



ŽUPANIJSKO NATJECANJE IZ ENGLESKOGA JEZIKA
za 2. razred srednje škole

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

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

Zaporka:

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TEST

Slušanje s razumijevanjem:	15 bodova
Čitanje s razumijevanjem:	15 bodova
Uporaba jezika:	50 bodova
Ukupno:	80 bodova

Napomena: Svi odgovori moraju biti prepisani na List za odgovore.

Sadržaj ove testne knjižice se NE boduje.

Tasks 1 and 2: LISTENING COMPREHENSION

Task 1 – Indigenous people

You will hear a text about indigenous people on the front line of the climate crisis. For each of the questions 1-7 choose **ONE** answer (**A, B or C**) that fits best according to the recording. Write the corresponding letter (**A, B or C**) on the Answer Sheet. You will hear the recording **twice**, and there will be a short pause between the two recordings. You can write your answers during both the first and the second listening. The task begins with an example **(0)**.

(0) The climate crisis affects

A all the people equally.

B native populations significantly more than others.

C only the people in Central and South America.

(1) One in three of climate-related murders can be associated with

A the misuse of the Earth's resources.

B large-scale dams.

C logging and mining accidents.

(2) Indigenous people are paying the price of

A climate change, primarily because of their tight connection to the environment.

B economic affairs that have been ravaging their countries.

C social affairs and other scandals pushing indigenous communities to the margins.

(3) The issues caused by climate change

A have no bearing on the indigenous people's problems.

B worsen the indigenous people's predicament.

C violate the indigenous people's human rights.

(4) Indigenous people make the ecosystems stronger by

A drawing using traditional techniques.

B being creative with modern technologies.

C employing ancestral practices.

(5) In Bangladesh, people

A try innovative methods to protect their crops from water surges.

B change their planting schedule.

C plant mangrove trees across their coastline.

(6) Only in this century have indigenous people been regarded as

- A collateral victims of climate change.
- B unimportant for nature preservation.
- C instruments of nature preservation.

(7) What actions are the indigenous people taking?

- A Making sure their voice is heard on global forums.
- B Implementing green architecture into the environment.
- C Educating themselves at universities.

(7 points)

Task 2 – Darling buds: how best friends keep us healthy and happy

You will hear a text about how best friends keep us healthy and happy. For each of the statements 1-8, write the correct answer: **T** for true or **F** for false. There is an **example** at the beginning (0).

Copy your answers onto the Answer Sheet.

After hearing the recording for the second time, you will have 1 minute to check your answers and copy them onto the Answer Sheet (Tasks 1 and 2).

(0)	Men have a better chance of forming close friendships than women.	F
(1)	Experts have determined that it takes up to a couple of hundred hours to form a close friendship.	
(2)	People are naturally drawn to their complete opposites.	
(3)	According to a US research, best friends were found to have nearly identical responses to visual stimuli.	
(4)	When two people are very close, their speech is similar, even though their gestures are not.	
(5)	Strong bonds in a relationship do not have to be mutual.	
(6)	According to a theory, our brain's response to spending time with a best friend can be compared to the effects of illicit substances.	
(7)	Evolution has made certain that we are awarded for keeping friendships.	
(8)	Geographical closeness, shared values and a sense of humour are key to establishing a special bond.	

(8 points)

Tasks 3 and 4: READING COMPREHENSION

Task 3 – Ready, set, glow?

Read the text. For numbered gaps 1-8 choose from A-J from the box on the following page to complete the sentences. There are **two** extra phrases that do not fit any of the gaps. There is an example at the beginning (0). Remember to write the correct **letter** on the separate Answer Sheet.

A plant-based diet inspired Roshanne Dorsett to start making her (0) K : she wanted to nourish her skin in the same way she fed her body – with lots of natural ingredients. She launched her skincare company, The Glowcery, two weeks before the first lockdown hit. She explains how she overcame that challenge and went on to see (1) _____ feature in Vogue, Refinery29 and more.

Interviewer: When did you first want to own a skincare business?

- I started making my natural skincare products as a hobby when I was at uni and that's when my sister said: "Maybe that's something you could turn into a business". So my first business was making lip balm with coconut and lemon oils.

I got (2) _____ ready, I got ready to launch and then I got hit with a warning letter from (3) _____ who claimed the name of the product was too similar to an existing brand.

Interviewer: Over the next few years, you took a skincare qualification and launched The Glowcery – two weeks before the first UK lockdown. How did the timing affect you?

- I think one of the things that the pandemic did was to force me to step out of my comfort zone. I'm a Gemini and people think Geminis are really extroverted, but I'm an introvert. I naively thought I could start a business and no one would see my face. But with the pandemic, there was a need to keep up (4) _____. It forced me to step up and be like: "This is me, this is what I'm up to, this is why I started my business."

Interviewer: What has been your greatest challenge starting out?

- Self-belief. I have bouts of imposter syndrome and worry about being good enough to keep going. As an online business, you don't have (5) _____ you would have if you had a physical shop with customers, so I enrolled for free on Google Digital Garage to learn how to get a better sense of what my customers thought. What I took away from it was an understanding of the best online platforms and types of content to connect with customers. For example, I was able to use the language of (6) _____ in pictures and videos on social platforms that led to increased likes, shares and comments on posts, therefore increasing brand awareness, which as a startup in a saturated industry was so helpful. It's great to have tools such as Google Digital Garage to better yourself as an entrepreneur.

Interviewer: And your greatest reward?

- This comes back to the customers again. I love hearing from people who have been able to alleviate (7) _____ such as acne.

I thought about reviews from the outset, because you can't sniff or test products online, so you need that social proof and sense of community. I recently launched on Google Business Profile, which is a really useful tool for adding (8) _____ as it displays customers' reviews in Google Search results.

Interviewer: Finally, what advice would you give to anyone thinking of starting a business?

- If it's a passion of yours, lean into it! The barriers to entry now are much lower than they have ever been. If you don't go for it, you'll never know what could have happened. People just need to take a chance on themselves.

A a trademark lawyer
B that constant feedback
C that extra validity
D my target customers
E my likeness
F long-term issues
G my products
H appearances with customers
I communication with customers
J her products
K own skincare products

(8 points)

Task 4 – Bad performances

Read the text about bad performances of eight movie stars. Match the movie stars (A-H) with the statements 1-7 that refer to them. Write your answers on the separate Answer Sheet. The task begins with an example (0).

<p>A) Jake Gyllenhaal in Prisoners Gyllenhaal is guilty of too much acting in Denis Villeneuve's grimy child-abduction thriller. While the other A-listers that surround him (including Hugh Jackman and Viola Davis) bury themselves in grief and rage, Gyllenhaal seems to be in a different film entirely. He's all twitches and facial tics, injecting off-putting weirdness in a movie that absolutely doesn't need it.</p>	<p>B) Mark Hamill in Star Wars First, some caveats. Some of our greatest living actors have been no match for the director George Lucas's inability to write good dialogue, and Hamill got infinitely better as an actor as he aged. In those first three Star Wars movies, he's also playing off Harrison Ford and Carrie Fisher, two of the most charismatic actors in film history. All that said, he's still not very good in the original 1977 <i>Star Wars</i>, playing Luke Skywalker like he's a bratty 10-year-old.</p>
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<p>C) Ryan O’Neal in Barry Lyndon There’s an argument to be made that O’Neal’s blank-faced miscasting here is the point, or a rare instance of a void at the centre of a movie actually working in the film’s favour. But that might be giving even the great Stanley Kubrick a bit too much credit. Forced to cast him after Robert Redford passed on the opportunity, Kubrick seems to paint around O’Neal – this is an eye-wateringly gorgeous epic full of wit and charm, if hamstrung by its vacant lead.</p>	<p>D) John Travolta in The Thin Red Line Even in a movie featuring cameos from George Clooney, Woody Harrelson and John C Reilly, John Travolta is somehow too famous for it. He only has a few minutes on-screen, playing a military general, but he seems so out of step with the film’s more ethereal rhythms that it can’t help but throw off the movie.</p>
<p>E) January Jones in X-Men: First Class The <i>Mad Men</i> star adopts a flat affect for this otherwise great franchise reboot. In fairness to her, the character she’s playing – mutant henchwoman Emma Frost – is written as quippy arm candy and absolutely nothing more, but Jones seems painfully uninterested all the same.</p>	<p>F) Keira Knightley in Bend It Like Beckham Keira Knightley is to <i>Bend It Like Beckham</i> what Mark Hamill is to <i>Star Wars</i>: an actor who would blossom with age, but whose fresh-faced weaknesses are on full display in their first big film. Playing a young footballer, Knightley is distractingly wooden. She also agreed, admitting years later that she didn’t think she was very good in it.</p>
<p>G) Cameron Diaz in Gangs of New York Sunny, glamorous (and now retired) Cameron Diaz was always being cast against-type, notably as John Cusack’s tragicomic, frizzy-haired wife in <i>Being John Malkovich</i>. Every once in a while, though, against-type veered into “horribly miscast”. Take <i>Gangs of New York</i>, in which she played an Irish pickpocket and the film’s love interest for Leonardo DiCaprio. Even beyond the bad accent, Diaz is only really there so this Martin Scorsese epic could have another A-list name on its poster.</p>	<p>H) Quentin Tarantino in Django Unchained A persistent cameo player in many of his movies – and other people’s – Tarantino is always a bit distracting, but his presence in <i>Django Unchained</i> takes the cake. He only has a few unfortunate lines of dialogue – including the regretful “Shut up, black!” – and also speaks in a horrid Australian accent. Thankfully, Jamie Foxx’s Django blows him up soon after his arrival, saving us all in the process.</p>

(0) The actress's/actor's performance seems out of place.	A
(1) Their acting is described as being delivered in a deadpan manner.	
(2) The actress's/actor's terrible performance has been shortened by their swift annihilation.	
(3) The actress's/actor's bad performance is not entirely their fault but is rather caused by the person behind the film.	
(4) The acting style of the actor/actress is partially caused by the character they play.	
(5) The actress/actor is not active in the film industry anymore.	
(6) The actress/actor got the described role because another one refused it.	
(7) Other famous names appeared alongside the actress/actor in smaller roles.	

(7 points)

Tasks 5 – 9: USE OF ENGLISH

Task 5 – Gap Filling

Complete the sentences with **one** word that best **fits all three** sentences. The task begins with an example **(0)**. Remember to **copy your answers** on the separate Answer Sheet.

(0) Mary is such a versatile musician! She can **play** the guitar, the piano and even the xylophone.

I have never liked actors who basically only ever **play** themselves in all of their films.

My brother has the opening night for his first ever one-act **play** this Friday. It's actually his final exam for the Theatre production course at the Academy.

(1) We _____ these documents under area code, not alphabetically as we used to.

In the museum the students walked in single _____ behind their guide, soaking in every word.

Mom always says it is important to _____ your nails properly, so they are nice and smooth.

(2) I think I've overestimated my capacity for hard liquor. If I have another drop, I'm afraid I'll start seeing _____ elephants.

My sister is so unhappy. She unexpectedly got the _____ slip today. Her company decided to downsize due to Covid restrictions.

After the incident on live TV, she could immediately feel her face going _____.

(3) This year's office party was a great success. Everybody had a _____ of a time.

The narwhal belongs to a _____ species most well-known for its single protruding tusk.

I just happened upon a happy hour sale and got a _____ of a deal on these trekking shoes I've been looking at for months.

(4) I think my boss is having a particularly bad day. I only asked about the delivery of stationery and he almost bit my _____ off.

The weather is lovely today. I think I'm going to _____ out now and have a nice long walk.

The Prime Minister really hit the nail on the _____ with his statement defending animal rights activists.

(5) As much as I regret to say it, we have to go mattress shopping ASAP. There's a loose _____ that has been poking at my ribs all night.

My granddad is no _____ chicken but he still likes to go for a hike once in a while.

Now take the onions, _____ beans and carrots, mix and stir, then pour over an inch of water and cook to a simmer.

(6) The world's oldest _____ exchange is the one founded in 1602 by the Dutch East India Company, today known as Euronext Amsterdam.

To make a perfect risotto you first need to cook a nice meat, fish or vegetable _____ which will be the base of the dish.

Have you got these leopard print skirts in _____ or do I have to order online?

(7) My parents are going through a difficult _____. I think they might get a divorce.

There I was sitting on my terrace minding my own business when my next-door neighbour appeared in her vegetable _____ stark naked.

When my brother fell off the tree, I had to _____ him up quickly just to avoid giving Mum the shock of her life. It looked worse than it was, he only got scratches all over his face.

(8) You _____ glass using a device called an annealer, which gently cools it to give it strength.

After his repeated provocations, she struggled to keep her _____.

It is a well-known fact that every two-year-old is capable of performing an elaborate _____ tantrum, but I think my brother is a champion in the field.

(9) The inflation has been _____ for the past ten months but the Government is turning a blind eye.

The vultures were captured on camera while _____ above the badly wounded lion cub in what appeared to be a certain signalling pattern.

Due to a grave uncertainty over oil reserves the prices have been _____ unstoppably in recent weeks.

(10) Kintsugi is the Japanese art of repairing broken pottery with gold, thus _____ its value.

An _____ number of different ethnicities in recent years, as well as the world-renowned prosperity of the city, has put Vienna on the map as one of the most inclusive cities in Europe.

The capabilities of artificial intelligence projects have been _____ significantly in the past decades, but our fears of robots taking over the world haven't diminished.

(10 points)

Task 6 – Sentence Transformations

For items 1-10, complete the second sentence so that it is as similar as possible in meaning to the first sentence using the word in brackets. **DO NOT CHANGE THE GIVEN WORD.** Use **3 to 7** words, including the given word. The task begins with an example (0). Remember to copy your answers on the separate Answer Sheet.

(0) Tina said that although she prefers the original film, the sequel is also very entertaining. (TOO)
Tina said that although she prefers the original film, the sequel **is very entertaining, too.**

(1) Jamie said this cake was so good I could open my own patisserie. (ENOUGH)
Jamie said this cake was _____ open my own patisserie.

(2) Melanie asked her sister: "Could you find the book on insects, please, I need it for a project?" (TO)
Melanie asked her sister _____ so she could do her project.

(3) Maine Coons are not as easy maintenance as other feline breeds. (GROOM)
Maine Coons are _____ other feline breeds.

(4) Ben's picture book is neither more nor less interesting than yours, don't be so upset. (AS)

Ben's picture book is _____ yours, don't be so upset.

(5) I completely disapprove of using these methods when teaching kindergarteners and will not sign them off. (UNACCEPTABLE)

I _____ when teaching kindergarteners and will not sign them off.

(6) Dina, I would really appreciate it if you could give me some guidance on how to approach my teenage son. (WORD)

Dina, I would really appreciate it if you could _____ on how to approach my teenage son.

(7) "Will you knock it off already?" - Mary Jo exclaimed irritably. (OUT)

"Will you _____ already?" - Mary Jo exclaimed irritably.

(8) Greyhounds have seen a resurgence in popularity, a consequence of the rise of groups devoted to saving retired race dogs. (RESULT)

Greyhounds have seen a resurgence in popularity _____ of the rise of groups devoted to saving retired race dogs.

(9) Rote learning is something I have always detested and found completely unnecessary. (HEART)

_____ is something I have always detested and found completely unnecessary.

(10) Whippets are dogs known for their mild nature and incredible speed, but few people know that the whippet is actually very lazy. (NOT)

Whippets are dogs known for their mild nature and incredible speed, but

_____ know that the whippet is actually very lazy.

(10 points)

Task 7 – Remarkable Roman mosaic found in Rutland field

Read the following text. For each gap 1-10, think of **one** word which best fits into the text. Use only **one** word in each gap. Write the correct answer on the Answer Sheet. The task begins with an example (0).

The most exciting Roman mosaic discovery in the UK in the last century

It was a family ramble through fields during lockdown last year that led (0) to an “oh wow moment”: the discovery of a Roman villa complex containing a rare mosaic depicting Homer’s *The Iliad*, now thought to be one of the most remarkable and significant finds of (1) _____ kind in Britain.

The mosaic – the first example found in the UK displaying scenes from the Greek epic poem, and only one of a handful (2) _____ across Europe – was found beneath a farmer’s field in Rutland. It is now protected by the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) (3) _____ the advice of Historic England, an executive non-departmental public body of the British Government.

The site was discovered by Jim Irvine, son of the landowner, Brian Naylor, during the 2020 lockdown, and has been investigated by archaeologists from the University of Leicester in partnership with Historic England and Rutland county council. Their investigation revealed the mosaic lies within an elaborate villa complex encompassing a host (4) _____ other structures and buildings. It is likely to have been occupied by a wealthy individual from the late Roman period, sometime between the 3rd and 4th century AD.

“A ramble through the fields with the family turned into an incredible discovery,” Irvine said. “Finding some unusual pottery among the wheat piqued my (5) _____ and prompted some further investigative work. Later, looking at the satellite imagery I spotted a very clear crop mark, as if someone (6) _____ drawn on my computer screen with a piece of chalk. This really was the ‘oh wow’ moment, and the beginning of the story.”

The villa is surrounded by what appear to be aisled barns, circular structures and a possible bath house. Human remains were also found in the rubble covering the mosaic, (7) _____ were likely interred after the building was no (8) _____ occupied.

“It gives us fresh perspectives on the attitudes of people at the time, their links to classical literature,” he said. “The villa’s owner was someone with a knowledge of the classics, who had the money to commission a piece of such detail, and it’s the very (9) _____ depiction of these stories that we’ve ever found in Britain.”

Duncan Wilson, chief executive of Historic England, added that discoveries like this were “very important in helping us piece together (10) _____ shared history”.

(10 points)

Task 8 – Heading football and head impacts ‘change blood patterns in brain’

Read the following text. Use the word in brackets to form a **new word** which best fits in each gap. Use only **one** word in each gap. The task begins with an example (0). Write the correct answer on the separate Answer Sheet.

Heading football and head impacts ‘change blood patterns in brain’

Repeated heading and (0) **accidental** (**ACCIDENT**) head impacts in football cause changes to blood patterns in the brain, (1) _____ (**POTENTIAL**) interfering with signalling pathways, according to a study of players in Norway.

The peer-reviewed research, published in the Brain Injury Journal, is the latest item in a growing body of evidence pointing to the dangers of heading. It discovered various

(2) _____ (**ALTER**) in the levels of microRNAs in the brain upon analysing blood samples from 89 professional players in the country’s top flight.

MicroRNAs are molecules that help regulate gene expression, through which DNA instructions are converted into products such as proteins, in bodily fluids. The (3) _____ (**FIND**) suggest that, given the change in levels, they may be able to be used as biomarkers to detect brain injury.

Blood samples were taken from players after accidental head impacts in matches and after (4) _____ (**SPECIFIC**) designed training sessions. Forty-eight of the players, drawn from three teams, took part in a session that included heading drills from set pieces and similar scenarios; they also undertook one that involved other high-intensity exercise, with no head contact allowed. The results found specific changes in certain microRNA levels whose numbers were otherwise (5) _____ (**AFFECT**) by the other high-intensity exercise.

Accidental head injuries were found to alter the levels of eight microRNAs that high-intensity exercise did not affect, and repetitive headers were found to change six. The upshot is that, as well as possibly detecting brain injury, microRNAs may also be able to differentiate injury

(6) _____ (**SEVERE**).

Stian Bahr Sandmo of the Oslo Sports Trauma Research Centre at the Norwegian School of Sport Sciences, which led the study, said: “This is a relatively small sample-size

(7) _____ (**EXPLORE**) study, but future discoveries expanding upon our research could ultimately lead to an improved understanding of the possibly

(8) _____ (**HAZARD**) effects of reoccurring head impacts.”

The risks involved with heading have become a major talking point in football. New rules were issued in July to limit players in the Premier League and Football League to 10 “higher force” headers in training sessions, although there is doubt over whether those

(9) _____ (GUIDE) are being followed and coach Nuno Espírito Santo publicly admitted ignoring them during his short time as Tottenham manager. Concussion substitutes have also been trialled in English football, allowing two (10) _____ (PLACE) for players who have sustained head injuries.

(10 points)

Task 9 – Archaeologists unearth evidence of ‘innovative’ Stone Age culture from 40,000 years ago in China

Read the following text. In the table below choose an answer **A, B, C** or **D** which **best** fits in each gap. Copy your answers on the Answer Sheet. Use only the letters **A, B, C** or **D**. The task begins with an example (0).

Researchers have unearthed features of a unique and innovative Stone Age culture in China with the earliest known evidence of ochre processing in eastern Asia. The findings from the archaeological site at Xiamabei in northern China (0) **shed** light on human lifestyle in East Asia 40,000 years ago. Scientists have said that important details about their lives and cultural (1) _____, as well as their interactions with cousin human species like Neanderthals and Denisovans, remain unknown.

In the latest study scientists described new findings from the well-preserved archaeological site. “Xiamabei stands apart from any other known archaeological site in China, as it possesses a novel set of cultural characteristics at an early date,” study co-author Fa-Gang Wang said in a statement.

(2) _____ the site, scientists found evidence of (3) _____ use of ochre by the ancient culture, as shown by artefacts used to process large quantities of pigment. Further analysis indicated that different types of ochre were brought to Xiamabei and processed to produce powders of different color and consistency, the use (4) _____ which impregnated the habitation floor.

They said the blade-like stone tools at Xiamabei were unique for the region, with a large majority of them being (5) _____, more than half measuring less than 20 millimeters. Based on the stone tools as well as other cultural (6) _____ from the site, scientists speculate that the people in the region lived a hunter-gatherer lifestyle in a cool, steppe-like environment.

The findings also provided insights (7) _____ the toolmaking industry during this key transition period in human history.

The cultural assembly of traits at Xiamabei is (8) _____ for Eastern Asia and does not correspond with those found at other archaeological site assemblies inhabited by archaic populations or those generally associated with the expansion of *H. sapiens*,” scientists wrote in the study.

(9) _____ to the unique nature of the latest findings, they said the archaeological record does not (10) _____ with the idea of continuous cultural innovation, or of a fully formed set of adaptations that enabled early humans to expand out of Africa and around the world.

(0)	A <u>shed</u>	B turn	C throw	D illuminate
(1)	A adaptations	B alterations	C advancements	D appropriations
(2)	A In	B At	C To	D From
(3)	A enormous	B extensive	C exaggerated	D expansive
(4)	A on	B for	C of	D in
(5)	A miniaturized	B infinitesimal	C enlarged	D microscopic
(6)	A developments	B creations	C produce	D evidence
(7)	A in	B to	C into	D from
(8)	A ubiquitous	B unique	C uniform	D representative
(9)	A Due	B Because	C Along	D Furthermore
(10)	A relate	B match	C fit	D suit

(10 points)

THIS IS THE END OF THE TEST