



ДРУШТВО ЗА СТРАНЕ ЈЕЗИКЕ И КЊИЖЕВНОСТИ СРБИЈЕ

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ШИФРА ТАКМИЧАРА:

Време за рад: 20 min.

Број поена на тесту: max. 8 / min. 6

Број поена такмичара:

AT HOME WITH MY COMPUTER

Computers can do various, complicated things, but it wasn't like that when they first appeared on the market. This is my aunt Gloria's story about her family's first computer:

We bought our first computer in the 1990's, when the children were quite young. Home computers were in their infancy too and the model we chose was very simple.

This 'marvel' of modern technology did not come complete - with a monitor and disk drive - but was designed to be used with a TV and a cassette player. In our house this meant sitting on the floor in great discomfort which is the reason why all I remember from those times is an aching back and stiff legs rather than the miracle of the computer. The children, on the other hand, would kneel happily for hours, producing high beeping noises and watching closely at the games on the TV screen.

The programs were mostly in BASIC computer language and to me the 'pictures' on the screen were very basic indeed. Color in those early days was a luxury and the most we could achieve was an exciting range of gray. But when I started to play 'a game' which involved making little colorless blocks move extremely slowly across the screen and build a wall, I began to lose interest.

I wasn't interested in doing my own programming either. In fact, getting the computer to do anything more than write my name on the screen seemed at first to be beyond my skills. The instruction handbook gave directions for more exciting programs, but going through them step by step took time and patience, and I would quickly run out of both.

However, I felt that it was my duty as a parent to explain the instructions to the children so that they could learn more about the computer and new technologies. With this in mind I gathered the family together to study Chapter 1. I wanted to be patient and go over everything as many times as necessary. So I pressed a few keys and carefully explained what I was doing and why. "Yes," said my youngest, who was four at the time, "but if you press this and this and then enter that, it's much quicker and better."

I gave up. While I had been struggling with the first few pages of the instructions handbook, they had covered the first ten chapters simply by experimenting, learning from mistakes and trying out ideas. I felt embarrassed about this lack of knowledge, but didn't want to admit it.

Nowadays I am quite capable of using a personal computer for work, but games are another matter. In this area, my children are still superior. They sometimes ask me to join them for a quick Formula 1 race. While they speed away overtaking everything in sight, I always crash at the first bend. So I generally leave the games to them and I say that I look down on the idea of using computers for fun.

It has taken me a long time and a lot of hard work to become mistress of my own PC and all this hard-won skill should have a serious purpose. However, I must admit that while everybody's out, I keep on trying to kill that particularly nasty-looking alien in a game...

**Based on the information from the text "At home with my computer",
choose the correct answer and circle the letter in front of it.**

1. Gloria's first computer... A. had everything: a monitor, a disk drive, a TV. B. had a TV and a cassette player. C. had to be connected with a TV and a cassette player. D. could be used as a TV and a cassette player.	2. Gloria had an aching back and stiff legs while using the computer... A. because she had to lie down. B. because she couldn't sit on the floor in front of the TV for a long time. C. because she couldn't get up. D. because her children produced beeping noises.
3. The 'pictures' on the screen were... A. rich in colors. B. luxurious. C. painted in different shades of gray. D. changing.	4. In the beginning, Gloria... A. could only write her name on the screen. B. was very enthusiastic about programming. C. was very skillful in computer programs. D. could do her own programming after she read the instruction handbook.
5. In the phrase 'I was quickly running out of both' (Line 20), 'both' means... A. time and patience. B. interest and programming. C. the instruction handbook and exciting programs. D. the computer and my programming skills.	6. Gloria felt that she needed to explain the instructions to the children... A. because she wanted her family to spend some time together. B. because she needed to study Chapter 1. C. because parents should pay attention to their youngest children. D. because parents should teach their children to use new things in life.
7. Gloria's children learnt how to use the computer... A. by listening to Gloria, who taught them how to use it. B. by carefully reading the first ten chapters of the handbook. C. by trying different programs. D. by learning from their own experience.	8. When Gloria says that she 'looks down on the idea of using computers for fun' (Line 33) what impression does she want to leave? A. That she likes the idea that her children are good at computer games. B. That she doesn't like the idea that computers are only used for playing games. C. That she is looking forward to using computers for fun. D. That she enjoys the idea of playing computer games.

ШИФРА ТАКМИЧАРА:

Време за рад: 15 минута	Број поена на тесту: max. 7 / min. 5	Број поена такмичара:
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Listen to the text TWICE. Press the play button

Тест разумевања говора

Based on the information from the text "Touring the USA", choose the correct answer and circle the letter in front of it!

Questions 1-4 are about Jack and Vera Drake, an elderly couple, who visited the West Coast (Las Vegas, Disneyland and California)

Questions 5-7 are about Matthew and Polly Winter, who took their two children on a driving tour of New England on the East Coast of the USA.

1. Jack says that if you stay in Las Vegas for longer than two nights, you will most likely lose all your money. Why does he say that? A. Because a stay in Las Vegas is expensive. B. Because there are a lot of thieves in Las Vegas. C. Because Las Vegas tempts you to spend all your money gambling. D. Because Jack didn't have much money with him.	2. Jack says, 'If only we'd had our grandchildren with us!' What does he mean? A. They didn't have any grandchildren. B. They didn't take their grandchildren on this trip at all. C. They didn't take their grandchildren to Disneyland. D. They didn't know they were going to Disneyland.
3. Jack says 'I didn't think much of American beer, but Californian wine was a nice surprise'. What does he mean? A. He didn't think about American drinks. B. He didn't taste American beer but did Californian wine. C. He wasn't surprised by American beer, but was surprised by American wine. D. He didn't like American beer but did Californian wine.	4. Jack says that they chose this tour because there was an escort. What does he mean? A. There was always someone who would make sure they were fine. B. There was always someone who would check their blood pressure. C. There was always someone who would be their friend. D. There was always someone who was a doctor.
5. Driving in the States wasn't much of a holiday for Matthew, who is a bus driver. Why? A. Because driving in the States is more difficult than driving in Great Britain. B. Because Matthew isn't used to driving in the States. C. Because Matthew drives most of his time and would rather not drive on his holiday too. D. Because Matthew would rather drive a bus than a car.	6. Polly says that American motels don't have much character. What does she mean? A. American motels don't have many guests. B. American motels don't have many rooms. C. American motels are as much without character as American people. D. American motels are all the same.
7. Polly says that it was marvellous that each motel room had TV since they were able to leave the children in the room for an hour. What does she mean? A. That she marvelled the size of the TV set. B. That the children would go to sleep in an hour. C. That TV was such a marvel. D. That the children would be occupied with watching TV.	

ШИФРА ТАКМИЧАРА:

Време за рад: 45 минута	Број поена на тесту: max. 30 / min. 25	Број поена такмичара:
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Тест знања о језику

I Complete the following passage using ONE WORD in each gap.

8 points

Hi, Wendy! Just (0) a quick e-mail to let you (1) _____ that I'm back from my business trip to Paris. I had a great time but I didn't think that Paris was a bit dirty! Everybody (2) _____ complaining about the traffic and the pollution. I'm not used to (3) _____ in such big cities, so it was a bit difficult to find my way round. I kept getting (4) _____ a wrong bus and going to a wrong place! And the weather was awful! One day I was waiting (5) _____ a taxi station for an hour (6) _____ the heavy rain! In the end, I had to call another taxi to come and get me. When it finally turned (7) _____, I looked (8) _____ a drowned rat!

Take care,

Jackie

II Complete the dialogue by adding ONE WORD ONLY. In some cases the first letter of the word is given.

5 points

AT THE DOCTOR'S

Doctor: Good afternoon, Mrs Thomson. Please, take a seat. Now, what (1) _____ to be the problem?

Patient: My left ear (2) _____. It started on Tuesday evening and it's been getting (3) _____ every day.

Doctor: Could I take a look at it? Thank you... Well, you've got a bit of an infection. I'll give you some (4) e_____-d_____. Put them into your left ear every six hours. It should clear up in about three days. If not, make another (5) a _____ with me to see how it is going. See you next week, Mrs Thomson.

III Rewrite these direct questions as indirect questions.

5 points

1. Where's the technical college?

Can you tell me _____?

2. Who does the rule apply to?

Do you know _____?

3. Do restaurants open on Sunday?

Have you got any idea _____?

4. Where did you do your hair?

I'd really like to know _____.

5. On which beach did the turtles lay their eggs?

Can you tell us _____?

IV Read the text below. Use the words in brackets to form a word that fits in the space in front. PAY ATTENTION TO THE FORM OF THE WORD YOU MAKE!

7 points

Love them or hate them, (0) reality (REAL) shows are very popular. Why are we so (1) _____ (INTEREST) in the (2) _____ (LIFE) of ordinary people? It's because they are just like us. We all have strong feelings towards the people we live and work with. Often we find it hard to get (3) _____ (ADVISE) on any problems we are having. By watching the (4) _____ (DECIDE) they make on our screens, we gain (5) _____ (KNOW) about how people react to tense situations. We can see when they are not (6) _____ (SUCCEED) and when they make the situation worse. This information helps us in our own lives. As always, TV is much more than just (7) _____ (ENTERTAIN).

V Each of these sentences has ONE GRAMMATICAL mistake. Find and correct it. You can add a word, as in EXAMPLE 1, or you can correct a word, as in EXAMPLE 2.

5 points

EXAMPLE 1: The Mayor gave a reception for **v** best pupils of our school.

the

EXAMPLE 2: She ~~don't~~ like chocolate.

doesn't

1) The first woman to wear mens' trousers was Sarah Bernhardt.

2) Amanda can organize parties good.

3) The latest news about the earthquake have just arrived.

4) 'Granny, why do you have so big ears?'

5) The run-away prisoner has just seen on the top floor by neighbors.
