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Task 1. Questions 1-5

Read the passage below and answer questions 1-5

Balloon fiesta

If you love stories by Jules Verne and have always dreamt of going for a ride in a hot air balloon, England is the country for you. Every August England celebrates the biggest hot air balloon festival in Europe. The festival takes place in Bristol and is called the Bristol Balloon Fiesta.

The festival was founded more than 30 years ago and has an amazing history. It began in 1978 when Don Cameron, owner of the world's largest balloon manufacturer, Cameron Balloons, decided to create an event that would help balloonists from all over the world to get together.

On the weekend of the 29th-30th September 1979, a small group of balloonists got together to celebrate the first Bristol Balloon Fiesta. 27 balloons shot into the sky and were observed by a large group of spectators. Not all the balloons were from England, some came from Germany, Luxembourg and Ireland.

The Fiesta was sponsored by local businesses and some national companies. Each sponsor was given a balloon to display their advertising banners. Over the

## LISTENING

Time: 15 minutes (10 points)

For items 1–10 listen to a man talking about the sport of elephant polo and decide whether the statements 1–10 are TRUE according to the text you hear (A), or FALSE (B), or the information on the statement is NOT STATED in the text (C). You will hear the text *twice*.

- A 1. Elephant polo is the fastest game in the world.
- B 2. The length of the pitch and the width of the goals are the same as in football.
- C 3. There are two people sitting astride an elephant in a game of elephant polo.
- A 4. Using trunks during a game is prohibited to avoid suffocation of the animals.
- B 5. The number of goals which a team might score depends on sheer luck.
- C 6. Left-handed women can use both hands.
- A 7. When a player misses the ball, the elephant lies down across the goal.
- B 8. Elephants with attitude problems do not take part in polo games as it might be risky.
- A 9. At half-time, players exchange their elephants and mahouts with the other team, which is an old tradition.
- C 10. Indian elephants are preferred over African ones due to their large stature.

*Transfer your answers to the answer sheet!*

## READING

Time: 30 minutes (15 points)

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The Fiesta was sponsored by local businesses and some national companies. Each sponsor was given a balloon to display their advertising banner. Over the

years, the Fiesta has grown to become Europe's largest hot air balloon festival enjoying crowds of delighted spectators and national media coverage.

Besides traditional round shape balloons now there are also so called 'special shapes' which are balloons in the form of different objects and characters such as cartoon characters and cars.

Of course, the main condition for the festival to be successful is not good management but the weather, which, as you all know, is England's worst enemy. Nobody in the whole world knows how many wonderful hopes and events have been ruined by its Majesty the Rain.

1. During the Balloon Fiesta you can see a lot of balloons in the air.  
a) True                      b) False                      c) Not stated
2. The festival was founded by British sportsmen.  
a) True                      b) False                      c) Not stated
3. No company can advertise their goods during the festival.  
a) True                      b) False                      c) Not stated
4. A lot of journalists come to write about the festival.  
a) True                      b) False                      c) Not stated
5. The last festival was ruined by the rain.  
a) True                      b) False                      c) Not stated

## Task 2. Questions 6–10

*Find the endings of the sentences 6-10.*

### The Bald eagle

In 1782, soon after the United States won its independence, the bald eagle (белоголовый орел) was chosen as the national bird of the new country. American leaders wanted the eagle to be a symbol of the country because it is a bird of strength and courage. They chose the bald eagle because it was found all over North America.

Today the bald eagle has almost disappeared from the country. In 1972, there were only 3,000 bald eagles in the whole United States. The reason for the bird's decreasing population is pollution of the rivers by pesticides. Pesticides are chemicals used to kill insects and other animals that attack and destroy crops (посевы). Unfortunately, rain often washes pesticides into the rivers. Pesticides pollute the rivers and poison (отравляют) the fish. Eagles eat these fish and then their eggs become unhealthy. The eggs have very thin shells and little eagles do not hatch (не вылупливаются). Of course, the number of eagles quickly becomes smaller.

Nowadays the American government and the American people are trying to protect the bald eagle. The number of bald eagles is slowly increasing. It's clear that the American national bird will survive.

1. American leaders have chosen the eagle as a symbol of the country because  
a) it's a clever bird.  
b) it's a brave bird.

- c) it's an independent bird.  
d) it's a beautiful bird.
2. In the eighteenth century people could see bald eagles
- a) everywhere in North America.
  - b) nowhere in North America.
  - c) somewhere in North America.
  - d) all over the American continent.
3. People used pesticides to
- a) destroy the crops.
  - b) poison water.
  - c) protect plants.
  - d) ruin nature.
4. The eagles' shells became thin and didn't hatch because
- a) eagles drank poisonous water.
  - b) eagles ate poisonous fish.
  - c) eagles ate poisonous insects.
  - d) eagles ate poisonous birds.
5. It was necessary to protect bald eagles because
- a) they were unique.
  - b) they were disappearing.
  - c) they were ill.

### Task 3. Questions 11–15

Fill in the letters A-F in the blanks. One letter is extra.

#### Movies, TV, music

American movie-makers make about 600 movies each year. Other countries make more movies — there are more than 850 new movies every year in India. But many people

watch American movies around the world. 1) B.

Some American movies do not make a lot of money in the USA, but people in other countries love them.

Today the word 'Hollywood' means movies. Before 1910 Hollywood was only a small town near Los Angeles. Movie — makers moved there from New York because they wanted the Californian sun. 2) A.

In 1920, Hollywood was the centre for American movies. Of course there was no sound in early movies. Everything changed in 1927 with the 'Jazz Singer'. In that movie Al Jolson sang. 3) D, though the actor spoke a little. After that people wanted more and more movies with sound.

Movies changed in other ways, too. They got longer and better. Six years after 'The Jazz Singer', King Kong fought airplanes in New York City in one of the most famous movies of 1933.

Every year people would like to watch something better, unusual, exciting..., etc. The makers of the 'Spiderman' and 'Pirates of the Caribbean' movies used

computers for some of each movie. 4) C They made the second and the third 'Pirates of the Caribbean' movies at the same time. The movie companies make money in a lot of ways. People can watch a movie, then they can buy books about it, clothes and food.

Americans love TV. The average American watches television for about four hours a day. 99% of American homes have colour TV. 66% have more than three TVs. More and more people in the US have more and more TV channels. 5) E, others are dedicated to animals, sports or church.

In the US people like to watch music. MTV (Music Television) started in America in 1981. The most famous singer of the 1950s was Elvis Presley. His music was new and exciting and young people loved it. All of Elvis's songs from 1956 to 1958 were number one. Elvis was a great dancer, but some Americans weren't happy with his kind of dancing. Television only showed his top half!

- A. Their job was easier with good weather.
- B. Sometimes movie companies plan more than one movie
- C. Sometimes they use computer graphic, special effects, etc.
- D. Much of the movie had no sound
- E. Of course, movie-makers know about this

*Transfer your answers to the answer sheet!*

### USE OF ENGLISH

Time: 20 minutes (15 points)

#### Task 1. Questions 1–9

*For items 1–9, read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of each line to form a word that fits in the space in the same line.*

#### From the history of skyscrapers

It's very difficult to believe the fact that the (1) first sky-scrapers (2) buildings were built in Chicago during the 1880s.

They were the result of a need for (3) more working and living space in some American big (4) CITIES where the cost of living (5) was very high.

Instead of using a lot of expensive space on the (6) their ground builders used the free space of the sky.

The walls of the early skyscrapers often (7) were made of stone — not for practical reasons, but to make the (8) buildings look solid and strong.

So the most famous symbols of America (9) appeared more than a century ago.

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**Task 2. Questions 10–15**

For items 10–15, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. Use from three to five words. The number of words you should put in the gap is specified in each case. Do NOT use contracted forms. There is an example at the beginning (0).

**Example: 0.** “Let’s go to the cinema on Sunday,” said Ann.

wanted

Ann \_\_\_\_\_ to the cinema on Sunday. (4 words)

0

wanted us to go

10. Karen failed to persuade the landlord to change the locks.

**SUCCEED**

Karen ~~not succeeded to persuade~~ the landlord to change the locks. (5 words)

11. Perhaps they went the wrong way and got lost.

**MAY**

They ~~may have~~ the wrong way and got lost. (3 words)

12. Her employer will not tolerate her tardiness any longer.

**PUT**

Her employer will not ~~to put if~~ her tardiness any longer. (3 words)

13. All the employees received a pay cheque apart from Charles.

**WHO**

Charles was the ~~thus person who have not~~ receive a pay cheque. (5 words)

14. The candidate definitely will not win the election.

**CHANCE**

The candidate has got ~~a chance will choose~~ the election. (4 words)

15. I got the job because I knew the manager.

**WOULD**

If I had not known the manager, I ~~have not received this~~ the job. (4 words)

**Transfer your answers to the answer sheet!**

ANSWER SHEET

LISTENING

Item	Answer
1	A -
2	B +
3	C -
4	A -
5	B +
6	C -
7	A -
8	B -
9	A -
10	C -

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READING

Item	Answer
1	A +
2	C -
3	C -
4	A +
5	C +
6	B +
7	A +
8	C +
9	B +
10	B +
11	B -
12	A +
13	D +
14	C -
15	E -

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USE OF ENGLISH

Item	K Answer
1	first +
2	were built +
3	more +
4	cities +
5	was +
6	their +
7	were made +
8	buildings +
9	appeared +
10	not succeeded to persuade -
11	may chose to +
12	to put if -
13	thus person who have not -
14	a chance will choose -
15	have not received thus -

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ANSWER SHEET

Writing

Garter,  
Russia, 2019  
October, 18<sup>ed</sup>

Dear Brian,

I was so happy to get your letter! I can't wait to meet you in July! I'm sorry I haven't answered earlier but I was really busy with my school!

Sometimes I go to stores with my parents. I like to go with parents to the store because they can buy me sweetness. I more like large supermarkets, because they more selection of products or other things. I like to buy something from school clothes and accessories. And you like to go to the shops with parents? What do you prefer supermarkets large or small? What do you like to buy?

Unfortunately, I'd better go now as I've got loads of homework to do as always! Take care and keep in touch!

All the best,  
Nastya

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K3 2

K4 1

K5 2

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