

DRŽAVNO NATJECANJE IZ ENGLESKOG JEZIKA

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Zaporka: _____

(zadana riječ)

TEST

Slušanje s razumijevanjem:	6 bodova
Čitanje s razumijevanjem:	6 bodova
Uporaba jezika:	48 bodova
Ukupno:	60 bodova

Task 1 – Listening Comprehension.

You will hear the recording about a dream job. You will have time to look through the sentences before you listen. Write your answers on the test first but don't forget to copy your answers onto the answer sheet when you finish. The recording will be played 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.

For each statement, 1 to 6, decide whether they are true or false. Write **T** for true, or **F** for false. There is an example at the beginning **(0)**. Copy your answers onto the Answer Sheet.

A binge-watcher is someone who likes watching television for a long time span,
usually a single television show.

(0) **T**

The agency is in Australia.

(1)

The agency is looking for 14 applicants.

(2)

The applicants will have to lie on the beach in a chair or on a towel for 6 hours.

(3)

The job is incredibly stressfree.

(4)

You have to send your CV to apply for the job.

(5)

The best candidates will probably not even apply.

(6)

(6 points)

Task 2 – Reading comprehension.

Read the text. For each statement, 1 to 6, decide whether they are true or false. Write **T** for true, or **F** for false. There is an example at the beginning (0). Copy your answers onto the Answer Sheet.

The Fault in Our Stars and its subsequent film adaptation catapulted John Green into literary stardom. In his first new novel for almost six years we're back in familiar territory, the "gloomy" canvas of middle America populated by astonishingly articulate teenagers with a penchant for existential debate and cultural references – *Star Wars*, *The Tempest* and fan fiction in this case. Against this backdrop 16-year-old Aza and her "best and most fearless friend", Daisy, investigate the disappearance of a fugitive billionaire in the hope of pocketing a reward. The detective angle is quickly sidelined, though, when Aza falls for his teenage son, Davis, and a tentative relationship develops. But Aza is prey to a "tightening spiral" of anxiety and OCD, which affects every aspect of her life. She longs for agency over her own thoughts, repeatedly referring to herself as in a movie or book written by someone else.

The novel is narrated exclusively from Aza's perspective, sometimes, it feels, at the expense of other stories – there's a whole other book in there about the two rather lost brothers living alone in a soulless mansion, or of Daisy and her invisible home life. But the voice of a suffering teenage girl and the dark lens through which she views life are well drawn and uncomfortably convincing.

The ending is surprisingly upbeat, in no small part due to Aza and Daisy's tumultuous friendship, which evolves into the beating heart of the story. "It turns out I was in a goddamned buddy comedy all along," quips Daisy. This is Green's darkest, most complex work to date but I suspect many readers will thank him for it.

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| The Fault in Our Stars has been made into a movie. | (0) <u> T </u> |
| John Green was not famous before his novel <i>The Fault in Our Stars</i> . | (1) <u> </u> |
| John Green didn't write a new novel for more than 6 years. | (2) <u> </u> |
| The two best friends want to earn money by investigating the disappearance of Davis's father. | (3) <u> </u> |
| Aza is not the only story-teller in the novel. | (4) <u> </u> |
| The readers can learn a lot about Daisy's family. | (5) <u> </u> |
| According to the author of the text the novel is very demanding for readers. | (6) <u> </u> |

(6 points)

Task 3 – Open Cloze.

Read the text. For numbers 1 – 6 write any word which fits the best. Write one word only. There is an example at the beginning (0). Write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

An early-morning emergency (0) alert mistakenly warning of an incoming ballistic missile attack was dispatched to cellphones across Hawaii on Saturday, setting (1) _____ widespread panic in a state that was already on edge because of escalating tensions between the United States and North Korea.

The alert, sent by the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency, was revoked 38 minutes (2) _____ it was issued, prompting confusion over why it was released — and why it took so long to rescind. State officials and residents of a normally tranquil part of the Pacific, as (3) _____ as tourists swept up in the panic, immediately expressed outrage.

“(4) _____ happened today was totally unacceptable,” said Gov. David Y. Ige. “Many in our community were deeply affected by this. I am sorry for that pain and confusion that anyone might have experienced.”

Officials said the alert was the result of human error and not the work of hackers or a foreign government. The mistake occurred (5) _____ a shift-change drill that takes place three times a day at the emergency command post, according to Richard Rapoza, a spokesman for the agency.

“(6) _____ clicked the wrong thing on the computer,” he said.

(6 points)

Task 4 – Error correction.

Read the text. For numbers 1 – 6 decide whether there are errors in the text. Each number refers to one line. In some lines there is a word too many. Write ✓ if you think there are no errors. If you find an error, write it down. Use one word only. There are two examples at the beginning, (0) and (00). Write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

Dictionary.com's Word of the Year choice serves as a symbol

(00) ✓

of each year's the most meaningful events and lookup trends. It is

(0) the

an opportunity for us to reflect on the language and ideas that

(1) _____

represented in each year. The word *Change* was voted number one.

(2) _____

It wasn't as trendy, funny, nor was it coined on Twitter, but we thought

(3) _____

change told a real story about how much our users defined 2010. Unlike

(4) _____

in 2008, change was no longer a campaign slogan. But, the term has

(5) _____

still held a lot of weight.

(6) _____

(6 points)

Task 5 – Multiple choice.

Read the text. For numbers **1 – 6** choose the word which fits the best, **A, B, C, or D**. There is an example at the beginning **(0)**. Write your answers (only the letters **A, B, C, or D**) on the Answer Sheet.

Many **(0)** A signs are bizarre when thought about logically. Just what is **(1)** _____ meant to do if there is a danger of falling rocks? And if the road is slippery, will your car tyres really cross like the alarming **(2)** _____ marks seen on the sign? But even if some symbols do not stand up **(3)** _____ scrutiny, they convey a message that is quickly recognised. Or at least, that's the hope. Out of 500 drivers **(4)** _____ last year, none was able to correctly identify 12 road signs and only one sign - the speed camera - was **(5)** _____ to them all. A review of signs has been launched by the Department for Transport, looking at ways to reduce the number of signs and introduce **(6)** _____ technology.

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| (0) A road | B street | C highway | D sidewalk |
| (1) A man | B person | C anyone | D one |
| (2) A skid | B slip | C brake | D glide |
| (3) A for | B under | C to | D by |
| (4) A checked | B examined | C scanned | D surveyed |
| (5) A recognized | B known | C obvious | D famous |
| (6) A much | B many | C more | D less |

(6 points)

Task 6 – Word formation.

Read the text. For numbers **1 – 6** use the correct forms of the words printed in capital letters. Write one word only. There is an example at the beginning **(0)**. Write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

SURVIVAL

The weather made their progress **(0)** impossible . As it

had been raining **(1)** _____ all night they

had to be very careful as they walked through the

thick jungle. Their good **(2)** _____ would help

them overcome the **(3)** _____ and get back to

civilisation with only minor injuries.

Although things were **(4)** _____ they had to be

optimistic because it was the only way they could

help each other through this difficult situation.

Their **(5)** _____, chosen for his knowledge, would help

them in every way. The importance of this training

was to **(6)** _____ them for the special task ahead

of them. However, they had never imagined how dangerous

it would turn out to be.

POSSIBLE

HEAVY

JUDGE

SET

BEAR

LEAD

HARD

(6 points)

Task 7 – Keyword transformations

Read the sentences. For numbers 1 – 6 transform the sentences by using the word printed in bold, in order to keep the same meaning. Use no more than 5 words. Do not change the word given. There is an example at the beginning (0). Write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

(0) The last time John came to my house was in 1999.

since

John hasn't come to my house since 1999.

(1) The boss wouldn't object to you going early today.

objection

The boss would not _____ you going early today.

(2) I was too tired to go to the party.

that

I was _____ I couldn't go to the party.

(3) Because it snowed heavily during the night the motorway is closed.

due

The motorway is closed _____ that there was heavy snow the night before.

(4) Did you manage to get in contact with the boss today?

getting

Did you _____ in contact with the boss today?

(5) I don't care what you do.

concerned

As _____ you can do what you like.

(6) That's the garage where I left my car last week.

repaired

That's where I went _____ last week.

(6 points)

Task 8 – Vocabulary – Hobbies and Leisure

Read the sentences. For numbers **1 – 6** complete the missing words. The exact number of the letters for each word is given. There is an example at the beginning **(0)**. Write complete words on the Answer Sheet.

- (0) A p l a y g r o u n d is a yard consisting of an outdoor area for children's play.
- (1) is a board game for two players who move their 16 pieces according to specific rules, and the object is to checkmate the opponent's king.
- (2) A is a place where people on holiday can pitch a tent.
- (3) A is a rack to hold meat for cooking over hot charcoal usually out of doors.
- (4) A is any informal meal eaten outside or on an excursion.
- (5) means going about to look at places of interest.
- (6) To means to expose one's body to the sun.

(6 points)

Task 9 – Verb tenses.

Read the text. For numbers **1 – 6** put the verbs from brackets into correct tenses. There is an example at the beginning **(0)**. Write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

ACTUALLY

Crutch words **(0)** slip into sentences in order to give the speaker more time to think or to emphasize a statement. Over time, they **(1)** _____ (become) unconscious verbal tics. Most often, crutch words **(2)** _____ (not add) meaning to a statement. *Actually* **(3)** _____ (be) the perfect example of a crutch word. It **(4)** _____ (mean) to signify something that **(5)** _____ (exist) in reality, but it **(6)** _____ (use) more often as a way to add punch to a statement (as in, "I actually have no idea").

(6 points)

Task 10 – Culture quiz.

Read the sentences. For numbers **1 – 6** complete the sentences. There is an example at the beginning **(0)**. Write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

(0) The capital of England is **London** .

(1) The first President of the United States of America was _____ .

(2) _____ is a prehistoric monument in Wiltshire, England, which consists of a ring of standing stones, with each standing stone around 4 m high, 2.1 m wide and weighing around 25 tons.

(3) A colossal copper sculpture on an island in New York Harbor in New York City, in the United States, in the form of a robed woman representing a Roman goddess of freedom is called _____.

(4) _____ is a giant Ferris wheel on the South Bank of the River Thames in London.

(5) The Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP), colloquially known as _____, is a national police force of Canada, famous for riding horses and wearing red ceremonial uniforms and stetson hats.

(6) The flag of Australia is a blue field with _____ in the top left-hand corner, and six white seven-pointed stars in the rest of the field.

(6 points)

THIS IS THE END OF THE TEST