

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

НАЦИОНАЛНО ВЪНШНО ОЦЕНЯВАНЕ ЗА VIII КЛАС  
С ИНТЕНЗИВНО ИЗУЧАВАНЕ НА АНГЛИЙСКИ ЕЗИК  
В ПРОФИЛИРАНИ ГИМНАЗИИ И ПРОФИЛИРАНИ ПАРАЛЕЛКИ В СОУ  
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Write your answers *on the separate answer sheet.*

**PART ONE: LISTENING COMPREHENSION**

**Task 1**

*Directions: You will hear a text about **Dylan Thomas** twice. Before you listen to it, you will have **2 minutes** to read questions **1 – 5**. 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, C or D**) 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.*

**1. Dylan Thomas wrote ...**

- A) novels.
- B) poems.
- C) newspaper articles.
- D) plays.

**2. Dylan Thomas died ...**

- A) about 25 years ago.
- B) about 15 years ago.
- C) more than 50 years ago.
- D) exactly half a century ago.

**3. At the Dylan Thomas Centre there is an internationally famous ...**

- A) festival.
- B) competition.
- C) summer school.
- D) exhibition.

**4. Swansea is the place where Dylan Thomas ...**

- A) spent his early childhood.
- B) spent his summer holidays.
- C) lived and worked.
- D) spent all his life.

**5. The area inspires men of art to ...**

- A) paint and write.
- B) build houses.
- C) explore nature.
- D) make parties.

**Task 2**

***Directions:** You will hear a text about **Dumpster Diving** 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, C or D**) 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. Recently dumpster diving has ...**

- A) become quite popular in America.
- B) attracted many American sea divers.
- C) spread mainly in the hot American areas.
- D) become symbolic of the free American spirit.

**7. 'Freegans' are people who ...**

- A) started garbage recycling.
- B) protest against the policy of dumpster diving.
- C) collect food from trash bins.
- D) steal from grocery stores at night.

**8. Dumpster divers ...**

- A) are a nightmare for the local police.
- B) are considered outlaws everywhere in the USA.
- C) have taken the law in their own hands.
- D) are against the law in some states.

**9. With the recent economic crisis, ...**

- A) dumpster diving has become less appealing to people.
- B) the number of dumpster divers has increased drastically.
- C) people prefer Facebook groups to diving societies.
- D) dumpster diving has become much safer.

**10. The speaker thinks that in the future dumpster diving ...**

- A) may become a serious challenge for authorities.
- B) will turn into a popular fun activity.
- C) will decline as there won't be any trash bins.
- D) will not be as popular as it is nowadays.

### Task 3

**Directions:** You will hear a text about **the Great Wall of China** twice. Before you listen to it, you will have **1 minute** to read questions **11 – 15**. 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.

**11. The Great Wall of China was built to honour Emperor Qin Shi Huang and symbolize his power.**

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

**12. The present-day wall is still the longest construction built by man.**

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

**13. The first legends about the Great Wall date back to the time when it was under construction.**

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

**14. One of the most popular legends tells about how the northern pass of the wall was built.**

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

**15. More than 99 thousand workmen were involved in building the wall passes.**

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

## PART TWO: READING COMPREHENSION

### Task 1

**Directions:** Read the text below. For questions **16 - 23**, choose the answer (**A, B, C or D**) which you think fits best according to the text.

Many years ago, I became friendly with Mr William Legrand. He came from an old, respected family, and had once been wealthy. Unfortunately, several unlucky events had made him poor. And because he was ashamed of what had happened to him, he left New Orleans, the city where he had been born, and went to live in a place called Sullivan's Island, near Charleston, in South Carolina.

The island is a very strange one. It is about three miles long, and no more than a quarter of a mile wide at any point. It is separated from the mainland by a small river. A lot of wild birds, good for eating, are found in this area. At the western end of the island there is a fort, as well as some small wooden houses which are used in the summer months by the people from the town of Charleston. The rest of the island, except for this western point, and a line of hard, white beach on the sea-coast, is covered thickly with bushes which often grow to a height of fifteen or twenty feet.

Deep among these bushes, not far from the eastern end of the island, Legrand had built himself a small hut. He was living there when I first met him. Our first accidental meeting led to the start of a most interesting friendship. I found Legrand to be well-educated, with a most unusual, but clever mind. He was, however, very moody. Sometimes he would be very happy and energetic, and at other times very quiet and dull. His hut was full of books, but he did not often read. His main interests had become shooting and fishing, or walking along the beach and through the bushes looking for sea-shells and insects. His collection of insects was so interesting and unusual that I am sure a scientist would have been proud to have owned it.

The winters in Sullivan's Island are seldom very cold and in the autumn, people rarely need a fire to keep them warm. About the middle of October 1805, there was, however, a very cold day indeed. Just before sunset I was walking through the bushes towards my friend's hut. I had not visited him for several weeks as I lived in Charleston, which was about nine miles from the island, and because it was a difficult place to get to. I knew where the key was hidden and searched for it. Then I unlocked the door and went inside. A fine fire was burning. It was a lovely sight to see old wood burning, and I was grateful for the warmth. I took off my coat, sat down in a comfortable chair near the fire, and waited for my friend to return. He arrived soon after dark and gave me a happy welcome.

**16. Before leaving New Orleans Mr Legrand ...**

- A) had lost all his family.
- B) had won a lot of money.
- C) had lost a lot of money.
- D) had gambled all his money.

**17. Sullivan's Island is ...**

- A) three miles away from Charleston.
- B) divided by a small river.
- C) three and a quarter miles wide.
- D) an odd place.

**18. A part of the island is ...**

- A) overgrown with tall bushes.
- B) covered with lots of wooden houses.
- C) inhabited all year round.
- D) the home of rare plants.

**19. Mr Legard ... shore.**

- A) had his hut built close to the eastern
- B) made his hut near the eastern
- C) had inherited a hut on the western
- D) lived far away from the eastern

**20. The narrator thought that his friend was ...**

- A) quite lazy and eccentric.
- B) rather smart and intelligent.
- C) in a bad mood all the time.
- D) a scientist by profession.

**21. Mr Legrand was fond of ...**

- A) hunting and collecting bugs.
- B) shooting and swimming.
- C) fishing and sailing.
- D) going for long walks in the woods.

**22. On the day the narrator visited Mr Legrand, the weather was rather ... for the season.**

- A) warm
- B) mild
- C) unusual
- D) windy

**23. The narrator ...**

- A) reached Sullivan's Island after sunset.
- B) had a key for his friend's hut on him.
- C) had visited his friend a week before.
- D) arrived in his friend's hut before dark.

**Task 2**

**Directions:** Read the text below. For questions 24 - 30, choose the answer (A, B or C) which you think fits best according to the text.

Today when most people think of the Wright Brothers, they picture the intelligent, successful inventors of the first powered airplane. So you might be surprised to find out that Orville and Wilbur Wright were once mischievous students who never graduated from high school. They grew up in a large family in Dayton, Ohio. Their father, who was a newspaper editor as well as a church bishop, encouraged his sons to pursue their own intellectual interests, and from an early age, Orville and Wilbur were fascinated by mechanics and flying. Once, when caught by his teacher working on a toy helicopter in class, Orville explained that one day he planned to build a machine big enough to fly carrying them both.

In 1889, when he was only 18, Orville left high school and started a printing business, using a press that he had made himself. Wilbur joined the business and they did very well. In 1893, when bicycling had become popular, the enterprising Wright brothers decided to open a bicycle repair shop across the street.

With two successful businesses, the brothers could afford to spend time on their other interests. They read everything they could get their hands on concerning aviation and aeronautics. Orville and Wilbur were especially interested in the experiments of other flight inventors, such as Octave Chanute in the United States and Otto Lilienthal in Germany. The Wright brothers were shocked and saddened when Lilienthal was killed by an unexpected gust of wind in a glider accident in 1890. Wilbur spent days in the library studying Lilienthal's designs and concluded that the trick to successful flight would be inventing a plane which you could control and power. The Wright brothers would spend the next thirteen years of their lives pursuing that dream and eventually, on December 17, 1903, they achieved the first powered flight.

Considering their enormous accomplishment, Orville and Wilbur were surprised when only two newspapers reported on their first flight. Many people suspected the Wright brothers were lying or had faked flight somehow. Orville and Wilbur, however, continued to improve their plane designs and also took to doing flight demonstrations first in America and then in Europe. Finally, in 1909, President Theodore Roosevelt contacted them and signed a deal with the Wright brothers to build airplanes for the US army.

The brothers kept designing and manufacturing planes until 1912, when Wilbur died of typhoid fever. Even though the *Wright Plane Company* still existed after Wilbur's death, Orville sold his shares and retired. He continued to act as a consultant to other scientists, but Orville would not invent again without his brother.

**24. Orville and Wilbur Wright didn't do very well at school.**

A. True                                      B. False                                      C. No information in the text

**25. Orville and Wilbur's mother did not encourage them to develop their interest in mechanics.**

A. True                                      B. False                                      C. No information in the text

**26. Right after leaving school the Wright brothers went into the bicycle business.**

A. True                                      B. False                                      C. No information in the text

**27. Their successful businesses made it possible for the Wright brothers to pursue their dreams.**

A. True                                      B. False                                      C. No information in the text

**28. The brothers drew inspiration for their invention from other flight inventors.**

A. True                                      B. False                                      C. No information in the text

**29. The Wright brothers did not expect their invention to draw public interest.**

A. True                                      B. False                                      C. No information in the text

**30. After the death of Wilbur Wright, the *Wright Plane Company* closed down.**

A. True                                      B. False                                      C. No information in the text

### PART THREE: USE OF ENGLISH

*Directions: For questions 31 - 60, read the text and the sentences below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap.*

Jim was a young man **31.** \_\_\_\_\_ his early 20s who was apprenticed to a carpenter. He was a good worker, honest and reliable and, above all, he was punctual, **32.** \_\_\_\_\_ his boss was pleased with him.

But Jim's one great **33.** \_\_\_\_\_ was that he could never **34.** \_\_\_\_\_ a lie, no matter how **35.** \_\_\_\_\_ he tried, not even a little **36.** \_\_\_\_\_ one. In fact, he was so honest and shy **37.** \_\_\_\_\_ he would blush even when he was telling the truth.

One morning, however, he didn't feel **38.** \_\_\_\_\_ going to work because he had been to a party the night before and it hadn't ended till the early **39.** \_\_\_\_\_ of the morning. And for the first time in his life he decided to take a day **40.** \_\_\_\_\_. He rang his boss and **41.** \_\_\_\_\_ to be a woman, he spoke in a high-pitched voice.

"Hello," he said nervously, "I'm afraid Jim can't come to work. He isn't feeling very well."

Poor Jim was thankful his boss couldn't see him at that moment because his hands were **42.** \_\_\_\_\_ and his face was bright red.

"Thank you for **43.** \_\_\_\_\_ me know," said Mr. Woods and then, just as he was about to hang **44.** \_\_\_\_\_, he said: "Just a minute, madam. Who is speaking, please?"

At this point Jim nearly **45.** \_\_\_\_\_ out with a shock.

"Oh!" he stammered, and doing his best to sound like a woman, he exclaimed in a clear voice: "This is my landlady speaking!"

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|-------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|
| 31. A) of         | B) at         | C) in           | D) during     |
| 32. A) so         | B) but        | C) as           | D) that       |
| 33. A) difficulty | B) disability | C) misbehaviour | D) drawback   |
| 34. A) say        | B) tell       | C) speak        | D) talk       |
| 35. A) hard       | B) strong     | C) hardly       | D) many       |
| 36. A) colourless | B) pale       | C) white        | D) light      |
| 37. A) and        | B) that       | C) as           | D) then       |
| 38. A) like       | B) as         | C) for          | D) about      |
| 39. A) minutes    | B) hours      | C) moments      | D) seconds    |
| 40. A) away       | B) out        | C) up           | D) off        |
| 41. A) lying      | B) turning    | C) pretending   | D) disguising |
| 42. A) trembling  | B) quaking    | C) stirring     | D) quivering  |
| 43. A) getting    | B) letting    | C) allowing     | D) making     |
| 44. A) up         | B) down       | C) in           | D) on         |
| 45. A) passed     | B) went       | C) felt         | D) got        |

**46. 'You \_\_\_\_\_ drink any fizzy drinks or eat nuts till the end of the week. You've got a sore throat,' said Dr Gibson.**

- A) don't have to      B) needn't      C) mustn't      D) don't need to

**47. John is excellent at Maths. He \_\_\_\_\_ engineering after finishing high school.**

- A) is going to study      B) will study      C) is studying      D) studies

**48. All her friends said that after the accident she \_\_\_\_\_ different.**

- A) spoke      B) looked      C) behaved      D) walked

**49. Let's go to a disco, \_\_\_\_\_ we?**

- A) will      B) won't      C) don't      D) shall

**50. Keith \_\_\_\_\_ to windsurf better if he had practised more during the holidays.**

- A) will learn      B) would have learned      C) would learn      D) will have learned

**51. Congratulations! Isn't this the second time your school \_\_\_\_\_ the regional chess competition?**

- A) won      B) will win      C) has won      D) would win

**52. I offered \_\_\_\_\_ with him.**

- A) to him to go      B) him going      C) to go      D) going

**53. Now all experiments \_\_\_\_\_ out carefully in order to avoid any damages to the land.**

- A) are being carried      B) will carry      C) are carrying      D) are going to carry

**54. \_\_\_\_\_ the stormy weather, we continued the climb up to the top.**

- A) In spite      B) However      C) Although      D) Despite

**55. He doesn't know the answer and \_\_\_\_\_.**

- A) me too      B) neither do I      C) nor I      D) so do I

**56. Having realized how important education is, she now regrets \_\_\_\_\_ school so young.**

- A) leave      B) to leave      C) to having left      D) leaving

**57. I'm freezing cold! I \_\_\_\_\_ put my winter coat on as my mum told me.**

- A) had to      B) should have      C) must have      D) might have

**58. \_\_\_\_\_ of your teachers do you like most?**

- A) What      B) Which      C) Who      D) Whom

59. The journalist asked how much the new sports centre \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) will be cost      B) would cost      C) did cost      D) is going to cost

60. There is \_\_\_\_\_ coffee in the pot but there is some tea left.

- A) no      B) some      C) any      D) lot of

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

*Directions: Write a text of between 170 and 190 words on ONE of the topics below.*

1. Describe a person of whom your negative first impression was wrong. How did the person look like and what was your first general impression of him/her? Why did your false first impression change?

2. Write about an important landmark in Bulgaria which, in your opinion, should be saved for the future generations. What and where is it? What does it look like? Why is it important?

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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.

**PART ONE: LISTENING COMPREHENSION**

**Task 1**

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**Dylan Thomas**

Dylan Thomas, one of the most famous poets of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, was born and spent the first twenty-two years of his life in Swansea. During this time, two thirds of his poetry was written. In 2003 Swansea and West Wales commemorated the 50th anniversary of Dylan's death with a number of events and activities throughout the year: photographic and flower exhibitions, performances and film shows, a summer school and a two-week festival.

The city in which Dylan grew up, studied and worked is still full of memories. Now it boasts an internationally famous permanent exhibition at the Dylan Thomas Centre. The area that inspired his work can be explored using one of the 'Dylan Thomas Trails'. From the house in the Uplands where he was born and Cwmdonkin Park where he played as a child, to the old Swansea Grammar School, and the many monuments done in honour of the great poet and his works. Enjoy extracts from Dylan's work and follow in his footsteps along Castle walk to his Writing Shed and the Boathouse. Visit the graveyard where his grave is marked by a simple white cross. His memory is still very much alive in Swansea and Gower – a landscape which inspires artists and writers to this day.

## Task 2

**Directions:** You will hear a text about **Dumpster Diving** 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, C or D**) 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.

### Dumpster Diving

Have you ever thought about getting your food out of a trash bin? Don't laugh. Dumpster diving, the practice of searching through trash bins for things which have been thrown away by their owners but are still usable or valuable such as food or clothes, has become a hot new trend in America. In fact, dumpster divers even have a trendy new name. They call themselves "freegans", and as the economy faces some difficulties their numbers are multiplying. Many freegans consider dumpster diving to be a great way to save money on groceries. Others do it because they want to live more simply. Freegans that are concerned about the environment think dumpster diving is a great way to "recycle" and other politically-minded freegans consider dumpster diving to be a form of political protest. But whatever you want to call it, the reality is that thousands upon thousands of people will take their boots, rubber gloves and flashlights and will be jumping into dumpsters looking for food once again tonight.

So is this actually legal?

In some states, dumpster diving is considered to be legal. In others, dumpster divers are technically breaking the laws. However, in most areas the police have so many other problems that they aren't really concerned about taking actions against dumpster divers.

One of the biggest issues facing dumpster divers is safety. Crawling around in back alleys and side streets in the middle of the night is not exactly the safest thing to do. But the thought of the large amounts of free food is enough to keep some people coming back over and over again.

During the recent economic downturn, the popularity of dumpster diving has exploded. Today, there are dumpster diving Facebook groups, and even entire organizations that openly encourage their members to go dumpster diving.

Right now, dumpster diving is cute and fun and an interesting way to save money, but in the future there will be millions of people digging around in trash bins if governments don't take some urgent steps.

## Task 3

**Directions:** You will hear a text about **the Great Wall of China** twice. Before you listen to it, you will have **1 minute** to read questions **11 – 15**. 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.

## **The Great Wall of China**

The Great Wall of China has become one of the country's most recognizable landmarks. Built more than 2000 years ago as a construction for military defence of the Chinese people from their enemies, it soon came to symbolize the Emperor's power.

In 214 BC Emperor Qin Shi Huang [tʃi in ʃi huan] unified the country and ordered the construction of a defence system on the country's northern border. This wall was extended by later dynasties, giving rise to the present Great Wall, which is still the world's longest man-made structure, with a total length of 6,700 kilometers.

The Great Wall is regarded as a masterpiece of architecture and construction, and adding to its mystique are the beautiful legends and stories told about it.

One of the most popular legends is about a Chinese workman who was also a very good mathematician. He calculated that it would take exactly 99,999 bricks to build the western pass of the wall. The supervisor did not believe him, and said that if as much as one brick was left over when the construction was finished, all the workmen would be condemned to hard work for three years. When the project was completed, one brick was left behind at one of the gates. The supervisor was about to carry out his threat of punishment, when the workman suddenly said that the brick was placed there by a supernatural being to stabilize the wall and moving it would cause the wall to collapse. The supervisor was afraid to move the brick and it can still be found there today.

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**Ключ с верните отговори**

<b>Въпрос №</b>	<b>Верен отговор</b>	<b>Брой точки</b>	<b>Въпрос №</b>	<b>Верен отговор</b>	<b>Брой точки</b>
1.	B	1	31.	C	1
2.	C	1	32.	A	1
3.	D	1	33.	D	1
4.	C	1	34.	B	1
5.	A	1	35.	A	1
6.	A	1	36.	C	1
7.	C	1	37.	B	1
8.	D	1	38.	A	1
9.	B	1	39.	B	1
10.	A	1	40.	D	1
11.	B	1	41.	C	1
12.	A	1	42.	A	1
13.	A	1	43.	B	1
14.	B	1	44.	A	1
15.	C	1	45.	A	1
16.	C	1	46.	C	1
17.	D	1	47.	A	1
18.	A	1	48.	B	1
19.	B	1	49.	D	1
20.	B	1	50.	B	1
21.	A	1	51.	C	1
22.	C	1	52.	C	1
23.	D	1	53.	A	1
24.	A	1	54.	D	1
25.	C	1	55.	B	1
26.	B	1	56.	D	1
27.	A	1	57.	B	1
28.	A	1	58.	B	1
29.	B	1	59.	B	1
30.	B	1	60.	A	1