

# SHTETËRORE

SHIFRA E NXËNËSIT

**SHKOLLA E MESME** 

# GJUHË ANGLEZE

NUMRI I PËRGJITHSHËM I PIKËVE TË FITUARA



Testi nga Gjuha angleze përbëhet nga katër pjesë.

	Koha për zgjidhje	Numri i pikëve
Të dëgjuarit	rreth 15 minuta	20
Të lexuarit	25 minuta	25
Leksiku/gramatika	30 minuta	25
Të shkruarit	50 minuta	30

Koha për zgjidhjen e testit është 120 minuta.

Mjetet e lejuara janë lapsi grafit (i thjeshtë) dhe goma, lapsi kimik me ngjyrë të kaltër ose të zezë. Pranohen vetëm përgjigjet e shkruara me **laps kimik**. Nëse gaboni, vendosni një vijë të kryqëzuar mbi të dhe përgjigjuni sërish. Gjatë kohës së punës në test **nuk lejohet shfrytëzimi i fjalorit**.

Nëse ndonjë pyetje/detyrë nuk mund ta zgjidhni menjëherë, kaloni në pyetjen tjetër. Nëse ju mbetet kohë, mund të ktheheni përsëri në pyetjet e pazgjidhura.

Ju dëshirojmë sukses të plotë!

# LISTENING COMPREHENSION

Developing creativity



A) Listen to an excerpt from an episode of a radio show New Business Models in which Peter Jones, who works for Art and Business, a company that develops creative partnerships between business and the arts, discusses the company's ideas and some of its success stories. For sentences 1–7, decide if each statement is TRUE or FALSE by putting a tick ( $\sqrt{\ }$ ) in the appropriate box.

		True	False
1.	Art and Business was created to foster creativity.		
2.	Peter Jones directly equates creativity with productivity.		
3.	Seven hundred <i>Art and Business</i> employees were asked which book had inspired them.		
4.	Fewer respondents prefer poetry to a business book.		
5.	The interviewee states that the right side of the brain interprets the language of the book.		

6.	Employees at <i>WH Smith</i> have stuck poems above their desks to make their workspace more pleasant.	
7.	Mark and Spencer has set up reading groups for middle management only.	

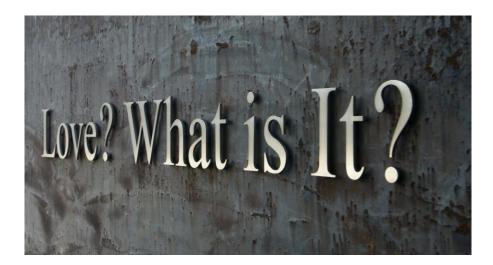
# B) Read the following summary carefully and fill in the blanks RELYING HEAVILY on what the interlocutors have said during the interview.

According to Peter Jones, productivity is no longer a of
machines. He asserts that a good book new worlds and that the
power of the written word can be used to motivate in the workplace.
Furthermore, he claims that successful managers need to be people,
with active imagination. He also states that while the left side of the brain analyses the
of the book, the right side mainly focuses on the relationships
between characters. When asked how creative ideas affect businesses, Mr. Jones affirms
that they make businesses more In the conclusion to the interview,
Mr. Jones speaks in favour of a strong link between reading and boosted morale at work
and mentions the project "Talk Books at Work" which has proven that encouraging
employees to read helps them develop their linguistic andskills.

## READING COMPREHENSION

A. You are going to read an article which looks at the question of love and four theories on love. Upon reading the text, do the exercises that follow.

What is love? Four theories on the greatest emotion of all



It's the most popular search on Google – but what's the answer? Experts in fields from science to fiction share their thoughts.

"What is love" was the most searched phrase on Google, according to the company. In an attempt to get to the bottom of the question once and for all, *the Guardian* has gathered writers from the different fields to give their definition of the much-pondered word.

### A.

Biologically, love is a powerful neurological condition like hunger or thirst, only more permanent. We talk about love being blind or unconditional, in the sense that we have no control over it. But then, that is not so surprising since love is basically chemistry. In true love, or attachment and bonding, the brain can release a whole set of chemicals: pheromones, dopamine, norepinephrine, serotonin, oxytocin and vasopressin. [...]

### B.

Unlike us, the ancients did not lump all the various emotions that we name "love" under the one word. They had several variations, including: *Philia* which they saw as a deep intimacy between close friends and family members or as a deep bond forged by soldiers as they fought alongside each other in battle. *Ludus* describes a more playful affection found in flirting. *Pragma* is the mature love that develops over a long period of

time between long-term couples and involves actively practising goodwill, commitment, compromise and understanding. *Agape* is a more generalised love, it's not about exclusivity but about love for all of humanity. *Philautia* is self love, which isn't as selfish as it sounds. As Aristotle discovered and as any psychotherapist will tell you, in order to care for others you need to be able to care about yourself. [...] This is why family and community are important.

# C.

The answer remains elusive in part because love is not one thing. Love for parents, partners, children, country, neighbour, God and so on all have different qualities. Each has its variants – blind, one-sided, tragic, steadfast, fickle, reciprocated, misguided, unconditional. At its best, however, all love is a kind a passionate commitment that we nurture and develop, even though it usually arrives in our lives unbidden. That's why it is more than just a powerful feeling. [...]

### D.

What love is depends on where you are in relation to it. Secure in it, it can feel as mundane and necessary as air – you exist within it, almost unnoticing. Deprived of it, it can feel like an obsession; all consuming, a physical pain. Love is the driver for all great stories: not just romantic love, but the love of parent for child, for family, for country. [...]

Adapted from: www.guardian.com

# A. For questions 1-4 choose from the paragraphs A-D and write your answers in the grid provided below.

# Which article was written by:

- 1. a novelist
- 2. a philosopher
- 3. a physicist
- 4. a psychotherapist

1	2	3	4

**B. Four sentences have been removed from the extracts** (as indicated by [...] in the article). **Choose from the sentences 1-4 and indicate which one fits where.** 

- 1. Without the commitment, it is mere infatuation; without the passion, it is mere dedication; without nurturing, even the best can wither and die.
- 2. It is the point before love prevails that fascinates: what separates you from love, the obstacles that stand in its way it is usually at those points that love is everything.
- 3. Love is all of the above, but is it possibly unrealistic to expect to experience all six types with only one person.
- 4. However, from an evolutionary perspective, love can be viewed as a survival tool a mechanism we have evolved to promote long-term relationships, mutual defence and parental support of children and to promote feelings of safety and security.

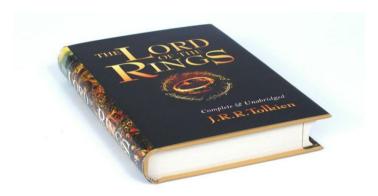
A	В	С	D

A. Read the text carefully. Then read the questions and choose the correct answer (A–D). Write your answers in the grid provided below question 6. The answers to question 7 should be written next to the given words or definitions.

# The book of the century

In January 1997, reporter Susan Jeffreys informed a colleague that J.R.R. Tolkien's epic fantasy "The Lord of the Rings" had been voted the greatest book of the 20th century in a readers' poll conducted by Britain's Channel 4. Her colleague responded: "Oh hell! Has it? Oh my God. Dear, oh dear. Dear, oh dear, oh dear."

Attitudes on this side of the Atlantic are arguably more relaxed about this kind of thing. Members of the U.S. intelligentsia fully expect to have their tastes ignored, if not openly derided, by the public at large. No one from the educated classes expressed much dismay when a 1999 poll of Amazon.com customers chose "The Lord of the Rings" as the greatest book not merely of the century but of the millennium. Tolkien's magnum opus is so deeply ingrained in popular culture that despite the quintessential Englishness of his work and his own anti-Americanism, Tolkien found his largest audience and warmest critical reception in the United States.



Yet the dear-oh-dear attitude lingers on in the land, a little concealed maybe, a little under the surface. What's more, it's there for a good reason. Hugely ambitious in scope "The Lord of the Rings" occupies an anomalous and uncomfortable position in 20th century literature. Considered on its own terms, Tolkien's epic – he never intended it as a trilogy – poses a stern challenge to the very concept of modernity, and perhaps especially to modern literature and its defenders.

The massive and enduring popularity of "Lord of the Rings" – it has been 40 years since critics hopefully predicted that the Tolkien "craze" would soon pass into "merciful oblivion" – only raises the stakes. It would seem that Tolkien's work, which reinvented a moribund literary genre and created a new publishing market supplied something that was missing, something for which readers were ravenous. But what was it, and why was it important? Or, to put the question in terms familiar to Tolkien readers, what has it got in its pocketses?

Answering this question properly would require a book rather than an article, of course. If T.A. Shippey's "J.R.R. Tolkien: Author of the Century" is not quite that book, it is nonetheless an exploration of the relationship between Tolkien's fiction and his scholarly work. Like Tolkien, Shippey is a professor of Old English and medieval literature, and even taught the same philological syllabus at Oxford during the author's latter years. Shippey suggests that Tolkien's immense popularity, and the animosity he continues to engender in some quarters, stem from some essential contradictions in the man and his work. First of all, the Tolkien "legendarium" (his word, one of many, of course) is a work of reconstructive myth and romance, closer in many respects to XII century writing than to the modern novel. Yet its moral point of reference is inescapably the 20th century world.

But the crux of the matter, it seems to me, lies in Tolkien's wholehearted rejection of modernity and modernism. This is what so powerfully attracts some readers, and just as powerfully repels others. The division has existed since "The Lord of the Rings" was first published, and was deftly summarized by no less august a figure than W.H. Auden, who wrote:

"I rarely remember a book about which I have had such violent arguments," Auden wrote. "Nobody seems to have a moderate opinion: either, like myself, people find it a masterpiece of its genre or they cannot abide it, and among the hostile there are some, I must confess, for whose literary judgment I have great respect ... I can only suppose that some people object to Heroic Quests and Imaginary Worlds on principle; such, they feel, cannot be anything but light 'escapist' reading."

Adapted from: www.newyorker.com

1. The main point of the passage is that:
(A) Tolkien's fantasy "The Lord of the Rings" is the greatest book of the XX century.
(B) Tolkien knew quite a lot about Anglo-Saxon myth and language.
(C) "The Lord of the Rings" should not be considered a novel of literary merit.
(D) Tolkien's work has always ignited peoples' interest and controversy.
2. According to the article, the popularity of Tolkien's work is:
(A) shocking.
(B) unparalleled.
(C) reinventing.
(D) anticipated.
3. Which of the following is true according to the text?
1. The attitude towards Tolkien's work in Britain is more overt than in the USA.
2. American scholars are unaware of the opinion of the general public.
(A) Only 1 is true.
(B) Only 2 is true.
(C) Both 1 and 2 are true.
(D) Neither 1 nor 2 is true.
4. All of the following are mentioned in the passage about Tolkien <b>EXCEPT</b> :
(A) Tolkien did not plan for "the Lord of the Rings" to be a trilogy.

(B) Tolkien's authenticity is based on the genre he invented.

(D) Tolkien came up with certain linguistic inventions.

(C) Tolkien was a university professor.

5. A	5. According to the writer, Tolkien's distinctiveness lies in:						
(A)	(A) his contradictory attitude towards Americans.						
(B)	the lack of infat	tuation with	the modernis	sm.			
(C)	(C) his fondness for myth and romance.						
6. V	Which of the foll	owing is NOT	Ր true accord	ing to the las	t paragraph?		
(A)	W.H. Auden do	es not think l	nighly of Toll	kien's trilogy.			
(B)	Some people b	elieve the ger	re itself doe	s not deserve	appreciation	1.	
(C)	W.H. Auden has	s no respect f	or those who	o do not shar	e his opinion	on Tolkien.	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	
	ind the words o	or expression	s which are o	closest in mea	aning to the f	ollowing word	ls or
A)	to ridicule, to r	nock (paragr	aph 2)				
B)	prototypical, r	epresentativ	e (paragraph	2)			
C)	C) the state of being forgotten or unknown (paragraph 4)						
D)	starving, famis	hed <i>(paragra</i>	aph 4)				••••
E)	core, essence (	paragraph 6	)				

# USE OF ENGLISH

# A. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the words in brackets, positive or negative.

He emerged from the metro at the L'enfant Plaza station and positioned himself against a wall beside a trash basket. From a small case, he removed a violin. Placing the open case at his feet, he shrewdly threw in a few dollars and pocket change as seed money, swiveled it to face pedestrian traffic, and began to play.

It was an interesting request, and under the circumstances, one that will be honored. The word will not again appear in this article.

Adapted from: <a href="https://www.washingtonpost.com">www.washingtonpost.com</a>

1	PASS	
2	ANNOY	
3	USE	
4	ACCURACY	

B. For questions 1-5 read the text below and think of the word which best fits each space. Use only one word in each space (you have been given two letters of each word). Read the text through to check that it makes sense with the gaps filled.

By the look of its trailer, the remake of *the Lion King* has not opted for quite the same level of verisimilitude as Jon Favreau's earlier film. Simba, in particular, does not really look like a real lion cub, though the effect still somewhat  $r \ldots m \ldots$  the photorealist look of *the Jungle Book* and similar projects such as *Avatar*. The  $c \ldots n \ldots$  here is that *the new Lion King* doesn't do quite enough to justify its existence.



Perhaps this is why Disney has continued to l . b . . . its latest remake a "live action" project, to the chagrin of some who believe it should really be categorised as an animated endeavour. One suspects audiences will ultimately be too busy weeping with nostalgia over the first c . . . d . of the famous song Can You Feel the Love Tonight. But the distinction is a vital one in terms of the project's credibility: if this new Lion King ends up being something close to a shot-for-shot remake using new technology, rather than a full, live action reimagination, there is less reason for us to b . . . . r going to see it. Moreover, the history of such projects hardly bodes well.

In the original animation, Simba grew up to look just like his dad. Disney needs to make sure the apple falls a little further from the tree this time around, if only to ensure this new Lion King is worth seeing for those of us who still remember 1994 like it was yesterday.

Adapted from: www.theguardian.com

# C. For the following sentences think of <u>one word only</u> which can be used appropriately in all three sentences. Here is an example (0).

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	a)	We don't take much <b>notice</b> of the dress code at work.
	b)	I just saw the manager putting up a <b>notice</b> advertising for a part/time assistant.
	c)	You didn't happen to <b>notice</b> where I put that file, did you?
1.	a)	Leave a paint for a weekend before applying the second layer.
	b)	A phrase from the conference floor my mind wandering.
	c)	I think we should off for the capital early in the morning.
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2.		
	a)	His back tire just went on a motorway.
	b)	My eyes will at the sight of rich variety of food on show.
	c)	He does down to the pub, but he seldom stays longer than an
		hour.
3.		
	a)	As men who shot for food, they were natural marksmen.
	b)	When it comes to practical jokes, he regarded anybody as fair
	c)	He said he was always for an adventure.

# D. Complete the text using the correct form of the verbs in brackets:

We must believe that we are gifted for something,

and that this thing, at whatever cost, must be attained. – Marie Curie

# She Won an Ultramarathon Wearing a Skirt and Rubber Sandals



It has taken more than two weeks for the word to get out, but today the news 1. ...... (circulate) quickly about a 22-year-old Rarámuri runner who won an ultramarathon April 29 in Puebla. Unlike her fellow contestants, Lorena completed the course with neither sports equipment nor professional preparation. For clothing she 2. ..... (wear) a skirt, hat and kerchief. For shoes, a pair of basic sandals with soles made from recycled tire rubber. "She carried no special accessories," said race organizer Orlando Jiménez. "She didn't bring any gel, nor energy sweets, walking stick, glasses or those very expensive running shoes that everyone wears to run in the mountains. Just a bottle of water, her hat and a kerchief." A Puebla community website added: "Nor 3. ...... (be) her kilometers published by Nike or on Facebook." Running is in the family of the young woman. Her father, her grandfather and various brothers and sisters run, too. One brother also ran on April 29, both of them 4. ......(provide) support by organizers so they could attend, traveling for more than two days from the Chihuahua town to Tlatlauquitepec, site of the event. So far, thanks to her winning ways, Lorena's annual income 5. ...... (rise) from 700 to 1500 pesos.

Ε.	Transform	the following	sentences	by using the	given wo	rd(s) so	that they l	nave
a	similar mea	ning. You can	use no mor	e than <u>five</u> v	vords inc	luding th	e given wo	ord.

**HINT:** In addition to the given key word, all sentences also contain some form of verb "to have".

1.	Before I met her, I had had no money.
	ANY
	He confessed to
2.	The moment I shouted, the robbers ran away.
	SOONER
	No sooner the robbers ran away.
3.	This milk is bad – it smells awful!
	OFF
	This milk – it smells awful.
4.	He lay awake watching TV for a long time – I am sure of it.
	MUST
	He awake watching TV for a long time

## WRITING



The phrase "count your blessings" is used to remind people that they should reflect on the good things in life and be grateful for them. The reason behind the widespread use of this phrase, especially nowadays, is the fact that people tend to take many things for granted and forget how fortunate they really are. Tell about an experience that led you to appreciate someone or something you'd taken for granted. Write an essay of 200 to 300 words and use specific examples.
