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## MODEL TESTI I MATURËS SHTETËRORE 2023

### LËNDA: GJUHË ANGLEZE (Niveli B1)

Udhëzime për maturantin/kandidatin

Testi përmban gjithsej 60 pikë.

Koha për zhvillimin e pyetjeve të testit është 2 orë e 30 minuta.

Testi ka 20 pyetje me zgjedhje (alternativa) dhe pyetjet e tjera janë me zhvillim.

Pikët për secilën pyetje janë dhënë përbri saj.

Për përdorim nga komisioni i vlerësimit

Kërkesa	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Pikët								
Kërkesa	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Pikët								
Kërkesa	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Pikët								
Kërkesa	25	26	27	28	29	30	31 (a-j)	32 (a-e)
Pikët								
Kërkesa	33 (a-e)	34 (a-e)						
Pikët								

Totali i pikëve

KOMISIONI I VLERËSIMIT

1.....Anëtar

2.....Anëtar

**SECTION 1**  
**READING COMPREHENSION**

*There are 3 tasks in the Reading Section, in which you can read a series of texts and paragraphs and answer questions that test your reading skills and abilities and show that you can read and understand different types of texts and question formats.*

**Reading Section Description**

<i>Number of Tasks</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>Number of Items</i>	<i>30</i>
<i>Number of Total Points</i>	<i>30</i>
<i>Types of Texts</i>	<i>Descriptive and informational texts, and promotional materials</i>
<i>Duration</i>	<i>60 minutes</i>

**Task One**

*Taking your information from the text below, choose the answer which you think fits best by circling one of the letters A, B, C or D for the answer you choose.*

**The World’s First Television Commercial**

The world’s first television commercial aired on July 1, 1941, before the beginning of a baseball game in New York between the Brooklyn Dodgers and Philadelphia Phillies. The commercial aired on NBC’s WNBT-TV, was only 10 seconds long, and was an advertisement for Bulova watches. It costed the company a total of \$9. Five dollars went to station charges and four dollars went to airtime charges.

The advertisement was simple. It showed a black and white picture of the United States, minus Hawaii and Alaska since they were part of the union yet, and had a clock face with the words “Bulova” and “Clock Time”. A **voice-over** was done by NBC staff radio announcer Ray Forrest that said, “America runs on Bulova time.” It’s believed the commercial was only seen by a few thousand people in the market who happened to have a television at the time.

This particular advertisement wasn’t the first commercial to air on television, however, but it was the first legal commercial. NBC ran test commercials in 1939 during a Brooklyn Dodgers game, but this was before the Federal Communications Commission allowed networks **to charge** for commercial time in May, 1941. These commercials were considered “experimental” and part of already established radio buys. This got NBC out of paying any FCC fines.

Radio advertising continued to dominate for years following the first television commercial but was eventually eclipsed to become the \$75 billion market it is today. The average cost now for a 30 second commercial at the peak time of a certain program is around \$112,000, with the price going much higher depending on the popularity of the program or the event. The 2017 Super Bowl cost advertisers between \$5 million and \$5.5 million for a 30 second spot. Things have changed a lot since that first 10 second commercial.

<https://medium.com/knowledge>

1. The first television commercial aired \_\_\_\_\_. **1 point**
  - A) Before the 1940s
  - B) During the 1930s
  - C) Before the 1930s
  - D) During the 1940s
  
2. How long did the first commercial last? **1 point**
  - A) 10 seconds
  - B) 20 seconds
  - C) 30 seconds
  - D) 5 seconds

3. The first TV commercial was an advertisement for \_\_\_\_\_. 1 point
- A) Bulova watches  
 B) cigarettes  
 C) Coca-Cola  
 D) Festina watches
4. Based on the text, the advertisement showed \_\_\_\_\_. 1 point
- A) a map of the United States and a clock face with the words "Bulova" and "Clock Time"  
 B) a map of the United States and the word "Bulova" in its center  
 C) an American flag and a clock face with the words "Bulova" and "Clock Time"  
 D) an American flag and the word "Bulova" in its center
5. Based on the text, a "**voice-over**" used in the 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph, comes closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_. 1 point
- A) a narrator reciting poems on TV  
 B) a singer's voice and a narrator talking together on TV  
 C) an unseen narrator describing the picture on TV  
 D) an unseen singer singing a song on TV
6. According to the text, the people who saw the commercial were those who \_\_\_\_\_. 1 point
- A) were passing by the baseball field  
 B) were watching the baseball game  
 C) who happened to have a radio at that time  
 D) who happened to have a television at that time
7. Based on the 2<sup>rd</sup> paragraph, "**to charge**" comes closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_. 1 point
- A) make people do something  
 B) set the record for something  
 C) make an obligatory payment  
 D) record the commercial
8. Based on the last paragraph, which form of advertising was dominant at that time? 1 point
- A) magazine advertising  
 B) paper advertising  
 C) radio advertising  
 D) TV advertising
9. What does the price of broadcasting a commercial depend on? 1 point
- A) It depends on the importance of the program.  
 B) It depends on the popularity of the program.  
 C) It depends on the time of the program.  
 D) It depends on the topic of the program.
10. How much does a 10 second commercial cost nowadays? 1 point
- A) About \$20,000  
 B) About \$23,000  
 C) About \$30,000  
 D) About \$33,000

Task Two

*Read the text below and answer the questions. You can answer the questions using the information from the text. You may use words from the text or your own words. Do not use more than 15 words for each answer.*

Christina visited Miami during her winter vacation. She was born and lives in Boston, where it is cold during the winter months. Miami, however, has a very warm climate. There are many sunny days in Miami, and people can go to the beach all year long. Christina spent a good portion of her trip on the beach relaxing and sunbathing. However, she also explored Miami and its surroundings.

Inspired by Miami's proximity to the ocean, Christina visited the Miami Sea-aquarium to learn about marine life. There, she watched a show using trained dolphins, killer whales, and other **aquatic mammals**. She took a lot of pictures of the sea creatures jumping out of the water and performing tricks.

Christina also took an excursion to the Everglades National Park. This park is a protected area spanning 1.5 million acres. Because the park is mostly a wetland, it is home to many reptiles. Native animals include snakes, alligators, and crocodiles. The park is also great for bird-watching. Christina enjoyed hiking the trails in the Everglades and observing the wildlife in its natural environment.

When Christina returned to the city, she visited Little Havana. This is Miami's Cuban neighbourhood. Christina could see that Little Havana's people demonstrated a lot of pride for their Cuban heritage. There were many outdoor shops and sellers, live musicians, and the Cuban **cuisine** was delicious. Little Havana was Christina's favourite part about her trip to Miami. This neighbourhood made Christina feel like she had travelled to Cuba without ever having to leave the United States.

*Adapted from: <https://lingua.com/english/reading>*

11. Where is Christina from? 1 point

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12. How does Boston's weather differ from the weather in Miami? 1 point

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13. Based on the 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph, where did Christina spend most of her time there? 1 point

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14. According to the text, what motivated Christina in her visit to the Miami Sea-Aquarium? 1 point

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15. Write a phrase that comes closest in meaning to "**aquatic mammals**". 1 point

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16. Why do reptiles find the Everglades National Park as their natural habitat? 1 point

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17. Write the name of a reptile that is mentioned in the text. 1 point

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18. What is the origin of people living in Little Havana? 1 point

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19. Write a word or phrase that is similar or comes closest in meaning to “*cuisine*” in the last paragraph. **1 point**

20. According to the last paragraph, how do Little Havana’s people feel about their traditions? **1 point**

**Task 3**

*Read the passage and complete the text with the proper words or phrases given in the box below. There are two extra words you DO NOT need to use.* **10 points**

appreciated / included / photographs / landmarks / sightseeing / *point*  
 constructed / located / symbol / all over / observation / land

**The Empire State Building**

When exploring New York City, there are several different options for activities during a day trip. Some visitors come to see a show, visit art museums, or simply to shop in many of the city’s high-end shops. However, many tourists simply come to New York City for the (21) \_\_\_\_\_. One of the most visited sites in New York City is the Empire State Building.

The Empire State Building, (22) \_\_\_\_\_ in 1931, is a 102-story skyscraper, the ninth highest building in the world, and the fourth tallest structure in the United States. It is (23) \_\_\_\_\_ in Midtown, Manhattan. This skyscraper is an iconic (24) \_\_\_\_\_ of the city, having been featured in over 90 popular movies throughout film history. Tourists come from (25) \_\_\_\_\_ the world to visit this building and view the city from its famous (26) \_\_\_\_\_ decks.

Matthew, an enthusiast of historic buildings, was excited for this trip to New York City because he has always (27) \_\_\_\_\_ architectural design. Matthew purchased a ticket that granted him access to beautiful 360-degree views of the city. The ticket (28) \_\_\_\_\_ an elevator ride that stopped at two different strategic points, one at the 86th floor and the other at the rooftop observatory on the 102<sup>nd</sup> floor. From these observation decks, Matthew took incredible (29) \_\_\_\_\_ of the entire New York City skyline. The rooftop views granted Matthew perfect aerial perspectives of Central Park, the Brooklyn Bridge, Times Square, the Statue of Liberty, and many other important city (30) \_\_\_\_\_.

**SECTION 2  
 USE OF LANGUAGE**

**Use of Language Description**

<i>Number of Tasks</i>	2
<i>Number of Questions</i>	2
<i>Number of Total Points</i>	15
<i>Types and focus of the questions</i>	10 multiple-choice/gap-fill questions to test vocabulary and grammar Items 31(a-j) 5 word-formation items to test grammar and vocabulary Items 32 (a-e)
<i>Time in Disposition</i>	30 minutes

Task 1

31. *Read the text carefully. From the words/group of words listed below the text, choose the ones which best fit the spaces. There is only one correct answer for each question.* 10 points

**The four seasons in the USA**

The four seasons are spring, summer, fall, and winter, and although various areas of the United States experience drastically different weather (a) \_\_\_\_\_ these times, all regions of the country recognize the seasons; winter in California may bring heat, and winter in New York may bring blizzards, but (b) \_\_\_\_\_ periods are nevertheless winter.

Following winter, **spring** begins on 20 March and (c) \_\_\_\_\_ on either 20 June or 21 June in the United States. For most, spring is the time when snow melts, when the cold and snow of the winter are replaced (d) \_\_\_\_\_ sunshine, reasonable temperatures, green grass, and more. It is also the season wherein previously sleeping and inactive bees and butterflies re-emerge, and when birds become more active.

**Summer** follows spring and spans from about 21 June to 22 September, in America. Summer is the warmest, the longest, and the liveliest of the four seasons; students from kindergarten to college (e) \_\_\_\_\_ two or so summer months off from class, and to be sure, there are more young individuals out and about during this season than any other. It's not uncommon to see shorts, t-shirts, and sunglasses worn by those who're soaking up the summer's hot sun, and to stay cool, many individuals crank the air conditioning, (f) \_\_\_\_\_ in a swimming pool, or explore the ever-comforting ocean waves.

**Autumn**, more than simply preceding the winter, is one of (g) \_\_\_\_\_ and exciting seasons. Spanning from 22 September (h) \_\_\_\_\_ 21 December in the US, autumn is characterized by falling leaves, Halloween (on 31 October), and Thanksgiving. During fall, traditional farmers harvest their produce, and the aforementioned falling leaves change to gorgeous orange, red, and yellow colours; these colours are generally associated with autumn (i) \_\_\_\_\_, in turn.

In the US, **winter** spans from 21 December to 20 March, and is, as one would expect, the coldest of the four seasons. In the eastern, northern, and central regions of the country, winter snowfall can be considerable; in the western and southern regions of the country, winter snowfall is highly unlikely, but temperatures nevertheless (j) \_\_\_\_\_ from their usual. Winter is most widely known for its snow and the Christmas holiday, but it also boasts New Year's Eve and other special days. Ice skating, sledding, ice hockey, and snowball fights are commonly enjoyed winter activities.

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|----|-------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| a) | A) as             | B) during             | C) while          | D) when      |
| b) | A) both           | B) second             | C) two            | D) all       |
| c) | A) interrupts     | B) cancels            | C) closes         | D) ends      |
| d) | A) from           | B) of                 | C) by             | D) for       |
| e) | A) given          | B) are given          | C) been given     | D) gave      |
| f) | A) take a dip     | B) get a dip          | C) have a dip     | D) let a dip |
| g) | A) most beautiful | B) the most beautiful | C) more beautiful | D) beautiful |
| h) | A) at             | B) by                 | C) on             | D) to        |
| i) | A) yourself       | B) herself            | C) itself         | D) himself   |
| j) | A) drop           | B) rise               | C) raise          | D) reduce    |

Task 2

32. *Complete the sentences by putting the word in capital letters into the correct grammatical form. You must use the correct spelling.* 5 points

- a) Artists must be \_\_\_\_\_ otherwise they just repeat what they see or hear. CREATE
- b) Why are you so \_\_\_\_\_ of his work? He's just doing his best. CRITIC
- c) Have you made up your mind? We need to know your \_\_\_\_\_. DECIDE
- d) He's too shy to look at people \_\_\_\_\_ when he talks to them. DIRECT
- e) Have you put up the Christmas \_\_\_\_\_ yet? DECORATE

**SECTION 3  
WRITING**

Writing Section Description

<i>Number of Tasks</i>	2
<i>Number of Total Points</i>	15
<i>Types and focus of the tasks</i>	<p><i>Task 1: (10 points)</i>  <i>Description of experiences, impressions, plans, intentions, etc.</i>  <i>Description of a favourite book or film;</i>  <i>Writing your opinion on a familiar topic;</i></p> <p><i>Task 2: (5 points)</i>  <i>Personal or informal letters, personal or informal emails, notes that request info on everyday events;</i>  <i>An email or letter to a friend or relative on a certain problem or situation</i></p>
<i>Time in Disposition</i>	60 minutes

Write the **TWO** tasks below.

33. **Task 1** will be marked for: 10 points

- ✓ *task completion* 2 points
- ✓ *organization* 2 points
- ✓ *grammar* 2 points
- ✓ *vocabulary* 2 points
- ✓ *mechanics* 2 points

**Topic:** *You have seen an advert on an English learners' website which is asking for reviews of people's favorite books. You should write your review in 120-150 words and try to follow the following structure:*

- ✓ Title, author, type, what it's about;
- ✓ Main points of the plot;
- ✓ Comments about the plot, characters, ending;
- ✓ Recommendation with reasons.



TASK COMPLETION (34/2-A)	ORGANIZATION (34/2-B)	GRAMMAR (34/2-C)	VOCABULARY (34/2-D)	MECHANICS (34/2-E)	TOTAL
1 POINT	1 POINT	1 POINT	1 POINT	1 POINT	5 POINTS