

TASK 1. Read the text and answer the questions, choosing the right answer. (10x0.2=2)

Կարդալ տեքստը և պատասխանել հարցերին՝ ընտրելով ճիշտ տարբերակը:

Line number

1. In eighteenth-century colonial America, flowers and fruit were typically the province of the botanical
2. artist interested in scientific illustration rather than being the subjects of fine art. Early in the nineteenth
3. century, however, the Peale family of Philadelphia established the still life, a picture consisting mainly of
4. inanimate objects, as a valuable part of the artist's repertoire. The fruit paintings by James and Sarah Miriam
5. Peale are simple arrangements of a few objects, handsomely colored, small in size, and representing little more
6. than what they are. In contrast were the highly symbolic, complex compositions by Charles Bird King, with
7. their **biting** satire and critical social commentary. Each of these strains comminuted into and well past mid-
8. century.
9. John F. Francis (1808-86) was a part of the Pennsylvania still-life tradition that arose, at least in part, from
10. the work of the Peales. Most of his still lifes date from around 1850 to 1875. Luncheon Still Life looks like one
11. of the Peales' pieces on a larger scale, kits greater complexity resulting from the number of objects. **It** is also
12. indebted to the luncheon type of still life found in seventeenth-century Dutch painting. The opened bottles of
13. wine and the glasses of wine partially consumed suggest a number of unseen guests. The appeal of the fruit and
14. nuts to our sense of taste is heightened by the juicy orange, which has already been sliced. The arrangement is
15. additive, that is, made up of many different parts, not always compositionally integrated, with all objects of
16. essentially equal importance.
17. About 1848, Severin Roesen came to the United States from Germany and settled in New York City,
18. where he began to paint large, lush still lifes of flowers, fruit, or both, often measuring over four feet across.
19. Still Life with Fruit and champagne is typical in its brilliance of color, meticulous rendering of detail, compact
20. composition, and **unabashed** abundance. Rich in symbolic overtones, the beautifully painted objects carry
21. additional meanings ----- butterflies or fallen buds suggest the **impermanence** of life, a bird's nest with eggs
22. means fertility, and so on. Above all, Roesen's art expresses the abundance that America symbolized to many of
23. its citizens.

1. What does the passage mainly discuss?
 - (A) The artwork of James and Sarah Miriam Peale
 - (B) How Philadelphia became a center for art in the nineteenth century
 - (C) Nineteenth-century still-life paintings in the United States
 - (D) How botanical art inspired the first still-life paintings
2. Which of the following is mentioned as a characteristic of the still lifes of James and Sarah Miriam Peale?
 - (A) Simplicity
 - (B) Social commentary
 - (C) Smooth texture
 - (D) Complexity
3. The word "**biting**" in line 7 is closest in meaning to
 - (A) simple
 - (B) prudent
 - (C) frequent
 - (D) sharp
4. The word "**It**" in line 11 refers to
 - (A) Luncheon Still Life
 - (B) one of the Peales' pieces
 - (C) a larger scale
 - (D) the number of objects
5. The word "**unabashed**" in line 20 is closest in meaning to
 - (A) meek
 - (B) reserved
 - (C) observed
 - (D) shameless
6. The word "**impermanence**" in line 21 is closest in meaning to
 - (A) transience
 - (B) stability
 - (C) eternity
 - (D) constancy
7. Which of the following terms is defined in the passage?
 - (A) "repertoire" (line 4)
 - (B) "satire" (line7)
 - (C) "additive" (line 15)
 - (D) "rendering" (line 19)

8. All of the following are mentioned as characteristics of Roesen's still lifes EXCEPT that they
 (A) are symbolic (B) use simplified representations of flowers and fruit
 (C) include brilliant colors (D) are large in size
9. Which of the following is mentioned as the dominant theme in Roesen's painting?
 (A) Fertility (B) Freedom (C) Impermanence (D) Abundance
10. How does John F. Francis's Luncheon Still Life differ from the Peales' works?
 A) It is smaller in scale and uses fewer objects. B) It exclusively focuses on fruit and nuts.
 C) It incorporates elements from Dutch still-life paintings. D) It eliminates any symbolic meanings.

TASK 2. Complete each pair of sentences using the same verb. (10x0.3=3)

Ավարտել նախադասությունների յուրաքանչյուր զույգը՝ կիրառելով միևնույն բայը:

bash	shake	gun	mop	nail	lash
toy	prey	bed	blow	take	

0. I decided to lash out and treat myself
 She would suddenly lash out at other children.
1. Two days isn't enough time to _____ down the details of an agreement.
 We haven't been able to _____ down the cause of the fire yet.
2. Lions _____ on huge herds of wildebeest and zebra.
 It's particularly contemptible that these sort of people _____ on the elderly.
3. He began to _____ with the thought of relocating to another country, but it felt overwhelming.
 I used to _____ with my pen during meetings to keep my hands busy.
4. He is planning to _____ for the top position in the company.
 The group seems to _____ for their rival after the betrayal.
5. I had to read the letter twice before I could _____ it all in.
 He tried to _____ me _____ with his smooth talk, but I didn't believe him.
6. After the earthquake, more than 150 families started to _____ down in the lobby of City Hall.
 It did not take the procedure long to _____ down.
7. The ending will _____ you away.
 The team is expected to _____ away their opponents in the upcoming match.
8. There are a few details to _____ up before we end the meeting.
 Why didn't anyone _____ up this water that's all over the floor?
9. I hope I can _____ off this cold before the weekend.
 I have no doubt that we will be able to _____ off the challenge from our rivals.
10. He attempted to _____ through a window to get to them.
 The band didn't just _____ through their set, but had several changes in tempo.

TASK 3. Match the words and their definitions. (4x0.75=3)

Հասնապատասխանեցնել բառերը և դրանց սահմանումները:

1.
 - A) Robust 1) relating to the countryside; rural
 - B) Rowdy 2) having little or no rain; too dry or barren to support vegetation
 - C) Rustic 3) covered or saturated with water or another liquid
 - D) Arid 4) strong and healthy; vigorous
 - 5) noisy and disorderly
2.
 - A) Trample 1) fail to care for properly
 - B) Hover 2) kill someone by covering their nose and mouth so that they suffocate
 - C) Smother 3) care for and protect (someone or something) while they are growing
 - D) Nurture 4) tread on and crush
 - 5) remain in one place in the air
3.
 - A) Detriment 1) harm or damage
 - B) Whim 2) a person's death
 - C) Stamina 3) the ability to sustain prolonged physical or mental effort; endurance
 - D) Demise 4) a sudden desire or change of mind, especially one that is unusual
 - 5) the beginning or coming into existence of something
4.
 - A) Contemplate 1) appear as a vague or shadowy form
 - B) Loom 2) to consider one particular thing for a long time in a serious and quiet way
 - C) Tarnish 3) lose or cause to lose luster, especially as a result of exposure to air or moisture
 - D) Obliterate 4) make invisible or indistinct; conceal or cover.
 - 5) to make a bad or unpleasant situation better

TASK 4. Select the answer choice that best maintains the meaning of the underlined word. (6x0.5=3)

Ընտրել այն պատասխանը, որն առավելագույնս պահպանում է ընդգծված բառի իմաստը:

The fork, which did not become a standardized item in Europe until the eighteenth century, was almost unheard of in America. With the absence of forks, it can be assumed that colonists used a spoon instead. The knife was probably held in the right hand, generally the preferred hand for manipulating utensils. The spoon would have been held in the left hand with the concave part of the bowl facing downward. In this position, the diner would be more adept at securing a piece of meat against a plate while the cutting took place. Once the meat was cut, the down-turned spoon would not have been suitable for picking up the morsel. Probably the diner would have put the knife down and shifted the spoon to the right hand. This action would bring the spoon into the correct position for scooping up the bite of food.

This practice of shifting utensils back and forth between hands continued when the fork made its way to America and replaced the spoon as the tool to secure the food being cut. The fork kept the food against the plate more adequately, and its curving tines served the same function as the bowl of the spoon. The custom of shifting the fork from the left hand to the right was no longer necessary, but people continued to use the style that they were used to. This American style of handling eating utensils perseveres to this day.

- The word "**utensils**" is closest in meaning to
(A) debris (B) cutlery (C) remnants (D) pebbles
- The word "**adept**" is closest in meaning to
(A) awkward (B) clumsy (C) cumbersome (D) proficient
- The word "**morsel**" is closest in meaning to
(A) piece (B) whisk (C) peeler (D) spoon
- The phrase "**scooping up**" is closest in meaning to
(A) acting up (B) belting up (C) messing up (D) picking up
- The word "**tines**" is closest in meaning to
(A) handles (B) chopsticks (C) prongs (D) bowls
- The word "**perseveres**" is closest in meaning to
(A) persists (B) operates (C) traces (D) impresses

TASK 5. Complete each sentence using a collocation or an idiom formed from two boxes. (0.3x10=3)

Աղյուսակներում տրված բառերով կազմել բառակապակցություններ կամ իդիոմներ և տեղադրել նախադասություններում:

precipitated	live	pleaded
null and	give	throw
rabbit	under	take
utter		sibling

hole	the auspices of	the plunge
rivalry	not guilty	their consent
wire	waste of time	a crisis
void		in the towel

- In some countries, if both pairs of parents give their consent, young people can get married below the age of 18
- The shortage of oil in the 1970s _____ in the world economy.
- Although he _____, the court sentenced him to 4 years in prison.
- She wondered whether to enter for the race, but decided to _____"
- Their advice is not meant to send you down a _____, and involve you in chaos and disorder.
- There are times when the difficulties appear too great and we just _____.
- _____ refers to the competition which often exists between the children in a family for the attention and love of their parents.
- The building of a new airport will bring _____, such as improved communications and more jobs in the local area.
- My sister was the _____ and I was always called "the quiet one."
- An international rescue operation was organized _____ the United Nations.
- Most of the students complained that the lectures were an _____ because it was impossible to understand the lecturer.

TASK 6. Choose the sentences that contain an odd word. (0.6x5=3)

Ընտրել այն նախադասությունները, որոնք ներառում են ավելորդ բառ:

1.

1. Not only are botanical gardens places of beauty, they serve scientific purposes as well.
2. That diamonds which are a form of carbon has been known since the lateeighteenth century.
3. Martha Graham, one of the pioneers of modern dance, didn't begin dancing until she was twenty-one.
4. In the United States, where water treatment is generally the responsibility of municipal governments.
5. The chapters which taught by the professor this morning will be on next week's exam.
6. The Black Hills of South Dakota are covered along with dense pine forests.

2.

1. While most students turned the assignment in on time, but a few asked for an extension.
2. The portraits were exhibited in the Houston Museum last month are now on display in Dallas.
3. A pride of lions can contain up to forty lions, including one to three males, several females, and cubs.
4. As early as 4000 B.C., people used iron from meteorites to make ornaments, weapons, tools and utensils.
5. Paul Dunbar wrote poetry in standard English about poetic subjects and about the heroes of a black Americans.
6. In America, the Indians used crude oil for fuel and medicine hundreds of years before the first white settlers were appeared.

3.

1. In most American cities, computers are now far from more prevalent than they were a few years ago.
2. John Steinbeck wrote down-to-earth accounts of individuals and families who suffered through the Great Depression.
3. Individuals with chronic liver disease are grave at risk for premature death, heart seizures, strokes as well as hypertension, jaundice, and malnutrition.
4. The issues which learned during the early stages of the project caused the researchers to initiate additional research.
5. Petunia Foods, Inc was based in Idaho until it moved to Princeton, New Jersey in 2003, when it finally finished construction of its permanent headoffice.
6. Martin Adams, the director of the corporation, used to be a Hollywood actor.

4.

1. The name of the hotel I stayed at in Jamaica was called "Island Fun".
2. Many people been thought he might know the killer.
3. Once John Montague has spent 24 hours playing cards without eating or drinking.
4. Adults should encourage to children to express their aggression through creative activities.
5. It is wrong to think that every of intelligent person should have a university education.
6. In March 1976 there was a severe ice-storm in the state of Wisconsin and most of the state was without electricity for a few days.

5.

1. His house was such close at hand, a very pleasant little cottage, painted white with a green tiled roof.
2. She was wearing both a plain white dress and was holding a red rose in her hand.
3. She couldn't help to overhearing them, because they were speaking too loudly about George.
4. He made it clear once more that the missing books were to be received and brought up to him.
5. They broke off their engagement just two days before the wedding.
6. America is often described as a melting pot because of different religions in living there side by side.

TASK 7. Find one word which fits both definitions, but has different pronunciations (homographs). (0.3x10=3)

Գտնել մեկ բառ, որը համապատասխանում է տրված երկու սահմանումներին, սակայն ունի տարբեր արտասանություն (նույնագիր):

0. a) a) a hole in a piece of paper, cloth, or other material, where it has been torn T E A R
b) a drop of salty liquid that flows from the eye when it is hurt or as a result of strong emotion, esp. unhappiness or pain
1. a) a type of fish found in rivers or the sea whose flesh is eaten as a food S
b) the lowest range of a voice or musical instrument, or a person or musical instrument with this range
2. a) a piece of information that allows a discovery to be made, customers to be found, or a solution to be found D
b) a dense, soft, dark gray metal, used esp. in combination with other metals and in batteries
3. a) to put seeds in or on the ground so that plants will grow O
b) an adult female pig
4. a) to become smaller in amount or quantity O _____
b) a legal document that states and explains a formal agreement between two different people or groups, or the agreement itself
5. a) to say that you will not do or accept something E
b) garbage
6. a) a noisy argument or fight O
b) a line of things, people, animals, etc. arranged next to each other
7. a) make or manufacture from components or raw materials O _____
b) food that is grown or raised through farming, esp. fruits and vegetables
8. a) extremely small I _____
b) to make a written record of what was said at a meeting
9. a) the act of bending the head or body forward O
b) a knot with two curved parts and two loose ends, used as a decoration or to tie shoes
10. a) to make someone who is sad or disappointed feel better, usually by giving them comfort or sympathy E
b) a surface or device with controls for electronic equipment, a vehicle, etc.