

**Задания второго этапа республиканской олимпиады**

**по учебному предмету «Английский язык»**

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**X класс**

**Communicative skills assessment**

**1. Describe the qualities you like about your friends. What qualities do you think they appreciate in you?**

1. Why do people need friends?
2. What are the drawbacks of your best friend?
3. What do you appreciate your best friend for?
4. Why is friendship important for people?

**2. Make a speech on ecological problems. What should people do to protect nature? What should the authorities do? Mention the ecological problems of your region.**

1. What ecological problems are urgent now?

2. What is the influence of pollution on people's health?

3. What ecological problems exist in your home place?

4. How can we reduce land pollution in your opinion?

**3. Teenage years are cool! What are the advantages and disadvantages of being a teenager?**1. What will you remember about being a teenager?

2. How can you explain the problem of misunderstanding between «father and son»?

3. Why does the preceding generation always say that the next is not as they were?

4. Why is the conflict between parents and children especially critical during the teenage years?

**4. Speak about your favourite kind of sport giving reasons of your preference.**

1. Why do people practice sport?

2. Which kind of sport do you like more: group or individual? Explain your choice.

3. What sport would you never do?

4. What do you think are the disadvantages of professional sport?

**5. Describe the season and weather you like most? Explain your choice.**

1. Which season possesses the greatest charm and value for you? Why?

2. What are the peculiarities of the English climate?

3. How do fast changes in weather influence you and your health?

4. What weather conditions make you depressed? Explain why?

**6. What do you do to keep yourself fit? What else do you think you should do to stay healthy?**

1. What factors affect your physical and emotional conditions (state)?

2. Why don’t people live an active life, in your opinion?

3. How do you overcome stress?

4. What’s your recipe to be healthy and fit?

**7.** **You have invited your friends to dinner. Make up a menu and a shoppinglist ofthe things you need to buy at the supermarket.**

1. Why do people prefer to buy things at the market these days?

2. What's the difference between a shop and a supermarket (hypermarket)?

3. What was your most disappointing purchase? Why?

4. What's your attitude to window-shopping?

**8. Let's talk about fashion.**

Why does fashion change so quickly?

What do you do with a thing (item of clothing) if it is out of fashion?

Why do young ladies use make up so often?

What's the difference in men's and women's attitude to fashion?

**9. Speak about your eating habits and preferences.**

1. What are some foods that are considered unhealthy?

2. What is a typical meal of your country?

3. What dish can you cook best?

4. What food do you hate? Why?

**10. Family ties are the strongest.**

1. Is the family ever likely to disappear as an institution?

2. Should the father or the mother be the head of the family?

3. Do your parents try to influence your relationships with your friends?

4. What is the right age to get married?

**11. Speak about your native place as one of the most exciting places you've ever been to.**

1. What problems does your native place have?

2. What could or should be done to solve some of the problems that exist in your native place?

3. Why is уour native place so attractive?

4. What would you show in your native place to a foreign guest?

**12.** **Speak about your future career.**

1. Why is thinking about your future occupation so important in the senior forms of school?

2. What is more important in your future job: prestige, reward or interest?

3. How important is promotion in a job?

4. What are some questions that are frequently asked in a job interview?

**13.** **Speak about science. What scientific achievements do you find very important?**

1. What qualities must a real scientist possess?

2. What are the greatest scientific discoveries of the 20th century, in your opinion?

3. What developments in science and technology have greatly changed our life style?

4. In what spheres of life are technological advances most important?

**14. Speak about your favorite form of art.**

1. How often do you go to the theatre?

2. When was the last time when you went to a concert?

3. What kind of music do you prefer? Why?

4. Who is your favourite actor or actress?

**15.** **Some people think that school days are the happiest days in people's lives. Can you say that you have been happy at school? Why?**

1. What will you remember school days for?

2. What are the qualities of a good student (pupil) in your opinion?

3. Why do students cheat during tests and exams?

4. What kind of world do you think this would be if people never went to school?

**16. Describe the house or the flat where you live.**

1. How do you understand the proverb «My home is my castle»?

2. What would you like to change in your house?

3. How do you help your parents with housework every day?

4. How quickly do you get homesick when you travel?

**17. Tell about hobbies which are typical of the people of your age.**

1. Why do people need hobbies?

2. Which hobbies are the most popular in your country?

3. Which hobbies are the most popular with women in your country? With men?

4. How can hobbies help develop your world outlook?

**18. Travelling is one of the ways of discovering new countries.**

1. What’s your favorite type of holidays and what activities should it include?

2. What does travelling give to people?

3. What are the good sides of hitchhiking?

4. How has tourism changed over the past few decades?

**19. Money makes the world go round.**

1. What is your attitude to money?

2. What would you rather be – rich or famous?

3. If you were rich, how would you invest your money?

4. What things in life are impossible to buy?

**20.** **Speak about the importance of foreign languages in modern life.**

1. What careers are possible if you speak a foreign language?

2. What languages would you like to learn in future?

3. How can the Internet be a helpful tool when learning a foreign language?

4. Why do some people have more difficulty than others when learning a language?

**21. Say why family ties are important for you.**

1. How do you get along with your family?

2. Who is the breadwinner in your family?

3. What are some of your best and happiest memories of childhood?

4. What do you think of married couples who decide not to have any child?

**22.** **Speak about the styles of music young people are fond of. What kinds are popular now?** **What kind of music do you like? Why?**

1. How does music make you feel?

2. What do you think the world would be like without music?

3. What are some special or traditional musical instruments in your country?

4. Why do you think music is important and how does it affect different people?

**23. Describe a book that produced a great impression on you.**

1. How many books do you have at home?

2. How do you choose the book you want to read?

3. Who is your favourite writer?

4. Do you prefer e-books or paper books?

**24. Hardships in life only make us stronger.**

1. What are the hardest things for you?

2. Who do you go to when you are in trouble?

3. Have you ever helped anyone in really difficult situations?

4. How can one achieve success in life?

**25**. Speak about the importance of a healthy lifestyle.

1. What kinds of sport do you enjoy?

2. Do you think professional sport is good for one’s health?

3. What is the healthiest food and why?

4. What are school dinners like?