

**ЗАДАНИЯ ДЛЯ ЗАКЛЮЧИТЕЛЬНОГО ТУРА ОЛИМПИАДЫ 2014-2015 г.
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Despite the weather conditions, many nations now have scientific bases on Antarctica, carrying out research on a range of subjects, including the ice sheets. In contrast to the melting of the Arctic sea ice, sea ice around Antarctica _____ (21) in recent years. The reasons for this are not fully understood.

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<p>some people consider tourists an environmental pressure, others note that the average tourist is generally well informed and will certainly become a good advocate for the protection of Antarctica when he/she _____ (24) home. It is extremely important because if it _____ (25) for the ongoing environmental campaign, Antarctica _____ (26) oil companies now. There were people who suggested _____ (27) there even in the 1960s, but it has never been allowed.</p>	<p>return (24) not be (25) have (26) mine (27)</p>
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It is probable that until two hundred years ago, Antarctica _____ (13) by any human eyes. The first people who are known _____ (14) it were hunters on ships in 1819. Two years later, one of them managed to land there though conditions prevented him from _____ (15) very far. Larger scientific expeditions later came to the region to find out more. By the end of the nineteenth century they had succeeded in _____ (16) the coast of the continent, despite Antarctica _____ (17) by a thick layer of ice which in places stretches far onto the sea.

not see (13)
approach (14)
explore (15)
map (16)
cover (17)

There was something else which attracted people to Antarctica besides research: the South Pole. A number of attempts to reach it _____ (18) in the early years of the twentieth century, but the first person to get there was Roald Amundsen in 1911. Travelling with dogs to pull the sledges which carried his party's _____ (19), he arrived at the pole five weeks before his rivals, a group _____ (20) by Robert Scott.

make (18)
supply (19)
lead (20)

Despite the weather conditions, many nations now have scientific bases on Antarctica, carrying out research on a range of subjects, including the ice sheets. In contrast to the melting of the Arctic sea ice, sea ice around Antarctica _____ (21) in recent years. The reasons for this are not fully understood.

expand (21)

Antarctic tourism _____ (22) at a tremendous pace now. Tourists _____ (23) to visit Antarctica by air in the 1950s. While some people consider tourists an environmental pressure, others note that the average tourist is generally well informed and will certainly become a good advocate for the protection of Antarctica when he/she _____ (24) home. It is extremely important because if it

develop (22)
begin (23)
return (24)

_____ (25) for the ongoing environmental campaign, Antarctica _____ (26) oil companies now. There were people who suggested _____ (27) there even in the 1960s, but it has never been allowed.

not be (25)
have (26)
mine (27)

Конкурс на знание лексики

Прочитайте текст. Заполните пропуски (№ 28-37) словом (словами), подходящим(и) по смыслу. Занесите ваши ответы в ЛИСТ ОТВЕТОВ.

The Globe Theatre was a theatre in London associated with William Shakespeare. The Globe Theatre was built in 1599, burned down in 1613 and _____ (28) in 1614. It stood on the bank of the River Thames in Southwark, London, near several other famous theatres of the time. In those days, people from all _____ (29) of society, rich and poor, used to go to the theatre. The poorer people stood near the stage, with no _____ (30) against the sun or rain, while _____ (31) people sat in rows of seats around the inside of the walls. Plays were performed in the daytime, because there was no _____ (32) lighting. The stage had no curtains, and scenery was not often used, but the actors _____ (33) colourful costumes. In Shakespeare's times, women were not allowed on stage, so the women's parts were played by boys dressed up in women's costumes. The original Globe Theatre was closed in 1642, and nothing is known about what happened to it. In 1987, though, after many years of careful research, work began to build a new theatre _____ (34) much like the original as possible. The New Globe is 180 metres from the exact place where Shakespeare's theatre stood, and was built with the same materials and building methods. Like the original, it is a round building, three _____ (35) high, with a wooden frame and plaster walls. A thatched roof leaves the middle of the theatre open to the sky. The roofed stage fills part of this space. The New Globe opened in 1997, and is used from May to September for performances of plays both by Shakespeare and other _____ (36) of his time. Performances _____ (37) in the daytime, as in Shakespeare's time.

Конкурс письменной речи (Письмо)

Ознакомьтесь с высказыванием. Как вы понимаете смысл данного высказывания? Выскажите свою точку зрения и обоснуйте её. Напишите эссе объёмом в 200-250 слов и перепишите его в ЛИСТ ОТВЕТОВ.

"A pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity; an optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty." (Winston Churchill)