

Task 1. You are going to read the text aloud. You have 1.5 minutes to read the text silently, and then be ready to read it aloud. Remember that you will not have more than 2 minutes for reading aloud.

Learn to pronounce the following words

Pacific Ocean - /pəˈsɪf.ɪk/ /'əʊ.fən/

Earth - /ɜːθ/

Antarctica - /ænˈtɑːk.tɪ.kə/

Arctic Ocean - /'ɑːk.tɪk/ /'əʊ.fən/

People have always wanted to discover new things and new worlds. We have built spaceships to go to other planets and are planning to visit other galaxies one day. Meanwhile, we know very little about our own planet. The oceans, which cover 70 percent of the planet, are an unknown world to us. The Pacific Ocean is the largest one. The lowest point on the Earth is also there. It is called Challenger Deep and it was discovered in 1875. The Pacific Ocean stretches from the Arctic Ocean to the coast of Antarctica, but most of its water is in the warm tropics, which makes it warm. A lot of fish and animals live in the Pacific Ocean. The place is still waiting for researchers to discover its secrets for us.

Task 2. You are going to take part in a telephone survey. You have to answer six questions. Give full answers to the questions.

Remember that you have 40 seconds to answer each question.

1. *How old are you,*
2. *In what season do you have your birthday?*
3. *How do you usually celebrate your birthday?*
4. *What is the best present you have ever had?*
5. *What other holiday and special days are celebrated in your family?*

6. *What, from your point of view, is the best birthday present for a teenager?*
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Task 3. You are going to give a talk about public holidays in Russia. You will have to start in 1.5 minutes and speak for not more than 2 minutes (10-12 sentences).

Remember to say:

- *what public holidays are celebrated in Russia*
- *what your favourite public holiday is, and why you like it*
- *how your favourite public holiday is celebrated in your city, town or village*

You have to talk continuously.