



**OLIMPIADA DE LIMBA ENGLEZA  
ETAPA LOCALA  
CLASA a VIII-a  
Varianta 2  
19 ianuarie 2019**

**SUBIECTUL I**

**1. Read the following text and choose the correct answer: A, B, or C. (5x5p=25points)**

My name is Yusra. I used to be just like you. I had many friends, I went to school and I loved to go to the pool in my hometown in Syria. My coach said if I worked hard enough, I could make it into the Olympics one day. Then the war came and everything changed. I couldn't swim or meet my friends as often as I wanted. My life was in danger. I had to escape Syria.

My parents finally agreed that my big sister Sara and I could travel to Turkey. It was hard to leave my family behind but I had no choice. If we made it to Europe, my parents and little sister would follow. We needed peace. In Turkey we boarded a boat to Greece. Then disaster happened. My sister and I jumped into the water, trying to pull the boat to shore. For more than three and a half hours we gave everything we had. We couldn't give up. Most of the people in the boat couldn't swim. They needed us. We all made it to Europe alive! Suddenly I was a refugee. I had to rely on the kindness of others. Borders were closing across Europe. We didn't know where to go or what to do. We finally arrived in our new home, Germany. I was safe. I wanted everything to be normal again. I wanted to swim. So I started practising again. My coach helped me achieve my dream to swim at the Olympics. I may not have won a gold medal, but I won something far more important. My dignity. My name is Yusra. I am a refugee who found the strength to rebuild my life with support from my new community. I am proud to stand for respect, safety and dignity for all people fleeing violence. Together we can help others.

1. Her swimming coach told her she could compete in the \_\_\_\_\_ one day!

- a)Olympics
- b)FIFA World Cup
- c)World Championships

2.Her life was in danger because of the \_\_\_\_\_.

- a)war
- b)earthquake
- c)flood

3.Yusra and her sister were \_\_\_\_\_ and helped to save the lives of everyone in the boat.

- a)unable to swim
- b)weak swimmers
- c)strong swimmers

4.Yusra made it to Europe and arrived at her new home in \_\_\_\_\_.

- a)Turkey



b)Germany

c)Greece

5.Yusra is proud to be a goodwill ambassador for the UN Refugee Agency (UNHCR) and she represents people who are all fleeing \_\_\_\_\_.

a)violence

b)disease

c)natural disasters

**2. Read the text below and choose the best answer (A, B, C or D) for each space. There is an example at the beginning (0). (10x2p=20points)**

Charles Dickens spent most of his life in London and often (0).....A.....to walk between ten and twenty miles all over the city when he was (1).....to sleep and was thinking about the plot of a new novel. While walking, he used to observe the sights, sound and smells of London in order to write about them. People used to travel through the streets of London in horse-drawn carriages. Every hour at least one thousand carriages (2).....London Bridge, so there used to be a lot of mess on the streets from the horses! It also used to be a (3)..... city because people who were selling things used to shout to (4)..... their goods. People used to drink water from the Thames so it's not surprising that many of them got very ill and many people died of cholera. The city used to smell and it was very dirty. Smoke used to (5)..... from the chimneys of thousands of houses and factories, the streets were dark because there only used to be gas lamps, and the dark (6)..... were full of beggars, thieves and people who were drunk. London used to be a terrible place for the poor, especially children. In 1839 nearly half of (7)..... the funerals in London were for children under the age of ten. Those who survived had (8)..... or no education and Dickens believed that education was the way to (9)..... the cycle of poverty as it had done for him. In his books he used to (10)..... all these awful social problems.

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|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 0 A used      | B get used  | C use       | D be used   |
| 1 A able      | B inable    | C unable    | D incapable |
| 2 A travelled | B crossed   | C waded     | D wondered  |
| 3 A loudly    | B noisy     | C noisily   | D aloud     |
| 4 A get       | B advertise | C publicise | D publish   |
| 5 A spill     | B spell     | C split     | D pour      |
| 6 A alleys    | B allies    | C pavement  | D border    |
| 7 A much      | B all       | C whole     | D each      |
| 8 A less      | B a little  | C little    | D few       |
| 9 A snap      | B kick      | C crack     | D break     |
| 10 A hint     | B expose    | C aim       | D revealed  |



**3. Fill in the blanks with the correct word formed from the words in capitals. (10x2p=20points)**

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| 1. Nowadays it is very important to get a good .....            | EDUCATE |
| 2. There was no..... for the crash of the airliner.             | EXPLAIN |
| 3. Helen has ..... managed her business.                        | SUCCESS |
| 4. According to the ....., the French lesson starts at ten.     | TIME    |
| 5. John's .....of History is amazing for a boy of his age.      | KNOW    |
| 6. We arrived late at the..... and missed the plane.            | AIR     |
| 7. This city has over half a million .....                      | INHABIT |
| 8. It's simply .....I have won the lottery.                     | BELIEVE |
| 9. She had been .....for two years before she found a job.      | EMPLOY  |
| 10. Pulling my front tooth didn't hurt. It was completely ..... | PAIN    |

**4. Each of the following sentences contains a mistake. Write the correct sentences on your answer sheet. (10x1p=10points)**

- 1) They have been living in France since 6 years.
- 2) He bought some sheeps for his farm last week.
- 3) He had not a party last week.
- 4) They won't come to the party unless you don't invite them.
- 5) The man whose his car had been damaged was very angry.
- 6) If you will have a cough, you must take some medicines.
- 7) They told me that they had had such a terrible weather.
- 8) Last night were many strange noises outside.
- 9) If they found time in their busy schedule today, they will definitely come to our party.
- 10) How could you make so much mistakes?

**SUBIECTUL II**

**Write a story ending with the sentence given below. Do not forget to add a title to your story.  
Use 150 – 180 words. (25 points)**

***All the others left the room without saying a word.***

**TOTAL: 100 PUNCTE  
TOATE SUBIECTELE SUNT OBLIGATORII!  
TIMP DE LUCRU: 120 MINUTE  
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