

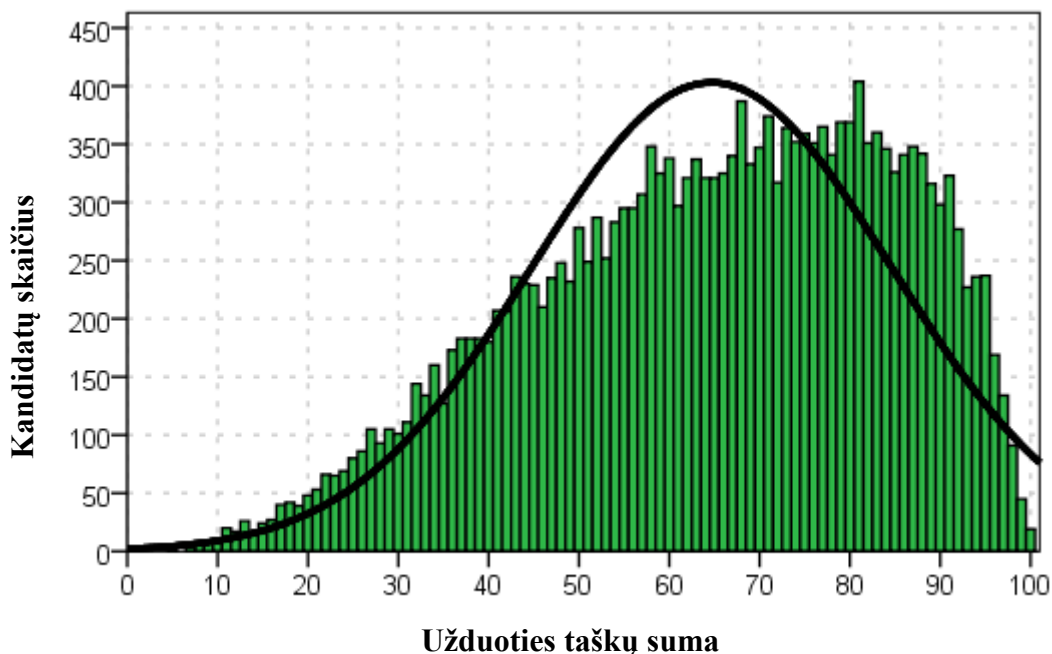
2018 METŲ UŽSIENIO KALBOS (ANGLŲ) VALSTYBINIO BRANDOS EGZAMINO REZULTATŲ STATISTINĖ ANALIZĖ

Pagal užsienio kalbos (anglų, prancūzų, rusų, vokiečių) egzamino programą egzaminą sudaro keturios dalys – klausymo (sakinio teksto supratimo) užduotys, skaitymo (rašytinio teksto supratimo) užduotys, rašymo (rašytinės sąveikos ir raiškos) užduotys ir kalbėjimo (sakinės sąveikos ir raiškos) užduotys. Kiekvienai iš šių dalių skiriama po 25 proc. taškų. Egzaminas vykdomas dviem etapais skirtingomis dienomis – pirmiausia mokiniai atlieka kalbėjimo dalies užduotis, o po to – klausymo, skaitymo ir rašymo užduotis. 2018 m. balandžio 4–6 d. įvyko užsienio kalbos (anglų) valstybinio brandos egzamino kalbėjimo dalis, o gegužės 5 d. – užsienio kalbos (anglų) valstybinio brandos egzamino klausymo, skaitymo ir rašymo dalys. Egzaminą leista laikyti **20 633** kandidatams – vidurinio ugdymo programos baigiamųjų klasių mokiniams. Dėl įvairių priežasčių į egzaminą neatvyko 427 kandidatai. Užsienio kalbos (anglų) egzamine dalyvavo ir įvertinimą gavo **20 206** kandidatai. 2018 m. birželio 26 d. ir liepos 2 d. įvyko pakartotinės sesijos užsienio kalbos (anglų) valstybinis brandos egzaminas. Jį leista laikyti 105 kandidatams; iš jų 82 kandidatai egzaminą laikė ir gavo įvertinimą, o 23 kandidatai į egzaminą neatvyko.

Maksimali taškų suma, kurią galėjo surinkti laikantieji egzaminą, – 100 taškų. Minimali egzamino išlaikymo taškų sumos riba – 16 taškų. Tai sudarė 16 proc. visų galimų taškų. Užsienio kalbos (anglų) valstybinio brandos egzamino neišlaikė 175 (0,87 proc.) laikusiųjų, šie kandidatai surinko nuo 0 iki 15 užduoties taškų.

Toliau pateikiama statistinė analizė yra pagrįsta 2018 m. pagrindinės sesijos užsienio kalbos (anglų) valstybinį brandos egzaminą laikusiųjų ir gavusiųjų įvertinimą rezultatais.

Užsienio kalbos (anglų) valstybinio brandos egzamino kandidatų surinktų užduoties taškų vidurkis yra 64,5 taško, taškų sumos standartinis nuokrypis yra 19,9. Šiomet daugiausia iš 100 galimų taškų buvo surinkta 100 taškų. Laikusių užsienio kalbos (anglų) valstybinį brandos egzaminą kandidatų surinktų taškų pasiskirstymas pateiktas 1 diagramoje.



1 diagrama. Užsienio kalbos (anglų) valstybinį brandos egzaminą laikusiųjų kandidatų surinktų taškų histograma

Merginos sudarė 51,7 proc. visų laikusiųjų egzaminą. Jos vidutiniškai surinko 64,0 užduoties taškų. Vaikiniai vidutiniškai surinko 65,4 užduoties taškų. Tarp neišlaikiusiųjų egzamino buvo 86 merginos ir 52 vaikinai, tai sudaro atitinkamai 0,8 ir 0,5 proc.



Valstybinio brandos egzamino vertinimas yra kriterinis. Minimalus išlaikyto valstybinio brandos egzamino įvertinimas yra 16 balų, maksimalus – 100 balų. Šie balai į dešimtbalės skalės pažymį nėra verčiami. Jie įrašomi į kandidato brandos atestato priedą kaip valstybinio brandos egzamino įvertinimas. Visi kandidatai pagal gautą įvertinimą priskiriami vienam iš trijų pasiekimų lygių – patenkinamam, pagrindiniam ar aukštesniajam. Aukštesnįjį pasiekimų lygį pasiekė 31,04 proc. kandidatų, pagrindinį pasiekimų lygį pasiekė 54,97 proc., o patenkinamąjį – 13,12 proc. visų laikusiųjų.

Apibendrinus informaciją, esančią kandidatų darbuose, kiekvienam užduoties klausimui (ar jo daliai, jeigu jis sudarytas iš struktūrinių dalių) buvo nustatyti toliau pateikiami parametrai.

- **Kuri dalis kandidatų pasirinko atitinkamą atsakymą** (jei klausimas buvo su pasirenkamaisiais atsakymais) **ar surinko atitinkamą skaičių taškų** (0, 1, 2 ir t. t.).
- **Klausimo sunkumas.** Šį parametrą išreiškia toks santykis:

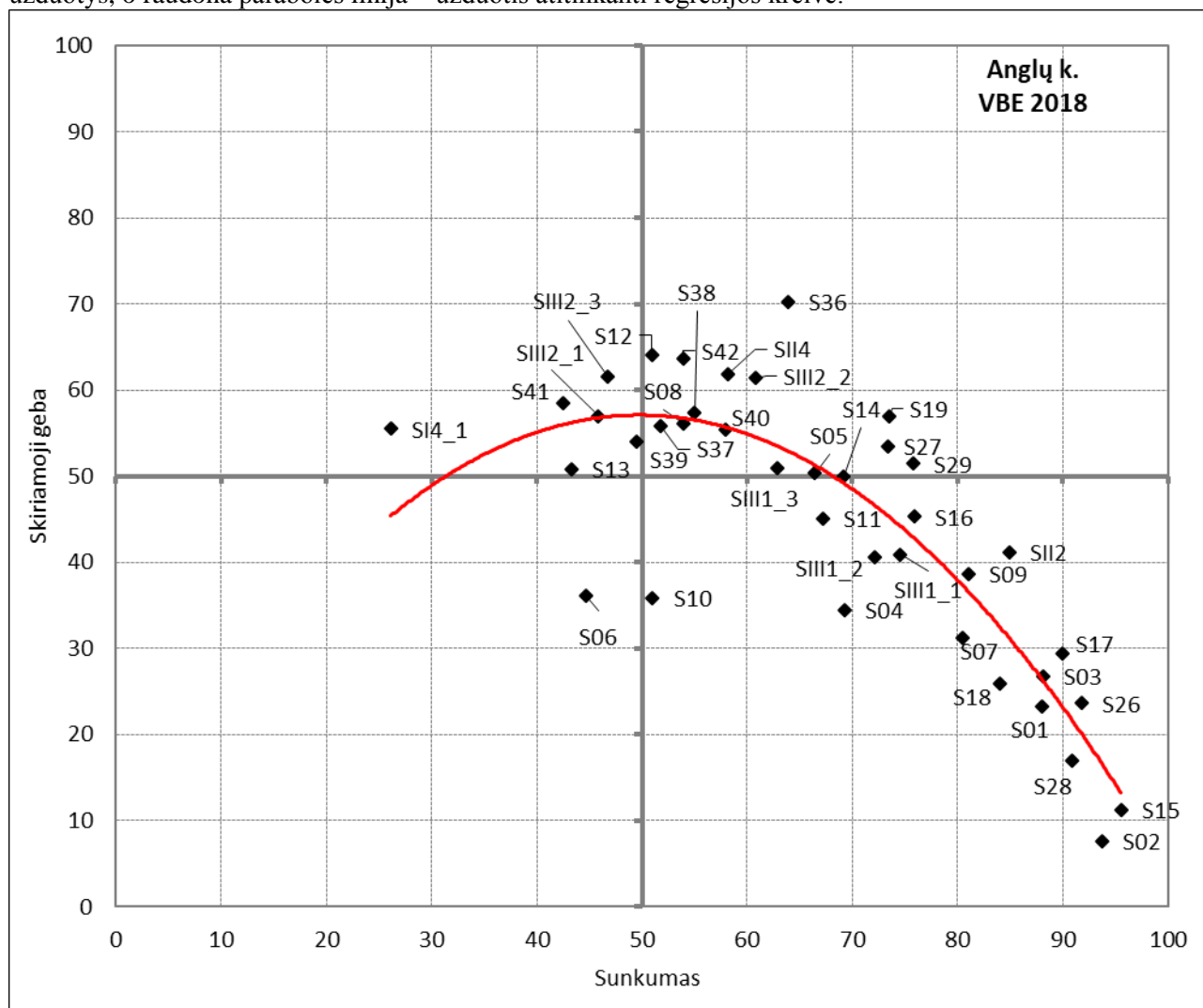
$$\frac{\text{Visų kandidatų už šį klausimą surinktų taškų suma}}{\text{Visų už šį klausimą teoriškai galimų surinkti taškų suma}} \times 100.$$

Jeigu klausimas buvo vertinamas vienu tašku, tai jo sunkumas tiesiogiai parodo, kuri dalis kandidatų į tą klausimą atsakė teisingai.

- **Klausimo skiriamoji geba.** Šis parametras rodo, kaip atskiras egzamino klausimas išskiria stipresnius ir silpnesnius kandidatus. Jeigu klausimas buvo labai lengvas ir į jį beveik vienodai sėkmingai atsakė ir stipresni, ir silpnesni kandidatai, tai tokio klausimo skiriamoji geba maža. Panaši skiriamoji geba gali būti ir labai sunkaus klausimo, į kurį beveik niekas neatsakė. Neigiama skiriamosios gebos reikšmė rodo, kad silpnesnieji (sprendžiant pagal visą egzamino užduotį) už tą klausimą surinko daugiau taškų negu stipresnieji. Taigi neigiama skiriamoji geba – prasto klausimo požymis. Pagal testų teoriją vidutinio sunkumo geri klausimai būna tie, kurių skiriamoji geba yra 40–50, o labai geri – kurių skiriamoji geba yra 60 ir daugiau. Tačiau siekiant įvairių pedagoginių ir psichologinių tikslų kai kurie labai sunkūs arba labai lengvi klausimai vis tiek pateikiami teste, nors jų skiriamoji geba ir neoptimali.
- **Klausimo koreliacija su visa užduotimi.** Tai to klausimo surinktų taškų ir visų užduoties surinktų taškų koreliacijos koeficientas (apskaičiuojamas naudojant Pirsono koreliacijos koeficientą). Šis parametras rodo, kuria dalimi atskiras klausimas žinias ir gebėjimus matuoja taip, kaip ir visa užduotis. Daugiataškio klausimo koreliacija su visa užduotimi yra didesnė negu vienataškio.



2 diagramoje pavaizduotas klausymo, skaitymo ir rašymo dalių užsienio kalbos (anglų) valstybinio brandos egzamino užduočių išsibarstymas pagal šių užduočių sunkumą ir skiriamąją gebą. Joje taškeliais vaizduojamos užduotys, o raudona parabolės linija – užduotis atitinkanti regresijos kreivė.



2 diagrama. Užsienio kalbos (anglų) valstybinio brandos egzamino užduočių sunkumo ir skiriamosios gebos išsibarstymo diagrama

1 lentelėje pateikiama informacija apie atskirų užduoties dalių tarpusavio koreliaciją, koreliacija su bendra taškų suma ir koreliacija su taškų suma be tos temos užduočių.

1 lentelė. Informacija apie atskirų užduoties temų tarpusavio koreliaciją

	Klausymas	Skaitymas	Rašymas	Kalbėjimas	Bendra taškų suma (BTS)	BTS minus dalis
Klausymas		0,789	0,681	0,644	0,872	0,791
Skaitymas	0,789		0,721	0,663	0,901	0,815
Rašymas	0,681	0,721		0,673	0,882	0,773
Kalbėjimas	0,644	0,663	0,673		0,855	0,730

Toliau pateikiama užsienio kalbos (anglų) valstybinio brandos egzamino užduoties klausymo, skaitymo ir rašymo dalių klausimų statistinė analizė.

**2018 m. UŽSIENIO KALBOS (ANGLŲ) VALSTYBINIO BRANDOS EGZAMINO UŽDUOTIS****I. LISTENING PAPER****Duration: 30 minutes, 25 points.****Part 1** (10 points, 1 point per item). You will hear people speaking in five different situations. For questions 1–10, choose the correct answer, **A**, **B** or **C**. There is an example (0). You will hear each situation twice. You now have 1 minute to look at the questions.

Example (0). You will hear a railway information announcement.			
0. How often are the trains from London to Cambridge?		00. How long does the journey take in the evening?	
A every hour	<input type="checkbox"/>	A 50 minutes – 1 hour 30 minutes	<input type="checkbox"/>
B every half an hour	<input type="checkbox"/>	B 50 minutes – 1 hour 25 minutes	<input type="checkbox"/>
C every couple of minutes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	C 30 minutes – 50 minutes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Situation 1. You will hear some information about post office services.			
01. What additional service is mentioned?		02. What is the minimum cost to send a parcel to a UK destination?	
A signed delivery	<input type="checkbox"/>	A £ 0.97	<input type="checkbox"/>
B parcel weighing	<input type="checkbox"/>	B £ 2.80	<input type="checkbox"/>
C item packing	<input type="checkbox"/>	C £ 5.70	<input type="checkbox"/>
Situation 2. You will hear a student calling the doctor's reception.			
03. Why is the student making the call?		04. What does the student decide to do?	
A to cancel his appointment	<input type="checkbox"/>	A to wait for an appointment	<input type="checkbox"/>
B to get his prescription	<input type="checkbox"/>	B to see the doctor immediately	<input type="checkbox"/>
C to find out his diagnosis	<input type="checkbox"/>	C to consult the doctor on the phone	<input type="checkbox"/>
Situation 3. You will hear the weather forecast for two days in England.			
05. What weather is expected for Tuesday night?		06. What weather is expected for Wednesday evening?	
A dry	<input type="checkbox"/>	A changeable	<input type="checkbox"/>
B wet	<input type="checkbox"/>	B thundery	<input type="checkbox"/>
C thundery	<input type="checkbox"/>	C less rain	<input type="checkbox"/>
Situation 4. You will hear an information announcement about charity festivals.			
07. What is usually planned for the summer event?		08. What can people do at the winter festival?	
A art displays	<input type="checkbox"/>	A go to art shops	<input type="checkbox"/>
B workshops	<input type="checkbox"/>	B watch artists at work	<input type="checkbox"/>
C theatre plays	<input type="checkbox"/>	C express their creativity	<input type="checkbox"/>
Situation 5. You will hear a man speaking about his activities in different weather conditions.			
09. What does he like doing in cold weather?		10. What does he like doing while it is raining?	
A staying at home	<input type="checkbox"/>	A visiting an aqua park	<input type="checkbox"/>
B reading books in a library	<input type="checkbox"/>	B relaxing at home	<input type="checkbox"/>
C visiting exhibitions	<input type="checkbox"/>	C enjoying shopping	<input type="checkbox"/>

Užd. Nr.	Teisingas	Taškų pasiskirstymas (%)				Sunkumas	Skiriamoji geba	Koreliacija
		A	B	C	Neatsakė			
1.	A	88,1	7,9	3,8	0,3	88,1	23,3	0,290
2.	B	4,0	93,7	2,0	0,2	93,7	7,7	0,150
3.	B	3,2	88,2	8,4	0,2	88,2	26,8	0,352
4.	C	11,5	18,9	69,3	0,3	69,3	34,4	0,300
5.	B	24,4	66,4	8,9	0,2	66,4	50,3	0,431
6.	C	46,3	8,7	44,7	0,3	44,7	36,1	0,262
7.	A	80,4	6,5	12,9	0,2	80,4	31,2	0,320
8.	C	28,5	17,4	53,9	0,2	53,9	56,2	0,448
9.	C	3,9	15,0	81,0	0,2	81,0	38,7	0,411
10.	A	51,0	16,2	32,5	0,3	51,0	35,9	0,298



Part 2 (4 points, 1 point per item). You will hear an interview with a flash mob expert. For questions 11–14, choose the correct answer, **A**, **B** or **C**. There is an example (0). You will hear the recording twice. You now have 30 seconds to look at the questions.

0. Flash mobs are mostly coordinated with the help of

- A face-to-face arrangements.
- B communication technologies.
- C newspaper adverts.

11. The majority of flash mob performers are

- A professional dancers.
- B trained volunteers.
- C casual bystanders.

12. The reading flash mob presented book quotations on

- A e-reader displays.
- B cell phone displays.
- C wall displays.

13. The crowd around may get startled when flash mobs

- A are being rehearsed.
- B appear online later.
- C break into action.

14. Some artists united to show that they support a different

- A world view.
- B art form.
- C organisation.

Užd. Nr.	Teisingas	Taškų pasiskirstymas (%)				Sunkumas	Skiriamoji geba	Koreliacija
		A	B	C	Neatsakė			
11.	B	16,0	67,2	16,4	0,4	67,2	45,1	0,383
12.	C	31,7	17,0	50,9	0,3	50,9	64,1	0,496
13.	C	10,0	46,4	43,3	0,3	43,3	50,8	0,395
14.	A	69,2	11,2	19,4	0,3	69,2	50,0	0,433

Part 3 (5 points, 1 point per item). You will hear some people express their opinion about national identity. For questions 15–19, match the extracts that you hear with statements **A–G**. There is **one** statement that you do not need to use. There is an example (0). You will hear the recording twice. You now have 30 seconds to look at the questions.

What does each speaker emphasise?

- A caring for nature
- B a global national community
- C accepting different cultures
- D family heritage
- E local traditions
- F a native language
- G being useful to the country

0. Speaker 0	A
15. Speaker 1	
16. Speaker 2	
17. Speaker 3	
18. Speaker 4	
19. Speaker 5	

Užd. Nr.	Teisingas	Taškų pasiskirstymas (%)							Sunkumas	Skiriamoji geba	Koreliacija
		B	C	D	E	F	G	Neatsakė			
15.	F	1,2	0,6	0,3	1,3	95,5	0,7	0,4	95,5	11,3	0,232
16.	G	7,3	3,3	1,7	10,8	0,7	75,8	0,4	75,8	45,3	0,426
17.	C	4,4	89,9	0,8	2,5	0,3	1,7	0,4	89,9	29,4	0,431
18.	D	1,8	1,0	84,0	11,3	0,2	1,3	0,4	84,0	25,9	0,277
19.	B	73,5	3,7	2,0	11,1	0,7	8,5	0,5	73,5	57,0	0,523



Part 4 (6 points, 1 point per item). You will hear a forecast for urban growth worldwide. For questions 20–25, complete the sentences. You may write one word only. Write the word exactly as you hear it. There is an example (0). You will hear the recording twice. You now have 1 minute to look at the questions.

It may be hidden among all the daily (0) headlines about financial markets, but we should also be aware of a new (20) _____ in society, which will affect our future. Today, the majority of the global population live in city-type (21) _____. The expansion of cities might have some worrying consequences. For example, as cities spread into the countryside, we lose valuable (22) _____ of farmland. Cities rely heavily on rural areas to grow the natural resources urban populations need. The (23) _____ future of these metropolitan areas is dependent on “give-and-take”. In (24) _____ for rural products, cities must provide better economic, medical, and educational services. It is vital for new developing cities to have supplies that are situated (25) _____. Nature can exist without people, but no city can survive independently of nature.

Taškų pasiskirstymas (%)							Sunkumas	Skiriamoji geba	Koreliacija
0	1	2	3	4	5	6			
38,7	21,8	12,7	9,9	8,1	5,7	3,2	26,1	55,5	0,720

II. READING PAPER

Duration: 60 minutes, 25 points.

Part 1 (4 points, 1 point per item). Read the text about visiting Geneva. For questions 26–29, choose the statement from A–F which best summarises each paragraph. There is **one** statement that you do not need to use. There is an example (0).

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| <p>A Attractive scenery around the city</p> <p>B Entertainment events</p> <p>C For science and nature lovers</p> <p>D For those interested in global affairs</p> <p>E Guided tour by bus</p> <p>F Means of getting around</p> |
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Geneva: what to do while you're there

0. A

Commonly mistaken as the Swiss capital, the attractive city of Geneva sits nestled at the southern tip of Lake Geneva, surrounded by the Alps and with views of Mont Blanc. It offers skiing and snowboarding for fans of the slopes, as well as hiking, culture, and cuisine for summer visitors.

26. _____

Discover CERN (European Council for Nuclear Research), a physics laboratory that holds some of the most fascinating secrets of the universe. Also, don't forget that a visit to Geneva would not be complete without a mountain hike. Mont Salève is popular for a day trip; 20 kilometres from the city centre, it offers views of the lake and beyond into France.

27. _____

Explore the home of the United Nations at the *Palais des Nations*. Take a tour through the building, where some of the most important negotiations the world has ever seen have taken place. The *International Red Cross Museum* first opened in 1988 and underwent a significant renovation from 2011 to 2013. Explore the thought-provoking *Humanitarian Adventure*, which offers the opportunity to enter into the history of humanitarian action.

28. _____

The live music scene in Geneva is varied, from laid-back jam sessions at *Le Chat Noir* to rock and reggae at funky *L'Usine*. Join the city for the ultimate fireworks celebration to mark the end of Geneva's summer festival, which takes place during the second weekend of August. This is a grand affair that unites the city.

29. _____

Geneva has a public transport network consisting of trams, buses, boats, and trains. The whole system uses the same ticket. Public transport is free within the city for anyone who has booked a hotel. There are also free transfers to the city from the airport, making travel stress-free.



Užd. Nr.	Teisingas	Taškų pasiskirstymas (%)						Sunkumas	Skiriamoji geba	Koreliacija
		B	C	D	E	F	Neatsakė			
26.	C	0,6	91,8	3,5	1,3	2,6	0,2	91,8	23,6	0,385
27.	D	4,5	4,7	73,4	9,4	7,7	0,3	73,4	53,4	0,481
28.	B	90,9	0,5	6,3	0,5	1,4	0,3	90,9	17,0	0,250
29.	F	0,5	0,2	2,2	20,8	75,8	0,4	75,8	51,5	0,495

Part 2 (6 points, 1 point per item). Read the text about an incident at an exhibition at Robert Gordon University. For questions 30–35, complete the text with the words from the box below. There are **two** words that you do not need to use. There is an example (0).

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Pineapple mistaken for art

Students managed to pass off a pineapple they bought for £1 at a supermarket as a work of art, after leaving it in the middle of an exhibition at their (0) university. Ruairi Gray, a student at Robert Gordon University in Scotland, and his friend left the fruit at the *Look Again* exhibition at the university, hoping that it might be mistaken for art. When they returned four days later, they found that the pineapple had been (30) _____ inside its own glass display case. Gray, 22, told reporters: “I saw an (31) _____ art display stand and decided to leave the pineapple nearby to see if people would believe it was art. I came in later and the pineapple was already in a glass case.”

Natalie Kerr, a cultural assistant for the festival, said she wasn’t the one who included the fruit as a work of art. “It’s a bit of a mystery – the glass is pretty (32) _____ and would need two or three people to move it, so we have no idea who did it. But we decided to keep it, because it’s in line with the playful spirit of this exhibition,” she told the journalists.

The incident recalls a (33) _____ prank last year when the 17-year-old TJ Khayatan placed a pair of glasses on the floor at the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art. Apparently wanting to confirm that people would try to interpret any object as a piece of art, provided that it is in a gallery setting, he placed the glasses on the floor and walked away. Soon after, (34) _____ surrounded them and began taking pictures.

Khayatan was keen to (35) _____ modern art despite the joke. “I can agree that modern art can be a joke sometimes, but art is a way to express our creativity,” he said at the time. “Some may interpret it as a joke, while others may find great spiritual meaning in it.”

Taškų pasiskirstymas (%)							Sunkumas	Skiriamoji geba	Koreliacija
0	1	2	3	4	5	6			
1,3	2,9	5,1	6,8	9,4	8,2	66,2	84,9	41,2	0,698

Part 3 (7 points, 1 point per item). Read the text about robots and a new industrial revolution. Seven sentences have been removed from the text. For questions 36–42, choose from sentences A–I the one which best fits each gap. There is **one** sentence that you do not need to use. There is an example (0).

Does the next industrial revolution spell the end of manufacturing jobs?

Robots have been taking our jobs since the 1960s. (0) A It comes down to the question of what a robot really is. (36) _____ For example, in the 20th century, traditional robots didn’t look human but were automated machines or robotic arms building cars in factories. Commercial 21st century robots include supermarket self-checkouts, automated guided warehouse vehicles, and even burger-flipping machines in fast-food restaurants.

Ultimately, humans haven’t become completely redundant because these robots may be very efficient, but they’re also kind of dumb. They currently do not think; they just act, in highly accurate but very

mechanical ways. (37) _____ But the need to physically supervise robotic machines is all set to change thanks to a new wave of smarter, better value robots that can adapt to multiple tasks. This change will be so significant that it will create a new industrial revolution.



This era known as ‘Industry 4.0’ is being driven by the same technological advances that enable the capabilities of the smartphones in our pockets. (38) ____ This combination will produce smarter robots with better sensing and communication abilities that can adapt to different tasks, and even coordinate their work to meet demand without the input of humans.

Industry 4.0 machines are flexible, collaborative, and can operate more independently, which ultimately removes the need for a highly-skilled workforce. But while these machines are getting smarter due to Artificial Intelligence, they are still not as smart as us. (39) ____ So, programmers are still necessary.

What’s coming next is known as ‘deep learning’. Similar to big data analysis, it involves processing large quantities of data in real time to make decisions about the best action to take. (40) ____ A perfect example of deep learning was demonstrated by Google’s *AlphaGo* software, which taught itself to beat the world’s greatest *Go* players.

Exactly what impact a smarter robotic workforce with the potential to operate on its own will have on the manufacturing industry is still widely disputed. (41) ____ It could well be the 22nd century before robots really have the potential to make human labour obsolete by developing not just deep learning but true artificial understanding that mimics human thinking.

Ideally, Industry 4.0 will enable human workers to achieve more in their jobs by removing repetitive tasks and giving them better robotic tools. (42) ____ Technology that has made humans redundant in the past has forced us to adapt, generally with more education.

- A So why are politicians and business leaders only now becoming so worried about robots causing mass unemployment?
 B After reviewing the data, business analysts decided to invest in the production of more powerful microchips.
 C However, the majority do agree that Artificial Intelligence, as we know it from science fiction, is still in its infancy.
 D In theory, this would allow us humans to focus more on business development, creativity and science, which would be much harder for any robot to do.
 E Such innovations use low-cost and high-power computers, high-speed communication and Artificial Intelligence.
 F The difference is that the machine learns from the data so it can improve its decision making.
 G This is because today’s industrial Artificial Intelligence operates at a narrow level, which gives the appearance of human intelligence exhibited by machines, but it still needs to be designed by humans.
 H This means that humans are still needed to work around robots, doing the jobs machines can’t, and fixing them when they break down.
 I While science fiction has often portrayed robots as androids carrying out tasks in the much the same way as humans, the reality is that robots take much more specialised forms.

Užd. Nr.	Teisingas	Taškų pasiskirstymas (%)									Sunkumas	Skiriamoji geba	Koreliacija
		B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	Neatsakė			
36.	I	2,7	3,7	9,8	5,9	3,7	6,3	3,5	63,9	0,4	63,9	70,2	0,574
37.	H	5,5	6,1	7,4	3,8	8,9	11,8	51,8	4,2	0,5	51,8	55,8	0,427
38.	E	21,0	2,1	3,5	55,0	6,4	3,4	1,2	7,0	0,5	55,0	57,4	0,447
39.	G	2,4	8,4	3,4	2,6	5,1	49,5	26,5	1,7	0,4	49,5	54,0	0,414
40.	F	15,6	4,1	4,0	9,2	57,9	3,2	0,9	4,5	0,6	57,9	55,4	0,438
41.	C	7,5	42,5	12,7	5,0	5,1	13,5	5,2	7,9	0,6	42,5	58,5	0,451
42.	D	4,4	14,2	53,9	5,7	2,9	5,5	7,4	5,5	0,5	53,9	63,7	0,501

Part 4 (8 points, 1 point per item). Read the text about advances in gaming. For questions 43–50, complete the answers by inserting no more than one word from the text. There is an example (0).

The advances in gaming in the last decade

There were open-world games *before* 2004, but the era of *GTA V*, *Assassin’s Creed*, *Far Cry*, *Skyrim* and *Witcher* has seen the level design evolve from linear experiences to playful experimental spaces. Open-world games have encouraged players to be more curious, creative and collaborative, and that’s been amazing to watch.

Before the broadband era, it was difficult for small teams to get their games seen by a large number of players. But gradually we had *Xbox Live*, the *App Store* and *Steam*, and a broader audience for independent productions was created. Later, cheap or free tools, such as *Game Maker*, became accessible. All of this combined to give small studios the tools and support to make brilliant games, from the deeply personal to the deeply political.

With broadband internet, we also got the irresistible growth of online multiplayer gaming, overtaking both the sofa-based experience of traditional two-player console games and the local area network complexity of early 1990s PC titles. The arrival of friends’ lists and mass online get-togethers allowed us to meet up on virtual battlefields and in simulated sports arenas to compete, or also just to chat. Games became shared social spaces and benefited the community enormously.



It used to be that games existed in a cultural ghetto kept away from other art forms. Now there are video games at the *Tate Gallery* and in the *Victoria and Albert Museum*. There are theatre companies, art collectives, television shows and movies drawing heavily from the aesthetics and structure of games. Arguably the best TV series of the last year, *Westworld*, is a commentary on the ethics of virtual violence.

It is inarguably a good thing that video games are being made and played by a wider spectrum of people than ever before. From the millions of commuters engrossed by *Candy Crush Saga* to the small communities exploring gender and identity issues through visual novels, there are more voices, more points of view and more opportunities to see heroes like you being available and controllable on screen.

In the past, if you wanted to make your own *Doom* levels, you had to be technically literate. Then along came games, such as *Minecraft* and *The Sims*, and user creativity rose to the forefront as vast communities grew up around building and sharing content. Games are no longer to be consumed and discarded; many have become universal creative workshops.

A lot of the people who make games are getting older and more thoughtful. At the same time, new people are entering the medium who understand games as a form of self-expression, rather than just as entertainment products. This has led to shifts in the storylines of games, away from saving the princess and towards more complex ideas of redemption and self-discovery. Titles such as *Bioshock* and *Valiant Hearts* have all explored dark, difficult themes while also making us feel part of the action. This has been a decade of extraordinary creativity. What we do within games now depends on our choices. If you want to spend hours in *GTA V* just playing golf, or working out how to blow up planes, you totally can. As G. K. Chesterton once wrote, "It might reasonably be maintained that the true object of all human life is play."

But what do I really think about the last 14 years of this industry? I'll borrow the final words from my favourite game series of the decade, and perhaps of all time, *Portal*. "This was a triumph. I'm making a note here: huge success. It's hard to overstate my satisfaction."

0. What effect did the transition from linear experiences to experimental spaces have on video game players?

Players were encouraged to be more adventurous.

43. What impact did broadband internet have on computer games?

The games created by small studios became _____ to a broader audience.

44. What kind of social experience did broadband internet create?

Friends' lists and online multiplayer gaming _____ players by creating shared social spaces.

45. Why does the reviewer mention the fact that games can be found in art museums, theatres, and on television?

He wants to show that games have a growing influence on _____ aspects of life.

46. Why is the greater diversity of game designers and players a good thing?

According to the reviewer, this provides more opportunities for _____ different issues.

47. Compared to the past, which ability is appreciated by the gaming community?

Player _____ has become more important, because the creation and development of game content have become part of the entertainment itself.

48. What has happened to games since a new generation began designing?

There have been _____ in the themes of games.

49. What opportunities do modern video games provide?

They allow players to make _____.

50. How does the reviewer express his opinion about the last 14 years of the video game industry?

The reviewer chooses to _____ someone else's words to express his satisfaction.

Taškų pasiskirstymas (%)									Sunkumas	Skiriamoji geba	Koreliacija
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8			
5,5	7,5	8,7	10,2	12,4	13,8	14,2	15,9	11,9	58,2	61,8	0,825

III. WRITING PAPER

Duration: 90 minutes, 25 points.

Part 1 (10 points). Write a semi-formal email.

STREET MUSIC DAY

Originally started in Vilnius back in 2007, this celebration of music has since spread abroad and throughout the European Union.

MAY 19, 2018



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!
Have fun and help by

- ◆ giving directions and maps
- ◆ helping street musicians
- ◆ picking up litter and recycling
- ◆ taking photos and filming
- ◆ welcoming foreign guests

Apply by email: applications@volunteering.com

You want to become a volunteer* for Street Music Day 2018.



Write an application email to Ms Griffin, who is coordinating the event and

- choose the task that you would like to do;
- explain why you would be good at this task (give at least two reasons); and
- describe what you hope to learn from volunteering.

* A volunteer is a person who offers to help and is not paid.

You should write at least **80 words**. Please count the number of words and write the word count in the space below the email. Sign your email as *Vardaitis Pavardaitis* or *Vardaitė Pavardaitė*.

Vert. kriterijus	Maksimalus taškų sk.	Taškų pasiskirstymas (%)					Sunkumas	Skiriamoji geba	Koreliacija
		0	1	2	3	4			
Turinys	4	1,7	6,6	19,2	37,0	35,6	74,6	40,9	0,688
Teksto struktūra. Forma	3	3,9	14,4	43,2	38,5		72,1	40,6	0,616
Leksinių ir gramatinių formų bei struktūrų įvairovė ir taisyklumas, rašyba ir skyryba. Registras	3	5,5	23,9	47,1	23,5		62,9	51,0	0,747

Part 2 (15 points). Write an essay on the following topic:

**Which has a more positive impact on academic achievement at school:
a student's self-motivation or a motivating teacher?**

In your essay, give at least **two arguments** to support your opinion.

You should write at least **180 words**. Please count the number of words and write the word count in the space below the essay.

Vert. kriterijus	Maksimalus taškų sk.	Taškų pasiskirstymas (%)							Sunkumas	Skiriamoji geba	Koreliacija
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6			
Turinys	6	9,3	17,4	20,3	19,3	15,6	11,7	6,4	45,9	57,0	0,794
Teksto struktūra	4	10,7	11,0	25,4	30,3	22,6			60,8	61,3	0,789
Leksinių ir gramatinių formų bei struktūrų įvairovė ir taisyklumas, rašyba ir skyryba. Registras	5	14,0	15,5	22,7	24,9	16,3	6,6		46,8	61,5	0,838