

ŠKOLSKO NATJECANJE IZ ENGLESKOG JEZIKA

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Zaporka: _____

(zadana riječ)

TEST

Čitanje s razumijevanjem:	6 bodova
Uporaba jezika:	54 boda
Ukupno:	60 bodova

Task 1 – Reading Comprehension.

You are going to read a text about Pumpkin pie and Thanksgiving. For questions **1 – 6** decide whether the statements are true or false. Write only **T** for **true** or **F** for **false**. There is an example at the beginning (**0**). Write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

On Thanksgiving Eve, I routinely find myself bent over the hot oven, gently shaking the racks to check for the jiggle of just-set custard in my pumpkin pie. My family doesn't even like pumpkin pie that much; they prefer a caramel-apple pie or an autumnal cheesecake. Still, I bake the ultimate Thanksgiving dessert every year.

Each time I serve pumpkin pie, I get to share a little known slice of American history. Although meant to unify people, the 19th-century campaign to make Thanksgiving a permanent holiday was seen by prominent Southerners as a culture war. They considered it a Northern holiday intended to force New England values on the rest of the country. To them, pumpkin pie, a Yankee food, was a deviously sweet symbol of anti-slavery sentiment.

The first account of American Thanksgiving is a letter written about the Pilgrims' meal in 1621. The holiday evolved from a traditional harvest supper to a Puritan day of gratitude to God in colonial New England. Throughout the 18th and 19th centuries, it further changed into a more secular celebration as the feasting portion overtook prayer. Northern governors often declared state-wide Thanksgiving days. They were usually in late November or early December, but there was no unified national holiday.

Thanksgiving may have remained a regional, improvised holiday if not for the efforts of Sarah Josepha Hale, a Northern writer who is often considered the “Godmother” of American Thanksgiving. In 1825, she initiated annual letter-writing campaigns to governors asking that they collectively declare the final Thursday of November a celebration of Thanksgiving. As the editor of *Godey's Lady Book*, the most widely read magazine of the 19th century, she devoted pages of editorial space to pitching the national holiday as a unifying force in a young and diverse nation. Her 1827 novel, *Northwood: A Tale of New England*, gives the first detailed account of the Puritan Thanksgiving feast. She dedicates an entire chapter to the meal, in which she describes the “celebrated pumpkin pie” as “an indispensable part of a good and true Yankee Thanksgiving.”

Hale was not the only one to associate pumpkin pie with Thanksgiving and Northern tradition. Two pumpkin pie recipes appear in *American Cookery*, alongside other Thanksgiving favorites such as cranberry sauce and turkey. Considered the first “American” cookbook, *American Cookery* is known as an example of traditional New England fare. Plus, pumpkin pie calls for Northern ingredients such as squash and molasses. As more states – mainly in the North – recognized Thanksgiving, the pie became closely associated with Northern tradition.

Thanksgiving Eve is the day or night before Thanksgiving.

(0) T

The author bakes a caramel-apple pie every Thanksgiving.

(1) _____

Thanksgiving was not a permanent holiday before the 19th century.

(2) _____

The Yankees is the name for the people from the American Northern States.

(3) _____

In the 18th and 19th centuries prayer became more important than food.

(4) _____

Sarah Josepha Hale was a journalist and a book author.

(5) _____

Squash is another word for *pumpkin*.

(6) _____

(6 points)

Task 2 – Verb Forms.

Read the text. For questions 1 – 6 put the verbs in brackets into the correct verb forms. There is an example at the beginning (0). Write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

I (0) go (go) to school every day.

A: Hello Mrs. Billings.

B: My goodness. It's Anne, isn't it? I (1) _____ (not see) you for a long time. How are you?

A: Fine, thank you.

B: And your parents?

A: They're very well. Dad is in Russia at the moment.

B: Really! What (2) _____ (he/do) there?

A: He (3) _____ (write) a book about Russian schools. He (4) _____ (be) back next week. When I (5) _____ (speak) with him last night, he (6) _____ (already pack).

(6 points)

Task 3 – Error Correction.

Read the text. For questions 1 – 6 decide whether there are errors in the text. Each number refers to one line. In some lines there is an extra word. Put a tick (✓) if you think there are no errors. If you find an error, write it down. Use one word only. There are two examples at the beginning, (0) and (00). Write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

The Wednesday marks the 72nd anniversary of Queen (0) The

Elizabeth II and Prince Philip, and their royal grandkids (00) ✓

are showing England's top couple all the love.

The official royal family Instagram account, which has (1) _____

documents the life of the Queen and the family, shared a (2) _____

black and white throwback photo from the couple's wedding (3) _____

day where they can be seen waving also from a balcony. (4) _____

The account also posted a current photo of the Queen Elizabeth (5) _____

and the Duke of Edinburgh walking side by side, with the (6) _____

Queen in pink, holding a bouquet of flowers.

(6 points)

Task 4 – Multiple choice test.

Read the text. For questions 1 – 6, choose the correct answer **A**, **B**, **C**, or **D**. There is an example at the beginning (0). Write your answers (only the letters **A**, **B**, **C**, or **D**) on the Answer Sheet.

Tallahassee newcomers and (0) D might want to go to visit Tallahassee (at 106 E Jefferson St) to find out about local museums and tourist (1) _____. If you have an interest in civil rights, you can find brochures from the John G. Riley House & Museum and the Knott House Museum. But one, often (2) _____, civil rights monument in Tallahassee and Leon County can be found, quite literally, under your feet.

The sidewalk memorial—known as The Tallahassee-Leon County Civil Rights Heritage Walk—is (3) _____ of 16 terrazzo panels. Only half a block long, it manages to memorialise the names and voices of more than 50 people who participated in (4) _____ civil rights events in the area. Patricia Due, for example, spent 49 days in jail after being (5) _____ in the lunch counter segregation protests of the 1960s. The Rev. Dr. Charles Steele was a leader in the 1956 Tallahassee bus boycott and the main bus terminal is named in his (6) _____.

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| (0) A) goers | B) pedestrians | C) passers-by | D) visitors |
| (1) A) spots | B) places | C) spaces | D) stations |
| (2) A) forelooked | B) bylooked | C) overlooked | D) underlooked |
| (3) A) consisted | B) comprised | C) composed | D) done |
| (4) A) enormous | B) major | C) minor | D) main |
| (5) A) participated | B) mixed | C) included | D) involved |
| (6) A) memory | B) grace | C) honour | D) fame |

(6 points)

Task 5 – Word formation.

Read the text. For questions 1 – 12 use the correct forms of the words written in capital letters. Write one word only. There is an example at the beginning (0). Write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

I am quite sure I would not like to have an (0) occupation that has anything to do with physics, chemistry or maths.

OCCUPY

(1) _____, Australia was

TRADITION

(2) _____ for producing wheat and

FAME

wool, but times have changed in recent years, with many farmers

(3) _____ to be more diverse in their crop and livestock range.

ELECT

It is now quite common to see farms with more exotic fruit and

vegetables. Farmers are (4) _____ to sell their

LIKE

produce locally nowadays, but rather to the factories in the cities.

As a result, farms are now big (5) _____

PRODUCE

where thousands of tonnes of crops are cultivated. Another aspect

that is different nowadays is (6) _____.

IRRIGATE

In the past, farmers would just flood the fields but now it is

common to see (7) _____ systems everywhere.

SPRINKLE

This means that more water is conserved (8) _____,

SYSTEMATIC

which has been (9) _____ with the drought that

HELP

has severely impacted the (10) _____ of the farms

MAJOR

in the (11) _____ states of the country.

SOUTH

Hopefully, the (12) _____ the farmers have shown

CREATE

in recent times will continue.

(12 points)

Task 6 – Words to do with food

Read the definitions. For questions 1 – 6 complete the missing words. The exact number of letters is given for each word, and all of the words have something to do with food. Use one word only. There is an example at the beginning (0). Write complete words on the Answer Sheet.

(0) b a k e = to cook in an oven

(1) _ _ _ = to cook something in hot oil or fat

(2) _ _ _ _ _ = instructions for cooking a dish or a meal

(3) _ _ _ _ _ = all the foods a person or animal usually eats

(4) _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ = all the foods used to make a dish or meal

(5) _ _ _ _ _ _ _ = sweet food eaten at the end of a meal

(6) _ _ _ _ _ _ _ = knives, forks, and spoons used for eating

(6 points)

Task 7 – Open Cloze.

Read the text. For questions 1 – 6 write any word which fits best. Write one word only. There is an example at the beginning (0). Write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

Just a few miles east (0) of Tallahassee, Florida, is a chance to learn (1) _____ and interact with a number of endangered and threatened animals such as black-casqued wattled hornbills and a California red-shouldered hawk. (2) _____ are also emus, great blue turacos, red-crested turacos, toucan, bats, mudskippers, and lemurs. (3) _____ the end of the tour, you have the opportunity to interact with and feed one of the center's friendly black and white ruffed lemurs. The animals will often perch on your shoulder and eat your banana offering. The Wildlife Conservation Center is a non-profit run entirely (4) _____ volunteers. Their mission is education, conservation, and preservation. To avoid overcrowding and maintain a calm environment (5) _____ its residents, tours must be scheduled. Sometimes they run specials, but generally a tour is \$30 for adults, \$20 for kids under 16), and \$25 for students. You can (6) _____ your ticket directly on Facebook or call 555-8888-000.

(6 points)

Task 8 – Make/Do.

Read the sentences. For questions 1 – 6 write the appropriate form of the verbs **DO** or **MAKE**. There are examples at the beginning (0) and (00). Write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

(0) Could you do the laundry today? We have no clean clothes.

(00) Did their new business make a profit last year?

(1) Has he _____ the doctor's appointment yet?

(2) He _____ the assignment but forgot to bring it to school.

(3) There are so many decisions to _____.

(4) He was busy _____ the food shopping.

(5) He is a scientist, so he _____ a lot of research every working day.

(6) A famous movie star is going to _____ an appearance here tonight.

(6 points)

Task 9 – Culture and Civilisation.

Read the sentences. For questions 1 – 6 write the missing word(s) or number(s). There is an example at the beginning (0). Write your answers on the Answer Sheet.

- (0) The capital of England is _____ London _____.
- (1) The river on which London is situated is called _____.
- (2) The palace where the Queen lives is called _____ Palace.
- (3) The Great Fire of London swept through the central parts of the English city from Sunday, 2 September to Thursday, 6 September _____.
- (4) The crowning glory of Trafalgar Square, London's _____ Gallery is a vast space filled with western European paintings from the 13th to the 19th centuries.
- (5) _____ is the area of south-east London known for the Prime Meridian which runs through it.
- (6) Westminster _____ is one of the United Kingdom's most notable religious buildings and the traditional place of coronation and burial site for English and British monarchs.

(6 points)

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