

ΘΕΜΑ 1. ΚΑΤΑΝΟΗΣΗ ΓΡΑΠΤΟΥ ΛΟΓΟΥ

Read the text and decide if each statement (1-10) is True (A), False (B) or Not Mentioned (C).

It was morning, and the new sun sparkled gold across the tiny waves of a gentle sea. A mile from shore a fishing boat upset the sea and the word for Breakfast Flock flashed through the air, till a crowd of a thousand seagulls flew close to the boat to fight for bits of food. It was another busy day beginning.

But way off alone, out by himself beyond boat and shore, Jonathan Livingston Seagull was practising. A hundred feet in the sky he lowered his feet, lifted his beak, and tried hard to hold a painful twisting curve through his wings. The curve meant that he would fly slowly, and now he slowed until the wind was a whisper in his face, until the ocean stood still beneath him. He narrowed his eyes in fierce concentration, held his breath, forced one... single... more... inch... of... curve... Then his feathers trembled, he stopped and fell. Seagulls, as you know, never stop. To stop in the air is for them disgrace and it is dishonour. But Jonathan Livingston Seagull, unashamed, stretching his wings again in that trembling hard curve -slowing, slowing, and stopping once more- was no ordinary bird.

Most seagulls do not bother to learn more than the simplest facts of flight -how to get from shore to food and back again. For most seagulls, it is not flying that matters, but eating. For this seagull, though, it was not eating that mattered, but flight. More than anything else. Jonathan Livingston Seagull loved to fly. This kind of thinking, he found, is not the way to make one's self popular with other birds. Even his parents were disappointed as Jonathan spent whole days alone, making hundreds of attempts to fly low, near the surface of the sea, experimenting.



(300 words)

STATEMENTS		A	B	C
		TRUE	FALSE	NOT MENTIONED
1.	The gentle sea was full of tiny little fish.			
2.	Breakfast Flock consisted of a thousand seagulls.			
3.	Jonathan liked to spend time with other seagulls.			
4.	Jonathan tried very hard to practise a special way of flying.			
5.	The other seagulls were ashamed of stopping in the air when flying.			
6.	Seagulls need to learn how to fly in order to find their food.			
7.	Jonathan believed that eating is more important than flying.			
8.	Jonathan's parents flew to the shore to bring him food.			
9.	Jonathan's parents would rather their son experimented more with flying.			
10.	Jonathan was patient and determined to achieve his goal.			

ΘΕΜΑ 2^ο. ΛΕΞΙΚΟΓΡΑΜΜΑΤΙΚΗ

Use the correct form of the following words (A-K) to complete the gaps (11-20) as in the example.

A.	lower	B.	painful	C.	popular	D.	learn	E.	disappointed	F.	think
G.	crowd	H.	close	I.	slow	J.	gentle	K.	fly		

EXAMPLE	My FLIGHT to New York was delayed due to the bad weather conditions so I spent most of my day waiting in the airport.
11.	In recent years, the _____ of organic food has increased because of its multiple health benefits. Since naturally grown fruits and vegetables can help build our immune system, more and more people have added them in their daily diet.
12.	After the robbery the police worked _____ with the bank manager and staff as well as customers and other witnesses who saw the robbers leaving the bank on a white van.
13.	I have a rather _____ opinion of him as a singer; I cannot really understand what makes him so popular amongst teenagers these days.
14.	She spoke to the kids _____ because she didn't want them to get scared.
15.	When my parents and I left our hometown for the big city, I became _____ aware of the fact that my childhood had just come to an end. It hurt me to realize that I would never see my friends again and that my life would change forever.
16.	I was trying to reach them but their pace was so fast. "Could you please walk a bit more _____?", I begged them. "I'm out of breath!"
17.	"None of my close friends came to my party... I almost burned the cake. The music Tom chose made everyone feel bored. In short, the party was a huge _____", Mary said in tears.
18.	The _____ of seeing her again filled him with happiness. He was still in love with her despite all her flaws.
19.	Our primary school teacher used to tell us that we should not be ashamed of making mistakes since they are part of the _____ process; nobody is perfect, nobody knows everything.
20.	Oh, I hate Christmas shopping! Streets are always so noisy and _____. You keep bumping into other people and you can't stop hearing children asking for one more present!