

ОЛИМПИАДА ШКОЛЬНИКОВ «ПОКОРИ ВОРОБЬЁВЫ ГОРЫ!»

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Блок 1. Лексико-грамматический тест (70 баллов)

Task 1. Read the text below and chose the correct word for each gap. For questions 1-15, type the letter you have chosen (A, B, C or D) on the answer sheet.

Kitesurfer Makes Channel Crossing

Andy Ward, a kitesurfer from Dorset _(1)_ UK, has recently _(2)_ what is thought to be the first crossing from the Channel Islands to the cost of England.

The 70-mile journey (3) almost six hours but a delighted Mr Ward (4) that he thought it was 'all over' on a few (5).

He says, 'There were difficulties from the start. First I couldn't leave the beach $_(6)_$ the wind wasn't strong enough. When I $_(7)_$ finally get off the beach I worked hard but only $_(8)_$ to travel three of four miles in $_(9)_$ first hour. Then the kite $_(10)_$ into the water and it was $_(11)_$ before I could get it up into the air again'.

Andy _(12)_ kitesurfing for _(13)_ three years. During the crossing, he was accompanied _(14)_ a support boat and had a land-based team following his _(15)_ to the English coast.

- 1. A. in B. in a C. in the D. on the
- 2. A completed B reached C closed D covered
- 3. A used B took C spent D needed
- 4. A told B blamed C spoke D admitted
- 5. A minutes B occasions C moments D periods
- 6. A although B unless C because D though
- 7. A was B had C will D did

- 8. A. could B. should C. managed D. must
- 9. A that B those C this D these
- 10. A. felt B. fallen C. fell D. has fallen
- 11. A times B lots C ages D loads
- 12. A. have been kitesurfing B. was kitesurfing C. kitesurfed D. has been kitesurfing
- 13. A even B only C always D ever
- 14. A by B with C at D beside
- 15. A travel B movement C departure D progress

Task 2. Match the words on the left (16-31) with their partners on the right (A-P). For each number, type the letter you have chosen on the answer sheet.

16. a stroke of	A. coal
17. a shower of	B. news
18. an item of	C. luck
19. a blade of	D. thunder
20. a rumble of	E. clothing
21. an article of	F. grass
22. a lump of	G. lightning
23. a flash of	H. rain
24. a pile of	I. herring
25. a bunch of	J. deer
26. a flock of	K. criminals
27. a shoal of	L. sheep
28. a swarm of	M. grapes
29. a herd of	N. bees
30. a gang of	O. people
31. a crowd of	P. papers

Task 3. For questions 32– 57, fill in the blanks in the following text chosing from the grammar forms below. Decide which form (A, B, C or D) best fits in each gap. Type the letters you have chosen on the answer sheet.

"Shrek! Fiona! " cried Donkey, 32. ____ happily out of the chair. " Well, 33.____ you two a sight for sore eyes! 34. ____ us a hug, Shrek!"

Donkey 35. ____ his front legs around Shrek and 36. ____ him a big bear hug. Donkey then 37. ____ to Fiona and 38. ____ his muzzle to her for a smooch.

"And 39. _____ at you, Mrs. Shrek. How about a side of sugar for the steed?"

"Donkey!" Shrek 40. ____ somewhat miffed. "What 41. ____ here?"

"I 42. ____ care of your love nest for you, " Donkey 43. ____ earnestly.

Shrek eyed the disheveled room again. Uh-huh. Obviously, Donkey 44. ____ anything but 45. ____ a mess.

"Would you look at the time?" Shrek 46. ____ to let Donkey 47. ____ their evening. He 48. ____ pushing Donkey toward the front door. Well, I guess you 49. ____ going!"

"Hey, wait a minute! 50. ____ want to tell me about your trip? Or, how about a game of Parcheesi?" Donkey pushed the other way, 51. ____ his best to resist 52. ____ invited out. When he wanted to, he 53. ____ be as stubborn as a mule.

54. ____ Shrek and Donkey struggle, Fiona 55. ____, "Actually, Donkey, 56. ____ you be getting home?"

"I thought I'd move back in with you guys!" Donkey 57. ____ brightly.

32. A jumped B. jumping C. have jumped D. had jumped

- 33. A. is B. were C. aren't D. did
- 34. A. giving B. gave C. give D. giving
- 35. A. throw B. thrown C. throws D. threw
- 36. A. had given B. give C. gave D. has given
- 37. A. turned B. has turned C. have turned D.turning
- 38. A. presenting B. had presented C. presented D. has presented
- 39. A. looking B. looked. C. look D. looked
- 40. A. has been B. been C. was being D. was
- 41. A. have you done B. did you do C. are you doing D. do you do
- 42. A. am taking B. were taking C. has taken D. have taken
- 43. A. replying B replies C. replied D. has replied

- 44. A. hadn't done B. haven't done C. hasn't done D. weren't done
- 45. A. does B. make C. doing D. making
- 46. A. didn't go B wasn't going C. is not going D. were not going
- 47. A. ruining B. ruined C. to ruin D. ruin
- 48. A. had started B. has started. C. started D. is starting
- 49. A. you would rather be B. you had better be C. you would rather to be D. you should
- 50. A. haven't you B. hadn't you C. don't you D. aren't you
- 51. A doing B. making C. has done D. has made
- 52. A. to get B. getting C. having got D. been getting
- 53. A. can B. should C. could D. must
- 54. A. watched B. is watching C. has watched D. watching
- 55. A. says B. saying C. said D. has said
- 56. A. couldn't B. shouldn't C. must D. may
- 57. A. said B. says C. saying D. told

Task 4. Restore the order of the sentences (A-M) in the text and type the letters of the correct order on the answer sheet.

A. There was a crowd watching when we got to the ground!

B. And I didn't realize that a bridge we flew over was the one I cross to school every day! It looked really different!

C. Everyone had said I should wear thick clothes for the flight, as it would be cold in basket, but in fact it felt warm, partly because of the hot air inside the balloon.

D. Hello, everyone! My name is Andrew and I want to tell you about a trip I did with my family in a hot air balloon – a huge balloon filled with hot air, with a basket underneath. Amazing!

E. I really wanted a few cushions!

F. It was all fantastic, anyway, and I really want to go again soon!

G. Balloons often land somewhere like a farm or a park, but Ben had arranged for us to come down on a golf course!

H. It was a couple of hours after sunrise when we left. We were up in the balloon for an hour, but the whole experience took three hours in all.

I. There were some huge birds flying around, and because the balloon was so silent, they were not afraid. We also flew over some great sights in our area, like the castle which I go to a lot, and the river.

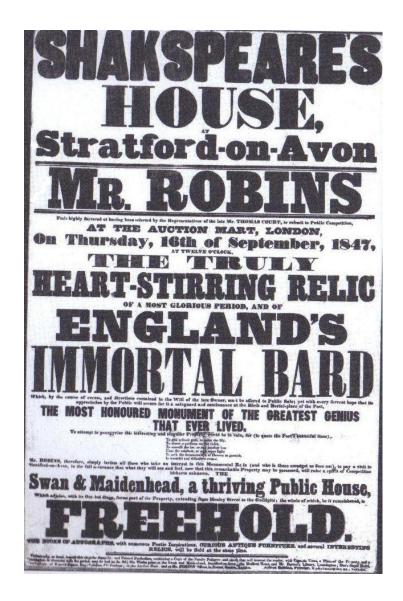
J. Soon it was time to come down again.

K. The only problem was that it got a bit uncomfortable in the basket – there were only six of us, so it wasn't crowded, but there was nowhere to sit, so we had to stand all the way.

L. The view was amazing. I was able to see right across our town, and all the way to the mountains.

M. We set off early in the morning, near my house.

Task 5. Answer the following questions related to the subject of the poster. Choose the correct variant and type your answer on the answer sheet. Each correct answer will give you 2 points.



- 1. Why was this poster published?
- a) the house fell into decay and it was put up for sale
- b) the owner of the house didn't like it and decided to sell it
- c) the owner of the house died and the heir-at-law did not need it

2. Who bought the house and how much did it cost?

a) Charles Dickens and other leading figures raised the £5,000 necessary to buy the house for the town

b) the Shakespeare Birthday Committee raised the £3,000 necessary to buy the house for the nation

c) one of Shakespeare's descendants from France wanted to buy the house for his family

3. How did the people of that epoch call Shakespeare?

a) the bard of Avon b) the bard of England c) the bard of the world

4. What happened to the house after the 16th of September, 1847?
a) it was burnt in the 1860s b) it was rebuilt in 1860s c) the building was subsequently "restored" in the 1860s

5. What is the address of the house today?

a) Church Street b) Guild Street c) Mill Lane Street

Task 6. Try and guess what sports game is described in the following story and how it is played. Answer the questions below. Type your answers on the answer sheet. Each correct answer will give you 2 points.

Sports for pleasure are a relatively new development in the United States. For most of the nineteenth century, few people had time to watch or participate in sports. Their only free time was on Sunday, but that day was traditionally for religious activities. Starting in the midnineteenth century, however, American workers began to have more free time. The number of work hours in the day decreased. By the 1920s, many workers only worked five days a week, which gave them more time to relax. Additionally, a series of child labor laws increasingly kept children out of the workforce, so they had more time to play when they were not in school.

Watching and participating in sports appeals to traditional American values. It is consistent with Americans' respect for hard work, competition, and individual achievement. Furthermore, the sports world has produced players who have become popular heroes, many of them with the kind of rags-to-riches life stories that Americans have always loved. Playing sports and watching sports have often brought the country together, uniting Americans across the country and across class and ethnic lines.

Today many Americans prefer fast games. Unlike baseball, in this kind of sport the players

are always moving, and the games have lots of action. It is the one American sport that was deliberately invented. In 1891, the inventor was looking for a sport that young men could play indoors in winter and outdoors in summer, so he nailed fruit baskets onto two poles. Players threw a soccer ball to one another and then tried to get it into the basket.

Today professional matches are played indoors, but outdoor matches are also extremely popular as a neighborhood game. In contrast to baseball, it does not require much space or equipment — just a ball and a ring on a pole — and it can be played with as few as two players. The popularity of the game has spread around the world. It has been an Olympic sport since 1936.

6. How did the first players call this game?

a) soccer

b) volleyballc) basketball

d) water polo

7. The ball is usually covered with

a) green leatherb) golden platesc) red leatherd) blue paper

8. There are two teams on the field, each consists of players.

- a) 12
- b) 5
- c) 22

d) 7

9. Who is considered to be the inventor of the game?

a) Michael Jordanb) James Naismithc) Kobe Bryantd) Larry Bird

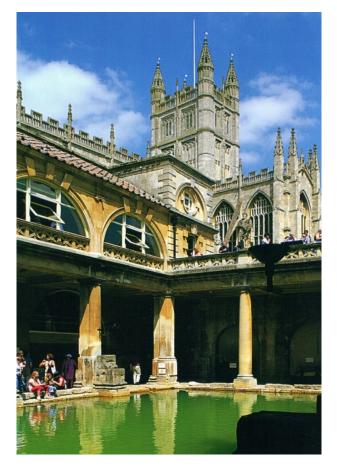
10. What does "overtime" mean in this sport?

a) additional period of play

b) break

c) beginning of the game

type it on the answer sheet. Each correct answer will give you 2 points.



- 11. Where is this place situated?
- a) in the USA b) in Australia c) in England d) in Wales
- 12. This place is associated with...
- a) a castle b) an old swimming pool c) hot mineral springs d) a national park
- 13. The Roman conquerors built a temple and ... in around AD 65
- a) stadium b) monument c) royal palace d) baths
- 14. What can be seen in this place nowadays?
- a) hotel b) swimming pool c) thermal spa
- 15. The rapidly growing is held in September in the city.
- a) film festival b) literature festival c) Jane Austen festival d) balloon festival