

LISTENING

Time: 10 minutes

(10 points)

Task 1.

For items 1–10 listen to a radio interview with Julia Emerson, a young writer and decide whether the statements 1, 4, 8 are TRUE (A), or FALSE (B), for questions 2-3, 5-7, 9-10, choose the best answer A, B or C – according to the text you hear.

1. Julia has won a competition to get her screenplay accepted by a Hollywood studio.
A) True B) False
2. According to Julia, nowadays Hollywood producers
A. usually think of ideas for films themselves.
B. write screenplays and contact starts.
C. contact agents to find writers for them.
3. Julia says that she
A. has written a number of successful screenplays for studios.
B. was lucky enough to have her first screenplay accepted.
C. was not discouraged by the lack of response from studios.
4. This screenplay accepted wasn't the first she had already written.
A) True B) False
5. Julia began writing in her spare time when she
A. published some articles in a magazine.
B. had an idea for a TV series.
C. came first in a short-story competition.
6. Julia says that
A. she would like to write a version of a classic film.
B. there is a danger she might imitate other films.
C. creative people should think a lot about films.
7. Julia's screenplay is about two sisters who
A. set out to try living in the jungle.
B. find themselves in a difficult situation.
C. end up hating each other.
8. The story was based on her own experience.
A) True B) False
9. The theme of the story is
A. how our emotions about our family can change.
B. Julia's relationship with her brothers and sisters.
C. about the importance of having a family.
10. It appears that the film based on Julia's screenplay
A. must be made within the next few months.
B. will be made when the studio has paid Julia.
C. might never be made.

READING

Time: 20 minutes

(20 points)

Read an article and answer questions 11–20 by choosing the best option. Read the text and do tasks 1, 2 below.

Elvis Presley

Since Presley family moved often, Elvis had only two things that were consistent in his childhood: his parents and music. Having problems at school, Elvis continued to surround himself with music. He listened to the radio and bought records, **11)** _____.

To listen to a wider variety of music, Elvis crossed the colour line (segregation was still strongly in force in the South) and listened to African – American artists, **12)** _____.

By the time Elvis graduated from high school, he could sing in various styles, from pop music to gospel. More importantly, Elvis also had a style of singing and moving that was all his own. Elvis had taken all that he had seen and heard and combined it into a unique new sound.

After high school working a day job, playing at small clubs at night, and wondering **13)** _____, Elvis received a call from Sun Records in 1954. They wanted Elvis to sing a particular new song. After a month, Elvis recorded «That’s All Right (Mama) ». The song was so well liked that it was played fourteen times in a row. Elvis was so successful **14)** _____. It was then that Elvis stopped his day job.

High school and college students went wild for Elvis and his music. They screamed. They cheered, tearing at his clothes. For his part, Elvis put his soul into every performance. Plus, he moved his body – a lot. This was so very different than any other white performer. Adults thought he was vulgar; **15)** _____.

Task 2. Fill in the gaps with missing parts, 2 of them are extra.

- A. such as B.B. King, and watched black musicians play.
- B. he often played with other ambitious musicians who lived in the neighbourhood.
- C. teenagers loved him.
- D. if he would ever become a full-time musician.
- E. that Hayride show hired him to perform every Saturday for a year.
- F. if he could ever find a more highly-paid job.
- G. who were not popular at that time.

Task 3. Choose the correct answer.

- 16.** Elvis listened to black musicians
- A.** To know more about music
 - B.** To learn more about different kinds of music
 - C.** To cross the colour line
 - D.** To weaken segregation in the South
- 17.** A song "That's All Right (Mama)" was a success
- A.** as it was sung by Elvis.
 - B.** so it was played again and again.
 - C.** and everybody sang it.
 - D.** as it was composed by a well-known writer
- 18.** Elvis ended his permanent work because he
- A.** became successful.
 - B.** worked fourteen times a year.
 - C.** got regular shows at Hayride.
 - D.** didn't need to earn any more.
- 19.** The youth became crazy for Elvis's music and he
- A.** did his best at every show.
 - B.** sang lovely songs.
 - C.** cheered them violently.
 - D.** screamed.
- 20.** People of different ages
- A.** feel adoration to Elvis.
 - B.** related to Elvis differently.
 - C.** supported Elvis's songs.
 - D.** found him indecent.

USE OF ENGLISH

Time: 60 minutes

(40 points)

Task 4.

*For items 1–10, read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of each line to form a **new** word that fits in the space in the same line. There is an example at the beginning (0).*

Example:

0	CONSIDERED
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The History of the Doughnut

Although doughnuts are sold in many countries across the globe, more often than not, they are (0) _____	CONSIDER
to be a (21) _____ American food.	TYPICAL
In fact, many people make the mistaken assumption that doughnuts (22) _____ came from America,	ORGIN
In regard to the fact that they are cooked and eaten in over 21 (23) _____ countries round the world.	DIFFER
Doughnuts have a disputed history. According to one theory, they are a Dutch (24) _____ – Oliebollen or oil cakes because they were deep-fried in oil.	INVENT
Popular in Holland in the 16th century, they were brought to America by Dutch (25) _____	MIGRATE
In the (26) _____ Dutch recipe, doughnuts were dipped in sugar.	TRADITION
However, over time, several (27) _____ have emerged. Today, doughnuts are served with toppings such as icing and chocolate, and often have a hole in the middle.	VARY
The hole appeared in 1847, when sea captain Hanson Gregory made the (28) _____	DISCOVER
that his mother's doughnuts not only tasted far (29) _____ with a hole in the middle,	GOOD
but that this new shape would (30) _____ the doughnut was cooked right through and not still raw in the centre.	SURE

Task 5.

For questions 1–8, read the text below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

Example:

0	A	B	C	D
	complete	finish	fulfil	succeed

0	C
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Coming second: pleasure or pain?

Every ambitious athlete hopes to (0) _____ their dream of winning a gold medal at the Olympics. However, not everyone can win, and often talented athletes must accept second place. A team of psychologists recently (31) _____ some research on the emotional responses of those finishing second. For certain individuals, a silver medal may (32) _____ their expectations and so naturally they will be delighted. They may also enjoy surprising experts and journalists who believed they had absolutely no (33) _____ of achieving anything.

In (34) _____, the athlete who everyone assumed would win with ease, but then suffers a (35) _____ defeat, may not celebrate their silver medal. This reaction differs sharply from the athlete who comes second but finished a long way behind the winner. There is a (36) _____ in the research that shows such a person will feel significantly happier.

To a certain (37) _____, these findings are not surprising. Silver medallists who were close to victory will almost certainly (38) _____ on what might have happened if they had trained harder, or done things differently.

	A	B	C	D
31.	controlled	conducted	directed	guided
32.	exceed	overtake	pass	overcome
33.	outlook	view	estimate	prospect
34.	opposition	contrast	distinction	contradiction
35.	thin	tight	narrow	slight
36.	habit	trend	custom	tendency
37.	extent	amount	range	level
38.	review	wonder	consider	reflect

Task 6.

For questions 1–18, read the text below and look carefully at each line. Some of the lines are correct, and some have a word which should not be there. If a line is correct put a tick. Use the letter "V" as a tick.

If a line has a word which should not be there, write the word in a given space. There are two examples at the beginning (0 and 00).

0	✓
00	the

What will our homes be like in 2030?

0	There are some things that we cannot predict about the world in 2030,	✓
00	but the others seem certain.	the
39	For example, we are definitely going to have many more homes in larger cities	
40	as if the world's population continues to grow. But what will these homes be like?	
41	Firstly, 'The Internet of Things' will be an established part of	
42	everyone's lives by now then.	
43	All electronic devices in your home will be connected,	
44	and they will be communicating with each other constantly.	
45	By 2030, you will also be equipped your house	
46	with smart technology, so you'll have a movement,	
47	temperature and humidity sensors well throughout the house.	
48	These will be measuring the environment in your house	
49	constantly. In fact, they will even be able to tell to you	
50	if you've left a door open behind, or a tap on!	

Task 7.

Find the odd one out.

Which of the following ...

51. is not a feeling?

anxiety / survival / enthusiasm / curiosity / nostalgia

52. does not describe a place?

dreary / remote / disorientated / picturesque / cosmopolitan

53. does not work for a living?
civil servant / probation officer / estate agent / teammate / family practitioner

54. are not people?
colleagues / yuppies / tenants / dwellings / mates

55. is not associated with money?
wage / budget / county / price / rent rise

Task 8.

Guess the word, using the prompt in brackets. Use this word to guess the names of Russian poets and writers. Write the word and the name of the author.

The first one is done for you.

0	_____ (use physical pressure or force) the door, please, it's stuck a little.
	_____ -kin

0	Push
	Pushkin

Unscramble it!

56.	Talent like hers is rare _____ (forming a part of something) someone so young.	Esen-__
57.	Leave daddy's camera alone - it isn't a _____ (an object for children to play with)!	Tols-__
58.	_____ (used to give extra force to the main verb) give me a ring if ever you're in Cambridge. Houseboats can be inexpensive, but on prices for bigger boats the _____ (the area above the earth) is the limit.	____-stoev-____
59.	The illness is believed to be caused by a defective _____ (a part of the DNA in a cell).	Tur-____-v
60.	Can we move _____ (used about changing to a different subject) the next item on the agenda?	Lerm-____-v