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**TEST PROVJERE ZNANJA
ENGLESKOG JEZIKA
ZA DVOJEZIČNU NASTAVU**

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TASK 1 – READING COMPREHENSION

Read the text. For numbers 1 – 5 decide whether the statements are true (T) or false (F). There is an example at the beginning (0). Write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

'Hobson's choice' has taken on an added meaning at Berni Restaurants, the chain of more than 250 steak houses owned by Grand Metropolitan. Nowadays, if you don't like what is provided in your meal, you don't pay—and that includes service too.

Slow waitresses, soup-spilling waitresses, surly waitresses, and "please make up your mind" waitresses are out. Under what Berni calls a customer service guarantee, diners who complain about either the meal or the service have their bill torn up. One of the intentions is to get round the traditional British habit of not making a fuss, but not going back either.

A poll conducted by Berni found that 60 percent of peeved customers said they wouldn't go back to an offending restaurant. To break down this reserve, the scheme was initiated by a group of Berni managers and tried out in the north of England, where results were sufficiently encouraging to spread the scheme to the rest of Britain.

Armed with this knowledge and thinking that it didn't seem too difficult to get a free meal, I descended on the Berni Inn in Wimbledon, where my waitress was Martha. She failed to provide me with any opportunity to use my repertoire of '*Waiter, there's a fly in my soup*' jokes I had rehearsed beforehand. The food proved a match for the service. Simon Smith, the manager, told me he had been pleasantly pleased at a lack of unscrupulous diners trying to take advantage of the scheme. Complaints had generally been justified.

In fact, some people who did complain had to be persuaded to leave the bill to him. Many had not even realised the scheme was operating. "We're finding that those who complained and had their bills torn up are returning and bringing others with them. In the first five weeks we lost £1,000 in unpaid bills, but we're getting a lot of favourable publicity by word of mouth. I am sure we'll keep more customers longer this way."

F 0) Berni restaurants are solely for vegetarian customers.

___ 1) The scheme was introduced because British people don't like to complain.

___ 2) Berni wanted customers to complain if they were dissatisfied.

___ 3) The quality of the food at Wimbledon was even better than the service.

___ 4) A lot of customers who complained didn't know their bill would be torn up.

___ 5) The scheme had to be abandoned because it was being abused.

TASK 2 – READING COMPREHENSION

You are going to read an extract from a novel. For questions 6-10, choose the answer (a, b, c or d) which fits best according to the text. There is an example at the beginning (0).

Remember to write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

There were usually two or three jobs advertised in the *Veterinary Record* each week and an average of eighty applicants for each one. It hadn't seemed possible when the letter came from Darrowby in Yorkshire. Ms S. Farnon would like to see me on the next Friday afternoon. I was to come to tea, and if we were suited to each other, I could stay on as her assistant. Most young people emerging from colleges after five years of hard work were faced by a world unimpressed by their enthusiasm and bursting of knowledge. So I had grabbed the lifeline unbelievably.

The driver crashed his gears again as we went into another steep bend. We had been climbing steadily now for the last fifteen miles or so, moving closer to the distant blue of Pennine Hills. I had never been to Yorkshire before, but the name had always raised a picture of a region as heavy and unromantic as the pudding of the same name; I was prepared for solid respectability, dullness and a total lack of charm. But as the bus made its way higher, I began to wonder. There were high grassy hills and wide valleys. In the valley bottoms, rivers twisted among the trees and solid grey stone farmhouses lay among islands of cultivated land which pushed up the wild, dark hillsides.

Suddenly, I realised the bus was clattering along a narrow street which opened onto a square where we stopped. Above the window of a small grocer's shop I read 'Darrowby Co-operative Society'. We had arrived. I got out and stood beside my battered suitcase, looking about me. There was something unusual and I didn't know what it was at first. Then it came to me. The other passengers had dispersed, the driver had switched off the engine and there was not a sound or movement anywhere. The only visible sign of life was a group of old men sitting round the clock tower in the centre of the square, but they might have been carved of stone.

Darrowby didn't get much space in the guidebooks, but where it was mentioned, it was described as a grey little town on the River Arrow with a market place and little of interest, except its two ancient bridges. But when you looked at it, its setting was beautiful. Everywhere from the windows of houses in Darrowby you could see the hills. There was a clearness in the air, a sense of space and airiness that made me feel I had left something behind. The pressure of the city, the noise, the smoke—already they seemed to be falling away from me.

Trengate Street was a quiet road leading off the square and from there I had my first sight of Skeldale House. I knew it was the right place before I was near enough to read *S. Farnon, Veterinary Surgeon* on the old-fashioned brass nameplate. I knew by the ivy which grew untidily over the red brick, climbing up the topmost windows. It was what the letter had said—the only house with ivy; and this could be where I would work for the first time as a veterinary surgeon. I rang the doorbell.

0) Under what condition would Ms Farnon hire her?

- a) They wore the same outfits.
- b) She had lengthy veterinarian experience.
- c) She could prove how keen she was.
- d) They were agreeable and got along.**

6) What impression did the writer previously have of Yorkshire?

- a) It was a beautiful place.
- b) It was a boring place.
- c) It was a charming place.
- d) It was an unhappy place.

7) What did the writer find unusual about Darrowby?

- a) The location of the bus stop.
- b) The small number of shops.
- c) The design of the square.
- d) The lack of activity.

8) What did the writer feel the guidebooks had missed about Darrowby?

- a) The beauty of the houses.
- b) The importance of the bridges.
- c) The lovely views from the town.
- d) The impressive public spaces.

9) How did the writer recognise Skeldale House?

- a) The name was on the door in stone.
- b) It had red bricks all around it.
- c) There was a certain plant outside.
- d) It stood alone surrounded by railings.

10) How did the writer's attitude change during the passage?

- a) She began to feel she might like living in Darrowby.
- b) She became less enthusiastic about the job.
- c) She realised her journey was likely to have been a waste of time.
- d) She started to look forward to having the interview.

TASK 3 – OPEN CLOZE

Read the text. For numbers 1 – 10 write any word which fits the best. Write one word only. There is an example at the beginning (0). Write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

With the FIFA World Cup just started, we thought you might like to brush up **0)** _____ on your tournament vocabulary. Let's start by getting up to **1)** _____. The qualification phase ended in November 2017. In this period, the various countries' national teams played against each other in **2)** _____ to qualify for the tournament. From a field of 211, a total of 31 teams qualified. As always happens, the host nation qualified automatically. **3)** _____ resulting 32 teams were put into eight groups of four teams. The next phase – the 'tournament phase' or 'group stage' – kicked off in Moscow on June 14th when the host nation faced Saudi Arabia. During the month that follows, all the teams in each group will play **4)** _____ each other. The two top-scoring teams from each group will then go through to the next phase and the bottom two, sadly, will leave the competition. During this phase, people often use the expression 'the group of death' to **5)** _____ to a group that stands out because it has more talented teams than any other. This year may be a little different, however, as many of the teams that would usually be considered the favourites to win, for example Italy, Chile and Cameroon, did not qualify for the tournament. The 16 finishers of the group stages will now enter the second **6)** _____ final stage of the World Cup – the knockout stage. In the first round, the winner of each group will face the runner-up of another group and the winners of those matches will **7)** _____ go through to the quarter finals. In this nail-biting phase, teams are knocked out. The two losing teams of the semi-finals will take **8)** _____ in a playoff in order to decide third place. In the knockout stage, if a match ends in a draw, two 15-minute periods of **9)** _____ time are played. If the score is still level, a penalty shoot-out decides the winner, each team **10)** _____ turns to have a set number of kicks at the goal.

TASK 4 – TENSES

Read the text. For numbers 1 – 10 put the verbs in brackets in the correct tenses, active or passive. There is an example at the beginning (0). Write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

Lucy Mortimer is an English teacher. She **0** works (WORK) in a language school in Brighton. She **1** _____ (TEACH) English since she **2** _____ (LEAVE) university five years ago. She even **3** _____ (TEACH) my brother last year. I asked her what the most memorable moment of her career was.

Lucy: Well, a funny thing **4** _____ (HAPPEN) while I **5** _____ (WORK) at the school in Madrid. I had a student called Gloria. On some days, she was the best student in class, but on some days, she performed really badly. I tried very hard to help her, but things only got worse. Then, one day, I met Gloria on the street and asked her about her boyfriend. She looked surprised and told me that her name **6** _____ (BE) Victoria, not Gloria. She continued, 'My twin sister and I **7** _____ (TAKE) turns in your classes since September – two for the price of one!' After that, it was much easier to teach them. At the beginning of each class I simply asked, 'Are you Gloria or Victoria today?'

Interviewer: What are your plans?

Lucy: Well, I'm very interested in teaching young children, so next September I **8** _____ (DO) a special training course.

Interviewer: And are you going to stay in Britain, or would you like to work abroad again?

Lucy: I **9** _____ (PROMOTE) recently. I'm now Director of Studies, so I think **10** _____ (STAY) here for a few more years.

TASK 5 – ERROR CORRECTION

Read the text. There may be an error in each of the following lines. Find the word which does not fit and write it down. If the line is correct, put a tick (✓). There are two examples at the beginning (00) and (0). Write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

00) He was a good man. ✓

0) He liked to working in the garden. to

1) Hypochondriacs are healthy people who imagine they are suffering _____

2) from serious illnesses. They become unduly concerned about hardly any _____

3) physical or psychological symptoms they detect, no matter how insignificant _____

4) the their symptom may be, and are convinced that they have, or are about _____

5) to be diagnosed with, a serious illness. They may exaggerate the medical _____

6) significance of slightly minor pains, and are obsessively preoccupied _____

7) with the thought of a very life-threatening illness. Their fears usually _____

8) persist in even after a thorough examination by a physician has _____

9) established that no any physical abnormality exists. Some individuals _____

10) go from doctor to doctor in their effort to enlist medical resources to deal _____

with the imagined illness; other individuals avoid seeking medical help.

TASK 6 – WORD FORMATION

Read the text. For numbers 1 – 10 write down the correct form of each of the words in brackets. There is an example at the beginning (0). Write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

Most dogs are not **0)** *aggressive*. (AGGRESSION)

Owning a dog can bring numerous **1)** _____ (BENEFICIAL).

Dogs **2)** _____ (STIMULATION) you to walk, **3)** _____ (PROVISION) social support and make your life more worthwhile. **4)** _____ (NEED) to say, they **5)** _____ (RELIEF) social **6)** _____ (ISOLATE) and depression, while dog owners show better **7)** _____ (RESPONSIVE) to potentially stressful circumstances. Walking your dog can help you **8)** _____ (INTERACTION) well with other people. Dogs are really are our best friends and canine ownership could **9)** _____ (REDUCTION) heart disease. However, **10)** _____ (GET) a dog and stroking it while you watch TV and eat fatty food is not going to decrease your risk.

TASK 7 – CHOOSE THE CORRECT WORD

Read the sentences. For numbers 1 -10 decide which answer (a, b, or c) best fits each space. There is an example at the beginning (0). Write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

0) I was at a party, and everybody was staring at me. Then it _____ **a** _____ on me: I was at a wrong party!

- a) dawned
- b) shone
- c) hit

1) I can't wear yellow. My friends say it doesn't ... me.

- a) fit
- b) agree with
- c) suit

2) My grandmother hates any sort of change. She is very ... in her ways.

- a) set
- b) fixed
- c) stubborn

3) Middle-aged drivers have ... accidents than drivers under twenty-five.

- a) fewer
- b) less
- c) lower

4) I hate it when my parents make ... in public.

- a) fuss
- b) scenes
- c) arguments

5) Who else went with you to the cinema ... Martin and Joan?

- a) except
- b) beside
- c) besides

TASK 8 – CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER

Read the questions. For numbers 1 – 10 decide which answer (a, b, or c) is correct. There is an example at the beginning (0). Write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

0) The capital of England is...

- a) London
- b) Zagreb
- c) Nizhny Novgorod

1) How many stars are there in the flag of the USA?

- a) 50
- b) 51
- c) 52

2) Which US president freed the slaves?

- a) George Washington
- b) Abraham Lincoln
- c) Thomas Jefferson

3) What are the two major parties in the USA?

- a) The Conservatives and the Democrats
- b) The Republicans and the Socialists
- c) The Democrats and the Republicans

4) Great Britain is made up of:

- a) England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland
- b) England, Wales and Scotland
- c) England, Wales, Scotland and the Republic of Ireland

5) The name of the longest reigning British queen is:

- a) Queen Elizabeth I
- b) Queen Elizabeth II
- c) Queen Victoria

THIS IS THE END OF THE TEST!