ŽUPANIJSKO NATJECANJE IZ ENGLESKOGA JEZIKA za 4. razred srednjih škola


TEST

Zaokruži broj (1 ili 2) liste u kojoj se natječeš:

1
   Lista 4.A: gimnazije

2
   Lista 4.B: ostale srednje škole

Zaporka:

(peteroznamenkasti broj i riječ)

TEST

Slušanje s razumijevanjem: 10 bodova
Čitanje s razumijevanjem: 10 bodova
Uporaba jezika: 80 bodova
Ukupno: 100 bodova
Task 1: LISTENING COMPREHENSION

Task 1: Timbuktu

You will hear a news report on Timbuktu, a city in Africa. Listen carefully to the instructions. For questions 1 - 10, complete the sentences using no more than one word or a number for each gap. You will hear the exact words that you need to use. The answers will occur in the same order as the questions. You will hear the passage twice.

The task begins with an example (0).

After you hear the passage for the second time, you have 1 minute to check your answers and transfer them to the separate answer sheet.

TIMBUKTU

(0) In English, the name Timbuktu can be used to mean any _____distant___ place.
(1) The city currently has approximately _______ thousand inhabitants.
(2) Besides salt, medieval Timbuktu was important in the buying and selling of valuable materials like___________ and gold.
(3) The city’s libraries contain _________ hundred thousand medieval manuscripts.
(4) The principal crop in contemporary Timbuktu is __________.
(5) Reports about Timbuktu first reached Europe via __________ merchants.
(6) For a long time, Europeans were prevented by the _________ from locating Timbuktu.
(7) A ___________ was set up in Europe which offered a prize to the first person to find the city.
(8) The first westerner to return from Timbuktu used a __________ to get into the city.
(9) The majority of Timbuktu’s present problems are caused by the ___________.
(10) According to the report, __________ have recently damaged important monuments.

(10 points)
### Task 2: READING COMPREHENSION

**Task 2: Hunting**

Read the following texts on hunting. For questions (1 – 10) on the next page, choose one of the people (A - F) that best matches each question. Some choices will be required more than once. Write the corresponding letter (A – F) on the Answer Sheet.

The task begins with an example (0).

Remember to write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

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<td>Obviously, it’s an extremely complex issue. I recall that my Dad used to do a fair bit of shooting when I was a lad, and I never really thought that much about it. If you look at all the evidence, mankind has been engaged in such activity since time immemorial. Those who propose some sort of ban often neglect the fact that numerous people, especially those in rural communities depend upon activities connected to it for their livelihoods.</td>
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<td>I’m fed up with all these urban dwellers dictating what’s what to those of us who live in the countryside. They have no appreciation of our way of life. Their misconceptions are also really hysterical. They all go around saying that we’re a load of rich snobs and that hunting is barbaric and cruel, when in fact it’s a pastime of many average men and women. In addition, the animals that get hunted are common enough.</td>
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<td>We have reached a state of economic development where such activities should really no longer exist. Early man needed to hunt to obtain food and clothing in order to survive, but we have passed through this evolutionary phase. Therefore, there are no grounds whatsoever to support it, irrespective of whether it is hunting with dogs, guns or traps, although at the end of the day people really ought to have the right to decide for themselves.</td>
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<td>If you ask me for my thoughts on the issue, you simply cannot beat the thrill of the chase. Something else that is frequently overlooked is that it also fulfils the function of keeping certain species in check, especially pests that cause damage like rabbits. They can’t be allowed to proliferate freely. You should see what they’ve done to the fields where I’m from. I think that some people don’t have enough information in order to be able to make up their own minds.</td>
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<td>I’ve never really seen the attraction. To my mind, it’s something for the privileged few and is divorced from the reality of most people. Having said that, I suppose some traditional communities in remote areas might need it for subsistence purposes rather than enjoyment. It’s easy to forget just quite how diverse the planet we inhabit really is and what is true for one people might not be so for another.</td>
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<td>I’ve listened to the pros and cons and there’s no getting away from the fact that a lot of suffering is often involved. In fact, that’s something of a euphemism. If you ask me, ‘agony’ would probably be a better word choice. At the very least, the use of dogs could be prohibited like in Britain. I find that particularly abhorrent, as fleeing a pack of hounds is hardly what you would call an even contest.</td>
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Which person thinks

0   ___  F  __   going hunting is a cruel activity?
1   _____  certain kinds of hunting should be stopped?
2   _____  going hunting is a matter of individual choice?
3   _____  going hunting is an enjoyable activity?
4   _____  hunting has economic benefits?
5   _____  hunting is connected to social class?
6   _____  hunting is needed to control animal numbers?
7   _____  it’s natural for humans to hunt?
8   _____  rural communities are not understood by people in cities?
9   _____  some people need to hunt in order to survive?
10  _____  there is no need for people to hunt?

(10 points)
Task 3: Gap Filling

For questions 1 to 10, find one word which is appropriate for all three gaps in each of the following sets of sentences.

The task begins with an example (0).

Remember to write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

(0) Gymnasts need a good sense of **balance** if they are to avoid falling.
    Now that I have internet banking, I am able to check my **balance** on-line.
    For success in life, it’s necessary to **balance** your work and family life.

(1) In the latest opinion polls, the opposition ___________ the ruling party by two per cent.
    The champion took the ___________ in the final lap and went on to win comfortably.
    Dan’s band is looking for a new ___________ singer to go on tour with them.

(2) In the past, people would often ___________ as a sign of respect.
    Did you notice that Sally had an attractive yellow ___________ in her hair?
    In order to play the cello, you need to have a ___________.

(3) Jen’s dad asked her if she wanted a ham and cheese ___________ for lunch.
    John was so upset that tears began to ___________ down his cheeks.
    The first thing I do when I get up in the morning is ___________ up the blinds.

(4) It was very ___________ of Carol to make fun of Pete like that.
    Paul’s so ___________ that he wouldn’t even lend his best friend money.
    I heard Alan tell Sam that he didn’t ___________ to hurt her feelings.

(5) The teacher politely asked the class to ___________ down and get on with their work.
    The Spanish were the first European colonists to ___________ in the Americas.
    The waiter came up to our table and asked us if we could ___________ our bill.

(6) Suzy finished her meal and put the dishes into the ___________.
    The seriousness of our situation slowly began to ___________ in.
    Ships don’t ___________ as often these days as they did in the past.
(7) There's no ___________ in arguing about such unimportant matters.
   I saw Cathy drinking coffee the other day. She didn’t ___________ to.
   Because the nearest ATM was out of ___________, Jim had to walk to another one.

(8) Sal wanted a new pair of shoes, but they didn’t have her size in ___________.
   William’s just gone to the supermarket to ___________ up for Christmas.
   My opinion is it might not be so wise to invest in the ___________ market at present.

(9) Donna helped Ben to ___________ the heavy box out of the garage.
   The journey was such a ___________. It took us absolutely ages.
   The minister was worried the press would ___________ something up from his past.

(10) The football association has voted to ___________ away fans from future matches.
   The unemployment figures were presented in the form of ___________ charts.
   Stan asked Jane to get a ___________ of soap when she went to the store.

(10 points)
**Task 4: William McGonagall**

Read the following text. In most of the lines 1-15, there is one extra word. Identify the extra words which are either incorrect grammatically or do not fit in with the text’s meaning. Remember that some lines are correct.

If a line is correct, put a tick (✓) in the appropriate place on the answer sheet. If there is an extra word in the line, write the extra word in the appropriate place on the answer sheet.

The task begins with two examples, (0) and (00).

*Remember to write your answers on the separate answer sheet.*

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<td>William McGonagall is almost universally regarded as the worst poet to have written in the English language. When they asked to put their finger on what it is that makes his verse so excruciatingly bad, critics frequently point on to his lack of rhythm and badly chosen metaphors. In fact, it has been said that if his poetry is so awful that it verges on genius. The most remarkable thing is that while McGonagall himself appeared to be completely unaware of what others thought about his verse. He even wrote to the Queen Victoria asking for royal patronage. Unsurprisingly, he was politely turned down but had mistook the rejection for an endorsement. He subsequently trekked a hundred kilometers over the mountains in such appalling weather to the Queen’s Scottish residence so that he could recite in front of her only to be turned back. He suffered his further misfortune when he was banned by the local court from giving out public performances in his adopted home town of Dundee. This was also because of the public disorder that resulted from the general hilarity caused by his verse. However, his poems still remain in this print and when every year Dundee hosts a charity McGonagall dinner at which all of the courses are enough fittingly eaten in reverse order.</td>
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Task 5: The All Blacks

Read the following text and choose the answer (A, B, C or D) that best fits each numbered space.

The task begins with an example (0).

Remember to write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

Without a shadow of a (0) A, the national sport of New Zealand is rugby. The national team wear one of the most distinctive (1) ________ in international sport, for it is entirely black, which has given (2) ________ to their being known all over the world as simply the All Blacks.

The game was introduced into the country in the 1870s and soon (3) ________ off. Since their first international in 1903, the All Blacks have (4) ________ in an unbelievable three-quarters of all their matches, and only five nations have ever won against them.

So what is it that makes such a small country so (5) ________ at the sport? One of the obvious reasons is the key (6) ________ played by rugby in New Zealand’s national identity. Children in other countries might aspire to be soccer stars, but New Zealand kids are more likely to dream of pulling on the famous black (7) ________.

Another (8) ________ is New Zealand’s environment, which has plenty of green open (9) ________ for kids to run around in with a rugby ball in their hands.

The All Blacks (10) ________ the multicultural nature of New Zealand society. The All Black team is a mixture of players with Maori, European and South Pacific island (11) ________. This is illustrated by the legendary Haka war dance performed by the All Blacks (12) ________ to each international match. Many feel that the All Blacks gain an unfair (13) ________ from the performance of this war dance, as the opposition often feel (14) ________ before the match has even kicked off. Most people, on the other hand, consider it to be an important theatrical element of the sport’s (15) ________ heritage.
(0) A doubt  B hesitation  C reservation  D suspicion
(1) A costumes  B dresses  C gears  D kits
(2) A birth  B over  C rise  D way
(3) A launched  B lifted  C shot  D took
(4) A beaten  B defeated  C overcome  D triumphed
(5) A dominant  B foremost  C leading  D prevalent
(6) A element  B function  C part  D role
(7) A jersey  B jumper  C pullover  D sweater
(8) A aspect  B factor  C feature  D issue
(9) A area  B expanse  C place  D space
(10) A imitate  B manifest  C mirror  D reproduce
(11) A backgrounds  B derivations  C inheritances  D sources
(12) A foregoing  B former  C preceding  D prior
(13) A advantage  B benefit  C gain  D help
(14) A bullied  B intimidated  C persecuted  D oppressed
(15) A full  B plentiful  C rich  D wealthy

(15 points)
Task 6: How to Change a Light Bulb

Read the text below and think of the word that best fits each space. Use ONLY ONE word each time.

The task begins with an example (0).

Remember to write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

Recent research by a popular UK magazine came up (0) **with** the startling information that one (1) _______ four young adults can't change a light bulb. This is an amazing statistic when we consider (2) _______ skilful young people generally are these days when it comes to technology. So, how should one (3) _______ about changing a light bulb? The very first thing that you should do (4) _______ ensure that the power is safely turned off. Next, you need to let the bulb cool down, especially if it has been on (5) _______ a while. If you touch it too soon after it has been switched off, you (6) _______ the risk of burning your fingers.

In order to reach the bulb, you should use (7) _______ a stepladder or a chair. However, establish (8) _______ it is stable beforehand. You are now ready to take the bulb (9) _______ from the socket. You do this by simply twisting the used bulb in (10) _______ anti-clockwise direction until it comes free. You should now check how (11) _______ watts the bulb has and ensure the replacement has the same wattage. Put the new bulb in and turn it clockwise until it is firmly in (12) _______. When this has been done, the light can be turned (13) _______ on.

Make sure that you (14) _______ rid of the old bulb in a safe manner. The best way to dispose (15) _______ it is to wrap it up in newspaper and put it in the rubbish to be recycled.

(15 points)
Task 7: Sentence Transformations

For questions 1-10, complete the second sentence so that it is as similar as possible in meaning to the first sentence using the word in brackets. DO NOT CHANGE THE GIVEN WORD. Use FIVE words, including the given word. Only write the missing words on the answer sheet.

The task begins with an example (0).

Remember to write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

(0) I doubt we have enough money to pay for a holiday this year. (cover)
I doubt we have enough money to __cover the cost of going__ on holiday this year.

(1) Did you know that she is both a violinist and a singer? (play)
Did you know that not ______________________ violin, but she also sings.

(2) Mark was dismissed for not doing his job properly. (grounds)
Mark was dismissed ______________________ had not been doing his job properly.

(3) I have to say that I really admire everything that Dan has achieved. (lot)
I have to say that I have ______________________ everything that Dan has achieved.

(4) What do you make of Sally’s sister preferring to work alone? (for)
What do you make of Sally’s sister’s ______________________ own?

(5) Someone stole my wallet last week while I was on the underground. (had)
Last week, ______________________ while I was on the underground.

(6) Why didn’t you send a message to us? We were worried. (ought)
You really ______________________ a message. We were worried.

(7) It’s important for us to arrive at the meeting punctually. (should)
It’s important ______________________ time for the meeting.

(8) David’s brother denied breaking all the windows. (him)
David’s brother said that it ______________________ broken all the windows.
(9) I must confess that the way that you behave is very hard to tolerate at times. (put)
I must confess that it's very hard to __________________________ at times.

(10) The police suspect that the same gang robbed the bank. (having)
The same gang _______________________ the bank.

(10 points)
Task 8: Tea

Read the following text. Use the word given in CAPITALS at the end of each line to form a new word that best fits the gap in the same line.

The task begins with an example (0).

Remember to write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

Tea is a plant which is (0) **originally** from Asia. The earliest recorded instance of its (1) _______ dates back three thousand years. It was first imported to Europe by the (2) _______ during the age of exploration. It is now drunk (3) _______. In addition to being an especially (4) _______ drink, tea is also believed to have many (5) _______ health effects. Some of these have been proven. For instance, (6) _______ of whether you drink green or black tea, it is rich in (7) _______ antioxidants. There is also evidence that tea can contribute to an (8) _______ in concentration. It can also be an important source of fluid (9) _______, which means it can play a role in avoiding (10) _______. On the other hand, it contains caffeine, so you should be (11) _______ when it comes to how much you drink.

The (12) _______ of tea in British culture is well documented. To make a good cup of tea, water is (13) _______ to the boil and poured into a pot containing tea leaves. The tea is then left to brew for a few minutes. However, it should not be left too long as this can cause (14) _______ in the flavour. When it is ready, the tea is poured and, if necessary, milk is added. Some people also like to take sugar to (15) _______ it.

(0) ORIGIN
(1) CONSUME
(2) PORTUGAL
(3) WORLD
(4) FRESH
(5) BENEFIT
(6) REGARD
(7) POWER
(8) IMPROVE
(9) TAKE
(10) HYDRATE
(11) SENSE
(12) IMPORTANT
(13) BRING
(14) BITTER
(15) SWEET

THIS IS THE END OF THE TEST