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**10 класс**

**PART 1. READING COMPREHENSION. TIME: 30 minutes. Maximum: 20 points.**

**TASK 1. Read the article and put the sentences A-F in the right place.**

**THE WETTEST SUMMER SINCE 1766**

In summer 2007 England and Wales experienced some of the wettest weather and worst floods since 1766, the date when weather records began. 1) \_\_\_\_\_ Almost 50,000 houses and just under 7,000 businesses were flooded. This effect extended to the daily lives of everyone in these areas as transport, schools, power and water supplies were all seriously affected.

The problem seems to be that the infrastructures in England and Wales are not prepared for sudden downpours.

2) \_\_\_\_\_ This can lead to flooding, the location of which is extremely difficult to predict.

The situation would have been much worse if the UK's Environment Agency had not been well prepared. Flood warnings were sent out to thousands of businesses and homes. 3) \_\_\_\_\_

However, these record-breaking floods still caused a huge amount of damage and personal loss for thousands of people. 4) \_\_\_\_\_ Many of those whose homes were saved still lost personal possessions that cannot be replaced. The Environment Agency continues to support these victims of the floods.

Part of the successful damage limitation strategy that prevented the effects of the flooding being any worse than they were, was the way that different organisations worked together. 5) \_\_\_\_\_

Some examples of the groups who participated in the damage limitation activity were the Met office (weather forecasters); the police (who used their control centres for communication); the fire service (who used equipment to help people); the Royal Air Force (who used helicopters to rescue people from the most dangerous areas); and the local councils (who helped place sand bags in vulnerable areas as well as clean up afterwards).

Thus the work that was put into preparing for the floods was instrumental in preventing a worse situation. 6) \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) When a large amount of rain comes in a short time, drains and rivers cannot cope with the volume of water.
- B) This joined-up approach was part of a carefully planned strategy to cope with such flooding.
- C) There were almost 100 deaths caused by the floods and many people were moved into temporary accommodation, having been forced to leave their homes.
- D) Furthermore, each time that flooding such as this occurs, the areas that are most at risk become better prepared for the next time it could happen.
- E) Many people managed to leave danger areas as a result of these warnings and travel to safer places.
- F) There were several periods of very heavy rainfall which resulted in the worst flooding in living memory.

**TASK 2. Read the poem and put the words in the right place.**

**Desiderata**

*By Max Ehrman*

ignorant	fortunes	career
trickery	strength	universe
perennial	ideals	surrender
right	vain	aspirations
fatigue	dreams	

Go placidly amid the noise and the haste, and remember what peace there may be in silence.

As far as possible, without 7) \_\_\_\_\_, be on good terms with all persons. Speak your truth quietly and clearly; and listen to others, even to the dull and the 8) \_\_\_\_\_; they too have their story.

Avoid loud and aggressive persons; they are vexatious to the spirit.

If you compare yourself with others, you may become 9) \_\_\_\_\_ or bitter, for always there will be greater and lesser persons than yourself.

Enjoy your achievements as well as your plans. Keep interested in your own 10) \_\_\_\_\_, however humble; it is a real possession in the changing 11) \_\_\_\_\_ of time.

Exercise caution in your business affairs, for the world is full of 12) \_\_\_\_\_. But let this not blind you to what virtue there is; many persons strive for high 13) \_\_\_\_\_, and everywhere life is full of heroism.

Be yourself. Especially do not feign affection. Neither be cynical about love; for in the face of all aridity and disenchantment, it is as 14) \_\_\_\_\_ as the grass.

Take kindly the counsel of the years, gracefully surrendering the things of youth. Nurture 15) \_\_\_\_\_ of spirit to shield you in sudden misfortune. But do not distress yourself with dark imaginings. Many fears are born of 16) \_\_\_\_\_ and loneliness.

Beyond a wholesome discipline, be gentle with yourself.

You are a child of the 17) \_\_\_\_\_ no less than the trees and the stars; you have a 18) \_\_\_\_\_ to be here.

And whether or not it is clear to you, no doubt the universe is unfolding as it should. Therefore be at peace with God, whatever you conceive Him to be. And whatever your labors and 19) \_\_\_\_\_, in the noisy confusion of life, keep peace in your soul.

With all its sham, drudgery and broken 20) \_\_\_\_\_, it is still a beautiful world. Be cheerful. Strive to be happy.

## PART 2. USE OF ENGLISH. TIME: 50 minutes. Maximum: 55 points.

### TASK 1. Complete the extracts from film reviews with one of the given expressions.

judging by	asking for trouble	caters for	reminds me of	live up to
come up to	do well	comes alive	in brief	make of

- A) It's hard to know what to 1) \_\_\_\_\_ Rowson's latest film, but 2) \_\_\_\_\_, it fails to 3) \_\_\_\_\_ his usual high standards.
- B) The book was brilliant, but the film doesn't really 4) \_\_\_\_\_ expectations, and casting a footballer as the leading actor was 5) \_\_\_\_\_.
- C) A film that 6) \_\_\_\_\_ the whole family, and 7) \_\_\_\_\_ the audience's reaction it will 8) \_\_\_\_\_ at the box office.
- D) The opening sequence is quite dull and 9) \_\_\_\_\_ so many other films. It really only 10) \_\_\_\_\_ when Cruise meets his co-star.

### Task 2. How much do you know about London? Choose A, B or C.

11) The Horse Guards are the Queen's

- A) Life Guards
- B) Jockeys
- C) Palace Guards

12) What is the Dungeon today?

- A) a wax museum
- B) a theatre
- C) a place where parliaments meets

- 13) If you whisper anything on one side of the Whispering Gallery, your words will be heard very clearly on the other side. Where is the Whispering Gallery?
- A) Westminster Abbey
  - B) St. Paul's Cathedral
  - C) Tower of London
- 14) If you want to see the monuments to many famous scientists and writers, you will go to
- A) Tower of London
  - B) Westminster Abbey
  - C) Buckingham Palace
- 15) When the Monarch opens Parliament, he/she sits
- A) on the throne in the House of Lords
  - B) on the woolsack
  - C) on the Speaker's Chair in the House of Commons
- 16) Which of these monuments was erected to commemorate the Great Fire of London?
- A) Nelson's Column
  - B) Marble Arch
  - C) The Monument
- 17) ..... was opened to the public in 1994. The money the Queen received from the tourists went to restore her home, Windsor Castle, after the great fire.
- A) Buckingham Palace
  - B) Westminster Palace
  - C) Prime Minister's Office
- 18) When did the Globe Theatre open?
- A) in 1853
  - B) in 1997
  - C) in 1613
- 19) When can you see the Union Jack on the top of Buckingham Palace?
- A) when the Queen is in the Palace
  - B) when the Queen is not in the palace
  - C) when the Changing of the Guard takes place
- 20) Who entered the Tower through Traitor's Gate?
- A) the king
  - B) prisoners
  - C) tourists

**Task 3. For each of the sentences below use the given word and a suitable preposition to write a new sentence. The new sentence should be of the same meaning as the first one.**

- 21) What do the letters MP mean?

STAND

What do the letters MP \_\_\_\_\_ ?

- 22) My friend has just inherited a fortune!.

COME

My friend has just \_\_\_\_\_ a fortune.

- 23) Stormy weather over the Atlantic caused the delay to our flight.

DUE

The delay to our flight was \_\_\_\_\_ stormy weather over the Atlantic.

- 24) A new laptop was just that I wanted.

DELIGHTED

I was \_\_\_\_\_ my new laptop.

- 25) Pay no attention to what he says.

## NOTICE

Take no \_\_\_\_\_ what he says.

**Task 4. Complete each sentence by using the correct word from the following list. Use each word once only. At the end of each sentence write a less formal word or expression (the first letter is given) that means the same as the word you have used.**

*comprehend*   *obtain*                      *remit*  
*terminate*     *adhere*

- They decided to 26) \_\_\_\_\_ to their original plan despite some inconveniences. 27) s\_\_\_\_\_
- Please 28) \_\_\_\_\_ your payment to this address. 29) s\_\_\_\_\_
- My boss fails to 30) \_\_\_\_\_ how such a silly mistake could have been made. 31) u\_\_\_\_\_
- He failed to 32) \_\_\_\_\_ a degree at University. 33) g\_\_\_\_\_
- His partners decided to 34) \_\_\_\_\_ the agreement because of misunderstanding. 35) e\_\_\_\_\_

**Task 5. Fill in the gaps with one suitable word.**

A dog and a pig 36) \_\_\_\_\_ once together on board of a vessel 37) \_\_\_\_\_ was bound on a long voyage. They soon became very good friends and used to eat 38) \_\_\_\_\_ of the same dish. But there was one thing that occasionally spoiled their friendship for a 39) \_\_\_\_\_ time. The dog had a comfortable kennel to sleep in, while the unfortunate pig had to spend the night on the cold deck. So the pig made 40) \_\_\_\_\_ habit of getting into the kennel at dusk. If he got in 41) \_\_\_\_\_ the dog, he 42) \_\_\_\_\_ not be turned out; but if the dog got in 43) \_\_\_\_\_, the pig had to spend the night on deck as before.

One night when the weather was very cold and wet, the pig thought he 44) \_\_\_\_\_ make for the kennel in good time, so 45) \_\_\_\_\_ to ensure having a comfortable bed. He found, however, 46) \_\_\_\_\_ his disgust, that the 47) \_\_\_\_\_ thought had occurred to the dog, who was already lying fast asleep in the kennel. So he 48) \_\_\_\_\_ his wits to work, and formed a plan. He took the dish which they ate their meals out of, and placed 49) \_\_\_\_\_ near the kennel; he then turned his back to the dog and made a noise as if he were eating. This woke the dog up. He listened for a minute or two, and then, as he felt hungry, thought he would come out and share the supper. The pig 50) \_\_\_\_\_ once rushed into the kennel, and left his friend outside with the empty dish.

**Task 6. Solve the given riddles. The first letter is given.**

- 51) If you've got me, you want to share me; if you share me, you haven't kept me. What am I? (a s.....)
- 52) What can travel all around the world without leaving its corner? (a s.....)
- 53) What has a head and a tail but no body? (a c.....)
- 54) If you drop me I'm sure to crack, but give me a smile and I'll always smile back. What am I? (a m.....)
- 55) People make me, save me, change me, raise me. What am I? (m.....)

**Part 3. WRITING. TIME: 60 minutes. Maximum: 25 points.**

Write a descriptive essay about the park you like visiting or the park you have visited. In your essay:

- describe smell and noises associated with the park;
- write how this park is different from other parks;
- write what and how can be improved in the park;
- use the words: *quaint*, *blend in*, *shades*.

Write 200-220 words.