ЗАДАНИЯ

для проведения школьной олимпиады

по учебному предмету «Английский язык»

IX класс

Время выполнения: 90 минут

Максимальное количество баллов:60

1. **Put the verbs in brackets into the correct form (8 points):**

“Good evening, ladies and gentleman. I am Charles Trump. I am reporting from BBC news headquarters. Earlier this evening, at 6.24 p.m., an earthquake **(1 hit)** \_\_\_\_\_ Cairo, Egypt. Many people have been killed, many more have been injured and much of the city **(2 destroy)** \_\_\_\_. Emergency teams **(3 already set up)** \_\_\_\_\_\_all over the city. They **(4 help)** \_\_\_\_\_ the injured. Firemen and local people are digging in the wreckage as many people **(5 still trap)** \_\_\_\_ there. A BBC special news team **(6 leave)** \_\_\_\_\_\_ for Cairo immediately after we received news of the earthquake. We **(7 expect**) \_\_\_\_\_ a special, in-depth report from them at any moment. As soon as we **(8 hear)** \_\_\_\_ from them we will release another news bulletin.”

1. **Fill in the right article (7 points):**

About a year ago, I had **(1)** \_\_\_\_ bad quarrel with my father. It all began because he did not approve of my going out with Martin, who he thought was not suitable for me at all. I told him that he had no **(2)** \_\_\_ right to interfere with my personal life. **(3)** \_\_\_ few months later **(4)** \_\_\_ quarrel, I discovered that Martin was seeing his ex-girlfriend. As I was upset at not having been told about this, I decided to put **(5)** \_\_\_ end to our relationship. I still haven’t told my father about **(6)** \_\_\_\_ breakup even though I phoned him recently to wish him a happy birthday. I was planning to apologize to him for what I had said as I now realize that my relation with Martin was not worth breaking my father’s heart. However, he sounded so cool on **(7)** \_\_\_ phone that I didn’t feel like continuing the conversation any longer.

1. **Put in the prepositions where necessary (10 points):**
2. Humans have much (1) \_\_\_\_ common with other life forms on Earth.
3. We are not alone (2) \_\_\_ making use of the world around us.
4. Now, growing in popularity (3) \_\_\_\_ an incredible rate, is something known as blogging.
5. It is uncommon (4) \_\_\_\_ journalists to use information that they have found on blog sites to write their articles.
6. It’s highly likely that most of the western world will be connected (5) \_\_\_\_ a WiFi network.
7. We also got some experience (6) \_\_\_\_\_ animal keeping.
8. However, the paparazzi argue, that celebrities have no right to any privacy because their job involves being (7) \_\_\_\_ the public eye.
9. Residents in a tower block didn’t interact (8) \_\_\_ each other (9) \_\_\_ a regular basis.
10. I hope this donation will support programmes to prevent (10) \_\_\_ the extinction of the rare animals.
11. **Spot the mistake and write the sentence correctly (7 points):**
12. How the trees are beautiful at this time of the year.
13. It isenough easyto get there on foot.
14. Would you mind to close the door more tightly?
15. My mother asked why did I want to go to the city centre**.**
16. He couldn’t lend any money as nobody had enough.
17. I was the last to enter in the building.
18. I’ve never felt so quietly in my life.
19. **Translate into English the words in brackets (7 points):**
20. For (***дальнейшей***) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ information, please write to the above address.
21. Did you (***делал***) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ notes as the lecturer was speaking?
22. We (***не привычны***) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to being told each time what to do.
23. She (***предложила***) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ having a short test.
24. You have to leave your bags in the cloakroom, (***не так ли***) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?
25. And where are (***другие***) \_\_\_\_\_\_ pupils of your class?
26. He filled in the wrong form (***по ошибке***).
27. **Form the appropriate derivates of the words given in the brackets (7 points):**
28. There is no ----- that we shall be a success (***certain***).
29. It’s an old ------- building (***to impress***).
30. Will you ------ yourself, please? (***introduction***)
31. It’s quite ----- for you to feel proud (***nature***).
32. Write the word in the ------- order (***alphabet***).
33. Our journey is \_\_\_\_\_\_ at the moment (***problem***).
34. Your \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ will be thoroughly considered ***(propose***).
35. **Choose the correct variant to the given stimulus (7 points):**
36. What is she like? a) Not bad, thank you.
37. Will you come? b) She is my cousin.
38. How are things? c) She is tall and slim.
39. I’m sorry to bother you. d) Very well, thank you.
40. She’s of little help, I’m afraid. e) By all means.
41. How is she? f) That’s all right.
42. Who is this girl? g) That’s true.
43. **Read the text and do the tasks:**

The problem with American parks system is that the parks are being, in the popular phrase, “loved to death”. Too many people are visiting the system. It’s said they are ruining the plants with the pollution from their cars, scaring the animals, destroying by their numbers the experience of being in a wild place the parks are supposed to offer.

It’s hard for a visitor from Europe to feel that way. Three years ago we went to Grand Tetons in Wyoming which is my favourite park of all. Yes, you could find yourself waiting behind a line of cars as someone tried to photograph a herd of animals with a pocket camera.

But when we drove a little way north, turned off the main road and found a small lake surrounded by fields of flowers, with the beautiful snow-capped range of the Tetons in the background. We saw a total of two other people during the whole long, sunny, perfect afternoon.

The busiest park in the system, The Great Smoky Mountains between Tennessee and California, can get 60,000 visitors on a single summer’s day. That sounds plenty and it is. But all of these people are sharing an area only slightly smaller than the whole of Luxemburg, which has a permanent population seven times as great.

The basic argument is over how much should be done in the parks to satisfy human visitors. Should the accommodation be so basic that only true lovers of nature will be tempted to come? Or should they contain – as they increasingly do- comfortable bathrooms and colour TVs? Choose the former and you are necessarily excluding America’s growing population of old people.

And exactly what should be preserved? Twenty years ago Yellow Stone, perhaps the most famous park of all, decided to change to a “hands-off” policy. Animals in danger of starving in the winter would be left to starve, just as nature intended. My advice is to stop trying too hard. Provide plenty of car parks and lodgings for visitors of all kinds. Ban radio and snowmobiles. But realize that for every thousand acres which are spoiled, there are a million which remain as beautiful as they were in George Washington’s day.

1. **True/false:**
2. Visitors from Europe notice that American parks are being destroyed.
3. In the Grand Tetons in Wyoming visitors are not allowed to turn off the main road.
4. The Great Smoky Mountains can get seven times more people on a single summer day than the permanent population of Luxemburg.
5. The basic argument over national parks is about the accommodation that would satisfy human visitors.
6. **Answer the questions:**
7. What accommodation should the hotels have to welcome old age people?
8. What does “the hands off” policy which was introduced in the Yellow Stone park mean?
9. **Correct the sentences according to the text:**
10. The Great Smoky Mountains park is the largest in the American Park system.
11. The author’s advice is to provide lodgings for true lovers of nature only.

**KEYS:**

1. **Tense forms:**
2. Hit
3. Has been destroyed
4. Have already been set up
5. Are helping
6. Are still trapped
7. Left
8. Are expecting
9. hear
10. **Articles:**
11. a
12. –
13. a
14. the
15. an
16. the
17. the
18. **Prepositions:**
19. in
20. in
21. at
22. for
23. to
24. in
25. on
26. with
27. on
28. ---
29. 1. How beautiful the trees are at this time of the year.

2.It is easy enough to get there on foot.

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1. 1. Further

2.Make

3.Are not used

4.Suggested

5.Don’t you?

6.The other

7.By mistake

1. **1.**certainty

2.impression

3.alphabetic(al)

4.natural

5.introduce

6.problematic(al)

7.proposal/proposition

1. 1. C

2.e

3.a

4.f

5.g

6.d

7.b

**8.**

**A.** 1.False

2. False

3. False

4.True

**B.** 1. Comfortable bathrooms and colour TV sets.

2. People won’t feed animals in winter.

**C.** 1. is the busiest

2. for visitors of all kinds.