

ВЪНШНО ОЦЕНЯВАНЕ ЗА VIII КЛАС С ИНТЕНЗИВНО ИЗУЧАВАНЕ НА
АНГЛИЙСКИ ЕЗИК В ПРОФЕСИОНАЛНИТЕ ГИМНАЗИИ
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Write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

PART ONE: LISTENING COMPREHENSION

Task 1

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1. James Cameron has marked out new paths in ...

- A) film directing.
- B) visual effects.
- C) art history.

2. James Cameron's films Avatar and Titanic ...

- A) made a small profit.
- B) earned 7 Oscars each.
- C) were nominated by the Academy 23 times.

3. For James Cameron diving is ...

- A) a favourite leisure activity.
- B) a Titanic experience only.
- C) part of his ocean expeditions.

4. Some of his documentaries are about ...

- A) oceans.
- B) ghosts.
- C) aliens.

5. 'MastCam' is a special 3D camera that ...

- A) he's used for the first time.
- B) he will use in space.
- C) he's made a documentary about.

Task 2

Directions: You will hear the text about **Buckingham Palace** 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 **4 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 **3 minutes** to check your answers.

6. Buckingham Palace was originally built for the kings and queens of England.

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

7. Buckingham Palace was changed for the first time in 1820.

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

8. Queen Victoria was happy to live in Buckingham Palace.

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

9. Today Buckingham Palace is a working place and a place to live.

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

10. The flag on top of Buckingham Palace always flies.

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

Task 3

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11. Dr Maria Hayward has a pair of football boots.

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

12. Henry VIII's personal shoemaker died earlier than the king.

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

13. David Beckham's football shoes are probably different from those worn by Henry VIII.

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

14. 16th century football boots and the normal shoes of that time had the same weight.

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

15. In the 16th century Pancake Day was also a day to play football.

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

PART TWO: READING COMPREHENSION

Task 1

Directions: Read the text below. For questions 16 - 22, choose the answer (A, B or C) which you think fits best according to the text.

When Andra Rush started her trucking company, all she had was an old van, a pair of used pickup trucks, and the naive certainty of a 23-year-old. She thought it would take her about four years to make her fortune. Then she could use her new-found millions to accomplish her true goal: fighting poverty on Native American reservations across North America. "I thought I could retire by the time I was 27," says Rush, a member of the Mohawk Indian tribe of Ontario, Canada. "At that age, you do not know what you do not know."

Rush is 49 now and still working very hard. Her tiny company just outside Detroit has grown to a \$400-million North American business that employs hundreds of Native Americans. They assemble automobile components near their reservations and then transport them to manufacturing factories.

Last year, Andra Rush, along with the rest of the auto industry, was almost pulled out of the business by the recession. But things have stabilized, and today Rush is a role model not only for Native Americans but also for women in the male-dominated world of trucking. For years, "people imagined that the business was run by my dad or my boyfriend," she says. "I had to say: No, the business is me!"

By 2001, many of Andra Rush's 1,000 employees were Native Americans, working alongside people from different backgrounds. But she felt she had not done enough. So she joined forces with a Canadian parts maker to design and assemble auto components. These components include a variety of auto parts such as the instrument panels that go into Chrysler minivans. She located her factories near reservations, creating opportunities where they were needed most. By 2009 her auto parts business was generating \$370 million.

She has come a long way from the inexperienced 23-year-old who thought "the cash would just come in." But Andra Rush wouldn't change a thing: "I love my job," she says. "I like the fact that you can be inspired and keep challenging yourself and then suddenly you lift your head and it has been 25 years."

16. At the beginning of her business Andra Rush lacked ...

- A) confidence.
- B) vehicles.
- C) time.

17. Her real aim was to ...

- A) retire in a short time.
- B) help people.
- C) join an Indian tribe.

18. Andra Rush's business covers ...

- A) mainly Detroit area.
- B) Ontario, Canada.
- C) the entire territory of the U.S.

19. Recession influenced Andra Rush's business ...

- A) slightly.
- B) positively.
- C) badly.

20. Andra Rush runs her business ...

- A) with local employees only.
- B) as a family company.
- C) all by herself.

21. Andra Rush built her factories ...

- A) close to reservations.
- B) with a Canadian partner.
- C) for Crysler minivans parts.

22. Time for Andra Rush passes ...

- A) unnoticeably.
- B) slowly.
- C) uneventfully.

Task 2

Directions: Read the text below. For questions 23 - 30, choose the answer (A, B or C) which you think fits best according to the text.

An eager beaver is a person who is always willing and excited to do what is expected of him and to do it as quickly as he can. Suppose, for example, that a teacher tells her students they each must solve one hundred math problems before coming to school the next day. The students complain about so much homework. But a few students do not protest at all. They are eager beavers. They love to do math problems and do not mind all that homework. In fact, they can hardly wait to get started. Another eager beaver works as a salesman for a company. He always arrives at the office before anyone else and is the last person to leave. The man works very hard, because he enjoys his job. He is a true eager beaver.

The expression comes from the name of a hard-working animal – the beaver. Beavers are strange-looking creatures. They are rodents, like mice and rats, but much larger; they are the second-largest rodent in the world. Some weigh more than twenty-five kilograms. They have a large, black flat tail to help them swim. They also have thick brown hair or fur to keep them warm in cold waters. And they have front teeth sharp enough to cut down large trees. Beavers spend a lot of time in the water, building dams to create little lakes or ponds. They work hard to cut down trees, remove branches and put them together with mud to make dams. Few other animals work so hard.

Historians say the beaver played an important part in the settlement of North America. There were many millions of beavers when European settlers first arrived. The settlers put great value on the fur of the beaver. In fact, for two hundred years more, beaver was the most valuable fur in North America. Young men looking for adventure headed west across the country to search for beavers. In their search, they explored much of the western territories. The trading posts, where they exchanged beaver skins for the goods they needed, became villages, and later towns and cities. Many of the beaver hunters became guides. They led groups of settlers to new homes in the West.

For a time the beavers were in danger of disappearing completely. They were hunted not only for fur, but also for their glands used in the production of medicines and perfume. But laws were passed to protect the beaver. And today the population is rising. Surprisingly, wild beavers are building dams on a stream less than twenty kilometers outside Washington, D.C. And like the animal, the expression “eager beaver” is in no danger of dying out.

23. Students who are “eager beavers” start their work as soon as possible.

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

24. Students good at maths are usually eager beavers.

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

25. The beaver is the same size as the mouse.

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

26. Water is never beavers’ natural habitat.

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

27. Beavers build dams because they need them for their reproduction.

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

28. The first settlers in North America showed little respect for the beaver.

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

29. Beaver skins were used as money to do trade in America.

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

30. In the past beavers in the US faced extinction.

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

PART THREE: USE OF ENGLISH

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

31. They openly _____ him of dishonesty.

- A) accused B) blamed C) charged D) criticized

32. He played an active _____ in politics until he was well over 80.

- A) job B) role C) post D) position

33. I am looking _____ a summer job.

- A) into B) for C) over D) round

34. The taxi was so late reaching the station that I _____ missed my train.
A) almost B) already C) still D) yet
35. It took my sister a long time to find a dress that _____ her.
A) appealed B) fitted C) liked D) matched
36. Sometimes Tom annoys his neighbours by _____ very loud music.
A) hearing B) listening C) playing D) turning
37. The student was told to _____ for being rude to his classmate.
A) apologise B) excuse C) punish D) sorry
38. There was nothing they could do but leave the car at the roadside where it had broken _____.
A) down B) off C) through D) up
39. We did all the work _____ our own.
A) by B) for C) on D) with
40. I need a new pair of shoes in black _____.
A) fur B) complexion C) leather D) skin
41. He is very interested _____ mathematics and has won lots of competitions.
A) about B) for C) from D) in
42. He _____ the UK several times but this will be his first trip to Scotland.
A) had visited B) has visited C) visited D) visits
43. She _____ in education for the past five years.
A) is working B) works C) has been working D) worked
44. Everyone has a right _____ with respect.
A) to be treated B) to treat C) to treating D) treating
45. The teacher asked the students why they _____ on time.
A) not come B) don't come C) haven't come D) hadn't come
46. You will be home in time for tea if you _____.
A) are hurrying B) hurried C) hurry D) were hurrying
47. I'd prefer _____ his name.
A) don't mention B) not mention C) not mentioning D) not to mention

48. He regretted _____ for the girl's name and mobile number.

- A) didn't ask B) hadn't asked C) not asked D) not asking

49. You'll feed my cat while I'm away, _____ you?

- A) aren't B) can't C) don't D) won't

50. It was _____ view the tourists had ever seen.

- A) the most beautiful B) more beautiful C) as beautiful D) so beautiful

PART FOUR: WRITING

Directions: Write a text of between 120 and 140 words on ONE of the topics below.

1. What is the most important lesson life has taught you? When was it? How did you feel when it happened and how do you feel now?
2. Write a letter to a friend persuading him/her to take up a sport. What sport would you recommend, why individual or team sport, why indoor or outdoor sport, why would it be helpful?

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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.

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TRANSCRIPTS

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James Cameron is a world-famous film director and explorer. His films have created new trails in visual effects for other artists to follow. Cameron's films have also set performance records both domestically and abroad. Two of the films he directed - Avatar and Titanic are the number one and number two most profitable films in history. Also, they earned 23 Academy Award nominations and 14 Oscars.

James Cameron is very good at scuba diving. He has made 33 dives to the Titanic, and over the years he has led seven deep ocean expeditions with over 70 deep dives. He has created a number of documentary films about ocean exploration and conservation, including a documentary called "Ghosts of the Ocean" and another one called "Aliens of The Deep". In both films, together with his assistants, he has put to use the 3D camera system for the first time.

James Cameron is fascinated by outer as well as inner space. He is currently working on a Project about a new film camera called "MastCam". In 2011 it will be the first 3D camera to operate on another planet. He is continuing to develop ocean projects and other environmentally-themed documentaries.

Do not miss any opportunity to watch the films of this extraordinary filmmaker, technologist and explorer - James Cameron.

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Buckingham Palace was built in 1702 by the Duke of Buckingham as his London home. The house was later sold to King George III by the Duke's son. The following year it was renamed "Queen's House" as Queen Charlotte lived there.

The Palace has seen many renovations and changes. The first one was in 1820 when a famous architect was commissioned by King George IV. The architect added new rooms and this doubled the size of the building. However, the 'front' of the Palace, has remained unchanged for over 300 years.

Queen Victoria was the first monarch to take up permanent residence in Buckingham Palace in 1837. Then Buckingham Palace was changed again. Today Buckingham Palace is used not only as the home of the Queen and her husband, but also for the administrative work of the monarchy. It is here in the state apartments that Her Majesty receives and entertains guests invited to the Palace.

Buckingham Palace was opened to the public for the first time in 1993. However, it is still also the official London residence of the Queen. You can always tell if the Queen is in residence if you look at the flagpole on top of the Palace. If the flag is flying, then 'the Queen is at home!' The State Rooms of the Palace are open to visitors during the Annual Summer Opening from late July to September.

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Dr Maria Hayward, an expert at Southampton University, has discovered that Henry VIII - the King who had six wives, had a pair of football boots. These shoes cost four shillings (about £100 in today's money) and were made by his personal shoemaker, Mr Johnson, in 1525. Dr Hayward found them mentioned in a list of the king's clothes made for him when he died in 1547.

Sadly, we don't know what the football boots looked like so we cannot compare them with those worn by David Beckham or Ronaldo. However, it is not likely that they were anything like the football boots worn today. Historians think they were probably heavier than the normal shoes of the time and made of special strong leather.

They needed to be strong because football during the 16th century, when Henry VIII was king, was a very tough game. 'Football in those times was a very rough game, with no teams and no rules, so it was not a game for gentlemen,' comments Dr Hayward. It is known that it was especially popular on a special day called Pancake Day and Henry VIII even tried to ban the game because it often led to public disorders and violence. Behaviour, it appears, has little improved over the ages!

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1.	B	1	26.	B	1
2.	C	1	27.	C	1
3.	C	1	28.	B	1
4.	A	1	29.	A	1
5.	B	1	30.	A	1
6.	B	1	31.	A	1
7.	A	1	32.	B	1
8.	C	1	33.	B	1
9.	A	1	34.	A	1
10.	B	1	35.	B	1
11.	C	1	36.	C	1
12.	C	1	37.	A	1
13.	A	1	38.	A	1
14.	B	1	39.	C	1
15.	A	1	40.	C	1
16.	B	1	41.	D	1
17.	B	1	42.	B	1
18.	C	1	43.	C	1
19.	C	1	44.	A	1
20.	C	1	45.	D	1
21.	A	1	46.	C	1
22.	A	1	47.	D	1
23.	A	1	48.	D	1
24.	C	1	49.	D	1
25.	B	1	50.	A	1