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ВСЕРОССИЙСКАЯ ОЛИМПИАДА ШКОЛЬНИКОВ  
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ШКОЛЬНЫЙ ЭТАП. 5–6 КЛАССЫ

Reading-76.  
Use of English-31

Part 1  
Listening

Time: 10 minutes

Maximum points – 4

Прослушайте аудиофайл: <https://statgrad.org/download/226993.mp3>

Listen to the text. Then put four tales in the order that they are mentioned in the text.  
There is one extra fairy tale which is not mentioned in the text.

|   |   |                                  |
|---|---|----------------------------------|
| 1 | 2 | The Frog Princess                |
| 2 | 1 | Ivan the Fool and the Magic Pony |
| 3 | 4 | Kolobok (The Gingerbread Man)    |
| 4 |   | The Cat and the Rooster          |
|   | 3 | Teremok (The Fly's Castle)       |

## Part 2 Reading

Time: 20 minutes

Maximum points – 10

Read the text and decide if sentences are True, False, or this information is not mentioned in the text – Not Stated.

### Easy Writing

Have you ever heard of Lazlo Biro? He invented the ballpoint pen (the biro). His invention has made writing a lot easier for everyone.

In the 1930s Lazlo Biro worked for a newspaper in Budapest in Hungary. While writing his articles he used an ink pen which left a lot of ink stains on paper. He often watched the newspaper being printed by huge printing machines. Biro noticed that the ink used in the printing machines dried very quickly. He wondered if this quick-drying ink could be used in pens. He had the idea of using a tube of quick-drying ink with a ball at the end. He found that when you wrote with it, the ball allowed ink to flow out of the tube and on to the paper. Because it dried quickly it did not smudge like ordinary ink.

Biro was very excited by his discovery. His pen was much easier and smoother to write with. It was especially helpful to left-handed people. With the pen, it was possible to write up to 200,000 words before the ink ran out. It was even possible to write on rough surfaces. Another advantage of the ballpoint pen was that it was cheap. You just threw it away when the ink ran out and got another one!

Unfortunately, before he was able to patent\* his invention, the Second World War broke out. Biro went to Brazil. There, he and his brother George began to improve the design of the pen. In the early 1940s they began to manufacture a new pen, but they did not have enough money to start a big company.

In 1944 he sold his business to an Englishman named Henry Martin. Martin produced thousands of Biro pens. He sold many to the men and women in the American and British armies. People liked the pens very much. They were convenient and easy to carry around and they could be used anywhere. They were cheaper than fountain pens. Later, Martin sold the business to a French company called BIC. This company now sells twelve million pens a day.

Biro was pleased that his pen was so popular, but he did not make a lot of money from his invention. He died quite a poor man in South America. However, his name is not forgotten. It has become an everyday word.

\*When an inventor patents something, this prevents others from using the invention without permission.

1. Biro was a Hungarian journalist.

- ☒ True +  
☐ False  
☐ Not Stated

2. Biro's birthday is celebrated in some countries as Inventors' Day.

- ☐ True  
☐ False  
☒ Not Stated +

3. Biro invented his pen without seeing a printing machine at work.

- ☐ True  
☒ False  
☐ Not Stated

4. The ink used in printing machines was different from ordinary ink.

- ☒ True  
☐ False -  
☒ Not Stated

5. You can write longer with a ballpoint pen than with an ink pen.

- ☒ True  
☐ False -  
☐ Not Stated

6. The new pen could write not only on paper.

- ☒ True +  
☐ False  
☐ Not Stated

7. In the 1940s Biro brothers' business was rather successful.

- ☐ True  
☒ False +  
☐ Not Stated

8. Biro sold his business to BIC.

- ☐ True  
☒ False +  
☐ Not Stated

9. Fountain pens were cheaper and easier to use.

☐ True

☒ False +

☐ Not Stated

10. Biro's name is still honored by his relatives in South America.

☐ True

☐ False

☒ Not Stated +

## Use of English

Time: 30 minutes

Maximum points – 50

### Task 1

Read the text below. There is one mistake in each line: it can be a wrong word or a missed word. Find the mistake and write the proper word in the box.

|    |  |            |   |
|----|--|------------|---|
| 1  | At 12 <sup>th</sup> April, 1961 Yuri Gagarin, a Russian Cosmonaut, | on         | + |
| 2  | became first human to travel into space. Although his flight       | the        | + |
| 3  | lasted only 108 minute, its success made him                       | minutes    | + |
| 4  | national hero. He also became the first person                     | a          | + |
| 5  | ate and drank in zero gravity, and he was able                     | who        | + |
| 6  | view the Earth in a way that no one had done before.               | to         | + |
| 7  | Unfortunately, a plane crash in March 1968 made Gagarins'          | Gagarins   | + |
| 8  | desire of revisiting space impossible.                             | impossible | + |
| 9  | After his dead, his hometown and the Cosmonaut Training            | death      | + |
| 10 | Center at Star City, Russia, was named after he.                   | him        | + |

### Task 2

For questions (1-20) choose the correct verb form for each gap. (0) – is done for you as an example.

#### He Didn't Laugh

Mark Twain, the famous American author, (0) was well known (to know) as a lecturer, and literary clubs often (1) invited (to invite) him to speak. Before one of his lectures a club member (2) came (to come) up to him and said,

... say (to say) that you can tell very funny stories. I hope that during your lecture you (4) made - (to make) my uncle (5) to laugh (to laugh). He (6) hasn't laugh (not to laugh) for ten years." "I'll do my best", Mark Twain said.

At the beginning of his lecture, Mark Twain (7) notice - (to notice) the club member who (8) was sitting (to sit) in front of him with an old sad man.

Mark Twain (9) began (to begin) (to tell) jokes, one after another, long jokes and short jokes, new jokes and old jokes. Soon everybody (10) was crying (to cry) with laughter. Everybody - but not the old man. He (11) is looking (to look) at Mark Twain with his cold blue eyes. Mark Twain (12) ashamed (to ashamed) +

After the lecture, the club member (13) thank (to thank) Mark Twain because he (14) had never (never to hear) so many funny stories.

"They (15) were (not to be) funny enough for your uncle. He (16) isn't even (not even smile)!" Mark Twain (17) answered (to answer) +

"I'd like to thank you and say again my uncle (18) isn't laugh (not to laugh) for ten years. I want you to know he (19) hasn't heard (not to hear) anything for ten years. He (20) is deaf (to be deaf)."

|    |                     |                   |                     |
|----|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| 0  | was well known      | is well known     | has been well known |
| 1  | invites             | invited           | invite              |
| 2  | come                | comes             | came                |
| 3  | say                 | will say          | are said            |
| 4  | made                | make              | will make           |
| 5  | laughed             | laugh             | to laugh            |
| 6  | hasn't laughed      | don't laugh       | didn't laugh        |
| 7  | notice              | notices           | noticed             |
| 8  | was sitting         | is sitting        | were sitting        |
| 9  | had begun telling   | began to tell     | began to telling    |
| 10 | were crying         | will cry          | was crying          |
| 11 | was looking         | would look        | had looked          |
| 12 | was ashamed         | was ashamed       | is ashamed          |
| 13 | thanks              | thank             | thanked             |
| 14 | had never heard     | never had heard   | have never heard    |
| 15 | is not              | were not          | was not             |
| 16 | haven't even smiled | hadn't even smile | didn't even smile   |
| 17 | answered            | answer            | answers             |
| 18 | didn't laugh        | hasn't laughed    | haven't laughed     |
| 19 | hasn't heard        | didn't hear       | doesn't hear        |
| 20 | were deaf           | was deaf          | is deaf             |

Complete the e-mail. For questions 1–10 write ONE word for each space. There is an example for you (0).

From: Parveen

To: Marta .

Hi Marta,

I hope (0) you are well. I was trying (1) to call you yesterday but you didn't answer. Is your phone broken, (2) or have you lost it again? Anyway, I wanted to ask (3) if we can you could come to my birthday party next Saturday. My birthday was actually two weeks (4) ago, but I couldn't have the party then (5) because lots of people were (6) on holiday. I've invited (7) some few people from our swimming club, as well as my friends from school. (8) do you think your brother (9) is free that day? Please invite (10) him to come too. The party's at my house and starts at 8 p.m.

Parveen

Example: (0) you

#### Task 4

Classify all these nouns and fill in the table. Mind your spelling. There is an example (0) for you.

| 0  | <i>car</i> | <i>coach</i> | <i>bike</i> | <i>plane</i> | <i>transport</i> |
|----|------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|------------------|
| 1  | apple      | orange       | banana      | pear         |                  |
| 2  | Egypt      | France       | Russia      | India        |                  |
| 3  | table      | chair        | sofa        | bed          |                  |
| 4  | trousers   | shirt        | hat         | socks        |                  |
| 5  | beetle     | ant          | bee         | spider       |                  |
| 6  | potato     | carrot       | onion       | peas         |                  |
| 7  | aunt       | uncle        | niece       | cousin       |                  |
| 8  | London     | Moscow       | Paris       | Washington   |                  |
| 9  | violin     | flute        | guitar      | trumpet      |                  |
| 10 | daisy      | rose         | tulip       | iris         |                  |

Максимум за работу – 64 балла

Reading - 4

Use of English - 31