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**PROGRAMME**

**on**

**FOREIGN LANGUAGE (ENGLISH)**

**for competitive selection of foreign citizens and stateless persons**

**to SHEI "Banking University"**

**for full-time and extra-mural training**

**to obtain Bachelor's Degree**

**in the field 051 "Economics" 071 "Accounting and Taxation"**

**072 "Finance, banking and insurance," 073 "Management", 126 "Information technologies and systems", 125 "Cybersecurity", 232 "Social welfare"**

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## INTRODUCTION

The programme of testing the foreign language (English) envisages testing vocabulary and grammar, reading comprehension of an original text, skills of searching for necessary information.

The applicants must have an adequate command of the appropriate amount of general language vocabulary, of the basic grammatical and lexical structures envisaged by the secondary school curriculum. The main attention is paid to grammatical and lexical structures, the ability to find the information needed.

The programme reflects modern European educational trends which provide a comprehensive study of a foreign language in order to develop adequate skills as well as integrated control of the acquired skills.

## PATTERN OF TESTING

The foreign language (English) test includes three tasks: one task to test reading comprehension (**Reading**), one task to test vocabulary (**Use of English**), one task to test grammar (**Grammar**). A candidate's overall score (200 points) is calculated by adding the scores for the three tasks. The minimum score to pass the exam should be at least 100 points.

2. **Reading** is aimed at testing reading comprehension, the ability to find the information needed. The task includes a text of 10 numbered statements. Having read the text, a candidate must find and specify the sentence of the text that is the answer to the question (A - J) provided after the text.

One correct answer is worth 5 points ( $10 \times 5 = 50$ ). A wrong answer is worth 0 point.

3. **Use of English** is aimed at checking the contextual understanding of a lexical unit. The task consists of 10 questions and provides multiple choice (out of 3) of the words dropped in the sentences. One correct answer is worth 5 points ( $10 \times 5 = 50$ ). A wrong answer is worth 0 point.

4. **Grammar** consists of 20 tests. One correct answer is worth 5 points ( $20 \times 5 = 100$ ). A wrong answer is worth 0 point.

## THE CRITERIA OF ASSESSING THE TEST TASKS

Tasks	Number of questions	Points for one correct answer	Total score	Duration (min.)
Reading	10	5	50	15
Use of English	10	5	50	15
Grammar	20	5	100	20
<b>Total</b>			200	50

## Sample of the test tasks

### Task 1

#### READING

(10 questions, 5 points for the correct answer).

Find in the text the sentences ( 1 - 10) which are the answers to the questions (A - J) given below. Write the number of the appropriate answer in the white boxes below. If necessary, don't be shy to use the same number more than once.

1. Bernard Berg started as an English teacher. He was always good at languages at school, so he decided to take his degree in French and German first.
2. When he finished his university studies in Oxford he began teaching in secondary school in England.
3. Two years later, however, he met someone who offered him a job of teaching English to foreign students during the long summer holidays.
4. His students were adults and he enjoyed the work greatly.
5. He soon found he was interested in languages of different countries. Since then he has specialized in this work.
6. First he went to Africa for two years and then he spent a year in Spain.
7. Then he went to Italy where he worked for three years.
8. He has not been to South America yet but he plans to go there.
9. He has taught men and women of all ages and of all nationalities. He has also learnt to get on with people of all ways of life.
10. Now he is a writer but his interest in foreign languages never lessens.

#### Questions

- A. What was Bernard Berg's first job?
- B. Where did Bernard Berg get higher education?
- C. Bernard Berg knows how to deal with different people, doesn't he?
- D. What is Bernard Berg's present occupation?
- E. How much time did he spend in Africa?
- F. What other languages besides English did Bernard Berg study at the University? (
- G. Has he ever visited Brazil?
- H. Is he still interested in foreign languages?
- I. When did he understand what he wanted to do?
- J. Did he like to work with grown-ups?

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
1	2	9	10	6	1	8	10	5	4

## Task 2

### USE OF ENGLISH

(10 questions, 5 points for the correct answer)

Choose the most appropriate answer from the options (A, B, C) for each gap (1 - 10) in the text. Write the letter of the appropriate answer in the white boxes below.

#### Remembering for exams

Its (1) \_\_\_\_\_ for everybody not to be able to remember things but bad memory can be a particular (2) \_\_\_\_\_ for students at exam time. Anyway, I did a search on the Internet and found (3) \_\_\_\_\_ ideas for improving your memory. In my opinion, one idea was particularly (4) \_\_\_\_\_. When given (5) \_\_\_\_\_ to learn you should try and use all your senses. So, for example, (6) \_\_\_\_\_ reading silently, we should record the material and then (7) \_\_\_\_\_ to it. Another theory, which some people might find (8) \_\_\_\_\_, is that there is a greater (9) \_\_\_\_\_ of our memorizing something successfully if we do it when the house is (10) \_\_\_\_\_, and preferably just before bed time.

1	A frustrated	B frustrating	C annoyed
2	A advantage	B advantageous	C disadvantage
3	A countable	B a lot of	C many of
4	A helping	B helpless	C helpful
5	A information	B informative	C informing
6	A however	B insist on	C instead of
7	A listen	B hear	C to hear
8	A likely	B unlikely	C liking
9	A ability	B possibility	C disability
10	A peaceful	B peacefully	C quite

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
B	C	B	C	A	C	A	B	B	A

## Task 3

### GRAMMAR

20 questions, 5 points for the correct answer)

Use the correct word forms to complete the sentences.

- This is the \_\_\_\_\_ and the most efficient way of saving money.  
A) safer                      B) more safer                      C) safest
- My Dad \_\_\_\_\_ for ages. Now he has enough to buy a house.  
A) save                      B) has been saving                      C) was saving
- A person who \_\_\_\_\_ money to buy a house usually gets it from a local bank.  
A) is needing                      B) needs                      C) is needed

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
C	B	B							

  

11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20

### Recommended books

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