

**ŠKOLSKO NATJECANJE IZ ENGLESKOGA JEZIKA  
za 2. razred srednjih škola**

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**TEST**

**Zaokruži broj (1 ili 2) liste u kojoj se natječeš:**

- 1**    **Lista 2.A: gimnazije**
- 2**    **Lista 2.B: ostale srednje škole**

**Zaporka:**

(prepiši dobivenu riječ)

**TEST**

<b>Čitanje s razumijevanjem:</b>	<b>6 bodova</b>
<b>Uporaba jezika:</b>	<b>54 boda</b>
<b>Ukupno:</b>	<b>60 bodova</b>

**Task 1: Timber Wolves**

Read the following text and the nine headings (A - I). Choose the heading which best fits each paragraph. There are two extra headings that you do not need to use.

The task begins with an example (0).

**Remember to write your answers on the separate Answer Sheet.**

0.       I        
Less than a century ago, the timber wolf appeared throughout North America, but today it is absent from 45 of the 48 contiguous states. Fewer than 500 wolves inhabit the remaining three—Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Michigan. Undoubtedly, an important factor leading to the decline in wolf numbers has been habitat destruction. Just as a drained pond cannot support fish, a destroyed wilderness cannot support wolves.

1.                       
However, persecution is also responsible for the present low wolf population. Wolves have been persecuted ever since the first settlers from Europe established colonies centuries ago. On every part of the frontier, wolves competed with man for prey that hunters wished to reserve for themselves. Therefore, the wolves had to be eliminated. Trapping, hunting, poisoning, and den-digging done by governing predator-control agents, eventually took their toll, drastically reducing breeds.

2.                       
The size and habits of the timber wolf help make it more of a target for crusading citizens than other carnivores. It is one of the largest predators, adult weights ranging from 65 to 175 pounds, and there are 23 North American subspecies. The largest wolf on record seems to have been a 175-pound Alaskan wolf. Total lengths of wolves range from 59 to 69 inches,

and shoulder heights from 26 to 38 inches.

3.                       
The wolf's habits of howling and hunting in packs are factors in the public's acceptance of the animal as evil incarnate. Yet, most wolf packs contain fewer than 10 members, with a few records of packs numbering up to 50. This would be a spectacular sight indeed, although many writers have not been content to deal with this large number; they have created inane enormous packs. Thus, we get fantastic tales, such as that by Alexander Dumas in his book *Voyage en Russie*, describing the appearance of up to 3000 wolves in the middle of a treeless desert.

4.                       
The anti-wolf prejudice was instilled when we were naïve and innocent tots. One of the first songs many of us learned was 'Who's Afraid of the Big, Bad Wolf?', or we most likely learned the stirring story of 'Peter and the Wolf', the plight of 'Little Red Riding Hood' and the 'Three Little Pigs', reinforcing our view of the wolf as a most undesirable creature. With such priming, how could we not believe the perennial tales from Alaska and Canada about the poor soul who had been torn limb from limb and devoured mercilessly by a bloodthirsty wolf pack?

5.                       
Even though such stories often give the full name, age and other various detailed information about the victim,

when traced down, these tales merely prove to be masterpieces of fabrication. In actuality, when the subject of wolf-man relationships is analysed, it's concluded that no wolf, except a wolf with rabies, has ever been known to make a deliberate attack on a human in North America.

6.                       
True, the wolf *is* a killer. Nature endowed the species with a type of digestive system that requires meat. Unlike humans, however, wolves cannot push the job of butchering onto a few individuals while the rest of the population looks the other way: they must do the job. In their present dwindling range, they feed on wild prey almost exclusively. In their defence, even biologists insist that wolves merely take surplus game that man would never use anyway.

**HEADINGS**

**A** Wolf Proportions and Mass

**B** Innate Hunting Strategies

**C** Factual Research of Wolves

**D** Contagious Diseases Carried

**E** Bias Fostered in Childhood

**F** Decimation of the Species

**G** Inherent Predatory Needs

**H** Absurd Depictions in Literature

**I** Diminishing Amount of Wolves

**(6 Points)**

## Tasks 2 - 6: USE OF ENGLISH

### Task 2: Something Different

Read the following text and the options below. Choose the answer (A, B, C or D) that best fits each numbered space.

The task begins with an example (0).

**Remember to write your answers on the separate Answer Sheet.**

Looking for an unforgettable way to celebrate that special **(0)** A? Well, the **(1)** \_\_\_\_\_ of options open to today's youngster—or even 'oldster' for that **(2)** \_\_\_\_\_, is a far cry from the traditional party or restaurant visit. No longer is it **(3)** \_\_\_\_\_ sufficient to invite your friends round, buy some food and have a cake. No, today's birthday boy or girl is looking for something out of the ordinary, ranging from the **(4)** \_\_\_\_\_ expensive to the downright dangerous. Anything **(5)** \_\_\_\_\_, as long as it is unusual and impressive.

Top of this year's popular **(6)** \_\_\_\_\_ are as follows: going rally driving with friends, helicopter lessons, plane trips and parachuting. Then, there is group bungee jumping or **(7)** \_\_\_\_\_ your buddies on a stomach-churning, white water rafting **(8)** \_\_\_\_\_ down rapids. The desire for adventurous celebration is not **(9)** \_\_\_\_\_ to the young; I met an octogenarian who celebrated **(10)** \_\_\_\_\_ the milestone of eighty by having a flying lesson. Undoubtedly, the more traditional forms of celebration do continue to **(11)** \_\_\_\_\_ the less extravagant or less adventurous among us. However, with my own half century **(12)** \_\_\_\_\_ on the horizon, I would not say no to a weekend in Paris!

**(12 points)**

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|-------------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------|
| (0) A occasion    | B incident  | C happening    | D time          |
| (1) A scale       | B degree    | C range        | D variance      |
| (2) A affair      | B matter    | C event        | D situation     |
| (3) A hoped       | B decided   | C marked       | D considered    |
| (4) A perfectly   | B dearly    | C outrageously | D explicitly    |
| (5) A comes       | B wins      | C goes         | D takes         |
| (6) A experiments | B exposures | C expenses     | D extravagances |
| (7) A leaving     | B taking    | C letting      | D having        |
| (8) A travel      | B ride      | C voyage       | D crossing      |
| (9) A defined     | B cramped   | C restricted   | D compacted     |
| (10) A obtaining  | B arriving  | C getting      | D reaching      |
| (11) A satisfy    | B absorb    | C distract     | D avert         |
| (12) A looming    | B showing   | C transpiring  | D presenting    |

### Task 3: Elizabeth Barrett Browning

Read the following text. For each gap 1 - 12, think of one word which best fits into the text. Use only one word for each space.

The task begins with an example (0).

**Remember to write your answers on the separate Answer Sheet.**

Many contemporary feminist writers condemn former women poets (0) for misguidedly suffering for their verse. (1)\_\_\_\_\_ particular, Elizabeth Barrett Browning (1806-1861) has been criticised for being a neurotic, an emotional egoist, and an opium addict, (2)\_\_\_\_\_ finally allowed herself to be destroyed by the addiction. However, many literary critics disagree.

It is true to say that Elizabeth benefited (3)\_\_\_\_\_ a privileged life on a 500 acre estate in the Hertfordshire countryside with her eleven younger siblings. Similar to her future husband Robert Browning, she was educated at home, a voracious reader and early (4)\_\_\_\_\_ became a keen student under private tutors. While her father was overly protective, actually forbidding her to marry, he encouraged her to write and had 50 copies of her narrative poem *The Battle of Marathon* (1820) printed. Her autocratic father's concern increased when Elizabeth was stricken with illness around the (5)\_\_\_\_\_ of fifteen. A course of opium was prescribed, and for the (6)\_\_\_\_\_ of her life she was a semi-invalid and would need to take it for various ailments.

Her protected life began to change in 1844. She read a volume of Robert Browning's poems and then expressed her appreciation in her own published verses. Her poetry (7)\_\_\_\_\_ Browning's eye, and he wrote to her: "I love your verses with (8)\_\_\_\_\_ my heart, dear Miss Barrett... I love you too." They soon met, courted each other, and in 1846, Browning carried her from the house (9)\_\_\_\_\_ her father's will. Married and living in Italy, she gave her husband 44 love poems that she had written. They were published in 1850 under the title *Sonnets from the Portuguese*. For Robert had called her 'his Portuguese' because of her dark complexion, and the title suggests a slight disguise to cloak the publication of (10)\_\_\_\_\_ a collection of personal sonnets. *Casa Guidi Windows* (1851) contains reflections on her adopted second home and Italy's struggle for independence. In 1857, the same year as the death of Elizabeth's father, who (11)\_\_\_\_\_ never forgiven her for marrying, "a novel in verse"—the controversial *Aurora Leigh* (1857) was published, which celebrates (12)\_\_\_\_\_ part female independence from domineering men.

(12 points)

#### Task 4: Musk's Projects

Read the following text and the options below. Choose the answer (A, B, C or D) which best fits each numbered space.

The task begins with an example (0).

**Remember to write your answers on the separate Answer Sheet.**

Elon Musk (0)   B   a man of many visions. One of his projects, the Space X enterprise, (1) \_\_\_\_\_ in 2002 with the intention of making space travel affordable. Since then, Musk (2) \_\_\_\_\_ that he envisions human beings (3) \_\_\_\_\_ one day a “multi-planetary species”. In fact, he hopes to send cargo ships to the Red Planet within the next five years, insisting Mars (4) \_\_\_\_\_ by 2024 and then terraformed. Another of Musk's projects deals with ‘turbocharged’ brains, intending on connecting computers to our brains. He proposes that his brain-computer interface (BCI) technology (5) \_\_\_\_\_ possibly for cognitive enhancement, ranging from improving memory and decision-making abilities to staving off the symptoms of Alzheimer's.

Other enterprises of his include the Hyperloop high-speed train system. Recently, this train (6) \_\_\_\_\_ by Musk as a cross between a Concorde, a railgun, and an air hockey table. He claims that in times to come it (7) \_\_\_\_\_ passengers to travel at over 700mph. By extension, Musk expects that the two routes he (8) \_\_\_\_\_, Los Angeles to San Francisco and NYC to Washington DC, (9) \_\_\_\_\_ no longer than 30 minutes on a Hyperloop train. Lastly, another ongoing pet project of Musk's involves the Tesla Gigafactory 1, nicknamed the ‘alien dreadnought’. It is a huge battery factory in the middle of the Nevada desert and (10) \_\_\_\_\_ with the ambitious objectives of becoming the largest building in the world by footprint as well as powering the world.

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|------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| (0) A) was                   | B) is                      | C) are                  | D) had been             |
| (1) A) was being founded     | B) had been founded        | C) has been founded     | D) was founded          |
| (2) A) has stated            | B) would state             | C) had stated           | D) was stated           |
| (3) A) had become            | B) becoming                | C) are become           | D) became               |
| (4) A) has been settled      | B) are going to be settled | C) will be settled      | D) are being settled    |
| (5) A) had been used         | B) was used                | C) could be used        | D) has been used        |
| (6) A) has been dubbed       | B) will be dubbed          | C) is dubbed            | D) had been dubbed      |
| (7) A) can allow             | B) has allowed             | C) will allow           | D) had allowed          |
| (8) A) could so far propose  | B) had so far proposed     | C) would so far propose | D) has so far proposed  |
| (9) A) might not take        | B) can take                | C) ought not take       | D) should take          |
| (10) A) had been constructed | B) was being constructed   | C) would be constructed | D) is being constructed |

**(10 points)**

### Task 5: Gap Filling

For questions 1 to 10, find one word which is appropriate for all three gaps in each of the following sets of sentences.

The task begins with an example (0).

**Remember to write your answers on the separate Answer Sheet.**

- (0) It's unbelievable how much cafés charge for a coffee these days.  
My phone's not working. I need to charge my battery right away.  
The accused appeared in court on a charge of armed robbery.
- (1) Our tents won't \_\_\_\_\_ another storm like last night's one.  
How do you think your chances \_\_\_\_\_ of being offered the scholarship?  
He has decided to \_\_\_\_\_ down after 5 years as the club's coach.
- (2) Their debut CD is currently at the \_\_\_\_\_ of the charts.  
The train thundered through the station at \_\_\_\_\_ speed.  
She wants to beat Serena when she's at the \_\_\_\_\_ of her game.
- (3) I don't think that another desk will \_\_\_\_\_ into this classroom.  
She thought that the trousers \_\_\_\_\_ him nicely along with the jacket.  
He is not \_\_\_\_\_ for the level of responsibility he's been given.
- (4) I won't be able to race today because the \_\_\_\_\_ bracket on my bike broke.  
The porcelain vase is signed on the \_\_\_\_\_ by the actual designer.  
The rich usually get richer, while the people at the \_\_\_\_\_ stay there.
- (5) My grandparents are selling a \_\_\_\_\_ of land that they don't farm on anymore.  
The \_\_\_\_\_ thickens when the audience learns that the missing woman worked for the FBI.  
Radar operators must \_\_\_\_\_ the course of possible incoming missiles for security.
- (6) It is only \_\_\_\_\_ that women and men are paid the same for the same work.  
She thought the time was \_\_\_\_\_ to let her intentions be known to everyone.  
The positive comments and results suggest that we're on the \_\_\_\_\_ track.

- (7) The house isn't much to \_\_\_\_\_ at but it's spacious and in a great location.  
Students need to \_\_\_\_\_ ahead and decide what they want to do after high school.  
One should never \_\_\_\_\_ a gift horse in the mouth, so you should accept the help.
- (8) We laughed when he told us of his hair-brained \_\_\_\_\_ for getting rich before he is 20.  
Everyone says she knows how to \_\_\_\_\_ and find a way to get what she wants.  
In the grand \_\_\_\_\_ of things, having money isn't as important as having friends.
- (9) Rihanna is doing a five-minute \_\_\_\_\_ on The Graham Norton Show this week.  
I'm not trying to put you on the \_\_\_\_\_ but could you tell me why you're doing that?  
He has a wonderful ability to always \_\_\_\_\_ mistakes that others don't notice.
- (10) Our mother always kept an \_\_\_\_\_ out for safe places where we could play.  
Use a good thread and make sure the needle \_\_\_\_\_ is large enough for the thread type.  
The \_\_\_\_\_ of the hurricane is expected to hit Puerto Rico late today and Cuba tomorrow.

**(10 points)**

**Task 6: Preserving Food**

Read the following text. Use the word given at the end of the line to form a new word that fits in the same numbered space in the text. Your answer must be ONE word only.

The task begins with an example (0).

*Remember to write your answers on the separate Answer Sheet.*

If you have a glut of fruit or vegetables and want to extend their shelf life, (0) pickling and fermenting are the best processes to capture the produce at its best. The basic (1)\_\_\_\_\_ and resources for preserving vegetables at home consists of the food ingredients and glass or ceramic jars. To save money, you don't need to buy new ones because you can simply (2)\_\_\_\_\_ and sterilise old jars. However, proper sterilization is vital, so running them through the (3)\_\_\_\_\_ possible setting of your dishwasher or steaming and drying them in an oven at 150C is required.

Be sure to remember that pickled produce brings (4)\_\_\_\_\_ to a dish and fermented brings (5)\_\_\_\_\_, so it's all about balance. Once sealed, keep the preserves at a (6)\_\_\_\_\_ cool temperature away from the daylight. Likewise, you need to remember that fermenting vegetables will need the jar 'burping' (7)\_\_\_\_\_.

There are many number of methods by which food is kept from (8)\_\_\_\_\_ after harvest or slaughter. Practices date all the way back to (9)\_\_\_\_\_ times and still include the oldest methods of preservation, such as drying food. However, we must always be aware and wary of any change that renders food unfit for human (10)\_\_\_\_\_.

**(0) PICKLE**

**(1) EQUIP**

**(2) USE**

**(3) HOT**

**(4) ACID**

**(5) SALT**

**(6) CONSIST**

**(7) OCCASION**

**(8) SPOIL**

**(9) HISTORY**

**(10) CONSUME**

(10 points)

**THIS IS THE END OF THE TEST**