

ŠKOLSKO NATJECANJE IZ ENGLESKOGA JEZIKA
za 4. razred srednjih škola

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TEST

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

- 1** Lista 4.A: gimnazije
2 Lista 4.B: ostale srednje škole

Zaporka:

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(peteroznamenasti broj i riječ)

TEST

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

Task 1: READING COMPREHENSION

Task 1: A Party to Forget

Read the following magazine article. Choose which of the sentences A – H from the box best fits into the numbered gaps 1 – 6. There are two extra sentences which do not fit any of the gaps.

The task begins with an example (0).

Remember to write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

A young woman has been ordered to do community service and pay a heavy fine after advertising a party that she was throwing on various social networking sites. **0...I.....** The disruption that was caused was so huge that police had to request reinforcements from other areas in order to deal with the ensuing chaos.

Diane Smith, aged eighteen, had organised the party to celebrate the end of the school year and finishing her final examinations. **1.....** However, Ms Smith stated in court that she had thought that “only a couple of hundred would actually respond to it”. The judge in the case took a dim view of this and said that such thinking had been at best naïve if not foolish. Others took a much blunter view of Ms Smith’s actions.

A couple of thousand partygoers had taken up the invite and descended upon the small rural town where Ms Smith lives. The number of those attending had been so large that traffic had been brought to a complete standstill on the roads approaching the venue. **2.....** A local law enforcement spokesman was quoted as saying that this operation to regulate the traffic had cost a fortune in overtime and been a nightmare in terms of logistics. Some officers had even been called in from as far away as thirty kilometres.

However, it was not only the extra cars on the road that were a problem. **3.....** A

massive rise in the incidence of theft and petty acts of vandalism occurred. The police were inundated with complaints from furious residents, many of whom have threatened to bring private prosecutions against Ms Smith.

Given the scale of the disruption, the damage caused and costs incurred, the local authorities felt that they were left with little alternative but to press charges against the party’s organiser. **4.....** “We need to nip this kind of thing in the bud”, the local chief inspector was quoted as saying. “We can’t just have people organising enormous gatherings without informing anybody.”

Smith pleaded guilty in court on Friday. She was accompanied by her parents, who had been absent on a business trip when the incident took place. Smith was sentenced to six months’ community service. **5.....** Explaining the verdict, the judge said that she was pleased Smith had accepted responsibility for what she had done, otherwise she would have been looking at a far stiffer penalty.

The case has highlighted the dangers posed by irresponsible use of social networking sites. **6.....** Diane Smith will almost certainly be wishing that she had paid more attention to this advice and put a little bit more thought into who she invited to her party. “Next year, I think I’ll stay in and watch a DVD”, she was heard to say as she left the court.

- A.** Experts remarked that it was only a matter of time before this happened again.
- B.** Extra police had to be drafted in to try and cope with the resulting jams.
- C.** Neighbours expressed surprise at the decision, and considered the punishments lenient.
- D.** On top of this, she was fined and ordered to pay legal costs and damages.
- E.** She had posted an open invitation to the event on social networking sites like Facebook.
- F.** The police, in particular, felt that it was imperative to send a strong message to people.
- G.** The thousands in attendance included many who sought to profit from the confusion.
- H.** Those hoping to hold such events have been urged to contact the authorities beforehand.
- I.** ~~Problems started when two thousand 'guests' unexpectedly arrived for the event.~~

(6 points)

Tasks 2 - 6: USE OF ENGLISH

Task 2: The Golden Eagle

Read the following article. 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.

The golden eagle is without doubt (0) one of the world's most recognisable birds of prey. It (1) _____ to be present across the entire area of the northern hemisphere. However, with the passing of time it has come (2) _____ increasing pressure from a variety of sources, which means that it is now confined to mountainous areas. The main problem that it is faced (3) _____ is the destruction of its habitat. This has led (4) _____ a reduction in the availability of its prey. Other alterations to the landscape (5) _____ have had a negative impact on the bird's status include the building of wind farms and power lines. Pollution is yet (6) _____ human activity threatening the bird's very existence.

As a result of all of the above, the golden eagle has become extinct in some parts of the world. One country (7) _____ this happened was the Republic of Ireland. The bird (8) _____ out here in the first half of the twentieth century. Nevertheless, (9) _____ has been an attempt to reintroduce the species into the wild in Ireland, which has (10) _____ with mixed success. However, the fact remains that (11) _____ there are healthy populations in certain parts of the world, such (12) _____ in California, the golden eagle remains an endangered species.

(12 points)

Task 3: Barcodes

Read the following text. In most of the lines 1 - 12, there is one extra word. Identify the extra words which are either grammatically incorrect or do not fit in with the meaning of the text. Remember: some lines are correct.

If a line is correct, write the word 'CORRECT' in the appropriate place on the answer sheet. If there is an extra word in the line, write the extra word in the appropriate place on the answer sheet.

The task begins with two examples, (0) and (00).

Remember to write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

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(0)	These days, everybody takes barcodes for the granted. However, these
(00)	black and white strips caused quite a controversy when they first
(1)	appeared back in the 1970s. Before that, people were working at
(2)	checkout desks in shops had had to type in prices manually. Initially,
(3)	many consumers were worried that they were in danger of them being
(4)	overcharged. Others were even concerned that such technology might
(5)	cause a damage to their health, which seems a somewhat bizarre
(6)	thought in this day and age. Another problem was that these producers
(7)	were slow in adopting to the codes. However, the benefits gradually
(8)	became so clear and by the beginning of the 1980s over seventy per cent
(9)	of UK goods had barcodes on them all. People often assume that
(10)	barcodes are only used for the checkout and process. In fact, they are
(11)	also utilised for other purposes, for example in stock control, since the
(12)	information can already be automatically entered into a central database.

(12 points)

Task 4: The Guitarist

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.

I (0) B an interest in the guitar at a relatively late age. This was because my family was not particularly (1) _____ on music. As a result, unlike some other kids of my age, I was not pressurised into (2) _____ an instrument. Things (3) _____ changed in my teens when I became mad on popular music, especially rock. I suppose my strongest (4) _____ back then was heavy metal, especially bands like Motorhead.

My parents would provide me with an allowance, and I (5) _____ enough each week to get myself a cheap second-hand guitar. I'd like to say that I am entirely self-taught, but this would not be (6) _____ true. As a matter of fact, I received considerable assistance from a neighbour, who (7) _____ me the basics, including how to read music.

After a while I saw an ad in the paper, which had been (8) _____ by a local band looking for a rhythm guitarist. I attended an audition and they obviously (9) _____ me, because they invited me to join. We started (10) _____ regularly and got ourselves some gigs, and the rest, as they say, is all history.

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| (0) A created | B developed | C evolved | D extended |
| (1) A eager | B devoted | C fond | D keen |
| (2) A taking on | B taking over | C taking to | D taking up |
| (3) A exceptionally | B extremely | C radically | D terrifically |
| (4) A effect | B impact | C impression | D influence |
| (5) A put back | B put by | C put over | D put up |
| (6) A seriously | B severely | C sternly | D strictly |
| (7) A coached | B explained | C instructed | D taught |
| (8) A placed | B put | C posted | D set |
| (9) A assessed | B evaluated | C rated | D regarded |
| (10) A exercising | B preparing | C rehearsing | D training |

(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) It's unbelievable how much cafés charge for a coffee these days.
My phone's not working. I need to charge my battery right away.
The accused appeared in court on a charge of armed robbery.

(1) It will _____ a nice change to stay at home this weekend.
Please could you tell me what time you _____ it?
The head encouraged Dan and Jo to _____ up after their argument.

(2) The region is known for its stunning geographical _____.
Stephen Spielberg's latest film _____ several major Hollywood stars.
Predictably, the hero of the novel is tall with handsome _____.

(3) You need to keep a _____ head in a crisis.
Susan had to _____ her throat before she started to speak.
If I were you, I'd steer _____ of Bob. He's nothing but trouble.

(4) In your opinion, does Alan _____ after his mother or father more?
We're in no hurry at all, so you can _____ as long as you need.
I try not to _____ sides whenever Phil and Karen have an argument.

(5) Thousands of fans were waiting to _____ a glimpse of their idol.
After running up the hill, Pat really needed to _____ her breath.
If you fall behind in your studies, you'll have to _____ up.

(6) The police eventually persuaded the criminal to _____ himself up.
I've been told that skunks _____ off a truly disgusting smell.
You must _____ Paul credit where it's due. He studied hard for the exam.

- (7) The doctors decided to keep the patient under _____ observation.
The annual meeting was brought to a _____ by the chairperson.
The owners will _____ down the business at the end of the year.
- (8) Who does Pete normally _____ to if he needs advice about something?
Jan decided to _____ down the job because she had had another offer.
Ann told Fred that it was actually his _____ to do the washing-up.
- (9) Inspectors carried out a health and safety _____ at the restaurant.
I don't particularly like _____ shirts. I much prefer plain ones.
Candidate should double _____ their applications before submitting them.
- (10) Don't leave the _____ running after you've cleaned your teeth.
Jane was tired of waiting and started to _____ her foot in impatience.
The police need permission if they want to _____ a suspect's phone.

(10 points)

Task 6: Washing your Hands

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.

<p>One of the most frequent ways in which germs are spread is by hand. To cut the risk, we should all wash our hands (0) <u>thoroughly</u>. This is because of the (1)_____ of millions of germs on our hands. Although many germs are relatively (2)_____, others can cause a number of serious (3)_____.</p> <p>It is (4)_____ how many people do not wash their hands regularly or even know how to wash them. Hands should be washed with soap and warm water. Both the front and back of the hands should be washed as well as between the fingers. We should wash them after going to the toilet, (5)_____ raw meat, coughing or sneezing into our hand or touching animals and waste matter, etc. The (6)_____ to do so can potentially cause infections. For example, food which is (7)_____, like raw meat or eggs, can be a source of food (8)_____.</p> <p>Certain bacteria are becoming increasingly difficult to treat (9)_____ with antibiotics. Therefore, we all need to behave more (10)_____.</p>	<p>(0) THOROUGH (1) PRESENT (2) HARM (3) ILL (4) REMARK (5) HAND (6) FAIL (7) COOK (8) POISON (9) SUCCEED (10) HYGIENE</p>
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(10 points)

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