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CLASA a VIII-a

Varianta 1

**Subject I-Use of English (50 points)**

**1. Complete the text with ONE suitable word:**

**(10x2p=20p)**

You realise .....(1) truly incredible the natural environment is when you take a trip to one of the world's national parks. To be eligible for national park status, a place must possess a unique natural, cultural or recreational resource and be considered in need..... (2) protection. Fortunately, a considerable number of natural gems (3)..... been designated as national parks and .....(4) are also World Heritage sites. From hot springs .....(5) snowy peaks, these postcard-worthy destinations..... (6) definitely be on your list of places to visit. Many are also home to some pretty amazing flora and fauna. The parks are extremely popular .....(7) outdoor enthusiasts, who can indulge in their favourite activities like hiking or rafting, surrounded .....(8) nature. The largest national park in the world isn't easily accessible, being in a remote area of Greenland and boasting a permanent population of zero. It's also..... (9) used to receiving visitors (around 500 a year). This is a long way from the estimated 11 million tourists..... (10) flock to the Great Smoky Mountains of North Carolina and Tennessee in the United States.

**2.Choose the right answer(only one is correct) to complete the sentences:**

**(10x2p=20p)**

1. London .....by millions of tourists every year.  
a) is visited      b) is visiting      c) was visited
2. I'll wait here .....they get back.  
a) before      b) while      c) until
3. I went to the doctor's .....I felt ill.  
a) so      b) so that      c) because
4. For.....information, contact the reception desk.  
a) far      b) further      c) furthest
5. When Kyle finished school, he worked.....a bank clerk.  
a) as      b) like      c) so
6. Tina spent the .....day working on a project for her Science class.  
a) much      b) whole      c) all
7. "Which of these two dresses do you like?" "To be honest, I don't like .....of them."  
a) none      b) both      c) either

8. Amanda.....as an engineer for five years, then she became a university professor.

- a) has worked    b) works    c) worked

9. You .....your magazines on the bed! Please clean up!

- a) have always left    b) are always leaving    c) always left

10. These flowers.....nice. What are they?

- a) are smelling    b) smell    c) have smelt

**3.Read the sentences and use the word in capitals to form words that fit in the gaps:    (5x2=10p)**

1. They fought.....in the war. HEROIC
2. This is a very ..... plan. Who proposed it? ORIGIN
3. My friend was .....when he found out. ANGER
4. Alice works as a .....for a medical institute. RESEARCH
5. Don't be so .....about it. ENTHUSIASM

## **SUBIECTUL II: READING COMPREHENSION**

**(25p)**

**Read the text and do the tasks below:**

### **A dangerous journey**

Captain James Cook was an English explorer, navigator and map-maker. He is famous because he was the captain of the first European ship to visit the east coast of Australia. Cook was born in 1728, in the north-east of England. At the age of 18 he decided to become a sailor and he began working on local ships. Later, he studied navigation, map-making and astronomy and joined the Navy in 1755. In 1763 and 1764, Cook sailed to North America and made the first maps of the coastline of Newfoundland, which is now part of Canada. Cook's most famous voyage was made between 1768 and 1771, when he sailed around the world. His ship left England on the 26th of August, 1768, and sailed south-west across the Atlantic and round Cape Horn in South America. Then they sailed across the Pacific Ocean and reached New Zealand on the 6th of October, 1769. Cook and his crew were only the second group of Europeans to visit the country. Cook made maps of the coastline of New Zealand and then sailed west to the south-east coast of Australia. They were the first Europeans ever to reach Australia's eastern coastline. They landed at a place which is now called Botany Bay. Cook's sailors gave the place this name because there were so many amazing plants and flowers there. They finally returned to England on the 12th of July, 1771, almost three years after they set off on their epic journey.

### **A. Write T (true) or F (false) for the next sentences: (5x3p=15p)**

- 1 Cook was the first European to visit America.
- 2 He studied navigation, map-making and astronomy.
- 3 He decided he wanted to be a sailor when he was 17.
- 4 He joined the Navy in 1755.
- 5 His most famous voyage was made between 1768 and 1771.

**B. Read the sentences. Choose the correct option (only one is correct): (5x2p=10p)**

- 1 Why is Captain Cook famous?  
a) He was captain of the first European ship to reach the east coast of Australia  
b) He was a navigator and map-maker
- 2 Where is Newfoundland?  
a) in Canada    b) in the USA    c) in New Zealand
- 3 What did Cook do in New Zealand?  
a) he made a map of the coastline                      b) he collected plants and flowers    c) he sailed back to Europe
- 4 When did they arrive back in England?  
a) 26th August    b) 12th July    c) 6<sup>th</sup> October
- 5 In which direction did The Endeavour sail across the Atlantic Ocean?  
a) west    b) south-east    c) south-west

**SUBIECTUL III: WRITING**

**(25 p)**

Write a narrative composition of about 160-180 words that ends with:

*“He couldn’t help wondering if he had done the right thing.”*

Give your story an appropriate title.

Don't count the title and the given words.

**Notă: toate subiectele sunt obligatorii**

**Timpul de lucru 2h**

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**SUBIECTUL I: ENGLISH IN USE**

**(50p)**

**1. Complete the text with ONE suitable word:**

**(10x2p=20p)**

1 how 2 of 3 have 4 some/many 5 to 6 should/could 7 with 8 by 9 not 10 who/that

**2. Choose the right answer(only one is correct) to complete the sentences:**

**(10x2p=20p)**

1. **a** -is visited 2. **c** -until 3. **c** – because 4. **b** – further 5. **a** – as 6. **b** – whole 7. **c** – either  
8. **a** – has worked 9. **b** – are always leaving 10. **b** - smell

**3. Read the sentences and use the word in capitals to form words that fit in the gaps: (5x2=10p)**

1. heroically 2. original 3. angry 4. researcher 5. enthusiastic

**SUBIECTUL II: READING COMPREHENSION**

**(25p)**

**A. Write T (true) or F (false) for the next sentences: (5x3p=15p)**

1. **F** 2. **T** 3. **F** 4. **T** 5. **T**

**2. Read the sentences. Choose the correct option (only one is correct):  
(5x2p=10p)**

1. **a** 2. **a** 3. **a** 4. **b** 5. **c**

**SUBIECTUL III: WRITING**

**(25 p)**

1. task achievement - 5p
2. coherence and cohesion – 5p
3. range of vocabulary – 5p
4. range of grammatical structures and accuracy – 5p
5. effect on the reader – 5p