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Возрастная группа (7 - 8 классы)

Уважаемый участник олимпиады!

Вам предстоит выполнить письменные задания. Время выполнения заданий письменного тура 1,5 академических часа (90 минут). Выполнение заданий целесообразно организовать следующим образом:

- не спеша, внимательно прочитайте формулировку задания;
- напишите правильный вариант ответа в бланке ответов;
- после выполнения всех предложенных заданий еще раз удостоверьтесь в правильности ваших ответов;
- если потребуется корректировка выбранного Вами варианта ответа, то неправильный вариант ответа зачеркните крестиком и рядом напишите новый.

Предупреждаем Вас, что:

- при оценке тестовых заданий, где необходимо определить один правильный ответ, 0 баллов выставляется за неверный ответ и в случае, если участником отмечены несколько ответов (в том числе правильный), или все ответы;
- при оценке тестовых заданий, где необходимо определить все правильные ответы, 0 баллов выставляется, если участником отмечены неверные ответы, большее количество ответов, чем предусмотрено в задании (в том числе правильные ответы) или все ответы. Задание письменного тура считается выполненным, если Вы вовремя сдаете его членам жюри.

Максимальная оценка – **80 баллов**.

Listening (20 points)

Time - 10 minutes

Task 1. Listen to the recordings. Answer the questions according to what you hear by circling the appropriate letter (A, B or C).

Recording 1

1. Nightstop is currently operating
 - A. in many areas of Britain.
 - B. as a kind of youth hostel.
 - C. a training scheme for young people.
2. What is the host's opinion of Nightstop?
 - A. It can't prevent an emergency.
 - B. It's only a temporary solution.
 - C. It's too good to last.
3. Fred is mainly talking about
 - A. how young people can benefit from Nightstop.
 - B. what people need to do to become a host.
 - C. the reasons why teenagers become homeless.

Recording 2

4. At the new recycling centre locals can
 - A. get spare parts for their household appliances.
 - B. dump recyclable materials at no cost.
 - C. dump their recyclable waste without sorting it first.
5. Shelly Furlong believes that
 - A. recycling bins should be colour-coded.
 - B. the town mayor does not care about winning votes.
 - C. the recycling centre is too far away from the town.
6. The speaker is
 - A. a news presenter.
 - B. an environmental activist.
 - C. the town mayor.

Task 2. *Listen to a phone message and fill in the missing information.*

New employee (7)

Things to do:

- Check (8) and set out in conference room
- Move (9) projector into hall
- Call and confirm numbers of attendance (list of phone numbers on the (10) desk)
- Finish preparations by (11) in the morning

Transfer your answers to the answer sheet.

Reading (20 points)

Time - 30 minutes

Task 1. Read the text *The Friendly Games*. Are these sentences T(true) or F(false)?

- 12. The British monarch is head of the Commonwealth.
- 13. The Commonwealth Games take place every year.
- 14. The first games were in 1950.
- 15. The Games are always held in Canada, Britain, Australia or New Zealand.
- 16. England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland compete as four separate countries in the Games.
- 17. 48,000 people came to the Games in Manchester.
- 18. Commonwealth Day is in May.
- 19. Lots of different runners carry the Queen's message to the Games' host country.



The Commonwealth is a voluntary organization of 54 independent countries who all share a common history as part of Britain's imperial past. The countries are as diverse as Canada, New Zealand, Pakistan, Barbados, Sri Lanka and Zambia, and Queen Elizabeth is head of the organisation. Today the Commonwealth works to advance democracy, human rights and social and economic development, and organises special programmes to help promote trade, science, health, young people and many other specific issues in its member countries.

The Olympic-style Commonwealth Games are held every four years in a different member country. Known as the Empire Games until 1950, the first event was held in Hamilton, Canada in 1930. There were only eleven participating countries, and the sports included athletics, boxing, bowls, rowing, swimming and wrestling.

England has only hosted the Games twice: in London in 1934 and in Manchester in 2002. They have only been held twice outside of Canada, Britain or Australia – in Jamaica in 1966 and in Malaysia in 1998. The number of countries participating in the Games has slowly grown to over 70, and thousands of athletes now participate. Without competition from the USA and the major European countries, Australia, Canada and the British countries (which compete separately) usually win the most medals.

As happens for the Olympics, host countries usually build special new facilities for the Games. Manchester spent 20 years preparing for the 2002 Games and built a new 48,000-seat stadium which cost over £100 million. Luckily, the Games attracted around 1 million visitors to the city and were a financial success.

The Commonwealth Games have their own version of the Olympic torch ceremony. On Commonwealth Day (May 11th) in a Games year, the Queen hands a baton containing a message to an athlete. This is then passed in relay style to other athletes. They run through different Commonwealth countries until they reach the host nation. The baton is opened and the Queen's message is read out at the opening ceremony of the Games.

Task 2. Read the text and match the headings (A-E) to the paragraphs (1-4). There is one extra heading.



- A. Convenient but Harmful
- B. Every Little Helps
- C. Easier Than We Think
- D. Easier Said Than Done
- E. Let Nature Help Out

20.

Helping our environment doesn't have to be difficult. It's not just about recycling food and clothes or planting new trees in your local community. In fact, there are simple and effective ways to help the environment without even leaving the comfort of your home! Perhaps if the public knew just how easy it was, then more people would take an interest in saving our planet one small act at a time.

21.

Most people know that newly planted trees and shrubs provide clean oxygen and can add to the habitats of many insects and animals. Planting new shrubs, trees, herbs or flowers in your garden can be very beneficial for the environment, but what about nourishing them? Instead of using tap water, you can collect rainwater and use that instead! Collecting rainwater can be as simple as keeping a bucket outside and storing the water to use on the days when rainfall is limited. Doing this will keep your plants healthy without constantly running your taps.

22.

Another simple trick to help save our environment is to eat healthy organic food instead of fast food. Fast food isn't only harmful to our bodies! The packaging that fast food comes in is very harmful to the environment. Think about eating an apple versus eating a meal from a fast food

chain. When you've finished eating the apple, the core can be put in the compost heap. Even the seeds can be used to plant an apple tree! The fast food meal, however, is likely to have been wrapped up in plastic. That packaging will only add to rubbish heaps!

23.

The list of simple but effective ways to make a positive input on the environment is a long one. Anything, from remembering to switch off lights and appliances to creating homemade compost, are ways to help make a difference. While activities such as planting trees in local parks and community clean-up days are useful, people with busy schedules can also help. What we must remember is that we can help from home. These small but influential acts can help keep our planet healthy and safe for future generations.

Task 3. Read the text again and for questions 1-4, choose the correct answer *A, B, C* or *D*.

- 24.** Which of the following does the writer mention in the first paragraph?
- A. The planet will soon be beyond the point of rescue.
 - B. People can help the environment by doing easy tasks.
 - C. Recycling and planting trees are the two best ways to help the environment.
 - D. Helping the environment usually involves difficult tasks.
- 25.** The writer states that fast food is
- A. an environmentally-friendly way to eat.
 - B. harmful because of the material it is wrapped in.
 - C. not as bad for our bodies as we think.
 - D. eaten more often than fresh foods like apples.
- 26.** According to the author, people with busy schedules should
- A. make more time to help the environment.
 - B. organise outings like tree planting or clean-up days.
 - C. take advantage of easy ways to help the environment.
 - D. teach future generations how to help the environment.
- 27.** In the text the writer is trying to
- A. raise awareness about a global issue.
 - B. warn readers about the consequences of neglecting the planet.
 - C. persuade readers to join large-scale environmental projects.
 - D. explain simple ways to help the planet.

Transfer your answers to the answer sheet.

Use of English (20 points)

Time - 20 minutes

Task 1. Use the word given at the end of the sentences to form a word that fits in the gap.

SPICES	
In 1600 the East India Company (28)..... under Elizabeth I to compete with Dutch (29)..... in the oriental spice trade. The company (30)..... a monopoly on all goods imported to England from Asia. From the 1750s became more (31)....., starting to invade and conquer parts of India. It was now (32)..... company in the world, and also an (33)..... arm of the British government. When Queen Victoria (34)..... to the throne in 1837, the whole of India was under British rule, and she was made (35) of India. When she died in 1901, the British Empire (36)..... so much that it included one fifth of the total (37)..... of the world.	FORM TRADE GIVE AMBITION BIG OFFICE COME EMPIRE EXPAND POPULAR

Task 2. Choose the correct answer.

38. Who is the author of *Treasure Island*?

A. Baird B. Stevenson C. Carroll

39. What is the name of a brave scientist who discovered penicillin?

A. Newton B. Kipling C. Fleming

40. Who is the author of *The Canterbury Tales*?

A. Watt B. Chaucer C. Defoe

41. What's the name of a very famous politician, the Prime Minister of the UK?

A. Paul McCartney B. Winston Churchill C. Alfred Hitchcock

42. Who painted *The Portrait of a Lady in Blue*?

A. Gainsborough B. Constable C. Turner

Task 3. Fill in the gaps with the correct word.

weather silent storm time rain
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43. As welcome as a

44. April

45. is the great healer.

46. Small lays great dust.

47. There is a time to speak and a time to be

Transfer your answers to the answer sheet.

Writing (20 points)

Time - 30 minutes

You see this announcement in your school English-language magazine. Write your answer in about 80-100 words on the answer sheet. Use the following plan:

- entitle you article
- make an introduction
- express your opinion on the topic: give 2-3 ideas and explain, how they can help
- describe your personal experience on the topic
- make a conclusion

Articles wanted!

How can you cheer up a friend?

*Write an article describing some ways you can make a friend who is feeling down feel more cheerful.
How can these ideas help? What do you do to make yourself more cheerful when you feel sad?*

The best articles answering these questions will be published next month.

Transfer your answers to the answer sheet.