

# DRŽAVNO NATJECANJE IZ ENGLESKOG JEZIKA

za 8. razred osnovne škole

ŠKOLSKA GODINA 2014. / 2015.

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Zaporka:

(dobivena riječ)

## PRVI DIO TESTA:

Sastavak: \_\_\_\_\_ / 20 bodova

Državno povjerenstvo:

1) \_\_\_\_\_

2) \_\_\_\_\_

3) \_\_\_\_\_

Predsjednica Državnog povjerenstva:

\_\_\_\_\_

Šibenik, 22. travnja 2015.





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## **DRUGI DIO TESTA:**

<b>Slušanje s razumijevanjem:</b>	<b>5 bodova</b>
<b>Čitanje s razumijevanjem:</b>	<b>5 bodova</b>
<b>Uporaba jezika:</b>	<b>50 bodova</b>
<b>UKUPNO:</b>	<b>60 bodova</b>

Šibenik, 22. travnja 2015.

## Task 2 - LISTENING COMPREHENSION

You will hear a text about graffiti. Read the statements (1 – 5) that follow. Choose the correct option: **A, B, C** or **D** that best completes each of the statements. Write the correct letter (A, B, C or D) on the Answer Sheet. Listen to the text carefully. You will hear the text twice.

**(1) South Australia's government wants to change**

- A** the way that vandals pay costs in court.
- B** the minor offence of vandalism to a more serious offence.
- C** the way they punish young vandals.
- D** the time it takes to catch young vandals.

**(2) According to the police in the area, young vandals should**

- A** always go to prison if they commit an offence.
- B** be financially responsible for the damage they cause.
- C** earn money for cleaning up all the mess they make.
- D** immediately pay the cleaning bill when they use spray paint.

**(3) If the tax authority has to take money out of a vandal's wages,**

- A** it might be an expensive thing to do.
- B** it will undoubtedly be an impossible thing to do.
- C** it will make the process much easier.
- D** they won't be able to get all the money.

**(4) The spokesperson for youth support groups believes vandals commit these crimes because**

- A** vandalism is a minor offence.
- B** they are not afraid of the consequences.
- C** they are bored.
- D** they are creative.

**(5) The leading politician thinks that if they accept the police's plan, it will**

- A** improve the vandals' behaviour.
- B** stop vandals covering walls with graffiti.
- C** force vandals to understand their actions.
- D** reduce the cost of cleaning up the graffiti.

**(5 points)**

### Task 3 – READING COMPREHENSION

You are going to read an article about social networking. Five sentences have been removed from the text. Decide which sentence (A – F) best suits which gap (1 – 5). There is one extra sentence that you do not need to use. Write the correct letter (A – F) on the Answer sheet.

#### The game of love

With the rise of social networking sites and online communication of all kinds, the idea that we can meet and interact with people online is becoming more and more acceptable. Across the globe, people can share hobbies and interests – or even meet that ‘special someone’. (1) \_\_\_\_\_ If you are careful and follow a few sensible rules, it’s a relatively safe way to meet a romantic partner. And, these days, more and more people are taking virtual dating a step further.

Online gaming has become very popular in recent years. Thousands of people spend hours each day having adventures in virtual fantasy worlds. Missions or quests within the game often require characters to work together to solve problems and progress through the game’s levels. (2) \_\_\_\_\_ Using this technology, friendships can sometimes form between players through their virtual characters or ‘avatars’.

Online games are now so sophisticated that players are not restricted to a single path and game progression as they were in earlier games. Since the development of ‘go anywhere’ gameplay, characters can wander around and explore the fantasy landscape however they like. Or they can just sit together next to a virtual waterfall and chat. And they do! Friends who meet up to kill a dragon may sit down later to talk about their lives and dreams. (3) \_\_\_\_\_

But is it really possible to form an accurate impression of a person through the way he or she behaves in an online game? (4) \_\_\_\_\_ And they may create avatars who have characteristics they don’t have in real life. However, psychologists say that most gamers create avatars that are surprisingly true to themselves. Of course, they may not really be a 6-foot warrior, but there is a stronger connection to reality than people might expect. And their interactions with others are sometimes more frank and honest than they might be if they were on a date in the real world.

(5) \_\_\_\_\_ Gamers, online daters and users of social networks have to be cautious. In the twenty-first century we are all learning what it means to be connected to the rest of the world – and we need to be very careful when we choose how connected we want to be. However, growing numbers of people are choosing to meet, chat, date – and even get married in the virtual world!

- A In a virtual world, people do amazing things in exciting situations.
- B Of course, meeting strangers can be dangerous.
- C This has prompted many players to say that you can learn as much about a person through gaming as you can in real life.
- D Millions of people have now found love on internet dating sites.
- E Most games have a chat function, or even voice communication software.
- F Make sure to tell your friends what you are doing, or even take one of them along with you.

(5 points)

## Tasks 4 - 10 – ENGLISH IN USE

### Task 4 – Verb forms.

Use the verbs in the box to fill the gaps (1 – 8) in the text. Decide which verb best fits which gap and put it in the appropriate tense or form, active or passive, according to context. There is one extra verb that you do not need to use.

be    change    make    realise    seek    stand    star    take    write

Frank Abagnale Jr. is one of the most famous con artists in history. During the 1960s he  
 (1) \_\_\_\_\_ after for crime all over the world. His main crime was  
 (2) \_\_\_\_\_ false cheques. Apart from that, he pretended  
 (3) \_\_\_\_\_ a pilot and later a lawyer, although he never graduated  
 from college. He became one of the most famous impostors ever. He finally got arrested and  
 (4) \_\_\_\_\_ trial at the age of 20. Luckily the five-year stay in  
 prison made him (5) \_\_\_\_\_ he needed a change. Since then Frank  
 (6) \_\_\_\_\_ his life completely, and now he's a millionaire again,  
 only this time helping the law. In 2002, Frank's life (7) \_\_\_\_\_ into  
 a film called *Catch Me If You Can*, (8) \_\_\_\_\_ Leonardo DiCaprio.

**(8 points)**

### Task 5 – Error correction.

Some of the short texts below are correct and some of them contain a mistake. If the text is correct, write a tick (✓) in the box provided. For the incorrect text first identify the mistake and then write the correct version of the word in the box provided. Write **only one word** or **a tick** (✓) in each box. You mustn't substitute the given words with new ones. You can only correct the grammatical form of the word or the spelling. There are three examples at the beginning (0), (00) and (000). Copy your answers on the Answer Sheet.

- |   |                        |
|---|------------------------|
| (0) Can you see those <u>gooses</u> in the lake? They're acting weird.    | (0) <u>geese</u>       |
| (00) There was an art <u>exibition</u> in the town hall. It was fabulous. | (00) <u>exhibition</u> |
| (000) He was driving really fast and crashed into a wall of the house.    | (000) <u>✓</u>         |

<b>(1)</b>	Now as much as I hate the amount of zombies in modern media, I have to say DayZ is the best gaming experience I've had in years. The pure openness of it creates some truly frantic moments and if anyone tells you there is only one way to play it, they're wrong. It's fun being a raider, a saviour, going solo, playing with friends, no matter what you do you're bound to have some great fun.	<b>(1)</b>	
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(2)	In the past, media organizations preferred to recruit knowledgeable graduates who could be taught broadcasting or writing skills in a professional environment. Nowadays, all we can see are pretty faces with no charisma or personality, which is quite embarrassing.	(2)	
(3)	Last year I took part in a rather weird Norwegian custom. First, the residents of the village were summoned by groups of bell ringers riding oxen and then eleven carols were sung while young ladies were given out free hot chocolate and lollipops. At first it made no sense but then my colleagues and I started enjoying ourselves. The singers' commitment was quite remarkable as well.	(3)	
(4)	Jack and Jill's restaurant is by far the best place I've been to. It is run by a team of four women chefs and it's a little less formal than its predecessor that closed down a year ago. The bright tablecloths and busy staff rushing between the tables add to a lively, informal atmosphere. There is a particularly irresistible selection of desserts based on Danish fruits and dairy products. I am absolutely right about this place, aren't I?	(4)	
(5)	Before setting out on a journey to some unspoiled place far away from civilisation, it is smart to consider the following advice. First, it isn't wise to have a lot of luggage in your possession; when the scales in the airport show excess weight, it will be too late to unpack. Another important thing is the right kind of preparation. Unfortunately, some wonderful destinations can be wasted and lost if you are not aware of what they have in store.	(5)	
(6)	I am responding to your advertisement in the Washington Post inviting applications for a position in chemical engineering. I am currently a research chemist for Johnson Chemical Corporation. I'm committed to my work, but I would prefer to participate in your research program on new plastics because until now I've had a similar position.	(6)	

**(6 points)**



**Task 6 - Open cloze.**

Read the three texts below and think of the word which best fits into each space (1 – 10). Use only one word in each space. There is an example at the beginning (0). Write your answer on the Answer Sheet.

**I**

Until recently, in western societies, it was the females who usually cared more about their appearance (0) than the men. However, all that may be changing. It has been said that male cosmetics are one of the highest growth areas in the economy. This change may well have occurred as a (1) \_\_\_\_\_ of the popularity of such metrosexual stars as David Beckham and even Captain Jack Sparrow in *Pirates of the Caribbean*, both of (2) \_\_\_\_\_ are believed to have had a big influence on 'new' men everywhere.

**II**

Police officers were reported last night to be confused by a series of strange break-ins to offices around the city. The vast majority of office break-ins are done to steal money or goods but, according to quite a (3) \_\_\_\_\_ sources close to the investigations, this is clearly not the case. The burglars didn't steal anything – the whole of the offices' equipment is present, which suggests that the motivation is not theft. This means that there must surely be a different reason for the break-ins, but it is believed that the police (4) \_\_\_\_\_ absolutely no idea what it may be.

**III**

Some people create a wonderful picture of what life would be like if virtual reality was available to everybody. You could attend a friend's wedding in the Caribbean, listen to the music, feel the warmth of the sun on your skin, and enjoy the taste of the food being served - all this while sitting in your home in Reykjavik on a chilly winter morning.

Supporters believe virtual reality will not only enhance entertainment, but also open new educational horizons and contribute to the development of science and the arts. It will (5) \_\_\_\_\_ many of our tasks simpler, and allow people to express (6) \_\_\_\_\_ creativity in many new ways.

Others, however, think that the long-term effects of virtual reality may be much more beneficial. They point to problems, (7) \_\_\_\_\_ physical and mental, that people who use the technology experience, like eyestrain and nausea. These are just temporary effects, but scientists fear that prolonged use of virtual reality may cause permanent changes, especially in children, (8) \_\_\_\_\_ brains are developing.

**(8 points)**

**Task 7 – Word transformation.**

Read the text about a house in the country and use the words in **brackets** to form words that fit in the gaps. There is an example at the beginning **(0)**. Write your answer on the Answer Sheet.

If you are thinking about buying property in the Cotswolds there is this large **(0) picturesque** **(PICTURE)** cottage that you should think about.



The cottage is in a beautiful location with breathtaking **(1) \_\_\_\_\_** **(SCENIC)** all around, in a very quiet area of great natural beauty, a **(2) \_\_\_\_\_** **(PEACE)** place in which you can relax. At over 150 m<sup>2</sup> it is very **(3) \_\_\_\_\_** **(SPACE)** and has a fitted kitchen with a tiled floor. The cottage's decoration is traditional in style but includes some **(4) \_\_\_\_\_** **(INNOVATION)** solutions, especially in the kitchen. The cottage is not far from several fashionable shopping streets in the local town. If you're looking for a quiet but still convenient new house, then this cottage is worth taking into **(5) \_\_\_\_\_** **(CONSIDER)**, especially as such houses are very popular these days, making them **(6) \_\_\_\_\_** **(INCREASE)** expensive to buy – and, therefore, a good investment.

In addition, it is great place for environmentalists because there is a cave with a colony of bats nearby. They are fascinating animals because the **(7) \_\_\_\_\_** **(NECESSARY)** of living in the dark has caused them to develop the ability to use echolocation to build up a picture of their environment.

The neighbourhood is also very pleasant and you will have no problems with the local people. It is also very important to check if the papers are in order. Many experts, such as myself, advise **(8) \_\_\_\_\_** **(EXPERIENCE)** buyers to hire an expert to take them through the process. It is important to have the house thoroughly inspected and to be sure that you are not buying a cat in the bag.

**(8 points)**

**Task 8 – Phrasal verbs.**

Complete each of the following gaps with the correct phrasal verbs. Use only the verbs given in the box and add the corresponding preposition or adverb. There is one verb that you do not need to use. There is an example at the beginning (0).

bring / crack / ~~dress~~ / get / give / go / make / put / put / take

- (0) They had a plan to dress up as guards and escape from the prison at night.
- (1) Never \_\_\_\_\_ until tomorrow what you can do today!
- (2) The pilot allowed the little boy to \_\_\_\_\_ the controls of the plane for a few minutes.
- (3) You should \_\_\_\_\_ some money \_\_\_\_\_, just in case you need it.
- (4) I'm sorry I haven't booked a ticket for you. I'll \_\_\_\_\_ it \_\_\_\_\_ to you next time. I promise.
- (5) We must \_\_\_\_\_ these two chapters again. I don't remember anything.
- (6) The speaker did her best but she didn't manage to \_\_\_\_\_ her message \_\_\_\_\_.
- (7) Don't tell me everything. If you \_\_\_\_\_ the ending of the story, I'll be bored at the cinema.
- (8) Why didn't you \_\_\_\_\_ your previous job experience while they were considering you for this position? You should have told them! You mustn't brag about it but mentioning it is quite OK.

**(8 points)**

**Task 9 – Vocabulary mix.**

Read sentences 1–8 and decide which word best completes each of them, according to the context. The number of dashes ( \_ ) corresponds to the number of letters in each word. Some of the letters in some of the words have been provided as clues. There is an example at the beginning (0). Write complete words on the Answer Sheet.

- (0) In my science class, girls o u t n u m b e r boys by two to one.
- (1) Musical ability \_ \_ \_ \_ in my family. My grandmother and my brother both played the piano, and I play the guitar.
- (2) When Tim started complaining about the food I'd made, it was the last \_ \_ \_ a \_ . I asked him to leave and never come back.
- (3) I thought Susan and Tom were a good \_ \_ \_ e \_ but they broke up last week.
- (4) Informal conversation about unimportant things, often with strangers, is called \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ talk or chit-chat.
- (5) The final \_ \_ e \_ \_ \_ \_ at the end of a film list the names of all of the actors and other people who appeared in or worked on the film.
- (6) Tim's joke was so \_ \_ l \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ that we couldn't stop laughing all afternoon.
- (7) I eat almost everything except for \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ \_ . Fish and mussels and so on make me feel ill.
- (8) I hate it when a car suddenly honks its \_ \_ \_ \_ when it's right behind me.

(8 points)

**Task 10 – Gap filling.**

Find one word which is appropriate for both gaps in each of the following pairs of sentences. Write your answer on the Answer Sheet. There is an example at the beginning (0).

- (0) a) I tried to understand the instructions but they did not make sense.  
b) It is important to have a close family because it gives a child a sense of security.
- (1) a) The parliament building is situated on the north \_\_\_\_\_ of the river.  
b) I'm just going to take these empty jars to the bottle \_\_\_\_\_ for recycling.
- (2) a) The teacher told the class to \_\_\_\_\_ their hand if they had a question.  
b) Do you think it's better to \_\_\_\_\_ kids in the country or in a city?
- (3) a) She felt she needed a drink so she stopped at a \_\_\_\_\_ down the street.  
b) Mum told me to get a \_\_\_\_\_ of soap when I went to the store.
- (4) a) Steve says he likes to \_\_\_\_\_ his own shirts.  
b) Grandma's blood test shows she has a deficiency in \_\_\_\_\_.

(4 points)

**THIS IS THE END OF THE TEST**

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## LIST ZA ODGOVORE (ANSWER SHEET)

Zaporka:

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Sastavak:

/ 20 bodova

### DRUGI DIO TESTA:

Slušanje s razumijevanjem:

/ 5 bodova

Čitanje s razumijevanjem:

/ 5 bodova

Uporaba jezika:

/ 50 bodova

Ukupno (drugi dio testa):

/ 60 bodova

UKUPAN ZBROJ (PRVI+DRUGI DIO):

/ 80 bodova

Državno povjerenstvo:

1) \_\_\_\_\_

2) \_\_\_\_\_

3) \_\_\_\_\_

Predsjednica Državnog povjerenstva:

\_\_\_\_\_

Šibenik, 22. travnja 2015.

TASK 2		TASK 3		TASK 4	
1		1		1	
2		2		2	
3		3		3	
4		4		4	
5		5		5	
<b>Total: 5 /</b>		<b>Total: 5 /</b>		6	
				7	
				8	
				<b>Total: 8 /</b>	

TASK 5		TASK 6		TASK 7	
1		1		1	
2		2		2	
3		3		3	
4		4		4	
5		5		5	
6		6		6	
<b>Total: 6 /</b>		7		7	
		8		8	
		<b>Total: 8 /</b>		<b>Total: 8 /</b>	

TASK 8		TASK 9	
1		1	
2		2	
3		3	
4		4	
5		5	
6		6	
7		7	
8		8	
<b>Total: 8 /</b>		<b>Total: 8 /</b>	

TASK 10	
1	
2	
3	
4	
<b>Total: 4 /</b>	

### ANSWER KEY

#### Državno natjecanje iz engleskog jezika za 8. razred osnovne škole, školska godina 2014./2015.

TASK 2		TASK 3		TASK 4	
1	C	1	D	1	was sought
2	B	2	E	2	writing
3	A	3	C	3	to be
4	C	4	A	4	stood
5	D	5	B	5	realise
<b>Total: 5</b>		<b>Total: 5</b>		6	has changed
				7	was made
				8	starring
				<b>Total: 8</b>	

TASK 5		TASK 6		TASK 7	
1	✓	1	result / consequence	1	scenery
2	preferred	2	whom	2	peaceful
3	giving	3	few	3	spacious
4	particularly	4	have	4	innovative
5	possession	5	make	5	consideration
6	advertisement	6	their	6	increasingly
<b>Total: 6</b>		7	both	7	necessity
		8	whose	8	inexperienced
		<b>Total: 8</b>		<b>Total: 8</b>	



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<b>TASK 8</b>		<b>TASK 9</b>	
<b>1</b>	put off	<b>1</b>	runs
<b>2</b>	take over	<b>2</b>	straw
<b>3</b>	put aside	<b>3</b>	match
<b>4</b>	make up	<b>4</b>	small
<b>5</b>	go over / go through	<b>5</b>	credits
<b>6</b>	get across	<b>6</b>	hilarious
<b>7</b>	give away	<b>7</b>	seafood
<b>8</b>	bring up	<b>8</b>	horn
<b>Total: 8</b>		<b>Total: 8</b>	

<b>TASK 10</b>	
<b>1</b>	bank
<b>2</b>	raise
<b>3</b>	bar
<b>4</b>	iron
<b>Total: 4</b>	