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10-11 классы
Вариант 1

Блок 1. ПОНИМАНИЕ УСТНОГО ТЕКСТА (АУДИРОВАНИЕ)

A You are going to listen to a news report. Fill the gaps with **three words** – exactly the ones used in the report – in the following statements. Do not use contracted forms.

Write your answers on YOUR ANSWER SHEET.

Example: 6. an interesting species

1. The authors acknowledge that a transition ... to renewable energy is easier to recommend than to achieve.
2. In Germany coal provides nearly
3. "The message is that we need to start
4. This figure rests on a
5. The panel does believe its ... and it hopes they'll be implemented in the coming years.

B You are going to listen to an extract from a short story by O. Wilde narrated by Stephen Fry. Read the following statements and decide whether they are true or false and explain your answer (in 30-35 words).

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Example: 6. It is true that the sacrifice the bird made was not appreciated by the student because he forgot about the object of his love in an instant, showing that love meant little to him.

1. The Miller was very generous.
2. Hans was a truly selfless and devoted friend.
3. Think of YOUR OWN last sentence of the story that, in your opinion, would be a perfect ending. It should make sense and be written in the same style as the original story.

Блок 2. ЛЕКСИКО-ГРАММАТИЧЕСКИЙ ТЕСТ

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Example: 6. *not to be disturbed*

draw

hit

know

lay

survive

use

Well before the Reformation, one of Scotland's first inventions was golf. It is now a global sport with over 32,000 courses across the world. Although the Netherlands has 1. ... claim to golf, the modern 18 hole game began in Scotland. The earliest 2. ... games were most likely played around the year 1100 on the Scottish east coast where shepherds used sticks 3. ... pebbles into rabbit holes. Over the next two centuries, the game's popularity grew in Scotland. In the 16th Century golf evolved, with different clubs 4. ... to hit the balls into holes marked by flags. In 1744, the oldest 5. ... rules of golf were drafted in Edinburgh.

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Example: 6. *but*

There was in Dr Audlin's appearance nothing to attract attention. He was tall and thin, with narrow shoulders; he was a little bent; his hair was thin and grey; his long pale face was deeply lined. He was not more 1. ... fifty, but he looked older. His eyes, pale blue and rather large, were tired. When you had been with him for a time, you noticed that they moved very little; they remained fixed on your face, but they were 2. ... empty of expression that this caused no discomfort. They gave 3. ... idea of his thoughts, nor changed with the words he spoke. His hands were rather large, with long fingers; they were soft, but firm. You could never 4. ... described what Dr Audlin wore 5. ... you looked specifically. His clothes were dark. His tie was black. His dress made his pale face paler.

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Example: 6. *vast array of tools*

a variety of
let people
stop people

that matter
that occurs
variation between

Is English — or any other language for 1. ... — getting worse over time? But linguists know that the language change 2. ... from one generation to the next is healthy and inevitable. All human languages are rule-governed, ordered, and logical — they don't improve or get worse over time, they simply change. Differences between groups of speakers, including 3. ... generations of speakers, are a normal and predictable part of language variation. In addition, individual speakers themselves use 4. ... forms and styles in different social situations. Of course, that doesn't 5. ... from having opinions — sometimes very strong ones — about how the language is changing. But these opinions are based on social rather than linguistic factors.

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Write your answers in full sentences on YOUR ANSWER SHEET. Underline the word you have chosen.

Example: 6. There is a vast array of literature on the topic.

When the Spanish soldier Hadrian donned the imperial purple in AD 117, he inherited a vast Empire that sprawled from southern Scotland to Mesopotamia. An experienced military strategist, he believed that much of the Empire was indefensible and wanted borders that could be held. Hadrian visited Britain in AD 122, when 'he set many things right and drew a wall along a length of 130 km to separate barbarians and Romans.' Although vulnerable to a concentrated attack, the Wall and its garrison were strong enough to prevent persistent low-level raiding.

1. At his urging, I ... protective clothing and headed off in search of this tragic new affliction.
2. Was this due to the financial situation ... from the administration before them?
3. Along with the traffic, a city ... in all directions and surrounded by mountains, pollution is visible everyday.
4. In areas close to the ... with the Northern of Ireland, smuggling became a way of life for some.
5. The economy is ... to a rise in the euro exchange rate or in interest rates.

Блок 4. СОЦИОКУЛЬТУРНЫЙ КОМПОНЕНТ

A *Read the following statements. Fill in the blanks with one word. Pay attention to the spelling of words.*

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Example: 6. *Winston*

1. King ... VIII decided that he didn't need the pope's permission to rule on issues affecting the Church of England, which lead to breaking from the Roman Catholic Church.
2. ... Night, on which fireworks are lit in memory of the Gunpowder Plot, traditionally including the burning of an effigy of Guy Fawkes, is celebrated in the UK on the 5th of November.
3. ... is a small square of rich chocolate cake, typically containing nuts, a dessert developed in the United States at the end of the 19th century and popularized in both the U.S. and Canada during the first half of the 20th century.
4. Edgar Allan Poe, a famous American writer, wrote his works in the ... century.

B Answer the following questions in full sentences. Pay attention to the spelling of words.

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Example: 6. *To beat about the bush means to discuss a matter without coming to the point.*

1. What does MA stand for? (education)
2. What might one mean when calling a person a rogue? Does it show a positive or a negative attitude?
3. How do you end a formal letter in which the recipient is addressed by name (f.e. Dear Mr. Obama)?

Блок 5. ПОНИМАНИЕ ПИСЬМЕННОГО ТЕКСТА (ЧТЕНИЕ)

A You are going to read a book review written by a British teenager. Complete the tasks following the text.

Ella Sampson wakes up and everything is the same... but different.

She still looks the same. She goes to the same school and lives in the same house. But some things just aren't right.

Why is her room completely redecorated and completely pink? Why is her hair now long and light, when she went to bed with it cut short and dyed dark? And most of all, why is everyone around her treating her as if she's a completely different person?

Rachel and Jen say they're her best friends, though Ella has only briefly seen them in passing in the school corridors. Her real best friend Deeta seems to barely know Ella exists.

Her dad is now back living with her and her mum (whose hair is now grey, not chestnut brown) even though Ella knows that they separated a long time ago.

When I Was Me is a fantastic psychological and scientific thriller. It's tense and each page brings a new plot twist or idea. It explores the consequences of our actions and makes the reader wonder what exactly defines who we are.

When I finished this, my mind was bursting with new ideas and possibilities. It is so powerfully written and so convincing. To me, it all scientifically seemed to make sense and there were lots of intriguing concepts.

I'm not interested in science at all but this book made it seem so fascinating! I was so curious I even had a discussion with my physics teacher about the concepts in this book! The novel is based on an area of science we have little knowledge about, so to write a novel focused on it is very daring, risky but truly brilliant.

The writing style was flawless – I felt absorbed in the story and really could not stop reading.

Yet, the ending is debatable. Some would love this ending – it is extraordinarily clever – but I'm not sure if I like how the ending was uncertain, rather than a clean, sharp, definite finish. Maybe it's just me, but I love the feeling of finishing a book, being satisfied, and placing it back onto my bookshelf and forgetting about it for a while.

But this book is constantly niggling at the back of my brain, I'm still wondering about it, amazed by it, haunted by it. One thing is for certain – read this book and you will not forget it!

Find the words in the text which match the following definitions/explanations.

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Example: 6. review

1. an unexpected development in a book
2. capable of causing someone to believe that something is true or real
3. be persistently and disturbingly present in the mind

Read the following statements and decide whether they are true or false and explain your answer (in 30-35 words).

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Example: 6. It is true that the sacrifice the bird made was not appreciated by the student because he forgot about the object of his love in an instant, showing that love meant little to him.

1. According to the reviewer, a book cannot get the reader interested in something they do not understand or know.
2. The reviewer believes there is only one shortcoming in this book.

B Read the following texts. Summarise in YOUR OWN words how different are these two people's attitudes to the results of the personality tests they took. Do not quote the text: a copied sequence of 4 words and more is considered a quotation. Your answer must amount to **55-60 words in total**.

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I did this magazine quiz called <i>How well does your partner know you?</i> You had to grade statements and then give the same quiz to your partner to answer about you. Well, there was a huge discrepancy between my results and Charlie's, and the analysis said something like, 'You should have spent more time getting to know each other.' We started to talk about the questions and some of his answers really had me worried. He can't have been listening to half the things I've told him over the years! I did the quiz on the spur of the moment but I rather wish I hadn't now.	I'm a real sucker for quizzes and personality tests. I love them! But I honestly didn't expect much from this one. I mean how could choosing colours say anything about your personality? You had to click on eight colours in order of preference, then wait a few minutes and repeat the same test. I clicked on purple first and then I can't remember but I know I put grey, blue and black last both times. When I read the results I could hardly believe it. My attitudes, my worries, my problems with my partner, my work habits – it was all absolutely spot on.
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Блок 6. ПРОДУЦИРОВАНИЕ ПИСЬМЕННОЙ РЕЧИ

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Write at least 300 words.

Заключительный этап
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Вариант 2

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Example: 6. an interesting species

1. Millions of ... each year to the Grand Canyon to see its impressive rocks.
2. The Grand Canyon runs for almost 450km and ... of 1,800m.
3. ... has been problematic for scientists.
4. Some of the most recent investigations had indicated ... , while others thought it was much younger.
5. The Grand Canyon was cut into the form we know today by the Colorado River just over ... ago.

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Example: 6. It is true that the sacrifice the bird made was not appreciated by the student because he forgot about the object of his love in an instant, showing that love meant little to him.

1. The Princess received a warm welcome in the kingdom.
2. Everyone in the court honestly and candidly commented on the King's silly actions and poor skills.
3. Think of YOUR OWN last sentence of the story that, in your opinion, would be a perfect ending. It should make sense and be written in the same style as the original story.

Блок 2. ЛЕКСИКО-ГРАММАТИЧЕСКИЙ ТЕСТ

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Example: 6. *not to be disturbed*

bring
make
receive

reproduce
send
vary

In the Victorian era, there were many great inventors including Alexander Bain whose ideas were later used in the creation of television sets. In 1841, Bain patented the electric clock, and two years later invented the first fax machine. He attached a needle to a pendulum, which then swept over an image 1. ... up of dark and light spots. Every time the needle met a dark spot, the electric current 2. These variations 3. ... by telegraph and 4. ... by a synchronised receiving pendulum. Eighty years on, these ideas were used to develop television and in 2016, led to Bain 5. ... a posthumous Emmy Award.

B *You are going to read an extract from a short story by K. Mansfield. Five words (pronouns, conjunctions, adverbs, articles, auxiliary and modal verbs) have been removed from the text. Insert one word in each gap.*

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Example: 6. *but*

When dear old Mrs Hay went back to London after staying with the Burnells, she sent the children a doll's house. It was 1. ... big that it had to be left in the courtyard, and 2. ... it stayed on two wooden boxes. 3. ... harm could come to it; it was summer. And perhaps the smell of paint would have gone off by the time it 4. ... to be taken in. For, really, the smell of paint coming from that doll's house was quite 5. ... to make anyone seriously ill, in Aunt Beryl's opinion.

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Example: 6. *vast array of tools*

a few people
few who
language use

the demand
the power base
the supply

Historically, the most important role of writing was the power it gave the select **1.** ... could read and write. The great religions were transmitted to the people through the tight valve of literacy. This enabled the Church to dominate European society for 1,200 years. Illiterate rulers and literate clergy provided balance between the sword and the pen. The literate elite perpetuated their power by controlling **2.** ... of written materials. The invention of the printing press in the 14th century weakened **3.** ... by reducing the cost and increasing the rate of information flow. This didn't lead to education of the masses, but it did standardize **4.** ... for a wider range of people and fueled **5.** ... for more diverse materials.

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Religious practices reveal the cultural compromise between British and Roman traditions. The Romans expected outward signs of compliance and received them. Temples to the Capitoline gods, Jove, Juno and Minerva, graced the public spaces of larger towns such as Wroxeter and St Albans. Colchester was the centre of Emperor worship, offering annual games and festivals to the spiritual power of the divine ruler. However, the most popular gods in Britannia were an amalgam of British and Roman deities. The Celtic and Roman goddesses of healing merged into Sulis-Minerva who was worshipped at Bath. Mars-Teutates was worshipped by British troops in the Roman army.

1. A curious ... of straight history and political pamphlet, it was relatively little read in antiquity, and its modern status has declined in recent years.
2. It is the job of the inspectors to enforce ... with the regulations.
3. They decided to ... the two companies into one.
4. It is hoped that a ... will be reached in today's talks.
5. Her face has ... the covers of magazines across the world.

Блок 4. СОЦИОКУЛЬТУРНЫЙ КОМПОНЕНТ

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Example: 6. *Winston*

1. In 500BC the ... have settled from Europe and Iron Age culture begins to bloom on the British Isles.
2. Easter egg ... is a traditional game played with eggs at Easter.
3. Most works attributed to Shakespeare were written in the ... century.
4. ... is a dessert (named after a famous person) consisting of a meringue base or shell filled with whipped cream and fruit.

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1. What does BBC stand for? (radio, television)
2. What might one mean when calling a person a wallflower? Does it show a positive or a negative attitude?
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A You are going to read a book review written by a British teenager. Complete the tasks following the text.

This is a book unlike any other I have read so far. I have not read much sci-fi before and as Arthur C Clarke is a sci-fi legend, I decided to start with one of his most notable works – although it is certainly not a light read, as it packs an awful lot to think about into just under 250 pages.

The story begins in the year 2130 when a large celestial body is detected just outside the orbit of Jupiter. At first scientists think it is a comet but on closer inspection it is revealed to be a cylinder, so geometrically perfect that it must have been created by some form of life. It looks like mankind is not alone in the universe...

The plot focuses on a group of astronauts who explore the mysterious depths of this alien structure, becoming more and more confused by its purpose. It seems that nothing is as it first appears on the newly-christened Rama.

Upon completing this book my brain was metaphorically exploding with thoughts and questions, as the ending is inconclusive and so left me almost with more questions than when the characters entered Rama. However, I believe that this is for the better, as I don't think that any

conclusion would have been satisfactory after the sense of wonder and marvel created by what was going on inside Rama.

Another thing I enjoyed very much about this book is that it is one of few in which you are as clueless as the characters in the story, as you never know what the author's imagination will come up with next! All in all, this book posed a very imaginative and awe-inspiring answer to the ever-present question, Are we alone?

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Example: 6. review

1. a book/story based on imagined future technological advances and major social or environmental changes, frequently portraying space or time travel and life on other planets
2. the connected series of events which make up the story
3. not leading to a result, not ending doubt

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I absolutely love my job. These children light up my life and give me something to smile about every day. Of course they also can tire me out. Many of them are too energetic to sit in their seats their entire route. Moreover, as is natural with young children, there are always some older children picking on the younger ones. That is the biggest challenge of the job because I

I like it best when the people I pick up like to talk and know how to hold a conversation. I know a lot of people in my line of work prefer just to take people from point A to point B without the needless chit chat, but I would get too bored if it wasn't for the social aspect of this job. I especially love tourists. I'm definitely rare in that regard. But I love pointing out parts of the city

can't discipline like a teacher would be able to. I need to keep my hands on the wheel and my eyes on the road. Luckily, I have earned enough respect that many of them listen to me when I holler at them to sit down and behave. To help me out, I have asked one of my older students to be on patrol. I think she likes the responsibility. I gave her a badge that she wears as she walks up and down the aisle telling people to sit down or not to yell. It's actually quite amazing how well the other students respond to her! She's the first one I pick up in the morning and the last off on the way home in the afternoon. After all the other students get off in the afternoon I give her a handful of candy. She considers it her salary.

that I think they should visit - or warning them to avoid certain tourist traps. I love hearing people's stories - learning what brought them here, where they come from, etc. Certainly, many people prefer to simply tell me their destination and then sit in silence or doodle on their blackberry until we arrive. Of course, I should respect that, but that's not always easy to do. That's probably one of my faults: I don't know when I should just be quiet and I end up annoying people. Of course, I like to believe that most people truly love listening to me. And perhaps this is unethical, but if I meet someone whose company I found particularly enjoyable, I will lower their fare.

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