

Total Marks

Russian
PAPER 1: Listening and understanding in Russian
Higher tier

Thursday 8 June 2023 – Morning

Time: 40 minutes and 5 minutes’ reading time

In the boxes below, write your name, centre number and candidate number.

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Text Booklet

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer ALL questions in Sections A and B.

Questions in Section A are set in Russian.

Questions in Section B are set in English.

Answer the questions in the spaces provided – there may be more space than you need.

You must NOT use a dictionary, but in some questions translations are provided for a few words that were not included in the Specification vocabulary lists.

INFORMATION

You have 5 minutes to read through the paper before the first extract starts.

You may make notes during these 5 minutes.

You will hear the extract twice. You may write at any time during the tests. There will be a pause between each question.

The total mark for this paper is 50.

The marks for EACH question are shown in brackets – use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.

ADVICE

Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.

Try to answer every question.

Check your answers if you have time at the end.

Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.

Some questions must be answered with a cross in a box ☐. If you change your mind about an answer, put a line through the box ☒ and then mark your new answer with a cross ☐.

SECTION A

Я буду волонтером

1 Вадим говорит о будущем

Look at the list of words for Question 1 in the Text Booklet. Поставьте пропущенные слова в подходящие места. Внимание! Не все слова нужны.

GLOSSARY

достойная – worthy

ПРИМЕР: Вадим думает о

будущем

(a) Вадим будет изучать

_____ .
(1 mark)

(b) Как волонтер он будет помогать

_____ людям.
(1 mark)

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(c) Как волонтер, у него не будет

_____ .
(1 mark)

(d) Он хочет работать с группой

_____ .
(1 mark)

(e) Он думает, что это будет

_____ .
(1 mark)

(Total for Question 1 = 5 marks)

«Зелёный» клуб

2 Наташа говорит о «Зелёном» клубе.

Выберите одно из следующих имён — Дима, Павел, Степан, Эдик. Можно поставить одно имя несколько раз.

GLOSSARY

экстремальной – extreme

бензиновых – petrol

ПРИМЕР: _____ Павел _____ считает, что надо думать о климате.

(a) _____ считает, что все должны думать о планете.
(1 mark)

(b) _____ хочет лучший воздух. Когда нужно, он ходит пешком.
(1 mark)

(c) _____ хочет экономить воду.
(1 mark)

(d) _____ говорит об энергии.
(1 mark)

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- (e) _____ хочет работать на фестивале для учеников.
(1 mark)

(Total for Question 2 = 5 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION A = 10 MARKS

SECTION B

A learning opportunity

3 You hear about a podcast by a school in Novgorod.

Listen to the recording and complete the sentences by putting a cross ☒ in the correct box for each question.

GLOSSARY

удивительные – surprising

EXAMPLE: The podcast is for...

☒ **A students of English**

☐ **B complete beginners**

☐ **C teenagers only**

☐ **D languages teachers**

(i) You can first hear it...

☐ **A on Saturday**

☐ **B tomorrow morning**

☐ **C in the evening**

☐ **D next week**

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(ii) You can find out about...

- ☐ **A where to stay**
- ☐ **B language courses**
- ☐ **C available qualifications**
- ☐ **D finding work**

(iii) There will also be an item about...

- ☐ **A sport**
- ☐ **B cinema**
- ☐ **C pop music**
- ☐ **D school life**

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(iv) Every new podcast will cover...

☐ **A politics**

☐ **B culture**

☐ **C geography**

☐ **D history**

(Total for Question 3 = 4 marks)

A day out

- 4 While on a trip to Moscow you get some information for the next day from your tour guide.

What does she mention?

Listen to the recording and put a cross ☒ in each one of the THREE correct boxes.

GLOSSARY

Ребята! – Guys!

Царицыно – Tsaritsyno (name of a park in Moscow)

☒ EXAMPLE: When to meet

☐ A What to bring

☐ B Transport

☐ C Sport

☐ D Eating

☐ E Weather

☐ F Music

☐ G Shopping

(Total for Question 4 = 3 marks)

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A weather report

5 You hear the weather report for the Moscow region.

What does it say?

Listen to the recording and put a cross ☒ in the correct box for each question.

GLOSSARY

Московской – Moscow

переменчивая – changeable

такая же – the same as

ухудшается – getting worse

EXAMPLE: The weather report is for...

☐ **A the next day**

☒ **B the next three days**

☐ **C the next week**

☐ **D the next month**

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(i) In the south the weather is likely to be...

☐ **A wet**

☐ **B windy**

☐ **C calm**

☐ **D cold**

(ii) There will be some improvement in conditions in the...

☐ **A north**

☐ **B east**

☐ **C west**

☐ **D centre**

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(iii) The weather in Moscow might lead to...

- ☐ **A cancelled flights**
- ☐ **B traffic diversions**
- ☐ **C closure of bridges**
- ☐ **D rail disruption**

(Total for Question 5 = 3 marks)

A school club

- 6 Your Russian friends are telling you about an after-school club they attended.**

Listen to the conversation and answer the following questions IN ENGLISH.

GLOSSARY

кинематографии – film making

профессионала – professional

короткометражный – short

Круто! – Cool!

- (a) Which year group was involved in the club?
(1 mark)**

- (b) What was unusual about this method
of filmmaking?
(1 mark)**

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**(c) How did the pupils feel about the homework?
(1 mark)**

**(d) What for the speaker was potentially a negative aspect of joining the club?
(1 mark)**

**(e) What has been the effect of the club on many of the group?
(1 mark)**

(Total for Question 6 = 5 marks)

Yulia Kuznetsova

- 7 While in Russia you hear a radio broadcast about a Russian writer.**

Listen to the introduction and answer the following questions in ENGLISH.

GLOSSARY

одарённый – gifted

весьма – highly

родном – native

сегодняшняя – today's

поразительную – striking

- (a) For whom does Yulia mainly write?
(1 mark)**

- (b) At what age did she write her first story?
(1 mark)**

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- (c) What is her particular appeal as a writer?
Mention TWO things.
(2 marks)**

- (d) According to the broadcast, what is the main
theme of Yulia's book "First job. Spain"?
(1 mark)**

(Total for Question 7 = 5 marks)

Exams

- 8 You hear a podcast about the Russian school leaving exam.

Listen to the recording and put a cross ☒ in the correct box for each question.

GLOSSARY

Что такое? – What is?

грамматику – grammar

коррупции – corruption

бывают – are

действительно – really

плюс – plus, advantage

ВУЗе – Institute of Higher Education

EXAMPLE: The podcast provides...

☒ A an insight into the exams system

☐ B coping strategies

☐ C healthy eating recipes

☐ D advice on physical wellbeing

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Part (a)

(i) Denis, a recent school leaver explains...

- ☐ **A there are compulsory exams in only 2 subjects**
- ☐ **B exams are available to sit twice a year**
- ☐ **C taking a foreign language exam is not compulsory**
- ☐ **D there are exams available in all subjects**

(ii) Foreign language exams place emphasis on...

- ☐ **A writing activities**
- ☐ **B communication**
- ☐ **C grammar**
- ☐ **D cultural knowledge**

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8(a) continued.

(iii) He is puzzled about the biology exam because...

☐ **A the subject is popular but grades are average**

☐ **B few pupils now opt to sit it**

☐ **C it is to be phased out in the near future**

☐ **D it has too many questions for the time given**

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Part (b)

(i) Elena Petrovna, a headteacher says the exam system...

- ☐ **A encourages independent thought**
- ☐ **B has recently been introduced**
- ☐ **C has been welcomed by all**
- ☐ **D is fairer to pupils than previously**

(ii) The system has...

- ☐ **A cost schools a lot of money**
- ☐ **B made classroom teaching easier**
- ☐ **C simplified applying for university**
- ☐ **D proved more stressful to pupils**

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8(b) continued.

(iii) She feels that the system...

- ☐ **A reflects negatively on teachers**
- ☐ **B benefits the wellbeing of pupils**
- ☐ **C helps pupils see the importance of school**
- ☐ **D is good preparation for further study**

(Total for Question 8 = 6 marks)

A good cause

- 9 While visiting a friend in Ekaterinburg you see an item on local TV.

Listen to the item and answer the following questions in ENGLISH.

GLOSSARY

уральском – Urals

Доброжелательный – Benevolent

придумал – thought up

открытия – opening

рекламировать – to advertise

инвесторов – investors

центральном – central

Ура! – Hurray!

обожаемый – adored

Part (a)

- (i) When did this charity shop open?
(1 mark)

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**(ii) What was special about this charity shop?
(1 mark)**

**(iii) How much money did the shop receive before
it opened?
(1 mark)**

**(iv) What did the management team do first and why?
(2 marks)**

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Part (b)

The item continues.

- (i) What are the TWO main aims of the shop for the people of Ekaterinburg?
(2 marks)**

- (ii) What additional benefit of the shop opening is there? Mention TWO details.
(2 marks)**

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9(b) continued.

**(iii) How does Svetlana, the manager, feel about the shop opening?
(1 mark)**

(Total for Question 9 = 10 marks)

Gaming

- 10 You hear a podcast on gaming involving your Russian friends Vika and Petya.

Put a cross ☒ in each of the TWO correct boxes for each question.

GLOSSARY

любитель – lover, fan

знаток – expert

крайне – extremely

занимательно – entertaining

оказалось – it turned out

дружиться – to make friends

Благодаря – Thanks to

появилось – appeared

Кстати – Incidentally

геймер – gamer

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- (i) What does Vika say about her own experience of gaming?
(2 marks)**

- ☒ **EXAMPLE: She is a great fan of video games**
- ☐ **A She was too young when she started gaming**
- ☐ **B She is an experienced gamer**
- ☐ **C Her parents encouraged her to play**
- ☐ **D Gaming is a good way to make friends**
- ☐ **E Her interest in gaming is diminishing**

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**(ii) How does Petya look upon the hobby?
(2 marks)**

- ☐ **A Some people have the wrong impression of gamers**
- ☐ **B Gaming has affected his studies**
- ☐ **C Gaming should be done in moderation**
- ☐ **D Gaming has left him isolated**
- ☐ **E Gaming is a passing interest**

(Total for Question 10 = 4 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION B = 40 MARKS

TOTAL FOR PAPER = 50 MARKS

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