

Примерные задания для Олимпиады по иностранному языку

Part 1. Vocabulary and grammar.

Choose the correct item.

- 1 I'll _____ these videos onto a DVD and give you a copy.
A keep B edit C **burn**
- 2 Mike _____ talk to his teacher if he's having problems with the assignment.
A has B ought C **should**
- 3 Sonya _____ for her car keys for the last hour, and she still can't find them.
A was looking **B has been looking** C is looking
- 4 Olga never _____ the car for short distances; she prefers walking.
A catches **B takes** C travels
- 5 It doesn't matter if you lose the game; just do _____ you can.
A the better B best C **the best**
- 6 Mary is thinking of trying a new sport, so she might take _____ tennis.
A up B in C over
- 7 Alex wishes he _____ his house earlier; then he wouldn't be stuck in traffic now.
A left **B had left** C would leave
- 8 This dish _____ by a professional chef.
A prepared **B was prepared** C had prepared
- 9 Feel free to use my dictionary to look _____ any words you don't know.
A up B out C in
- 10 What did Jack _____ to you that you're so upset?
A say B ask C tell
- 11 Dan's classmates often pick _____ him because he has bright red hair.
A at **B on** C of
- 12 The increase in greenhouse gases _____ bad news for the future of our planet.

A says B states C **spells**

13 Take your keys with you _____ Mum's not at home when you return this evening.

A **in case** B so that C so as

14 It was _____ terrible weather that there were hardly anybody out in the streets.

A such a B **such** C so

15 It _____ by people in the office that Joe was caught red-handed stealing the money.

A says B has said C **is said**

16 I can't wait _____ Matt the good news!

A telling B I tell C **to tell**

17 Be careful with that sharp knife! You _____ yourself.

A are to cut B **are going to cut** C are cutting

18 Bill won't be attending the conference _____ he's out of town.

A **because** B because of C due to

19 A hidden camera inside the bank enabled the police to _____ the criminals.

A announce B realise C **identify**

20 The students are looking forward _____ part in tree-planting day.

A taking B to take C **to taking**

21 Jane needs to see a doctor because she has been suffering _____ headaches lately.

A **from** B of C about

22 George _____ to be the best student in the school.

A **is said** B said C has said

23 Don't use these eggs! They are _____.

A **rotten** B bitter C sour

24 Let's order some dessert. I _____ some chocolate cake.

A have B **will have** C going to have

25 These jeans are too _____. You need a smaller size.

A lost B lose C **loose**

- 26 Has Henry found a way to deal _____ his problem?
 A about B to C **with**
- 27 Garry is so _____ that very few people trust what he says.
 A selfish B jealous C **dishonest**
- 28 What _____ when he heard the good news?
 A had Tom said B **was Tom saying** C did Tom say
- 29 A cold glass of water is more refreshing _____ a glass of cola.
 A **than** B from C to
- 30 Tonia is really interested _____ photography and is planning to take classes.
 A **in** B at C for

Part 2. Reading

Task 1. Read the text below and Match the headings (A-F) with paragraphs 1-5 in the text. There is one extra heading which will not be used.

- A. Farming – The Matter Of Concern.**
- B. Oil Industry Benefits.**
- C. The Weather Fore**
- D. Some Facts About Greenland.**
- E. The Importance Of Summer.**
- F. The Global Warming Makes The Difference.**

1 _____

Greenland is the largest island in the world but has a small population of 56,000. Many of these ‘Greenlanders’ live close to the coastline because a large part of the country is covered with ice and glaciers. More than a quarter of all the people live in the capital, Nuuk. Since the 1960s, the country has had economic difficulties and social problems. Its traditional industry – and its biggest – is fishing but the country still imports much more than it exports. Now, however, life is about to change dramatically for many Greenlanders – and all because of the weather.

2 _____

Most scientists agree that the world’s climate is getting warmer and you can already see the difference in Greenland. For example, small icebergs – about the size of city buses – are floating near to the coast. They have broken off from much larger areas of ice further out in the ocean because of the change in temperature. Furthermore,

the huge sheet of ice which covers Greenland is shrinking by about 75 cubic kilometres each year. If all of Greenland's ice melted, sea levels across the world would rise by 7.5 metres.

3 _____

One industry that is benefiting from the melting ice is the oil industry. Nowadays, the sea around the west coast of Greenland has no ice for six months of the year. This means oil companies can explore this area. They plan to drill for oil in the next few years. Greenlanders have mixed feelings about this modern development. The country's prime minister, Kuupik Kleist, explains the dilemma: 'The Arctic people are the ones most exposed to climate change but we need a strong economy and we have to utilise the opportunities that oil could bring us ... we don't have any other natural resources for the time being that hold as much potential as oil.'

4 _____

Farming will also change. The growing season is longer with spring arriving earlier and longer summers. On the one hand, if the country produced more of its own food, it wouldn't need to import so much. On the other hand, some farmers are worried. They think the drier summers might create new problems. For example, last year, it was so dry that farmers produced half the normal amount of food.

5 _____

I spent my last night in the town of Qaqortoq with farming families at their annual celebration before the summer begins. After dinner, everyone started singing this traditional song. The song is about the importance of summer in a place where, in the past, the winters were long and the summers were short. As nature and the weather changes in Greenland, I wondered if they would still sing this song in a hundred years' time. They might not.

Summer, summer, how wonderful

How incredibly good.

The frost is gone,

The frost is gone ...

Task 2 Are the statements true (T) or false (F) according to the text? Put «T» or «F» under each number.

1. Many 'Greenlanders' live far from the coastline.
2. The country imports much more than it exports.
3. The world's climate is getting warmer.
4. All of Greenland's ice melted.
5. The oil industry is benefiting from the melting ice.
6. Greenlanders have different opinions about modern development.

7. Farming will not change at all.
8. Some farmers think the drier summers might create new benefits.
9. Last summer farmers produced two times less the normal amount of food.
10. After dinner the farmers started singing about the importance of summer.

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Part 3. SPEAKING.

Вариант 1

You are going to make a dialogue about keeping fit. You will have to start in 1.5 minutes and will speak with your partner for not more than 2 minutes.

Remember to say:

- why a healthy lifestyle is more popular nowadays;
- what you do to keep fit;
- what sports activities are popular with teenagers in your region.

Вариант 2

You are going to make a dialogue about the place where you live. You will have to start in 1.5 minutes and will speak with your partner for not more than 2 minutes.

Remember to say:

- what your city, town or village is famous for;
- what your favourite place in your city, town or village is, and why you like it;
- whether you are going to stay in your city, town or village after leaving school or move to another place, and why.

Вариант 3

You are going to make a dialogue about environment pollution. You will have to start in 1.5 minutes and will speak with your partner for not more than 2 minutes.

Remember to say:

- why the problem of environment pollution is so acute;
- what can be the consequences;
- what can we do to prevent environment pollution.

Вариант 4

You are going to make a dialogue about the Internet. You will have to start in 1.5 minutes and will speak with your partner for not more than 2 minutes.

Remember to say:

- why today's teenagers use the Internet so much;
- how the Internet makes long-distance communication easier;
- what dangers teenagers can face when they use the Internet.

Вариант 5

You are going to make a dialogue about your career plans. You will have to start in 1.5 minutes and will speak with your partner for not more than 2 minutes.

Remember to say:

- what job you want to do in the future;
- what two subjects you think are the most important for your future job, and why;
- whether your family approve of your career choice or not.