

Олимпиадные задания по английскому языку для учащихся 10 класса

PART 1 LISTENING

Task 1. Listen to the dialog and choose the correct answer.

1) Kate is thinking about a present for her former school friend.

- A) True B) False C) Not stated

2) Kate usually easily chooses presents for her friends.

- A) True B) False C) Not stated

3) Kate keeps in contact with her friend via a social network.

- A) True B) False C) Not stated

4) Kate's friend was born in Peru.

- A) True B) False C) Not stated

5) Kate got a message about friend's birthday two weeks ago.

- A) True B) False C) Not stated

6) Tom suggests a compact disk as a present.

- A) True B) False C) Not stated

7) Kate's friend enjoys local music.

- A) True B) False C) Not stated

8) Kate's pen-friend prefers disco.

- A) True B) False C) Not stated

9) Tom believes music preferences reveal a lot about a person.

- A) True B) False C) Not stated

10) Tom is a connoisseur of the type of music Kate needs.

- A) True B) False C) Not stated

PART 2 READING

Task 2. Read the text and fill in the gaps 11-15 with parts of sentences, marked letters A-G. One letter is extra.

William Blake (1757-1827) is today regarded as one of the most original English writers and artists, 11)_____. Born in London, he spent most of his years in the centre of the capital, but 12)_____; the streets of the metropolis became for him windows to infinite time and space. Blake's visions began early, and throughout his life he experienced what was, for him, direct contact with spirits of the long-dead, with angels, God and the devil. While modern psychiatry would consider Blake to have been under the spell of hallucinations, for him the vision were real and directly inspired and guided his art. He was also not shy in describing the sources of his inspiration to his friends and colleagues. The eccentric reputation he thus gained did little to help

him to commercial success; for most of his life his work was neglected, 13) _____. But while his work was often out of step with his time, few of the best artists of his day doubted his technical ability. Trained as an engraver, he pushed forward the boundaries of that art by his own innovations, and combined it with his poetry to such an extent 14) _____. Among the best known (and easiest to understand) of his hand-illustrated books are Songs of Innocence and Songs of Experience, 15) _____.

- A. and he often lived near to poverty
- B. yet during his lifetime he was largely ignored and often called mad
- C. that one cannot be properly understood without the other
- D. his visionary powers transformed everything around him
- E. which contain some of the simplest and most beautiful lyrics in the English language
- F. he never quite left home

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PART 3 GRAMMAR AND VOCABULARY

Task 3. Put the correct word.

16. Where is Kate? She _____ tennis.

- A. plays
- B. is playing
- C. play
- D. played

17. _____ not any glass in the windows, that is why _____ so cold in the room.

- A. It is, there is
- B. It was, there is
- C. There are, it is
- D. There is, it is

18. She was tired and asked me _____ make so much noise.

- A. didn't
- B. did not to
- C. not
- D. not to

19. Both Steve _____ Jane _____ here.

- A. or, is
- B. and, is
- C. or, are
- D. and, are

20. _____ President of _____ United States lives in _____ White House in _____ Washington D.C.

- A. -, the, the, -
- B. -, the, -, the
- C. -, -, the, the
- D. The, the, the, -

21. I have my English class _____ Monday morning.

- A. in
- B. at
- C. for
- D. on

22. _____ breakfast yet? Yes, I _____.

- A. Did you have, have
- B. Had you had, have
- C. Have you had, have
- D. Do you have, had

23. I was late. The teacher _____ a test when I _____ to class.

- A. has already given, got
- B. had already given, got

C. has already given, get D. was already giving, get

24. How long will it ____ to do the homework?

- A. need her B. take her C. she take D. she need

25. Mary has never been to London, ____ she?

- A. has B. did C. hasn't D. didn't

26. According ____ the list he was the 10th.

- A. to B. at C. on D. for

27. He grew up in New England, ____?

- A. don't you B. didn't he C. doesn't he D. did he

28. Lorena is ____ girl I have ever met.

- A. the most beautiful B. a more beautiful C. the beautifulest D. most beautiful

29. I haven't got _____ money with me.

- A. no B. some C. any D. a

30. He said he ____ that man before.

- A. never met B. did not meet C. had never met D. did not never meet

31. When I _____ the children _____ television peacefully.

- A. came, watched B. came, were watching

C. was coming, were watching D. was coming, watched

32. Have you ever been ____ Paris.

- A. in B. to C. at D. through

33. Who ____ Phil with his homework?

- A. does help B. helps C. do help D. help

34. The train _____ at 5 o'clock.

- A. will leave B. leaves C. leave D. is leaving

35. The tickets ____ yesterday.

- A. was sold B. sold C. were sold D. sell

36. Lisa said that she _____ this book.

- A. buys B. bought C. has bought D. had bought

37. She ____ to Moscow, if she ____ a promotion.

- A. go, will get B. goes, getss C. will go, gets D. will go, get

Task 4. Read the text and choose an appropriate word.

'It's Only Me'

After her husband had gone to work, Mrs Richards sent her children to school and went upstairs to her bedroom. She was too excited to do any 38) _____ that morning, because in the evening she would be going to a fancy dress party with her husband. She intended to dress up as a ghost and she had 39) _____ her costume the night before. Now she was 40) _____ to try it on. Though the costume consisted only of a sheet, it was very effective. Mrs Richards put it 41) _____, looked in the mirror, smiled and went downstairs. She wanted to find out whether it would be 42) _____ to wear.

Just as Mrs Richards was entering the dining-room, there was a 43) _____ on the front door. She knew that it must be the baker. She had told him to come straight in if ever she failed to open the door and to leave the bread on the kitchen table. Not wanting to 44) _____ the poor man, Mrs Richards quickly hid in the small store-room under the stairs. She heard the front door open and heavy footsteps in the hall. Suddenly the door of the store-room was opened and a man entered. Mrs Richards realized that it must be the man from the Electricity Board who had come to read the meter. She tried to 45) _____ the situation, saying 'It's only me', but it was too late. The man let out a cry and jumped back several paces. When Mrs Richards walked towards him, he ran away, slamming the door behind him.

38. A) homework; B) household; C) housework; D) housewife

39. A) did; B) made; C) built; D) created

40. A) nervous; B) restless; C) ill at ease; D) impatient

41. A) up; B) on; C) over; D) down

42. A) attractive; B) exciting; C) comfortable; D) cozy

43. A) knock; B) kick; C) hit; D) crash

44. A) fear; B) worry; C) disturb; D) frighten

45. A) describe; B) explain; C) interpret; D) clear

PART 4 WRITING

Task 5. You have received a letter from your English-speaking pen-friend Jane who writes:

... Yesterday my Mum asked me to help her about the house. We were very busy with cleaning up after the birthday party the whole morning. I got quite tired and even missed my fitness class. What are your family duties, if any? Is there anything you especially like or dislike about house work? Do you find helping your parents necessary, why or why not?

Oh, I have some great news! I got a lovely kitten for my birthday...

Write a letter to Jane. In your letter: 1) answer her questions; 2) ask **3 questions** about her kitten.

Write 100–140 words. Remember the rules of letter writing.