ΘΕΜΑ 1. ΚΑΤΑΝΟΗΣΗ ΓΡΑΠΤΟΥ ΛΟΓΟΥ

Read the text and choose the correct option (A, B or C) for items 1-10.



'Pride and Prejudice' is a romantic novel by Jane Austen, dealing with the idea of love during the late 18th century in England. 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 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 lively and lovely but poor and prejudiced Elizabeth Bennet and the proud but arrogant and distant aristocrat Mr. Darcy. The story shows the emotional development of Elizabeth, who, over the years, learns from her mistakes, regrets having formed her opinion in a hurry and comes to understand the difference between superficial and essential.

(Words: 252)

1. The text talks about a
A. classic literature book. **B.** modern literature book. **C.** science fiction book.

2. This type of text can be found in a
A. literature blog. **B.** children's magazine. **C.** scientific magazine.

3. The book presented in this text is a typical example of a
A. poetry collection. **B.** short story collection. **C.** romantic novel.

4. The main theme of the book is
A. pride. **B.** prejudice. **C.** love.

5. The book presents the late 18th century values in
A. a humorless way. **B.** a dramatic way. **C.** a comical way.

6. The Bennet family's future depends on their daughters'
A. education. **B.** marriages. **C.** manners.

7. The daily life of the Bennet family is affected by the arrival of
A. Mr. Bingley and his guests. **B.** their loving cousin. **C.** a friendly English gentleman.

8. The Bennet sisters find their way to happiness
A. rather easily. **B.** with difficulty. **C.** rather quickly.

9. Elizabeth Bennet and Mr. Darcy experience a difficult romance because their characters are very
A. different. **B.** similar. **C.** sensitive.

10. 'Pride and Prejudice' presents the gradual change in the character of
A. the Bennet sisters. **B.** Mr. Darcy. **C.** Elizabeth Bennet.

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ΘΕΜΑ 2ο. ΛΕΞΙΚΟΓΡΑΜΜΑΤΙΚΗ

Match each of the phrases below (11-20) with a word from the box that has a similar meaning (A-J). Use each word only once.

A.	pride	**B.**	prejudice	**C.**	emotional	**D.**	bossy	**E.**	ordinary
F.	essential	**G.**	gossip	**H.**	scandal	**I.**	arrogant	**J.**	hurry

11.	Not special or different in any way.
12.	An unfair and unreasonable opinion or feeling for somebody or something, especially when formed without enough thought or proper knowledge.
13.	Something that shocks people because they think it is very bad or socially unacceptable.
14.	To move or to do things quickly.
15.	Always telling other people what to do.
16.	Believing that you are better or more important than other people.
17.	Showing strong feelings about somebody or something.
18.	Conversation or reports about other people's private lives that might or might not be true.
19.	The respect that you feel for yourself or the feeling of satisfaction at your achievements or the achievements of your family or friends.
20.	Very important and necessary.

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