

Task 6

Read the texts below. Match choices (A-H) to (27-32). There are two choices you do not need to use. Write your answers on the separate answer sheet.

Unusual awards

27 Golden Raspberry is awarded for the worst acting, screenplay, directing, song and worst movie of the year. Traditionally, its nominees are announced the day before the Oscar nominees are announced, and the winners are announced the day before the official Oscar ceremony. The prize of this award is a plastic raspberry berry, carelessly covered with gold spray paint. Each award has a price less than \$ 5.

28 Every year real Nobel laureates in budding goggles and overhead noses come to the Sanders Theatre in Harvard to reward their «antics». The Schnobel's winners shouldn't perform more than 60 seconds. Those who speak longer are stopped by an eight-year-old girl, who in a capricious voice shouts: «Please stop, I'm bored.»

29 The award for the most ridiculous lawsuit, awarded in the United States. Recently a housewife from California, who switched on cruise control and left the driver's seat while travelling in a wheelhouse, has received this award. It is clear that the «house» got off the track and turned over. The instructions did not say that while travelling with cruise control it is impossible to leave the driver's seat, so the young lady received \$ 175,000 in compensation.



30 Since 2000, the winner of the Diagram Award has been determined by a public vote on The Bookseller's website. The most interesting book titles of the winners of this prize usually look like «How to mess in the woods: an environmental approach to forgotten art» or «Highlights of Concrete History».

31 The Big Brother Award is an annual award for the most egregious violation of privacy and freedom of citizens by a state or company established in 1998. The award appeals to Big Brother from George Orwell's 1984 novel.

32 The winner of the Pigasus Award is extremely unusual and weird. Either the scientist who said or did the silliest thing relating to parapsychology or the «psychic» performer who fools the greatest number of people with the least effort in that twelve-month period. On the list might be both organizations which support research of paranormal activity and media, which reveals spooky news to the world.

Which award _____?

- A** has an attitude to spiritualism, ghosts and supernatural notions
- B** puts a one-minute limit to a speech
- C** presents a book by George Orwell as a prize
- D** has appeared in the result of court decisions
- E** is a humorous literary prize
- F** has a dirt-cheap price
- G** is named after a famous literary character
- H** is connected to art and history at the same time