



Астраханская межрегиональная олимпиада школьников в 2022-2023 уч. г.  
Второй тур

Шифр участника

**АНГЛИЙСКИЙ ЯЗЫК**  
**7-8 КЛАСС**  
**ВРЕМЯ ВЫПОЛНЕНИЯ – 60 МИН.**

**I. Прочитайте информацию о праздновании Нового года в Китае. Выполните задания, представленные после текста.**

**CHINESE NEW YEAR.**

A. Chinese New Year is the celebration of the New Year in Chinese communities around the world. The date of the Chinese New Year is determined by the lunar calendar, so festivities begin with the new cycle of the moon that falls between January 21 and February 19. Each year is named for one of 12 symbolic animals in sequence. The animals are: the rat, ox, tiger, hare, dragon, serpent, horse, ram, monkey, rooster, dog, and boar.

B. The New Year celebration is the most important and the longest of all Chinese festivals, traditionally lasting for two weeks. During this period, towns and villages are decorated with coloured lanterns, floral exhibitions, and brightly coloured banners with New Year greetings.

C. Preparations traditionally begin in the home the week before the New Year, when families thoroughly clean their houses to symbolically sweep away all traces of misfortune. They also pay off debts, add a new coat of red paint to doors and windowpanes, and decorate the home with flowers. To avoid bad luck, parents warn their children to be on their best behaviour.

D. On the evening before the New Year, families gather for a feast of various dishes of seafood and dumplings. Each dish has symbolic meaning, often signifying good luck and prosperity. At midnight, families light fireworks to attract the attention of benevolent gods and to frighten away evil spirits. The fireworks last until dawn, although celebrants may sporadically light more fireworks for the next two weeks.

E. Among the most spectacular festivities of Chinese New Year are the dragon and lion dances. As many as 50 or more people support long paper dragons and lions while dancing in processions down city streets. The dancers perform to the beating of gongs and drums, while other celebrants perform acrobatic displays. The celebrations end with the lantern festival, an event in which merchants hang lighted paper lanterns outside their shops. Many of the lanterns rotate with the heat of the candles they contain. Children often parade



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through the streets during this festival, carrying lanterns of various shapes and patterns.

**Задание первое. Обозначьте каждый подзаголовок буквой соответствующего по смыслу абзаца.**

1. Uniting Family Tradition
2. Anticipating the New Year
3. Outside Activities
4. Visual Signs of the Holiday
5. New Year Outlines

**Задание второе. Обозначьте буквой Т (true) утверждения, соответствующие содержанию текста, или буквой F (false), которые ему не соответствуют.**

1. The date of the Chinese New Year is not fixed and falls on a different day each year.
2. Chinese people have no custom to decorate their places of living before the forthcoming New Year.
3. The Chinese clean their houses before the New Year as they fear lest misfortune should stay with them.
4. Chinese families can vary the menu of their New Year dinner as they like to attract good luck to their homes.
5. Chinese children are fond of the street festivities and often participate in them.

**II. Отгадайте загадки об английском алфавите. Укажите букву и созвучное ей слово.**

1. What letter of the alphabet sounds like the name of an insect?
2. What letter can be mistaken for a part of the head?
3. What letter is pronounced like a drink?
4. What letter is a body of water?
5. What letter sounds like the pronoun we often use talking to anyone?
6. What letter reminds of vegetables?
7. What letter is an exclamation?
8. What letter is always looking for causes?



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9. What is the end of everything?
10. What word of only three syllables contains 26 letters?

**III. Прочитайте текст и выполните предложенные задания.**

The most famous schools in Britain are private (1) \_\_ schools, such as Eton College, Harrow School, Rugby School, and Winchester School. These famous private schools, founded during the Middle Ages, are theoretically open to the public, but in reality are (2) \_\_ by those who can afford the (3) \_\_. Many of Britain's leaders have attended these private schools, which cater to the wealthy and influential but also offer some (4) \_\_ to gifted poorer children. Local authorities and the central authority also provide (5) \_\_ to some families who are unable to pay the fees. Only a small percentage of the population can attend these ancient and (6) \_\_ prestigious schools. A variety of other schools are also private, including (7) \_\_, day schools, and newer boarding schools. Private schools that take pupils from the age of 7 to the age of 11, 12, or 13 are called (8) \_\_ schools. Private schools that admit older pupils from the age of 11, 12, or 13 to 18 or 19 are often (9) \_\_ to as public schools. Only seven (10) \_\_ of British students attend private schools.

**Задание первое. Заполните пропуски данными ниже словами, каждое из которых употребляется один раз. Два слова лишние.**

Assistance, referred, attended, boarding, education, fees, highly, kindergartens, percent, secondary, scholarships, preparatory

**Задание второе. Напишите по-английски заметку в иностранный молодёжный журнал о каком-либо интересном мероприятии, состоявшемся в вашей школе. Соблюдайте следующие правила:**

- Объём текста – 120 – 180 слов
- Стиль изложения неформальный
- Соблюдайте правила грамматики, правописания и пунктуации
- Проявите творчество