

ТЕСТ ПО АНГЛИЙСКИ ЕЗИК ЗА VII КЛАС

LISTENING COMPREHENSION - TRANSCRIPTS

Text A

Directions: *You will hear a text about Thanksgiving twice. Before you listen to it, you have 1 minute to read the questions 1 – 5. While listening for the first time, you can look at the statements, but you are not allowed to take notes. After you hear the whole text, you will have 2 minutes to answer the questions, choosing the answer A, B, or C. Then you will hear the text again and will have 1 minute to check your answers.*

Thanksgiving Day and the Turkey

When the first English settlers came to the United States, they found the woods full of big birds. The birds looked very much like a bird that Europeans had imported in their countries from Turkey. So they called the new bird *a turkey*.

Thanksgiving is a tradition that dates back to the early settlers of America, who were known as the Pilgrims. They arrived in the new continent in 1620. In the spring, with the help of the Indians, they planted crops, built houses, and learned to fish and hunt. That autumn, the Pilgrims decided to give thanks to God for their good luck and to celebrate with a huge dinner. They invited their Indian friends to the celebration. Tables were loaded with food: deer meat, ducks, fish and many wild turkeys.

The next year they celebrated Thanksgiving again. And it has become an American tradition since then.

Text B

Directions: *You will hear a short text twice. Before you listen to it, you have 1 minute to read the questions 6 – 10. While listening for the first time, you can look at the statements, but you are not allowed to take notes. After you hear the whole text, you will have 2 minutes to answer the questions, choosing the answer A, B, or C. Then you will hear the text again and will have 1 minute to check your answers.*

The Great Composer

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart was one of the greatest musicians in the world. He created some of the most beautiful music ever heard, which made him people's favourite composer of all time.

Mozart was born in 1756 in Austria. Mozart's father, Leopold, was a musician. He played the violin and earned his living as a music teacher. His son Wolfgang could play the piano, when he was 3. At the age of 4 he started to write music. He simply took a violin and started to play before anyone showed him how to play the instrument.

Mozart's sister, Maria Anna, was good at music, too. Mozart and his sister invented their own secret language. They told stories about a magic kingdom where they were a king and a queen.

Leopold took his two children to Vienna. There they played for the Emperor of Austria at his palace. Everyone admired their talent, and the Emperor called Mozart a 'little magician'.