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8 - 9 класс

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Заключительный этап

Вариант 1

I. LISTENING

Task 1. Максимум 26 баллов. 2 балла за каждый правильный ответ

Listen to the song and fill in the missing words or phrases. Write missing words on your answer sheet

I like 1 _____ and hiding things inside them
When I grow old, I hope I won't forget to find them
'Cause 2 _____ and travel like 3 _____ in the night
I build a home and wait for someone to
Then pack it up in 4 _____, head for the next town running
...
And a 5 _____ times I've seen this road
....
I've got no 6 _____, 7 _____ was never
8 _____
...
I like standing 9 _____, boy, that's just a 10 _____ plan
Ask me where I come from, I'll say a 11 _____ land
...
I 12 _____ . gates and numbers, then play the guessing game
It's just the place that changes, 13 _____ is still the same
...

Task 2. What is this song about? Максимум 9 баллов

Write the summary 20 - 30 words long. Write your answer on your answer sheet (20-30 words). If you fail to observe the limit of words your answer will not be counted.

II. READING

Task 3. Read the text and find six mistakes which you have to correct. Copy the sentence in its correct version on your answer sheet. Максимум 12 баллов

Example: Now, more and more guests prefer entertainment in which they can take active part – *original version*. Now, more and more guests prefer entertainment in which they can take **AN** active part – *correct version*.

TEAM WORK AND SUCCESS

George Cole

Norwich Union is one of the UK's leading financial services companies, dealing with life, assurance, pensions, investments and insurance. When customers call Norwich Union Direct, their call may be handled with any one of four call centres. Each centre has 300 agents or, as Norwich Union Direct prefers to call them, tele-executives, and the business handles 20,000 calls a day.

Each call centre is similar to design, with open-plan offices – senior management do not have separate offices. The tele-executives work in small teams of around 8 to 12 people. Between each desk is a low screen, which provides some privacy, but without doing employees feel isolated.

A team coach sits next with the employee during the first stages. 'There is a lot of hand-holding,' says Jackie Connolly, the company's customer services director. 'We try to encourage a mind-set which says that you're not just dealing with 60 accidents a day, but with 60 different customers.'

There are regular meetings with team coaches and the team leader, and team games are organised to promote health competition. 'We're more interested in quality than quantity,' says Mrs Connolly. 'We make a lot of customer research to ensure that we are servicing their needs.'

Task 4. Read the text and answer the following question. Максимум 5 баллов:

What is the most effective way to encourage new ideas? Write your answer on your answer sheet (40-60 words). If you fail to observe the limit of words your answer will not be counted.

GETTING IDEAS ACROSS

Michael Skapinker

Why can't companies produce more innovative ideas? Because the structure of large organizations is against innovation, and they are too conservative. New ideas also often threaten the profits of existing products and services.

Now, two books* have examined the problems of innovation in large organizations and what companies can do to develop their employees' ideas. There are some depressing stories. Being innovative can damage your career. Of the leaders of 12 innovation projects studied, four resigned from their companies, two threatened to resign and two were dismissed.

Several innovators felt they would be poorly rewarded if they succeeded and criticised if they failed. 'The origin of a successful breakthrough project is often forgotten,' one innovator warned, 'but a research and development effort that fails is never forgotten.'

Many innovators are technically minded and find it difficult to explain their ideas in business terms. Many do not even see the business benefits of their ideas until these are pointed out to them.

From the *Financial Times*

*Richard Leifer et al.: *Radical Innovation*, Harvard Business School Press, 2001
Michael Schrage: *Serious Play*, Harvard Business School Press, 1999

III. VOCABULARY

Task 5. CHAIN GAME. 16 баллов. Каждое правильно выбранное слово оценивается в 2 балла

- Fill in the gaps with the suitable words in the sentences below.
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Example: A. *****is a wild animal whose orange or white skin has black stripes.

B. I enjoy swimming in this *****.

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1. He stood in *****of me.
- 2 Don't ***** the dog! It can bite you.
3. He has a habit of touching his *** when he is nervous.
4. My ***** is always tidy.
5. I like ***** weather in winter.
6. ***** is a piece of clothes.
7. I was hungry and Bill gave me a *****.
- 8.***** is a synonym of 50%.

Task 6. Максимум 13 баллов

Which suffixes are common for nouns, adjectives, verbs? Put each suffix into an appropriate part of speech category in an attached table on your answer sheet.

-ity -ment -hood -able -er -ous -ise/ize -ify -ship -less -al -ist -ive

Nouns	Adjectives	Verbs

Task 7. Which verb is the same for the following nouns? Write your answer on your answer sheet. Максимум 1 балл

Fortune progress mistake coffee decision friends

IV. CREATIVE ACTIVITY

Task 8. Write a short story (80-100 words) on your answer sheet. Use 10 compound adjectives in your story. Максимум 18 баллов

Example: WELL-KNOWN (compound adjective)

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THE STRESS-FREE DIET

Jerome Burne

While a friend told TonnyCozzi that diet was the answer to the stress that he and his staff suffered from, he was skeptical. ‘Massage, meditation, exercise, all seem likely to reduce stress, but not whether you eat nuts or crisps’.

Despite of his skepticism, he went on to a nutritionist and signed up the staff for two months of rice, salad, fresh fruit, yoghurts and nuts in place of the usual rolls, crisps, Mars Bars and the like.

The results at ASAP, the design and marketing company, Cozzi owns, were miraculous. All the seven staff who took part lost weight; Cozzi started sleeping properly and stopped to snap at everyone. Everyone claims to have more energy, and the number of days when someone is sick has dropped out five a month to one. Only the one individual who went back to his chips and chocolate seems to get sick on these days.

‘This is a very stressful job,’ says Cozzi. ‘It’s a great place to work and we all love it, but it’s deadlines, deadlines all the time. Everyone is stretched and when one person goes off sick everyone has to work twice as hardly. For some time I’d been looking for ways of helping us all deal with stress better. Now I’ve found the answer’.

Task 4. Read the text and answer the following question. Максимум 5 баллов:

What methods can people use to manage personal time efficiently? Write your answer on your answer sheet (40-60 words). If you fail to observe the limit of words your answer will not be counted.

PERSONAL TIME MANAGEMENT FOR BUSY MANAGERS

By Gerard M. Blair

Personal time management is about controlling the use of your most valuable (and undervalued) resource. Consider these two questions: what would happen if you spent company money in the same way as you spend company time? When was the last time you reviewed the way you use your time?

Without personal time management there are last minute rushes to meet deadlines, meetings which achieve nothing, days which seem somehow to go by unproductively, crises which come unexpectedly from nowhere. This sort of environment leads to stress and poor performance: it must be stopped.

Poor time management is often a sign over-confidence: techniques which used to work with small projects are simply reused with large ones. Working inefficiently was perhaps unimportant in the small role, but it becomes unacceptable in the large one. You cannot drive a motorbike like a bicycle, nor can you manage a supermarket chain like a market stall.

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1. Danny showed me an old *****.
2. ***** is a room where employees work.
3. I am having (a/an) ***** in Maths tomorrow.
- 4.***** is useful for children's health.
5. When playing football Edgar injured his *****.
6. Where do ***** live?
7. Too much ***** can be dangerous for your health.
8. Kate likes ***** detective stories.

Task 6. Which prefixes are used to form the opposite of these words? Write your answers on your answer sheet. Максимум 13 баллов

Example: acceptable- UNacceptable

1.	like (verb)	8.	employment
2.	legal	9.	agree
3.	correct	10.	tidy
4.	patient (adjective)	11.	polite
5.	honest	12.	proper
6.	visible	13.	balanced
7.	regular		

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Favour shopping harm research

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Example: TOOK/TAKEN