

**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:**

(prepiši dobivenu riječ)

**TEST**

<b>Čitanje s razumijevanjem:</b>	<b>6 bodova</b>
<b>Uporaba jezika:</b>	<b>54 boda</b>
<b>Ukupno:</b>	<b>60 bodova</b>

## Task 1: READING COMPREHENSION

### Task 1: Revising For Exams

Read the following text and the nine headings (A - H). 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. \_\_\_\_\_**

Revising for examinations is always a daunting prospect, but it needn't be if you follow a few useful pieces of advice. First of all, it's vital that you don't put things off until the last minute. Procrastination is your number one enemy at exam time. Leaving yourself sufficient time will reduce stress later on. Crisis management is clearly not the best way to go about things.

**1. \_\_\_\_\_**

Obviously, a suitable environment is required for effective learning to take place. Distractions need to be kept to a minimum, especially TV and people passing in and out for a chat. Turning unnecessary electronic devices off can also help you focus. In addition, sitting at a table will be more beneficial than lying on your bed or on the living room sofa.

**2. \_\_\_\_\_**

Think about what you're going to do, when and for how long. It's important to be systematic when it comes to revision. Having a written schedule will allow you to measure your progress, as you can see what you've done and what still needs to be covered. Crossing things off can be a source of motivation and

encouragement. Make sure that you include days for doing practice tests.

**3. \_\_\_\_\_**

It's not enough to merely browse leisurely through your notes and textbooks. You need to actually get things down on paper or on a screen to make them more memorable. Producing summary notes of the material that you are studying is a useful strategy in this regard.

**4. \_\_\_\_\_**

Familiarise yourself with the format and layout of what you will be doing. For example, how much will you need to write and what are the lengths of the texts that you are expected to read? Doing examples of previous tests is an effective way of doing this. You can also monitor your own progress and identify your strengths and weaknesses. This will help you plan what to do in order to improve your performance.

**5. \_\_\_\_\_**

Don't go in for studying in marathon blocks of several hours. Our concentration undoubtedly diminishes over time, so take account of this when you sit down to create your timetable. Frequent thirty-minute spells followed by briefly doing something else will produce much better results, keep you

fresh and allow things to stick in your mind. You should also leave some time before revisiting the same area of a topic. This is something that has been proven by research. It appears that sleeping on what you have done before returning to it gives it the chance to sink in.

**6. \_\_\_\_\_**

On the other hand, resist the temptation to become a monk-like recluse in the peace and quiet of your own room or the town library. You are not a prisoner serving a lengthy sentence for crimes committed against the community. Give yourself some time out. You need to achieve balance in life. The last thing that you want to do is to burn out before the big day finally arrives. No one wants to peak too early, so make sure that you get some suitable rest.

### HEADINGS

- A** Avoid lengthy sessions
- B** Don't just read it
- C** Do some past papers
- D** Draw up a timetable
- E** Find a quiet place
- F** Get enough sleep
- G** Have some downtime
- H** Think positively about it
- I** Leave yourself enough time

**(6 Points)**

## Tasks 2 - 6: USE OF ENGLISH

### Task 2: Zombies

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.**

Why has there been such an explosion of (0) D in zombies over the last few years? There have been several new TV series and films featuring the undead, and a similar (1) \_\_\_\_\_ can be observed in publishing.

The roots of the genre can be traced (2) \_\_\_\_\_ to Haitian folklore. It seems that these supernatural tales of the walking dead were brought to the USA by returning soldiers who had (3) \_\_\_\_\_ in the Caribbean.

The first zombie movies (4) \_\_\_\_\_ onto the scene between the world wars. However, it was not until the 1960s and Romero's *Night of the Living Dead* that the genre really (5) \_\_\_\_\_ off. Since then, literally hundreds of films and series have (6) \_\_\_\_\_ their way onto cinema and TV screens throughout the world, especially ones connected in some way with the end of the world.

There have been many attempts to (7) \_\_\_\_\_ for the recent zombie phenomenon. Psychologists claim that this fascination with a zombie apocalypse reflects our anxiety about the (8) \_\_\_\_\_ of our planet. According to this analysis, zombie films provide a metaphor for phenomena that threaten the world such as climate (9) \_\_\_\_\_ or terrorism. The fact that zombies infect their victims by biting them might even be seen as a reflection of the human fear of (10) \_\_\_\_\_ contagious diseases like Ebola. Some sociologists, on the other hand, see shambling zombies as a representation of the loss of individual identity in the modern (11) \_\_\_\_\_. Everyone is driven to consume: the zombie hordes search for flesh while we go to the shopping mall to (12) \_\_\_\_\_ this need.

(12 points)

(0) A attention	B attraction	C curiosity	D interest
(1) A inclination	B leaning	C style	D trend
(2) A along	B away	C back	D down
(3) A acted	B attended	C performed	D served
(4) A appeared	B came	C developed	D surfaced
(5) A lifted	B set	C shot	D took
(6) A gone	B made	C seen	D shown
(7) A account	B answer	C explain	D rationalise
(8) A circumstance	B condition	C situation	D status
(9) A adjustment	B alteration	C change	D variation
(10) A critically	B deeply	C greatly	D highly
(11) A earth	B globe	C planet	D world
(12) A achieve	B match	C please	D satisfy

### Task 3: A Boat Trip

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.***

I have always been fascinated (0) by whales. On a recent holiday, I finally had the opportunity to see these magnificent creatures (1) \_\_\_\_\_ close range. I made my way down to the harbour, (2) \_\_\_\_\_ there were several companies offering whale watching trips. These firms all had impressive publicity material showing boats full of enthusiastic tourists (3) \_\_\_\_\_ were happily taking photographs of whales in their natural environment. The young man selling tickets informed me that the previous day there had been (4) \_\_\_\_\_ number of sightings. This (5) \_\_\_\_\_ up my mind for me and I purchased a ticket.

Since we were sailing out into the open ocean, we (6) \_\_\_\_\_ obliged to wear special safety equipment in the shape of floatation suits. Full of optimism, we (7) \_\_\_\_\_ sail from the harbour. At first, the sea was calm enough but the boat soon began to move from side (8) \_\_\_\_\_ side as the size of the waves increased. It wasn't (9) \_\_\_\_\_ before people started disappearing below deck or asking for bags to be sick into. I was one (10) \_\_\_\_\_ these unfortunates and the whole voyage passed with me keeping my eyes closed in an attempt to keep down my breakfast. Meanwhile, I (11) \_\_\_\_\_ hear periodic shouts go up: "Whale at eleven o'clock! Two more on the other side!" However, (12) \_\_\_\_\_ was nothing I was able to do about it. Maybe I'll have better luck next time.

**(12 points)**

#### Task 4: Saving The Rhino

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.**

Poachers (0) C two species of rhinoceros in the last five years. At the beginning of 2015, the Malaysian authorities (1) \_\_\_\_\_ that the Sumatran rhino was extinct in the wild. Before this, back in 2010, scientists (2) \_\_\_\_\_ that the black rhino could no longer be found in West Africa.

If we (3) \_\_\_\_\_ something about this now, it is clear that the remaining species are going to disappear soon. Right now at this very moment, even as you read this article, rhinos (4) \_\_\_\_\_ for their horns. These horns (5) \_\_\_\_\_ being bought in the Middle or Far East for medicinal purposes.

If we (6) \_\_\_\_\_ the problem, we need to educate people in these regions. They must be told that, contrary to popular belief, rhino horn (7) \_\_\_\_\_ healing powers. This is something the authorities should (8) \_\_\_\_\_ long ago. If they (9) \_\_\_\_\_ so, the situation would surely be less critical now. It's time something (10) \_\_\_\_\_ done about it!

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|-------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| (0) A) wiped out        | B) have been wiping out   | C) have wiped out | D) had wiped out    |
| (1) A) have declared    | B) have been declaring    | C) declared       | D) were declaring   |
| (2) A) were announcing  | B) have been announcing   | C) have announced | D) had announced    |
| (3) A) aren't doing     | B) won't do               | C) don't do       | D) wouldn't do      |
| (4) A) are being hunted | B) are going to be hunted | C) will be hunted | D) have been hunted |
| (5) A) are ending up    | B) have ended up          | C) would end up   | D) will end up      |
| (6) A) will tackle      | B) should tackle          | C) are to tackle  | D) would tackle     |
| (7) A) doesn't contain  | B) didn't contain         | C) won't contain  | D) wouldn't contain |
| (8) A) be starting      | B) started                | C) start          | D) have started     |
| (9) A) did              | B) had done               | C) do             | D) have done        |
| (10) A) was             | B) is being               | C) will be        | D) would be         |

(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 separate 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) Ahmed's exhausted because he was \_\_\_\_\_ all night studying.  
I wonder what Alan's been \_\_\_\_\_ to while we were away.  
Your shoelaces are undone. Do them \_\_\_\_\_ before you fall over.

(2) Could I have a \_\_\_\_\_ coffee and two teas to take away please?  
The government has started to take action against the \_\_\_\_\_ economy.  
I've always thought Pete looks really good in \_\_\_\_\_.

(3) Dana and Jim still have to \_\_\_\_\_ a date for their wedding next year.  
The claim that the match was a \_\_\_\_\_ is being investigated by the police.  
The washing machine is broken. We'll have to get someone to \_\_\_\_\_ it.

(4) Marathon runners need to \_\_\_\_\_ themselves so that they don't tire.  
The commanding officer ordered his men to advance one \_\_\_\_\_.  
Don says he finds it hard to keep \_\_\_\_\_ with everything that's going on.

(5) Jan is allergic to \_\_\_\_\_, so she has to mind what she eats.  
It would absolutely drive me \_\_\_\_\_ if I had to sit behind a desk all day.  
The whole construction is held together by \_\_\_\_\_ and bolts.

(6) Will gets angry so easily. He really needs to \_\_\_\_\_ his temper.  
Can you pass me the remote \_\_\_\_\_? I want to see what's on.  
Quality \_\_\_\_\_ is an important part of the manufacturing process.

- (7) In my opinion, \_\_\_\_\_ planning is essential if we are to succeed.  
Ivan said he would \_\_\_\_\_ a copy of the message to his boss.  
Tony has always preferred to play as a \_\_\_\_\_ rather than in defence.
- (8) Pete didn't intend to \_\_\_\_\_ any offence with what he said.  
I don't mind giving to charity, as long as it's for a good \_\_\_\_\_.  
Jenny's behaviour is giving her parents \_\_\_\_\_ for concern.
- (9) It was \_\_\_\_\_ from his score that Ben hadn't studied for the test.  
The group descended slowly from the mountain onto the \_\_\_\_\_ below.  
The suspect was arrested by police officers in \_\_\_\_\_ clothes.
- (10) If we stopped all this unnecessary printing, we could \_\_\_\_\_ on paper.  
Croatia's goalkeeper made an unbelievable \_\_\_\_\_ in the last minute.  
If we wash up now, it'll \_\_\_\_\_ us the trouble of doing it later.

**(10 points)**



### Task 6: Why Women Live Longer Than Men

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>It is a fact that on average women live three years (0) <u>longer</u> than men. This raises the question of why female life (1) _____ should be greater. It has often been argued that the work men do is more physically (2) _____, but this has changed in recent years without a corresponding alteration in the three-year average difference. In fact, it appears that there has been a tremendous (3) _____ in this average throughout history.</p> <p>Another argument that is often heard is that men are more likely to be heavy smokers or (4) _____. However, many female animals also live longer than their male counterparts. This suggests the difference is not just a question of men leading (5) _____ lifestyles than women. It seems that the explanation is (6) _____. Some scientists believe the difference is the result of how we have (7) _____. They argue that because women have two X chromosomes, they have a ready-made replacement if there is a problem with a gene. Men lack this. Consequently, so the argument goes, (8) _____ are more likely to develop in men sooner than in women. An alternative theory is that men tend to be larger and so have a greater number of cells. This increases the (9) _____ of something going wrong earlier in men than in women.</p> <p>If researchers actually get to the bottom of this mystery, it will be one of the greatest (10) _____ of all time.</p>	<p>(0) LONG (1) EXPECT (2) DEMAND  (3) STABLE  (4) ALCOHOL  (5) HEALTH  (6) BIOLOGY (7) EVOLUTION  (8) ILL  (9) PROBABLE  (10) COVER</p>
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(10 points)

**THIS IS THE END OF THE TEST**