**Областная предметная олимпиада по английскому языку**

**среди обучающихся профессиональных образовательных организаций Архангельской области**

**(для обучающихся по программам подготовки квалифицированных рабочих, служащих/программам подготовки специалистов среднего звена**

**на базе среднего общего образования)**

**TASK 1. LISTENING**

***Dr Matthew Belmont, who teaches at Manchester University, gives a lecture on the problems associated with cities today. Listen to his talk and for questions 1-10 choose the best option A, B or C. You will hear the extract twice.***

1. **Dr Belmont studies life in …**

A. countries

B villages

C. cities

1. **According to Dr Belmont problems of the cities in the 21st century are caused by their…**
2. expansion
3. B. differences
4. C. lifestyles
5. **Which was not mentioned by Dr Belmont as a specific topic of his talk?**
6. healthcare
7. B. pollution
8. C. crime
9. **People move to the cities looking for…**
10. work
11. B. money
12. C. better healthcare
13. **People live longer …**
14. in the cities
15. B. in the country
16. C. both in the cities and in the country
17. **According to Dr Belmont the crime rate may be explained by …**
18. unemployment
19. B. overpopulation
20. C. cost of living
21. **The number of mobile phones snatched in Manchester in 2003 grew by ….. compared to 2002**.
22. 400
23. B. 600
24. C. 900
25. **According to Dr Belmont people have to spend on transport ….. every day.**

A. £4

B. £14

C. £40

1. **Dr Belmont’s talk implies that to improve the environmental situation people …**
2. should pay special taxes.
3. B. shouldn’t bring their cars into city centres.
4. C. must use public transport.
5. **In London last year …**

A. the number of cars increased.

B. people paid for bringing their car in the city.

C. the drivers were dissatisfied with the new tax.

**TASK II. READING**

**Read the story and choose the correct answer for the questions below**

**Driverless cars**

Driverless cars are expected to be rolling into the streets within the next 20 years. In fact, they’ve legally been on the roads for the past years, approved for testing purposes. It is predicted that driverless vehicles will be commercially available at a high cost within 7 years, but it may take another 8 years for prices to drop enough to spur mass consumption.

Today, the discussions focus primarily on the shifting of accident liability to manufacturers and all the goodness that comes along with reducing accidents. A truly driverless road would not be accident-free as there would still be a number of accidents caused by mechanical or computer errors, weather conditions, pedestrians and sheer random chance. But it would make the now-routine loss of life on the roads far rarer.

The concept of a “driver” will be replaced with that of an “operator”, who simply programs the vehicle’s GPS to arrive at the desired destination and pushes the “Start” button to begin the trip. Since judgment will no longer be required of the operator, they won’t need a driver’s license. Theoretically, a 10-year-old child could independently take the car to school in the morning.

Computer-operated cars will eventually reshape the car design as things like windshields will become less necessary. Drivers will be able to sit wherever they’d like in their cars. There will be no need for gas and brake pedals as speed will be automatically controlled by the computer. The steering wheel and the turn signal arm can also be eliminated once the public gets used to reliability of these vehicles.

Each passenger will have a personal video display informing about a current location, the distance to your destination, speed and personal entertainment selections. The concept of ‘distracted driving’ will disappear as there will be no reason to pay attention to where you are going.

Vehicle owners will no longer buy collision insurance since manufacturers will be solely responsible for damage. Owners will only need theft insurance and coverage for hail, falling objects or floods. To take this one step further, personal vehicle ownership may dramatically diminish. Car dealers will have lots full of vehicles for hire on a daily or hourly basis instead of vehicles for sale. When you need a car, you’ll summon one using your mobile phone. The closest unmanned vehicle will be dispatched to your home to take you where you need to go. When done, you’ll simply push the button for the unmanned vehicle to drive itself back to the rental lot.

The social and cultural impact of driverless cars could cause far more upheaval than any of us could imagine. Perhaps, it would be even greater than the impact the Internet had on commerce and communication. Obviously, the picture being painted is the one that assumes total adoption, which is far from realistic. You will always have transitional delays caused by the lack of free cars, the longevity of today’s vehicles and cultural resistance.

This resembles the historical factors that affected the transition from horse to the automobile. At the moment, the driverless car seems like a novelty. However, it will open up new prospects. The prospect of flying cars may soon become a reality. With computer-controlled vehicles that strictly follow traffic rules, three-dimensional roads become far less scary and more a matter of simply solving the technological challenge. Where we’re going, we may not need roads at all.

1. **According to the author driverless cars will become cheap enough for most people to buy within the following …**
2. 8 years.
3. 15 years.
4. 7 years.
5. 20 years.
6. **Which of the following statements is TRUE, according to the text?**
7. A driverless car operator won’t be responsible for accidents.
8. The age required to operate a driverless car is likely to rise.
9. Driverless cars may increase the number of road accidents.
10. The driverless cars will be voice-activated.
11. **To operate a driverless car, their owners will be required to …**
12. set the destination on the GPS.
13. have experience in programming.
14. obtain a collision insurance.
15. have a special license.
16. **Which of the following, according to the author, will a driverless car have?**
17. Gas and brake pedals.
18. A steering wheel.
19. Video displays.
20. A turn signal arm.
21. **The author claims that with the introduction of driverless cars …**
22. personal vehicle ownership will increase.
23. the number of vehicles on the roads will diminish.
24. people will rent vehicles instead of buying them.
25. vehicle owners will spend more money on insurance.
26. **According to the author, driverless cars will be …**
27. as important socially as the Internet.
28. enthusiastically accepted by the people.
29. operated without transitional delays.
30. used by people with caution at first.
31. **The attitude of the author towards the driverless cars may be described as …**
32. optimistic.
33. negative.
34. indifferent.
35. unsure.

**TASK III. USE OF ENGLISH**

**A) Answer the questions**

1. **We are going for a walk. You can go with … .**
2. we
3. us
4. our
5. ours
6. **It was a through train, so we … change trains.**
7. mustn’t
8. hadn’t
9. didn’t have to
10. had not to
11. **A vegetarian is someone … doesn’t eat meat.**
12. whom
13. who
14. which
15. whose
16. **I will give you my address when I … somewhere to live.**
17. find
18. will find
19. found
20. have found
21. **We don’t know … about car engines.**
22. nothing
23. something
24. anything
25. everything
26. **They live … from school than we do.**
27. farther
28. more far
29. farthest
30. as far as
31. **By this time tomorrow I … for three hours.**
    1. will fly
    2. will be flying
    3. will have fly
    4. will have been flying
32. **The man looked so miserable that she burst into … .** 
    1. laughing
    2. laughter
    3. crying
    4. tears
33. **Dave … since he left three days ago.** 
    1. didn’t see
    2. wasn’t being seen
    3. hasn’t seen
    4. hasn’t been seen
34. **She couldn’t help … when she saw his haircut**.
    1. laughs
    2. laughing
    3. laughed
    4. to laugh
35. **What … about when I entered the office?**
36. did you talk
37. were you talking
38. you talked
39. had you talk
40. **She … TV since this morning.**
41. watches
42. was watching
43. watched
44. has been watching
45. **His car … repaired at the moment.**
    1. is
    2. was
    3. is being
    4. will be
46. **If you … study, you may fail the exam.**
47. hadn’t
48. don’t
49. doesn’t
50. weren’t
51. **There isn’t … coffee left in the cup.**
    1. many
    2. any
    3. no
    4. few

**В)** **Read the text. Fill in the gaps with the proper lexical form of the capitalized words.**

The next day at about ten o'clock I was walking

down Welbeck Street. I was in a bad temper. By daylight

the whole project seemed 1) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_attractive. LITTLE

But I regarded the matter as something

which 2) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and which now DECIDE

simply had to be carried out.

Sadie's flat was on the 3)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ THREE floor, and I found the door open.

A servant appeared who told me that Miss

Quentin 4)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ at home. NOT BE

She then informed me that Miss Quentin

was at the hairdresser's, and she named an

expensive Mayfair 5)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . ESTABLISH I said that I was Miss Quentin's cousin, thanked her

and set off towards Oxford Street.

Soon I found myself in a big room. I started to

walk along the rows of well-dressed

women, 6)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ into each mirror. LOOK At the end of one row I met in the mirror a pair of eyes

which were unmistak­ably Sadie's.

"Jake!" Sadie cried.

"Hello, Sadie!" I said.

"I 7)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ you for ages! NOT SEE

How lovely! Were you looking for me?"

I said that I was, and I fetched a chair and

8) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ just behind her shoulder. SIT

**TASK IV. SOCIOCULTURAL COMPETENCE**

**A) Answer the questions**

1. Who discovered America?
2. Who was the first president оf the USA?
3. What is the national symbol оf America?
4. Where is the Statue оf Liberty situated?
5. How many stripes are there on thе American f1ag?
6. When do Americans celebrate Independence Day?
7. Who was the Prime Minister of Great Britain during the second world war?
8. When was the great fire of London?
9. What is the most ancient monument in Great Britain?
10. What is  the traditional English drink?
11. Who wrote “ Alice in Wonderland”
12. What is a brunch?
13. What is the common name for a toy bear in England?
14. What birds live in the Tower of London?
15. What is the nickname of London underground?

**В) Match the idioms with their meanings**

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| 1. All in a good time | 1. Брать на себя слишком много обязательств |
| 1. It's Greek to me | 1. Быть абсолютно разными |
| 1. Every dog has his day | 1. Очень простое дело, задание |
| 1. It is not my cup of tea | 1. Когда рак на горе свистнет |
| 1. Be like chalk and cheese | 1. Быть в одинаковом положении |
| 1. Break a leg | 1. Будет и на нашей улице праздник |
| 1. A piece of cake | 1. Это для меня китайская грамота |
| 1. Bite off more than you can chew | 1. Ни пуха, ни пера |
| 1. To be in the same boat | 1. Это не в моём вкусе |
| 1. When pigs fly | 1. Всему свое время |