



ŠKOLSKO NATJECANJE IZ ENGLESKOGA JEZIKA

za 2. razred srednje škole

ŠKOLSKA GODINA 2021./2022.

Zaokruži broj (1 ili 2) kategorije u kojoj se natječeš:

- 1 Kategorija 2.A: gimnazije
- 2 Kategorija 2.B: ostale srednje škole

Zaporka:

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| Čitanje s razumijevanjem: | 12 bodova |
| Uporaba jezika: | 48 bodova |
| Ukupno: | 60 bodova |

Napomena:

Svi odgovori moraju biti prepisani na List za odgovore.

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Tasks 1 and 2: READING COMPREHENSION

Task 1: Fabulous Christmas films

Read four movie recommendations (A-D) written by four authors. Match the statements (1-6) with the authors of the movie recommendations. Write the corresponding letter that refers to the author (A, B, C or D) on the Answer Sheet. The task begins with an example (0).

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| <p>Author A: <i>Paddington (2014)</i></p> <p>When Paddington was released, I had been working in Australia. A hold-up at the immigration department delayed my return home, meaning I wasn't sure I would make it back to Blighty for a family reunion. Thankfully, my visa came through and I made it back in time for a trip to the cinema to see Paddington. As we watched, my brother and I relived our youth, when we first listened to the Paddington stories on a very old, battered tape, narrated by Bernard Cribbins. We had also been big fans of the Paddington board game. There was much laughter and nostalgia – and when we got home, we made marmalade sandwiches.</p> | <p>Author B: <i>You've Got Mail (1998)</i></p> <p>I first fell in love with this film age 14, while staying at my cousin's house for the Christmas holidays. One scene that comes to mind is Kathleen Kelly (Meg Ryan) decorating the Christmas tree in the window of her bookstore and mentioning the Joni Mitchell song, River. I watch You've Got Mail every year, but it was only last Christmas, in the furrows of heartbreak and missing a loved one deeply, that I listened to what Kathleen actually says in this scene, as she talks of how she "misses her mother so much she almost can't breathe". I paused the film to listen to River, as tears streamed down my face. It soothed my heart through Christmas and well into the new year.</p> |
| <p>Author C: <i>Elf (2003)</i></p> <p>My wife and I love the slapstick, frenetic pace and gentle send-up of the Christmas tradition in this film. We also appreciate the acting, from Will Ferrell's totally over-the-top characterisation to James Caan's impeccably straight portrayal of the long-lost father. Bob Newhart also plays a deadpan elf, giving the film a slightly hallucinatory feel. When Buddy gets super excited about Father Christmas coming to Gimbel's, we cry laughing. It ticks all the Christmas film boxes: humour, sentiment, snow, elves and a nicely characterised Father Christmas. As they grow older, my daughters appreciate different jokes in the film too – it will always be a family favourite.</p> | <p>Author D: <i>Remember the Night (1940)</i></p> <p>This is a film that rarely makes Christmas film lists – but it should. It was written by Preston Sturges and was the film that convinced him that directing his own work was the way forward – leading to some of the great screwball comedies, such as <i>The Lady Eve</i> (1941) and <i>Sullivan's Travels</i> (1941). But <i>Remember the Night</i> is a brilliant, and brilliantly melancholic piece of Hollywood studio-era counter-holiday programming. It's the first, and best, of the four films pairing Barbara Stanwyck and Fred MacMurray. If saccharine holiday movies set your teeth on edge, give <i>Remember the Night</i> a go: it captures the sorrows and joys of Christmas in equal measure – and how family can be both a blessing and a curse.</p> |

(Adapted from source: <https://www.theguardian.com/film/2021/dec/20/it-makes-me-cry-with-laughter-readers-recommend-15-fabulous-christmas-films>)

Which author states the following?

- (0) The movie provoked intense feelings of sadness while watching it. **__B__**
- (1) The movie I saw is seldom characterized as a Christmas movie. _____
- (2) The movie exemplifies the ambiguity of feelings that are provoked at Christmas time. _____
- (3) The thought of missing out on this film evoked a sense of concern in me. _____
- (4) This movie comprises key traits associated with Christmas time. _____
- (5) I experienced the contents of the movie through different media in my adolescence. _____
- (6) The movie brought me both momentary and permanent solace. _____

(6 points)

Task 2: How cruises will change after coronavirus

Read the text below. For questions 1-6, choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D). Write the correct letter (A, B, C or D) on the Answer Sheet. The task begins with an example (0).

The multibillion-pound cruise industry, which normally carries 30 million people a year on the world's oceans and rivers, has been becalmed by the coronavirus pandemic. More than 300 ships have been docked, or kept floating aimlessly at sea, after ports were shut, countries locked down and international travel frozen. The US no-sail ban has recently been extended to 31 October, while the UK government still advises against travelling by ocean ship. Shares in the major operators – Carnival Corporation, Royal Caribbean Group and Norwegian Cruise Line Holdings – have plummeted by up to 80 per cent during the crisis as they collectively burned through \$1bn a month. Despite all that, cruising is showing signs of coming back in countries such as France, Germany and now Italy, where MSC Cruises and Costa have restarted services. In Taiwan, Dream Cruises has already carried more than 25,000 locals. But there are changes afoot. Among the measures already announced, the industry body Cruise Lines International Association (CLIA) has pledged that all passengers and crew will be tested before boarding. With ships taking years to plan and build, existing fleets will have to be adapted to ensure a safe environment, with new measures on board to maintain social distance and hygiene. Here's a look at how coronavirus might affect the look and feel of cruising as well as future design.

Pre-boarding testing

A key factor in the safe resumption of cruising will be the availability of rapid and reliable testing for Covid-19 at embarkation. MSC Cruises has implemented pre-boarding testing for MSC Grandiosa, which is now on its ninth voyage in Italy. Daily temperature checks are also carried out on board. It's carried a total of 16,000 passengers – at around half the ship's capacity – without incident. Rick Sasso, the president of MSC Cruises (USA) said: "We've proved you'll be safer going on a cruise than to the supermarket."

Masks and social distancing

Even half-full cruise ships can carry thousands of guests, so measures have been taken to ensure venues, such as theatres and lounges, have areas cordoned off to maintain social distancing. This in turn means more shows are being put on for smaller audiences. While passengers are being encouraged to spend more time in the open air on deck, tables, chairs and loungers are being moved further apart, and fewer people will be allowed in pools and hot tubs. Elsewhere, masks are worn in areas when social distancing can't be assured. And boarding and leaving the ship is staggered.

PARAGRAPH 4 (see question 6): _____

Royal Caribbean says its heating, ventilation and air conditioning system supplies 100 per cent fresh, filtered air from outside to all indoor spaces, with the atmosphere changed up to every six minutes in staterooms and every four in public spaces. Upgraded filters will be fine enough to capture coronavirus aerosols. Qingyan Chen, a professor of mechanical engineering at Indiana's Purdue University, has suggested that on future ships air should enter the room through the floor, then rise as it comes into contact with people and warms up, before being expelled from the ceiling, *Fast Company* reports.

Source: <https://www.independent.co.uk/travel/cruise/cruise-after-coronavirus-royal-caribbean-msc-carnival-b1157932.html>

- (0) In the introduction to the text, the effect of the coronavirus on the cruise industry can be best described as
- A increasing its volume
 - B increasing the profits
 - C stabilizing
 - D tranquilizing its activity**
- (1) The text implies that the modifications in the operation of the industry are
- A underway
 - B being evaluated
 - C questionable
 - D slight
- (2) Which of the following organizations has made a solemn declaration of intent in relation to the safety of the passengers on board?
- A MSC Cruises and Costa
 - B The UK government
 - C Dream Cruises
 - D CLIA
- (3) The introduction of pre-boarding testing has resulted in
- A a steep reduction of new infections on board
 - B a total reduction of new infections on board
 - C an initial reduction of new infections on board
 - D a minor reduction of new infections on board
- (4) Social distancing measures have influenced
- A the number of people leaving ships
 - B the number of people attending entertainment programs
 - C the number of people wearing masks
 - D the number of people being carried by the cruisers
- (5) The word “expelled” as used in the last paragraph is closest in meaning to
- A whirled
 - B consumed
 - C discharged
 - D absorbed
- (6) Which of the following four options would be the most suitable heading for the last paragraph?
- A Better ventilation
 - B Mechanical ventilation in machinery spaces
 - C New trends in technology
 - D Investing in the health of our passengers

(6 points)

Tasks 3-7: USE OF ENGLISH

Task 3: After an operation, I'm in uncharacteristic floods of tears over "Love Actually"

Read the following text and the options below. Choose the answer (A, B, C or D) which best fits in each gap. For each gap there is only one correct answer. Copy only the letters A, B, C or D on the Answer Sheet. The task begins with an example (0).

I had an operation about 10 days ago. I haven't had many (0) medical procedures in my life, just a standard appendectomy when I was 15 and this was followed by a more alarming tonsillectomy when I was 18. An op which resulted in a 3am dash back to the hospital just days after being (1) _____, due to a small haemorrhage.

Apart from those two incidents and a straightforward (2) _____ of a baby girl over 30 years ago in Kings College Hospital, I have managed to avoid ward life, until, at the age of 61, I did something excruciating to my neck that rendered my left hand semi-useless.

Obviously, I remember (3) _____ about the op itself; that's the point of anaesthetic. However, I do remember saying "this isn't working", my natural paranoia convincing me that I was going to be one of those "locked in" patients who felt every laceration, while being powerless to do anything about it. I wasn't, I was dreamlessly unconscious throughout.

Coming (4) _____, on the other hand, affected me in ways I hadn't really thought about and for the 24 hours following the op, I was ludicrously emotional. I cried (5) _____ relief to be alive, I cried when someone questioned me for mentioning my saintly "male nurse" on Twitter, because obviously I wouldn't have said "female nurse". I cried over my egg mayonnaise sandwich because, well, imagine dying and never having egg mayonnaise again?

To be honest, I'm not sure what they did to me in that operating theatre because the emotional side effects are still with me. (6) _____ in point, I watched *Love Actually* for the first time in my life and sobbed my way (7) _____ the entire movie. I genuinely thought it was brilliant. OK, there's a bit of fat-shaming nonsense that hasn't aged well and some characters aren't as well written as others, but come on, what sort of joyless person could possibly sneer? Well, me – until 10 days (8) _____.

I've been told that it will take six weeks before I am physically (9) _____ of holding a full kettle. By then, I should be properly healed and back to being my normal, cynical old self.

In the meantime, bring (10) _____ *Frozen*, let me rewatch *Little Women*. This is the perfect time to watch all those emotionally manipulative romcoms that I am now in a sufficiently weakened state to properly enjoy.

(Adapted from an article in *The Independent*, 28 December 2021, © by Jenny Eclair)

<https://www.independent.co.uk/independentpremium/voices/operation-love-actually-emotional-anaesthetic-b1983216.html>

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| (0) | A <u>medical</u> | B urgent | C medicinal | D hospital |
| (1) | A disregarded | B discharged | C dispersed | D disbanded |
| (2) | A labour | B arrival | C delivery | D childbirth |
| (3) | A nothing | B everything | C something | D anything |
| (4) | A through | B conscious | C round | D unconscious |

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| (5) | A because | B about | C from | D with |
| (6) | A case | B fact | C argument | D word |
| (7) | A for | B over | C through | D into |
| (8) | A before | B ago | C back | D earlier |
| (9) | A capable | B able | C strong | D competent |
| (10) | A in | B over | C up | D on |

(10 points)

Task 4: Gap Filling

For questions 1 to 8, find **one word** which is appropriate for **all three gaps** in each of the following sets of sentences. Copy the correct answers on the Answer Sheet. The task begins with an example (0).

(0) The orchestra plays this one musical piece so beautifully in the new adaptation of The Nutcracker.

The literature exam was a piece of cake, says my friend Luca. He did it yesterday and passed with flying colours.

Ron has bought a three- piece suit for his wedding.

(1) John is bruised all over his face. Some hooligans _____ him up last night. Don't _____ about the bush. Just tell me what on earth is going on. Every time I see Timothy, my heart skips a _____. I just can't get over him.

(2) My grandpa's _____ is deteriorating by the minute. But we try to jog it with photos and stories.

Last year I went to Ibiza with my best friend. We had a great time. The _____ of the holiday is still so vivid in my mind.

Science has proven that a particular scent can trigger a specific _____ from any period of your life.

(3) Watching old movies or just enjoying the sunset really fills my emotional _____. If you _____ your hands like this, you can have a drink of water directly from the spring.

My mom loves a cold fruit _____ in summer. She especially adores experimenting with new flavors.

(4) My grandma loves sewing clothes for me, but I need to _____ down this dress. I liked it better when it was longer.

The principal _____ me off without punishment after finding out who had broken the entrance door.

Anna opened the window to _____ in some fresh air. We could hardly breathe from all the heat.

- (5) She took up swimming to build up the _____ of her muscles.
Mike showed great _____ of character in stepping up to help the injured for days on end.
I am still not quite back to my full _____ after my prolonged hospital stay.
- (6) Mia couldn't bear watching the massive _____ fight for another second so she called the police right away.
The quality of each _____ of soap in our factory is approved after a painstaking manual selection process.
Bruno has failed to pass the _____ exam for the fourth consecutive time. Maybe he should consider a career other than that of a lawyer.
- (7) My sister tried to _____ amends by apologizing to my parents, but she still has a long way to go.
"We've lost most of our supplies, but we'll _____ do with what we have." said the captain.
What do you _____ of Joanne's latest invention? She's got quite an imagination.
- (8) No one wanted to see their argument _____ ugly as it did. Fortunately, it's all over now.
It's so late. I'm going to _____ in and start again tomorrow. The morning is wiser than the evening as they say.
World War II took a dramatic _____ for the worse in August of 1945.

(8 points)

Task 5: Brexit forces British student to spend Christmas and New Year in Madrid

Read the following text and the options below. Choose the answer (A, B, C or D) which best fits in each gap. For each gap there is only one correct answer. Copy only the letters A, B, C or D on the Answer Sheet. The task begins with an example (0).

A British student is spending the festive season in Spain rather than with family – because Spanish red tape combined with Brexit means she cannot leave the country while her visa is processed. Lucy Taylor, 21, from East Sussex, is a Warwick University student on her year abroad. Until 2021 she would have been able to spend the (0) **academic** year in Spain without formality. But (1) _____ the Brexit transition phase ended a year ago, British students (2) _____ visas to study in any of the 27 European Union nations. Ms Taylor applied for her visa for Spain in June – one of a (3) _____ of applications from British students, workers and property owners. She was permitted to enter the country and begin her studies in Madrid in September. Were she to leave Spain before the visa is processed, she wouldn't be allowed back in (4) _____ to the long-standing rule that non-EU citizens may stay no more than 90 days in any 180. "I'm not able to leave Spain until I get my visa, so I haven't been able to get back to the UK for the Christmas holidays. My family weren't able to come out to see me either." She spent her 21st birthday – which fell on Christmas Day – in the Spanish capital. With no (5) _____ of returning to the UK for New Year's Eve, a British friend is visiting her (6) _____. Ms Taylor was too young to vote in the 2016 EU referendum – which Leave won by more than one million votes. Speaking from her flat in Madrid, she said: "There's no guarantee of when I may get my visa, and

with term restarting on 5 January I've got (7) _____-on lectures, so I'm not sure when I will be able to see them – it may be Easter.” She said the Spanish bureaucracy appears to be less (8) _____ than other countries. “I know some British people studying in other countries who do not appear to be having the same problems as I have. “But at the (9) _____ of it: if we hadn't left the EU, I wouldn't have to worry about any of this.” The UK has withdrawn (10) _____ the Erasmus programme – which began life as the European Community Action Scheme for the Mobility of University Students.

(Adapted from an article in *The Independent*, 1 January 2022, © by Simon Calder)

<https://www.independent.co.uk/travel/news-and-advice/brexit-uk-student-passport-visa-b1984981.html>

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| (0) A <u>academic</u> | B bachelor's | C memorable | D previous |
| (1) A since | B afterward | C subsequently | D whereas |
| (2) A appeal | B require | C demand | D inquire |
| (3) A breadth | B mountain | C variety | D sum |
| (4) A opposed | B attributable | C pertaining | D due |
| (5) A resolution | B proof | C prospect | D inkling |
| (6) A instead | B alternatively | C despite | D beforehand |
| (7) A brought | B dead | C full | D right |
| (8) A effective | B efficient | C engaging | D exacerbated |
| (9) A gist | B essence | C thick | D root |
| (10) A against | B away | C to | D from |

(10 points)

Task 6: Millipedes “as big as cars” once roamed Northern England.

Read the following text. For each gap **1-10**, think of **one** word which best fits into the text. Use only **one** word in each gap. Write the correct answer on the Answer Sheet. The task begins with an example **(0)**.

Millipedes ‘as big as cars’ once roamed Northern England, rare fossil discovery reveals

Evidence of largest invertebrates of all time found in Northumberland

Just days after the discovery of an extant millipede species **(0) with** over a thousand legs in Australia, the world of diplopodology – the study of millipedes – is **(1)** _____ rocked by a fossil find which has revealed the biggest millipede ever to have lived.

The species, **(2)** _____ the scientists at the University of Cambridge said was “as big as a car”, apparently roamed **(3)** _____ is now Northern England during the Carboniferous period – around 100 million years before the age of the dinosaurs.

(4) _____ then, the land which became the cold, damp country we now know as Great Britain lay much closer to the equator, so Northumberland – where the fossil was found – would **(5)** _____ had a more tropical climate.

The fossil reveals the creature, called *Arthropleura*, was the largest known invertebrate animal of all time – even larger **(6)** _____ the ancient sea scorpions that were the previous record holders.

The specimen was discovered in January 2018 in a large block of sandstone which had fallen from a cliff **(7)** _____ the beach at Howick Bay in Northumberland.

“It was a complete fluke of a discovery,” said Dr Neil Davies from Cambridge’s Department of Earth Sciences, the paper’s lead author. “The boulder had cracked **(8)** _____ and perfectly exposed the fossil, which one of our former PhD students happened to spot when walking by.”

The research team said invertebrates, such as this species, and early amphibians lived **(9)** _____ the vegetation scattered around a series of creeks and rivers. The specimen identified by the researchers was found in a fossilised river channel, and they said it was likely a skeleton that filled with sand, preserving it for hundreds of millions of years.

The fossil was brought back to Cambridge so that it could be examined **(10)** _____ detail. It was compared with all previous records and revealed new information about the animal’s habitat and evolution.

The researchers said it likely only existed in places that were once located near the equator. Although this is the largest *Arthropleura* fossil skeleton ever found, there is still much to learn about them, the team said.

(Adapted from an article in *The Independent*, 21 December 2021, © by Harry Cockburn) <https://www.independent.co.uk/climate-change/news/giant-millipede-fossil-northumberland-cambridge-b1979660.html>

(10 points)

Task 7: Never Give Up

Read the following text. Use the word in brackets to form a new word which best fits in each gap. Use only **one** word in each gap. Write the correct answer on the Answer Sheet. The task begins with an example **(0)**.

‘Never give up,’ says the 19-year-old who landed a BBC job after being refused dozens of times.

When Tyreek Kasim, a **(0) teenager (TEENAGE)** who graduated from sixth form in the summer of 2020 with straight As decided to turn down a place at university to apply for an

(1) _____ (APPRENTICE), the last thing he expected was to wind up

(2) _____ (JOB) and ground down by the system.

But this is exactly what the 19-year-old from Hounslow endured before his luck changed

(3) _____ (DRAMA) after doing a course at City Gateway. Tyreek said: “I began my job hunt last summer feeling buoyant and that because of my grades, it would be a breeze. I couldn’t wait to start earning and learning.”

But it was the first summer of Covid and, as the **(4) _____ (REJECT)** piled up, Tyreek began to worry. “I made around sixty **(5) _____ (APPLY)** over three months and scored just two five-minute phone interviews - one with an accounting firm, another with Lloyds Bank, who also **(6) _____ (MISS)** me. For months I was getting more and more **(7) _____ (COURAGE)**. Many of my peers had gone to university and I felt left behind.

“I started to realise that my lack of work experience in a professional environment put me at a real **(8) _____ (ADVANTAGE)**. I come from a working class background and although I was taught to be self-reliant and make my own luck, not counting on other people, it was impacting my chances. You start to feel pressure. You never see or speak to another human, so you have no real sense of why you’re not succeeding. It’s soul-destroying.”

One day, Tyreek’s mother came across a social media post that caught her attention.

It was the moment things shifted. Tyreek said: “I was put on a course with 11 young people who had been **(9) _____ (REPEAT)** rejected, just like me, and it gave me strength because I felt I was part of a cohort that was resilient. I was learning useful presentation skills and how to make my emails look more professional. Suddenly, instead of constant failure, I was seeing chinks of light – and then came a breakthrough when I landed a digital marketing traineeship.”

Asked what advice he would give to **(10) _____ (EMPLOY)** young Londoners, Tyreek said: “Don’t sit at home alone like I did because there are great organisations out there that can help you. And never give up. There will be one opportunity out there with your name on it.”

(Adapted from an article in The Independent, 22 December 2021, © by David Cohen
<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/bbc-job-tyreek-kasim-b1980140.html>

(10 points)

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