

**PROBA DE VERIFICARE A CUNOȘTIINȚELOR DE LIMBA ENGLEZĂ PENTRU
ADMITEREA ÎN CLASA A IX-A CU PROGRAM INTENSIV DE PREDARE
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Timp de lucru – 60 min.

Toate subiectele sunt obligatorii. Se acordă 10 puncte din oficiu.

*I. For questions 1 to 15, 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).**(15 x 1p.= 15p)*

Dear Tina,

I (0) *have* never written to a magazine before, but after reading your article about the dating website *Beautifulpeople.net*, I've just got to (1) _____ you know how I feel. (2) _____, I'm a quiet easy-going girl, but now I'm angry, and I (3) _____ you why...

Beautifulpeople.net is an online club (4) _____ only accepts beautiful people. To join you have to (5) _____ in a picture and profile of (6) _____ you're like. Then, members of the opposite sex study your profile, send in rude messages and then vote (7) _____ you're attractive enough to become one of them. According to your article, more than 35,000 people (8) _____ to join the club since January, but only one (9) _____ twenty has been successful! It's a cruel, arrogant system that makes good people feel frustrated, lonely and insecure.

I was absolutely amazed you decided to print an article about this club in (10) _____ positive way. I've always admired the (11) _____ advice you give adolescent girls. But your article on *Beautifulpeople.net* sends out the opposite message: that appearance is more important than personality.

Personally, I (12) _____ stand people who look (13) _____ on others just because of their appearance, so (14) _____ time you write an article about such an unpleasant thing as this online club, please try to describe it (15) _____.

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0. B	A. had	B. have	C. will	D. am
1. _____	A. leave	B. allow	C. let	D. left
2. _____	A. Usually	B. Usual	C. As usual	D. Unusual
3. _____	A. tell	B. will tell	C. say	D. will say
4. _____	A. which	B. what	C. who	D. whom
5. _____	A. send	B. bring	C. donate	D. give
6. _____	A. where	B. who	C. what	D. how
7. _____	A. why	B. for	C. how	D. whether
8. _____	A. try	B. tried	C. have tried	D. will try
9. _____	A. in	B. from	C. of	D. by
10. _____	A. so	B. such	C. such a	D. this
11. _____	A. sensitive	B. sensible	C. sensing	D. senseless
12. _____	A. mustn't	B. can't	C. needn't	D. don't
13. _____	A. away	B. off	C. out	D. down
14. _____	A. before	B. following	C. next	D. last
15. _____	A. accurate	B. inaccurate	C. accuracy	D. more accurately



II. For questions 1 to 15, read the text below and think of the word which best fits each gap. Use only **ONE** word in each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).
(10x 1p. = 10p)

Afraid of New Experiences?

A few years (0) ago, I was working in Singapore. During my first week there, while I was travelling on the underground, I saw a strange sign (1) ____ 'NO DURIANS' with a picture of a crossed out fruit. I wondered (2) ____ they were forbidden. It wasn't until later that I found out that they smell really, really bad, but they're very tasty and healthy. For (3) ____ reason, many people in Southeast Asia eat them. I was very curious and decided to try for (4) ____.

As I was walking through a market place, a very strong smell (5) ____ me. It smelt like someone had left some onions and other vegetables to rot. However, I realized that I was standing next to a stall selling durians. 'I'd like to try a piece of durian', I told the merchant and he said with a smile, 'At your (6) ____ risk!' He then took a durian from a box, cut it in half (7) ____ a knife and then cut a piece of the fruit. When he handed it to me, I started having second thoughts. 'What does it taste like?' I wondered. As I was raising the fruit to my lips, I suddenly (8) ____ sick and a bit dizzy, but I began to eat.

The durian was thick and creamy like butter and had a fresh and sweet taste. As (9) ____ as I finished eating the piece, the merchant offered me some more. I actually finished the entire fruit. The man looked at me (10) ____ a response. 'Yummy! That was tasty!' I said so the merchant put three in a bag for me to take home. Unfortunately, I had to walk all the way, because I wasn't allowed on the underground.

III. For questions 1-10, read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of each line to form a word that fits in the space in the same line. There is an example at the beginning (0).
(10 x 1p. = 10p)

Example: 0. fundamental

<p>Modern science has proved that the (0) <u>fundamental</u> traits of every (1)_____ are stamped in the shape of his body, head, face and hands - an X-ray by which you can read the (2)_____ of any person on sight. The most (3)_____ thing in the world to any individual is to understand (4)_____. The next is to understand the other fellow. For life is (5)_____ a problem of running your own car as it was built to be run, plus getting along with the other (6)_____ on the highway. This co-operation is vital to (7)_____ and success. We come in contact with (8)_____ people in all the activities of our (9)_____ and what we get out of life depends, to an astounding degree, on our (10)_____ with them.</p>	<p>0. FUNDAMENT 1. INDIVIDUALIZE 2. CHARACTER 3. ESSENCE 4. HIM 5. LARGE 6. DRIVE 7. HAPPY 8. DIFFER 9. LIVE 10. RELATE</p>
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IV. Choose the correct option from the CAPITALIZED words/phrases by circling them. (10 x 0,5p. = 5p)

1. The plane TOOK/WENT off at 6.00 am and landed at 7.15 am.
2. I wanted to buy her a nice graduation present but I couldn't find ANYTHING/SOMETHING interesting.
3. Unfortunately, I saw NO/ANY pelicans in the delta. I didn't see even one.
4. Because he let his friend OFF/DOWN, nobody respected him anymore.
5. Carnations don't grow here. Neither ARE/DO roses.
6. They USE/USED to play football here when they were young, but now they don't do it anymore.
7. The earth will die soon IF/UNLESS people limit pollution.
8. Hurry up! We haven't got MUCH/MORE time!
9. Anyone WHICH/WHO goes to Rome never forgets it.
10. James was accused WITH/OF trespassing.

V. Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. **Do not change the word given and use between two and five words** including the word given. There is an example given (0).

(10 x 2p = 20p)

(0). We found a hotel in no time at all. **LONG**
It DIDN'T TAKE US LONG to find a hotel.

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| 1. I felt strange because I didn't know anybody at the party.
I felt strange because _____ at the party. | KNEW |
| 2. Their garden is beautiful in summer.
They have _____ in summer! | A |
| 3. I don't live here so I can't give you any directions.
If I _____ give you some directions. | COULD |
| 4. Sarah went to the stylist and her hair was cut pretty short.
Sarah went to the stylist and _____ pretty short. | HAD |
| 5. Mr Morgan taught me all the History I know.
All the history I _____ Mr Morgan. | TAUGHT |
| 6. I last spoke to my aunt two weeks ago.
The last time I _____ two weeks ago. | WAS |
| 7. Students are not allowed to enter this room.
Entering _____ to students. | PROHIBITED |
| 8. Winning that prize has made him very conceited.
Winning that prize _____. | HEAD |
| 9. We're moving next week but we'll stay in contact with you.
We're moving next week but _____. | TOUCH |
| 10. Luckily all this happened a long time ago.
Luckily all this _____ ago. | PLACE |

**KEY***I. Multiple choice cloze (15x1p=15p)*

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| 1. C | 6. C | 11. B |
| 2. A | 7. D | 12. B |
| 3. B | 8. C | 13. D |
| 4. A | 9. A | 14. C |
| 5. A | 10. C | 15. D |

II. Open close (10x1p=10p)

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| 1. saying | 6. own |
| 2. why | 7. with |
| 3. this | 8. felt |
| 4. myself | 9. soon |
| 5. hit | 10. for |

III. Word building (10x1p=10p)

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| 1. INDIVIDUAL | 6. DRIVERS |
| 2. CHARACTERISTICS | 7. HAPPINESS |
| 3. ESSENTIAL | 8. DIFFERENT |
| 4. HIMSELF | 9. LIVES |
| 5. LARGELY | 10. RELATIONS/ RELATIONSHIPS |

IV. Dual choice (10x0,5p=5p)

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| 1. took | 2. anything | 3. no | 4. down | 5. do |
| 6. used | 7. unless | 8. much | 9. who | 10. of |

V. Key word transformation (10x2p=20p)

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| 1. I knew //nobody/no one | 6. spoke to / my aunt was |
| 2. such/ a beautiful garden | 7. this room / is prohibited |
| 3. lived here / I could | 8. has gone / to his head |
| 4. had her hair / cut | 9. we'll/will keep//stay in touch |
| 5. know was / taught by | 10. took place /a long |

Total : 60p