

ΘΕΜΑ 1. ΚΑΤΑΝΟΗΣΗ ΓΡΑΠΤΟΥ ΛΟΓΟΥ

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

Pride and Prejudice is a romantic novel by Jane Austen, dealing with the idea of love during the late 18th century in England. In fact, Austen first titled her novel 'First Impressions'. The novel talks about the importance of marrying for love, not simply for money, despite the social pressures to choose a good (which means rich) partner. The comedy of the writing lies in the funny presentation of manners, education, marriage and money during that period.



Mr. Bennet is an English gentleman who lives in Hertfordshire with his bossy wife and their five daughters. The family's future happiness and security depend on the girls' marriages since their house, after Mr. Bennet's death, will be left to a cousin they have never met before. They all lead an ordinary life until the arrival of a rich gentleman in their neighbourhood. Mr. Bingley, who rents a large house in order to spend the summer in the countryside, brings along his sister and his attractive, rich and proud friend, Mr. Darcy. Love is soon in the air for one of the Bennet sisters. Yet many difficulties stand between the Bennet sisters and their happiness due to social class differences, gossip and scandals.

Pride and Prejudice is a story of romance between the lovely but poor Elizabeth Bennet and the arrogant, proud and interesting aristocrat Mr. Darcy. The story shows the emotional development of Elizabeth, who learns from her mistakes, regrets having formed her opinion in a hurry and comes to understand the difference between superficial and essential.

(Words: 255)

STATEMENTS	A	B	C
	TRUE	FALSE	NOT MENTIONED
1. <i>Pride and Prejudice</i> is a sentimental novel.			
2. A movie based on <i>Pride and Prejudice</i> has recently been released.			
3. <i>Pride and Prejudice</i> was the first title of the book.			
4. The main theme of <i>Pride and Prejudice</i> is love.			
5. The book presents the 18 th century values in a dramatic way.			
6. The Bennet family's future depends on their daughters' education.			
7. The Bennet family's cousin is a priest.			
8. Mr. Bingley and his guests spend the whole year in Hertfordshire.			
9. The Bennet sisters finally find their way to happiness.			
10. <i>Pride and Prejudice</i> shows the gradual change of Elizabeth Bennet.			

ΘΕΜΑ 2^α. ΛΕΞΙΚΟΓΡΑΜΜΑΤΙΚΗ

Fill each gap in sentences 11-20 with the correct word/phrase from the box below (A-J). Use each word or phrase only once.

A. pride	B. prejudice	C. social pressure	D. bossy	E. ordinary
F. in the air	G. gossip	H. scandal	I. arrogant	J. in a hurry

11. It is a [] that in some countries children are treated like slaves.
12. Laws against racial [] must be strictly enforced in all countries.
13. There is a rumour [] that they are closing this car factory next month.
14. As we left home [], we forgot to take our plane tickets.
15. Some communities place a great deal of [] on women to get married at an early age.
16. He is such a(n) [] young man; he thinks he is better than everyone else.
17. The readers of the magazine said they wanted more stories about [] people and fewer stories about the rich and famous ones.
18. Have you heard the latest [] about this singer? There is a rumour that she is pregnant!
19. My elder sister is really []. She keeps telling me what to do.
20. She felt a great sense of [] as she watched her son winning a gold medal in the Olympic Games.