

ВСЕРОССИЙСКАЯ ОЛИМПИАДА ШКОЛЬНИКОВ ПО АНГЛИЙСКОМУ ЯЗЫКУ
(МУНИЦИПАЛЬНЫЙ ЭТАП)
ПИСЬМЕННЫЙ ТУР
возрастная группа 9-11 классы

Уважаемый участник олимпиады!

Вам предстоит выполнить письменные задания.

Время выполнения заданий письменного тура 120 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 – 76 баллов.

ПИСЬМЕННЫЙ ТУР

LISTENING (12 points)

Time: 15 minutes

PART 1

Listen to two friends talking about cheating. Number the topics (a-d) from 1-4 in the order they discuss them.

- a. how people feel when they cheat;
- b. a family member who cheated;
- c. how people respond to seeing others cheating;
- d. the relationship between winning and cheating.

PART 2

Listen again. Are the statements True (T) or False (F)?

- 5. Rona knocked another runner over deliberately in her race.
- 6. Jake forced Rona to admit what she had done.
- 7. Jake finds it difficult to understand why his sister cheated.
- 8. People who win by cheating often feel proud of what they have done.
- 9. Cheaters feel a greater sense of satisfaction when they can see that their opponent is upset.
- 10. People who win regularly are less likely to cheat.
- 11. In team sports, players are more likely to break the rules if they see members of their own team cheating.
- 12. If they see members of the opposite team cheating, they are likely to copy their behaviour.

TRANSFER YOUR ANSWERS TO YOUR ANSWER SHEET

READING (18 points)

Time: 30 minutes

PART 1

Read the article. Match the headings 1-6 to the paragraphs A-D. Two headings are extra.

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| 1. For and Against AI | 4. Worrying about Nothing |
| 2. Killer Robots | 5. Movies Show a Possible Future |
| 3. Fear for the Future | 6. A Help Not a Threat |

What will artificial intelligence mean for humans and our way of life? Opinions vary widely between both scientists and businesspeople. Here you can read a small cross-section of them.

A.

The late physicist Professor Stephen Hawking famously said, “I fear that AI may replace humans altogether. If people design computer viruses, someone will design AI that improves and replicates itself. This will be a new form of life that outperforms humans.” This seems ironic when it was AI that allowed Stephen Hawking, who suffered from motor neurone disease, to have a voice at all. However, his concerns were not about the current AI capabilities and benefits, but about an extreme form of AI of the future – an AI that develops on its own, without human interference – something which is many years in the future, if it ever comes to be at all. He said that this superhuman AI “could spell the end of the human race” and called for more research on the dangers of AI. At the same time, though, he also believed that AI systems could help to put an end to war, poverty and disease.

B.

SpaceX owner and Tesla CEO Elon Musk shares some of Hawking's concerns about AI. He has said, “AI is a fundamental existential risk for human civilization, and I don’t think people fully appreciate that.” He is particularly concerned about current research, which is developing AI that can play games better than humans. He thinks the very nature of this AI is extremely dangerous. He believes that AI will be able to outsmart humans in less than five years and then things will become very unstable. AI researchers think he is overstating and claim that they are far away from developing superintelligence, if it is even possible. Furthermore, Musk’s relationship with AI is complicated. He has invested in a number of AI companies and his own companies have benefited from AI.

C.

Professor Toby Walsh is a leading researcher on AI and his opinion is that, instead of worrying about AI becoming conscious or becoming evil, we should worry much more about AI becoming competent and

having different goals from us. He says, “It is much simpler technologies, stupid AI and not smart AI that we need to worry about in the near future.” He is particularly worried about autonomous robotic weapons such as drone bombers that can act without human oversight and calls for them to be banned. He is working with other scientists and human rights leaders to try to do this. They have already managed to ban lasers designed to blind people with the help of the United Nations. He believes it is extremely important to set limits on AI so it can only be used to improve our lives. His research focuses on building trustworthy AI.

D.

Then there are others such as Achim Berg, the Head of the German IT association, who believe that AI can only bring positive benefits to society. He says, “We must do everything we can to take advantage of AI’s potential for the digital society. It is not about an AI system coming to replace a police officer or a doctor. It is about intelligent systems doing work for them.” He believes that AI poses no threat to humanity. He says, “Outside of Hollywood movies, there is no danger that AI will take over. He also believes AI offers plenty of opportunity and can help many people in many ways. He says, “In practice, artificial intelligence generally supports people, it does not replace them. For example, algorithms help the doctor to find the optimal therapy for each individual patient, but AI does not make the decisions.”

PART 2

Read the article again for questions 1-4, choose from texts (A-D)

Which person ...

1. believes the threat from AI is less than a decade away?
2. thinks AI is completely safe?
3. used AI for their own benefit?
4. is more worried about military AI?

PART 3

For questions 1-10 choose from the people, write SH for Stephen Hawking, EM for Elon Musk, TW for Toby Walsh, AB for Achim Berg. The people may be chosen more than once.

Which person makes the following statements?

1. A superintelligence could exist in the next few years.
2. We should make sure that humans and AI have the same goals.
3. AI can help make people’s jobs easier.

4. AI might eventually wipe out people.
5. The only threat there is from AI is in the movies.
6. AI can be used to make the world a better place.
7. We should not use AI in wars.
8. AI has helped me communicate.
9. Humans will still make all the decisions in the age of AI.
10. Soon, AI will be cleverer than us.

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USE OF ENGLISH (31 points)

Time: 35 minutes

PART 1

Match 1-8 with a-h to make compound adjectives. Then match them with the definitions i-viii.

1. soul	a) blowing	i. Making you feel happy, usually because other people are being kind
2. heart	b) raising	ii. Used to describe a situation that makes you very unhappy because you think it will never improve
3. hair	c) warming	iii. Used to describe a situation that makes you very excited, worried or tense
4. break	d) biting	iv. Extremely impressive, exciting or shocking (informal)
5. ear	e) destroying	v. Very frightening, but often exciting at the same time
6. eye	f) opening	vi. Very fast, at speed
7. nail	g) splitting	vii. Used to describe a situation that shows you something surprising that you didn't know before
8. mind	h) neck	viii. Very loud

PART 2

Read the text below and decide which answer A, B, C or D best fits each gap (9-15).

The original citadel of St Petersburg

The first structure to be built in St. Petersburg, and thus the 9 ____ city, it never served its intended defensive function. 10 ____ it has had a rich, hugely varied, and sometimes sinister history as a military base, a home of 11 ____ departments, the burial ground of the Russian Imperial family, the site of groundbreaking scientific experiments, and a forbidding jail that 12 ____ some of Russia's most prominent political prisoners. As time progressed, the Fortress was also becoming a memorial museum. In the early 19th century, 13 ____ the reign of Emperor Alexander I, the Fortress was opened to the public for the first time. In the 1900s, the Peter and Paul Cathedral hosted 14 ____ tours of the Imperial necropolis. In October of 1917, during the 1917 Russian Revolution, the Fortress became a field

headquarters of the Petrograd Military Revolutionary Committee. During the Second World War, the grave of Peter the Great in the Peter and Paul Cathedral was one of the 15 ____ where protectors of Leningrad sworn the military oath.

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| 9 | A. cradleland | B. motherland | C. birthplace | D. homeland |
| 10 | A. Instead | B. In spite | C. Despite | D. Nevertheless |
| 11 | A. governing | B. government | C. governor | D. governmental |
| 12 | A. trapped | B. caught | C. had | D. held |
| 13 | A. during | B. for | C. with | D. along |
| 14 | A. lengthy | B. inclusive | C. guided | D. package |
| 15 | A. places | B. seats | C. sights | D. spots |

PART 3

For questions 16-23 think of one word only which can be used in each set of three sentences.

16. I felt a ____ of rain on my face.

Is this the ____ where you saw him fall?

What's that ____ on your face?

17. Let's leave a _____. The service was good.

He gave me a useful ____ for how to warm up.

They live on the northern ____ of the island.

18. When buying a car, you need to take into ____ how much petrol it uses.

The police asked me to give them a full ____ of the accident.

She put all the money into her bank _____.

19. The bench was very ____ and uncomfortable.

This year we're having a ____ winter with lots of snow and low temperatures.

Is this exercise ____ or can you do it?

20. The water is beautiful and ____ here.

You need to give ____ instructions.

It's ____ that you can't win without a lot of training.

21. It's going to ____ my heart if we lose.

We need to get away and have a proper _____.

The actor got his first big ____ when he appeared in an ad for a famous brand of trainers.

22. I think it's boring when a match ends as a _____.

I'd like to _____ your attention to the next point.

Some people claim that they can't even _____ a straight line with a ruler.

23. We need to run faster to _____ the others up.

I'm sorry, I didn't _____ your name.

I sincerely hope they _____ the person who did this.

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WRITING (20 points)

Time: 40 minutes

You have recently signed up to a new internet provider and you are disappointed with the service. Write an email of complaint. Focus on the most important facts. Do not give unnecessary background information.

Make sure you include:

- the reason for writing;
- what went wrong (what the problems are (3));
- what you would like to happen now (the desired outcomes (2)).

Use the following words and word combinations:

- slow speeds
- frequent connection drops
- broken/bad reception
- to demand/to insist on
- guarantee

Use passives to be less direct and more formal.

Write 100-150 words.

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