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Заключительный этап Олимпиады РУДН для школьников 2025 г.

Профиль: Английский язык

Класс: 10-11

Время, отведенное на написание работы: 120 минут

При выполнении заданий обратите внимание на следующее:

1. Получив бланк заданий, проверьте его комплектность. Все страницы бланка пронумерованы.

2. Внимательно прочитайте текст каждого задания.

При выполнении каждого задания нужно исходить только из условий, изложенных в его тексте. Изыскание дополнительных условий, прямо не обозначенных в задании, может привести к ошибке.

3. При ответе на вопрос, требующий выбора варианта из предложенных, необходимо четко отметить, например, (а) выбранный вариант.

При ответе на вопрос, требующий развернутого ответа, просьба выполнять его четким и понятным почерком. Все ответы вносятся в бланк ответов.

4. Любые исправления, которые Вы вносите в бланк ответов, должны быть читаемы, занесены с использованием той же ручки. Для грамотного внесения изменений необходимо собственноручно зачеркнуть неправильный ответ, написав фразу «Верный ответ: [содержание верного ответа]». При этом внесенные исправления и указанный верный ответ должны позволять однозначно установить содержание ответа, данного участником Олимпиады на вопросы задания.

Part 1. Use of English

Task 1.1. Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. You must use between two and seven words including the word given. Do not change the word given.

1. The winters made life extremely difficult for the first settlers, as they hadn't considered the harsh weather. **TAKEN**

If the harsh winter conditions _____ by the settlers, their lives would have been easier in winter.

2. It's highly likely the first colonists were both excited and agitated as they arrived. **HAVE**

The first colonists _____ both excitement and agitation as they arrived.

3. They say the pilgrims were brought to America on the Mayflower. **SAID**

The pilgrims _____ to America on the Mayflower.

4. They did not expect a cold reception from the chief. **GET**

Little _____ shoulder from the chief.

5. The pilgrims finally got used to severe winters. **TERMS**

The pilgrims _____ severe winters.

6. As the pilgrims had had quite a poor harvest, it was very important for them to be thrifter. **UTMOST**

As the pilgrims had had quite a poor harvest, tightening _____.

7. The first harvest was much worse than the colonists had expected. **NEARLY**

The first harvest _____ the colonists had expected.

8. The pilgrims realised it was pointless to regret losing their crops, as they needed to focus on finding new ways to sustain themselves. **MILK**

The pilgrims realised it was no _____ after losing their crops, as they needed to focus on finding new ways to sustain themselves.

9. The first year was difficult for the colonists, but they managed to survive. **BEING**

_____ difficult, the colonists managed to survive.

10. The situation for the indigenous people aggravated as the colonies grew. **BIGGER**

The _____ difficult the situation for the indigenous people became.

Task 1.2. For questions 1-10, read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of each gap to form a word that fits in the gap.

Isaac Newton was an English (1) _____ **PHYSICS** and mathematician who was the culminating figure of the Scientific Revolution of the 17th century and (2) _____ **REVOKE** transformed the landscape of science. In optics, his discovery of the composition of white light integrated the (3) _____ **PHENOMENAL** of colours into the science of light and laid the foundation for modern physical optics and led to significant (4) _____ **ADVANCE** in telescope technology. In mechanics, his three laws of (5) _____ **MOVE** resulted in the formulation of the law of universal gravitation. Legend has it that Isaac Newton formulated gravitational theory in 1665 or 1666 after watching an apple fall and asking why the apple fell straight down, rather than (6) _____ **SIDE** or even (7) _____ **UP**. This famous story is likely an (8) _____ **EMBELLISH**, but it does capture the inspiration for his thoughts on gravity. These laws (9) _____ **REVOLUTION** physics and formed the basis of classical mechanics for centuries. Newton's work has had a profound and (10) _____ **LAST** impact on science and mathematics and continues to influence our understanding of the universe.

**Part 2. General Knowledge of Culture, History
and Society of English-Speaking Countries**

Read the quote. Answer the questions below. Make full sentences.

*«That which we call a rose
By any other word would smell as sweet».*

1. Who is this quote by? Name the work and the author.

2. Name other works by the writer, explain the significance of the works.

3. Name the country where this person lived. What do they call the period of the history of this country when this writer lived? Why?

4. What are the main characteristics of that period for the country in question?

5. Name one more person who contributed to the culture of this country? Comment on their contribution.

Part 3. Reading

Read the text. Decide if the following statements are TRUE or FALSE and support your answer with evidence from the text.

Trainspotting

Trainspotting began in the UK in the 1940s when Ian Allan, a young Public Relations trainee, spotted a gap in the market for a guide for locomotive enthusiasts. He had noticed that enthusiasts often wrote to his rail company requesting information about the company's locomotives. Although his suggestion for a guide was rejected, he took it upon himself to create such a guide and formed a "loco-spotting" club to advise members and teach train safety.

There are a few different types of trainspotting practiced in the UK. The type of spotting that you end up doing will usually depend on the individual interests. Some spotters desire photos of the trains, while others just enjoy the satisfaction of having seen them in real life, and they do not feel like they require proof. Some spotters also take an interest in old rail tickets, timetables, rail signage, or other railway-related memorabilia.

While traditional media often show trainspotters to be lonely individuals, this portrayal is far from the truth. Most spotters actually get the most out of their hobby when they treat it as a social one. They join a train spotting network and share hints and tips with the fellow enthusiasts. These networks are great places to find out about special train appearances and where to go for the best spots. If there is a chance that an old locomotive is going to be running next weekend as part of a film production, these networks are the places to find out.

Another cliché about trainspotters is that they are always found clothed in anoraks and woolly hats. Trainspotters don't need to wear these stereotypical outfits, but weather-appropriate clothing is recommended. Other equipment that is recommended includes an up-to-date spotter guide, writing equipment, a phone, and perhaps a camera. While there are no strict rules for trainspotting, obeying local regulations is crucial. Trespassing is dangerous and can bring the hobby into disrepute. Safety is paramount, and violating rules can lead to tighter restrictions, making the hobby more difficult.

Task

1. Ian Allan's proposal for a guide faced objection from his company.
2. Trainspotting is primarily a solitary hobby.
3. Trainspotters only take photos of trains and have no interest in collecting other items related to trains.
4. Becoming a member of a train spotting network can assist enthusiasts in discovering information about unique train events.
5. Safety regulations are not important in trainspotting activities.

Part 4. Writing

An international current affairs magazine has invited young readers to contribute articles entitled “*Globalisation – a boon or a bane?*”

You decide to write a **short article** pondering the advantages and disadvantages of globalization: explain your personal views on this topic, and justify all the ideas with arguments.

You must write 150 – 200 words.