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**Специфика заданий Всероссийской
олимпиады школьников по английскому
языку**

Use of English (1)

Всероссийские олимпиады школьников

• <http://www.rosolymp.ru>

• <http://olymp.apkpro.ru>

Проводятся по **24** предметам

из них **6** олимпиад по иностранным языкам

4 этапа (очные):

- школьный
- муниципальный
- региональный
- заключительный

Льгота: поступление в профильные ВУЗы вне конкурса
(используется 1 раз)

Нормативные документы

- **Порядок проведения Всероссийской олимпиады школьников, утвержденный приказом Минобрнауки России от 18 ноября 2013 г. № 1252 и Приказ Министерства образования и науки РФ от 17.12.2015 №1488 «О внесении изменений в Порядок проведения всероссийской олимпиады школьников».**
- **Готовятся изменения**

**ОСОБЕННОСТИ ЗАДАНИЙ
ВСЕРОССИЙСКОЙ ОЛИМПИАДЫ
ШКОЛЬНИКОВ ПО АНГЛИЙСКОМУ
ЯЗЫКУ**

Концепция ВсеросОШ по английскому языку и специфика олимпиадных заданий

Этапы ВсеросОШ

- Школьный этап – 5-6, 7-8, 9-11 классы
- Муниципальный этап –
7-8, 9-11 классы
- Региональный этап – 9-11 классы
- Заключительный этап – 9-11 классы

Концепция ВсеросОШ по английскому языку и специфика олимпиадных заданий

Сложность олимпиадных заданий:

- Сложность зависит от этапа и возрастной группы
- Для 9-11 классов: Уровень сложности B2 – C1 (ЕГЭ: A2 – B2)

Комбинируются задания разного уровня сложности.

Концепция ВсеросОШ по английскому языку и специфика олимпиадных заданий

- Олимпиадные задания – это разновидность **тестовых** заданий.
- Олимпиадные задания **не повторяют формат ЕГЭ.**

Всероссийская олимпиада школьников по английскому языку

- **Listening** (конкурс понимания устного текста)
- **Reading** (конкурс понимания письменного текста)
- **Use of English** (лексико-грамматический тест)
- **Writing** (конкурс письменной речи)
- **Speaking** (конкурс устной речи)

Use of English

We check

- knowledge of **grammar structures**
- knowledge of **vocabulary**
- **socio-cultural competence**

USE OF ENGLISH

Types of tasks

1. **Filling the gaps** (= заполнить пропуски) (=ЕГЭ)
2. **Multiple choice** (= множественный выбор) (=ЕГЭ)
3. **Word-building** (= словообразование) (=ЕГЭ)
4. **Correcting mistakes** (= редактирование)
5. **Crossword solving** (= кроссворд)
6. **Transformation** (=трансформация)
7. **Putting one word in different contexts** (= подобрать слово в контексте)
8. **Special tasks: linking words, sentence structures**

Grammar and Vocabulary

Types of tasks: **Filling the gaps**

Task 1: Revising for Exams

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Grammar and Vocabulary

Types of tasks: Filling the gaps

How to do this task:

1. Read the whole text first.
2. Fill in the gaps (**use the correct grammar form**). Pay attention to **spelling**!
3. **Read the whole text with the gaps filled.** Make sure that the words fit in the context in terms of meaning and grammar.

Material for practice: FCE, CAE

What can be checked in this task

- **Phrasal verbs**
- **Prepositions**
- **Linking words**
- **Collocations (set expressions)**

Grammar and Vocabulary

Types of tasks: **Multiple choice**

Task 2: ЕГЭ / Раздел 3 Грамматика и лексика/ Задания 32-38

Grammar and Vocabulary

Types of tasks: Multiple choice

How to do this task:

1. Read the whole text first.
2. Choose the correct variant. **Be careful with synonyms or the words which sound similar (confusing words).**
3. If you don't know what to choose, choose any variant.
Exclude incorrect variants.
4. Read the whole text with the gaps filled.

Material for practice: State exam, FCE, CAE

Confusing words

- 1. Lie/ lay**
- 2. Rise/ raise**
- 3. Affect/ effect**
- 4. Quite/ quiet**
- 5. Loose/ lose**
- 6. Learn/ Teach**
- 7. Bring up/ Grow up**
- 8. Beside/ Besides**
- 9. Then/ than**
- 10. Sensible/ sensitive**
- 11. Possibility/ opportunity**
- 12. Room/ space**
- 13. Imply/ infer**
- 14. Say/ Tell**
- 15. Make/ Do**

Grammar and Vocabulary

Types of tasks: **Word-building**

Task 3: A Visit to Dover

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2	uneventful тихий , гладкий – (eventless скучный)
3	handful
4	attractive
5	discompose нарушать порядок – (decompose разлагать на составные части)
6	propriety
7	outlined изложить в общих чертах – (underlined подчеркнуть)
8	bewilderingly
9	irreparable непоправимый – (unrepairable не поддающийся ремонту)
10	recall

Grammar and Vocabulary

Types of tasks: Word-building

How to do this task:

1. Read the whole text first.
2. Determine the required part of speech, add the necessary suffix.
3. Determine whether the required word is positive or negative (read the context), add the necessary prefix.
4. Put the correct word in a gap, pay attention to spelling.
5. If you don't know what to put, try different variants of prefixes and suffixes. Choose the variant which sounds natural.
6. Read the whole text with the gaps filled.

Material for practice: State exam, FCE, CAE

Grammar and Vocabulary

Types of tasks: **Correcting mistakes**

Task 4: Predicting Future

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Grammar and Vocabulary

Types of tasks: Correcting mistakes

How to do this task:

- 1. Read the whole text first.**
- 2. Read each line attentively.**
- 3. Cross out mistakes.**
- 4. Read the whole text without the crossed out words.**

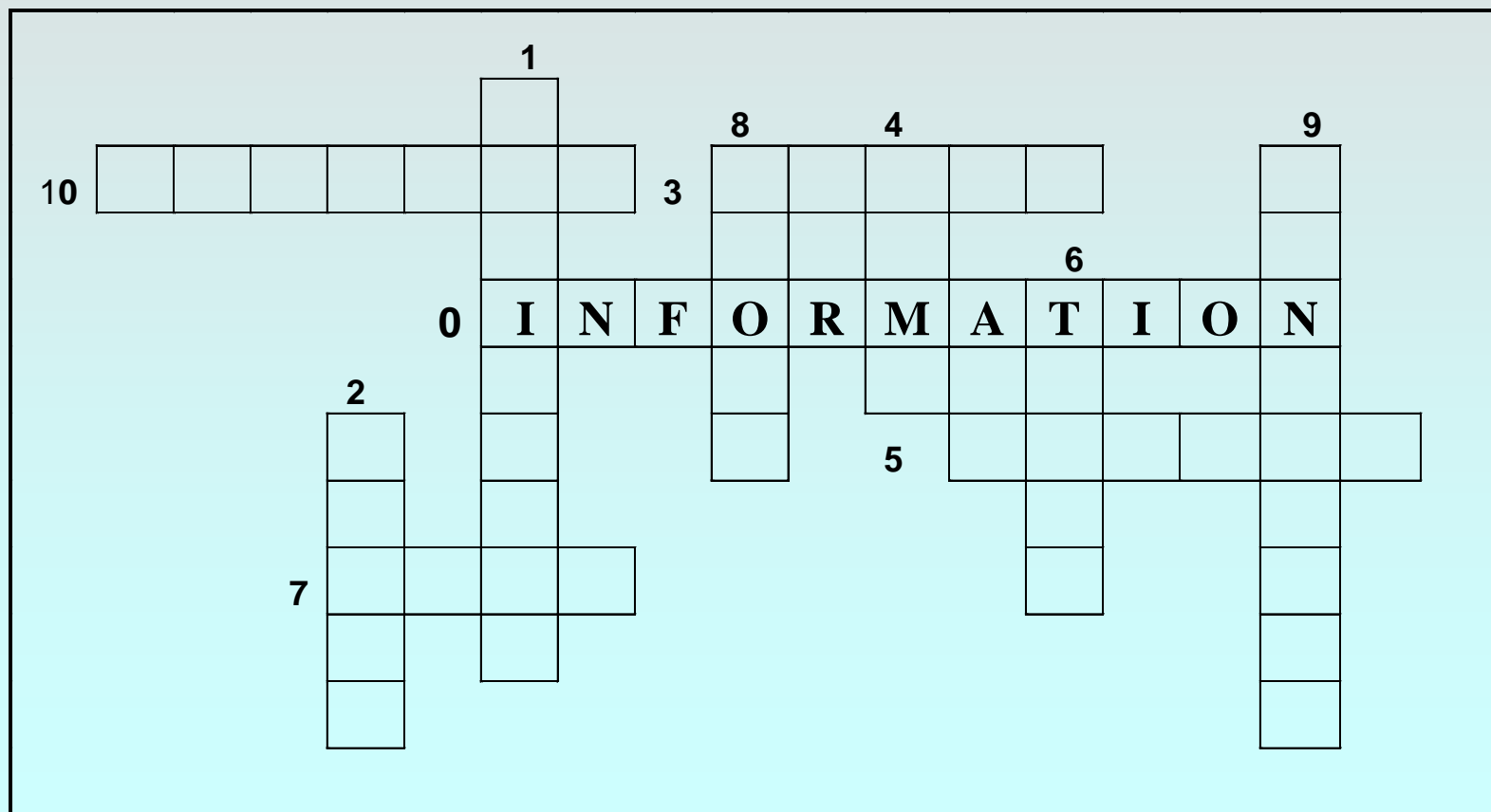
Material for practice: old FCE, old CAE

Grammar and Vocabulary

Types of tasks: **Crossword solving**

Task 5: Computers

For questions 1 – 10 read the text about computers and solve the puzzle by putting the missing words into the crossword below. The first word (0) is done for you as an example.



The main advantage of computers is that it's easy to find out **0 (across)** like how to travel somewhere. This means that people don't need to look in books or newspapers. However, there is too much information **1 (down)**. The further disadvantage is that people **2 (down)** their computers away after a few years. This results in a lot of **3 (across)**.

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Grammar and Vocabulary

Types of tasks: Crossword solving

How to do this task:

1. Read the whole text first.
2. Write the words where you have letters first.
3. The words should also fit the context.
4. Pay attention to spelling.
5. If you don't know what to put, try different variants. Choose the variant which fits the crossword.
6. Read the whole text with the gaps filled.

Material for practice: FCE, CAE (gaps filling)

Grammar and Vocabulary

Types of tasks: Transformation

Task 6

Use of English: Transformation

- *For questions 31 - 40, complete the second sentence so that it has the similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words.*
- **Example:**
- Do you own these two fields?
- **belong**
- Do you?
- **Correct answer:** *these two fields belong to*

- 31. I'd prefer you not to wear jeans to the office.
- **rather**
- I'd wear jeans to the office.
- 32. I regret selling my car.
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Grammar and Vocabulary

Types of tasks: Transformation

How to do this task:

1. Read the first sentence and make sure you understand its meaning.
2. Read the second sentence attentively and try to understand what grammar pattern or fixed expression is expected.
3. Be careful: read the task attentively and **count the words** in the gap, make sure a given word is **not changed**.
4. Read the completed sentence, make sure you understand its meaning, and make sure you haven't changed the meaning of the original sentence.
5. Check grammar and spelling in the completed sentence.

Material for practice: FCE, CAE

Grammar and Vocabulary

Types of tasks: Transformation

Most frequently used transformations:

- Active into passive, passive into active, *to have sth. done*
- Different cases of inversion (*Only when I checked, did I see...*)
- Expressions with gerund and infinitive (*It's worth seeing, I don't mind going there, He used to get up early...*), perfect gerund or infinitive (*He can't have been there...*)
- Phrasal verbs (*to make up one's mind...*)
- Fixed expressions (*in time...*)
- Expressions with unreal conditions (*I wish, It's time...*)
- *For* into *since*, *since* into *for*; *so* into *such*, *such* into *so*

Grammar and Vocabulary

**Types of tasks: Find one word which would fit into
different contexts**

Task 7: One word in three contexts

Task 7

- **For questions 1- 5, think of one word only** which can be used in all three sentences. Here is an example **(0)**.
- **Example: 0** Could you do me a _____ and hold the door open while I bring in the shopping?
- All those in _____ of the proposal please raise your hand.
- After being out of fashion for years the painter is now in _____ with the critics.
- **(0) favour**

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- **mind**

Grammar and Vocabulary

Types of tasks: Find one word which would fit into different contexts

How to do this task:

1. Read the three sentences and make sure you understand their meaning.
2. Try to understand what fixed expression is expected (try each of the three sentences).
3. Read the completed sentences, make sure your word can be used in all the three contexts.
4. Check grammar form and spelling.
5. If you do not know the word which fits into all the contexts, write the word which fits into at least one context.

Material for practice: CAE

Grammar and Vocabulary

Types of tasks: Sentence structure

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USE OF ENGLISH: Aspects of grammar and vocabulary which need your special attention

Grammar

- **Pay attention to:**
- **Prepositions**
- **Linking words**
- **Phrasal verbs**

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Word-building

- **Pay attention to:**
- **Common prefixes and suffixes**
- **Negative prefixes and suffixes**

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Vocabulary

- **Pay attention to:**
- **Synonyms and antonyms**
- **Collocations (word patterns)**
- **Fixed expressions**
- **Confusing words**

Пособия

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