**10 класс**

**Полугодовая контрольная работа по английскому языку**

**Choose the correct answer A, B or C.**

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1. Using aerosol sprays is harmful ....... the environment.

A in B about C to

2. Jack.............an old friend of his tonight.

A meets B is meeting C will have met

3 Jane can't imagine ..... in a big city; she prefers the countryside.

A living B to live C she lives

4 Make sure you switch off the lights before you ....... the house.

A will leave B leave C are leaving

5 The law says we ........... drive a car if we do not have a license.

A must not B could not C had better not

6 Let me............ Joe if he can give you a lift to the airport tomorrow.

A to ask B asking C ask

7. It's true that Helen is ........... , but she usually makes things worse when she tries to help!

A well-meaning B loyal C trusting

8. You ...... .. in the garden for the last three hours. Aren't you tired?

A are working B work C have been working

9. Look out for that tree! You ......... into it!

A are going to crash B will crash C are crashing

10. With her very bright red hair, Tracy always …………….. in a crowd.

A sticks to B stands out C keeps up

11. Helen is really enthusiastic ...... travelling abroad this summer.

A about B with C for

12. No wonder you can't start the car. It's run .................... petrol!

A over B out of C away with

13. The train to Brighton ...... in two hours from platform six.

A leaves B is leaving C has left

14. I've.......... made some tea. Would you like a cup?

A yet B just C since

15. I don't know Sue's phone number, but you can look it ………… in the phone book.

A out B up C after

16. The ............ who don't finish the race won't get any prizes.

A presenters B spectators C competitors

17. Alison doesn't want to try martial arts because she's afraid of………………… herself.

A she hurts B hurting C to hurt

18. Jason’s new job makes him ……………… than his old one.

A happy B more happy C happier

19. I ........... Rick for a week. Is he out of town?

A ‘m not seeing 13 don’t see C haven’t seen

20. Today, ……………. have the option of buying environmentally friendly products.

A retailers B consumers C assistants

Reading:

Read the text and mark the statements below it as T( true), F ( false) or Ns (not stated).

Cambridge University

Cambridge University is the second-oldest university in the English-speaking world (after the University of Oxford) and the seventh-oldest in the world. The story of Cambridge University begins in 1209 when several hundred students arrived in the little town of Cambridge after having walked 60 miles from Oxford. These students were all churchmen and had been studying in Oxford at that city's well-known schools. It was a hard life at Oxford for there was constant trouble, even fighting, between the citizens of the town and the students. Then one day a student accidentally killed a man of the town. The Mayor arrested three other students who were innocent and they were put to death. In protest, many students left Oxford, some of them went to Cambridge. And so the new University began. It was Cambridge University. Of course, there were no Colleges in those early days and student life was very different from what it is now. Students were of all ages and came from anywhere and everywhere. Life in College was strict. Students were forbidden to play games, to sing (except sacred music), to hunt or fish or even to

dance. Books were very rare and all the lessons were in the Latin language which students were supposed to speak even among themselves. In 1440 King Henry VI founded King's College, and other colleges followed. Nowadays there are more than 30 different colleges, including five for women students and several mixed colleges, in the University. The number of students in colleges is different: from 30 to 400 or 500. The training course lasts 4 years. The academic year is divided into 3 terms. The students study natural and technical sciences, law, history, languages, geography, medicine, economics, agriculture, music and many other subjects. After 3 years of study a student may proceed to a Bachelor’s degree, and later to the degrees of Master and Doctor. There are many ancient traditions that are still observed at Cambridge. Students are required to wear gowns at lectures, in the University library, in the street in the evening, for dinners in the colleges and for official visits. One more tradition is to use Latin during public ceremonies of awarding degrees. All the students must pay for their education, examinations, books, laboratories, university hostel, the use of libraries. The cost is high. It depends on college and university speciality. Very few students get grants. Many great men studied at Cambridge, for example, Bacon (the philosopher), Milton and Byron (the poets), Cromwell (the soldier), Newton (the outstanding physicist), Darwin (who is famous for his theory of evolution) and Kapitsa (the famous Russian physicist).

Cambridge University was started by the students of Oxford University.

1) True 2) False 3) Not stated

In early days of Cambridge University the students were taught in English.

1) True 2) False 3) Not stated

The first students of Cambridge University got only religious education.

1) True 2) False 3) Not stated

There are several female colleges in Cambridge University.

1) True 2) False 3) Not stated

The students of the University study Oriental languages.

1) True 2) False 3) Not stated

The students wear uniform in the University.

1) True 2) False 3) Not stated

The education at Cambridge University is free.

1) True 2) False 3) Not stated

There are famous scientists among the graduates of Cambridge University.

1) True 2) False 3) Not stated

**Speaking:**

**Imagine that you are preparing a project with your friend. You have found some interesting material for the presentation and you want to read this text to your friend. You have 1.5 minutes to read the text silently, then be ready to read it out aloud. You will not have more than 1.5 minutes to read it.**

Many parents do not like their children to play video games. One reason is that it is a waste of time. Instead of playing games, they could be spending their time wisely, doing homework, exercising, or cleaning the house. Another reason is that many games are destructive and violent, causing children to behave badly and aggressively in the real world. Finally, video games are often addictive and thus discourage children from having other hobbies and interests. All of these are good reasons to dislike video games. Nevertheless, there are some good reasons to allow children to play them. For one thing, not all video games are mindless time-wasters. Nowadays, there is much more variety and lots of games to choose from that are educational and instructive. Parents simply need to spend more time paying attention to the kinds of games children play and encourage them to choose games that develop their minds.