

МИНИСТЕРСТВО НА ОБРАЗОВАНИЕТО И НАУКАТА

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МОДУЛ 1 (Време за работа: 60 минути)

PART ONE: LISTENING COMPREHENSION

Directions: *You will hear a text about the flood of Noah twice. Before you listen to it, you have 2 minutes to read the questions. While listening for the first time, you can look at the questions and the suggested choices, but you are not allowed to take notes. When you hear the whole text, you have 4 minutes to answer the questions on your answer sheet, choosing among A, B, C or D. Then you will hear the text again and will have 1 minute to check your answers.*

- 1. According to the Biblical story summarised in the text, Noah lived**
 - A) seven thousand years ago.
 - B) six hundred thousand years ago.
 - C) for almost one thousand years.
 - D) for about six hundred years.

- 2. Noah knew that there was land somewhere because**
 - A) the downpour of rain had come to an end.
 - B) the bird which he had sent to find land did come back.
 - C) the olive branch the bird brought meant there was land once again.
 - D) the bird he had sent to find land told him there was land once again.

- 3. The Olive Trees of Noah are considered**
 - A) the tallest olive trees alive at the time of the flood.
 - B) the only olive trees growing so high at that time.
 - C) the only olive trees growing so high nowadays.
 - D) the tallest olive trees alive nowadays.

- 4. The Lebanese Ministry of Tourism and Culture have**
 - A) recognised the Olive Trees of Noah as an endangered species.
 - B) provided all the necessary support to protect the Olive Trees of Noah.
 - C) proclaimed the Olive trees of Noah a site of national importance.
 - D) given the Olive Trees of Noah the status of a World Heritage Site.

- 5. The Sisters Olive Trees of Noah was created as**
 - A) a business enterprise competing on the market with its high-quality olive oil.
 - B) an organisation which protects these trees and provides for their upkeep.
 - C) a security company which guards this unique World Heritage Site.
 - D) an organisation of nutritionists who popularise and sell healthy food.

Directions: You will hear a text about **the bikini** twice. Before you listen to it, you have **2 minutes** to read the questions. While listening for the first time, you can look at the questions and the suggested choices, but you are not allowed to take notes. When you hear the whole text, you have **4 minutes** to answer the questions on your answer sheet, choosing among **A, B, C or D**. Then you will hear the text again and will have **1 minute** to check your answers.

- 6. The Bikini Atoll gained attention in the 20th century as**
 - A) a site for testing various nuclear weapon devices.
 - B) the place where the *bikini* swimsuit was designed.
 - C) the place where the *bikini* swimsuit was displayed.
 - D) the site for testing 23 hydrogen bombs.
- 7. The first swimsuit to be advertised as “the world’s smallest bathing suit” was**
 - A) a one-piece swimsuit called the *atome*.
 - B) a two-piece swimsuit called the *bikini*.
 - C) a two-piece swimsuit called the *atome*.
 - D) a one-piece swimsuit called the *bikini*.
- 8. The *bikini* swimsuit was named after the North Pacific atoll because**
 - A) that atoll had become very popular all over the world at the time.
 - B) the designer thought it would beat his rival’s design – the *atome*.
 - C) it was expected to be as shocking as the Bikini nuclear tests.
 - D) there was a popular joke about the Bikini and the atom.
- 9. There is evidence that bathing suits similar to the *bikini* and the *atome***
 - A) have always been popular throughout our era.
 - B) were popular in the 3rd century of our era.
 - C) have been popular since the 3rd century before our era.
 - D) were popular in the 3rd century before our era.
- 10. Which of the following statements is NOT true according to the text?**
 - A) The atomic theory was not invented in modern times.
 - B) The bikini swimsuit was not invented in modern times.
 - C) Nothing really new is ever invented.
 - D) All modern inventors present ancient inventions as their own.

Directions: You will hear a text about the **London Tea Trade Centre** twice. Before you listen to it, you have **1 minute** to read the questions. While listening for the first time, you can look at the questions and the suggested choices, but you are not allowed to take notes. When you hear the whole text, you have **3 minutes** to answer the questions on your answer sheet, choosing among **A, B or C**. Then you will hear the text again and will have **1 minute** to check your answers.

- 11. The Tea Trade Centre in London is near a big bank.**
 - A) True.
 - B) False.
 - C) No information in the text.
- 12. The average British person would prefer coffee to tea.**
 - A) True.
 - B) False.
 - C) No information in the text.

- 13. Tea sales are held at the London Tea Trade Centre every week.**
A) True. B) False. C) No information in the text.
- 14. The professional tea tasters at the Centre add milk to the tea drinks they taste.**
A) True. B) False. C) No information in the text.
- 15. Popular high quality tea in Britain is usually made from one type of tea only.**
A) True. B) False. C) No information in the text.

PART TWO: READING COMPREHENSION

Directions: *Read the text below. Then read the questions that follow it and choose the best answer to each question among A, B or C, marking your answers on your answer sheet.*

Never too Old to Learn

I have just received a letter from my old school informing me that my former English teacher and headmistress, Mrs Olivia Park, will be retiring next week. Pupils of the school, old and new, will be sending her a present to mark the occasion. All those who have contributed towards the gift will sign their names in a large album which will be sent to her home. We shall all remember Mrs Park for her patience and understanding, and for the kindly encouragement she gave us when we went so unwillingly to school or failed to do our homework. A great many former pupils will be attending a farewell dinner in her honour next Friday. It is a curious fact that the day before her retirement, Mrs Park will have been teaching English for a total of forty years!

After she has retired Mrs Park will devote herself to gardening and dog-breeding. For her, these will be entirely new hobbies as she never used to have enough free time while she was at the school. But this does not matter, for, as she has often remarked, one is never too old to learn and all it takes is passion and commitment.

- 16. In her 40 years as a teacher, Mrs Olivia Park has always worked at the same school.**
A) True. B) False. C) No information in the text.
- 17. All former pupils who contributed towards Mrs Park's present will be at her farewell dinner party.**
A) True. B) False. C) No information in the text.
- 18. Many pupils of the school are grateful to Mrs Park for her caring attitude towards them over the years.**
A) True. B) False. C) No information in the text.
- 19. The album, signed by all of Mrs Park's pupils, will be presented to her at the farewell dinner party.**
A) True. B) False. C) No information in the text.
- 20. Mrs Park has practised both gardening and dog-breeding for quite a while.**
A) True. B) False. C) No information in the text.