

ВСЕРОССИЙСКАЯ ОЛИМПИАДА ШКОЛЬНИКОВ ПО АНГЛИЙСКОМУ ЯЗЫКУ
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ПИСЬМЕННЫЙ ТУР

7-8 классы

Уважаемый участник олимпиады!

Вам предстоит выполнить письменные задания.

Время выполнения заданий письменного тура - 2 академических часа (**90 минут**).

Выполнение заданий целесообразно организовать следующим образом:

- не спеша, внимательно прочитайте формулировку задания;
- напишите правильный вариант ответа в бланке ответов;
- после выполнения всех предложенных заданий еще раз удостоверьтесь в правильности ваших ответов;
- если потребуется корректировка выбранного Вами варианта ответа, то неправильный вариант ответа зачеркните крестиком и рядом напишите новый.

Предупреждаем Вас, что:

- при оценке тестовых заданий, где необходимо определить один правильный ответ, 0 баллов выставляется за неверный ответ и в случае, если участником отмечены несколько ответов (в том числе правильный), или все ответы;
- при оценке тестовых заданий, где необходимо определить все правильные ответы, 0 баллов выставляется, если участником отмечены неверные ответы, большее количество ответов, чем предусмотрено в задании (в том числе правильные ответы) или все ответы.

Задание письменного тура считается выполненным, если Вы вовремя сдаете его членам жюри.

Максимальная оценка – 77 баллов.

LISTENING (12 points)

Time: 13 minutes

Task 1. You will hear an announcement about the month's competition. For each question, fill in the missing information in the numbered space. Write numerals in numbers. You will hear the recording twice.

This month's competition

Prize: a computer + a (1)_____ printer

Write a story

- length: fewer than (2)_____ words

- subject: a short (3)_____ story. which takes place in the (4)_____

Write your name, address, telephone number and (5)_____ at the end.

Story must arrive on or before (6) _____

Task 2. You will hear part of a radio programme called “What’s On” talking about new events. For each question, choose the correct answer, A, B or C. You will hear the recording twice.

7. The competition this year is to find the best

- A. actor
- B. dancer
- C. singer

8. You can enter the competition if you

- A. send your entry by post.
- B. less than five miles from the city centre.
- C. phone any time after Saturday.

9. To find out more about the theatre group, you should phone

- A. the theatre.
- B. Saint Paul's School.
- C. the secretary of the group.

10. What is different about the arrangements at the sports hall this week?

- A. The closing time is later than usual.
- B. It is not possible to hire the football pitch.
- C. All activities must be booked in advance.

11. What information are we given about the new swimming pool?

- A. It will open next month.
- B. It will be free for one week.
- C. It is bigger than the old one.

12. What are we told about the rock group Switch?

- A. They were all born in Westfield.
- B. They all live in Westfield.
- C. They are doing two concerts in Westfield.

Transfer your answers to the answer sheet

READING (12 points)

Time: 17 minutes

Task 1. Read the text about Robot Teachers and decide if the sentences (1 – 6) are True (T) or False (F) according to it.

Robot teachers

If you think of the jobs robots could never do, you would probably put doctors and teachers at the top of the list. It's easy to imagine robot cleaners and factory workers, but some jobs need human connection and creativity. But are we underestimating what robots can do? In some cases, they already perform better than doctors at diagnosing illness. Also, some patients might feel more comfortable sharing personal information with a machine than a person. Could there be a place for robots in education after all?

British education expert Anthony Seldon thinks so. And he even has a date for the robot takeover of the classroom: 2027. He predicts robots will do the main job of transferring information and teachers will be like assistants. Intelligent robots will read students' faces, movements and maybe even brain signals. Then they will adapt the information to each student. It's not a popular opinion and it's unlikely robots will ever have empathy and the ability to really connect with humans like another human can.

One thing is certain, though. A robot teacher is better than no teacher at all. In some parts of the world, there aren't enough teachers and 9–16 per cent of children under the age of 14 don't go to school. That problem could be partly solved by robots because they can teach anywhere and won't get stressed, or tired, or move somewhere for an easier, higher-paid job.

Those negative aspects of teaching are something everyone agrees on. Teachers all over the world are leaving because it is a difficult job and they feel overworked. Perhaps the question is not 'Will robots replace teachers?' but 'How can robots help teachers?' Office workers can use software to do things like organise and answer emails, arrange meetings and update calendars.

Teachers waste a lot of time doing non-teaching work, including more than 11 hours a week marking homework. If robots could cut the time teachers spend marking homework and writing reports, teachers would have more time and energy for the parts of the job humans do best.

1	Most jobs seem as if they can be done by robots or computers	T	F
2	Robots are always better at diagnosing illness than doctors.	T	F
3	Many experts agree robots will replace teachers by 2027.	T	F
4	One advantage of robot teachers is that they don't need to rest.	T	F
5	Robot assistants could help teachers by marking homework.	T	F
6	Some teachers use robots to reduce their time answering emails and marking homework	T	F

Task 2. Read the text from Task 1 about Robot teachers again and choose the best answer (A, B or C) to complete the following statements (7 - 12).

7. It's easy to think robots ...

A. will replace people even if we don't like the idea.

B. are more capable than people and it's true.

C. can do less than people but it's not always true.

8. Anthony Seldon thinks teachers in the future will ...

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| A.. help robots in class. | B. teach knowledge to students. | C. no longer exist. |
| 9. Robots will probably never ... | | |
| A.. have human understanding of emotions. | B.. be a popular choice for teachers. | C. be intelligent enough to work in education. |
| 10. Some parts of the world ... | | |
| A.. pay robots to teach. | B. already use robots in teaching jobs. | C. have a shortage of teachers. |
| 11. Teachers ... | | |
| A.. work harder than office workers. | B. have less help than office workers. | C. leave their jobs to become office workers. |
| 12. Robots could ... | | |
| A.. empathise with students. | B. mark homework. | C. prepare lessons. |

Transfer your answers to the answer sheet

USE OF ENGLISH (25 points)

Time: 25 minutes

Task 1. Read the text below and choose the word that fits best for each space. The first one is done for you.

Example answer: 0 A B C D

Underwater Games

Have you ever seen dolphins? Dolphins are mammals that (0) A in seas and oceans. Dolphins are smart animals, but they are (1) ___ curious and playful. One of the most (2) ___ facts about dolphins is how much they enjoy playing. Dolphins can (3) ___ jumping above the surface of the water and landing on their backs, bellies, or sides just for fun. Dolphins even find ways to entertain (4) ___ under the water. (5) ___ they do not have objects to play with, they make (6) ___ own toys out of air!

(7) ___ fish, dolphins are mammals that breathe air. They can stay under the water (8) ___ 15 minutes with one breath. Dolphins can control when they breathe out. The air comes out through their blowholes and makes bubbles. One kind of air bubble is shaped (9) ___ a circle. It (10) ___ a bubble ring, and it happens to be the perfect sea toy.

Many scientists (11) ___ filmed and photographed dolphins playing with bubble rings. Sometimes (12) ___ looks like dolphins use the bubble rings as targets. They will hit the bubbles with their long noses or spin around and slap the bubbles with their tails. Dolphins also try to bite the bubbles. (13) ___, dolphins use bubble rings to create more of a challenge. (14) ___ playful mammals will make a big bubble ring and try to swim through it. They have been seen trying to

catch a bubble ring or move it around without breaking it. Sometimes they can **(15)** ____ two or three bubble rings together. It is **(16)** ____ fun game for the dolphins!

(17) ____ experts think that dolphins also use bubble rings to help them hunt for food. Dolphins swim beneath the fish and send up bubbles. The bubbles cause the fish to move toward the surface of the water. **(18)** ____ the dolphins swim in and grab a tasty snack.

It is amazing **(19)** ____ dolphins play with bubble rings. It does not matter if dolphins use bubble rings to help them hunt for food or use them just for fun. What matters **(20)** ____ dolphins have fun playing with all the bubbles they make.

	A	B	C	D
0	live	lived	lives	are living
1	almost	also	again	as well
2	surprise	surprised	surprising	surprisingly
3	see	to be seen	be seen	to see
4	they	them	their	themselves
5	Since	However	Therefore	For
6	they	themselves	their	theirs
7	Like	Unlike	Alike	Likely
8	for about to	for up to	for up on	up to for
9	like	similar	alike	likely
10	calls	is calling	called	is called
11	had	have been	has	have
12	---	it	its	he
13	In addition	Nevertheless	Too	In contrast
14	This	These	There's	Theirs
15	joy	enjoy	join	just
16	---	the	a	an
17	Some	Others	Another	Any
18	That	Their	Than	Then
19	what	how	when	where
20	that	what	that is	is that

Task 2. One word, two meanings. For questions 21–25 find one word which fits both definitions.

Example: 1. You can _____ seats online.

2. It's easy to buy a _____ for a gift.

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21. A. I'm taking a Japanese ____ at the moment.

B. I'm going to have fish for my main ____.

Word: _____ (6 letters)

22. A. It's hot so let's sit in the ____.

B. That ____ of red doesn't suit her.

Word: _____ (5 letters)

23. A. The ____ look bright tonight.

B. Lots of movie ____ live in Hollywood.

Word: _____ (5 letters)

24. A. We always eat there so let's go somewhere else for a ____.

B. Can you ____ this money into coins?

Word: _____ (6 letters)

25. A. She packed a ____ for the ocean voyage.

B. We sat on a fallen tree ____ to rest.

Word: _____ (5 letters)

CULTURE STUDIES (10 points)

Time: 5 minutes

Read the sentences and decide if the sentences (1 – 10) are True (T) or False (F).

1	Irn Bru is the favourite drink of the Scottish people.	T	F
2	Canada is the second-largest producer of maple syrup.	T	F
3	Indigenous Australians base their belief system on Dreaming.	T	F
4	Daffodil is a symbol of England.	T	F
5	Rhode Island was the last state to become a part of the United States.	T	F
6	In the UK, the monarch celebrates his/her birthday twice a year.	T	F
7	The Australians are famous for their dry humour.	T	F
8	Rugby is the most-played sports in the US.	T	F
9	In the US, Thanksgiving is celebrated on the last Thursday of November.	T	F
10	Christmas is the main winter holiday in Scotland.	T	F

Transfer your answers to the answer sheet

WRITING (18 points)

Time: 30 minutes

According to the Atlas of Emerging Jobs some jobs will be popular in the future. Choose one of them. Write an article to the school magazine about it.

Choose from:

- Smart House Designer
- Online Party Planner
- Space Travel Manager
- Healthcare Expert
- Space Biologist
- Virtual Reality Architect
- Clothes 3D Model Programmer

In your article you should include:

- a title
- an introduction
- description of the chosen profession (what, in your opinion, the job will involve)
- why the chosen profession will be important in Russia in the future (give at least two reasons)
- what qualities are necessary to succeed in this job
- a conclusion (whether the chosen profession is important for society, seems attractive to you and why - give at least two reasons)

Write 100 – 150 words

Transfer your answers to the answer sheet