

**Тест по английскому языку  
(пробный вариант)**

Русская христианская гуманитарная академия

Placement Test Date \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

***Read the passage and answer the questions.***

British people go to live in Australia for many reasons. Some go for work and decide to stay, some go for family reasons and others go because they think that the UK is dark, cold, rainy, expensive and crowded and they'd like to live where the air is clean, there's a lot of space and it's sunny. When they both stopped working, Terry (65 years old) and Sarah Black (61 years old) went to Tasmania to look after Terry's old father who was living there. When Terry's father died six months later, they sold their house in the UK and moved there. They moved to Tasmania because of the sunny weather, open spaces, relaxed life style and because houses, cars and petrol were not as expensive as in Britain. At first, they enjoyed life there. Everything was exciting and new. Then, when the excitement of moving was over, they realised that it was true that Tasmania was sunnier than Britain, but the sun was strong and burnt if you stayed outside for a long time. Winter evenings were darker, longer and more boring than those in Britain. They thought the television programmes were worse and there wasn't a library in the village near their house! The only water they had was rain, which didn't come very often. So, it was impossible to have a good garden; flowers and vegetables need lots of water! Three years after they moved, they decided they were too old to change from British to Tasmanian ways of life. They also wanted to come back to be with their son and his family. Flying from Tasmania to Britain for visits was expensive and tiring for people of their age. Now they have returned to dark, cold, rainy Britain. Life is more expensive but they have a nice garden, they can meet their old friends, read library books, enjoy their favourite TV programmes and see their grandchildren every week. They're home!

1. All British people go to live in Australia.
  - a) True
  - b) False
  - c) Doesn't say
  
2. Some people move to Australia because it's sunnier and warmer.
  - a) True
  - b) False
  - c) Doesn't say
  
3. Among other reasons, British people leave Britain for Australia because they can't afford to live in Britain.
  - a) True
  - b) False
  - c) Doesn't say
  
4. Terry was born in Australia.
  - a) True
  - b) False

c) Doesn't say

5. Terry and Sarah first went to Australia for family reasons.

- a) True
- b) False
- c) Doesn't say

6. Terry and Sarah were hoping to find new jobs for themselves in Australia.

- a) True
- b) False
- c) Doesn't say

7. They were in Australia for six months before they sold their house in the UK.

- a) True
- b) False
- c) Doesn't say

8. They missed their old friends while they lived in Australia.

- a) True
- b) False
- c) Doesn't say

***For each question, choose which of the three possible answers fits the space best and write THE CORRECT LETTER into the blank.***

9. The law requires equal treatment for all, \_\_\_\_\_ of race, religion or sex.

- A. despite    B. notwithstanding    C. moreover    D. regardless

10. (On the phone)

Woman: "Can I speak to John, please?"

Girl: "\_\_\_\_\_ on, I'll call him"

- A. come    B. wait    C. hold    D. keep

11. Crime doesn't scare me so much, but, I must admit, I'm terrified of the \_\_\_\_\_ disasters.

- A. nature    B. real    C. unpredictable    D. natural

12. What a lovely dress! How much did you *pay* \_\_\_\_\_ it?

- A. for    B. to    C. with    D. on.

13. Well, the news – I think it's very good, \_\_\_\_\_ it's nearly all about what's happening in Britain. I think that's wrong.

- A. so    B. and    C. but    D. if

14. I heard a strange noise coming from the room \_\_\_\_\_. It was very scary.

- A. on top    B. sideways    C. above    D. near

15. Most people don't realize the amount of effort \_\_\_\_\_ in a novel.

- A. enlisted    B. spent    C. involved    D. invited

16. It all looks different here now. Someone's been moving the furniture \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. about    B. along    C. around    D. on

**Choose correct explanation for words in CAPITALS**

17 The fake was barely DISTINGUISHABLE from the original painting.

- A. It was obvious at a glance which one of the paintings was the fake.
- B. The fake looked almost exactly the same as the original.
- C. The fake and the original were hanging very close to each other.

18 The town is NOTABLE for its busy open-air market.

- A. The town has a bad reputation because of its busy open-air market.
- B. The town is famous for its busy open-air market.
- C. One interesting feature of the town that deserves to be mentioned is its busy open-air market.

19 Some companies have already DISCLOSED similar information.

- A. Some companies have already discovered similar facts.
- B. Some companies have already destroyed this kind of information.
- C. Some companies have already revealed similar information.

**Fill in the blanks using the correct form of the words given.**

20. Who made the \_\_\_\_\_ for the meeting? (ARRANGE)

21. The first \_\_\_\_\_ we did in class today was a listening comprehension (ACTIVE)

22. I don't think Martha's \_\_\_\_\_ is very serious (ILL)

23. The \_\_\_\_\_ is going to put up taxes this year (GOVERN)

24. The Prime Minister promised to make health and \_\_\_\_\_ his top priorities (EDUCATE)

25. The Prime Minister said that the present \_\_\_\_\_ (WEAK) of the British economy was caused by (26.) the \_\_\_\_\_ (STUPID) and (27.) bad \_\_\_\_\_ (MANAGE) of the previous (28.) \_\_\_\_\_ (GOVERN)