

Egzamin programowy dla studentów kierunków nieekonomicznych sprawdzający znajomość języka angielskiego na poziomie B2 z elementami C1.

## General English Examination intermediate level

### EGZAMIN UNIWERSYTECKI Z JĘZYKA ANGIELSKIEGO /GENERAL ENGLISH/

#### I. READING COMPREHENSION

*Read the text below and decide whether the sentences below are true or false. Put the letter T or F next to the sentence.*

#### ROMEO & JULIA

In medieval times it was common to send a messenger with a portrait of a future wife to the future husband. In this way, the only way it could be done in those days, kings, princes and rich people had a chance of seeing the person they could soon be married to. Being a painter was a very prestigious profession in those times as long as the beautiful portrait of the future wife was not only well painted but realistic. Which was often not the case.

Nowadays in our high-tech world with its flights to the moon, satellites and cable TV we don't even need to leave our own room to meet new people. The Internet is not only a window to the outside world but also into the hearts of strangers.

"Match maker, match maker, make me a match" our grannies used to sing when they were trying to find a husband. In our mothers' or older sisters' days single men and women used to go to a marriage bureau or put an advert in the "Lonely Hearts" section of a magazine.

Now there is a different way of meeting people. The Internet and chat rooms. On specially designed pages, single people can seek relationships ranging from companionship to friendship, romance to marriage. To become a member all you need to do is to fill in a form describing your personality as well as the person you are looking for. You can even attach a photo, which increases your chances of attracting attention by eight times !

By 1996 this fast and efficient way of meeting people encouraged nearly half a million members to meet online and resulted in many engagements and marriages.

But there is "a fly in the ointment" so to speak : beware ! As with the medieval painting, however beautiful, astonishing and breathtaking, it doesn't always reflect reality. Use your common sense ! Don't always believe in what you are told.

**a) True or false** (punktacja: 6 x 2 = 12)

0. In medieval times people used to send a message to their future wife or husband . **F**
1. The portrait of the future wife was always not only realistic but beautiful as well.
2. Our grannies needed a match maker to find a husband.
3. "Lonely Hearts" is a matrimonial agency which makes matches.
4. Nowadays single people meet online
5. "A fly in the ointment" means that people are attracted by the Internet.
6. Attachment of your photo to a form may multiply your chances of finding a partner

**b) For each phrase below find an equivalent in the text and rewrite it in the box as in the example** (punktacja: 6 x 2 = 12):

0	to draw attention, interest	to attract
1	( a job) respected and admired by people	
2	an office	
3	an agreement that two people have made with each other to get married	
4	extremely beautiful or amazing	
5	natural ability to make good judgements or to behave in a practical and sensible way	
6	to persuade somebody to do something	

## II. USE OF ENGLISH

**a) Choose the correct word or phrase to complete the sentences (A, B or C). Only one answer is correct. Circle the correct answer.** (punktacja: 10 x 1 = 10)

- Ann says that she prefers \_\_\_\_\_  
 a) watching TV than to read    b) watching TV to reading    c) to watch TV than to read
- Stop \_\_\_\_\_ a fool of yourself!  
 a) make    b) making    c) to make
- At ten o' clock he \_\_\_\_\_ to the evening news  
 a) listened    b) was listening    c) had been listening
- I have never seen \_\_\_\_\_ handsome man.  
 a) such    b) so    c) such a
- When \_\_\_\_\_ that house ?  
 a) have you bought    b) did you buy    c) had you bought
- His talent for painting is \_\_\_\_\_ question.  
 a) beyond    b) over    c) above
- Why \_\_\_\_\_ at me ?!  
 a) do you always shout    b) are you always shouting    c) did you always shout
- Uncle Jim \_\_\_\_\_ gifts, and so we all waited for his visits  
 a) used to bringing us    b) used to bring us    c) was used to bring us
- I regret that I didn't see \_\_\_\_\_ your wallet, but the train was too crowded.  
 a) him steal    b) he stealing    c) him to steal
- It's nice to \_\_\_\_\_ in bed on Saturday morning  
 a) lie    b) lay    c) be lying

**b) Complete the second sentence so that it has a very similar meaning to the first. Use not more than 5 words altogether.** (punktacja: 10 x 2 = 20)

- He prefers relaxing to going out at the weekends.  
 He prefers to \_\_\_\_\_ *relax rather than to go* \_\_\_\_\_ out at the weekends.

1. Peter fixed the leaking tap for me yesterday.  
I had \_\_\_\_\_ by John yesterday.
2. "It wasn't me who broke the vase" – said Mary  
Mary \_\_\_\_\_ the vase.
3. She started taking French lessons two weeks ago  
She \_\_\_\_\_ French lessons for two weeks.
4. Somebody set the museum on fire last night.  
The museum \_\_\_\_\_ last night.
5. I've never met such a rude person before.  
He is the \_\_\_\_\_ met.
6. I'd prefer you to see to it personally.  
I \_\_\_\_\_ it personally.
7. John plays polo well and so does Greg.  
Both \_\_\_\_\_ well.
8. Could you open the window?  
Would you mind \_\_\_\_\_.
9. She is too poor to buy a house.  
She isn't \_\_\_\_\_ a house.
10. Peter doesn't like fishing. Mary doesn't like fishing.  
Neither \_\_\_\_\_ fishing

**c) Complete the text using one word in the space provided:** (punktacja: 10 x 1 = 10)

If you go to Stockholm, you are quite 1) \_\_\_\_\_ to come across people talking loudly to themselves in the streets. At first you think they must 2) \_\_\_\_\_ been crazy. But when you have a closer look 3) \_\_\_\_\_ them, you spot a tiny headphone with a hardly visible strip of a black wire in their ears. This is when you realise that the thing you see is the latest gizmo-a craze or a new fashion among the Swedes. What is it exactly? A mini-headphone that comes with a 4) \_\_\_\_\_ phone. The set resembles a combination of a Walkman and a modern stage microphone. The mobile 5) \_\_\_\_\_ be seated in your pocket while the headphone sits in your 6) \_\_\_\_\_. Although the set is the costly thing, it is expected to 7) \_\_\_\_\_ wider markets soon. The advertisers are already trying to 8) \_\_\_\_\_ people that the headphone set eliminates the range of 9) \_\_\_\_\_ radiation emitted by mobiles. Besides this device may radically decrease the 10) \_\_\_\_\_ of accidents caused by drivers talking on their mobiles.

**d) Match each situation with the right sentence. Put the right letter next to the number in the box below as in the example** (punktacja: 8 x 2 = 16):

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| 0. e | <i>Would you put me through to Mr. Black?</i> | a. A whole bunch of bug-eyed monsters           |
| 1.   | What will you have for the main course?       | b. No, I can't be bothered. I prefer to stay in |
| 2.   | Who stars in it?                              | c. Sorry, we haven't got any in stock.          |
| 3.   | I have one or two questions.                  | d. The steak and French fries.                  |
| 4.   | My treat! What will it be?                    | e. <i>The line's engaged</i>                    |

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| 5. | I'm looking for a green skirt, size 14            |
| 6. | What about you? Are you married ?                 |
| 7. | Let's go to the cinema!                           |
| 8. | I can't make it on Friday, but perhaps<br>Monday? |

- f. That will be fine by me.
- g. I'm still going out with Tom
- h. A double scotch for me.
- i. Go ahead.

### III. WRITING

**What are the advantages and disadvantages of being a celebrity ?**

*Write not more than 12 sentences including the hints given below.* (punktacja: maksimum 20 punktów)

- media attention
- publicity
- wealth
- privileges
- lack of privacy
- living under much pressure
- stress of being in constant danger
- being on a diet