

ŠKOLSKO NATJECANJE IZ ENGLESKOGA JEZIKA
za 2. razred srednjih škola

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TEST

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

- 1** Lista 2.A: gimnazije
2 Lista 2.B: ostale srednje škole

Zaporka:

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(peteroznamenasti broj i riječ)

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| Čitanje s razumijevanjem: | 6 bodova |
| Uporaba jezika: | 54 boda |
| Ukupno: | 60 bodova |

Task 1: READING COMPREHENSION

Task 1: Exercise

Read the following text and the nine headings (A - I). Choose the heading which best fits each paragraph. There are two extra headings that you do not need to use.

The task begins with an example (0).

Remember to write your answers on the separate Answer Sheet.

0. I

The advantages of regular exercise in terms of our health are indisputable. Lack of exercise is a contributing factor in coronary illnesses and obesity. Being less physically active can have a negative effect on people's mental well-being, how strong their bones are and even how well they sleep. Exercise can help with all of these things, so it's definitely something that we should all be trying to do.

1. _____

If ever there was a time to start exercising, it's now, because the future does not look good. According to government statistics, in forty years' time one half of the adult population in this country will be obese. But it's not only grown-ups, as kids are at risk too. At present, nearly twenty per cent of all children living in the UK suffer from obesity, and according to the latest projections, this number will increase.

2. _____

It's not enough to just go jogging every now and again. Experts claim that we should be exercising at least half an hour every day. For most people, mild or moderate exercise is sufficient. This is defined as exercise that makes you slightly warm and only a little out of breath. For instance, walking quickly can count as exercise if

it achieves these things. As you can see, it's not necessary to run long distances or spend hours and hours in the local gym.

3. _____

However, it's particularly important that you don't overdo it, especially if you haven't done much exercise recently. To begin with, just exercise for a few minutes at a time. You can then build up gradually to make sure that you don't hurt yourself. Of course, if you have any problems with your health in the first place, you should always consult your doctor beforehand.

4. _____

Naturally, the first thing we all have to do is actually find the time to exercise. The most common excuse that we make is that our professional commitments prevent us from keeping fit. To overcome this problem, you could try going for a walk during lunchtime. Alternatively, how about walking or even cycling to the office? Some employers even provide gyms.

5. _____

Besides the jobs we do, the other excuse is our family obligations, especially kids. Why not exercise by taking your toddler to nursery on foot? Some leisure centres, just like workplaces, even have crèche facilities, so there's no reason

for you to stop exercising. In addition, you'll probably find it's just the relief from daily stress that you have been looking for.

6. _____

Basically, it all comes down to being efficient. Plan ahead. If necessary, why not get out of bed half an hour earlier. How about rearranging your evening routines? Maybe you could exercise instead of watching the television before going to sleep. At the end of the day, it's in your hands. So it's something you need to take responsibility for yourself.

HEADINGS

- A Facts and Figures
- B Get a Good Night's Sleep
- C Keeping Fit at Work
- D Looking after Youngsters
- E Organising your Time
- F Recommended Amounts
- G Sports Injuries
- H Take it Easy
- I The Benefits

(6 points)

Tasks 2 - 6: USE OF ENGLISH

Task 2: Mankind and the Horse

Read the following text and the options below. Choose the answer (A, B, C or D) that best fits each numbered space.

The task begins with an example (0).

Remember to write your answers on the separate Answer Sheet.

Mankind has (0) B a close relationship with horses for millennia. People first started to (1) _____ the horse some six thousand years ago. This has been proved by the number of horse remains that have been found in areas (2) _____ by humans during this period.

Throughout history, humans have exploited horses for a (3) _____ of purposes. One of their (4) _____ uses has been in warfare. Cavalry have (5) _____ a significant military role for thousands of years. However, the increased mechanisation of warfare in the twentieth century has (6) _____ that horses have become increasingly redundant in modern conflicts, although they are still used by the police for controlling (7) _____ in many countries.

Horses have also served man in a number of other (8) _____ such as agriculture, hunting and transportation. Nor should it be forgotten that horses have (9) _____ man with a source of meat and that their skin has been utilised in the (10) _____ of leather products such as shoes and jackets. Man's relationship with the horse also extends to sport, and through the ages man has ridden horses in a number of sporting activities, (11) _____ from racing to show-jumping. Finally, horses are used for therapeutic purposes, such as (12) _____ patients suffering from mental illness and behaviour problems.

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| (0) A benefited | B enjoyed | C gained | D profited |
| (1) A command | B control | C domesticate | D train |
| (2) A dwelled | B possessed | C resided | D settled |
| (3) A diversity | B mix | C selection | D variety |
| (4) A elemental | B original | C principal | D ultimate |
| (5) A achieved | B acted | C operated | D played |
| (6) A caused | B led | C meant | D resulted |
| (7) A crowds | B groups | C jams | D masses |
| (8) A areas | B aspects | C issues | D matters |
| (9) A contributed | B delivered | C granted | D provided |
| (10) A construction | B formation | C innovation | D manufacture |
| (11) A including | B ranging | C reaching | D stretching |
| (12) A caring | B curing | C handling | D treating |

(12 points)

Task 3: *Cats*

Read the following text. For each gap 1- 12, think of one word which best fits into the text. Use only one word for each space.

The task begins with an example (0).

Remember to write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

Cats is a well-known musical composed (0) by Andrew Lloyd Webber. The musical is (1) _____ upon a collection of poems by the American poet TS Eliot. The poems all (2) _____ with the theme of cats. Eliot (3) _____ written them for his grandchildren during the 1930s. The collection was (4) _____ of Lloyd Webber's favourites as a child. The musical is basically Eliot's poems set (5) _____ Lloyd Webber's music.

The premiere of the show (6) _____ place in London in 1981. It ran for twenty-one years and (7) _____ were nearly nine thousand performances. The musical enjoyed similar success on Broadway in New York, a place (8) _____ it ran for eighteen years. When (9) _____ was finally decided to close the show, *Cats* was the longest-running musical ever in both London and New York. The main reason people give (10) _____ its tremendous success is that Lloyd Webber used many different genres. *Cats* features styles as varied (11) _____ pop and classical music. There have also been (12) _____ number of productions of the musical outside Britain and the United States.

(12 points)

Task 4: The London Olympics

Read the following text and the options below. Choose the answer (A, B, C or D) which best fits each numbered space.

The task begins with an example (0).

Remember to write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

Everyone knows that the Olympic Games (0) B every four years. The next Olympics are in London, and millions of Londoners can remember precisely what they (1) _____ when it was announced that the capital would be the venue for the 2012 event. London will become the very first city that (2) _____ the games three times. The last time that the Olympics (3) _____ in London was in 1948, which was forty years after the city (4) _____ the games the first time.

Ever since it was awarded the Olympics, the city (5) _____ its infrastructure. From the beginning, it was known that the UK capital (6) _____ have better public transport if it wanted the games to run smoothly. Consequently, during the event, an extra 4,000 trains (7) _____ in the city. In fact, it is estimated that by the time the games close, eight million people (8) _____ the events.

However, not everybody is happy about London being the host. Some critics suggest that the 10 billion pounds that has already gone on the games (9) _____ on health and education instead. Nevertheless, the organisers are confident that the event (10) _____ an enormous success.

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| (0) A) are being held | B) are held | C) are holding | D) are to be held |
| (1) A) had done | B) have been doing | C) have done | D) were doing |
| (2) A) has hosted | B) hosted | C) hosts | D) is hosting |
| (3) A) had been staged | B) have been staged | C) were being staged | D) were staged |
| (4) A) had organised | B) has organised | C) was organised | D) was organising |
| (5) A) had been improving | B) has been improving | C) improves | D) is improving |
| (6) A) is going to have to | B) will have to | C) would have had to | D) would have to |
| (7) A) run | B) will be running | C) will have been running | D) will have run |
| (8) A) are attending | B) attend | C) will be attending | D) will have attended |
| (9) A) can be spent | B) could have been spent | C) could be spent | D) could spend |
| (10) A) is | B) is being | C) is going to be | D) will have been |

(10 points)

Task 5: Gap Filling

For questions 1 to 10, 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 write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

(0) Teachers shouldn't set their pupils too much homework.

The film is set in Ireland at the start of the last century.

Ivanišević beat Rafter in the fifth set of the men's tennis final.

(1) I'll _____ you a line when I get back from holiday.

After failing his exams, Bill decided to _____ out of college.

We've barely had a _____ of rain all summer.

(2) The company has to _____ a difficult economic situation.

Does your apartment building _____ east or west?

She was so embarrassed that her _____ turned red.

(3) If you are under _____, you can't buy alcohol.

He doesn't seem to _____, even though he's in his forties.

We are living in the _____ of mobile telecommunications.

(4) The staff received a pay _____ of six percent.

The 1930s saw Adolph Hitler's _____ to power.

I love watching the sun _____ in the morning.

(5) Blanka Vlašić took first _____ in the high-jump final.

Please can you _____ the magazine back on the shelf?

They showed an old film on TV in _____ of the scheduled programme.

(6) Let's change our money at the bank. They have a better _____ rate.

When I was young, I went on a student _____ programme to Spain.

Brainstorming is a good way to _____ ideas.

(7) My father only drinks _____ occasionally. He prefers wine.
Everyone was in high _____ at the Christmas party.
According to legend, _____ haunt that old castle on the hill.

(8) The books are arranged in alphabetical _____ on the shelf.
You can _____ anything over the internet these days.
In _____ for us to get out of this recession, we need more investment.

(9) Suzy's finally decided to _____ up with her boyfriend.
How did the burglars _____ into the building?
I need a _____. I'm absolutely exhausted!

(10) The protestors wanted the government to _____ all political prisoners.
If you have any questions, feel _____ to ask at any time.
The referee awarded a _____ kick for the foul.

(10 points)

Task 6: Hadrian's Wall

Read the following text. Use the word given at the end of the line to form a new word that fits in the same numbered space in the text. Your answer must be ONE word only.

The task begins with an example (0).

Remember to write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

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| <p>Hadrian's Wall is one of the most recognisable tourist (0) <u>attractions</u> in Britain. Mistakenly believed to be on the border between England and Scotland, it is completely in England. It was a (1)_____ construction built by the Romans in the north of Britain during the reign of the Emperor Hadrian. The wall extended from the North Sea in the east to the Irish Sea in the west. It was constructed from stone and had a maximum (2)_____ of six metres. In addition, at its thickest, it is six metres in (3)_____. It is not known exactly why the Romans decided to build such an (4)_____ construction. The popular theory is that it was erected to keep out (5)_____ northern tribes. However, this region was not densely populated and Rome did not require such fortifications to maintain military control over it. It is more likely that it served as a symbol of the (6)_____ of Rome, although this is not the only (7)_____ for the construction of the wall. According to some (8)_____, it might also have been used to enforce the collection of taxes on trade. The wall remained in use until the (9)_____ of the Romans in the year 410. In the centuries that followed, the wall gradually fell into a state of disrepair, as people took the stone for their own building purposes. However, it now enjoys international protection after its (10)_____ as a World Heritage site in 1987.</p> | <p>(0) ATTRACT</p> <p>(1) DEFENCE</p> <p>(2) HIGH</p> <p>(3) WIDE</p> <p>(4) IMPRESS</p> <p>(5) FRIEND</p> <p>(6) STRONG</p> <p>(7) EXPLAIN</p> <p>(8) HISTORY</p> <p>(9) DEPART</p> <p>(10) DECLARE</p> |
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(10 points)

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