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## **Drage tekmovalke, dragi tekmovalci!**

Pred vami je regijsko tekmovanje, na katerem boste ponovno preizkusili del vašega znanja angleščine. Verjamemo, da ste v priprave skupaj z mentorji vložili veliko dodatnega dela, ki se bo zagotovo pokazalo tudi v rezultatih.

Tudi tokrat vam svetujemo, da najprej preletite vse tekmovalne naloge. Sami se odločite, po kakšnem vrstnem redu jih boste reševali. Najprej dobro preberite navodila, nato premislite in napravite, kar naloga zahteva. Posebej pozorni bodite pri nalogi C in jo preberite v celoti. Pišite čitljivo, z nalivnim peresom ali s kemičnim svinčnikom, nikakor ne s svinčnikom. Če vam čas dopušča, vse rešitve še preverite.

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

Slovarjev in drugih pripomočkov danes ne boste mogli uporabljati.

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

Tekmovalne naloge je pripravila Državna tekmovalna komisija.

## A. Bralno razumevanje

### 1. First "Culturally Authentic" Studio Film

**Read the text and decide whether the statements below the text are true (T), false (F) or not given in the text (NT). Tick the appropriate column.**



**The upcoming film adaptation of Sherman Alexie's 2007 young adult novel 'The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian' will feature a Native American protagonist. Hugh Jackman is thinking about a supporting role.**

The Standing Rock Sioux tribe's successful demand to place the Dakota Access Pipeline elsewhere may make a great film one day. In the meantime, Native Americans featured onscreen remain minimal. There are less than 1 percent of characters in the top 800 films from 2007 to 2015 that are Native Americans, according to a USC study published in September 2016.

But a new project from Fox 2000 may offer a rare bright spot among those depressing statistics. The studio has bought the rights for Sherman Alexie's 2007 young adult novel *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian*. Elizabeth Gabler, Fox 2000 president, has put the coming-of-age story on the fast track with impressive producers: Hugh Jackman, Temple Hill's Wyck Godfrey and Isaac Klausner (*The Fault in Our Stars*) and Lauren Shuler Donner (*Deadpool*).

Alexie, who wrote the 1998 indie breakout *Smoke Signals*, had received numerous offers over the years for *Part-Time Indian*. However, he tells *The Hollywood Reporter* magazine that "until this particular team, I've never had a set of producers be so faithful to the book."

This film centres on a Spokane Indian Reservation teen who transfers to an all-white high school where the only other "Indian" is the school mascot. It will mark the first known example of a studio movie featuring a Native American protagonist.

For an industry where Native Americans were given immoral minor roles (John Ford's *The Searchers*), were crushed (Rooney Mara as Tiger Lily in *Pan*) or even ridiculed (Adam Sandler's *The Ridiculous 6*) for a very long time, *Part-Time Indian* is a welcome change. Throughout its nearly ten-year run, the book continues to build momentum on *The New York Times*' best-seller list, hitting No. 1 for the first time in May 2016. It remains a favourite among middle-school teachers for its realistic descriptions of harsh issues including poverty and bulimia.

Alexie, who grew up on the reservation presented in the book, is adapting the screenplay and will executive produce. He promises, "This is going to be culturally authentic."

All this comes at a time when Native American actor and activist Myrton Running Wolf (*The Curious Case of Benjamin Button*) is begging SAG-AFTRA to reverse its policy of not recognizing tribal registration. SAG-AFTRA has maintained it is illegal to request tribal membership proof from potential Native American employees or show preference based on it.

"It is not illegal for SAG-AFTRA, or any other entertainment company, to request tribal registration verification," says Running Wolf. "As a matter of fact, there are many government programs designed specifically to motivate such actions. However, SAG-AFTRA's position — one that is common of the entire entertainment industry — makes the suppression of American Indian involvement in mainstream media production even worse. They claim that the simple act of stating one's Native American identity is unlawful."

He continues: "This policy is wrong [and] denies the federal recognition granted to American Indian tribes by the U.S. government." Running Wolf says he has not received a response back from the organization.

*A version of this story first appeared in the Dec. 16 issue of The Hollywood Reporter magazine.*

		T	F	NT
0	A film adaptation of <i>The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian</i> is coming out soon.	✓		
1	Hugh Jackman might also appear in the new movie based on <i>The Absolutely True Diary</i> .			
2	There are a lot of Native Americans portrayed in recent movies.			
3	Fox 2000 has the rights to make a film after <i>The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian</i> .			
4	<i>The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian</i> production will follow the book to great extent.			
5	The upcoming film adaptation is going to be the first case of a studio movie featuring a Native American protagonist.			
6	So far, the film industry has created unrealistic images of Native Americans.			
7	<i>The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian</i> has been No. 1 on the best seller list for the last decade.			
8	Alexie will romanticise the role of Native Americans in the film.			
9	Myrton Running Wolf fights for the rights of Native Americans in the entertainment industry.			

## 2. A Summary of a Chapter: Hunger Pains

***Read the text and complete it with the missing parts of the text from the chart on the next page. There are three parts of the text too many. Write the appropriate letter in the chart.***

***The first example has been done for you.***

### HUNGER PAINS

Arnold is in Mr. Sheridan's history class, and the lecture is really boring. 0)   B  . Arnold does his business and starts popping zits. 1)            coming from the girls' bathroom. He knocks on the door, but the voice yells at him to go away. So he waits. Who walks out? Yup. The lovely Penelope. 2)           . (Not anorexic, as she explains to Arnold.)

Arnold tells Penelope not to give up. She starts crying 3)            and not as perfect and beautiful and intelligent as everyone thinks. Arnold finds all this talk weirdly sexy. (Hormones.)

Over the next few weeks, 4)           . Penelope's father Earl, a racist, is pretty peeved. He tells Arnold to keep his hands out of his daughter's pants and that 5)           .

Arnold speculates that Penelope is only dating him 6)           . Still, Arnold is using Penelope, too. He becomes instantly popular—girls, boys, even teachers start noticing him.

There *are* some "bigger and better reasons" the two have a connection (15.86). For example: Penelope gets all goofy and dramatic and tells Arnold she wants to leave Reardan 7)           .

She wants to travel, to see the world, like the pyramids and Mount Everest. Arnold laughs and Penelope complains that no one takes her seriously. Arnold asks what she *really* wants to do.

She says she wants to go to Stanford, study architecture, and make something beautiful

8)           .

Arnold doesn't laugh at this because it's his dream, too.

Arnold also mentions that he loves just to look at Penelope, and he then graces us with an aside on her crazy beauty.



A	Arnold and Penelope become a kinda-sorta couple at Reardan
<del>B</del>	He leaves to go to the bathroom
C	so he's got even more problems than her
D	he'll disown her if he knocks her up
E	It turns out that she's bulimic
F	Then he hears a girl laughing hysterically
G	That's when he hears vomiting sounds
H	if he sees her again, it's the last thing he'll see
I	because people there have "small ideas" and "small dreams"
J	because he's an Indian and she wants to get "a little smudged"
K	so people will remember her for a long time
L	and tells Arnold that she's lonely

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
<b>B</b>								

	<b>8</b>
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Besedilo prirejeno po <http://www.shmoop.com/absolutely-true-diary-part-time-indian/Chapter-15-summary.html>.

Vir slike: *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part -Time Indian*, 2015, Anderson Press.

## B. Raba jezika

### 1. The Legend of Popo and Itza

**Read the legend of an Aztec love story. In the text, find the words that are described in the definitions below. Write the appropriate word on each line in front of the definitions. See the example first.**

Popocatepetl, the second highest peak in Mexico, is an active volcano. The name Popocatepetl means *Smoking Mountain*. It is linked to the Iztaccihuatl, which is the third highest volcanic mountain in Mexico. Iztaccihuatl means *White Woman*, reflecting the four individual snow-capped peaks which depict the head, chest, knees and feet of a sleeping female when seen from east or west.



0 mountain: an area of land that rises very high above the land around it and that is higher than a hill

Mexican natural structures are the topic of many legends and mythical stories connected with pre-Columbian tribes like the Aztecs and Mayas. Popocatepetl and Iztaccihuatl are symbols of one of the most beautiful yet tragic love stories of this land.

1 \_\_\_\_\_: groups of people that include many families and relatives who have the same language, customs, and beliefs

According to Aztec mythology, Popocatepetl and Iztaccihuatl were once living humans – a man and woman who were deeply in love. They later transformed into the volcanoes, which are now seen as symbols of their love. They are known also by their short names: Popo and Itza. Their story is covered by the mists of the time, but speaks of the brave warrior Popocatepetl and a beautiful princess, Iztaccihuatl. Her father was a mighty ruler, who decided that if Popocatepetl wanted to marry his daughter, he had to engage in battle against the strongest enemy of the tribe and return home victorious. The young warrior loved the beautiful princess very much so he accepted the challenge. There are many different variations of the description of the battle, but the most popular one says that Popocatepetl returned with the head of the enemy as proof of winning the battle.

2 \_\_\_\_\_: letters, group of letters, characters, or pictures that are used instead of a word or group of words

3 \_\_\_\_\_: having won a competition or a battle, triumphant

While Popocatépetl was away, Iztaccihuatl waited for his return. She was waiting for him for so long that her heart became full of pain while missing him. Before Popocatépetl had reached the enemy, one of his love rivals told the princess a tragic lie. He said that Popocatépetl died during the battle. When she heard the news, her world collapsed. Popocatépetl couldn't imagine her life without her beloved, and she fell into the deepest sorrow. She didn't question the news, but believed the information – trusting that nobody could be so cruel as to lie to her about such things. As a result, she died of a broken heart.

4 \_\_\_\_\_: very sad, often involving death and suffering; causing distress or sorrow

5 \_\_\_\_\_: doubt or express uncertainty about something

When Popocatépetl returned to the settlement, he wanted to see his future wife, but was informed that she died. He couldn't believe the awful news and suffered for several days and nights before he made the decision to build a great tomb under the sun. He carried his love in his arms and took her to the top of a big mountain.

He kissed her lips for the last time, and in the light of the smoking torch, he fell on his knees in front of her. He stayed like this until the snow covered their bodies and they formed two majestic volcanoes.

The legend says that every time Popocatépetl remembers his beloved and his heart starts to beat faster once more, the fire and passion cause the volcano to erupt. The second volcano sleeps calmly, but Popocatépetl continues spewing smoke.

6 \_\_\_\_\_: powerful and impressively beautiful

This romantic story has become one of the greatest attractions for tourists to visit this area. Many of them want to see the volcanoes, but some stay far away admiring the shape of them on the horizon. Nowadays, the area of the volcanoes is one of the most popular places for hiking, but when Popocatépetl is active, the trails are closed. Many couples decide to take their wedding photos or celebrate their engagement in the shadow of Popocatépetl and Iztaccihuatl. During starry nights, people from Puebla and Mexico City sometimes try to see the shapes of the lovers from pre-Columbian times, and share the sad story with their loved ones.

7 \_\_\_\_\_: where the sky seems to touch the land or the sea

8 \_\_\_\_\_: make a choice about (something); choose (something) after thinking about it

## 2. Spokane language

**Read the article about Spokane language and fill in the gaps with the words from the box. There are four words too many. Mind the spelling.**

<del>the</del> who   on   further   because   with   which   to   fluent   include promoted   belonging   that
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Salish-Spokane-Kalispel language is an Interior Salish language spoken in three dialects in Northern America, particularly in (0) the northwestern areas of the United States. It is one of five Southern Interior languages, (1) \_\_\_\_\_ to a larger group of Salish languages that include Lushootseed and Squamish (both are Central Coast Salish). The three dialects of Spokane-Kalispel (2) \_\_\_\_\_ Spokane, Kalispel (sometimes known as Pend d'Orielle), and Flathead (sometimes known as Montana Salish or Salish proper). As of 2008, there were 70 speakers of the three dialects (3) \_\_\_\_\_ reservations in Montana, Idaho and Washington State. Specifically, there were two fluent first-language speakers of Spokane, a married couple both over 70; sixty (4) \_\_\_\_\_ first-language speakers of the Flathead dialect, most over the age of 65; and a few speakers of Kalispel, where there is little known information.

There are several revitalization efforts for the Spokane-Kalispel dialects. Those (5) \_\_\_\_\_ through the internet focus on revitalization through language schools and immersion programs. One such effort is the Salish School of Spokane, (6) \_\_\_\_\_ offers language immersion to children between the ages of three and eight. The program is a full-time school that operates Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in addition (7) \_\_\_\_\_ before- and afterschool care for children.

Additionally, the school offers free Spokane classes to community members one night a week, with the option of scheduling (8) \_\_\_\_\_ classes on an individual basis.



## C. Pisno sporočanje

### Family – A Safe Harbour?

You have been asked to write a composition on the importance of family in one's life, based on the novel *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian*. In your composition:

- describe Arnold's family and one of the events from the book that in your opinion best illustrates how he feels about them and explain your choice
- compare Arnold's family life to Rowdy's and briefly discuss how their different family backgrounds impact the way Rowdy and Arnold act,
- express and justify your views about the importance of family in a teenager's life.



**Your composition should contain 180–220 words. It will be marked on the following: content (5 points), vocabulary and spelling (3 points), grammar (4 points), and organisation (3 points).**

You may plan your draft here. It will not be marked.

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