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Drage tekmovalke, dragi tekmovalci!

Pred vami je šolsko tekmovanje iz angleščine. Vaši dosežki so lahko koristna informacija o tem, kako obvladate nekatera znanja, ki jih razvijate pri pouku in tudi drugje, pa tudi spodbuda za nadaljnje učenje.

Tu je nekaj nasvetov za reševanje nalog. Najprej preletite vse tekmovalne naloge. Sledijo si po določenem vrstnem redu, vendar se lahko sami odločite, katere boste reševali prej in katere kasneje. Pazite pa, da boste imeli dovolj časa za tvorjenje pisnega besedila. Pri vsaki nalogi natančno preberite navodila in vzorčne rešitve, nato premislite in napravite, kar naloga zahteva. Pišite pravilno in čitljivo z nalivnim peresom ali s kemičnim svinčnikom, nikakor ne s svinčnikom. Če se zmotite, to prečrtajte in napišite ali označite novo rešitev. Korekturna sredstva niso dovoljena. Slovarjev in drugih pripomočkov na tekmovanju ne morete uporabljati.

Če imate vprašanja glede reševanja nalog, vprašajte nadzornega učitelja pred začetkom reševanja. Kasneje to ne bo več mogoče.

Za reševanje tekmovalnih nalog imate na voljo 60 minut. Želimo vam uspešno delo!

Tekmovalne naloge je pripravila Državna tekmovalna komisija.

1. FROM AN AVID TRAVELER: TOP 5 BEACH DESTINATIONS YOU MUST VISIT IN LIFE

Read the text about top 5 beach destinations and the statements 1 to 8 in the grid below. Tick the destination that the statement refers to (according to the text). Statements can refer to more than one destination. Example (0) has been done for you.

Escaping to a relaxing beach vacation feels impossible with our current living situation, yet there is no harm in planning for possible future ones! Traveling can be one of the best opportunities to explore a new place and create memories that will stay with you for a lifetime. Below, I compiled a list of my personal top five favourite beach vacation destinations that I have travelled to. I hope that they inspire you!

1. Phuket, Thailand

Phuket is a beautiful island that will absolutely make you feel like you are in paradise! The turquoise colour of the ocean met with the warm white sand is just stunning. Phuket is well known for its gorgeous islands and karsts just off the coast of the mainland as well as its amazing Thai food. It is a perfect place for snorkelling, boating, paddle boarding, and many more beach activities. In fact, at some beaches, tourists can ride elephants and spot wild monkeys! I recommend visiting during the latter part of the year since it is typically very sunny and not too humid.

2. Nadi, Fiji

Tucked away in the South Pacific, Fiji is the ideal beach vacation destination! The beautiful coral reefs in the clear, turquoise seawater are definitely worth the visit. If you are a hiking enthusiast, Fiji is also an excellent place to explore the outdoors. One of the most memorable parts of your experience in Fiji is that the natives are so friendly to each visitor. They never forget to greet a visitor with a kind-hearted "Bula." Before you leave, you are almost guaranteed to pick up a few words from the native Fijian language! My family and I visited Fiji during the summer of 2016, and it was one of my most memorable vacations! We stayed on a smaller island called Vanua Levu. It was definitely more secluded and not the typical "resort" beach vacation, yet the hiking trails and beaches were spectacular!

3. Kauai, Hawaii

Hawaii is one of the best family beach getaway destinations for a variety of reasons. Its warm weather, stunning beaches, adventurous backdrop, and beautiful resorts are just a few of their many attractions. However, Kauai is a little different from the other traditional Hawaiian Islands. It is incredibly green and jungle-like surroundings add a thrilling and unique touch to the island experience. This is an especially amazing vacation spot for those who love to combine their relaxing beach vacation with an adventurous, nature-filled experience.

4. Nassau, Bahamas

If you are looking for a beach destination to escape to, the Bahamas is a good fit for you! It is a great place to try out new water activities and relax on the beautiful beaches. In fact, tourists can even take a boat tour to the island of Exuma and spot indigenous pigs swimming in the ocean! Many tourists stay at

all-inclusive or beachfront resorts, making the visit even more paradisiacal. When my family visited the Bahamas, we stayed at a luxury, all-inclusive hotel called Atlantis. It was so much fun and the hotel had so many activities for us to try!

5. San Diego, California

San Diego is a perfect mix of beach and city vibes for a nice and fun vacation! It is a gorgeous city to visit, especially during the summer months of July-September. Walking around the small coastal cities within San Diego County and swimming in the crystal blue ocean makes it so enjoyable and welcoming to tourists. Kayaking through the La Jolla shores is just one of the many popular beach activities to try out! Although I may be biased since San Diego is my hometown, you really cannot go wrong with traveling to Southern California! San Diego is also a very family-friendly tourist destination as it is home to the famous San Diego Zoo, SeaWorld, and Lego Land and only a short 2-hour car ride south of Anaheim's Disneyland.

		Phuket, Thailand	Nadi, Fiji	Kauai, Hawaii	Nassau, Bahamas	San Diego, California
0	The author lives here.					✓
1	You can see animals in nature there.					
2	It is not an island typical for the country.					
3	It is best to visit it in the final months of the year.					
4	The author stayed in a more private place with fewer tourists.					
5	It is not an island or a group of islands.					
6	The people give you a warm welcome.					
7	You can do different water and beach activities there.					
8	This place is famous for good food.					

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2. CHINESE PARENTS PRAISE RULE LIMITING VIDEO GAME TIME

Read the text about video game time in China. Answer the questions. Example (0) has been done for you.

China has set new rules limiting the amount of time children can play online games. The restrictions limit children to just three hours of online game playing a week. That is one hour between 8 p.m. and 9 p.m. on Friday, Saturday and Sunday most weeks.

Li Zhanguo has two children ages four and eight. Even though they do not have smart phones, they enjoy playing online games. "If my children get their hands on our mobile phones or an iPad, and if we don't closely monitor their screen time, they can play online games for as long as three to four hours each time," he said.

Like many other parents, Li is happy with new government restrictions. However, experts say it is unclear if such policies can help prevent addiction to online games. Children might just get addicted to social media instead. In the end, experts say, parents should be the ones to set limits and support good practices.

There has been a growing concern in China about gaming addiction among children. Government reports in 2018 found that about one in 10 Chinese children were addicted to the internet. The new rules are part of an effort to prevent young people from spending too much time on entertainment that Communist officials consider unhealthy. That includes what officials call the "irrational fan culture" surrounding celebrities.

"Adolescents are the future of the motherland and protecting the physical and mental health of minors is related to the vital interests of masses," the Press and Publications Administration said in a statement. It is similar to a campaign by Chinese President Xi Jinping to create a healthier society for a more powerful China.

Under the new rules, the responsibility for making sure children play only three hours a week falls largely on Chinese gaming companies like NetEase and Tencent. Tencent's highly popular Honor of Kings mobile game is played by tens of millions across the country.

Companies have set up real-name registration systems to prevent young users from going past game time limits. They have used facial recognition technology to confirm their identities. In addition, they have set up a program that permits people to report violations.

It is unclear what punishments gaming companies may face if they do not enforce the restrictions. Moreover, even if such policies are enforced, it is unclear whether they can prevent online addiction.

Tao Ran is director of the Adolescent Psychological Development Base in Beijing, which specializes in treating internet addiction. He expects about 20 percent of children will find ways to get around the rules. "...if you have a system in place to restrict them from gaming they will try to beat the system by borrowing accounts of their older relatives and find a way around facial recognition," Tao said.

Short-video apps such as Douyin and TikTok are also very popular in China. They are not under the same restrictions as games. Barry Ip of the University of Hertfordshire in England has researched gaming and addiction. He said, "It's just as easy for a young person to spend four hours on TikTok in the evening rather than play games if their time is uncontrolled."

Li, the father of two young children, said he plans to start piano lessons for his daughter. "Sometimes due to work, parents may not have time to pay attention to their children and that's why many kids

turn to games to spend time,” he said. “Parents must be willing to help children cultivate hobbies and interests so that they can develop in a healthy manner.”

0. How much time are children now allowed to spend playing online games?

three hours a week

1. How does Li Zhanguo feel about the new rule limiting video games?

2. According to professionals, who should limit children’s screen time?

3. What is seen as unhealthy for minors by the Chinese government?

4. Why are teenagers important for a better China?

5. Which three things have NetEase and Tencent done to ensure that the limitations will be observed?

6. What are the consequences for gaming companies if they do not follow the rules?

7. What is Tao Ran’s institute’s expertise?

8. Where could children in China still spend hours of screen time?

9. What is the parents’ role in their children’s online addiction?

1. WHAT STUDENTS ARE SAYING ABOUT SPACE TRAVEL, TEXTING ETIQUETTE AND UNPLUGGING

Read the text and find synonyms for the words below. Example (0) has been done for you.

Do You Think You Will Ever Travel to Space?

Space. A place of uncharted territory, hidden secrets, and limitless possibilities, waiting to be discovered. Yet bit by bit, we are slowly starting to unravel this puzzle, and every day we get closer to finally making sense of it all. Space travel is just one example of humanity's desire to understand this enigma, and it is so incredible to be alive while we are beginning to take these steps. Just a decade ago, the thought of commercial space travel would have been preposterous, yet today it is a real possibility.

— *Aparna, North Carolina*

(0) uncharted unexplored

(1) _____ solve

(2) _____ crazy

Billionaires such as Musk and Bezos have the power, money to exploit as many people, and resources as they need — no matter the consequences. While I wholeheartedly support the exploration of space, the prospect of billionaires colonizing another planet while leaving the lower class behind to deal with the consequences of their actions is frightening. I have always believed that to progress, one must rectify the mistakes of the past. If billionaires want to colonize Mars, they should, at the very least, try to do something about the climate change before they go.

— *Emaan, Texas*

(3) _____ truthfully

(4) _____ fix (verb)

What Are Your Texting Dos and Don'ts?

Punctuating texts is unnecessary. When I text my friends, I do not use capitals to begin sentences or punctuation to finish them. I prefer to send a series of short messages over a paragraph. This makes it easier for the person on the other end to follow along and omits the need for punctuation. Thoughts come to an end when you send a message, making punctuation redundant ... Often, ending a sentence with a period can mean that you are being condescending to your audience, who feel as though you think you have to reiterate that your thought is over or they won't understand on their own.

— *Emily, New York*

(5) _____ eliminates

(6) _____ arrogant

Personally, I prefer full sentences, grammar, and sensible punctuation. To me, a poorly worded message full of spelling errors comes across as lazy, not friendly or humorous. With close friends, punctuation should not change the status of your friendship, and if you are texting a stranger, it is better to be formal anyway! Now, granted, everyone has different texting preferences, which is exactly why I think it's nonsense to say that the whole generation finds the use of periods to be rude.

— *Aiden, Pennsylvania*

(7) _____ tastes (noun)

Are You Able to “Unplug”?

I find “powering down” to be a very difficult task. Growing up with technology has created a need for constant stimulation. Without some sort of noise or visual distraction, I tend to feel bored, rather than relaxed... When I feel stressed, I try to “unplug,” but this more often than not consists of watching YouTube or Netflix. I am not oblivious to the idea that my habits are not beneficial for me, and I do see room for improvement; however, it feels like a very difficult goal to reach.

— *Isabella, Illinois*

(8) _____ unaware

I feel like if I needed to disconnect myself from my devices I would be completely fine. During the height of TikTok's reign, I decided to delete the app because of the toxicity on the platform. At first, I felt the urge to open it at the first sign of boredom. However, after about a week I became free of its pull. I found that I had more time to spend with my friends or to complete any chores at home. In the future, I hope to find ways to become less dependent on technology. My dream is to one day return to a time like the 1980's, when technology was already a huge asset, but did not have such a grip on our lives.

— *Jason, Connecticut*

(9) _____ impulse

(10) _____ benefit (noun)

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2. WHY SLOVENIA IS A TOUR DE FORCE WHEN IT COMES TO CYCLING

Complete the text with the missing words. Use only one in each gap. Mind the spelling. One example (0) has been done for you.

Slovenia, a green cycling paradise in the heart of Europe, is **0__a__** producer of some of the world's best cyclists and most diverse biking trails

LJUBLJANA, Slovenia, Sept. 17, 2020 /PRNewswire/ -- Slovenia, **1_____** of the greenest and safest countries in the world, bearing the Green & Safe label, is a land of active people and extraordinary sporting super-heroes. After the historic success of Slovenian cyclists at the top of the overall rankings at the Tour de France, many have been asking how a nation **2_____** two million can be so successful. There are many reasons. Most of **3_____** have to do with the individual efforts and skills of @rogla (Primož Roglič) and @TamauPogi (Tadej Pogačar). Many others are explained below.

The love of sports is written in Slovenians' genes.

Slovenia is extremely diverse, offering a huge variety of outdoor activities. It is almost Europe in your pocket. The urban/rural ratio is roughly 50-50, so, nature is just around the corner **4_____** most people. Combined with a pleasant climate, Slovenia offers some of the most beautiful biking trails in the world and attracts a wealth of cyclists virtually the whole year round.

Everything is so near in Slovenia and distances **5_____** different regions are easily overcome. You can head uphill for mountain biking trails, with numerous trails suitable for beginners and world-class cyclists. Some mountain bikers prefer the idyllic Alpine atmosphere and rocky paths, **6_____** others enjoy the green hills more. In Slovenia, you can do both. The Julian Alps with Kranjska Gora and Soča Valley, or Koroška region in the Northeast are some of the most breath taking cycling destinations, while Rogla and Mariborsko Zreško Pohorje are a paradise for all road cyclists, with a unique microclimate providing athletes **7_____** perfect summer training conditions. The TRANS Slovenia route is the most popular among MTB enthusiasts. Adrenaline lovers can visit MTB parks; one of the most popular can be found in Kočevje in the shelter of mighty trees. There are **8_____** plenty of opportunities to discover Slovenian cities by bike, or take a ride among wine-growing hills to taste traditional Slovenian culinary delights. It all depends on your personality, but there is something for everyone.

Sport has a special place in Slovenia. Each year, on 23rd September, we celebrate a national holiday – the Day of Slovenian Sport.

HOW ABOUT READING...

Think about your reading experience. All of it – from your earliest picture book to the most recent online comment. Then write a composition in which you:

- Describe your relationship to reading (What, when and why do you read? Do you see it as a fun activity or as a chore?).
- Explain how you see the role of reading today (For example, has the internet changed how we seek access and use information?).
- Consider the challenges related to reading your generation might face in the future (based on alarming statistics about fewer and fewer teenagers reading).

Your composition should contain from **180 to 220 words**. Remember: longer is not necessarily better. Your writing will be marked on the content (5 points), vocabulary with spelling (3 points), grammar (4 points) and organisation (3 points).

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Vsebina	5		
Besedišče	3		
Slovnica	4		
Zgradba	3		
Skupaj	15		