

## 2.1.2. Конкурс для обучающихся 8-11 классов

### 2.1.2.1. Английский язык

Задания составлены из расчета на то, что машина автоматически отбирает из каждого из блоков заданий, которые сохранены внутри системы, определенное количество заданий, общее количество заданий равно 100, то есть участник может за все задания набрать 100 баллов. Примеры заданий даны ниже. Правильные ответы выделены в самих заданиях подчеркиванием, полужирным шрифтом или указаны в скобках.

#### Part 1. Correct the mistakes

Each sentence has four underlined words or phrases marked A, B, C and D. Choose one underlined word or phrase which has a mistake and must be changed to make the sentence correct.

Example: The amino acids serve as the building block of proteins. - D

A

B C

D

#### Variant 1

- 1) Much as (A) I liked her paintings, I couldn't act as (B) she was Picasso or someone like that when (C) she clearly was a beginner, though (D) very good for a beginner, of course. (B)
- 2) If I were (A) late, they usually made (B) me stay (C) after school and I had (D) to do extra homework. (A)
- 3) I'm not the kind of person who goes (A) around thinking (B) if only I have (C) done this or that. I just feel (D) lucky. (C)

- 4) The Czech Republic's top general has warned (A) staff officers they will lose (B) their jobs if only (C) they don't learn (D) English, according to a story in the Daily Telegraph. (C)
- 5) Her new fellow worker, who's from Denmark (A), seems nicer than Jordy, who was from Spain (B), or Graham, that had really long hair (C), and whom nobody really liked (D). (C)

## Part 2. Vocabulary

- 1) Services such as the police or fire department usually \_\_\_\_ to emergencies first.  
**Respond** – answer - tell – reply
- 2) Melissa was stung by a wasp a couple of days ago, and now her neck is all \_\_\_\_.  
**Swollen** – expanded – amplified – inflated
- 3) The Earth \_\_\_\_ around the Sun.  
**Revolves** – rolls – rotates - spins
- 4) These bananas are not \_\_\_\_ yet.  
**Ripe** – mature – adult - grown-up
- 5) Helen's grandmother is still \_\_\_\_ and kicking, even though she's almost eighty.  
**Alive** – animate – living – undead
- 6) In situations like this, it's very important to stay \_\_\_\_.  
**Cool** – chilly – cold – freezing
- 7) Mary won't come to work today, she \_\_\_\_ her ankle playing baseball.  
**Twisted** – bent – curved – bowed
- 8) This tea is too \_\_\_\_\_. I can hardly drink it without milk.  
**Strong** – powerful – firm - tough
- 9) Daniel Defoe is \_\_\_\_ with writing Robinson Crusoe, the first English-language novel.  
**Credited** – attributed – referred – charged
- 10) Al Capone, one of the most \_\_\_\_ criminals in American history, operated in Chicago.

**Notorious** – famous – honored – renowned

- 11) He came home late because he missed the \_\_\_\_ train.

**Last** – ultimate – latest – concluding

- 12) After five long hours, the fire was finally \_\_\_\_.

**Extinguished** – abolished – destroyed – annihilated

- 13) The \_\_\_\_ of the novel paints a grim picture of rural England.

**Setting** – environment – background - surroundings

- 14) Like many documents, the US Constitution begins with a \_\_\_\_.

**Preamble** – prologue – preface – introduction

- 15) The two parties had no other choice but to \_\_\_\_ a deal.

**Strike** – hit – slap – crash

- 16) She wrote some words in the \_\_\_\_ of the page.

**Margin** – edge – rim – border

- 17) Chloe didn't have time to do her homework, so she asked a friend to \_\_\_\_ from him.

**Copy** – imitate – reproduce – duplicate

- 18) The hurricane has caused \_\_\_\_ damage to many buildings in the area.

**Structural** – structured – structurally - structuralist

- 19) What I'm about to tell you is \_\_\_\_ confidential.

**Strictly** – strictness – stricter – strictest

- 20) Wake up and smell the ... - she doesn't want to go out with you!

**Coffee** – tea – pepper - salt

- 21) The Minister was planning a speech of thanks but the seven-year-old Rym stole his ... .

**Thunder** – glory – rainbow - sunshine

- 22) Megan looks as if she is on her last ... .

**Legs** – breath – arms – head

- 23) ... the sun was out again, it was still freezing outside.

**Although** – However - Despite

- 24) We've all got to work harder just because Josh is always ... his duties.  
**shirking** - evading – eluding - ducking
- 25) Gayle will ... to the challenge of his new position in the company.  
**Rise** – raise – ride - arise
- 26) After buying the expensive flat Marianne was flat ... .  
**Broke** – torn – smashed - cracked
- 27) Wow! You're dressed to ... . – I'm having a date tonight.  
**Kill** – admire – impress – murder
- 28) You go straight, then turn right and Bob's your ...!  
**Uncle** – father – friend – dad
- 29) It's no use waiting for John to say anything. The lights are on but no-one's ....  
**Home** – inside - here - there
- 30) It's time to hit the ... . Goodnight everyone.  
**Hay** - pillow - bed – grass

### Part 3. Reading

#### Task 1

Read the text. For questions **1 – 5** choose the meaning **A – C** in which the words are used. Only one answer is correct.

The room was filled with warmth, bright lights and the **incessant**, excited chatter of children. The lights on the Christmas tree twinkled like little stars and we were wrapped in the warmth of the festive spirit. The children were **brimming** with excitement and nervousness. A great event was about to take place – a Christmas party.

Costumes hung in organised rows against the window; smart tin soldiers, **cuddly** bears and delicate white snowflake dresses. Daylight had not yet **condescended** to arrive; the day was dark, the sky heavy, and the rain never-ending.

The arrival of Miss Loomis produced a smile and **pleasantries**.

**F. incessant**

- D) unending
- E) careless
- F) impatient

**G. brimming**

- D) teeming
- E) worrying
- F) waiting

**H. cuddly**

- D) making one wish to hug

E) being soft and warm

F) sitting close to each other

**I. condescended**

- D) agreed haughtily
- E) looked down on
- F) resisted strongly

**J. pleasantries**

- D) polite remarks
- E) formal handshakes
- F) happy feelings

### Task 2

Sort out the mixed parts of the text and put them in the correct order.

<b>A.</b>	The fashion for such humorous tableaux seems to have started in 1851 at the Great Exhibition, where Herrmann Ploucquet (styled ‘Preserver of Objects of Natural History at the Royal Museum of Stuttgart’), showed several groups of stuffed animals, including the bizarre scene of a weasel teaching arithmetic to young rabbits. Queen Victoria thought them ‘really marvellous’.
<b>B.</b>	Castle Ward’s tableau by William Har follows closely the guideline set by Plocquet and Potter. Though Har showed something very similar at the Great Exhibition, the boxing gloves suggest that it dates from after 1867, when the new rules made them mandatory. Hart became interested in natural history as a boy, and opened a taxidermy shop in his native Christchurch in Hampshire. His son Edward’s collection was scattered in the twentieth century, as taxidermy went out of fashion, but parts of it still survive at the Red House Museum in Christchurch.

<b>C.</b>	At first sight, the Morning Room at Castle Ward seems like any other in this elegant eighteenth-century house. But then you catch sight of the five glass cases of stuffed squirrels engaged in a ... frenzied boxing match. They do look like real ones! The rest of your visit tends to pass in a blur.
<b>D.</b>	Ploucquet's work was popularised through a set of coloured engravings, The Comical Creatures from Wurtemberg, and emulated most famously by another Potter, a taxidermist from Bramber in west Sussex. Walter Potter's masterpiece, The Kittens' Wedding (1898), dresses the furry bride in immaculate brocade, with a long veil and orange blossom. It formed the centrepiece of his 'Museum of Curiosities', which now can be seen in a pub called Jamaica Inn, on Cornwall's Bodmin Moor.
<b>E.</b>	If the Castle Ward boxing squirrels make you want to see more - rather than less - of such things, can I also recommend an especially elaborate scene of squirrels dining out, at the Elizabethan Merchant's House in Great Yarmouth.
<b>F.</b>	The choice of animals for the witty display does not come as a total surprise. Squirrels have been kept as pets in British homes since at least the fourteenth century. In 1607 Edward Topsell called them 'sweet, sportful beasts and...very pleasant playfellows in a house'. We happily accept anthropomorphism in the tales of Beatrix Potter. Moreover the fact that in The Tale of Squirrel Nutkin the animals do not wear clothes is indeed quite uncharacteristic of her. Still for some visitors, the literal-mindedness of the Castle Ward squirrels takes things a little too far.

**Keys**

1. C
2. F
3. A
4. D
5. B

6. E

#### Part 4. Odd one out

Which of the following is the odd one out?

21. Butcher's - Optician's - Post Office - Police Station
22. CBS – HBO – BBC – CNN
23. Dementia – poinsettia – arthritis – malaria
24. Footballer – chessman – cyclist – runner
25. Good – loose – pool – moon
26. Hardly – fast – quickly – easy
27. Increase – Plummet – Rocket - Soar
28. Merseyside – Kent – Bedford – Cheshire
29. Punch – Newyorker – Economist – Time
30. Rectangular – box – square – triangle
31. Trent – Severn – Dee – Ely

#### Part 5. Country Studies

##### Task 1

Match the pictures and the sights they show. There are three names that you do **NOT** have to use.

1) Cricket



2) Bangers and mash



3) Albert Dock



4) The Needles





5) Hadrian's Wall



6) Times Square



7) Independence Hall



8) Wave Rock



9) Nelson's Column



10) The Tube



*The Grand Canyon*

*American football*

*Fish and chips*

## Task 2

Look at the proper names below. For questions **1-5** decide which categories they belong to. Choose the number of the category. Each category should be used at least once.

*Example: Times – 2*

- 1) Celebrations
- 2) Newspapers and magazines
- 3) Streets and districts
- 4) Documents

## 5) Geography

- A) Moray Firth - 5
- B) Remembrance Sunday - 1
- C) Brooklyn - 3
- D) Bayswater - 3
- E) Doomsday Book - 4
- F) Slieve Donard - 3
- G) The Economist - 2
- H) Hogmanay - 1
- I) The Provisions of Oxford - 4
- J) The Sierra Nevada - 5

**Task 3**

Match the book characters and their authors. There are TWO names of the authors which you do **NOT** have to use.

8. Becky Thatcher	J) Washington Irving
9. Mr. Fox	K) Roald Dahl
10. Bill Sikes	L) Lucy Maud Montgomery
11. The Dodo	M) Lewis Carroll
<b>12. Ichabod Crane</b>	N) <i>Herman Melville</i>
13. Maurice Gerald	O) Mark Twain
14. Anne Shirley	P) Mayne Reid
	Q) <i>Fenimore Cooper</i>
	R) Charles Dickens

## Keys

- 1. F
- 2. B
- 3. I

4. D
5. A
6. G
7. C

#### Task 4

- 1) Which country was called “The Jewel in the Crown”?  
The USA - India - Canada - Australia
- 2) The head of the Commonwealth of Nations is ... .  
the British Monarch - the British Prime Minister - the American President - the Commonwealth’s Governor-General.
- 3) The British monarchs are crowned in ... .  
Westminster Abbey - St. Paul’s Cathedral - the Tower - Buckingham Palace
- 4) The motto of the UK is ... .  
“God and My Right” - “God Save the Queen” - “Land and My Fathers” - “In God We Trust”
- 5) Which part of the UK is not represented in the Union Jack?  
Scotland - Wales – England - Northern Ireland
- 6) Llyn-Din means ... .  
a lake port - a white land - a foggy place - a picturesque settlement.
- 7) Eisteddfod is the festival of ... culture.  
Welsh – Scottish – Irish – English
- 8) The public school is ...  
a comprehensive school for bright children without tuition fees.  
a specialized school for talented children with low tuition fees.  
an old, rather expensive, student selective school  
a common boarding school for all children.
- 9) ... is **not** a Lake Poet.  
Samuel Coleridge - William Wordsworth - Thomas Moore - Robert Southey
- 10) The Civil War resulted in ... .

the independence from Britain - the abolition of slavery - the American Constitution - the victory over France

- 11) Which president was the first to live in the White House?  
George Washington - John Adams - Abraham Lincoln - Thomas Jefferson
- 12) The Statue of Liberty was made in ...  
the USA – Great Britain – France – Germany
- 13) 'Caledonia' is a poetic name for ...  
Scotland – England – Ireland – Wales
- 14) Which country has no official language?  
the USA – Australia - the UK - the Irish Republic
- 15) Scotland is sometimes referred to as Land of ... .  
Lakes – Peaks – Cakes - Lochs
- 16) A popular name for Australia is ... .  
Down Under - Upside Down- Head Over Heels - Upturned
- 17) Speakers' Corner is situated in ... .  
Hyde Park - Times Square – Broadway - Fleet Street
- 18) Which of the following is a Canadian citizen, according to minister Jason Kenney?  
Santa Claus - the Easter Bunny - the Tooth Fairy – Elmo
- 19) Canada has two national sports. One is ice hockey. What is the other?  
Lacrosse – curling - Canadian football - basketball
- 20) Which countries have two official national anthems?  
England and Scotland - Northern Ireland and the USA - Canada and New Zealand - Australia and England
- 21) The Australian coat of arms has the emu and the ... on it.  
kiwi bird - panda bear - moa bird - kangaroo
- 22) The area of New England is ... .  
part of the USA - a separate country - part of Great Britain - a separate island

Choose the correct phrasal verb to complete the sentences. There is an option that you do not have to use.

- 1) Look, Matt has never worked, he just prefers to live off / hold off/ hold on/ come into/ go off/ fall through his parents.
- 2) We hurried home hoping the rain would hold off / live off / hold on/ come into/ go off/ fall through until we reached the door.
- 3) They are planning to make a film but I think the deal will fall through/ live off / hold off/ hold on/ come into/ go off.
- 4) I hope one day a miracle happens and I come into/ live off / hold off/ hold on/ go off/ fall through a lot of money.
- 5) Put the milk back in the fridge, it may go off/ live off / hold off/ hold on/ come into/ fall through.

Extra: hold on

## Part 7. Grammar 2018

**Task 1.** Choose the correct variant.

My granddad often 1) ... me that when he (2) \_\_\_\_\_ up, he lived on a farm. During the summer, he (3) \_\_\_\_\_ to get up early every morning and work all day on the farm. He said that most people 4) \_\_\_\_\_ to go away on holiday, as they do now. But he (5) \_\_\_\_\_ feeling unhappy or deprived 6) .... anything because all of his friends were in the same situation.

- 1) told – said – spoke - stated
- 2) had been growing - had grown - was growing - was grown
- 3) had been – has - was having - would have
- 4) didn't use - haven't used - wasn't used - weren't used
- 5) didn't remember - hadn't been remembering - hadn't remembered - wasn't remembering
- 6) of – with – by – for

**Task 2.** Choose the correct variant.

1) ... in most other sports players are usually trying to get the most goals or points 2) ... win, the opposite is true about golf. In a game of golf, it is the lowest score that wins. Each player must try to get their ball in the hole using as 3) ... shots as possible. For each hole there's a given number of shots called 'par'. 4) ... a player uses one shot less than a par, it's called a 'birdie' and one more than par is called a 'bogey'.

- 1) even though – in spite of – instead of – whereas
- 2) for – in order to – so that – such that
- 3) few – little – less – hardly
- 4) as – since – when – while

### Part 8. Listening

**You will hear an interview with two train chefs, Jane and Chris. They have just won prizes in the Railway Chef competition. For questions 1-10 choose the correct answer A, B, C, or D.**

- 1) After the competition Chris and Jane both agreed that ...
  - the contest conditions were similar to their normal routine.
  - they worried much about the quality of their dishes.
  - time turned out to be a serious problem for all contestants.
  - they had been looking for the challenge for a long time.
- 2) Which of the following was NOT part of the competition rules?
  - Working on a team of four.
  - Creating a meal within a set price.
  - Sticking to very high standards.
  - Making three dishes.
- 3) For Jane the greatest problem during the competition was ... .
  - being original when moving at a high speed.
  - having to work in a confined space.
  - preparing the meal so quickly.
  - creating a meal with little money.
- 4) What makes their job unique according to Jane and Chris?

The close contact with customers.

The necessity to work under pressure.

The need to be focused on the job.

The impossibility to leave the train.

- 5) What do both chefs feel like about what they cook on board the train?

They would prefer to have more freedom of choice.

They like the menus already made for them on the train.

They think they are more adventurous than other chefs.

They are eager to adapt their own ideas to suit their job.

- 6) Jane says that on an average working day they ...

may have a very busy schedule.

can find some time to sit back and relax.

have a chance to eat out in a restaurant.

mostly work for about three hours.

- 7) Chris took up the job of a train chef because ...

it let him find a balance between staying at the same place and moving.

it demonstrated his talent to work under pressure for a long time.

he could show the skills he had learned at college before.

he wanted to do something unconventional and extraordinary.

- 8) How does Jane usually react when things get spilt over?

She blames the train driver for that.

She is being rude to the other staff.

She asks a member of staff for help.

She makes a note to be more careful.

- 9) Chris says that the reason for his worst disaster was ...

losing his concentration for a short while.

completely forgetting to turn on the grill.

dropping the main dish on the floor.

not keeping an eye on the temperature.

- 10) What is Jane's reaction like to Chris's suggestion about the future?



She cannot take part in that kind of activity.

She is looking forward to such a challenge.

She is willing and eager to join Chris's team.

She doesn't think Chris will want her company.