

ВСЕРОССИЙСКАЯ ОЛИМПИАДА ШКОЛЬНИКОВ ПО АНГЛИЙСКОМУ ЯЗЫКУ
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Муниципальный этап
9-11 класс

USE OF ENGLISH (28 points)

Time: 25 minutes

Task 1. Read the text and choose a word which best fits each gap.

An unforgettable journey

A tropical island with blue seas and blue skies might sound like paradise, but for me it was (1) _____ nightmare. I recently took a boat trip to a nature reserve on a deserted island. Nobody lives on the island, but tourists can visit for the day on a boat (2) _____ arrives at 9 am and leaves at 5 pm every day. (3) _____ you miss that boat though, you have to stay the night in a tiny hut on the beach.

When I arrived, I went off to explore the island. It was a beautiful day and I had (4) _____ walking for hours in the sun. I was just about to sit and relax in the sun when I looked (5) _____ my watch. The boat (6) _____ leaving in only ten minute's time! I rushed down to the beach but (7) _____ the time I arrived, the boat had left. I was alone, and I had to spend the night on the island! If only I'd kept track of the time, I wouldn't (8) _____ missed that boat. I decided to sleep on the beach instead of inside the hut, although I don't think I really sleep at (9) _____. Fortunately, the night was not as scary (10) _____ I'd expected it would be. In fact, nothing happened to me, and the boat came back at 9 am the next day. The captain (11) _____ quite shocked to see me on the island and told me I was the first tourist he'd ever left behind! Next time I wander off alone, I (12) _____ definitely make sure I keep an eye on the time!

Task 2. Choose the correct option (A, B, C or D) to complete the text.

The rise and fall of the shopping mall

Cities have had markets and shopping centres for hundreds of years. However, the shopping mall of today (13) _____ in the USA in the 1920s. The Country Club Plaza is believed (14) _____ the first mall. This mall, (15) _____ was designed by J.C. Nichols, was located outside of the city. It had a car park and a large number of clothing and homeware (16) _____ inside one building. During the 1980s and 1990s malls were very popular. The internet changed this because often shopping online is (17) _____ than going to a mall. Also, there is a (18) _____ choice of products online. Although malls are (19) _____ popular as they used to be, companies are still building them. These companies attempt (20) _____ the expectations of modern consumers by making

them more environmentally friendly and including entertainment facilities such as cinemas to make them attractive as a venue for a day out.

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| 13. A created | B was created | C is being created | D had been created |
| 14. A to have been | B to being | C that it was | D have been |
| 15. A what | B that | C which | D where |
| 16. A consumers | B facilities | C costumes | D retailers |
| 17. A less convenient | B more convenient | C as convenient | D the most convenient |
| 18. A more widely | B widest | C bit wider | D far wider |
| 19. A not | B less | C not as | D least |
| 20. A to meet | B meeting | C meet | D them to meet |

Task 3. Read the text below. Use the words given in capitals to form a word that fits in each gap.

New streetcar on the block

In what was (21)_____ (DOUBT) the most eagerly awaited theatre event of the year, the new stage production of 'A streetcar named Desire', which has drawn an all-star Hollywood cast, yesterday came to the National Theatre. Hannah Preston gives us one of the most (22)_____ (COMPEL) performances of her career as the lead, Blanche Dubois. The story focuses on Blanche's descent into (23)_____ (SANE) which is rapidly hastened by the cold, at times (24)_____ (REASON), behaviour of those around her. This version of the classic play sees a shift of focus, highlighting key relationships, and putting the (25)_____ (ACT) between four of the main characters, Stanley, Blanche, Stella and Mitch in the spotlight. This was a refreshing take compared to many versions which see other characters (26)_____ (LOOK) in favour of far greater focus on Blanche. This play exceeded my (27)_____ (EXPECT). I'd even go so far as to say it has all the ingredients to be an (28)_____ (DENY) success, both here and on the other side of the pond. It's deserving of being the hottest ticket in town, so get one, if you can!

Transfer your answers to the answer sheet.