



Olimpiada de limba engleză – Etapa județeană, 22 februarie 2015 - Clasa a VII-a

I. You are on holiday on a ship. In the middle of the night, you hear a loud noise and feel the ship shake. It has hit something. **Write about the accident (in no more than 200 words) – 30 points.**

II. **Sentence construction – Use the vocabulary that is given and write a question or an answer for each group in the past. – 20 points – Old Stormalong:**

1. who / Stormalong / be? – Stormalong / be / the biggest sailor of all? – he / (not) be / as big as a normal person
2. how / Stormalong / drink soup? – Stormalong / drink soup / whaling boat? – he / (not) have / a bowl large enough
3. where / Stormalong / sleep? – Stormalong / sleep / on deck? – he / (not) have / a bed large enough
4. where / Stormalong ? go? – Stormalong / go / to sea? – he / (not) stay / on land
5. where / the ship / sail? – the ship / sail / to the middle of the ocean? – they / (not) stay / on shore
6. what / they / look for? – they / look for / whales? – they / (not) look for / elephants
7. what / the lookout / see? – the lookout / see / a school of whales? – he / (not) see / a school of children
8. what / Stormalong / do? – Stormalong / make / a whole in the whaling boat? – they / (not) have / a boat large enough
9. how / Stormalong / feel? – Stormalong / become angry? – he / (not) like / to lose whales
10. why / Stormalong / take a mast? – why / Stormalong / make a fishing pole? – he / (not) have / a whaling boat large enough

III. **Fill in the gaps in this text with only ONE word- 10 points:**

An early problem of Coca Cola in bottles (1)...the imitation by competitors. Though a variety of containers for Coca-Cola were (2)...during the first years of bottling. They all had straight sides and were very (3)...alike. This simplistic (4)...encouraged competitors to sell their products (5)...Coca-Cola. Even (6)...bottles of Coca-Cola carried labels and embossed trademark, imitations of the premium drink (7)...everywhere. In 1915, Root Glass Company created a contour Coca-Cola (8)... based on a drawing of a cocoa bean (9)...was so uniquely shaped and was identifiable (10)...in the dark.

IV. **Word puzzle. This is a spelling game in which you must change the words by changing one letter at a time. To help you, there is a definition by each word - 10 points – Change the word fire to mine, then find out what word you will make in the second puzzle:**

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|------------|---|-------------|------------------------------|
| 1. f i r e | burns things. | 8. r e a d | You can - - - - a book. |
| 2. - - - - | four plus one | 9. - - - - | true, genuine |
| 3. - - - - | Thin people eat to live. Fat people - - - - to eat. | 10. - - - - | breakfast, lunch or dinner |
| 4. - - - - | Pelicans - - - - to eat fish. | 11. - - - - | pork or beef |
| 5. - - - - | is a short name for Michael. | 12. - - - - | We - - - - with oil or wood. |
| 6. - - - - | Cats eat - - - - . | 13. - - - - | hit or strike |
| 7. m i n e | Not yours. | 14. b e a k | is a bird's mouth. |

V. **Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence – 20 points:**

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| 1. I don't know the answer, so I can't help you. – If I... | 6. Don't run fast, or you'll feel tired. – If... . |
| 2. An off-duty policewoman arrested the robber. – The robber... | 7. Where is the bus station? – Could you...? |
| 3. I ate all the icecream, and now I regret it. – I wish... | 8. I think you should go to the doctor's. – If I... . |
| 4. Someone used a hammer to break the window.–The window... | 9. "Don't forget to buy the milk, Sue," I said.–I reminded... |
| 5. The council is building a new sports centre. – A new sports centre... | 10. These are the most expensive shoes I've ever seen.–I've never... |

VI. **Copy the sentences and make all the corrections necessary. Use punctuation marks and capital letters when they are needed. – 10 points:**

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| 1. sara wont leave fairbanks until june 1 | 7. saras uncle lives in caracas |
| 2. she wont be in caracas until june 14 | 8. hell pick her up at the airport |
| 3. shell visit her grandmothers in chicago and miami | 9. hes sent her the tickets and she received them |
| 4. theyll be happy to see sara | 10. theyve already made all their plans |
| 5. they havent seen sara for years | 11. sara hasnt flown alone before |
| 6. shell fly to caracas on june 14 | 12. she wont have any trouble |

Notă: Timp de lucru – 2 ore din momentul distribuirii subiectelor.

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I. You dream that you are someone famous. Write about the dream (in no more than 200 words) – 30 points.

II. Controlled composition – Incomplete dialogue – 20 points – Police officer Frank Thomas received a complaint about a loud dog in the neighbourhood. He rode his motorcycle to the address, at the corner of Midway Avenue and River Drive. Now he is asking questions. Below are the answers that he is getting to his questions. Write a good question before each answer. When you finish, you will have a complete dialogue.

Officer Thomas: (example) Who called in about the dog?

- Fred Brown: I did, Officer. I called in about the dog.

OT: (example) Why did you call in?

- FB: Because the dog is barking. It's Sunday. I'm trying to sleep. Listen to that noise!

OT: (question 1)...

- FB: It started an hour ago. How can anybody sleep with that noise?

OT: I'll ask the questions, Mr. Brown. You just give the answers.

- FB: Yes, sir.

OT: (question 2)...

- FB: My neighbour owns him.

OT: (question 3)...

- FB: His name is Kovacik. Bob Kovacik. They own the grocery store on the corner.

OT: (question 4)...

- FB: They bought the dog last year. After a robbery. They think it will keep the robbers away.

OT: (question 5)...

- FB: No, it doesn't. It doesn't bark a lot. This is the first time.

OT: (question 6)...

- FB: No, I didn't call Mr. Kovacik. I called you first. I can't talk to him.

OT: That's a question, Mr. Brown. I'll ask the questions.

How can you talk to a dog owner?

OT: (question 7)...

- FB: Sorry.

OT: Stop in the name of the law! (question 8)...

- FB: Where? Oh, there. No, that's not Mr. Kovacik. I don't know that man. He is running very fast, isn't he?

OT: (question 9)...

- The strange man: I wasn't doing anything. I was just in the store.

OT: On Sunday? Today is Sunday!

- The strange man: Because I wanted to buy some food.

That store's not open. (question 10)...

- The strange man: What bag? Oh, this bag? Oh, there's nothing in this bag. Oh, how did that money get in that bag?

OT: I'll ask the questions.

- The strange man: OK, Officer. You win. I took that money from the grocery store an hour ago, but that big dog didn't let me go until now.

III. Fill in the gaps in this text with only ONE word- 15 points:

People have (1)...been afraid (2)...sharks. Films (3)... "Jaws" have shown them as monsters, but now these (4)...are (5)...danger, like many (6)... . In recent years, shark (7)...has become a popular food in America. Too (8)...fishing has begun to (9)...the numbers of (10)...kinds of shark. Some people say this is a good thing. Sharks will (11)...twenty-five people a year near the world's beaches. It's hard to solve the shark's "image" problem and (12) people's minds about them. Sharks are (13) and so they naturally kill. But actually elephants (14)...more people than sharks every year and we (15)...elephants!

IV. Rewrite each sentence so that it has a similar meaning and contains the word given – 20 points:

1. We started working here three years ago. (for)

2. Is this your first visit to South Africa? (before)

3. I've got such a lot of work that I can't go out. (so)

4. She had lots of children and didn't know what to do. (many)

5. I haven't got enough time to do all my work. (too)

6. Some experts think the world is growing warmer, but others disagree. (while)

7. I couldn't take more clothes as there wasn't any space in my suitcase. (little)

8. I expect we will get there by 5:00 if there isn't too much traffic. (should)

9. I didn't use that piece of string (sfoară / șnur / coardă) because it was too short. (enough)

10. Don't run fast, or you'll feel tired. (otherwise)



V. Find the unnecessary word in each line. Some lines are correct – 15 points:

1. I recently learnt how to use a computer, and
2. I have many friends who they play computer games
3. at home. However, although recently I have begun to worry
4. that in nowadays we rely too much on electronic gadgets.
5. Once before people managed to write and think using
6. their brains, but now many people have become so
7. accustomed to using machines, so that they can't do
8. anything without them. There are many people who
9. they depend on electronic gadgets completely. For
10. an instance, many of my friends sit at home in the
11. evening and watch television, and instead of going
12. out so to meet people. I think that this makes everyone
13. feel more lonely, even though they learn a lot about
14. people all over in the world. Of course, there are many
15. electronic gadgets that save us time, though not all of them are really necessary.

Notă: Timp de lucru – 2 ore din momentul distribuirii subiectelor.



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Clasa a IX-a A

SUBJECT I - 25 points

A. Fill in the gaps using only one word: 10 points

I don't usually think about exercise. But some time ago I decided to take _____(1) jogging to get fit. I bought myself the right equipment _____(2) that I would look _____(3) an experienced runner. Every day I set off round the neighbourhood, _____(4) only at street corners until the road was clear. Everything went well _____(5) one summer. I was running down a tree-lined road of big houses when _____(6) I heard a loud yapping behind me. Looking _____(7) my shoulder, I saw a small, black dog with fiery eyes, running after me. Its expression was _____(8) from friendly and I thought it _____(9) better not to stop. I started running, turned the corner and slowed down for a moment. This was a _____(10) for, with a mighty jump, the dog leapt at me.

B. Use the word in capitals to form a word that fits in the blank space: 10 points

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| 1) She resented having to make a _____ . | CHOOSE |
| 2) One needs _____ friends when one is in trouble. | RELY |
| 3) The _____ retreat helped them survive. | SPEED |
| 4) The engine of this car has proved its _____ on many occasions. | EFFICIENT |
| 5) The body lay there _____ but no one dared touch it. | LIFE |
| 6) Locusts are extremely _____ to crops. | HARM |
| 7) He raised his sword in _____. | DEFEND |
| 8) The owl is the symbol of _____ . | WISE |
| 9) You may think of him as being _____ after so many accidents. | FORTUNE |
| 10) Her _____grieved all her relatives. | BETRAY |

C. Rephrase the following sentences. Do not change the word given. 5 points

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|---|---------|
| 1) She advised us not to talk to him for a while. She.....a while. | AVOID |
| 2) The boy looked so funny that we all started laughing. The boy.....laughing. | HELP |
| 3) If you are still a student, you can get reduced prices. You..... a student. | UNLESS |
| 4) This is our first visit to Madrid. It's..... Madrid. | VISITED |
| 5) "I hope we will soon meet face to face.", she said. She said.....face to face. | WOULD |

SUBJECT II - 25 points

You have just passed a difficult exam and the school year is over. Write a letter to a friend telling her/him about what you have been through and about your holiday plans. Your name is Jane/ Jack and your friend's name is Mary/ Tom. (100-150 words)

SUBJECT III - 50 points

Narrate the events of a day when everything went right. (150-200 words)

Notă: Toate subiectele sunt obligatorii. Nu se acordă punctaj din oficiu. Timp de lucru: 3 ore.



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Clasa a-X-a A

SUBJECT I - 25 points

A. Fill in the blanks using only one word: 10 points

She stood by the window for a few minutes, looking at the trails of ____ (1) rising up from the chimneys into the grey morning ____ (2). A bus stopped on the road. Watching the line of ____ (3) getting on one by one, she felt envious ____ (4) them. They could go to work, but she was always left at home to look ____ (5) the baby and do the housework. She walked back into the sitting room. She ____ (6) not even begun to tidy up, but somehow she could not ____ (7) the energy for it this morning. She had had a terrible night and had been ____ (8) up by the baby so many times that ____ (9) she wanted to do was go back to sleep. Then she heard the baby crying. "Oh, no, not again", she sighed to ____ (10).

B. Use the word in capitals to form a word that fits in the blank space: 10 points

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| 1) I find his boring insistence _____ . | TROUBLE |
| 2) She is trembling with _____ at tomorrow's prospects. | ANXIOUS |
| 3) They've got a villa in the _____ area. | RESIDE |
| 4) The food on the table all looked _____ . | APPETITE |
| 5) Too many people still die of _____ . | STARVE |
| 6) The _____ of the landscape was depressing. | DULL |
| 7) We may notice a _____ in the interest in the music of the 1980s. | REVIVE |
| 8) He moved about the house so _____ that he woke me up. | NOISE |
| 9) He fixed everything with amazing _____ . | ABLE |
| 10) This room is _____, there's no space left. | CROWD |

C. Rephrase the following sentences. Do not change the word given. 5 points

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| 1) "You will be ill if you don't diet", the doctor told him. The doctor.....diet. | WARNED |
| 2) Alice was the first person he asked for advice. Alice.....for. | WHOSE |
| 3) Henry was the only person who was late for the meeting. Everybody.....the meeting. | EXCEPT |
| 4) Nobody can account for this mystery. This.....for. | BE |
| 5) She thinks it's a pity he never turned up. She.....turned up. | WISHES |

SUBJECT II - 25 points

Write a letter to the manager of a hotel you wish to stay at for a week asking about prices and the conditions they offer the holiday-makers. Your name is Jane Smith/ Jack Smith. (100-150 words)

SUBJECT III - 50 points

Describe the most beautiful garden/park you have ever seen/imagined and your feelings towards it. Don't forget that this type of composition calls for close attention to details. (150-200 words)

Notă: Toate subiectele sunt obligatorii. Nu se acordă punctaj din oficiu. Timp de lucru: 3 ore.



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Clasa a X-a B

SUBJECT I - 50 points

The students in your school want to organize some festivities and special activities to celebrate the school days. Write a letter to the Principal of the school explaining to him what you intend to do and asking for some advice. (150-200 words)

SUBJECT II - 50 points

Write a narrative-descriptive essay starting with: "If only we had known what would happen, we would never have chosen to spend a whole weekend at that chalet high up in the mountains." Make sure you include both narrative and descriptive passages. (250-300 words)

Notă: Ambele subiecte sunt obligatorii. Nu se acordă punctaj din oficiu. Timp de lucru: 3 ore.



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Clasa a XI-a A

SUBJECT I - 25 points

A. Fill in the blanks using only one word: 10 points

I remember what happened to me____(1) years ago, while I was travelling____(2) home from a trip into the mountains. My friend, who was____(3) my car, suggested we should stop for a while and have lunch at a motel we had come____(4). I told him I had _____(5) against it and he stopped the car. I even told him I hadn't eaten for hours and he answered he hadn't,_____(6). I got off the car and went into that restaurant to order for_____(7) of us while my friend was trying to get the car parked. Well, I guess it must have been more than_____(8) an hour before I realised my friend wasn't coming. It was only after three hours_____(9) he showed up again, smiling and thinking it was a funny thing to have me wait for him like that. What was worse, I was so worried that I couldn't_____(10) eat anything.

B. Use the word in capitals to form a word that fits in the space: 10 points

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| 1) Goat milk is believed to be very_____ . | NUTRIMENT |
| 2) Her interview was_____to Vogue. | EXCLUDE |
| 3) He hit the little boy_____ . | MERCY |
| 4) The floods made that bridge_____ . | PASS |
| 5) The_____use of any fuel will save your money. | ECONOMY |
| 6) Fashion design is highly_____today. | COMPETITION |
| 7) To become a writer requires____of the written word. | MASTER |
| 8) It is quite a problem to be granted_____to this club. | MEMBER |
| 9) Is she a recent_____of yours? | ACQUAINT |
| 10) This drug can provide_____from breathing problems. | RELIEVE |

C. Rephrase the following sentences. Do not change the word given. 5 points

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| 1) I hope nobody will sleep in my room while I am away. I hopeaway. | BE |
| 2) She couldn't walk to the station on account of the rain. The rain.....the station. | FROM |
| 3) I will never be able to understand her. Never.....her. | BE |
| 4) He had just fallen asleep when the fire broke out. Barely.....broke out. | HAD |
| 5) I don't know what to do anymore. I am at.....do. | LOSS |

SUBJECT II - 25 points

Write an article for a magazine having the title HEALTHY DIETS FOR TEENAGERS. Make sure you include a general presentation of teenagers' tendencies concerning their eating habits and some advice you consider proper. (150-200 words)

SUBJECT III - 50 points

Write an argumentative essay starting from: "Education is acquired mainly in school". (200-250 words)

Notă: Toate subiectele sunt obligatorii. Nu se acordă punctaj din oficiu. Timp de lucru: 3 ore.



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CERCETĂRII ȘTIINȚIFICE

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Clasa a XI-a B

SUBJECT I - 50 points

A prestigious newspaper has asked you to write an article about special achievements of students in your school. Give the article a suitable title. (200-250 words)

SUBJECT II - 50 points

Write an argumentative essay starting from: 'Money isn't everything in life' (250-300 words)

Notă: Ambele subiecte sunt obligatorii. Nu se acordă punctaj din oficiu. Timp de lucru: 3 ore.



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Clasa a XII-a A

SUBJECT I - 25 points

A Fill in the blanks using only one word: 10 points

Rosenhan wondered _____(1) would happen if a number of entirely sane people attempted to gain admission to a mental hospital _____(2) pretending to have at least _____(3) of the symptoms of insanity. Would these _____(4) individuals _____(5) classified as insane? If they were admitted to the mental hospital, _____(6) the staff realise a mistake had been made? The answers to _____(7) and other questions were _____(8) during an experiment in which five men and three women tried to become patients of twelve different psychiatric hospitals so that a study _____(9) be made on the behaviour of the real patients, as _____(10) as that of the staff.

B. Use the word in capitals to form a word that fits in the blank space: 10 points

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| 1) It was _____ of you to say something like that. | MISCHIEF |
| 2) Let's not have another _____ . | ARGUE |
| 3) The journey across the desert was _____ . | HAZARD |
| 4) He refused to admit _____ for the accident. | LIABLE |
| 5) He boasted about _____ of several estates. | OWNER |
| 6) The _____ of Monaco lies in southern Europe. | PRINCE |
| 7) His glance was full of _____ towards me. | HATE |
| 8) She _____ accepted to be the first to try. | WILL |
| 9) Do you have any _____ to make? | COMPLAIN |
| 10) She is in _____ after her father's death. | MOURN |

C. Rephrase the following sentences. Do not change the word given. 5 points

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| 1) Jonathan prefers us to wait for him at the station. Jonathan.....the station. | RATHER |
| 2) If you meet her by chance, tell her to phone us. If.....to phone us. | HAPPEN |
| 3) My sister is going to the dentist tomorrow for a filling. My sister.....tomorrow. | FILLED |
| 4) John was finally successful because he was so strong-willed. But.....succeeded. | WILL |
| 5) People believe that Tom has told the truth. Tom.....the truth. | IS |

SUBJECT II - 25 points

You have thought of setting up an on-line publication dealing with students' preoccupations and activities. Write a proposal to the Principal of your school.(200 words)

SUBJECT III - 50 points

Write a reflective essay as an attempt to answer the question: Why do so many young people choose to study and work abroad? (200-250 words)

Notă: Toate subiectele sunt obligatorii. Nu se acordă punctaj din oficiu. Timp de lucru: 3 ore.