

ВСЕРОССИЙСКАЯ ОЛИМПИАДА ШКОЛЬНИКОВ
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(ШКОЛЬНЫЙ ЭТАП)

ПИСЬМЕННЫЙ ТУР

возрастная группа:

7-8 классы

Уважаемый участник олимпиады!

Вам предстоит выполнить письменные задания. Время выполнения заданий письменного тура - **2 академических часа (90 минут)**.

Выполнение заданий целесообразно организовать следующим образом:

- не спеша, внимательно прочитайте формулировку задания;
- напишите правильный вариант ответа в таблице ответов;
- после выполнения всех предложенных заданий еще раз удостоверьтесь в правильности ваших ответов;
- если потребуется корректировка выбранного Вами варианта ответа, то неправильный вариант ответа зачеркните крестиком и рядом напишите новый.

Предупреждаем Вас, что:

- при оценке тестовых заданий, где необходимо определить один правильный ответ, *0 баллов* выставляется за неверный ответ и в случае, если участником отмечены несколько ответов (в том числе правильный), или все ответы;

Задание письменного тура считается выполненным, если Вы вовремя сдаете его членам жюри.

Максимальная оценка: 70 баллов

| Listening | Reading | Use of English | Writing | Total (points) |
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| 14 | 22 | 16 | 6 | 58 |

Part 1. Listening
Time: 15 minutes (15 points)

Study Task 1 and Task 2 for 1.5 minutes, then listen to the text twice and complete the tasks.

Task 1

Maximum – 10 points

Listen to the letter from Coral and write which statements 1–10 are True (T), False (F) or Not Stated (NS).

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| 1. Coral is in China for the first time. | 6. Coral and Mrs. Lee celebrated New Year together – just two of them. |
| 2. New Year is a more important celebration in China than in the United Kingdom. | 7. They had to close all the doors and windows that evening. |
| 3. It is always on the same date every year. | 8. There are lots of candles in Mrs. Lee's house. |
| 4. The Chinese calendar is based on the movements of the moon and the sun. | 9. People usually decorate houses with red paint and wallpaper. |
| 5. Cleaning is forbidden on New Year's Day. | 10. The celebrations went on for 10 days. |

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| 1 + | 2 + | 3 + | 4 + | 5 + | 6 + | 7 + | 8 - | 9 + | 10 + |
| NS | T | F | T | T | F | F | NS | T | F |

Task 2

Maximum points – 5

Fill in the gaps with the correct item in the right column (a or b)

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| 11 + | I was a bit <u>confused</u> by all this but Mrs. Lee explained me that. | (a) confused; b) surprised |
| 12 + | There were lots of <u>relatives</u> there as it's a special day to get together and remember their ancestors. | a) people; (b) relatives |
| 13 + | I ate the most <u>unusual</u> foods I've ever eaten like lotus seed. | (a) unusual; b) delicious |
| 14 + | Lots of people put happy wishes written on <u>pieces</u> of red paper. | a) sheets; (b) pieces |
| 15 + | I'm very tired and a bit <u>fatter</u> than I was when I last saw you. | a) sadder; (b) fatter |

Part 2. Reading

Time: 25 minutes (25 points)

Read the text below and do the tasks after.

The Hermitage during the Great Patriotic War

On 22 June 1941, just two hours after the government announcement that Hitler's Germany had attacked the Soviet Union, members of the Hermitage staff embarked on the evacuation of the museum collections. All the Hermitage's workers were called to the museum. The Hermitage's researchers, security workers, technicians – everyone joined in the packing, spending no more than one hour in 24 on eating and resting. Then, from the second day hundreds of people who loved the Hermitage came to help. In seven days, 500,000 items were packed.

The place that was to take in the Hermitage collections was the city of Sverdlovsk in the Urals (now known as Yekaterinburg). A branch of the Hermitage was established there, and its director throughout the war years was Vladimir Frantsevich Levinson-Lessing, the head of the Department of Western European Art. On 30 June, on the first train around half a million Hermitage exhibits were sent off to Sverdlovsk – practically the entire museum display. A second train departed on 20 July, carrying with it some 700,000 items. The third train, already prepared to depart, would remain in Leningrad because on 30 August the rail routes were cut off by enemy forces.

The Members of the Hermitage staff who arrived in Sverdlovsk with the second train kept watch in the rooms where the exhibits were stored. Under the difficult conditions of evacuation, they continued to do research work, to write dissertations and monographs.

Throughout the long four years of the war, the staff of the Hermitage in Sverdlovsk preserved the museum's priceless exhibits, dreaming to return home. Hope for a quick return appeared at the beginning of 1944 - on January 27 when the blockade of Leningrad was lifted. But they had to wait for the end of the war.

That long-awaited day finally came – 9 May 1945. On 4 June, at a general staff meeting, Director Iosif Abgarovich Orbeli, announced the anticipated reopening of the museum in August of that year. However, it was only at the end of August that the government issued a directive on the return of the Hermitage collections to Leningrad (now St. Petersburg).

After a prolonged approval process, on 3 October two special trains were provided and loading began. The Sverdlovsk authorities gave the museum branch 16 three-ton trucks and 120 general men who worked 12 hours a day.

On 10 October, the trains carrying the Hermitage treasures arrived safely in Leningrad, where they were met by members of the museum staff. In 22 days, they restored and reopened to the public the displays of the Picture Gallery, the Special Treasury, the Knights' Hall, the halls of Classical Antiquity and of the Oriental and Numismatic Departments.

Task 1

Maximum points – 6 points

Write which statements 1–8 are True (T), False (F) or Not Stated (NS).

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| 16. All the Hermitage workers as well as lots of ordinary people were busy with packing the museum exhibits. | 19. The Hermitage staff arrived in Sverdlovsk with the first train. |
| 17. The Hermitage collections were evacuated to Sverdlovsk. | 20. During the war the museum staff didn't want to come back to Leningrad. |
| 18. There were four trains carrying the exhibits. | 21. There were many reasons why the Hermitage collections couldn't be delivered to Leningrad in May 1945. |

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| 16 + | 17 + | 18 + | 19 - | 20 - | 21 - |
| T | T | F | T | NS | F |

Task 2

Maximum points – 10 points

Match the words from the text with their meanings. Complete the table with your answers.

| words | meanings |
|------------------|-------------------------|
| 22) announcement | a) branch |
| 23) evacuation | b) exposition item |
| 24) staff | c) save |
| 25) authorities | d) keep |
| 26) department | e) placing up a vehicle |
| 27) exhibit | f) personnel |
| 28) preserve | g) deportation |
| 29) loading | h) declaration |
| 30) store | i) show |
| 31) display | j) administration |

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| 22 + | 23 + | 24 + | 25 + | 26 + | 27 + | 28 + | 29 + | 30 + | 31 + |
| h | g | f | j | a | b | c | e | d | i |

Task 3

Maximum points – 9 points

Put the statements A-I in the correct chronological order.

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| 32 + | 33 + | 34 + | 35 + | 36 + | 37 ↓ | 38 + | 39 + | 40 + |
| c | a | D | e | I | h | f | g | b |

- A. The place that was to take in the Hermitage collections was the city of Sverdlovsk in the Urals.
- B. On 10 October 1945, the trains carrying the Hermitage treasures arrived safely in Leningrad.
- C. Just two hours after the government announcement that Hitler's Germany had attacked the country, members of the Hermitage staff embarked on the evacuation of the museum collections.
- D. On 30 June, on the first train around half a million Hermitage exhibits were sent off to Sverdlovsk.
- E. The second train departed on 20 July, carrying with it some 700,000 items.
- F. On 4 June 1945, at a general staff meeting, Director Iosif Abgarovich Orbeli, announced the reopening of the museum.
- G. After a prolonged approval process, on 3 October two special trains were provided and loading began.
- H. Throughout the long four years of the war, the staff of the Hermitage in Sverdlovsk preserved the museum's priceless exhibits.
- I. The third train remained in Leningrad because on 30 August the rail routes were cut off by the German army.

Part 3. Use of English

Time: 20 minutes (20 points)

Task 1

Read the text and fill in the gaps transforming the capitalized words. Complete the table with your answers

Maximum points – 10 points

THE BATTLE FOR STALINGRAD

The Battle for Stalingrad was a pivotal moment in World War II and a (41) DEFINE _____ moment in the history of the Soviet Union. Lasting from August 1942 to February 1943, the battle was a brutal and (42) BLOOD _____ conflict that saw both sides suffer heavy losses. (43) FINAL _____, Soviet forces, under the (44) LEADER _____ of General Georgiy Zhukov, (45) BE ABLE _____ to repel the German army and secure a decisive victory on the Eastern Front. Georgiy Zhukov was a prominent Soviet military leader and one of the (46) SUCCESS _____ commanders of World War II. Zhukov (47) KNOW _____ for his tactical prowess and innovative strategies. He played a key role in many pivotal battles of the war, (48) INCLUDE _____ the defense of Moscow and the decisive victory at Stalingrad. The battle marked a turning point in the war, and is remembered as a symbol of the courage and (49) DETERMINE _____ of the Soviet people. Today, the Battle for Stalingrad is an important reminder of the sacrifices (50) MAKE _____ by those who fought to defend their country and defeat fascism, and a testament to the human spirit in times of crisis.

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| 41 + | defining | 46 + | most successful |
| 42 + | bloody | 47 - | known |
| 43 + | finally | 48 + | including |
| 44 + | leadership | 49 + | determination |
| 45 + | were able | 50 + | made |

Task 2

Read the text and choose the correct item. Complete the table with your answers

Maximum points – 10 points

THE BATTLE OF BERLIN

The Battle of Berlin, fought (51) 2 April and May of 1945, was one of the most significant battles of World War II. The battle was the last major offensive in Europe and marked (52) _____ end of the war. The German army was (53) _____ outnumbered and outgunned by the Soviet forces, who launched a massive assault on the city.

The battle was brutal and intense, with (54) _____ fighting on both sides. The German soldiers suffered (55) _____ as the Soviet army advanced through the city. The German defenses were eventually breached, and the city was (56) _____ by the Soviet forces, effectively ending the war in Europe.

The battle was a turning point in the war and demonstrated the determination of the Allied forces to defeat fascism and secure a better future (57) ____ all.

The battle is remembered as a symbol of the sacrifices made by those who fought in the war and as a reminder of the (58) ____ of war.

The lessons learned from the Battle of Berlin are still (59) ____ today, as conflicts continue to occur (60) ____ the world. It is essential to remember the sacrifices made and to work towards peace and reconciliation to avoid such conflicts in the future.

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| 51 | 1)around | 2)between | 3)among | 4)beyond |
| 52 | 1)an | 2)the | 3) their | 4) - |
| 53 | 1)weightily | 2)heavily | 3)bulkily | 4) obesely |
| 54 | 1)fierce | 2)gentle | 3)calm | 4)civil |
| 55 | 1)greatest | 2)greater | 3)greatly | 4)great |
| 56 | 1)engaged | 2)trapped | 3)liberated | 4)captured |
| 57 | 1)for | 2)to | 3)at | 4)towards |
| 58 | 1)miracles | 2)memories | 3)surprises | 4)horrors |
| 59 | 1)useless | 2)relevant | 3)extinct | 4)suitable |
| 60 | 1)through | 2)around | 3)about | 4)within |

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| 51 + | 52 + | 53 - | 54 - | 55 + | 56 - | 57 + | 58 + | 59 + | 60 + |
| 2 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 2 |

Part 4. Writing

Time: 25 minutes (10 points)

You have received an e-mail from your Chinese pen-friend Wen:

“... My friends call me patriotic. I’ m fond of reading about the history of my country and my people. On October, 1 we celebrate a great festival - the Day of the Creation of the People’s Republic of China. What about you? Are you interested in the history of your country? Can you call yourself a patriotic person? How do people in Russia usually celebrate historical festivals? ...”

Write him an e-mail and answer his questions. Write 100-120 words.

Writing

Hi Wen! Just saw your letter and read it.

Patriotic person is a person is a person that loves his country, interested in its history. It makes sense that ~~you~~^{your friend} considers him you patriotic.

Just like in China, countries all around the world celebrate specific days with festivals, parades and day-offs. In Russia there is an annual parade in Moscow on May 9th. This was the day World War Two came to an end. Another important date is November 4th - the day our country was finally free from ~~the~~ Poland's invasions.

I don't know if I can call myself a patriotic person.

Goodbye, Wen

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k_3 2

k_n 2

ANSWER SHEET
WRITING

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My favourite place in Russia is park near my dad's home in Ufa. There are a lot of trees, beach, attractions and a little lake, which I was five I loved walking in this park with my mum. I really ~~recc~~ recommend it to foreign tourists who will come to Ufa. Name of this park is Kashkadary. I think children love it. There are a lot of grounds. My favourite ground was with the pirate ship and swing. Once more there are a lot of shops with corn, ice cream and fizzy drinks. Across of this park you can watch films in the cinema. When I was six I went to this place to celebrate my birthday and watch cartoon about dog To. I very recommend it to foreign.

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ANSWER SHEET

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NUMBER

LISTENING

| Item | Answer |
|------|--------|
| 1 | A + |
| 2 | A - |
| 3 | B - |
| 4 | B + |
| 5 | A + |
| 6 | B + |
| 7 | C + |
| 8 | A - |
| 9 | A + |
| 10 | B + |

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READING

| Item | Answer |
|------|--------|
| 1 | B. + |
| 2 | A. + |
| 3 | B. + |
| 4 | A. + |
| 5 | A. + |
| 6 | B. + |
| 7 | B. + |
| 1 | C. + |
| 2 | B. + |
| 3 | A. + |
| 4 | D. - |
| 5 | D. + |
| 6 | A. - |
| 7 | B. + |
| 8 | A. - |
| 9 | D. + |
| 10 | C. + |

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USE OF ENGLISH

| Item | Answer |
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| 1 | A - |
| 2 | A. - |
| 3 | B. + |
| 4 | D. + |
| 5 | D. - |
| 6 | C. + |
| 7 | C. - |
| 8 | A. - |
| 9 | with - |
| 10 | for - |
| 11 | of - |
| 12 | then - |
| 13 | who + |
| 14 | out + |
| 15 | the - |
| 16 | emotional + |
| 17 | - |
| 18 | unreal - |
| 19 | ecological + |
| 20 | - |

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WRITING

I think that this sentence is about when people become better and try to be stronger in any ways than everyone and everything is getting much better too. And I will give my own opinion about this.

I agree with Paulo Coelho's opinion because it is well known that we have to start from ourselves. When people want to change themselves in a better way they do a lot of good deeds about everything. They become smarter, stronger, kinder, more polite, respect other people. They also do a lot for others, not only for themselves. And after this they notice that everything and everyone around them have changed too. I suppose that it is because they started to watch at any things in a different ways. Maybe it is a new chapter in their lives.

I want to give an example from "Fathers and Children" written by Turgenev. It says about different things but the I'll tell about only one. The main character is Eugeny Bazarov. He was a person who didn't believe in anything. One day he met his friend's Arcadiy uncle. His name was Pavel Petrovich. And from the start they didn't get along. Bazarov was very rude to Pavel, he didn't respect him. But then Arcadiy told him about Pavel's sad story. His life was full of bad things. Especially a sad story with the love of his life. And then he became more respectful to Pavel. And since that day they didn't have any arguments about their opinions.

To sum up I want to say that everything starts from us. We have to be good people and then others will respect us too. It is never late to become a better person.

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k5 - 4

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