

LISTENING COMPREHENSION

THE SECOND TERM

VARIANT 1**1. Listen to the following speakers.****For each item (1 — 4) choose the correct variant (A, B, C or D).**

1) What is the 1st speaker's main point?

- A) People should be taught to behave nature-friendly.
- B) She doesn't believe that joint efforts may save the environment.
- C) She doubts if she can do anything for the planet.
- D) Schools should provide a special course on the environment.

2) What is the 2nd speaker's main point?

- A) She would like to go cycling right now.
- B) She wants to go skiing at the place with rugged mountains and beautiful scenery.
- C) She would like to go cycling when she is in a good shape and has necessary stuff.
- D) She is in the best shape for cycling.

3) The 3rd speaker thinks that ...

- A) the Internet is doubtfully the business way of the future.
- B) website owners prefer to write articles by themselves.
- C) writing articles for website owners is the perfect way to make money.
- D) you won't be paid more than 5 dollars per article.

4) What's the 4th speaker's main point?

- A) He is fit enough for parachute jumping.
- B) He'd like to try parachute jumping in the future.
- C) He wanted to try parachute jumping in school, but his mother didn't allow him to do that.
- D) He thinks parachute jumping is the most dangerous hobby.

2. Listen to the text. Fill in the blanks with the words you'll hear.

Women's football — or 1) as it's known in many countries — has been played in England for more than a hundred years. But, unlike men's football, it's always been an amateur 2) The new Super 3) will be the first semi-professional 4) for women, with eight 5) from across the country competing for the title. England's Football Association is hoping the league will attract more 6) to the sport.

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VARIANT 2**1. Listen to the following speakers.****For each item (1—4) choose the correct variant (A, B, C or D).**

1) What is the 1st speaker's main point?

- A) The information technology is developing very fast.
- B) There are more bad points in using mobile phones.
- C) The good points of mobile phones outweigh the bad ones.
- D) He prefers to use a mobile phone to make pictures instead of the camera.

2) What does the 2nd speaker say about going to Antarctica?

- A) She wants to go to Antarctica because she likes cold weather.
- B) She wants to go to Antarctica for her honeymoon.
- C) She wants to go to Antarctica with her friends.
- D) She wants to go to Antarctica, but she doesn't want to go on a dog sleigh.

3) What is there at the 3rd speaker's favourite place?

- A) A mountain, a church and an inn.
- B) A lake, a mountain and an inn.
- C) A river, a church and a hotel.
- D) Mountains, woods and a waterfall.

4) What's the 4th speaker's main point?

- A) He wants to cycle from Europe to Asia.
- B) He wants to cycle around Japan.
- C) He wants to cycle around Europe.
- D) He wants to cycle across Beijing.

2. Listen to the text. Fill in the blanks with the words you'll hear.

Microsoft has confirmed it will buy the 1) phone service Skype. The \$8.5 billion deal will 2) *Microsoft* with the 663 million people around the world who use 3) It is the most money *Microsoft* has spent to buy another company. It's just eight years since Skype started helping people to make 4) over the Internet for nothing, and this is the third time it's been bought and sold. Skype is now used by 170 million people around the world, not just on their computers, but on the move — on their 5) phones and even on their 6) devices.

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VARIANT 1

1. Read the text below.

Fill in the gaps (1 — 12) with the correct variant (A, B, C or D).

Sir Timothy Berners-Lee is a British computer scientist who invented the World Wide Web. He received a knighthood from the British 1) for his efforts (so he is called «Sir»). He is director of W3C, which looks after the Web's development. A 2) British newspaper ranked him as the world's greatest living genius. Today's world would be very different 3) his discovery.

Berners-Lee was born in 1955 to parents who were mathematicians and computer scientists. He 4) with numbers and electronics and managed to build his own computer. He 5) to Oxford University and was banned from using the computers for hacking. Berners-Lee graduated with a degree in physics. His first 6) after graduating were as a computer programmer and software developer.

Berners-Lee spent the 1980s on a 7) based on sharing and updating information online, in 1991, he put the first website online. It explained what the World Wide 8) was and how it was used, He gave his idea to the world for 9) In 1994, Berners-Lee founded W3C to set standards and improve the quality of the Web.

Berners-Lee now spends his 10) between W3C and as a professor of computer science in England. He also writes 11) the future of the Web. In 2004, he was 12) as the first ever winner of the Millennium Technology Prize.

	A	B	C	D
1	King	Queen	President	Governor
2	leading	key	crucial	primary
3	with	of	out	without
4	grew up	brought up	adult	mature
5	attended	passed	went	entered
6	jobs	career	proficiency	occupation
7	idea	website	mission	project
8	Mesh	Trap	Web	Net
9	charge	free	charity	granted
10	money	schedule	time	period
11	about	on	off	at
12	named	asked	become	offered

2. Match choices (A — H) to (1 — 5). Three choices are extra.

1) This museum

Victoria and Albert Museum is an excellent and informative museum with immense resources for design students as it houses the national collection of applied arts. The museum's galleries and buildings themselves are considered as works of art. If you are interested in exploring the various artefacts that were part of the cultures from where they have come over the centuries this is the place to be.

2) This museum

Madame Tussaud's is London's busiest attraction and houses one of the world's largest collections of lifelike wax models of celebrities, politicians and other world-famous people. Madame Tussaud often travelled to many places and displayed her wax models. Madame Tussaud's has become the best attraction of London.

3) This museum

National Gallery is a vast gallery on the north side of Trafalgar Square, with an impressive collection of Western European art from the middle ages to the early 20th century. As it's free we recommend you make a number of trips, doing it in at least two stages (it's only 200 yards away from the Leicester Square, and in the heart of theatreland). Do the East Wing, North Wing and the Sainsbury/West Wings in separate trips, or you may find yourself becoming oblivious to the quality of the exhibits.

4) This museum

National Army Museum is located approximately 15 miles from central London. This museum is worth the journey if you are interested in learning about the history of the British Army. It unfolds the story of the British Army from the fifteenth century to the present day and is home to an impressive collection of old and new vehicles, armoury of the years gone by, vibrant uniforms and records which detail significant historic events.

5) This museum

The Design Museum has a comprehensive collection of innovative designs. It is a museum focusing on industrial design, fashion and architecture and therefore you can find mass-produced everyday items. It is also the UK's largest provider of design resources.

A) is focusing on Egyptian culture.

B) has galleries and buildings which are themselves believed to be the works of art.

C) is worth the journey if you like fashion, architecture and industrial design.

D) is advised to be visited several times.

E) used to be a prison.

F) exposes an impressive collection devoted to the history of the British Army.

G) displays wax models of famous people.

H) houses the world's largest collection of fine arts.

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VARIANT 2**1. Read the text below.****Fill in the gaps (1 — 12) with the correct answer (A, B, C or D).**

David Beckham is an English footballer who has played for Manchester United and Real Madrid, 1) representing his country 100 times. He moved to the Los Angeles Galaxy in 2007 to increase the profile of football in America. He married Spice Girl Victoria Beckham and has become a worldwide 2) , an advertising brand and a fashion icon.

Beckham was 3) in London in 1975. His parents were fanatical Manchester United 4) His talent was obvious from an early 5) and he signed with Manchester United on his fourteenth birthday. He helped the youth 6) win several trophies and made his first team debut in 1995. He helped his team 7) considerable success in his eleven seasons with them.

Beckham has been runner-up twice as world football's best player. He 8) many trophies with Manchester United, including the Champions League, and won a league title with Real Madrid. He also captained his club and country. He was famously sent off in a match against Argentina in the 1998 World Cup. In 2003, Beckham 9) an honour for services to football from Britain's Queen.

Beckham has many interests off the soccer pitch and is rarely 10) of the headlines, especially concerning his marriage and children. He has established football academies in Los Angeles and London. In 2006 he was 11) a judge for the British 12) Awards.

	A	B	C	D
1	as well as	in order to	as soon as	hardly ever
2	fame	celebrated	outstanding	celebrity
3	born	come	birthday	bear
4	devoted	sponsors	supporters	enthusiastic
5	epoch	era	age	period
6	team	class	game	band
7	took	ran	achieve	realize
8	came first	prevailed	lost	won
9	collected	accepted	gave	received
10	on	at	out	in
11	named	labelled	told	identified
12	Friend	Book	Sister	Physics

2. Match choices (A — H) to (1 — 5). Three choices are extra.

1) This invention

Dog-to-Human Language Translation Device

Keita Sato invented Bow-Lingual, a computer-based automatic dog-to-human language translation device. The Bow-Lingual's a two-piece set — a wireless microphone that attaches to your dog's collar, and a walkie-talkie-looking handset with an LCD screen. Barks and yelps are transmitted to the handset, where their voiceprint is analyzed and placed into one of six emotional categories: happy, sad, on guard, frustrated, needy, or assertive.

2) This invention

Alarm Clock that Runs Away from You

Gauri Nanda (Massachusetts Institute of Technology) invented «Clocky», an alarm clock that runs away and hides if you don't get out of bed on time. When the alarm sounds you can snooze one time. If you still don't wake up, «Clocky» will jump off of the bedside table, and wheel away, mindlessly bumping into objects until he finds a spot to rest. You'll have to get up and out of bed to silence his alarm.

3) This invention

Washing Machine for Cats and Dogs

The co-inventors of the Lavakan, Eduardo Segura and Andres Diaz, decided in 1998 that their dogs deserved the same treatment that humans get from a shower massage. The side-loading automatic pet washing machine is safer and less stressful for the animals than washing them by hand. It soaps, rinses and dries dogs and cats in less than half an hour.

4) This invention

Self-Perfuming Business Suit

Hyuk-ho Kwon of Kolon Company of Seoul, Korea, invented this suit. The suit is made with fabric soaked in a chemical that contains scented micro-capsules, which pop and release the odour when the wearer moves — or gets bumped on a crowded subway train.

5) This invention

Automobile Burglar Alarm Consisting of a Detection Circuit and a Flamethrower

Charl Fourie and Michelle Wong from South Africa invented an automobile burglar alarm consisting of a detection track and a flamethrower, to provide a deterrent to carjackings. The Blaster car modification functions as a liquified petroleum gas flamethrower; when a carjacking occurs, the driver steps on an additional pedal next to the accelerator and flames erupt from the outer sides of both front doors, «neutralizing» the attacker.

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- A) was created in order to defend drivers from hijackers.
 - B) can be used to soap, rinse and dry dogs and cats.
 - C) helps protect your computer from cats.
 - D) should be implanted years afterwards in most cases.
 - E) can escape from you.
 - F) is a two-piece set.
 - G) smells nice.
 - H) can help to understand dogs barking and yelping.

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VARIANT 1

1. Read the text below.

Fill in each gap with one word which best fits each space (1—4).

Computers «to Match Man by 2029»

A leading US scientist has predicted that 1) will be as intelligent as humans by 2029. Futurologist Dr Ray Kurzweil believes that in the near future, machine intelligence will overtake the power of the 2) brain. He said that within two decades computers will be able to think quicker 3) humans. Dr Kurzweil painted a picture of us having tiny robots 4) nanobots implanted in our brain to boost our intelligence and health. He told reporters that these microscopic nanobots would work with our brains to make us think faster and give us more powerful memories. Kurzweil explained that we are already «a human machine civilization» and that the upcoming technology «will be a further extension of that».

2. Write down five special questions to the text of task 1.

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- 2)
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- 3)
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- 5)
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VARIANT 2

1. Read the text below.

Fill in each gap with one word which best fits each space (1—4).

Ukrainian Art

Ukraine's 1) galleries feature beautiful art works such as paintings, graphic arts, design, sculptures, crafts, pysanky, and photographs from both local and international artists, visitors can enjoy exquisite works of arts created by highly-talented artists. Several great artists from Ukraine have become 2) worldwide for a variety of artistic styles. An important religious art form is the 3) , a highly stylized painted image of a religious figure or event; icon art came to Ukraine from Byzantium with the Christianizing in 988.

Ukrainian folk art is rich and colourful. The tradition of the Easter eggs has its beginnings in Ukraine, where these 4) are called pysanky. Weaving and woodcarving are also important in Ukrainian art.

2. Write down five special questions to the text of task 1.

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4)

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5)

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1. Comment on the quotation of Richard M. Nixon who said:
«I don't know anything that builds the will to win better than competitive sports»
 2. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement:
«With the help of technology, students nowadays can learn more information and learn it more quickly »?
 3. A company is going to give some money either to support the arts or to protect the environment. Which do you think the company should choose?
Use specific reasons and examples to support your answer.
 4. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement:
«Face-to-face communication is better than other types of communication, such as letters, email, or telephone calls»!
 5. If you could meet a famous artist, inventor or athlete, who would that be, and why? Use specific reasons and examples to support your choice.
 6. Some people say that the Internet provides people with a lot of valuable information. Others think access to so much information creates problems. Which view do you agree with?
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VARIANT 2

1. Why do you think some people are addicted to dangerous sports or other dangerous activities?
Use specific reasons and examples to support your answer.
2. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: (Telephones and email have made communication between people less personal)?
Use specific reasons and examples to support your opinion.
3. The expression «Never, never give up» means to keep trying and never stop working for your goals. Do you agree or disagree with that statement?
Use specific reasons and examples to support your answer.
4. Some people think that human needs for farmland, housing, and industry are more important than saving land for endangered animals. Do you agree or disagree with this point of view? Why?
5. A foreign visitor has only one day to spend in your country and he wants to visit a museum. What museum should this visitor go that day? Why?
Use specific reasons and details to support your choice.
6. Some people think governments should spend as much money as possible exploring outer space (for example, travelling to the Moon and to other planets). Other people disagree and think governments should spend the money for our basic needs on the Earth. Which of these two opinions do you agree with? Use specific reasons and details to support your answer.

