

ПЛЕХАНОВСКАЯ ОЛИМПИАДА ШКОЛЬНИКОВ 2021/22 ПО АНГЛИЙСКОМУ ЯЗЫКУ

3 вариант (8-9 класс)

I. LISTENING TEST

You will hear people talking in eight different situations. For questions 1-8, choose the best answer (A, B or C). You will hear the recording twice.

1. You hear part of a radio play. Where is the scene taking place?
 - A. in the street
 - B. in a bank
 - C. in a police station
2. You overhear the beginning of a lecture. What subject are the students taking?
 - A. medicine
 - B. sport
 - C. Music
3. You overhear a conversation in a college. Who is the young man?
 - A. a new student
 - B. a student in the middle of a course
 - C. a former student
4. You hear a woman on the radio talking about a cookbook. What does she regret?
 - A. not looking after it
 - B. not having kept it
 - C. not using it properly
5. You hear someone talking about the day he met someone famous. How did he feel after meeting Chris Turner?
 - A. unimpressed with the footballer
 - B. angry with his friend
 - C. disappointed with himself
6. You hear a woman talking on the phone. Why has she called?
 - A. to request a meeting
 - B. to offer assistance
 - C. to apologise for her absence



7. You overhear an extract from a radio play. What is the young woman's relationship with the man?
- A. She's a pupil of his.
 - B. She's a relative of his.
 - C. She's a patient of his.
8. You hear someone telling a story about a strange thing that happened in the mountains. What point does the story prove?
- A. how strange things can be explained simply
 - B. how easy it is to imagine things
 - C. how you can be tricked by the silence

II. READING

Task 1. The people below all want to buy a book. There are descriptions of eight books. For questions 1 -5 decide which book (A-H) would be most suitable for the following people.

1. Jan is sixteen and she loves shopping for clothes and reading stories about people and things in the news. She wants to read some entertaining light fiction.
2. Paul is nineteen and is very keen on sport. He doesn't enjoy fiction much, but does like reading about the lives of sporting heroes of the past.
3. Susan is eighteen and enjoys good writing. She would like something which offers information as well as entertainment. She's interested in history and plans to travel round Europe this summer.
4. Michael is twenty-three, a computer expert, whose interests include travel and sport. He has to go abroad for work and wants a novel to read on his journey with plenty of action and excitement.
5. Sonia is twenty-four and works for an international airline. She enjoys love stories of the past, especially if they contain descriptions of beautiful houses, clothes and parties.

Recommended New Books

A. *The Beauty* by Sophie Harper

The lovely Emmaline Barton was an American girl who came to Europe in the nineteenth century and won the hearts of young men in every great city. This entertaining novel shows us the wonderful silk dresses, the beautiful rooms and Emmaline's sparkling eyes in a well-imagined world of palaces and gardens.



B. *European Hotels and Guesthouses* by Andrew Peters

A very clear and helpful book which lists accommodation in most main European cities, with brief descriptions and a good price guide. Its small size makes it easy for the traveller to pack, and the organisation of the information makes it quick and easy to use.

C. *Getting There* by Will Jenkins

This is the first part of the autobiography of the international gymnastics star. He writes his own story well, hiding none of the difficulties that he had to face, and he brings to life the heartaches, as well as the joys, of young sportsmen and women who really want to find success.

D. *Trains and Boats and Planes* by Rachel Bryant

Sometimes funny, sometimes exciting, occasionally sad, this beautifully written little book describes the adventures of a group of American students who spent a year working and studying in Europe. There are lively descriptions of some of the great cities and their inhabitants, past and present.

E. *What People Wore* by Annabel Stoneman

An extremely interesting history of clothes, written by a history teacher. It will be a very useful book for anyone who needs to design clothes for the theatre or who is interested in the everyday lives of people in the past. There are not many pictures, but lots of detailed notes.

F. *Future Pop* by Terry Orpen

The pop music industry has changed enormously in the past few years. With electronics and computers in the studio and at concerts, what is the future for the human musician? This book is by one of the top performers of computer pop music, and he discusses the way it will probably develop in the future.

G. *Goal Posts* by Simon Brown

A very well-written and fast-moving adventure story, set in an imagined world of international football stars. The matches are well described, as well as the problems of the players as they fight for their careers, on and off the pitch. A great read for sports fans.

H. *The Fashion House* by Julia Davis

This amusing novel is just right for reading on holiday. It reveals the lives and loves of the designers, models and customers of a famous fashion house. It's written by a former model and gives away many of the modern fashion world's secrets.



Task 2. It is possible for some students in Higher Education in Britain to borrow money through a government scheme. These loans are called ‘student loans’ and are described in the passage below.

For questions 6 - 13 choose:

1. **TRUE** if the statement is true
2. **FALSE** if the statement is false
3. **NOT GIVEN** if the information is not given in the passage

Student Loans

The Government has been funding a loans scheme for students in Higher Education since September 1990. These loans are available as a ‘top up’ to the standard grant. Although the loan is intended to supplement the grant for living costs, eligibility for a student loan is not restricted to those who receive a maintenance grant. The decision whether or not to take the loan is yours.

Eligibility

You are eligible for a student loan if you are a UK resident and are attending a full-time Higher Education course, below postgraduate level, or a Postgraduate Certificate in Education course, provided you start your course before your 50th birthday. Fulltime courses last at least one academic year and include sandwich courses which combine time at college with time spent in a workplace. Eligible courses are offered by colleges, universities, the Scottish grant-aided colleges and other publicly funded institutions providing Higher Education courses. In general, eligible courses include first degree courses or their equivalents and any other courses for which your Local Authority will pay your tuition fees.

Your financial circumstances

Students who want loans are not ‘means tested’ or ‘credit vetted’ – all those eligible will obtain a loan.

This means that:

- The amount of your maintenance grant or tuition fees does not matter.
- Other income, if any, is not taken into account.
- Any previous student loans are not taken into account.
- The income of your parents, spouse, partner or other relatives is not taken into account.
- Your previous financial record is not a consideration.

When to apply for a loan

If you would like more information on how to apply for a student loan in readiness for your entry to Higher Education in Autumn 2021, then you should contact The Student Loans Company from June 2021 onwards.

Once in Higher Education, you can apply for a loan at any time in the academic year.



6. I'm taking a month's cookery course at a local college. It's a private catering college. I'm going a couple of evenings a week, after work. I get a diploma at the end of it. Can I get some help with a student loan?
7. I'm starting a foundation course in September. It's full time and after a year I hope to get on to a degree course. The fees for the actual course are being paid for by my Local Authority. Am I eligible for a student loan?
8. I finish my first degree in July. I've got a place on a Postgraduate Certificate in Education course to start in September. Will the Local Authority pay the tuition fees for this course?
9. Now all her children are grown up my mother says she'd like to finish the studies she was forced to give up earlier in life. She's 48 now and her course is full-time for a year. Is she too old to get a student loan?
10. I've already been given a small scholarship to cover some of my tuition fees. Can I still get a student loan?
11. I'm actually staying with my aunt while I'm at college. Will the Student Loans Company want to know how much she earns?
12. I owed the bank rather a lot of money a few years ago. It's all paid back now but they won't lend me anymore. Will this disqualify me from getting a student loan?
13. I took a course a couple of years ago, got a student loan, but had to withdraw half-way through. I've kept up all my payments on my loan. Am I eligible for a second loan?

Task 3. Read a magazine article in which five people talk about their favourite places. For questions 14 - 20, choose from the people (A-E). The people may be chosen more than once.

Favourite places

A Bruce

I don't like landscapes which are completely untamed. It's the human element which is important to me. It's the same when I travel abroad. Lovely villages with old temples attract me, not empty deserts. When I was eight, I went away to school in England and on Saturdays I would cycle to the village of Lavington in its lovely valley. Cycling was a release from school. I loved exploring the bleak hilltops, the sheltered valleys and old villages. Coming from Scotland myself, I found the landscape familiar yet different and I still go back there today. I used to describe my adventures in my private diary. In a way, that was my first attempt at travel writing, at which I subsequently made my name.

B Sophia

There is a miniature railway that goes from Hythe to Dungeness, run by amateurs. I always travel first class as it doesn't cost much more than the regular fare. The scenery is not spectacular. The train moves across Romney Marsh with its sheep,



and alongside a canal. But there is one point on the journey that I always look forward to - when our miniature world takes a detour through back gardens. For a few moments, we passengers spy on people at random points in their day, making a cup of tea, doing the washing up, unfolding a deckchair. I see myself in their eyes, a woman in a tiny train carriage, looking into other people's homes. It's the ordinariness of the landscape that attracts me. Just fields and sheep and a distant grey sea. That makes me look more closely, to search for something that opens my eyes.

C Matthew

The Hartland Peninsula is a remote and lovely coast. The beaches are hard to reach and scattered with rocks, so crowds are largely non-existent here. They attract a few brave surfers but most visitors prefer instead to reflect on the majesty of the sea. The coast, which faces the Atlantic, is notorious for shipwrecks. There are coast walks which you can combine with trips inland up beautiful damp valleys, full of oak trees, ferns and wild flowers. We stay in modest self-catering accommodation with a family who have some property in the village of Southole.

D Annette

My favourite place in England is the Trough of Bowland, a landscape of wide-open moorland which is perfect for hiking. There are not many residents and not many visitors either. It's an unknown corner, empty and remote, and I like the feeling of space. I discovered the area by chance when I was a student, and since then I've made an annual visit, either alone, or with my boyfriend, and now with my son. It has changed little since my first visit. Having a child makes these visits more special. It makes me sad that he's growing up in an urban environment.

E James

I purchased Glenthorne, my favourite house in Britain. It was a question of obtaining pure peace and reconnecting with my English roots and coming home. I grew up in what is now known as Sri Lanka, but at the age of twelve went to school in Devon, in the west of England. I used to cycle around the moors and village backstreets. We had a story about a place we would never cycle past: if you went down the driveway you'd never return. That place was Glenthorne. It's the place of my dreams. It's a magic, secluded, romantic house. You can't hear anything except sea, wind and birds.

Which person or people

14. appreciates a little luxury?
15. enjoys watching other people in their everyday lives?
16. appreciates the plantlife in their favourite place?
17. appreciates a lack of noise?
18. revealed talents as a child which were required in their future career?
19. stays in inexpensive accommodation?
20. finds changing circumstances add to their appreciation of the place?



III. USE OF ENGLISH

Task 1. An anagram has the same letters as another word, but in a different order.

For questions 1- 8 sort out these anagrams.

1. Change **tied** into something you do *to lose weight*.
2. Change **each** into a word that means *pain*.
3. Change **rested** into *a very hot, dry place*.
4. Change **grown** into the opposite of *right*.
5. Change **teach** into something *dishonest people do*.
6. Change **miles** into *a sign of happiness*.
7. Change **drawer** into *a kind of prize*.
8. Change **dusty** into something *students do*.

Task 2. For questions 9 -18 read the text below and choose the correct word (A, B, C or D) for each space.

Early Writing and Alphabets

When people first began to write, they did not use an alphabet. Instead, they drew small pictures to (9) _____ the objects they were writing about. This was very slow because there was a different picture for (10) _____ word.

The Ancient Egyptians had a (11) _____ of picture writing that was (12) _____ hieroglyphics. The meaning of this writing was forgotten for a very long time but in 1799 some scientists (13) _____ a stone near Alexandria, in Egypt. The stone had been there for (14) _____ a thousand years. It had both Greek and hieroglyphics on it and researchers were finally able to understand what the hieroglyphics meant. An alphabet is quite different (15) _____ picture writing. It (16) _____ of letters or symbols that represent a sound and each sound is just part of one word. The Phoenicians, (17) _____ lived about 3,000 years ago, developed the modern alphabet. It was later improved by the Romans and this alphabet is now used (18) _____ throughout the world.

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|-----------------|------------|-------------|------------|
| 1. A notice | B show | C appear | D mark |
| 2. A some | B all | C every | D any |
| 3. A practice | B manner | C plan | D system |
| 4. A known | B called | C described | D referred |
| 5. A discovered | B realised | C delivered | D invented |
| 6. A quite | B more | C over | D already |
| 7. A at | B from | C before | D between |
| 8. A consists | B includes | C contains | D involves |
| 9. A which | B whose | C what | D who |
| 10. A broadly | B widely | C deeply | D hugely |



Task 3. For questions 19 – 27 fill the gaps in this Internet chat session between Joan and her friend Lin with an appropriate phrasal verb which has the same meaning as the *italicised words* in brackets. There are more phrasal verbs than you will need.

A	touch down	F	go out	K	take off
B	stop over	G	get away	L	look into
C	set off	H	stop off	M	put out
D	get on	I	bring about	N	get in
E	check in	J	get by		

Joan: Hi Lin, I've been finalising the plans for my trip. Want to hear?

Lin: Hi Joan - how's it going? Yeah. Tell me!

Joan: Well, I (19) _____ (*start a journey*) at Gatwick Airport. I have a standby for Taipei, but the travel agent said I should be able to get on the first flight as it's a Tuesday. There's one that is scheduled to (20) _____ (*begin to fly*) at 11 a.m., going via Singapore, and I hope I'll be able to (21) _____ (*board*) that one - if it's on time, we'll (22) _____ (*land on the ground*) in Taipei at 3.30 a.m.

Lin: Uuuuuuuugh! Too early! Can't you get a flight that will (23) _____ (*arrive at a particular time*) later?

Joan: No, but don't worry about coming to meet me. I can (24) _____ (*go to a desk in a hotel and tell an official that you have arrived*) at the airport hotel and sleep during the morning, and see you later. Anyway, I'm going to (25) _____ (*temporarily break a long journey and stay somewhere for a period of time*) for two days in Taipei, then go to Tokyo to see Noriko. I'll just (26) _____ (*visit for a short time when on the way somewhere else*) there for one night and then I'm on my way to Sydney to see Annabel.

Lin: Wow! You'll be exhausted!!!!!!

Joan: Yes, but it'll be worth it! I really do need to (27) _____ (*go somewhere for a holiday, especially when you need a rest*); I've been studying so hard! Hey, must go. Talk to you after my lecture.

Lin: OK. Bye.



Task 4. For questions 28 – 34 match the definitions below with the people in the boxes.

There are more options than you will need.

A	a blue-eyed boy	G	a dark horse
B	a fair-weather friend	H	an old hand
C	a smart aleck	I	a wet blanket
D	a bighead	J	the apple of someone's eye
E	a chatterbox	K	a couch potato
F	a gatecrasher	L	a figurehead

28. a person who has greater capabilities than he/she shows or that people are aware of
29. a person who annoys everyone by claiming to know everything and trying to sound clever
30. a man who is liked and admired by someone in authority (e.g. his boss)
31. someone who spends a lot of time sitting and watching television
32. someone who turns up at parties without being invited to them
33. the person someone loves most and is very proud of (e.g. a grandchild)
34. a person who talks a lot especially about things that are unimportant

Task 5. For questions 35 – 40 unscramble the words in boxes to form six well-known proverbs. To help you, there is a clue above each proverb.

35. Someone promised to buy your computer from you, so you went and bought a new one. That person has just phoned to say he has changed his mind.

chickens not hatched count they before your are do

36. 'This company is really on the up. The shares are very low now, but they won't be for long. So if I were you I'd buy as many shares as possible.'

iron while hot is strike the

37. 'So what? You still didn't win anything, did you?'

When too many of us try to do the same thing we get in each other's way.

many spoil too the cooks broth



38. You know your savings in the bank are safe. But if you take all your money out and invest it in something else, then it's possible to lose a lot of money as well as gain it. Is it really worth the risk?

the in is bush bird two a worth the in hand

39. If we try hard enough, we'll find a solution to the problem in the end.

way is a where there is will a there

40. Stop talking about what you intend to do - just do it!

louder actions words speak than

Task 6. For questions 41 – 47 choose the best variant (A, B, C or D).

41. I advise you _____ Jack any money because he is in the habit of not giving _____ back.

A. not to lendthem

C. don't lend.....them

B. not to lendit

D. didn't lendit

42. If I _____ my son a computer he _____ games all day long. What about his lessons then?

A. bought ... had played

C. would buy... would have played

B. bought ...would play

D. buys... would play

43. _____ you anything.

A. Well advices don't cost

C. Well advice was cost

B. Good advice never cost

D. Good advice doesn't cost

44. Mother won't give her son any pocket money unless he _____ properly.

A. behaves B. won't behave

C. doesn't behave D. will behave

45. During the interview I was asked _____ in my spare time.

A. what I usually did

C. what did I usually do

B. what usually I do

D. what usually I was doing

46. Neither Ann nor her sister _____ to go to the disco tonight.

A. intending

B. don't intend

C. doesn't intend

D. intends

47. My new job is _____ the old one. I work _____ hours and earn more.

A. more better than.....fewer

C. much better than.....fewer

B. worse than..... much less

D. a little better than.....less



Task 7. Country Studies. For questions 48 – 52 choose the best variant (A, B, C or D).

- 48. Why did J.K. Rowling choose July 31th for Harry's birthday?**
A. It's her mum's birthday too. C. It's hers as well.
B. It's her dad's birthday too. D. She just likes the date.
- 49. During the Roman occupation London _____**
A. was an important political centre.
B. was Europe's major religious centre.
C. was the major port of the island province.
D. didn't exist.
- 50. Who is Britain's longest running monarch?**
A. Queen Elizabeth I C. King George VI
B. Queen Elizabeth II D. Queen Victoria
- 51. Which is the UK's longest river?**
A. River Severn B. River Thames C. River Clyde D. River Avon
- 52. In 2020 the book "Alice's Adventures in Wonderland" by Lewis Carroll celebrated its 165th Anniversary. Lewis Carroll is the pseudonym of**
A. Jane Austen C. George Eliot
B. Charles Lutwidge Dodgson D. Samuel Clemens



ANSWER SHEET

8 -9 Grades

Listening		Use of English			
1		1		30	
2		2		31	
3		3		32	
4		4		33	
5		5		34	
6		6		35	
7		7		36	
8		8		37	
Reading		9		38	
1		10		39	
2		11		40	
3		12		41	
4		13		42	
5		14		43	
6		15		44	
7		16		45	
8		17		46	
9		18		47	
10		19		48	
11		20		49	
12		21		50	
13		22		51	
14		23		52	
15		24			
16		25			Listening
17		26			Reading
18		27			Use of English
19		28			Writing
20		29			TOTAL:

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