



# ŽUPANIJSKO NATJECANJE IZ ENGLESKOGA JEZIKA

## za 8. razred osnovne škole

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Zaporka:

(dobivena riječ)

### TEST

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| Slušanje s razumijevanjem: | 10 bodova        |
| Čitanje s razumijevanjem:  | 10 bodova        |
| Uporaba jezika:            | 60 bodova        |
| <b>Ukupno:</b>             | <b>80 bodova</b> |

#### Napomena:

Svi odgovori moraju biti prepisani na List za odgovore.

Sadržaj ove testne knjižice NEĆE se bodovati.

## Task 1: LISTENING COMPREHENSION

You will hear a recording about an amazing photograph.  
You will have time to read through the task before you listen. Write your answers on the test first, but don't forget to copy your answers onto the Answer Sheet when you finish. The recording will be played twice, and there will be a short pause between the two listenings. You can write your answers during both the first and the second listening.  
Listen to the text very carefully. Read the sentences and circle the correct option: **A, B, or C**. There is an example at the beginning **(0)**. Write the correct letter on the Answer Sheet.

**(0)** For the speaker art is

- A paintings and sculptures.
- B dancing and photography.
- C many different things.**

**(1)** The speaker became interested in photography

- A because cameras were very expensive.
- B at an early age.
- C together with her cousin Tonya.

**(2)** When the speaker was a child,

- A it was much easier to develop a photo.
- B developing photos was neither a short process nor a fast one.
- C there was an unlimited number of photos on a film.

**(3)** The speaker's love for magazines

- A extended further than National Geographic.
- B was limited to National Geographic.
- C was short-lived because there was never anything interesting in them.

**(4)** The speaker's favourite photo "Afghan girl" is

- A quite recent.
- B rather old.
- C her first photo.

**(5)** In the photo, the Afghan girl's eyes

- A are pretty unremarkable.
- B are beautiful only because they are a lovely colour.
- C bare her feelings.

**(6)** National Geographic photographer Steve McCurry

- A** forgot the photographed girl's name.
- B** decided to keep the girl's name a secret.
- C** didn't record the name of the photographed girl.

**(7)** This photo was taken in

- A** a shelter for war-displaced migrants.
- B** the National Geographic photo studio.
- C** the girl's home in Afghanistan.

**(8)** When Sharbat Gula was found in 2002, she was

- A** approximately 13.
- B** approximately 40.
- C** approximately 30.

**(9)** The speaker is moved by this photo because she

- A** cares about the injustices done to the girls.
- B** believes she can help this girl.
- C** suffered as a girl.

**(10)** The speaker believes that

- A** girls today have a better life all over the planet.
- B** girls are equal to boys in the opportunities given.
- C** girls are still being treated unfairly.

## Tasks 2 and 3: READING COMPREHENSION

Read the text about Chris Hadfield, a famous astronaut and motivational speaker.

*"Don't be afraid of the space between your dreams and reality.  
If you can dream it, you can make it so."*

Belva Davis

When Chris Hadfield was a little boy, (0) E. He was only nine years old when he watched the Apollo 11 Moon landing on TV. He was mesmerised. The gap between a scrawny kid growing up on a farm, and a superhero that he imagined an astronaut to be, seemed unbridgeable. At that time, Canada had no astronaut program whatsoever, but Chris would not be deterred.

As a teenager, he spent a lot of time fixing old cars and tractors and flying old planes with his father and brothers above vast corn fields of his native Ontario. Later, he graduated from the Royal Military College with a degree in mechanical engineering. He worked his way up from a glider pilot in the Royal Canadian Air Cadets to a tactical fighter pilot of the Royal Canadian Air Force. As a test pilot, (1) \_\_\_\_\_, including several experimental planes. He always did his best, making sure that, when the opportunity arose, he would be there and ready to grab it.

He did not have to wait very long. In 1992, he was selected by the newly established Canadian Space Agency to become one of the first four Canadian astronauts. His first space flight was in 1995, when he became the only Canadian ever to board the Russian Space Station *Mir*. During his second space flight, in 2001, (2) \_\_\_\_\_ and became the first Canadian to leave a spacecraft and float freely in space. During his third, and final, space flight, Chris Hadfield became the first Canadian to command the International Space Station.

Thanks to his social media savvy, (3) \_\_\_\_\_, not only in Canada, but all over the world. He documented his everyday life aboard the International Space Station and posted on social media. He shared breathtaking photos of the Blue Planet as well as various space phenomena. He Skyped with schools and encouraged students to ask questions about life in space. He then filmed videos as answers to these questions and posted them on YouTube. So, if you have ever wondered how astronauts sleep, brush their teeth or wash their hands in space, why they don't eat bread in space, or if it is possible to wring out water from a towel in space, check out Canadian Space Agency YouTube channel for hours and hours of fun.

This incredibly down-to-earth spaceman also proved to be a talented musician. On December 24, 2012, he uploaded *Jewel in the Night* on YouTube, the first song ever to be recorded in outer space. Later, (4) \_\_\_\_\_, including a rendition of David Bowie's *Space Oddity*. Before returning home, he even released a music video for the cover of this iconic song to mark his departure from his final space mission. It was the first music video made in space; a truly memorable performance that, as of February 2021, has almost 49 million views on YouTube.

Even now that he has retired from active duty, as a motivational speaker, (5) \_\_\_\_\_. He wants to show them that, by doing what you love, you can make the impossible a reality.

In the sea of questionable role models, this incredible man with a remarkable career stands out as a beacon to inspire every little kid with a dream to reach for the stars and never give up. In Chris's own words: "Every decision you make, from what you eat to what you do with your time tonight, turns you into who you are tomorrow, and the day after that."

**Task 2** – According to the text about Chris Hadfield, for numbered gaps **1-5**, choose from **A** to **H** to complete the sentences. There are two extra letters which do not fit any of the gaps. There is an example at the beginning (**0**). Write the correct letter on the Answer Sheet.

- A** he went on to record a whole album of songs
- B** he continues to inspire young people to strive towards excellence
- C** he flew over seventy types of aircraft
- D** he is going to invent a special maneuver which will bear his name
- ~~**E** he dreamt of becoming an astronaut~~
- F** he performed two spacewalks
- G** he became immensely popular
- H** he married his high school sweetheart

(5 points)

**Task 3** – According to the information in the text about Chris Hadfield, choose if the statements are true (**T**) or false (**F**). There is an example at the beginning (**0**). Write the correct letter on the Answer Sheet.

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| (0) Chris participated in the Apollo 11 mission.                         | <b>T</b> | <b>F</b> |
| (1) When Chris was a child, his dream seemed achievable.                 | <b>T</b> | <b>F</b> |
| (2) In his teen years Chris was very handy and good at mending things    | <b>T</b> | <b>F</b> |
| (3) Canadian Space Agency developed well before the 1990s.               | <b>T</b> | <b>F</b> |
| (4) Chris is a very conceited and arrogant person.                       | <b>T</b> | <b>F</b> |
| (5) Chris firmly believes that you are responsible for your own success. | <b>T</b> | <b>F</b> |

(5 points)

## Tasks 4 – 9: USE OF ENGLISH

### Task 4 – Tenses.

Complete the following text by putting the verbs in brackets in the correct tense. There is an example at the beginning **(0)**. Write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

A tribute to David Bowie (8 January 1947 – 10 January 2016)

My name **(0)** is (BE) Beatrix Carter, Trixter for my friends and fans, and I am a music chaser. I travel around the world to interview interesting musicians and report from amazing concerts. I **(1)** \_\_\_\_\_ (WORK) as a music journalist for ten years and I really love my job. I **(2)** \_\_\_\_\_ (INTERVIEW, already) many famous musicians, but I have a wish that **(3)** \_\_\_\_\_ (REMAIN, forever) unfulfilled.

**(4)** I \_\_\_\_\_ (BE, always) interested in peculiar, unique characters, and, for me, there is no one comparable to David Bowie. Following his death in 2016, *Rolling Stone* magazine named this English singer, songwriter, and actor the Greatest Rock Star Ever. My fascination with his music **(5)** \_\_\_\_\_ (BEGIN) when I was fifteen and I first **(6)** \_\_\_\_\_ (HEAR) his *Absolute Beginners* soundtrack at a friend's party. Captivated, I started reading everything I could get my hands on about his music, films, and art. His career was marked by innovation, experimentation, and creative visual performance. David often **(7)** \_\_\_\_\_ (GIVE) interviews, but he **(8)** \_\_\_\_\_ (NOT LIKE) questions about his private life. I really respected that about him. A musician who wanted to talk only about his music - how refreshing!

Reporting from *David Bowie Is*, an exhibition which was organized by the Victoria and Albert Museum in London in 2013, **(9)** \_\_\_\_\_ (BE) still the highlight of my career. The organizers were given access to David Bowie's personal archive, so the exhibition included the artist's original costumes, handwritten lyric sheets, drawings and paintings. The memory of seeing, or rather, experiencing the creative process of this revolutionary artist constantly **(10)** \_\_\_\_\_ (INSPIRE) me to challenge myself and aim for the stars.

**(10 points)**

**Task 5 – Multiple choice.**

Read the text. For numbers **1 – 14**, choose the option that best fits the meaning: **A, B or C**. There is an example at the beginning **(0)**. Write **A, B or C** on the Answer Sheet. Do not copy the words!

Music – **(0) C** loves it. But just like ice cream, everyone has their **(1) \_\_\_\_\_** preferred flavour. I don't think it has anything to do with religion, age, or gender. On the contrary, I believe this has everything to do with your soul, and maybe something to do with your upbringing and friends. Sometimes a teacher or a significant **(2) \_\_\_\_\_** brings in a hint of novelty, but all in all, we grow and develop **(3) \_\_\_\_\_** our lives and so does our taste.

My earliest memories are of family trips in our rickety old car and music blasting from the car radio. The resident DJ was always my mum, **(4) \_\_\_\_\_** made her the first influence on my taste in music. My mum is what you might call a collector – she has hundreds of favourite singers, bands and styles. I believe she has a fit any time people ask her to pick just one favourite. We were all singing along to some of the most famous pop songs of that time. But then she would turn to a station with rock and roll and sing along so enthusiastically that you just had to **(5) \_\_\_\_\_**. When she wanted to get us kids **(6) \_\_\_\_\_** the sleeping mode, she would find a station with classical music – and it worked.

On the other hand, my dad claims, even to this day, that he simply hates music as a notion, but we have all heard him whistle a tune or two **(7) \_\_\_\_\_** doing things around the house and garden. However, I must admit that I have no recollection of him ever singing **(8) \_\_\_\_\_** loud, not even the infamous “Happy birthday” song at any of the parties over the years. It is simply out of his **(9) \_\_\_\_\_**.

My younger sister **(10) \_\_\_\_\_** always been a puzzle to me – easily influenced by others, especially by any popular trend or short-lived craze that comes along. On any **(11) \_\_\_\_\_** Sunday, she would be dying of love for a new hit singer, just to forget his name and the song by next Wednesday because some of her friends said he was not cool anymore.

I believe that I take after my mum the most. I love many styles and can enjoy all kinds of music on different occasions – for me it all depends on the mood I am in. I simply cannot enjoy some melodic classical piece while I'm exercising, or listen to some energetic rap or techno tunes while relaxing in the bath. My **(12) \_\_\_\_\_** is: There is a time and place for everything and why limit yourself to only one genre? We just have to **(13) \_\_\_\_\_** our differences and let everyone enjoy whatever music brings them joy and peace.

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|------|--------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| (0)  | A all        | B anyone        | <b>C everyone</b> |
| (1)  | A owe        | B own           | C owed            |
| (2)  | A other      | B another       | C each            |
| (3)  | A throughout | B though        | C thorough        |
| (4)  | A what       | B which         | C who             |
| (5)  | A join in    | B chip in       | C fill in         |
| (6)  | A into       | B onto          | C through         |
| (7)  | A as soon as | B during        | C while           |
| (8)  | A along      | B out           | C about           |
| (9)  | A mind       | B personalities | C character       |
| (10) | A have       | B has           | C had             |
| (11) | A gotten     | B taken         | C given           |
| (12) | A statement  | B motto         | C sentence        |
| (13) | A except     | B expect        | C accept          |

(13 points)

#### Task 6 – Articles.

Complete the sentences with *the* or  $\emptyset$ . There is an example at the beginning (0). Write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

(0) My favourite New York borough is  $\emptyset$  Manhattan.

I saw (1) \_\_\_ Statue of Liberty when I visited (2) \_\_\_ New York.

We thought (3) \_\_\_ Metropolitan Museum of Art was absolutely fantastic!

My friends and I often go to (4) \_\_\_ Central Park for picnic.

I bought this dress in a store on (5) \_\_\_ Fifth Avenue. It was very expensive.

There are several bridges over (6) \_\_\_ East River, but the most beautiful is the iconic Brooklyn Bridge.

I wish I could stay at (7) \_\_\_ Plaza Hotel and enjoy their famous afternoon tea service.

(7 points)



### Task 7 – Body Idioms.

Read the sentences. For numbers 1 – 10 complete the body idioms. There is an example at the beginning (0). Write only one word on the line. Write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

- (0) Thanks for listening, Freya! I really needed to get this off my chest. I feel so much better now.
- (1) I realize I've already made the same mistake twice, but you really don't have to rub my \_\_\_\_\_ in it.
- (2) I have to have this report finished in the wink of an \_\_\_\_\_, the due date is today!
- (3) Guess what! Harry Styles called and invited me to his concert on Saturday!  
Really?  
No, silly, I'm just pulling your \_\_\_\_\_.
- (4) Daphne and her cousin are joined at the \_\_\_\_\_, you can never see one without the other.
- (5) Karen spoke inappropriately again. She really must learn to bite her \_\_\_\_\_.
- (6) My brother will help me. He and I usually disagree on everything, but \_\_\_\_\_ is thicker than water.
- (7) I understand that you want to have it your way, but you didn't have to go behind my \_\_\_\_\_ to achieve it.
- (8) I take my tea with a splash of milk and three spoonfuls of sugar. I've always had a sweet \_\_\_\_\_.
- (9) I always get butterflies in my \_\_\_\_\_ before going on stage. It's a part of being an actress, I guess.
- (10) I've just gotten a singing role in my school's production of *Mamma Mia!*  
I'm a huge fan of ABBA and I already know all their songs by \_\_\_\_\_.

**(10 points)**

**Task 8 – Word formation.**

Transform the given words to complete the text. There is an example at the beginning (0). Write only the transformed words on the Answer Sheet.

- (0) "Please, be extra **cautious** when you handle that porcelain teacup, Elizabeth. It is a family heirloom," said Hyacinth. (CAUTION)
- (1) It's true that money and fame don't always bring \_\_\_\_\_, but at least they can get you a seat in the best restaurants. (HAPPY)
- (2) "How much longer do I have to wait to be served?!" the annoyed woman exclaimed \_\_\_\_\_. (PATIENT)
- (3) There is still a good deal of \_\_\_\_\_ surrounding this project, especially its final results, which are difficult to predict. (CERTAIN)
- (4) I would \_\_\_\_\_ against poking the bear, but you have always been adventurous. (ADVICE)
- (5) I'm sorry I missed the beginning of your lecture, Sir. My alarm didn't go off and I \_\_\_\_\_. It won't happen again. (SLEEP)
- (6) The ground is covered with broken glass, so tread \_\_\_\_\_. (CAREFUL)
- (7) He has high hopes of becoming Star Baker, but I think that's highly \_\_\_\_\_, given his lack of progress. (DOUBT)
- (8) When I visited my aunt, who is a wildlife biologist in Africa, I got to watch elephants go down to the river. It was a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ experience! (FORGET)
- (9) *Girl, Woman, Other* is a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ written novel by Bernardine Evaristo, a truly memorable read. (BEAUTY)
- (10) Many excellent \_\_\_\_\_ took part in this race, it was a huge success! (COMPETE)

**(10 points)**

**Task 9 – Black History Month.**

Complete the sentences with the most suitable word. Use only one word each time. There is an example at the beginning **(0)**. Write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

Black History Month is celebrated every year in the United States and Canada **(0) in** February. Another term for it is African American History Month. This is an opportunity to celebrate the achievements of African Americans and their vital role in **(1)** \_\_\_\_\_ history of America. It is celebrated in February because two great men, President Abraham Lincoln, who abolished slavery, and abolitionist Frederic Douglass, who escaped from slavery, were **(2)** \_\_\_\_\_ born in February.

The story of this annual event started in 1915, **(3)** \_\_\_\_\_ an American historian named Carter G. Woodson founded the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History. His idea **(4)** \_\_\_\_\_ to inspire people to investigate and study the past of African Americans, which had been neglected and unrecognized for so **(5)** \_\_\_\_\_. The Association sponsored a national Negro History week in 1926, which inspired many schools, communities, mayors and cities all **(6)** \_\_\_\_\_ the country to organize celebrations and lectures – the rest, as they say, is history. The celebrations grew steadily over the years and in the late 1960s turned into Black History Month, rather **(7)** \_\_\_\_\_ just a week. It was officially recognised **(8)** \_\_\_\_\_ President Gerald Ford in 1976.

The main goal of Black History Month is **(9)** \_\_\_\_\_ celebrate African American history and achievements – to encourage people to join together in learning from the past and striving for a better future **(10)** \_\_\_\_\_ racism or any other kind of discrimination. This positive attitude is the main reason English teachers all over the globe have started marking this unique celebration and incorporating it into their teaching.

**(10 points)**

**THIS IS THE END OF THE TEST**