Which of the days of the week in Britain were named after Germanic Gods?
A Monday and Sunday **B Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday** C Friday and Saturday
9. What is the name of the British flag?
A Star-Spangled Banner **B Stripes and stars** C Union Jack
10. The colour that represents Ireland is _____.
A green **B red** C yellow

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WRITING (14 points)

Time: 30 minutes

Your teacher has asked you to write an advertisement and to invite students to an "English Theatre Club". Give your advertisement an attractive title and address the potential participants.

You have to:

- explain what is special about this club and what the plans of the club are
- give the timetable and duration of each session
- explain what the benefits of participating in it are
- give final encouragement to students

Write 100 – 140 words.