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(английский язык)

**РАЗБОР ЗАДАНИЙ**

# Use of English

# Use of English. Task 1. Items 1-5

1. Insert one word that is appropriate for all three sentences.

Correct answer: **small**

The party at the mansion went on into the small hours. The last guests left at about 4 a.m.

Most people in the street tried hard to avoid the beggar who was kneeling on the pavement, asking for small change.

The government has prepared new laws that were to help small businesses to compete on equal terms with the mighty international companies.

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2. Insert one word that is appropriate for all three sentences.

Correct answer: **faint**

Gemma's head was spinning even more. She felt she was going to faint soon, which happened 2 minutes later. When she came round, curious pedestrians were staring at her.

Some nocturnal animals have an amazing sense of hearing that enables them to hear even very faint sounds.

Theoretically, there is a faint possibility of him getting a better job. But, highly unlikely.

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3. Insert one word that is appropriate for all three sentences.

Correct answer: **edge**

The company is currently at the cutting edge of computer technology and is determined to hold this position for years to come.

Dressed in a new, aerodynamic swimming costume, the swimmer seemed to have an edge over the other competitors.

His latest action-packed movie starring Jennifer Ron and Mike Frize will keep you on the edge of your seat.

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4. Insert one word that is appropriate for all three sentences.

Correct answer: **sail**

Being a good student, she was almost sure she would sail through the examinations.

The ship set sail on its maiden voyage at the end of March with 122 souls on board.

After the storm they inspected the boat and to their relief it turned out that only one sail had been badly damaged.

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5. Insert one word that is appropriate for all three sentences.

Correct answer: **thin**

Please, handle this object with care. Its sides are brittle and wafer thin.

The humming bird was flapping his wings furiously. The cameraman wanted to capture its extraordinary movements, but suddenly it disappeared into thin air.

The abrupt downfall of the despised leader was sure to thin the ranks of his political party across the country.

## Use of English. Task 2. Items 1-10

1. Fill in the gaps with the appropriate words from the list.

Correct answer: **brass**

Can you believe that new hire went to the boss, as bold as brass, and asked for time off on his first day?



## Use of English. Task 2. Items 1-10

2. Fill in the gaps with the appropriate words from the list.

Correct answer: **fate**

Come into a great fortune and, as sure as fate, the number of those who would be your friend increases tenfold.

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3. Fill in the gaps with the appropriate words from the list.

Correct answer: **flash**

Jemma got the answer to the riddle as quick as a flash.

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4. Fill in the gaps with the appropriate words from the list.

Correct answer: **sin**

Tim's old car is all beat up and ugly as sin, but it's still going strong after all the years.

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5. Fill in the gaps with the appropriate words from the list.

Correct answer: **pancake**

My model of a volcano is as flat as a pancake now that you have sat on it!

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6. Fill in the gaps with the appropriate words from the list.

Correct answer: **thieves**

Anna and Beth are together all the time these days – they are as thick as thieves.

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7. Fill in the gaps with the appropriate words from the list.

Correct answer: **dust**

That lecture on polynomials almost put me to sleep - it was just dry as dust.

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8. Fill in the gaps with the appropriate words from the list.

Correct answer: **whistle**

This house needs to be as clean as a whistle before my mother-in-law gets here.

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9. Fill in the gaps with the appropriate words from the list.

Correct answer: **chips**

Oh, you could definitely afford an apartment in my building – the rent is as cheap as chips.



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10. Fill in the gaps with the appropriate words from the list.

Correct answer: **mud**

I guess I need to call a lawyer because these legal contracts are as clear as mud.

# Use of English. Task 3. Items 1-15

Within a generation of the 1776 revolution, American writers were beginning to explore an identifiable American sensibility. Especially after the US victory over Britain in the war of 1812, there was a new literary self-confidence and a new sense of national identity that some have described as "literary nationalism". Writers such as Washington Irving (in his short stories "Rip Van Winkle" and *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*) and James Fenimore Cooper (in *The Last of the Mohicans*) had begun to pioneer American subjects in a distinctive American voice.

But it was Edgar Allan Poe, born 1809, who signals the beginning of what would become a great Anglo-American literary dialogue. As well as being the first American writer to attempt living exclusively by his pen, he is also the archetype of the romantic artist. His nomadic, boho style and tortured, exigent career continue to exercise a powerful allure on any young American writers who see themselves as outsiders.

First and foremost, Poe was a fearless critic of the new fledgeling American literary scene, fierce in his assaults on what he considered to be inferior writing.

Poe was a man of extremes, who knew the highs and lows of success and failure. His poem, *The Raven*, was a popular sensation. Much of his other work was ignored or derided. Elsewhere, he was dismissed as a drunk, a drug addict and a derelict. When he died, in 1849, aged just 40, and unknown, on the streets of Baltimore, his fate was seen as all of a piece with his writing. Gradually, however, Poe's genius came to be recognised. Today, his influence is crucial to the evolution of detective fiction, science fiction and almost any tale of the macabre. Poe's imagination has also become integral to the American literary aesthetic.

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Herman Melville

to

dread

1785

France

Otherwise

utterly

discreet

The Gold Bug

# Writing

## РКЗ (12 баллов)

### по 1 баллу

- ✓ Имеется заголовок
- ✓ 1ый случай прямой речи
- ✓ 2ый случай прямой речи
- ✓ Есть описание чувств и эмоций
- ✓ Картинка является частью повествования
- ✓ присутствует сюжет
- ✓ Соответствие объему

### по 1 баллу

за каждое верно использованное слово:

***choosy, adv***

***pursuer, n***

***tempting, adj***

***exhaust, v***

***intruder, n***

# Writing

## Организация текста (4 балла)

**2 балла**

✓ *Логика изложения*

**2 балла**

✓ *Средства связи*

# Writing

## **Лексика (2 балла)**

- ✓ Нет ошибок – **3 балла**
- ✓ 1-2 ошибки или стандартная, однообразная лексика – **2 балла**
- ✓ 3-4 ошибки – **1 балл**
- ✓ 5 и более ошибок – **0 баллов**

## **Грамматика (2 балла)**

- ✓ Нет ошибок – **3 балла**
- ✓ 1-2 ошибки – **2 балла**
- ✓ 3-4 ошибки – **1 балл**
- ✓ 5 и более ошибок – **0 баллов**

## **Орфография и пунктуация (2 балла)**

- ✓ Нет ошибок – **2 балла**
- ✓ 1-2 ошибки – **2 балла**
- ✓ 3-4 ошибки – **1 балл**
- ✓ 5 и более ошибок – **0 баллов**