



DRŽAVNO NATJECANJE IZ ENGLESKOGA JEZIKA

za 2. razred srednje škole

ŠKOLSKA GODINA 2023./2024.



Zaporka: _____
(učenik upisuje dobivenu zaporku)

Kategorija (zaokružiti): **a) 2A** (gimnazije),
b) 2B (ostale srednje škole),
c) Lista C

DRUGI DIO TESTA

Slušanje s razumijevanjem:	10 bodova
Čitanje s razumijevanjem:	10 bodova
Uporaba jezika:	30 bodova
Ukupno:	50 bodova

Napomena:

Svi odgovori moraju biti prepisani na List za odgovore.

Sadržaj ove testne knjižice NEĆE se bodovati.

LISTENING COMPREHENSION

Task 1 – Digital Nomads

You will hear 5 people talk about their **lives as digital nomads**. For speakers **1-5**, choose which sentence **(A-H)** fits best. There are 3 sentences that you do not need.

Write your answers **(A, B, C, D, E, F, G or H)** on the separate Answer Sheet.

You will hear the recording **twice**. You now have 30 seconds to read the sentences.

Speaker 1 _____

Speaker 2 _____

Speaker 3 _____

Speaker 4 _____

Speaker 5 _____

- A)** prefers typical touristy experiences while travelling
- B)** emphasizes the ability to cope with loneliness as a key factor for being a nomad long term
- C)** prefers travelling and homeschooling for their children
- D)** picks the nomadic lifestyle because it allows the person to save more money
- E)** only travels during school holidays
- F)** travels by plane whenever possible
- G)** is critical of the way travelling affects the environment
- H)** is sure that digital nomads who change location are often less productive

(5 points)

Task 2 – How To Behave In The Theatre:

You will hear a text about theatre etiquette. For each of the statements **1-5**, write the correct answer: **T** for true or **F** for false.

You will hear the recording **twice** and there will be a short pause between the two listenings. You can write your answers during both the first and the second listening. After hearing the recording for the second time, you will have one minute to check your answers.

Write your answers (**T or F**) on **the separate Answer Sheet**.

(1)	You need to show up at least 30 minutes before the performance.	T	F
(2)	The theatre has a dress code that you must follow.	T	F
(3)	The theatre bar sells only drinks.	T	F
(4)	While you are listening to a performance, you are allowed to discuss it.	T	F
(5)	You can ignore other spectators' standing ovations if you didn't like the play.	T	F

(5 points)

Adapted from: <https://theenglishmanner.com/insights/theatre-etiquette/>

READING COMPREHENSION

Task 3 – Le Rosey Codes of Conduct – Parents' Responsibilities

Read the following article about school rules at Le Rosey Boarding School. Choose which heading **A-E** fits best with the paragraphs **1-5**. The task begins with an example **(0)**. Write your answers (**the correct letters**) on the separate Answer Sheet.

Le Rosey fosters a tight-knit community ethos

- (0) Le Rosey, a Swiss school with an international mission, is a united community where Roseans maintain exceptional friendships throughout their lives and are lifelong ambassadors of a spirit of human tolerance and respect.
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- (1) Common sense tells us that Le Rosey cannot modify its educational approach to fit those of all the families who have entrusted their children to the school; it is these families, who have chosen Le Rosey, with its disciplinary principles and values, who must adapt. We are aware that this is not always easy – nor is it always welcome – but if the Rosey experience is to be successful, much will depend on the collaboration between parents and school: how can we expect students to respect rules to which their parents accord little attention or importance?
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- (2) In consequence, we offer a number of friendly suggestions. It can be very useful to read the Codes and discuss them with your children. Le Rosey's values and disciplinary principles will be better understood and respected if they have been approved and adopted by parents. Respect for the Codes is essential for community life and safety at Le Rosey.
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- (3) We know how difficult it is for parents to accept the concept of "One Rule for All". It is nevertheless essential for balance in community life and for creating a sense of equal treatment. Every "special request", such as a postponed sanction, an early weekend or holiday departure, appears innocuous: yet multiplied many times over by dozens of families, it makes community life impossible to manage.

(4) Instantaneous communication between parents scattered across the world and their children at Le Rosey represents enormous progress, allowing close family ties and a greater sense of security. There are, however, other, less manageable consequences: students can become less independent, they can take longer to settle in, a barrier between school and student can appear, and rapid emotional reactions can be encouraged.

(5) Parents who do not give in to the pressure of their children in the following three areas deserve special recognition: the “others” always have more than I do and the “others” can come home when they want on Saturday evening at the weekend. If teachers’ experience on Monday morning is anything to go by, there are those who have reasonable bedtimes and who are prepared for school, and others who are less so. Thirdly, others’ parents are cool, never say “no” and have a great family atmosphere. In the short term, this is indeed cool. In the longer term, it can be catastrophic, leading to young people living without restraint and with no confidence in their parents.

(0) Le Rosey fosters a tight-knit community ethos

- (A) Parents should not give in to their children's manipulative behaviors
- (B) Students are required to comply with the rules at Le Rosey
- (C) Frequent contact with parents may hinder students' adaptation
- (D) Special requests seem harmless, but make the school impossible to manage
- (E) Parents are advised to discuss the rules with their children

(5 points)

Adapted from: <https://www.rosey.ch/life-at-le-rosey/100-boarding/>

Task 4 – Do You Have the Right Mindset?

Read the following article about achieving growth mindset. Choose which of the sentences **A-G** best fit in the numbered gaps **1-5**. There are two extra sentences that do not fit into any of the gaps. The task begins with an example (0).

Write your answers (**the correct letters**) on the separate Answer Sheet.

Think back to when you were in a classroom, maybe a maths classroom, and the teacher set a difficult problem. **(0)** C. Which of the two following responses is closer to the way you reacted?

A: Oh no, this is too hard for me. I'm not even going to seriously try and work it out.

B: Ah, this is quite tricky but I like to push myself. Even if I don't get the answer right, maybe I'll learn something in the attempt.

Early in her career, psychologist Carol Dweck of Stanford University gave a group of ten-year-olds problems that were slightly too hard for them. **(1)** _____ She says they had a 'growth mindset' and are focused on what they can achieve in the future. But another group of children felt that their intelligence was being judged, and they had failed. **(2)** _____ Some of these children said they might cheat in the future; others looked for someone who had done worse than them to boost their self-esteem.

Professor Dweck believes that there is a problem in education at the moment. For years, children have been praised for their intelligence or talent, but this makes them vulnerable to failure. They become performance-oriented, wanting to please by getting high grades, but they are not necessarily interested in learning for its own sake. The solution, according to Dweck, is to praise the process that children are engaged in: making an effort, using learning strategies, persevering and improving. **(3)** _____ She contends that sustained effort over time is the key to outstanding achievement.

Psychologists have been testing these theories. Students were taught that if they left their comfort zone and learned something new and difficult, the neurons in their brains would form stronger connections, making them more intelligent. **(4)** _____ In another study, underperforming school children on a Native American reservation were exposed to growth mindset techniques for a year. The results were nothing less than staggering. They came top in regional tests, beating children from much more privileged backgrounds. These children had previously felt that making an effort was a sign of stupidity, but they came to see it as the key to learning. So, back to our original question. **(5)** _____ If A, don't worry; everyone is capable of becoming mastery-oriented with a little effort and self-awareness.

(A) They had a 'fixed mindset' and were unable to imagine improvement.

(B) These students made faster progress than a control group.

(C) ~~That could have been any time between this morning or a few years ago.~~ (0)

(D) This way they will become mastery-oriented (i.e. interested in getting better at something) and will achieve more.

(E) If you answered B, well done – you already have a growth mindset.

(F) They had a 'fixed mindset' and were not afraid of failure.

(G) One group reacted positively, said they loved challenge and understood that their abilities could be developed.

(H) By doing so, students will become less motivated over time.

(5 points)

Adapted from: <https://learnenglishteens.britishcouncil.org/>

Task 5 – Let's move to Disney town!

Read the text below and choose the answer (A, B, C or D) that best fits each numbered space. The task begins with an **example (0)**. Remember to **copy your answers** onto **the separate Answer Sheet**.

It seems (0) fitting that, in a Californian desert city named Rancho Mirage, there should be an improbable fantasy world rising from the parched, sandy ground. At the starry intersection of Frank Sinatra Drive and Bob Hope Drive – named after two Hollywood celebrities who used to (1) _____ the area's exclusive country clubs – a hoarding trumpets the arrival of Cotino, a "Storyliving by Disney community". In this square mile of desert near Palm Springs there will soon stand a gleaming new world of 2,000 homes arranged around a sparkling turquoise lake, where every aspect of life will be (2) _____ by the entertainment corporation.

Cotino offers superfans a place to live out their (3) _____ dreams; a chance to live in a Disney movie "where the story is all about you". The super expensive themed homes, which will start (4) _____ of \$1m, promise to be "infused with the company's special brand of magic", "abundant with opportunities for laughter". The 24-acre lake – a bold proposition for an area that suffers from extreme drought – (5) _____ be kept an unnatural shade of Avatar blue all year round, courtesy of patented Crystal Lagoons technology.

Launched in 2022, with another 4,000-home development in North Carolina on the way, Storyliving by Disney represents the latest chapter in the expansion of the world's largest entertainment company (6) _____ the screen. It is a century-long tale which is being brought to life in an eye-opening new exhibition at the Arc en Rêve centre, charting how Disney went from making flickering animations of a talking mouse to sprinkling its themed fairy dust over every aspect of our lives.

Bringing movie stagecraft into the built environment, Van Stein reveals how visual tricks are deployed in Disney's parks, such as the use of "Go Away Green", a patented shade of olive (7) _____ deployed to make things disappear.

Scale is also a chief part of the illusion, with buildings' floors built incrementally shorter as they rise – making the worlds feel cute and "pony size", as Walt put it. He also took cunning poetic (8) _____ with features such as the US flags found throughout the parks – each lacks a star or a stripe, allowing them to dodge the usual regulations that apply to the daily raising and lowering of the Stars and Stripes.

	A	B	C	D
(0)	fitting	apt	right	exact
(1)	member	go	meet	frequent
(2)	cared	watched	curated	looked
(3)	happiest	wildest	incredible	impossible
(4)	east	south	north	west
(5)	should	will	might	could
(6)	beyond	behind	around	under
(7)	off	drab	army	military
(8)	verse	lines	justice	license

<https://www.theguardian.com/artanddesign/2024/apr/08/disney-town-cotino-california>

(8 points)

Task 6 – Gap filling

For sentences 1-6, find one word which is appropriate for all three gaps in each of the following sets of sentences.

The task begins with an **example (0)**. Remember to **copy your answers** onto **the separate Answer Sheet.**

(0)

I will move heaven and earth to get this CD.

Then he told us his girlfriend wanted to move in.

She enjoyed her job, but it was time to move on.

(1)

The musician's performance fell _____ with the audience.

She lived in a cozy _____ overlooking the bustling city streets below.

The tire went _____ on the highway, forcing him to pull over.

(2)

The jeweler showcased a stunning ring with a _____ diamond.

It's a _____ occasion when all members of our family gather.

The biologist was thrilled to discover a _____ species of butterfly.

(3)

As the game entered its final minutes, both teams were determined to _____.

The company decided to _____ up a new contract to address the concerns of their employees.

His charismatic personality seemed to _____ people to him wherever he went.

(4)

The company decided to _____ a meeting to discuss the recent changes in the market.

The accident might _____ up traffic.

The news anchor tried to _____ back tears as she reported on the tragic events.

(5)

The two teams were evenly matched, resulting in a _____.

He wore a stylish _____ to the job interview.

She used a ribbon to _____ her hair back.

(6)

Usually, a customer _____ rights to change their mind.

Ladies and gentlemen, despite the best efforts of the opponent, McGuire _____ the title!

It is to be seen whether Taylor Swift _____ control in her business once she retires.

(6 points)

Task 7 – Dry Spells

Read the following text. For each gap **1-8**, think of **one** word which best fits into the text. Use only **one word** in each gap.

The task begins with an **example (0)**. Remember to **copy your answers** onto **the separate Answer Sheet.**

(0) In recent years, our region has been having irregular weather patterns, leading to challenges in agriculture and water management.

This year, where there (1) _____ be ample rainfall, we are experiencing dry spells (2) _____ to lack of rain. As a result, many farmers (3) _____ had to cancel their planting schedules, (4) _____ even more pressure on food production.

The wisdom (5) _____ developing sustainable farming practices and water conservation measures is considered at best, especially during times of unpredictable weather. Although our region typically receives enough rainfall, recent trends show that relying solely on natural sources may no longer be feasible.

As little as a decade ago, such prolonged dry spells (6) _____ rare occurrences, but now they have become more frequent and severe. This shift (7) _____ climate patterns underscores the importance of proactive measures to relieve the impact of drought on agriculture and local communities. Humanity has once again found itself in (8) _____ water over a problem that did not exist in the last century.

(8 points)

Task 8 – Mastering the Art of Travel Packing

Read the following text. Use the word given in **CAPITALS** at the end of the line to form a new word that fits in the same line. The task begins with an example (0).

Use only **one** word in each gap. The task begins with an **example (0)**. Remember to **copy your answers** onto the separate Answer Sheet.

Packing involves a 0 methodical approach, considering each item's necessity, and relevance to the trip. Prioritize essentials while avoiding unnecessary bulk and be precise to reduce excess baggage.

Embracing (1) _____ in packing involves selecting multi-functional items capable of serving various purposes. Opt for variable clothing pieces that can be mixed and matched to create diverse outfits, minimizing the need for excessive attire.

Maximizing (2) _____ in packing allows for efficient utilization of limited space, especially in carry-on luggage or backpacks. Choose collapsible or compressible items and employ efficient folding techniques to minimize volume without compromising utility. Employing (3) _____ in packing involves thinking creatively to overcome packing challenges and optimize space. Utilize unconventional storage solutions, such as repurposing empty containers or utilizing empty spaces within shoes, to maximize packing efficiency.

Embracing simplicity in packing entails (4) _____ and prioritizing essentials, fostering a minimalist approach. Streamline belongings to reduce complexity and enhance ease of packing and unpacking, promoting a stress-free travel experience. Demonstrating (5) _____ in packing involves making the most of available resources to overcome packing constraints. Repurpose everyday items, such as scarves as makeshift travel blankets or socks as protective casing for fragile items, to optimize packing efficiency. Cultivating (6) _____ in packing enables travelers to adjust to unforeseen circumstances or changes in itinerary seamlessly. Pack versatile clothing suitable for various climates and occasions, allowing for effortless adaptation to diverse environments.

Exhibiting (7) _____ in packing involves preparing for unforeseen challenges, such as inclement weather or travel disruptions. Pack durable and weather-resistant items, such as waterproof jackets or sturdy luggage, to withstand adversities encountered during travel.

Practicing (8) _____ in packing entails attention to detail and thoroughness in organizing belongings. Create comprehensive packing lists, systematically categorize items, and employ effective packing strategies to ensure nothing essential is overlooked.

0 METHOD

1 VERSATILE

2 COMPACT

3 INGENIOUS

4 CLUTTER

5 RESOURCE

6 ADAPT

7 RESILE

8 METICULOUS

(8 points)

THIS IS THE END OF THE TEST