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MODULE 1 READING COMPREHENSION

2022 A

ATTENTION

- Don't open this booklet until the exam begins.
- Try to answer all 50 questions.
- Provide ONE answer for each item.
- You have **1 hour and 5 minutes** to complete this exam.

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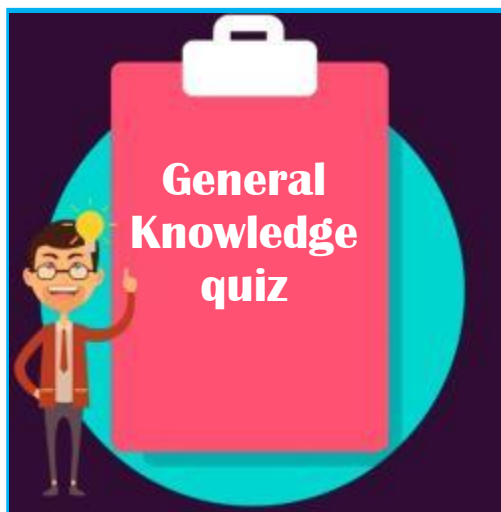
- Μην ανοίξεις το τευχίδιο πριν από την έναρξη της εξέτασης.
- Προσπάθησε να απαντήσεις και στα 50 ερωτήματα.
- Δώσε ΜΙΑ ΜΟΝΟ ΑΠΑΝΤΗΣΗ σε κάθε ερώτημα.
- Διάρκεια της εξέτασης: **1 ώρα και 5 λεπτά.**

ACTIVITY 1

Fill in the gaps in questions 1a-6a with the right word (A-H) to make your own quiz! There are two words you do not need.

Συμπλήρωσε τα κενά των ερωτήσεων 1a-6a με τη σωστή λέξη (Α-Η) για να φτιάξεις το δικό σου κουίζ. Υπάρχουν δύο λέξεις που δεν χρειάζεσαι.

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|----|-----------|----|----------|----|---------|----|------|
| A. | mountains | B. | legs | C. | planets | D. | word |
| E. | food | F. | language | G. | days | H. | star |



How much do you know?



1a. How many _____ does a spider have?

2a. How many _____ are in our solar system?

3a. How many _____ are in a year?

4a. What is the sweet _____ made by bees?

5a. What _____ is spoken in Brazil?

6a. Which _____ is closest to the Earth?

ACTIVITY 2

Match the descriptions of gadgets (7a-10a) with photos A-F. There are two photos you do not need.

Αντιστοίχισε τις περιγραφές των συσκευών (7a-10a) με τις φωτογραφίες (Α-Ζ). Υπάρχουν δύο φωτογραφίες που δεν χρειάζονται.

- 7a.** Coffee tastes much better when it's hot and this smart mug can keep it that way for up to an hour.
- 8a.** With this gadget you can monitor your pet through your phone and even send it treats when you are away. Now, you can leave your pet at home for a short time without feeling worried, because checking on it has become so easy.
- 9a.** Known for making winter activities as comfortable and enjoyable as a day at the beach, foot warmers are some of the cold-weather accessories we must all have in our wardrobe.
- 10a.** You just need to load up the plastic colour and once the pen heats the plastic, your kid is ready to create amazing 3D works of art.







A



B



C



D



E



F

ACTIVITY 3

Which of the following phrases (11a-15a) best summarizes each of the tips for a successful job interview below (A-E), as in the example (F)?

Ποια από τις ακόλουθες φράσεις (11a-15a) συνοψίζει καλύτερα την κάθε μία από τις παρακάτω συμβουλές για μια επιτυχημένη συνέντευξη για εργασία (A-E), όπως στο παράδειγμα (F);

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| EX. | Είναι απαραίτητο να ακούς προσεκτικά και να μη μιλάς μόνο εσύ κατά τη διάρκεια της συνέντευξης. | F |
| 11a. | Το κατάλληλο ντύσιμο είναι σημαντικό στη δημιουργία καλής πρώτης εντύπωσης. | |
| 12a. | Συγκέντρωσε πληροφορίες για τον πιθανό μελλοντικό εργοδότη σου πριν κληθείς σε συνέντευξη. | |
| 13a. | Οι καλοί τρόποι συμπεριφοράς είναι σημαντικοί κατά τη διάρκεια της συνέντευξης. | |
| 14a. | Όσο καλύτερα προετοιμαστείς τόσο λιγότερο άγχος θα νιώθεις κατά τη διάρκεια της συνέντευξης. | |
| 15a. | Μην φοβάσαι να μιλήσεις για όλα τα προσόντα και τις ικανότητές σου! | |

**FOLLOW THESE TIPS TO GET A JOB!**

- A.** Before going to a job interview, it's important to find out as much as you can not only about the job but also about the company. You can check out the company website, specifically the "About Us" page.
- B.** Make a list of all your skills, professional and personal qualities, certifications and experiences that match the job description. You can bring up some of these points when you explain to the employer why you are an excellent fit for the job.
- C.** Take the time to practise answering interview questions at home. This will also help you calm down because you won't be looking for an answer while in the interview hot seat.
- D.** Don't wait until the last minute to make sure your interview clothes are ready. Have an interview set of clothes ready to wear at all times, so you don't have to think about what you're going to wear in order to make a good impression.
- E.** During the interview watch your manners! Remember to be polite to everyone you meet, watch your body language, make eye contact as you present your points and answer all questions enthusiastically.
- F.** During a job interview, listening is just as important as answering questions. If you're not paying attention, you're not going to be able to give a good response.

ACTIVITY 4

Read the two texts and for each gap (16a-20a) choose the best answer (A-F). There is one word you do not need.

Διάβασε τα δύο κείμενα και για κάθε κενό (16a-20a) διάλεξε τη σωστή λέξη (A-F). Υπάρχει μια λέξη που δεν χρειάζεται.

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| A. | age | B. | get | C. | example | D. | find | E. | live | F. | place |
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Two Young Inventors Who Want to Change the World



David Cohen, 13, from Texas is the perfect (16a) _____ of how creative kids can be when they think outside the box. David came up with the idea of building a robot that can (17a) _____ into small or dangerous locations where people or search dogs are unable to go. By loading the robot with heat-sensing technology, GPS and other life-saving programs, it can be used to (18a) _____ people after a fire or an earthquake.



Hannah Herbst from Florida at the (19a) _____ of 15 thought of a machine that could 'catch' energy from the ocean waves and change it into electricity. She was inspired by her pen pal from Sub-Saharan Africa, a(n) (20a) _____ in the world where many people have little access to electricity. This is how the BEACON (Bringing Electricity Access to Countries through Ocean Energy) project was born.

ACTIVITY 5

Choose the best synonym (A-F) for each underlined word (21a-25a) in the text. There is one word you do not need.

Διάλεξε το πιο σωστό συνώνυμο (A-F) για κάθε υπογραμμισμένη λέξη στο κείμενο (21a-25a). Υπάρχει μία λέξη που δεν χρειάζεται.

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| A. | covered | B. | around | C. | show | D. | numerous | E. | types | F. | protected |
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Graffiti Art

The term *graffiti* comes from the Greek word "graphein" meaning to scratch, draw, or write. So, a modern definition of the word includes all (21a) kinds of writing on walls.

We know of graffiti in prehistoric and ancient times, as we can see in the Lascaux cave paintings in France and many other historic findings (22a) across the world.

Art scientists believe that the images of hunting scenes at these sites (23a) present hunting victories or they are signs for luck in hunting.

The graffiti that we find in cities today started back in the 1960s. People nowadays use spray paint or paint markers. But, because of the Internet and graphic software and technologies, street artists now have (24a) various of tools to use for their works. Specialized computer programmes allow street artists to share their paintings with hundreds of people internationally. In the past, most works disappeared when they were removed by city authorities or (25a) painted over by other artists.



ACTIVITY 6

Read the text and choose the best word (A-F) for each gap (26a-31a)

Διάβασε το κείμενο και για κάθε κενό (26a-31a) διάλεξε τη σωστή λέξη (A-F).

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| A. | down | B. | from | C. | in | D. | of | E. | up | F. | on |
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Paper Clothes

Did you know that paper dresses were in fashion (26a) _____ the 1960s and it seemed like a great idea for the space age? After all, who is going to do laundry in space? In spring 1966, the Scott Paper Company created an offer for a printed paper dress. With a coupon (27a) _____ a Scott product and \$1.25 anyone could order a dress by mail. Much to the company's surprise, half a million orders came in. Michael Scott, the owner of the company, couldn't believe his eyes. Women were walking (28a) _____ the streets in paper dresses they had coloured with crayons. Some even invested in paper wedding dresses for \$15. It all started when the Scott Paper Company that sold napkins and toilet paper introduced two types of evening dresses made entirely from that paper. What was intended to be just an advertising trick sold 500,000 units in eight months. By the end of 1966, national sales of paper clothes in the US had topped \$3.5 million. In March of 1967, the *Time* magazine published a list (29a) _____ paper clothes that included slippers, jumpsuits, evening gowns and men's vests. Paper clothes didn't look particularly luxurious or even comfortable but, (30a) _____ the other hand, they were strong enough to resist tearing and some of them could even be washed (31a) _____ to 20 times. In the 1970s, environmentalists put a stop to paper fashion but many people believe that paper clothes were an early sign of the global fast-fashion industry that surrounds us today.



ACTIVITY 7

Read the interview and match questions 32a-35a with answers A-E. There is one answer you do not need.

Διάβασε τη συνέντευξη και αντιστοίχισε τις ερωτήσεις 32a-35a με τις απαντήσεις A-E. Υπάρχει μια απάντηση που δεν χρειάζεσαι.

MALALA YOUSAFZAI

An amazing young woman, who has accomplished so much in her life! Malala Yousafzai began her activism at the age of 11, when she anonymously blogged about the ban on girls' education in Pakistan.

In 2014, Malala received the Nobel Peace Prize for fighting for the right of all children to education.

Interview

with
**Malala
Yousafzai**



☐ **32a.** Well, United Nations Messenger of Peace is an impressive title. How do you see yourself in this role, Malala?

A. What I have learnt in my 20 years of life is that, if we want to make our lives better, we have to invest in children's education.

☐ **33a.** What has been the biggest lesson you've learnt in the years you've been fighting for girls' education?

B. I'm really honoured to be given this title of Messenger of Peace, and to me it is more responsibility fighting for girls' education.

☐ **34a.** What is next with regard to your own education?

C. I want to study Philosophy, Politics and Economics. So, I have applied to a few universities, but it all depends on my final grades.

☐ **35a.** Any final message for all your supporters?

D. As a final word I would just say that we need to believe in ourselves and stay hopeful about the future. If we stay together, we can make our world better, so let's stay positive and hopeful.

E. I have visited many countries like Lebanon, Jordan and Nigeria. I have met Syrian refugee girls and I want to visit more countries in the future.

ACTIVITY 8

Read the text and choose the best answer (A, B, or C) for items 36a-40a.

Διάβασε το κείμενο και διάλεξε την καλύτερη απάντηση (Α, Β ή Γ) για τα ερωτήματα 36a-40a.



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How Using Social Media Affects Teenagers by Rachel Ehmke

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Many parents worry about how modern technology can affect their kids both physically and emotionally. Experts also worry that the social media and text messages that have become a big part of teenagers' lives have a negative effect on their nervous system.

A survey with young English people, 14-24 year-old, showed that the use of Snapchat, Facebook, Twitter and Instagram increased their feelings of unhappiness, anxiety and loneliness. Some psychologists say that kids need to learn to communicate with others face-to-face, and have their needs met in real time. If not, many of them will grow up to be adults without social skills.

What should parents do?

The best thing parents can do to help their kids is to be good role models for them.

In the morning, parents can get up half an hour earlier than their kids and check their email then.

Kids need to know that their parents are available to help them with their problems, talk about their day, or help them with their problems.

Once offline, best advice to help kids believe in themselves is to get them involved in something they are really interested in. This could be sports or music or volunteering, anything that sparks an interest and gives them confidence. When kids learn to feel good about what they can *do* instead of how they look and what they own, they are happier and better prepared for success in real life.

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36a. This text is about

A. new gadgets.

B. online games.

C. social media use.

37a. This text is addressed especially to

A. scientists.

B. game players.

C. parents.

38a. A study in the UK showed that social media use can make kids feel

A. sad.

B. excited.

C. bored.

39a. Parents can minimize the risks of technology use if they

A. stop checking their email.

B. have no computers at home.

C. spend less time on a screen.

40a. Kids learn to believe in themselves when they

A. wear modern clothes.

B. do things that interest them.

C. get anything they ask for.

PART B - SHORT ANSWERS

ACTIVITY 1

Find the right word for each statement below (1b-5b), as in the example. The first letter and the dashes (as many as the missing letters) will help you.

Βρες τη σωστή λέξη για κάθε πρόταση (1b-5b), όπως στο παράδειγμα. Το πρώτο γράμμα και οι παύλες (όσες και τα γράμματα της λέξης) θα σε βοηθήσουν.



GLOTHES QUIZ

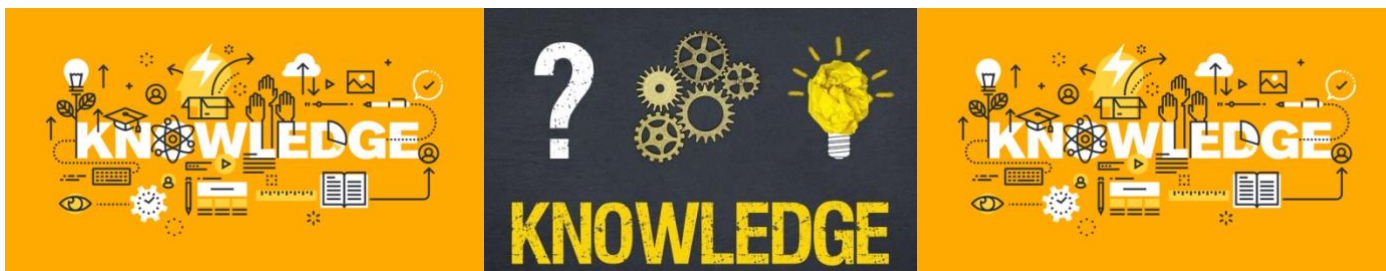


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| EX. | It was so silly of you to go out in the hot sun without a h a t and your sunglasses. |
| 1b. | Don't forget to wear your long white d _ _ _ for the job interview tomorrow morning! |
| 2b. | It was so cold outside that she decided to wear her heavy winter c _ _ and a scarf around her neck. |
| 3b. | The cyclists were all dressed in tight s _ _ _ _ and the official team T-shirt. |
| 4b. | He needs a new pair of t _ _ _ _ _ to go with his brown jacket. |
| 5b. | Mary put on her p _ _ _ _ _ , brushed her teeth and went straight to bed. |

ACTIVITY 2

Complete the gap in each of the statements below (6b-10b) with ONE word, as in the example. The first letter will help you.

Συμπλήρωσε το κενό σε κάθε μία από τις παρακάτω προτάσεις (6b-10b) με ΜΙΑ σωστή λέξη, όπως στο παράδειγμα. Το πρώτο γράμμα θα σε βοηθήσει.



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| EX. | "Knowledge has a beginning but no end". – <i>Geeta Iyengar</i> . |
| 6b. | "Right knowledge is the only s _ _ _ _ _ to all our problems". – <i>Bhagavad Gita</i> . |
| 7b. | "The only man who does not m _ _ _ _ _ any mistakes is the man who never does anything". – <i>Theodore Roosevelt</i> . |
| 8b. | "We learn more by looking for the answer to a q _ _ _ _ _ and not finding it than we do from learning the answer itself". – <i>Alexander Lloyd</i> |
| 9b. | "People without knowledge of their past h _ _ _ _ _ , customs and culture are like trees without roots". – <i>Marcus Garvey</i> . |
| 10b. | "Knowledge opens the d _ _ _ _ _ to opportunity, achievement, success and wealth". – <i>T.P. Chia</i> |

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