**Олимпиадные задания школьного этапа Всероссийской олимпиады школьников по английскому языку.**

**Комплект заданий для учащихся 10-11 класса.**

**LISTENING** (10 points) 10 min

Listen to the text. Decide which of the following statements 1-10 are (A) true, (B) false, or (C) there is no information in the text.

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| **№** | **Задание** | **A** | **B** | **C** |
| **1** | The speaker argues that English is spoken by more people than Mandarin Chinese |  |  |  |
| **2** | Because of English, other modern languages may become extinct by the end of this century. |  |  |  |
| **3** | The speaker predicts that soon people will start questioning the need to learn a foreign language. |  |  |  |
| **4** | Thinking is affected by the language we speak. |  |  |  |
| **5** | If you learn English or French, you will refer to a table as being feminine |  |  |  |
| **6** | The data says that English speakers have a peculiar worldview. |  |  |  |
| **7** | Bono, D. Trump and K. Kardashian are united by a similar worldview. |  |  |  |
| **8** | The speaker is fascinated by how language shapes our thoughts. |  |  |  |
| **9** | When a person switches to another language, it can affect the way we perceive that person. |  |  |  |
| **10** | A scene from a film is a perfect illustration of how people dislike speaking English. |  |  |  |

**READING (5 points) 10 min**

**Read the text and questions 1‐5 below. For each question, mark the correct letter A, B, C or D.**

**My home is a windmill**

by Josh Summers, aged 14

My home’s different from where my friends live because I live in a19th century windmill! My parents saw it one day, and bought it. It was in poor condition, but it was repaired and now it’s fantastic!

The windmill was once used to make flour from corn. The corn store used to be downstairs, where our kitchen is now, and horses came there to deliver the corn. The enormous 20‐metre sails are still on the front, but they don’t turn in the wind like they used to because it’s too dangerous, so birds live in them instead. There’s always a ladder up the side of the windmill so that dad can paint it and keep it a nice cream colour. He also cleans the windows, although a company comes to do the top ones as the ladder’s too short.

Inside it’s like a tent with six sides, and it becomes more pointed towards the top, so the rooms get smaller. My room’s under the roof and I get a fantastic view – it’s like looking out of an airplane window. There are some other houses around now, and a new main road, but I can relax and make a noise when I play my guitar up there and no one can hear me! I can hear everything, though, like the birds when it’s quiet, which is really calming, or the very loud storms, which I can see coming towards us. And I actually find it easier to concentrate on my school work up there, as my brothers and sisters don’t want to climb up all the stairs, so they don’t disturb me! I can’t imagine living anywhere else!

**1. What is Josh trying to do in the text?**

A. compare his home with his friends

B. explain why his family chose to live in their current home

C. tell readers about advantages of living where he does

D. suggest how his home could be improved

**2. What does Josh say about the outside of the windmill?**

A.Wild creatures have made their homes there.

B. It’s covered in dark paint.

C. There’s a ladder that goes right to the top.

D. The windows frequently need cleaning.

**3. Josh says that his room**

A. is a bit like an aeroplane inside.

B. is a good place for practicing a musical instrument.

C.is the largest one in the windmill.

D. is better for relaxing in than doing school work.

**4. What does Josh say about the different sounds he hears in the windmill?**

A. He dislikes the noise of the sails in the wind.

B. He enjoys listening to all the birds.

C. He feels nervous when a loud storm comes along.

D. He’s pleased that he’s not disturbed by any noise.

**5. What would a visitor from the 19th century say if they saw the windmill now?**

A. It’s great that they’ve kept the corn store as it was. The horses used to love coming

there.

B. The sails are a lot smaller than they used to be. I suppose that’s for safety reasons.

C. It’s still in the same condition as before. The owners never looked after it then, either.

D. You can still see the windmill from miles away. Of course, there weren’t all these

buildings around it then, as a busy road going past.

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**USE OF ENGLISH. Task l** (20 POINTS) 15 min  
  
**Choose the right variant from a), b), c) or d).**  
1. Have you ever visited other countries? - Yes, I... to Italy and France.  
a) was c) had been, b) have been d) would be  
  
2. I feel really tired. We ... to the party last night and have just returned home.  
a) went c) had seen b) has gone d) was going  
  
3.When the bus stopped in the small square, Helen … her magazine and didn't  
realize at first that she had arrived at her destination...  
a) read b) reads c) was reading d) had read  
  
4. My sister's son ... in tomorrow's race, because he is too young. They do not allow  
riders under sixteen.  
a) won't ride b) shan't ride c) wouldn't ride d) doesn't ride  
  
5. A beautiful bridge ..... in our city. It will be finished next year;  
a) builds b) is built c) is being built d) has been built  
  
6. Television has many advantages. It keeps us informed about the latest news, and  
also ... entertainment at home.  
a) provide b) provides c) is provided d) provided  
  
7. On the other hand television ... for the violent behavior of some young people,  
and for encouraging children to sit indoors, instead of doing sports.  
a) blames b) blamed c) is blamed d) would blame  
  
8. Every time that I miss the bus, it means that 1 ... walk to work.  
a) has to b) have to c) had to d) could  
  
9. Every time when I missed the bus, I .... to return home late.  
a) must b) had c) can d) the least

10.That was great! It was…meal you have ever cooked.  
a) good b) better c) best d) the best

11. This exhibition is .... interesting than the previous one.  
a) little b) less c) least d) the least  
  
12. My cat catches a lot of….  
a) mouse b) mice c) the mice d) a mouse

13. Everybody agrees that... happiness is very important in the life of people.  
a) - b) the c) a d) many  
  
14. When they arrived ... the station, they rushed to the platform not to miss the train.  
a) to b) at c)in d) for  
  
15. When you…older, you'll change your mind about this.  
a) will grow b) grow c) have grown d) grew  
  
16.... is at home and no one knows where they are.  
a) Anybody b) Somebody c) Everybody d) Nobody  
  
17. Martin said that he .... the tickets the next day.  
a) bought b) had bought c) will buy d) would buy

18. Whose house is it? - It's ..... .  
a) my b) mine c) her d) our  
  
19. "Come home ... Christmas Day, we'll be waiting for you", my mother always says  
to me.  
a)in b) on c)- d) at  
  
20. Everybody in our team played ... except the captain.  
a) bad b) badly c) worst d) the worst

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**USE OF ENGLISH.Task 2**(6 POINTS) 5 minutes

**Read the text and then write the correct form of the word in CAPITALS to complete the gaps.**

The National Maritime Museum is set in the (1) \_\_\_\_\_\_ **BEAUTY** surroundings of Greenwich park. Within the complex of the museum there is a wide (2) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **VARY** of objects, displays and paintings. The collections relate to the shipping, astronomy and (3)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **NAVIGATE** The museum tells the story of figures of great (4)**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ IMPORTANT** to Britain’s history, such as Lord Nelson and captain James Cook. Galleries and exhibitions are often updated to bring back into view (5) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **DIFFER** parts of the huge hidden collections of the museum which is (6) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **FAME** all over the country.

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