

**Заочная олимпиада по английскому языку  
2015/2016 (7-8 классы)**

**TASK 1**

**Geographical survey**

*Find out some facts about the UK and fill the gaps in the sentences (15 points)*

1. The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland is situated on the ..... Isles.
2. These Isles are separated from the continent by the ..... Channel and the ..... in the south and the ..... Sea in the east.
3. Great Britain and Ireland are separated by the ..... Sea.
4. Historically the territory of the UK is divided into ..... parts. They are .....
5. The capital of ..... is Edinburgh.
6. The capital of ..... is Belfast.
7. The highest mountain of the British Isles is .....
8. The most important ..... of the UK are the Severn, the Tyne, the Trent, the Thames, the Mersey and the Clyde.
9. The Highlands are situated in ..... (the part of Great Britain).

**TASK 2 (8 points)**

Two criminals, Smith and Jones, had been apprehended by Sherlock Holmes. Holmes immediately transported them to Scotland Yard where they were interrogated by Inspector Lestrade.

"For the record," asked Lestrade. "I need to know just how old you both are?"

"Well," answered Smith, "Our combined age is 91 years. I'm twice as old as Jones was when I was as old as he is now!"

"Pardon?" said Lestrade.

"No need to look confused, Inspector," said Holmes. "From the information just supplied I know exactly how old they both are."

Can you work out how old Smith and Jones are?

**TASK 3**

*Translate the following proper nouns into Russian (6 points)*

1. The Department of Defense;
2. The Department of Treasury;
3. The Department of Interior;
4. The Department of Justice;
5. The Department of Labor;
6. The Department of Health and Human Services.

**TASK 4**

*Complete each of the following sentences with the name of a tool. Each dash ( \_ ) represents one letter (10 points)*

1. We cut trees with an \_ \_ \_.

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2. We cut paper or cloth with a pair of \_\_\_\_\_.
3. We knock nails into wood with a \_\_\_\_\_.
4. We raise a car to change a wheel with a **j**\_\_\_\_\_.
5. We put in and take out screws with a \_\_\_\_\_.
6. We tighten or loosen nuts with a **s**\_\_\_\_\_.
7. We saw wood with a \_\_\_\_\_.
8. We bend and cut wire with **p**\_\_\_\_\_.
9. We break up roads, rocks, etc. with a **p**\_\_\_\_\_.
10. We draw corks out of bottles with a **c**\_\_\_\_\_.

**TASK 5  
Catch the bug!**

*Underline the name of the bug hidden in each sentence. (6 points)*

For example:

*There is always one beet left over!? BEETLE – жук.*

The list of bugs we give you in Russian. There are all of them except one. Try to find all six insects (6 points).

**You can find here:**

МОЛЬ, Оса, ТЛЯ, ЛИЧИНКА  
(жука), блоха

- 1) I need a long rubber band.
- 2) Why is a cap hidden under the bed?
- 3) It was Peter's idea to play cards.
- 4) My mother bakes the best cookies.
- 5) I'll have a waffle after I finish my juice.
- 6) James was a giant peach for Halloween.

**TASK 6**

*Choose the correct word (10 points):*

1. Who in your group *knows / knowledge* Latin well?
2. Will you be so kind as *to food / feed* my dog while I am working in the garden?
3. Why aren't you *friendship / friendly* to him?
4. Are you *pleased / pleasant* with my work?
5. Don't be afraid. The army will make a *man / manly* of you.
6. Are you *pride / proud* of your football team?
7. May is the last month of our school year. We are *gaiety / gay* at the thought of the coming holidays.
8. She was a lovely girl with blue eyes and *gold / golden* hair.
9. Will you tell us the story of her *life / live*?
10. He was very *sorrow / sorry* that he had lost her address.

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**TASK 7**

*An anagram has the same letters as another word, but a different order. Sort out these anagrams.* (15 points)

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| 1. Change <b>beard</b> into something you can eat.                             | <u>bread</u> |
| 2. Change <b>asleep</b> into a word used by polite people.                     | _____        |
| 3. Change <b>below</b> into a part of the body.                                | _____        |
| 4. Change <b>cheap</b> into a fruit.   | _____        |
| 5. Change <b>hated</b> into the opposite of <i>life</i> .                      | _____        |
| 6. Change <b>heart</b> into our planet.  | _____        |
| 7. Change <b>rose</b> into another word for painful.                           | _____        |
| 8. Change <b>thing</b> into the opposite of day.                               | _____        |
| 9. Change <b>danger</b> into a place outside the house.                        | _____        |
| 10. Change <b>grown</b> into the opposite of <i>right</i> .                    | _____        |
| 11. Change <b>laid</b> into what you do when you make a phone call.            | _____        |
| 12. Change <b>signed</b> into what architects do.                              | _____        |
| 13. Change <b>means</b> into what <b>Lucy</b> and <b>John</b> are examples of. | _____        |
| 14. Change <b>horse</b> into the place where the land meets with the sea.      | _____        |
| 15. Change <b>recent</b> into the middle of a town.                            | _____        |

**TASK 8**

**Confusing words**

*Underline the correct word in each of the following sentences: (10 points)*

1. Was it Alexander Bell who (*invented/discovered*) the telephone.
2. The injured man was (*laying/lying*) on the road close to the crashed cars.
3. Amserdam is a city full of (*channels/canals*).
4. Would you (*check/control*) these figures, Mr. Brown, just to make sure they're correct?
5. The (*nature/contryside*) around this town is very flat and uninteresting.
6. Could I have a (*recipe/receipt*) for the things I've bought?
7. Oh, Jan, could you (*remind/remember*) me to phone the doctor this afternoon?
8. I wonder if you'd mind (*brinhing/fetching*) John from the door? He's wanted on the phone.
9. What (*more/else*) did you do in Spain, apart from swimming and sunbathing?
10. Have you made (*an appointment/ a meeting*) to see the bank manager yet?

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**Task 9**

*Homophones are words that sound the same but are spelt differently. What are the missing homophones at these pairs of sentences?(10 points)*

0. I'm going on a diet. I've put on a lot of weight.  
Please wait a minute, I won't be long.
1. I put on the \_\_\_\_\_ and the car stopped just in time.  
This kind of china \_\_\_\_\_ very easily. Be careful.
2. Would you like another \_\_\_\_\_ of cake with your tea?  
Everyone wanted the war to end and \_\_\_\_\_ to begin.
3. Can you unite the \_\_\_\_\_ in this string?  
I'm \_\_\_\_\_ very good at science. I'm better at languages.
4. I didn't tell her what was in the parcel. She \_\_\_\_\_ by feeling it.  
She was a \_\_\_\_\_ at a wedding I went to recently.
5. 'Anyone who \_\_\_\_\_ gum in class will be sent out.'  
I don't know what to \_\_\_\_\_ on this menu. There are many good things.
6. You aren't \_\_\_\_\_ to smoke anywhere in this building.  
Sorry, I wasn't talking to anyone in particular. I was just thinking \_\_\_\_\_.
7. Don't park there. It's illegal and you might get \_\_\_\_\_.  
Where is my wallet? I can't \_\_\_\_\_ it anywhere.
8. That man always \_\_\_\_\_ at me when I go past his shop. I don't like it.  
Don't let's take the lift. I want to walk up the \_\_\_\_\_.
9. I've never jumped \_\_\_\_\_ than that. It's my personal record.  
Where can I \_\_\_\_\_ ski boots? I don't have any of my own.
10. There were only ten \_\_\_\_\_ of seats in the hall so quite a lot of people had to stand.  
He gave me a single red \_\_\_\_\_ on Valentine's Day.

**TASK 10**

**Rhyming words**

*Complete the sentences. The missing words rhyme with the words in brackets.*

*(10 points)*

0. There is no-one on the tennis court. Let's go and play. (*port*)
1. My \_\_\_\_\_ is so sore I can hardly swallow. (*goat*)
2. Don't \_\_\_\_\_ you brother about his spots. He doesn't like it. (*please*)
3. We can't eat this bread, it's \_\_\_\_\_. (*rail*)
4. The air was so dusty it made me \_\_\_\_\_. (*trees*)
5. The rules at this school are very \_\_\_\_\_. You have to obey them. (*picked*)

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6. The \_\_\_\_\_ of my shirt is filthy. I must go and change. (*dollar*)
7. It's getting very late. I \_\_\_\_\_ if they'll come now. (*shout*)
8. I don't wear much make-up – just lipstick and \_\_\_\_\_. (*louder*)
9. I'm going to water the garden. Can you turn the \_\_\_\_\_ on, please?  
(*toes*)
10. He's got a job as a \_\_\_\_\_ in a new French restaurant. (*deaf*)

**Task 11**

**“London is worth seeing”**

***We suggest you advertising a famous place in London, so that everybody should wish to visit it. The form and content depend on your imagination (70-80 words) (30 points).***

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**If you fulfill all tasks correctly you can gain 130 points!**

**GOOD LUCK!**