**МІНІСТЕРСТВО ОСВІТИ І НАУКИ, МОЛОДІ ТА СПОРТУ УКРАЇНИ**

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**Тестове контрольне завдання**

**з дисципліни «іноземна мова»**

**Variant 1**

**I. Read the text below and do exercises that follow. (15 балів)**

***Agatha Christie***

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| Agatha Christie was sure the world's best selling crime writer. Moreover, she was an immensely prolific writer. 79 short stories, 4 non-fiction ones and 19 plays were written by that strange woman. They were translated into 136 languages. Over 3 billion books by Agatha Christie were sold worldwide. She is popular for ingenuity of plots, which are classical murder mysteries: marooned places and a well-mannered murderer. Her way to present the stories was quite definite from that of her colleagues. At first her stories appealed to the readers' detective inside, so you can't find much blood and violence in her stories.  Agatha Christie created two major characters for her stories. Hercule Poirot, a Belgian, used to work in the Police, but by the time of the action he was already retired. He can be described as a funny little man taken by many readers as a comic. He had luxurious moustaches and he was really proud of them.  Miss Marple was absolutely opposite to Poirot. She wasn't a professional and had never been one. She was just an old spinster, very modest but perceptive and not a flamboyant personality, who acted as a detective just by virtue of taking thought.  Agatha Christie's favourite way of murdering was by poisoning. She accurately described the process because she had learned a lot about poisons and other chemicals during World War II, while working in a hospital.  The reader has to solve the mystery and decide who the murderer is hand-in-hand with the author. Most of the crimes were committed in some closed surroundings with a limited number of people to suspect. Finally the identity of the murderer is revealed and a hooked reader starts looking for another book by Agatha Christie.  Agatha Christie lived between 1890 and 1976. She started writing stories at a very early age, at first to entertain herself. However, she managed to become famous. Not many people know that she used to write under a pen-name of Mary Westmacott. Later, already being a world-known writer, she tried to avoid publicity and stayed out of public eye. |

**Choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D)**

1. Agatha Christie was

a) an old spinster;

b) a well-mannered murderer;

c) a detective;

d) the world's best selling crime writer.

2. Which of the statements is not true?

a) Agatha Christie lived between 1890 and 1976.

b) Agatha Christie's favourite way of murdering was by suffocation.

c) Over 3 billion books by Agatha Christie were sold worldwide.

d) She used to write under a pen-name of Mary Westmacott.

3. Why did Agatha Christie choose poisons for murdering?

a) She was afraid of blood.

b) She wanted no violence in her stories.

c) She learned a lot about poisons and other chemicals during World War II, while working in a hospital.

d) .Most of the crimes were committed by a well-mannered murderer.

4. The word “perceptive” is closest in meaning to:

a) shrewd; b) vivacious; c) violent; d)vulnerable;

5.What name did she write her books under?

a) Agatha Christie;

b) Miss Marple;

c) Hercule Poirot;

d) Mary Westmacott.

**II. Choose the right variant. (40 балів)**

6. Used cars ... cheaper but less reliable than new cars.

a) are; b) is; c) have; d) were;

7. My friend … in Moscow now.

a) was; b) is; c) has; d) are;

8. Look! The kitten……. with its tail.

a) plays; b) has played; c) is played; d) is playing;

9. Shall I see you before you ………?

a) will start; b) have started; c) started; d) start;

10. Last week she………. a funny story about her pet.

a) writes; b) wrote; c) has written; d) is written;

11. What your father …….from eight till nine yesterday?

a) did; b) does; c) was doing; d) do;

12. ……you …….any stories by Jack London?

a) have\*\*\*read; b) are\*\*\*reading; c) are read; d) read;

13. He just ……..his work.

a) finished; b) has finished; c) finishes; d) finishes;

14. Whom …..these letters ….by?

a) is \*\*\*written; b) is\*\*\*writing; c) were\*\*\* written; d) wrote;

15. I…… the essay long ago if you had not disturbed me.

a) will write; b) should have written; c) wrote; d) have written;

16. You won't understand the rule if you ……….to the teacher.

a) didn’t listen; b) wouldn’t listen; c) don’t listen; d) isn’t listening.

17. If he…….. more courageous, he would not be afraid.

a) were; b) was; c) is; d) will be;

18. …….so far away from home, he still felt himself part of the family.

a) to be; b) being; c) have been; d) are;

19. **……..this exercise**, I began to doubt whether it was correct.

a) written; b) writing; c) having written; d) wrote;

20. … you say what will happen in an hour?

a) may; b) must; c) need; d) can;

21. You ... never say what ... happen next.

a) can, may; b) may, can; c) could, might; d) need, should;

22. Не …….come here at five о'clock.

a) has to; b) must; c) is to; d) might;

23. She left the room without……. a word.

a) say; b) said; c) says; d) saying;

24. Stop…….excuses!

a) making; b) make; c) made; d) is made;

25. If you want things …….. well, do them yourself.

a) did; b) done; c) to do; d) doing;

**III. Find synonyms for the italicized words. (26-30) (10 балів)**

26. It was sheer ***misery*** living there.

a) pleasure; b) contentment; c) happiness; d) suffering;

27. It is not ***reasonable*** to demand so much from them.

a) inexpensive; b) satisfactory; c) cheap; d) sensible;

28. They believe they are masters of their own ***destiny***.

a) desire; b) fate; c) hope; d) happiness;

29. Our delegations ***took part*** in many conferences held in London.

a) went; b) participated; c) took place; d) visited;

30. In silence the widow ***departed*.**

a) went; b) admired; c) sparkled; d) left;

**Find antonyms for the italicized words. (31-35) (10 балів)**

31. She ***refused*** to be treated like an invalid.

a) denied; b) persuaded; c) consented; d) convinced;

32. If you want ***to save*** your money, you should take it to the savings bank.

a) to economize; b) to waste; c) to accumulate; d) to send;

33. We`ve got a few minutes left. I think we`ll be able ***to catch*** the evening train.

a) to take; b) to miss; c) to get on; d) to get off;

34. They had to be***ruthless*** to win the battle.

a) cruel; b) merciful; c) stupid; d) urgent;

35. Our offer was ***accepted*** by the foreign company.

a) made; b) sent; c) rejected; d) lost.

**IV. Supply the correct form of the verb. (25 балів)**

36. If they (not to go) to Moscow last year, they would not have heard that famous musician.

37. A taxi (to call) fifteen minutes ago, so we are expecting it any moment.

38. Before she (to get) to the theatre, she (to go) past the shopping centre.

39. I (to love) him ever since.

40. David was tired of (to scold) all the time.

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