

Республиканская олимпиада школьников по английскому языку.

2022-2023 уч. год.

Задания для участника (7-8 классы)

Время выполнения – 145 минут. Максимальное количество баллов – 85 баллов

LISTENING - 10 баллов (1 балл за правильный ответ), 15 минут

Task 1. Task 1. You will hear a boy called Harry talking about a guided trip he went on with his school to visit some caves. For questions 1–10, write the correct answer in the gaps. Write one or two words, or a number or a date or a time. You will hear the recording twice. Write your answers IN CAPITAL LETTERS on the separate answer sheet.

Harry says the trip was organized because of one teacher's interest in 1)

_____ .
The teacher finally decided that going by 2) _____ was the best way to get to the caves.

Harry's class was pleased to be given 3) _____ to use in the caves they visited.

The guide told them that the discovery of some 4) _____ in the caves proved that the Romans had once lived there.

Harry was keen to have a closer look at the 5) _____ inside the cave.

Harry admitted that the only shape he could see in the rocks was that of a 6)

_____ .
Harry says one cave is still used for keeping 7) _____ inside it because of the suitable temperature.

Harry was able to try making some 8) _____ in a building near the caves.

Harry's favourite things in the exhibition were some 9) _____ he saw there.

Harry particularly recommends the book called 10) _____ for anyone interested in the caves.

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READING – 25 баллов (1 балл за правильный ответ), 40 минут

Task 1. Decide if the following statements are TRUE or FALSE. Write your answers in CAPITAL LETTERS on the separate answer sheet.

- 1 Elisha Otis came up with the idea that made elevators safe for people.
- 2 Louis XV was lifted into the air by men pulling ropes.
- 3 Warehouses in Otis's time used boxes to move their goods to different levels.
- 4 Otis's boss wanted to move beds to a higher level for delivery.
- 5 Otis made his springs out of plastic.
- 6 The ratchets were located on the inside of the lift.
- 7 If a rope became slack this activated the contraption.
- 8 The US Assay Office building had its support structure on the outside.
- 9 The US Assay Office used a similar building technique to today's tall buildings.
- 10 The writer believes that skyscrapers can help you find your way around a city.

The elevator

Next time you are in a lift, look for the name of the people who made it. Chances are it will be the Otis Elevator Company. It was Elisha Otis who invented the gadget that made the modern passenger lift possible. The concept of elevation was already well established. Louis XV of France disliked stairs so much that he was regularly hoisted skywards in a flying chair' by several strong men hauling on ropes. In Otis's time, warehouses commonly used moving platforms to transport goods between floors. However, elevating anything further than one floor or weighing more than 70 kilograms would have been considered far too dangerous.

Otis worked for a bed manufacturer who was keen to expand his business but needed to find a way to move his beds to an upper floor for storage. The inventive Otis soon had a solution to the safety problem: a tough steel spring system that meshed with ratchets on either side of the lift shaft so that if the rope gave way the sudden loss of tension would trigger the device, stopping the lift from falling.

At the 1854 World Trade fair in New York, Otis unveiled his invention and orders began to pour in, including one from the United States Assay Office which at that time was constructing one of the first buildings with an internal steel frame to support the exterior walls. This was the same construction method that skyscrapers would use. If not for lifts, the towering landmarks which feature so prominently in today's architecture would have been impossible and the character of our cities would be entirely different.

Task 2. Read the text below and look carefully at each line. Some of the lines are correct, and some have a word which should not be there. If a line is correct, put a tick (✓) by the number. If a line has a word which should not be there, write the word. Write your answers IN CAPITAL LETTERS on the separate answer sheet.

A BROTHER RETURNS

- 11 Recently, my brother returned back from a trip to America. He wanted to
- 12 take a long holiday before he started his own university studies. As a gift,
- 13 I gave him a camera for to document his journey across the USA. I have
- 14 never been to abroad so I was quite excited about seeing the photographs
- 15 and hearing all about life there. Tom and I were used to be very close and



..... 16 I must admit I was a bit upset when he decided to travel alone. We have

..... 17 gone backpacking together several times and have been had a lot of

..... 18 fun. But for this trip. Tom felt he wanted to travel alone. At first, I found

..... 19 it hard to get used to the idea that I was stay at home and he was travelling.

..... 20 However, the postcards soon started arriving from all over the whole USA.

..... 21 He must have being sent at least twenty, which helped us keep in
touch and

..... 22 made me feel much better. Today, looking at the photographs, Tom

..... 23 seems so happy and confident. If he had invited me, I would have been

..... 24 gone happily, but he didn't invite. It seems that he enjoyed being
on his own.

..... 25 However, he told me that he had missed me and was very glad to see me.

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USE OF ENGLISH - 30 баллов, 40 минут

TASK 1. Choose the correct answer, A, B, C or D

1) I live on the 14th floor of a tower block, so I have a wonderful _____'s-eye view of the town.

- A) Bee
- B) Fly
- C) Bird
- D) Bat

2) Choose the correct answer, A, B, C or D

Elsa congratulated me on getting the job, but I could tell that secretly she was _____ with envy.

- A) Red
- B) Green
- C) Black
- D) White

3) Choose the correct answer, A, B, C or D

I very rarely see my parents these days. They only come to visit once in a _____ moon.

- A) Black
- B) Orange
- C) Yellow
- D) Blue

4) Choose the correct answer, A, B, C or D

Jack is a smart _____. He knows everything and never makes bad decisions.

- A) Fruit
- B) Pizza
- C) Cookie
- D) Pie

5) Choose the correct answer, A, B, C or D

I'll have this work done before you could say _____ Robinson

- A) Jack
- B) Jim
- C) George

D) John

6) Choose the correct answer, A, B, C or D

I looked like a drowned _____ after the rain.

- A) cat
- B) rat
- C) dog
- D) mouse

7) Choose the correct answer, A, B, C or D

You shouldn't have asked that, now a can of _____ is opened again.

- A) hornets
- B) flies
- C) worms
- D) ants

TASK 2. Match the places with their descriptions.

8) Designed in 1917 by [Joseph Strauss](#), it was not completed until 1937. Shortly afterwards it was recognized as one of the wonders of the modern world, being the longest and tallest of its kind.

9) A [prehistoric monument](#) on [Salisbury Plain](#) in [Wiltshire](#) consisting of large stones that make a circle. It is believed that this place was erected from 3000 BC to 2000 BC and now is considered to be one of the most recognizable places not only in England but also the whole world

10) The oldest yet most renowned of all kindred places in the city of New York, this building is one of the world's ten most visited tourist attractions with more than 20 million visitors in 2018. It's the second-busiest train station in North America.

11) One of the most illustrious buildings in the world was constructed in 1931 in the middle of the Great Depression. It was named after the nickname of the state where it stays up to this date. This place was featured in more than 250 television series and films throughout its existence



12) Regarded by many as one of the world's most famous and distinctive buildings, this masterpiece of 20th century architecture was opened almost fifty years ago by late Queen Elizabeth II and some 34 years later it became a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

13) A famous wax museum opened in the first half of the 19th century where a lot of sculptures of famous people that are almost indistinguishable from their real-life models.

14) More than 3 million people visit it annually this gigantic sculpture that was given as a gift from France to the USA in the 19th century made of copper.

15) With more than 3 million visitors per annum, this place is the most popular paid tourist attraction in the UK. It was opened in 1999 and became the tallest Ferris wheel in the world

16) This building was founded towards the of 1066 as part of the Norman Conquest during the reign of William the Conqueror. Having been used in all ways possible, this castle now is one of the country's most popular attractions with almost 3 million visitors annually

17) Built to honor the 16th president of the USA, the building resembles a Greek Doric temple. This place has been the site of many famous speeches, e.g., Martin Luther King's "I have a dream".

- A. Empire State Building
- B. Sydney Opera House
- C. Washington Monument
- D. Statue of Liberty
- E. London Eye
- F. Lincoln Memorial
- G. The Golden Gate Bridge
- H. Grand Central Terminal
- I. Madame Tussauds
- J. Brooklyn Bridge
- K. The White House
- L. Chrysler Building
- M. Big Ben
- N. The Tower of London

O. Stonehenge

Task 3. For questions 18-20 complete the spaces by finding one word which fits in all three sentences. Write your answers IN CAPITAL LETTERS on the separate answer sheet.

18)

1. Can you speak up a bit? You see my father is of hearing.
2. He'd had a time since the doctors told him he had to lose weight.
3. Come on! No feelings. I admit I made a mistake, but it wasn't intentional. Stop making such a fuss about it.

19)

1. Our Volvo has better days. However, we are very attached to this car and won't get rid of it soon.
2. It remains to be how the situation will develop, but let's keep our fingers crossed and hope for the best.
3. Ricky has always himself as the life and soul of the party.

20)

1. Full of beans? Why don't you your energy into some sport or hobby?
2. By popular request, the company added a sports to its offer in order to attract more TV viewers.
3. The that connects the lake with the sea lost its importance once the forests had been logged.

Task 4. Choose the correct answer A, B, C, or D.

21) Did you go on holiday ... ?

- A. on your own
- B. on yourself
- C. with your own
- D. with yourself



22) We ... for about half an hour when it started to rain heavily.

- A. have been playing
- B. were playing
- C. had been playing
- D. would be playing

23) She apologized for not ... her friend at the airport.

- A. meeting
- B. being met
- C. having met
- D. having been met

24) We stopped there ... some biscuits.

- A. buy
- B. to buy
- C. buying
- D. bought

25) I wish the holidays ... so we could go off to the seaside.

- A. come
- B. came
- C. had come
- D. would come

26) I prefer ... by train.

- 1) to drive to travel
- 2) to drive to travelling
- 3) driving to travelling
- 4) driving to travel

27) The man was suspected ... a spy.

- A) to be
- B) of being
- C) by being
- D) as being

28) What makes you ... such terrible words!

- A) say
- B) be saying
- C) tell
- D) be telling

29) I'd like overnight.

- A) that you stayed with us
- B) you stay with us
- C) you staying with us

D) you to stay with us
30) You've never heard this song,?

- A) isn't it
- B) is it
- C) haven't you
- D) have you

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WRITING - 20 баллов, 50 минут

The regional teenagers' magazine has announced the competition.
We are offering a prize for the best description of the working day
of one fiction character!

Choose one out of the given fictional characters (Tom Sawyer, Mr. Scrooge, Alice (Alice in Wonderland), Paddington Bear, Winnie-the-Pooh, Hermione Granger) and write on his/her behalf what his/her working day is like! The working day must reflect the personality, habits and lifestyle of the character. Write in total 150-200 words. If you don't like any of these characters you may write about the one you like.

Remember to write an introduction and a conclusion. Remember to give a title.
Remember to use a couple of idioms and phrasal verbs.

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