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Задания **39-40:** Личное письмо и Эссе

Личное письмо – 6 баллов

Рассмотрим критерии

1) **Content**

- Number of words (100–140)
- Aspects 1–3 (answering the questions)
- Aspect 4: asking 3 questions
- Aspect 5: politeness conventions

Aspect 6: style (salutation, ending the letter, signing off and signature are written according to semi-formal style)

2) Organization

- Logic (Use of linking words)
- Paragraphs.

A. Thanking for the previous letter, reference to the previous contact

B. Main body (answering the questions)

C. Main body (asking questions)

- Salutation, ending the letter, signing off and signature are on separate lines
- The author's address is in the top right corner
- The date is under the address

3) Language accuracy

- Grammar
- vocabulary
- spelling

Moscow, Russia

23.03.2014

Dear Patricia,

- (1) (2) I'm really sorry I didn't answer before. I was really busy with my project.
 - (3) I usually wear a skirt and a blouse or a dress, but actually in Russia, it doesn't really matter what you're wearing. However, clothes can vary depending on different occasions. For example, teens prefer to dress smart for a party and to wear casual or disco clothes for dancing. As for me, my favourite type of clothes is jeans and hoodies.
 - (4), great news! Where is your sister going to celebrate her marriage? How many people will be there? What plans do they have for their honeymoon?
 - (5) My mum's calling me.
 - (6)
 - (7)
- Asya

Moscow, Russia
23.03.2014

Dear Patricia,

- (1) Thanks for your letter. (2) It was nice to hear from you again. I'm really sorry I didn't answer before. I was really busy with my project.
 - (3) As for your questions, I usually wear a skirt and a blouse or a dress, but actually in Russia, it doesn't really matter what you're wearing. However, clothes can vary depending on different occasions. For example, teens prefer to dress smart for a party and to wear casual or disco clothes for dancing. As for me, my favourite type of clothes is jeans and hoodies.
 - (4) By the way, great news! Where is your sister going to celebrate her marriage? How many people will be there? What plans do they have for their honeymoon?
 - (5) I'd better finish now. My mum's calling me.
 - (6) Write back soon.
 - (7) Best wishes,
- Asya

Task 1. Read the task and the sample letter.

1. What questions should you answer?

Предполагается дать ответы на следующие вопросы (аспекты 1–3):

- *What are Russian teenagers like in your country?*
- *What are their hobbies?*
- *What do they like to do in their free time?*

2. What questions should be asked?

Нужно задать **3 вопроса** о новом хобби друга, в данном случае – об увлечении скейт-бордом.

Exercise 1. Read a student's letter. Why will the student NOT score maximum points for the content?

*Moscow
Russia
2006/2014*

Dear David,

Thank you for your letter. Sorry for not having written earlier, but I was busy at school. You asked me about a typical Russian teenager. Well, Russian teenagers are in fact very ordinary. They think their teachers make them work hard and friendship is the most important thing in their lives. Parents think that modern teens are awful, but I think they criticize them for no reason. As for their hobbies, they are quite different. That's all about it. Anyway, it's great that you like skateboarding. Is it difficult to ride it? I've got to go now. Keep in touch!

*Yours
Peter*

1) Is there the required number of words? – да, в письме **117 слов**.

2) What questions did they answer?

What are Russian teenagers like in your country?

Ответ дан: *Well, Russian teenagers are in fact very ordinary.*

What are their hobbies?

Ответ дан, но не полный: *As for their hobbies, they are quite different.*

What do they like to do in their free time?

Ответ на вопрос не дан.

3) What questions did they ask? Comment on them.

Задан только один из трех вопросов: *Is it difficult to ride it?*

4) Did the student begin and finish the letter according to the rules of letter writing?

В письме нет ссылки на предыдущие контакты, пожелания всего наилучшего.

5) Is the style informal?

Стиль письма соответствует требованиям.

Task 40. Writing an opinion essay

- Paragraph 1, introduction, restating the problem
- Paragraph 2, the writer's opinion on the problem and reasoning
- Paragraph 3, an opposing opinion and reasoning
- Paragraph 4, explanations why the writer doesn't agree with this point of view
- Paragraph 5, a conclusion showing the writer's position

Practice of Writing an introduction

Во вступлении необходимо **перефразировать** слова из рубрики. Списанные точь-в-точь предложения приведут к понижению балла по критерию «Содержание»!!!

Some people think that city living in the 21st century is stressful and offers no advantages

- City living: urban living, lifestyle
- 21st century: contemporary, modern, nowadays
- stressful: oppressive
- offers: provides, supports advantages: benefits, opportunities

Sample

- Nowadays there is an opinion that a contemporary urban living might be fairly oppressive for many people and provides them with no benefits. However, ...

Many people believe that online shopping is the best way to shop

- People believe: there is an opinion, it is considered, etc.
- Online shopping: buying goods on the Internet.
- The best way: the most beneficial way, the most convenient way.

The young generation of people today is not as healthy as their grandparents used to be.

- Young generation of people:
- Are not as healthy as:
- Grandparents:

The young generation of people today is not as healthy as their grandparents used to be.

- Young generation of people: teenagers
- Are not as healthy as: are less healthy than...
- Grandparents: grandfathers and grandmothers

**Some people who think that
extreme sport should be banned
because they are too risky**

extreme sports:

Nowadays:

People who think:

Should be banned:

Too risky:

Doing extreme sports is rather popular nowadays. However, there are people who think that they should be banned because they are too risky

extreme sports: going in for / doing adventure sports

Nowadays: these days, in the last 20 years, recently

People who think: people who believe / consider / are sure / claim, etc.

Should be banned: should not be allowed to do

Too risky: too dangerous

Many people demand that genetically modified food should be banned.

- Nowadays:
- Many people demand:
- Should be banned:
- Others say:
- It is unnecessary:

Many people demand that genetically modified food should be banned.

- Nowadays: at the present time
- Many people demand: many people insist
- Should be banned: should not be allowed
- Others say: other people believe / consider / etc.
- It is unnecessary: it is not necessary

Getting marks doesn't motivate the students to study.

- Students:
- Get marks:
- Motivate:
- To study:

Getting marks doesn't motivate the students to study.

- Students: schoolchildren
- Get marks: be assessed
- Motivate: encourage
- To study: to learn, to get knowledge

Many parents feel that their children should follow their advice in choosing a career

- Parents feel:
- Follow advice:
- Choose a career:

Many parents feel that their children should follow their advice in choosing a career

- Parents feel: parents consider / are sure / believe
- Follow advice: to follow their recommendations / can't make their choice independently
- Choose a career: to choose a future job to make their own decision in...

**The majority of teenagers try
to follow the fashion.**

The majority of teenagers try to follow the fashion.

- Most young people try to look and dress smartly / to wear fashionable clothes/ to be trendy

Many people are sure that climate change is inevitable and we cannot change the situation.

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Прочитайте четыре варианта вступления и выберите то, которое, на ваш взгляд, в наибольшей степени соответствует правилам написания вступления.

- A. A lot of people have no doubt that global warming is part of a natural cycle that occurs once every hundred years. However, more and more people are becoming aware of the fact that our way of life could be having a considerable impact on the world's climate. It seems to me that the way we live is likely to produce an adverse effect on our environment.
- B. Many people think that climate change is inevitable and we cannot alter the situation. Others believe that our lifestyle influences the planet's climate. I am sure that people should think about the effect their lifestyle has on the world's climate.
- C. Nowadays a lot of people are concerned with environmental problems. One of them is global warming. I believe our lifestyle can have a huge impact on the climate. What can be done to stop global warming?
- D. The majority of people are concerned about the issue of climate change. Scientists also speak about the harmful effect global warming is having on our world. However, some people argue that climate change is a natural process and we cannot do anything to stop it. Many others are sure that the main reason for climate change is the way we live. For example, carbon dioxide from our cars damages the ozone layer. I have no doubt that our lifestyle is having a huge impact on the world's climate.

Climate change is inevitable

Our lifestyle can influence the climate

1. Factories and vehicles produce a lot of dangerous fumes.
2. The hole in the ozone layer is getting larger every year.
3. History shows examples of dramatic climate changes even before humans came into existence.
4. Even scientists cannot understand the reasons for many natural disasters.
5. The effect of gases on the Earth's atmosphere prevents the Earth from losing heat, which is called the greenhouse effect.
6. The processes happening inside the Earth's mantle and crust are beyond our control.
7. There's some evidence that sea levels are rising.

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Разделите данные выражения на две группы: для высказывания своего мнения и для предъявления следующего аргумента, запишите их в таблицу.

1. I believe that...
2. Personally, I feel that...
3. Firstly, secondly...
4. It seems to me that...
5. I would argue that...
6. In addition...
7. I feel strongly that...
8. I am convinced that...
9. Moreover...
10. I am greatly in favour of...
11. I'm completely opposed to...
12. I tend to think that...
13. I generally agree that...
14. Furthermore...
15. In my opinion,...
16. Besides...

Phrases to express your opinion	Phrases to introduce the next argument

Предположим, что вы доказывали следующее мнение в данном эссе:

Our lifestyle can influence the climate greatly.

Выберите, какое из заключений не будет соответствовать данному мнению:

- A. To sum up, people cannot be sure about their futures as we have already done so much damage to our environment. Although some people say that the climate problems were not created by people and so cannot be prevented, I am convinced that the situation is urgent and every human being has to take immediate action in order to stop global warming and its consequences, as everyone is responsible for what is happening on Earth.
- B. To conclude, people cannot be very optimistic about their futures because of dramatic changes to the climate. Although some people believe we have created these changes ourselves, I am convinced that they are just part of a natural global process that occurs regularly. Therefore, people will have to adapt their lifestyle to these environmental changes.