

МИНИСТЕРСТВО НА ОБРАЗОВАНИЕТО И НАУКАТА  
ЦЕНТЪР ЗА КОНТРОЛ И ОЦЕНКА НА КАЧЕСТВОТО НА УЧИЛИЩНОТО ОБРАЗОВАНИЕ

НАЦИОНАЛНО ВЪНШНО ОЦЕНЯВАНЕ ЗА ОСМИ КЛАС С ИНТЕНЗИВНО  
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Write your answers *on the separate answer sheet*.

**PART ONE: LISTENING COMPREHENSION**

**Task 1**

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**1. During excavations parts of bowling balls were found in ...**

- A) Ancient Egypt.
- B) the Roman Empire.
- C) both Ancient Egypt and the Roman Empire.

**2. Some bowling balls in Ancient Egypt were made of leather filled with ...**

- A) stones.
- B) glass.
- C) grain.

**3. In the Roman Empire Roman, soldiers used \_\_\_\_\_ to play bowling with.**

- A) porcelain balls
- B) stone things
- C) wooden objects

**4. The text does NOT say where ...**

- A) the first modern rules for bowling were set.
- B) the oldest surviving bowling clubs are.
- C) the International Bowling Organization was formed.

**5. Today video games make bowling more ...**

- A) popular.
- B) inaccessible.
- C) media-oriented.

## Task 2

**Directions:** You will hear a text about **urban free climbing** twice. Before you listen to it, you will have **2 minutes** to read questions **6 – 10**. While listening for the first time, you can look at the statements, but you are not allowed to take notes. After you hear the whole text, you will have **3 minutes** to answer the questions, choosing the answer (**A, B or C**) which you think fits best according to the text. Then you will hear the text again and will have **1 minute** to check your answers.

### 6. Mustang Wanted is a ...

- A) horseman.
- B) stuntman.
- C) hangman.

### 7. In the interview with Mustang Wanted published in *The Daily Mail* he talks about his ...

- A) lack of fear of climbing.
- B) career as a lawyer.
- C) acting in films.

### 8. Mustang Wanted also talks about ...

- A) robots and technological advances.
- B) his many climbing accidents.
- C) his understanding of a well-lived life.

### 9. Mustang Wanted has been a free climber for \_\_\_\_\_ twelve years.

- A) exactly
- B) less than
- C) more than

### 10. According to the speaker, you can practise urban free climbing if you are ...

- A) very fit and strong.
- B) professionally trained.
- C) not afraid of dying.

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**11. Married couples like shopping much more than single people do.**

- A) True                      B) False                      C) No information in the text

**12. Some doctors give a reasonable explanation why many women and girls go shopping so often.**

- A) True                      B) False                      C) No information in the text

**13. According to the text, clothes in cheerful colours make women happier.**

- A) True                      B) False                      C) No information in the text

**14. The narrator shares only one of his favourite jokes about shopping.**

- A) True                      B) False                      C) No information in the text

**15. The narrator is sorry that the mall does not work longer hours.**

- A) True                      B) False                      C) No information in the text

## **PART TWO: READING COMPREHENSION**

### **Task 1**

*Directions: Read the text below. For questions 16 - 20, choose the answer (A, B or C) which you think fits best according to the text.*

### **Monkeys**

Monkeys are very much like us in many ways. Most of them have ten fingers and ten toes, and brains much like ours. We enjoy watching them because they often act like us. In fact Charles Darwin's theory of evolution says that monkeys and humans have the same grand-grand-grandfathers.

Monkeys make us smile because they are creatures full of playful tricks. This is why there are so many "monkey expressions" about tricky people or playful acts. One of these expressions is "monkey business" and it usually means secret, maybe illegal activities. It may also mean cheating or stealing in business deals. A police report may say that there is some monkey business in building the new airport or any other big project, with some people in power getting secret money from the builders.

So when a teacher says to a group of students during a test, "Stop this monkey business right now!", you know that the schoolgirls and the schoolboys should stop trying to cheat on the exam.

You can also "make a monkey" out of someone when you make that person look foolish or stupid. Some people make a monkey out of themselves by doing foolish or silly things.

Also, you can "monkey around" when you feel like doing something but have no clear idea of what to do. For example, you tell your friend that you are going to spend the day monkeying around in your car. You do not have any job, or anything special in mind. It is just a way to pass the time. So when was the last time you monkeyed around?

**16. Monkeys are very much like us because ...**

- A) all of them have ten fingers and toes.
- B) their brains are almost the same as ours.
- C) they can exactly imitate our behaviour.

**17. In English, there are \_\_\_\_\_ monkey expressions.**

- A) very few
- B) hardly any
- C) numerous

**18. Secret or illegal activities can be called ...**

- A) monkeying around.
- B) monkey business.
- C) making a monkey.

**19. If after school students do not go directly home but have fun in a café instead, they ...**

...

- A) make a monkey out of themselves.
- B) monkey around.
- C) do monkey business.

**20. The text is mainly about ...**

- A) monkeys, people and language.
- B) the playful tricks of monkeys.
- C) tricky, foolish and lazy people.

**Task 2**

*Directions: Read the text below. For questions 21 - 25, choose the answer (A, B or C) which you think fits best according to the text.*

**Banksy, the Famous Graffiti Artist**

Banksy is the pseudonym of Paul Homer, the most famous graffiti artist in the world. Mr Banksy was born in 1974 and raised in Bristol in the United Kingdom. He is the son of a photocopier technician and was trained as a butcher but became a street graffiti artist instead. At first some people did not accept Mr Banksy's art. Even in his home town, Bristol, he has had a long love-and-hate relationship with the people from the Town Hall. Mr Banksy started covering the walls of the buildings in Bristol with his graffiti in the early 1990s. Since that time some people have never stopped criticizing his work. Sometimes the Bristol police tried to arrest him for vandalism.

After years of struggle, everything ended up well and today there is an exhibition of Banksy's art in Bristol with more than 100 of his works. One of these works is a burned-out ice-cream van!

What's more, Mr Banksy's popularity has spread all over the world and continues to go up. Some years ago he opened an interesting exhibition in New York, in the U.S. It was his first

exhibition there and Mr Banksy decided to attract visitors in an unusual way. On the outside, people thought they saw a pet shop. Through the window they saw what appeared to be a leopard and a monkey, and some people entered to complain about the small space in which the animals were kept.

Inside, they saw something quite different. These animals were not alive; they were “animatronic” creatures that moved around the store to attract onlookers. The other artworks included robotic rabbits wearing pearl necklaces, a couple of fried chickens drinking ketchup, hot dogs underneath heat lamps and a camera looking after its young.

The street artist offered a written explanation for this installation. He said: "New Yorkers don't care about art, they care about pets. So I'm exhibiting them instead."

**21. Banksy was in his \_\_\_\_\_ when he started his street graffiti art.**

- A) teens
- B) late twenties
- C) early thirties

**22. Banksy's popularity is ...**

- A) still on the rise.
- B) not so high any more.
- C) gradually going down.

**23. Some people went into Banksy's first exhibition in New York ...**

- A) to complain about the damaged property.
- B) because of their concern about animal rights.
- C) to blame him for vandalism.

**24. Banksy's New York exhibition didn't include ...**

- A) robotic models of animals.
- B) any technical devices.
- C) any graffiti signs.

**25. Banksy thinks that \_\_\_\_\_ can make New Yorkers visit his exhibition.**

- A) his street art
- B) love for pets
- C) his explanation

### **Task 3**

*Directions: Read the text below. For questions 26 - 30, choose the answer (A, B or C) which you think fits best according to the text.*

#### **Albert Einstein on a Train**

Albert Einstein was once travelling from Princeton on a train when the conductor came down the corridor and asked all the passengers to show him their tickets. When he came to Einstein, Einstein reached in his coat pocket. He couldn't find his ticket, so he reached in his trouser

pockets. It wasn't there, so he looked in his wallet but couldn't find it. Then he looked in his briefcase. He still couldn't find it.

The conductor said, 'Dr. Einstein, I know who you are. We all know who you are. I'm sure you bought a ticket. Don't worry about it.'

Einstein nodded thankfully.

The conductor continued down the corridor asking for the tickets of the other passengers.

As he was ready to move to the next car, he turned around and saw the great physicist down on his hands and knees looking under his seat for his ticket.

The conductor rushed back and said, 'Dr. Einstein, Dr. Einstein, don't worry, I know who you are. No problem. You don't need a ticket. I'm sure you bought one.' Einstein looked at him and said, 'Young man, I also know who I am. What I don't know is where I'm going. That's why I am looking for my ticket.'

**26. Albert Einstein got on the train in Princeton.**

- A) True                      B) False                      C) No information in the text

**27. Einstein started looking for his ticket before the conductor came to him.**

- A) True                      B) False                      C) No information in the text

**28. The conductor asked Einstein to look for his ticket more carefully.**

- A) True                      B) False                      C) No information in the text

**29. Einstein was wearing glasses while he was looking under his seat.**

- A) True                      B) False                      C) No information in the text

**30. Einstein needed his ticket because he had forgotten his destination.**

- A) True                      B) False                      C) No information in the text

**PART THREE: USE OF ENGLISH**

*Directions: For questions 31 - 50, read the text below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) fits each gap best.*

**31. As a rule, at pubs \_\_\_\_\_ dinner is served between 7 pm and 9 pm.**

- A) –                              B) a                              C) the                              D) an

**32. Some students are \_\_\_\_\_ learners than their classmates.**

- A) slowly                      B) more slowly                      C) slower                      D) slow

**33. People \_\_\_\_\_ smoke in hospitals because it is against the law.**

- A) couldn't                      B) won't                      C) may not                      D) mustn't

34. The news \_\_\_\_\_ good: you'd better prepare him.  
A) aren't                      B) don't                      C) doesn't                      D) isn't
35. Fewer and fewer people \_\_\_\_\_ the reality show this month.  
A) are watching                      B) is watching                      C) watches                      D) watch
36. We were having supper while he \_\_\_\_\_ on the computer.  
A) has played                      B) was playing                      C) had played                      D) plays
37. \_\_\_\_\_ can enter the building because the police are everywhere.  
A) Everyone                      B) No one                      C) Anyone                      D) Someone
38. \_\_\_\_\_ you pay a visit to the Art Gallery last month?  
A) Do                      B) Did                      C) Have                      D) Had
39. If you \_\_\_\_\_ him the truth now, he will surely take part in the match tomorrow.  
A) will tell                      B) had told                      C) were telling                      D) tell
40. The sheep were well guarded but the wolves managed to take \_\_\_\_\_ away.  
A) her                      B) it                      C) them                      D) their
41. We were all amazed \_\_\_\_\_ what we saw on TV last night.  
A) in                      B) at                      C) to                      D) on
42. Today students are less interested \_\_\_\_\_ reading books than before.  
A) from                      B) of                      C) in                      D) by
43. Elderly people are usually frightened \_\_\_\_\_ heights.  
A) with                      B) from                      C) at                      D) of
44. The teacher told the students to \_\_\_\_\_ the exercise more carefully.  
A) do                      B) listen                      C) make                      D) get
45. My younger brother always \_\_\_\_\_ jokes at family gatherings.  
A) says                      B) speaks                      C) tells                      D) pronounces
46. We were lucky because we did not lose much \_\_\_\_\_ in the fire.  
A) information                      B) papers                      C) photos                      D) people

**47. Yesterday Anna \_\_\_\_\_ an exam but she doesn't know the result yet.**

- A) passed                      B) carried                      C) took                      D) stood

**48. I can't come with you because my mum asked me to \_\_\_\_\_ all these clothes.**

- A) vacuum                      B) iron                      C) polish                      D) wet

**49. Ski \_\_\_\_\_ must be steep enough but safe.**

- A) fields                      B) pistes                      C) pitches                      D) courts

**50. Get a \_\_\_\_\_ and sweep all that dirt off the floor.**

- A) scarf                      B) mat                      C) towel                      D) broom

#### **PART FOUR: WRITING**

*Directions: Write a text of about 120 - 140 words on ONE of the topics below.*

**1.** Describe one of your best days at school. What happened? When and where in school did it happen? Who were you with? How did you feel?

**2.** Which is your favourite computer game? Describe it and explain why you like it so much. What do you like most about it?

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**ТОЗИ ТЕКСТ Е САМО ЗА УЧИТЕЛЯ-КОНСУЛТАНТ!**

При проблем със слушането на записа, учителят-консултант изчита на глас и инструкцията, и съответния текст, според указанията в инструкцията.

**LISTENING COMPREHENSION**

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**Bowling**

Not only Fred Flintstone and his friend Barney Rubble like bowling. Most of us do. Bowling is actually a very old game. The earliest most primitive forms of bowling are from Ancient Egypt and the Roman Empire.

Remains of bowling balls were found in Ancient Egypt 3000–5000 years ago. At that time the bowling balls were made of grain, mostly corn, and covered in material such as leather. Other balls were made of porcelain. They were big and heavy and people did not throw them but rolled them along the ground. Some of these balls looked like modern bowling balls.

Bowling games of different forms were played in the Roman Empire as well. Roman soldiers threw stone objects as close as possible to other stone objects. This game became very popular with Roman soldiers, and later on people called it “outdoor bowling.”

The first modern rules for bowling were set in New York City in 1895. The oldest surviving bowling clubs are also in the United States, in the state of Connecticut. In 1905 the International Bowling Organization was formed. So bowling started to spread in a lot of countries.

Today, millions of people enjoy bowling in more than ninety countries all over the world. The popularity of bowling continues to grow through entertainment media such as video games.

## Task 2

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### Urban Free Climbing: The New Extreme Sport You Shouldn't Try

“Free climbing” is an absolutely horrifying extreme sport where city people climb to the top of skyscrapers or other tall buildings and hang from them with no protection. One of the most famous of them is the Ukrainian free climber known as Mustang Wanted.

Mustang Wanted once worked as a lawyer, but after that he decided to start a career as a professional stuntman in films. He says he doesn't feel any sort of fear of the dangerous things he does. “Sometimes I think that I am a robot,” he says in an article for the London newspaper *The Daily Mail*. “I do not feel anything.”

He says, “Death is not the worst thing that can happen to somebody. Everyone dies — but not everyone lives the way they want.” Mustang Wanted has practised urban free climbing for over twelve years now, and has not had any climbing accidents yet.

Before we say anything else, however, we should warn you that you should not, in *any* circumstance, play this sport because you can easily get hurt. Hopefully that doesn't need to be said, but there are films about urban free climbing where things look less dangerous than they really are. You can practise urban free climbing in two cases only: first, if you are a professional, or, second, if you are immune to the effects of gravity.

### Task 3

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### Shopping Therapy

People say that today shopping is a popular lifestyle for many women and girls. When we are up and happy, we shop. When we are feeling down and sad, we shop even more.

Some doctors even say that through shopping many of us find a new focus and a source of happiness. What we can't solve in real life, we try to solve through shopping therapy.

A new shirt in happy colours brightens us up. That incredible pair of red sandals is too hard to pass over. And our little baby just needs another cute orange hat to match her orange pair of little shoes. Sounds funny, right?

There are many shopping jokes and some of them are so funny that you can't help laughing or at least smiling when you hear them. Here are two of my favourite ones: Whoever said that money can't buy happiness, simply didn't know where to go shopping. And here is my second best: Too many people spend money they haven't earned, to buy things they don't want, to impress people they don't like.

It's time to stop talking and go shopping because we all know that time flies and, unfortunately, the mall is open only until 10 pm.

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**ВЪПРОСИ С ИЗБОРЕН ОТГОВОР**

<b>Въпрос №</b>	<b>Верен отговор</b>	<b>Брой точки</b>		<b>Въпрос №</b>	<b>Верен отговор</b>	<b>Брой точки</b>
1.	A	1		26.	A	1
2.	C	1		27.	B	1
3.	B	1		28.	B	1
4.	C	1		29.	C	1
5.	A	1		30.	A	1
6.	B	1		31.	A	1
7.	A	1		32.	C	1
8.	C	1		33.	D	1
9.	C	1		34.	D	1
10.	B	1		35.	A	1
11.	C	1		36.	B	1
12.	A	1		37.	B	1
13.	A	1		38.	B	1
14.	B	1		39.	D	1
15.	A	1		40.	C	1
16.	B	1		41.	B	1
17.	C	1		42.	C	1
18.	B	1		43.	D	1
19.	B	1		44.	A	1
20.	A	1		45.	C	1
21.	A	1		46.	A	1
22.	A	1		47.	C	1
23.	B	1		48.	B	1
24.	C	1		49.	B	1
25.	B	1		50.	D	1