

**Задания муниципального этапа  
Всероссийской олимпиады школьников по английскому языку  
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7-8 классы  
LISTENING**

**Write your answers on the test paper. At the end of the listening section, you will have 5 minutes to transfer your answers to your answer sheet.**

**TASK ONE.** The recording will be played TWICE, with a separate set of questions for each time.

**A. Listen to an interview about the London Marathon. Choose the correct answer.**

**Before the conversation starts, you will have 15 seconds to read the task.**

1. This year Dave ran the marathon in
  - a 2 hours, 5 minutes and 18 seconds.
  - b 4 hours, 12 minutes and 32 seconds.
  - c 3 hours, 25 minutes and 16 seconds.
  - d 2 hours, 59 minutes and 59 seconds.
2. How did Dave feel after the marathon?
  - a He was very hungry.
  - b He was very tired.
  - c He was very happy.
  - d He was very surprised.
3. In Dave's opinion, the marathon
  - a has become much too competitive.
  - b is satisfying from a personal point of view.
  - c is good but it is not much fun.
  - d would be better with more spectators.
4. Which outfit did Dave like best at this year's marathon?
  - a shorts and a T-shirt
  - b the Father Christmas costume
  - c the carrot costume
  - d the bird costume that one runner wore
5. What does Dave say about training for the marathon?
  - a He only went running during the week.
  - b He didn't train when the weather was bad.
  - c He didn't go running during the week, only at the weekend.
  - d He went running every day.

**B. Listen again. Complete the sentences with one or two words in each gap.**

**You have 15 seconds to read the questions before the recording is played again.**

6. In the interviewer's opinion, Dave's time for the marathon was \_\_\_\_\_.
7. This year the number of people who watched the race was about \_\_\_\_\_.
8. Jerzy Kolodziej was this year's \_\_\_\_\_ runner.
9. Most runners are between \_\_\_\_\_ and 39 years old.
10. Before the marathon, Dave ate lots of carbohydrates to get the \_\_\_\_\_ he needed for the run.

**End of Task 1. You have 15 seconds to read the questions in Task 2.**

**TASK TWO. Listen to this talk about reality shows. Mark the statements as TRUE (T), FALSE (F) or NOT STATED (NS). You will hear the recording TWICE.**

1. Big Brother is a very popular documentary series.
2. The first show of this kind was *The Real World* broadcast on BBC.
3. In the US reality shows are less popular than in Britain.
4. Some versions of *Big Brother* involved famous people.
5. In one show, some teenagers had to live on a desert island.
6. Reality shows are often about human tensions.
7. Contestants enjoy conflicting with each other.
8. A Big Brother winner disapproves of the idea of reality shows.

**END OF THE LISTENING SECTION. TRANSFER YOUR ANSWERS TO YOUR ANSWER SHEET.**

## READING AND USE OF ENGLISH (30 MINUTES)

### READING

**TASK ONE.** Read the following text.

**A. Match the sentences a–f to the gaps 1–5. There is one extra sentence.**

- a However, with a bit of luck and a lot of determination, they managed to organise it.
- b They have also met some wonderful people and been surprised by people's generosity.
- c However, they didn't settle down like most couples.
- d Their achievements are an inspiration to everyone they meet.
- e They hope to raise money for them from sponsorship and donations.
- f They have had some adventures and faced some dangerous situations.

#### *Riding the world*

At first sight, James and Ellen Hamilton seem like an ordinary couple. They met in 1998 and James asked Ellen out soon after. They dated for three years and got married in 2001.

<sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_ They'd always loved travelling and motorbikes so a few years later they decided to set off on a five-year trip around the world by motorbike. Although they had both been on bike trips before, neither of them had ever done anything on this scale.

<sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_ . In 2004 they set off on the trip and they have been travelling since then. They left from Scotland and their final destination is New Zealand. So far they have visited over sixty countries in Europe, South and North America, Africa, the Arab World, and Asia. They have ridden through deserts and over mountains.

<sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_ In Bolivia they were caught in a terrible storm in the mountains. Exhausted and freezing, they almost drove off the road. In one country they were escorted by soldiers to the border for their own protection.

<sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_ On their first night in Hungary, the owners of the campsite where they had arranged to stay invited them to dinner. In Turkmenistan, they were invited to tea and dinner with a family in their house. In Kenya, they were invited to stay with some people they had only just met. And these are only a few examples. As James says, 'It just goes to show how true the saying is – there are no strangers, just friends you haven't met yet.'

Their trip is not just about pleasure. They have three charities that they support -Action Aid, Oxfam and the British Heart Foundation. <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_ During their trip they have visited some of Action Aid's projects. Ellen had worked with the charity before the trip and was particularly interested in seeing the projects at first hand.

**B. Read the text again. Mark these statements as TRUE, FALSE or NOT STATED.**

6. James and Ellen had been going out together for three years before

- they got married.
7. They haven't been to any countries in Africa yet.
8. They almost had an accident in Bolivia because of bad weather.
9. They stayed with friends they had known for a long time in Kenya.
10. James didn't visit the Action Aid project.

## USE OF ENGLISH

**TASK ONE. Complete these proverbs by writing ONE WORD in each gap.**

1. A bird in the hand is worth two in the \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Don't count your \_\_\_\_\_ before they are hatched.
3. All that glitters is not \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Absence makes the \_\_\_\_\_ grow fonder.
5. Never judge a book by its \_\_\_\_\_.

**TASK TWO. Complete these sentences with a suitable word. Choose a verb from the box and add the necessary prefix. There is one extra word you do not need.**

Example: This report is not very good. I am afraid you'll have to .....redo..... It.

1. There is a difficulty here, but I know how to ..... it.
2. When I ..... I feel even more tired when I wake up.
3. I got to the hotel at 4.00 but I couldn't ..... my stuff until later.
4. I turned left instead of right. Obviously I ..... the directions.
5. The swimming pool is closed for the summer, but it will ..... in September.
6. The children were here a minute ago, but now they've .....
7. John had a key but it wouldn't ..... the door.

pack <del>de</del> open   lock   sleep   bring   understand   appear   charge   come
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**TASK THREE. The following sentences contain verbs that are too formal for colloquial speech. Replace the underlined verbs and phrases in these sentences with a more informal phrasal verb with the same meaning. Put the phrasal verbs in correct tenses. Choose the verbs from the box and add the necessary preposition.**

Example: I've got to collect my younger brother from the kindergarten at 5.00 ..pick .....up .....

1. I heard she lost her job, but I couldn't discover any more details. ....
2. Could you increase the volume on the television? I can't hear it. ....
3. It doesn't have to be a true story – you can invent it. ....
4. Thieves entered the art gallery illegally and stole a Picasso. ....

5. We're late because the car stopped working on the way. ....
6. He opened the door and entered. ....
7. The price of meat increased a lot last year. ....

Pick turn take make break bring come break go find
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**TASK FOUR. Fill in the gaps in the text with suitable verbs in correct tenses. Choose the verbs from the box below. There are more verbs than you need.**

### HOLIDAY OF A LIFETIME

I .....1..... my best friend Alfie since we were five. We .....2..... to primary school together for six years. Now we're in different schools, but we keep in touch. If everything goes well, we ...3..... on a cycling trip around Europe this summer. We ...4..... about this trip for a year. We ...5..... all the equipment. As soon as school ...6....., we'll get on our bikes and be off! We're going to Normandy first. If we ...7..... it there, we'll stay for a week. We'll camp in a tent unless it ...8..... . I can't wait!

go like build rain go come know prepare dream finish do take
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**END OF THE USE OF ENGLISH SECTION. TRANSFER YOUR ANSWERS TO YOUR ANSWER SHEET.**

