

**RUSSIAN ACADEMY OF NATIONAL ECONOMY AND PUBLIC  
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**ETECS 2014-2015 (English Test for the 8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Class Students – 2014-2015)**  
(total score 100 points)

**TEACHER'S SHEET**

**PART I. Listening comprehension (10 points)**

**Task 1. Listening (3 points).** Listen to the dialogue between two people and answer the questions. Mark your answers on the answer sheet.



	<b>Answer (примерный)</b>
1. Who are these people?	a couple, possibly married
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**Task 2. Listening (7 points).** Read through the statements before listening again. Listen to the dialogue again. Mark the statements **in the order you hear them**.

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5.	b) If they are homeless, it's because they want to be.	2
6.	c) We should help people who can't help themselves.	1
7.	d) They could easily get a job if they wanted one.	6
8.	e) Many beggars have mental problems, like depression.	5
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## PART II. Grammar Issues (40 points)

### Task 1. Grammar forms (40 points).

Fill in the gaps with the proper **word forms** where and if necessary. Mark your answers on the answer sheet.

11.	tell
12.	to
13.	a
14.	on
15.	gave/was giving
16.	was staying
17.	was allowed
18.	to come
19.	the
20.	came
21.	up
22.	to
23.	was wearing
24.	wonderful
25.	gracefully
26.	haven't been wearing
27.	belonged
28.	to
29.	was delighted
30.	took off
31.	gave
32.	to
33.	was passed
34.	pass/passing
35.	leave
36.	a
37.	-----
38.	was still smiling
39.	would produce
40.	would be
41.	stay
42.	the
43.	didn't bring
44.	had disappeared
45.	cost
46.	will be
47.	to turn out
48.	is not found
49.	will pay

50.	little
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### **PART III. Vocabulary Issues (10 points)**

#### **Task 1. Proverbs (5 points).**

Match the proverbs with the explanations on the right. Mark your answers on the answer sheet.

51.	E .
52.	A .
53.	D.
54.	B.
55.	C.

#### **Task 2. Formal/informal (5 points).**

Give shorter, more informal versions of the words. Mark your answers on the answer sheet.

56. mother	Mum/Mam/Ma/Mom/Mummy
57. newspaper	paper
58. goodbye	bye
59. advertisement	Ad/advert
60. children	kids

### PART IV. Cultural Issues (10 points)

#### Task 1. . Matching (4 points).

Match the names of the shops on the left with their definition on the right. Mark your answers on the answer sheet.

61.	C.
62.	A.
63.	B.
64.	D.

#### Task 2. Abbreviations. (6 points)

- 65. BC – Before Christ
- 66. a.m.- ante meridium
- 67. mph – meters per hour
- 68. VIP – very important person
- 69. J. F. K.- John Fitzgerald Kennedy
- 70. UFO - Unidentified flying object.

### PART V. Reading Issues (20 points)

#### Task 1. Reading comprehension (10 points).

According to the text, are the following sentences true or false? Put a 'T' for true and an 'F' for false next to each sentence. Mark your answers on the answer sheet.

- 71 f,
- 72 f,
- 73 f,
- 74 t,
- 75 t,
- 76 f,
- 77 f,

78 t,  
79 t,  
80 f.

**Task 2. Add the headings (10 points).**

81	E
82	H
83	B
84	I
85	D
86	J
87	A
88	F
89	C
90	G

**PART VI. Writing Issues (10 points)**

**Task 1. Writing an essay (10 points).**

Choose one of the options and write your answer on the answer sheet. Write an essay on one of the topics (200-250 words).

Use a plan:

- introduction (state the problem)
- express your opinion and give 2-3 reasons for your opinion
- express an opposing opinion and give 1-2 reasons for this opinion
- explain why you don't agree with the opposing opinion
- make a conclusion restating your position

- A. Some people believe that the Earth is being damaged by human activity. Others feel that human activity makes the Earth a better place to live. What is your opinion?
- B. Some people prefer to live in places that have the same weather or climate all the year round. Others like to live in areas where the weather changes several times a year. Which do you prefer?
- C. Some people believe that it's better to have separate schools for boys and girls. What is your opinion?



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11.	met
12.	felt
13.	make
14.	relax
15.	sat
16.	knew
17.	was
18.	was
19.	knew
20.	had read
21.	thought
22.	would understand/ understood
23.	tell
24.	to
25.	will understand
26.	found
27.	read
28.	began
29.	worse
30.	come
31.	felt/ was feeling
32.	knew
33.	was going
34.	of/about
35.	felt
36.	for
37.	had come
38.	was leaving
39.	at
40.	was decided
41.	would go
42.	---
43.	another
44.	a
45.	the

46.	were discussed
47.	rejected
48.	came
49.	thought
50.	went

### PART III. Vocabulary Issues (10 points)

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52.	D.
53.	E.
54.	A.
55.	B.

#### Task 2. Formal/informal (5 points).

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56. laboratory	lab
57. veterinary surgeon	vet
58. television	TV/ telly
59. advertisement	Ad/ advert
60. London Underground	the tube

### PART IV. Cultural Issues (10 points)

#### Task 1. Miscellaneous. (5 points).

Write the correct answer. Mark your answers on the answer sheet.

61.	Penicillin
62.	kilt
63.	Robin Hood
64.	white
65.	in Scotland

#### Task 4. True or False? (5 points)

Read the statements and mark each of them as True or False. Mark your answers on the answer sheet.

66.	T
67.	T
68.	F

69.	T
70.	T

### PART V. Reading Issues (20 points).

#### Task 1. Reading comprehension (10 points).

Read the text and answer the questions.

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Question	Answer (примерный)
71. Why do many people think it is unlikely that William Shakespeare wrote the plays himself?	Because the few things we know about him indicate that he wouldn't have had the knowledge or experience to have written them.
72. What was Shakespeare's education like?	He appears not to have had any education at all.
73. If Shakespeare didn't write the plays, why didn't the person who wrote them take credit for them?	Because people could be killed for their views in those days, so it was safer to hide behind a different name.
74. Why do people think that the Earl of Oxford could have written Shakespeare's plays?	Because he spent many years in Italy, where 14 of Shakespeare's plays were set, his family symbol was a bear shaking a spear and phrases which appeared in Shakespeare's plays were underlined in his Bible.
75. In the play Macbeth, what was Macbeth's job?	He was a high ranking (senior) soldier.
76. What was Macbeth's wife like?	She is very ambitious. She wants Macbeth to kill the king so that he can be king.
77. Who killed Hamlet's father?	His stepfather.
78. In Twelfth Night, why might you feel sorry for the Duke?	He is in love with Lady Olivia but she doesn't love him.
79. Why might King Lear be described as stubborn and fickle?	Because he is pleased by his elder daughters' lies and flattery, but punishes Cordelia for her honesty.
80. Why might you feel sorry for	Because she was sincere and loved her father,

Cordelia in King Lear?	but he treated her cruelly.
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**Task 2. Reading and vocabulary (6 points).**

Read the text “Britain vs. America”. The following words are taken from the text, match the words with their meaning. Mark your answers on the answer sheet.

81.	F
82.	D
83.	E
84.	B
85.	A
86.	C

**Task 3. Read the sentences about British and American people (4 points).**

For each sentence, choose and write 'if' or 'unless'. Mark your answers on the answer sheet.

87.	IF
88.	UNLESS
89.	IF
90.	UNLESS

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- A. Every generation is different in important ways. How is your generation different from your parents' generation?
- B. Some people prefer to eat at food stands and restaurants. Others prefer to prepare food at home.
- C. Humans are the most intelligent beings, so nature should be fully exploited for our benefit. What is your opinion?