

Отборочный этап I тур
10-11 классы
КЛЮЧИ

Блок 1

Read the text. Ten words have been removed from the text. Fill the gaps with the words from the list. Among the words there are ten that do not fit any of the gaps.

"Truth is stranger **1. than** fiction." people often say. And **2. like** lots of other clichés, this one is based in reality. It helps explain **3. why** people are eager to hear about travels to strange places, encounters **4. with** exotic animals, perilous adventures, original ideas, or unusual childhoods. Of course, **5. not** all nonfiction is equally interesting. No **6. one** would claim that a catalog description of a pair of jeans can keep a reader's attention for very long. What's the **7. missing** ingredient? A single word: literary.

Literary nonfiction is the truth dressed up in its party clothes. Authors of literary nonfiction tell their stories or explain their ideas the **8. way** writers of fiction do: with skill and passion. **9. Whether** it's an essay on Islam, memoir of growing up in China, the biography of Michael Jordan, or an autobiography by a president, a writer **10. will** strive to capture the reader's interest by using the tools of the poet or novelist.

Блок 2

Read the text. Ten words/phrases have been removed from the text. Fill the gaps with the words/phrases from the list. Among the words there are ten that do not fit any of the gaps.

Improving the language school on a tight budget is an achievable goal - although high-tech equipment is out **1. of the question**, this is not the only way to improve the students' learning experience.

One of the key improvements which I propose is the creation of an informal study **2. and student lounge**. This would encourage students to study and socialise together, allowing them to practise their English in a relaxed and informal way. Speaking and **3. engaging in** conversations is one of the best ways for students to learn and gain confidence in their language abilities.

The spare classroom on the first floor would be the perfect location for this lounge. There are several spare desks which can be used for a study area at one end of the room, and then all the room will need is a fresh **4. coat of** paint – something colourful – as well as some comfortable chairs and a sofa. These could be purchased **5. second-hand**, in order to make it more affordable. Finally, a small kitchenette area, with a kettle for making hot drinks, could be added in the corner of the room, to encourage students to relax **6. and make** themselves at home.

My second proposal **7. ties in** with the first - within this study and lounge area, I suggest that a selection of books **8. be provided**. These would be both books **9. designed** for people learning English, and general fiction, at a variety of learning levels. Encouraging students to read English in this relaxed manner is another way to provide a better learning experience. This is also a very **10. cost-effective** improvement – the books can be second-hand or donated, and the collection will grow over time.

Блок 3

You are going to read an extract from an article. Find ten words in the text which will fit the gaps of the following sentences. The words should fit the new contexts in both meaning and grammar. They have the same graphic form as the one in the original text.

1. Organic vegetables are expected to **perish** faster than those produced with the use of chemical fertilizers.
2. The workers followed the advice of their trade union leader and decided to **down/ destroy** their tools and go on strike.
3. The mayor decided to break the **consensus** and criticize the Prime Minister.
4. The seating **capacity** of the room is sufficient for our conference.
5. She finally accepted her father's **challenge** to a game of chess.
6. Ethically **responsibile** companies never exploit child labour.
7. The human brain is hardly ever used to its full **potential/ capacity**.
8. A meritocratic society ensures all its citizens enjoy **equality** of opportunity.
9. I will honour my **obligation** and help your children should anything happen to you.
10. For the love of money is the **root** of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

Блок 4

You are going to read a poem. Match the following definitions with the words used in the text. There are ten extra definitions that do not correspond to the meaning of the words in this context.

From a Railway Carriage

hedge	2	a building containing a large machine for crushing grain into flour	1
		a fence or boundary formed by closely growing bushes or shrubs	2
charge	17	a heavy or bulky thing that is being carried or is about to be carried	3
		a heavy usually horse-drawn 2-wheeled vehicle used for farming or transporting freight	4
plain	5	a large area of flat dry land	5
		a table with wheels that is used especially for serving food	6
thick	9	a way of protecting yourself against the loss of something, especially money	7
		an eyeful of something	8
whistle	16	dense or heavy	9
		imperfectly articulated	10
scramble	13	one that produces or processes people or things mechanically or in large numbers	11
		the unmarked white ball, as distinguished from the spot balls	12
string	18	to climb up, down, or over something quickly and with difficulty, especially using your hands to help you	13
		to cook an egg by mixing the white and yellow parts together and heating them, sometimes with milk and butter	14
cart	4	to fix or ask as fee or payment	15
		to move, making a loud, high sound	16
load	3	to rush forward	17
		to thread (a series of small objects) into a garland	18

mill	1	to try to keep up one's confidence in spite of fear	19
		to tune the wires of a musical instrument	20

Блок 5

Use the Latin and Greek stems to form English words that fit in the numbered spaces in the text. The words should fit the gaps in both meaning and grammar.

Does this sound like you? You read a novel when there's nothing good on television. Novels are what you stuff in your pocket for the bus ride or stretch out with on the beach. If that describes you, have another look. Novels can be 1. **rebellious**, threatening and very up-to-date. They challenge popular 2. **assumptions** about politics, religion, morality, and race. They've been condemned from the pulpit, burned in public and banned from libraries.

Take your pick. Whether it's for chilling out or changing the world there's a novel to fit the 3. **bill**. A novel is a long work of prose fiction, usually about a 4. **protagonist** - or central character - and several minor characters. Because of a novel's length, the writer is often able to include a 5. **variety** of characters, develop several subplots, and use many details and descriptions. When you read a novel you can visit a different world.