



**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 choosing 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.

Блок 2. Мир языка (30 баллов)

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.

SHAKSPEARES HOUSE,
Stratford-on-Avon
MR. ROBINS

Feels highly honored at having been selected by the Representatives of the late Mr. THOMAS COURT, to submit to Public Competition,
AT THE AUCTION MART, LONDON,
On Thursday, 16th of September, 1847,
AT TWELVE O'CLOCK.

THE TRULY HEART-STIRRING RELIC
OF A MOST GLORIOUS PERIOD, AND OF
ENGLAND'S IMMORTAL BARD

Which, by the course of events, and directions contained in the Will of the late Shewer, must be offered to Public Sale; yet with every fervent hope that its appreciation by the Public will secure for it a safeguard and maintenance at the Birth and Birth-place of the Poet.

THE MOST HONOURED MONUMENT OF THE GREATEST GENIUS THAT EVER LIVED.

To attempt to possess this interesting and singular Property would be to vain, for (to quote the Poet's beautiful lines):
To give relief, not to give the life;
To leave a portion on the table;
To search the eye, or to search the eye;
To work the monument of Shewer as given;
To search and to search the eye.

Mr. ROBINS, therefore, simply invites all those who take an interest in this Monumental Relic (and who in these anxious times do not), to pay a visit to Stratford-on-Avon, in the full assurance that what they will see and feel, none that this remarkable Property may be possessed, will raise a spirit of Competition hitherto unknown. **THE**

Swan & Maidenhead, a thriving Public House,
Which adjoins, with its out-dings, forms part of the Property, extending from Henley Street to the Guildgate; the whole of which, he it remembered, is

FREEHOLD.

THE BOOKS OF ANTIQUARIES, with numerous Poetic Inspirations, CURIOUS ANTIQUE FURNITURE, and several INTERESTING RELICS, will be sold at the same time.

Particulars to be had, upon this subject, from the Printed Particulars, containing a Copy of the Poet's Will, and which may be seen at the office, with various other, a Plan of the Property and a description of it, and a Map, may be had in the City of London, at the Office of the Auctioneer, Messrs. Robins and Co., 15, Abchurch Lane, London, E.C. 4.

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 mid-nineteenth 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) volleyball
- c) basketball
- d) water polo

7. The ball is usually covered with

- a) green leather
- b) golden plates
- c) red leather
- d) 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 Jordan
- b) James Naismith
- c) Kobe Bryant
- d) Larry Bird

10. What does “overtime” mean in this sport?

- a) additional period of play
- b) break
- c) beginning of the game

Task 7. Look at the picture and answer the questions below. Choose the correct answer and

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