

Школьный этап всероссийской олимпиады школьников  
учебного года по английскому языку

7-8 классы

Продолжительность: 90 минут

LISTENING

For items 1-10 listen to a teacher talking to her students about preparing for exams and decide whether statements 1-10 are TRUE or FALSE. Choose the correct option. You will hear the recording twice.

1. The teacher insists on students eating only apples. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Students should choose the most relaxing place to study. \_\_\_\_\_
3. The less worried you are, the better you will prepare for exams. \_\_\_\_\_
4. Students should spend some time in the open air if they start feeling anxious. \_\_\_\_\_
5. She recommends students to record everything to get more points in exams. \_\_\_\_\_
6. She doesn't want the students to ask her any questions. \_\_\_\_\_
7. The teacher says that revising and repeating things can be uninteresting. \_\_\_\_\_
8. Students can't take past examination papers home freely. \_\_\_\_\_
9. A break that lasts about five minutes isn't enough - it should be much longer. \_\_\_\_\_
10. The teacher is sure that the students will try hard to pass the exams. \_\_\_\_\_

READING

Task 1. Read the text and mark each statement (1-10) TRUE or FALSE according to the text.

Holiday at Sea

My wife and I had never considered a cruise holiday because we have four children and we didn't think a ship could offer the kind of facilities they enjoy. But we found we were wrong when we took a trip on the Caribbean Princess, a ship which can carry over three thousand passengers. We travelled last August, and so the ship was nearly full although more people go in July. We boarded the ship in Florida and our destinations were the Bahamas, Jamaica, the Cayman Islands and Mexico, which are all beautiful places to visit.

On board, my children had special clubs to go to so they always had plenty to do with kids, while we could relax knowing professionals were keeping an eye on them. The on-board facilities were fantastic, including great shops, a jogging track, basketball courts and excellent restaurants. Many people dress up for dinner and my family loved doing that but nobody

makes you feel uncomfortable if you just wear ordinary clothes. After dinner, there's a choice of first class entertainment.

I wanted to find out what was involved in running such a big ship so I went through doors I wasn't supposed to open! Out front, everything is calm and efficient, but behind the scenes there are people running around and working like mad. I was lucky enough to go on the bridge from where the captain sails the ship. There's an enormous amount of modern technology there but, being a real seaman, he likes to do as much as he can by hand.

I would definitely recommend a cruise holiday to anyone but make sure you search for the best possible price. You may get as much as a 45 per cent discount for an early booking. On the other hand, no cruise ship will leave half-empty so you might be able to get a last-minute, cheap ticket. Tipping is expected so save some money for that. Don't worry about what amount to give - you'll be told.

You'll want to keep in touch with people back home while you are away but remember - most mobile phones don't work at sea. You can make a satellite phone call from a cruise ship but that can cost about £9 per minute, so it's better to use the on-board e-mail service or wait until the next port to use a landline phone.

Unless you run into unusually bad weather, it is unlikely you'll be seasick. Most cruise ships are very large and specially designed so that they don't roll around in high seas.

- 1 A holiday on a cruise ship is suitable for children. T
- 2 August is the most popular time to go on a cruise. F
- 3 Staff on board will help parents by looking after their children. T
- 4 Passengers must wear smart clothes at dinner time. F
- 5 The ship's crew work as calmly behind closed doors as they do in public. F
- 6 The ship's captain prefers to use technology as much as possible when sailing the ship. F
- 7 If you book your cruise some time in advance, you may pay less. T
- 8 It is difficult to find out how large your tips should be. F
- 9 You are recommended to use e-mail rather than the satellite phone to contact people on land. T
- 10 Being seasick on board is a common problem. F

Task 2. Read the texts and choose the best answers.

The young people below (1-15) want to attend one of a series of talks during Science Week. There are descriptions of six different talks (A-F). Decide which talk would be the most suitable for each of the people. There is one description you do not need to use.



11. Harry loves spending time on his computer. He likes learning about technologies that are both useful and interesting and which will also help people to live healthier lives in the future.
12. Tanya likes to take part in activities and gets bored when she is just listening to someone talk. She likes anything that is different and loves to learn about new ideas. The stranger, the better.
13. Sally would like to take her 8-year-old sister with her and do something creative. She thinks that they are too young to attend an adult talk, but would like to attend an event during Science Week.
14. Jill and Charita like being outdoors a lot and are interested in the environment. They also love learning about new technologies and seeing how they compare to technologies of the past.
15. Neil is interested in science and history. But he would like to attend a talk that isn't about a complicated subject and that is fun, too.

#### TALKS

##### A. Food that is out of this world

Have you ever wondered how you cook food in outer space? Learn the secrets of cooking in space using only basic equipment and find out how a limited diet can be made more interesting. You can also try out food cooked for you live by our science experts on stage. You can even try making space food, yourself!

##### B. Medicine and the modern world

We think that printers are just for printing out information. But they are already used to print body parts and may one day print human hearts! In addition, pills will become a thing of the past soon, as we are becoming better at finding ways to help the body recover from illness by itself. Find out how modern medicine is changing.

##### C. Science in our world

In this family-friendly talk for all ages, learn how we use science and technology in our everyday lives. The talk will be followed by a 'make and take' session, where children will learn the science of flight, then make kites to take home with them. Booking in advance is essential for this very popular, free event.

##### D. Fashion in the future

Fashion is always changing and so are the materials used to create it. In the future, we will use technology to copy animals and plants to make materials that last longer and which can keep you warm, or keep out the cold! After the talk, you can speak to the experts and have a free drink!

##### E. Understanding the weather

Developments in computer programmes have made weather forecasts more accurate, but there is still a lot of work to be done. We will bring you the latest in technologies for creating weather forecasts and also describe how these have developed from past technologies. After the talk, historical

weather equipment will be on display. You will also be able to watch old recordings from TV and news programmes.

##### F. Comedy and Science

Come along and enjoy a laughter-filled talk on scientific topics. Learn how scientists first discovered medicines and technologies in very unusual ways. You can then enter a fun quiz at the end of the talk to win a chemistry set or a family day out at the Science Museum, with free entry to all displays and talks!

#### CRUISE SHIP CABINS

##### A. Standard

The Standard cabin is the cheapest cabin on the ship. It's an inside cabin which means it doesn't have any windows. There are two beds, one on top of the other. The toilet includes a shower and a sink. There isn't a wardrobe or a chest of drawers. This is great for people who want to save money and only sleep in the cabin.

##### B. Super

The Super cabin is bigger than the standard one. It has a double and a single bed. This cabin has a small window with a view of the sea. There is a large wardrobe with drawers for your clothes. There is a toilet with a shower and a sink. The fridge in the corner has cold drinks and snacks which you have to pay for.

##### C. Super Extra

The Super Extra is like the Super cabin but with the difference that all the drinks and snacks in the fridge are included in the price. The fridge is filled up every day. There is a double and a single bed with a large wardrobe. The shower room has a toilet and a sink. The cabin has a sea view through a small window.

##### D. Suite

The Suite cabin has two separate bedrooms both with double beds. Each room has a large wardrobe. There is access to a small balcony from both bedrooms. Each room has a large smart television. The cabin has a large shower room with a toilet and a sink. The fridge has cold drinks and snacks, all included in the price.

##### E. Deluxe

The Deluxe cabin is one of the best cabins on the ship. It has four rooms, two bedrooms, a bathroom and a living room. The living room has a sofa and a large table. The balcony also has a large table with chairs. The snacks and drinks are free. The bathroom has a big bath and a shower unit.

##### F. Deluxe Super

The Deluxe Super includes meals in your cabin. Our waiters bring the food straight to the table in your cabin. There are two bedrooms with a double bed and a living room. The bathroom has a big bath and a shower. There is



a large balcony with a large table and chairs. The fridge in the living room is full of snacks and drinks included in the price.

### USE OF ENGLISH

Task 1. Match the beginning (1-10) of each sentence with its ending (a-i).

1	I love you from the bottom of	a	skin and bones.
2	I'll be able to finish more quickly, if you give me	b	out of hand.
3	You shouldn't worry about the exam because you have prepared well and you'll probably find it	c	take your time.
4	I think the horse has not been given enough to eat because it is just	d	crazy.
5	Tom shows no feelings or sympathy for other people - he's so	e	my heart.
6	We need to do something about it! This situation is getting	f	a broken home.
7	Whatever you do, slow down and	g	as blind as a bat.
8	Would you stop shouting, you're driving me	h	a piece of cake.
9	No wonder she is always so sad - she comes from	i	cold-blooded.
10	Without my glasses I can't see where I'm going. In fact, I'm	j	a hand.

Task 2. Decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each space.

### MUST-SEE IN ALASKA

When Alaska became a U.S. state in 1959, it increased the size of the USA by a fifth. (11) ... this huge state, with the largest mountain in North America, has the second smallest population. This (12) ... that there are still large numbers of wild animals (13) ... as polar bears, moose and seals, and trapping and hunting are major (14) ... The largest group of (15) ... people living in Alaska is the Inuit, who used to be (16) ... as Eskimos. Most of them hunt or fish, but some of those living in cities are (17) ... in government work.

Anchorage is the largest city in the state, with a (18) ... of around 230,000. In 1964, large areas of the city centre were (19) ... in an

earthquake but the people soon rebuilt the offices and apartment buildings. Although it is only 571 kilometres (20) ... of the Arctic Circle, Anchorage has a surprisingly mild (21) ... Because of its remote location, Anchorage (22) ... many tourists who want to (23) ... life in the wild. A (24) ... number of them fly into Anchorage International Airport before hiring a pilot and (25) ... into the remote areas of Alaska.

11.	A	otherwise	B	yet	C	despite
12.	A	means	B	proves	C	demand
13.	A	such	B	same	C	similar
14.	A	companies	B	industries	C	firms
15.	A	starting	B	first	C	native
16.	A	known	B	called	C	recognised
17.	A	involved	B	included	C	focused
18.	A	people	B	population	C	popularity
19.	A	destroyed	B	collapsed	C	broken
20.	A	down	B	south	C	under
21.	A	climate	B	temperature	C	weather
22.	A	appeals	B	attracts	C	brings
23.	A	experience	B	contact	C	look
24.	A	broad	B	considerable	C	main
25.	A	taking up	B	letting down	C	setting off

### Task 3. CULTURE QUIZ

Match the photos to the descriptions


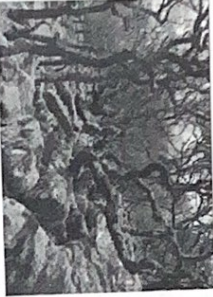

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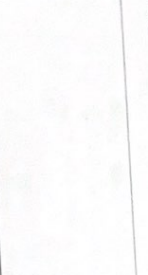
A

This waterfall hidden in the dense forest is one of the most popular tourist destinations in the USA. It is one of the five highest waterfalls in the country. Unlike other famous waterfalls, this one does not dry up in summer or freeze in winter.

Hadrian's Wall



27		B	Due to its location, unusual design and age, this unique construction is very popular with the creators of fantasy films. "The Highlander", the Harry Potter saga and many other equally famous films were filmed here. It magnificently emphasizes the natural beauty of this wonderful place.
28		C	This unbelievably beautiful lake surrounded by mountains is one of the most amazing lakes on the planet. It is one of the ten bluest and deepest lakes on Earth. The lake is considered one of the cleanest on the planet, as there are no natural or anthropogenic pollutants in the area.
29		D	It's one of the world's deepest canyons, a symbol of America - no less famous than the Statue of Liberty and Hollywood - a UNESCO World Heritage Site and a universally recognized wonder of the world. Huge clusters of rocks, cliffs, waterfalls, canyons and caves resemble towers, pagodas and fortress walls in their shapes.

30		E	It is the largest ancient Roman structure in the world, with a total length of 84 miles. It is considered an icon of British culture and one of the country's oldest landmarks. It is a UNESCO Heritage Site. Built of stone and peat across the narrowest part of the island, it was intended to protect the Romans from hostile tribes.
31		F	It is a natural wonder of about 40,000 huge interconnected dark basalt columns formed by an ancient volcanic eruption. These columns form a kind of springboard that begins at the base of the cliff, and goes into the sea.
32		G	It's one of those places in the world which are surrounded by mystery and legend. It is a unique megalith located in the southern part of England. It is not just a landmark, but an archaeological site protected by UNESCO. To this day there is no reliable data about the origin and purpose of the ancient megalith, but there are a number of theories.
33		H	This national park is located in the crater of a huge super volcano. It is also a nature reserve protected by UNESCO. The Supervolcano occupies the area of three U.S.

