

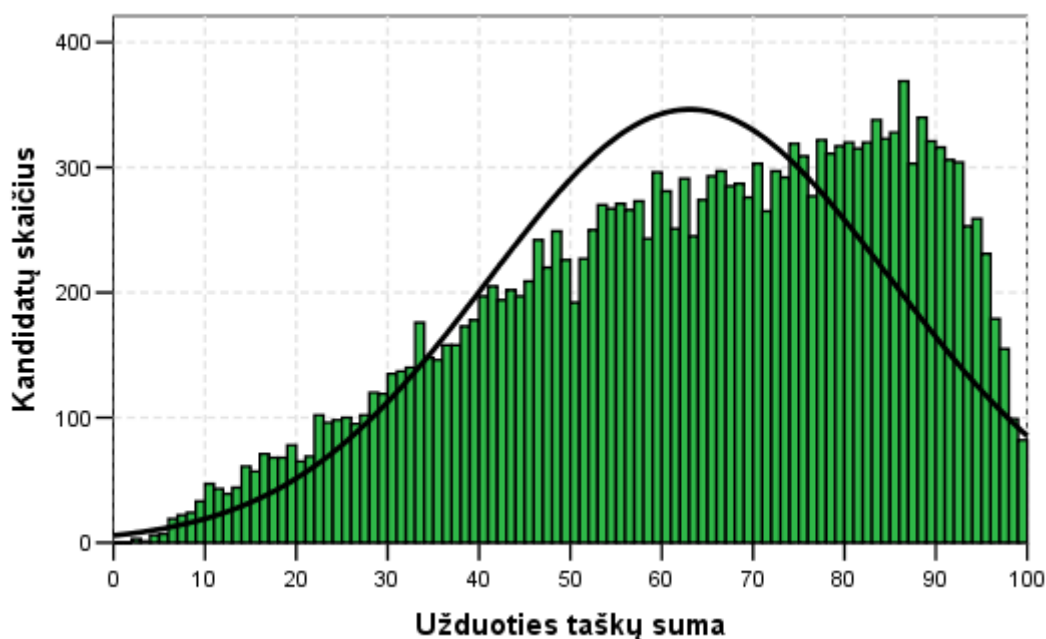
# 2019 METŲ UŽSIENIO KALBOS (ANGLŲ) VALSTYBINIO BRANDOS EGZAMINO REZULTATŲ STATISTINĖ ANALIZĖ

2016 m. įsigaliojo nauja užsienio kalbos (anglų, prancūzų, rusų, vokiečių) egzamino programa, pagal kurią egzaminą sudaro keturios dalys – klausymo (sakinio teksto supratimo) užduotys, skaitymo (rašytinio teksto supratimo) užduotys, rašymo (rašytinės sąveikos ir raiškos) užduotys ir kalbėjimo (sakinio sąveikos ir raiškos) užduotys. Kiekvienai iš šių dalių skiriama po 25 proc. taškų. Egzaminas vykdomas dviem etapais skirtingomis dienomis. 2019 m. balandžio 24–26 d. įvyko užsienio kalbos (anglų) brandos egzamino kalbėjimo dalis, o gegužės 11 d. įvyko užsienio kalbos (anglų) valstybinio brandos egzamino klausymo, skaitymo ir rašymo dalys. Užsienio kalbos (anglų) egzamine dalyvavo ir įvertinimą gavo **19 155** kandidatai. 2019 m. birželio 25 d. ir 2019 m. liepos 1 d. įvyko pakartotinės sesijos užsienio kalbos (anglų) valstybinis brandos egzaminas. Jame dalyvavo ir įvertinimą gavo 107 kandidatai, 5 iš jų egzaminą neišlaikė.

Maksimali taškų suma, kurią galėjo surinkti laikantieji egzaminą, – 100 taškų. Minimali egzaminą išlaikymo taškų sumos riba – 16 taškų. Tai sudarė 16 proc. visų galimų taškų. Užsienio kalbos (anglų) valstybinio brandos egzaminą neišlaikė 403 (2,1 proc.) laikiusieji, šie kandidatai surinko nuo 0 iki 15 užduoties taškų.

Toliau pateikiama statistinė analizė yra pagrįsta 2019 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 63,1 taško, taškų sumos standartinis nuokrypis yra 22,1. Šiame daugiausia iš 100 galimų taškų buvo surinkti 100 taškų. Laikusiųjų užsienio kalbos (anglų) valstybinį brandos egzaminą kandidatų surinktų taškų pasiskirstymas pateiktas 1 diagramoje.

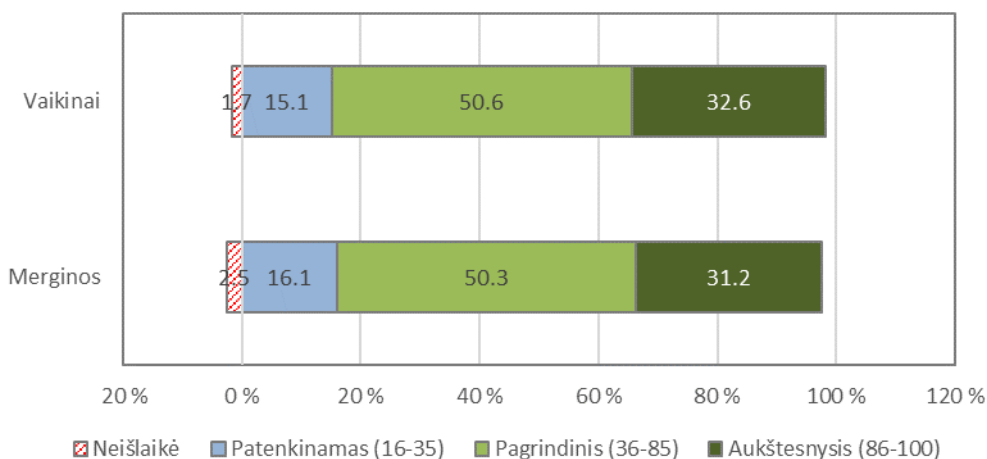


**1 diagrama.** Užsienio kalbos (anglų) valstybinį brandos egzaminą laikusiųjų kandidatų surinktų taškų histograma

Merginos sudarė 51,4 proc. visų laikusiųjų egzaminą. Jos vidutiniškai surinko 62,6 užduoties taško. Vaikiniai vidutiniškai surinko 63,6 užduoties taško. Tarp neišlaikiusiųjų egzaminą buvo 243 merginos ir 160 vaikinių, tai sudaro atitinkamai 2,5 ir 1,7 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 31,9 proc. kandidatų, pagrindinį pasiekimų lygį pasiekė 50,4 proc., o patenkinamąjį – 15,6 proc. visų laikusiųjų.

2 diagramoje pateiktas merginų ir vaikų pasiskirstymas pagal pasiekimų lygius. Diagramoje prie pasiekimų lygio pavadinimo nurodyta, kiek valstybinio brandos egzamino balų jis atitinka.



**2 diagrama.** Užsienio kalbos (anglų) valstybinį brandos egzaminą laikusių merginų ir vaikų pasiskirstymas pagal pasiekimų lygius

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. Dėl 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.



# 2019 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 two friends speaking about student accommodation.

0. What kind of accommodation is he going to choose?
- |   |             |                                     |
|---|-------------|-------------------------------------|
| A | a house     | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| B | a flat      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| C | a dormitory | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
00. Which factor is the most important?
- |   |         |                                     |
|---|---------|-------------------------------------|
| A | price   | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| B | friends | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| C | privacy | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

**Situation 1.** You will hear an announcement about a competition.

01. What are the competition requirements for participants?
- |   |                                   |                          |
|---|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| A | to fit certain age limits         | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| B | to have international recognition | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| C | to be studying photography        | <input type="checkbox"/> |
02. What are the prizes?
- |   |   |                          |
|---|---|--------------------------|
| A | an exhibition of personal photo collections | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| B | an album about the environment and culture  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| C | the best seats at the prize-giving event    | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**Situation 2.** You will hear two friends speaking about charity marathons.

03. What happened during the last marathon?
- |   |                       |                          |
|---|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| A | She injured herself.  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| B | She broke her record. | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| C | She won a medal.      | <input type="checkbox"/> |
04. What type of weather is expected for the upcoming marathon?
- |   |       |                          |
|---|-------|--------------------------|
| A | wet   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| B | windy | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| C | warm  | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**Situation 3.** You will hear two friends speaking about a summer job.

05. Where did the woman work during the summer?
- |   |             |                          |
|---|-------------|--------------------------|
| A | on a farm   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| B | at a school | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| C | in a shop   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
06. What is she going to spend her money on?
- |   |                  |                          |
|---|------------------|--------------------------|
| A | an electric bike | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| B | new clothes      | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| C | driving lessons  | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**Situation 4.** You will hear the weather forecast.

07. Which region should experience clear skies on Friday?
- |   |           |                          |
|---|-----------|--------------------------|
| A | the west  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| B | the east  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| C | the north | <input type="checkbox"/> |

08. What is the common weather feature in all regions on Saturday?
- A It will be wet. ☐
- B It will be sunny. ☐
- C It will be misty. ☐

**Situation 5. You will hear two friends speaking about their future.**

09. What does Ann suggest that John should do?
- A apply for university ☐
- B stay at home ☐
- C take a one-year break ☐
10. What does Ann want to do before starting her university course?
- A find a job ☐
- B do some travelling ☐
- C take a gap year ☐

Užd. Nr.	Teisingas	Taškų pasiskirstymas (%)				Sunkumas	Skiriamoji geba	Koreliacija
		A	B	C	Neatsakė			
1.	A	75,3	12,3	12,1	0,3	75,3	64,6	0,615
2.	C	41,9	14,8	42,9	0,4	42,9	35,2	0,278
3.	A	90,5	8,4	0,7	0,3	90,5	23,6	0,339
4.	C	6,6	12,8	80,2	0,4	80,2	33,9	0,362
5.	C	3,5	5,7	90,5	0,3	90,5	28,1	0,423
6.	C	4,6	3,3	91,9	0,2	91,9	23,7	0,390
7.	B	8,5	86,7	4,6	0,3	86,7	35,6	0,442
8.	A	48,2	23,6	27,8	0,3	48,2	51,4	0,401
9.	C	8,3	0,4	90,9	0,3	90,9	28,7	0,452
10.	A	63,8	22,0	13,8	0,3	63,8	59,4	0,498

**Part 2** (4 points, 1 point per item). You will hear an interview with a student about a bag they sold through an online crowd-funding platform called 'Kickstart'. 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. The main benefit of using Kickstart for this project has been
- A getting free advertising from enthusiastic supporters. ☒
- B donating money to charity. ☐
- C securing financial support quickly and easily. ☐
11. The students' main motivation for setting up their business was
- A to learn more about their subject. ☐
- B to learn to run a company. ☐
- C to gain fame and fortune. ☐
12. The students decided to design their bag, because
- A they had learned how to do this at university. ☐
- B there were no top-quality backpacks available. ☐
- C they couldn't find anything to suit their specific needs. ☐
13. The students feel their design is unique, because
- A other designers have not used magnet closures before. ☐
- B it is convenient to get to the contents of the bag. ☐
- C the contents of the pockets will stay dry in the rain. ☐
14. The major factor leading to the students' success has been
- A getting the right advice and support. ☐
- B their ability to absorb new information. ☐
- C their positive attitude towards the project. ☐

Užd. Nr.	Teisingas	Taškų pasiskirstymas (%)				Sunkumas	Skiriamoji geba	Koreliacija
		A	B	C	Neatsakė			
11.	B	17,6	66,9	15,2	0,3	66,9	38,8	0,313
12.	C	9,0	26,5	64,3	0,3	64,3	62,0	0,517
13.	B	14,6	74,2	10,9	0,3	74,2	48,3	0,431
14.	C	33,4	7,4	59,0	0,3	59,0	53,7	0,415

**Part 3** (5 points, 1 point per item). You will hear some people speaking about the same book they have read recently. 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 the speaker like about the book?**

A	B	C	D	E	F	G
It encourages different thinking.	It taught the reader to be persistent.	It has historical value.	It encourages discussion.	It is useful to refer to more than once.	It has many ideas worth writing down.	It is available in digital format.
0. Example 0	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
15. Speaker 1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16. Speaker 2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17. Speaker 3	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18. Speaker 4	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19. Speaker 5	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Užd. Nr.	Teisingas	Taškų pasiskirstymas (%)							Sunkumas	Skiriamoji geba	Koreliacija
		A	B	C	D	E	F	Neatsakė			
15.	F	6,9	12,4	1,9	4,2	6,4	67,7	0,5	67,7	46,9	0,405
16.	A	79,7	8,6	1,6	2,5	3,3	3,8	0,5	79,7	34,2	0,345
17.	E	3,8	6,7	1,6	3,7	74,6	9,1	0,5	74,6	42,1	0,396
18.	B	4,8	55,9	22,3	4,8	5,6	6,0	0,6	55,9	70,1	0,555
19.	D	2,4	7,4	3,3	76,3	5,4	4,7	0,4	76,3	43,7	0,415

**Part 4** (6 points, 1 point per item). You will hear a journalist outlining the impact of technology on healthcare. 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.

Increased access to data and internet-connected devices could have a huge (0) impact on medical services. Smartphones enable the medical records of patients to be accessed online by (20) \_\_\_\_\_. Technology can help with administration, meaning that receptionists working in doctors' surgeries are under less (21) \_\_\_\_\_. Reasonably-priced wearable devices may lead to a (22) \_\_\_\_\_ that will improve the health of many people. One study has shown that people approaching retirement accept the idea of attaching a (23) \_\_\_\_\_ to their body to monitor the state of their overall fitness. As the devices we use every day are always connected to the internet, they are (24) \_\_\_\_\_ to online attacks. Once security and privacy issues can be worked out, this (25) \_\_\_\_\_ may help us all to be fit and healthy.

Užd. Nr.	Taškų pasiskirstymas (%)		Sunkumas	Skiriamoji geba	Koreliacija
	0	1			
20.	83,2	16,8	16,8	49,2	0,479
21.	59,2	40,8	40,8	82,2	0,641
22.	52,4	47,6	47,6	78,7	0,614
23.	57,2	42,8	42,8	85,1	0,659
24.	75,3	24,7	24,7	62,6	0,538
25.	74,4	25,6	25,6	67,0	0,565

## II. READING PAPER

Duration: 60 minutes, 25 points.

**Part 1** (4 points, 1 point per item). You are going to read some advice on choosing a university course. 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).

## How to choose a university course

- |          |                                |
|----------|--------------------------------|
| <b>A</b> | Think about your motivation    |
| <b>B</b> | Be ready to make changes       |
| <b>C</b> | Look at the course content     |
| <b>D</b> | Try to be honest with yourself |
| <b>E</b> | Get ready to study hard        |
| <b>F</b> | Decide how you learn best      |

0. A The most important consideration when choosing your course is asking yourself why you want to study in the first place. Is it because you can see your exciting career ahead? Or is it because you want to get specific knowledge? By questioning yourself now, you can work out the exact path you want your course to take you on.
26. \_\_\_\_ It is difficult to get accepted onto popular courses, especially those which are in high demand. More importantly, some courses are hard to get in to, while others are too hard to succeed in completing. So you need to think carefully before applying for a competitive course. Are you sure you are capable of doing well in that course?
27. \_\_\_\_ To avoid making mistakes, make sure you review the course outline of the course you want to apply for. The outline is usually available on the website of the university. Have a look at the topics and the types of learning, assignments and examination tasks involved. This will enable you to form a rough idea of what lies ahead for you.
28. \_\_\_\_ Hopefully you have some idea by now of how you prefer to study. And hopefully the answer is not 'by crossing my fingers as I walk into the exam hall.' Some people study hard before final exams, others like regular tasks to keep them busy throughout the year. Some like to work in groups, others prefer to work individually. Choose whatever suits your study style and you will be more confident in your success.
29. \_\_\_\_ Yes, this is an important decision. But if you get there and you realise you have made a terrible mistake, it is not too late. Talk to the university staff, and see if there are better options for you there. Don't waste time staring at textbooks you have no interest in whatsoever. Remember, it is all about your passion – keep the excitement alive, and you will succeed.

Užd. Nr.	Teisingas	Taškų pasiskirstymas (%)						Sunkumas	Skiriamoji geba	Koreliacija
		B	C	D	E	F	Neatsakė			
26.	D	2,2	7,0	52,9	36,2	1,5	0,2	52,9	49,6	0,394
27.	C	2,3	88,7	4,4	2,1	2,2	0,2	88,7	34,5	0,478
28.	F	0,9	0,5	2,2	5,9	90,3	0,2	90,3	25,9	0,397
29.	B	74,0	2,0	20,4	1,5	2,0	0,2	74,0	27,5	0,263

**Part 2** (6 points, 1 point per item). You are going to read a text about one of the oldest English documents. 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).

## Magna Carta

belong	<del>inspired</del>	involved	made	means	opportunity	part	place	set
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Magna Carta, one of the most important and well-known documents of medieval England, (0) inspired the US Constitution and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. The four surviving original copies of Magna Carta were brought together in 2015 for the first time in history. The event took (30) \_\_\_\_\_ over three days and launched a year of celebrations across the UK and the world to mark the document's 800th anniversary.

Magna Carta, which (31) \_\_\_\_\_ 'Great Charter' in Latin, was signed in 1215. The document is seen as the basis of Britain's constitution, outlining a unique (32) \_\_\_\_\_ of basic rights. It is believed that about 250 copies of the original manuscript were created and sent to legal and religious officials across the country to make sure it was carried out.

Today there are four surviving copies of Magna Carta. Two copies (33) \_\_\_\_\_ to the British Library, one copy is owned by Lincoln Cathedral and one by Salisbury Cathedral. All three organisations were (34) \_\_\_\_\_ in the event, which was held at the British Library in London.

Before the event, the library had said it would be a “unique (35) \_\_\_\_\_ for researchers and the public to see the original surviving documents side-by-side.”

Užd. Nr.	Taškų pasiskirstymas (%)		Sunkumas	Skiriamoji geba	Koreliacija
	0	1			
30.	49,2	50,8	50,8	61,8	0,490
31.	15,6	84,4	84,4	37,2	0,443
32.	54,8	45,2	45,2	62,7	0,490
33.	21,9	78,1	78,1	62,2	0,626
34.	16,5	83,5	83,5	41,8	0,480
35.	19,7	80,3	80,3	45,4	0,481

**Part 3** (7 points, 1 point per item). You are going to read an article written by a British student about being active in politics. 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).

**Students should get involved in politics because they can help shape the political landscape**

- A And who can blame them?  
 B The decisions of those in power may be in full effect by the time you graduate.  
 C It only takes minutes to find out what they are about and join them.  
 D You can resist the title of ‘adult’ for a little bit longer.  
 E But students can make it a major political achievement of the country.  
 F During the event, politicians seriously encouraged young people to get involved in politics.  
 G There are endless opportunities here to get involved in politics.  
 H If students attended events like this one, they would be able to make a difference.  
 I This, however, defeats one aim of studying in the first place: to prepare for your future.

We’ve heard it all before: the youth of today are not interested in politics. (0) A The distance between an ordinary student and the people in power can seem gigantic. But you shouldn’t feel put-off by politics, because it will affect you throughout your life.

There is the comfort of being at university. (36) \_\_\_\_\_ Being a student is somewhere between being a teenager at home having to go to school, and living independently and actually (or hopefully) being employed. Sadly, though, all good things must come to an end, and eventually you have to become a responsible member of the society. However, many students at university choose to distance themselves from anything even remotely political. It’s fairly easy to go through university without getting involved with politics. (37) \_\_\_\_\_

The truth is, whether or not a housing law is passed, or whether the Government is cutting jobs in a certain sector, these decisions will directly affect you when trying to make a living. Therefore, as part of growing up, you should start speaking up for what you believe in and university is a great place to do so. (38) \_\_\_\_\_ For example, one may start with question-and-answer sessions for the students’ union elections, or public debates on national issues. You don’t need to be a politics student to attend them and you could leave having learnt a lot.

Events, such as the *iDebate*, also bring students closer to leading political figures. The most recent *iDebate* discussed the claim ‘British politics does nothing for young people’. (39) \_\_\_\_\_ One of them, 24-year-old Member of Parliament Stuart Donaldson, said: “If you’re good enough, you’re old enough, so get involved.” There’s no denying the current political landscape fails to interest every single young person. But the fact that the young audience voted against the suggested claim at the end of the debate demonstrates how such events can narrow the gap between the ordinary student and the people in power. (40) \_\_\_\_\_ That’s why all students, at some point in their student life, should go to an event, protest or debate.

In terms of protesting, the modern student activist has lots of resources. Social media has enabled students to protest or to organise protests in a much easier way. (41) \_\_\_\_\_ Online petitions have become the latest way to express agreement, or the opposite, regarding an issue. On websites such as Change.org, you can make a petition, and if you gather enough signatures, it gets free publicity. This is yet another opportunity for students to communicate with politicians. (42) \_\_\_\_\_ It will be too late to complain when you’re facing difficulties, so forming even a basic relationship with politics could be useful for your entire life.



Užd. Nr.	Teisin-gas	Taškų pasiskirstymas (%)									Sunku-mas	Skiriamo-ji geba	Korelia-cija
		B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	Neatsakė			
36.	D	3,4	2,0	80,5	2,2	0,8	3,0	1,3	6,5	0,3	80,5	47,4	0,510
37.	I	9,3	4,2	3,3	19,2	3,2	8,7	1,4	50,1	0,6	50,1	68,2	0,529
38.	G	8,9	8,2	2,5	5,7	3,9	57,8	6,3	6,3	0,4	57,8	79,1	0,630
39.	F	2,0	2,6	2,4	7,8	71,1	3,4	9,0	1,4	0,3	71,1	55,5	0,488
40.	H	17,7	2,5	1,0	6,6	6,2	2,9	59,0	3,7	0,4	59,0	50,7	0,403
41.	C	3,6	67,1	2,0	6,7	2,1	9,4	6,1	2,6	0,4	67,1	52,6	0,453
42.	B	45,0	8,0	1,8	6,5	3,8	8,7	9,4	16,4	0,4	45,0	65,9	0,507

**Part 4** (8 points, 1 point per item). You are going to read a newspaper article about the benefits of living in the city. For questions 43–50, complete the answers by inserting no more than **one** word from the text. There is an example (0).

### Inner-city living makes for healthier and happier people

Contrary to popular belief, busy city centres beat suburban living when it comes to human well-being, as socialising and walking make for happier, healthier people. Downtown residents – packed together in tight row houses or apartment blocks – are more active and socially engaged than people who live in the suburbs, according to a report that aims to challenge popular beliefs about city life. Its authors said their findings should make politicians think again about their plans for built-up city living.

“If we can convince policy makers that this is a public health opportunity, we can build well-designed communities, and in the long term you have made a big difference in health outcomes,” its co-author Chinmoy Sarkar told the Thomson Reuters Foundation. “With evidence, we can plan multi-functional, attractive neighbourhoods that allow for physical activity and social interaction, and shield from pollution and crime.”

The study – by Oxford University and the University of Hong Kong (UHK) – showed that in 22 British cities people living in built-up residential areas had lower levels of obesity and exercised more than residents in scattered, suburban homes. “As cities get more and more compact, they become more walkable. In denser residential areas there are better designed and more attractive destinations. We are less dependent on our cars and use public transport more,” he said. Sarkar, assistant professor at UHK, said policies and planning needed to catch up with the data, rather than relying on urban myths about what makes cities work.

The study showed that suburbs with about 18 homes per hectare – such as neighbourhoods near motorways, where driving is the only option – had the greatest rates of obesity and lowest rates of exercise. Suburban areas with few homes – often privileged communities with big gardens – were healthier than this but lagged behind the most densely populated areas in inner cities.

Walking made the biggest difference, and social interaction and physical activity thrived best in compact communities. The study compared more than 400,000 residents of cities – including London, Glasgow and Cardiff – and found the best health came in areas with more than 32 homes per hectare, the average density for new building in Britain.

Sarkar called into question British policies – such as laws to restrict suburban houses from dividing their plots and filling in more homes in gardens – which have sought to preserve suburbia’s open and emptier spaces. In January the government announced it would build 17 new towns and villages across the countryside in a bid to ease a chronic housing shortage. But Sarkar said policy makers should think again before building on green fields.

Despite spiralling house prices and government targets to build a million homes by 2020, Britain’s restrictive planning system has prevented the development of densely populated areas due to fears that it would lead to high-rise, low-quality blocks of flats, according to a government paper released in February. London remains one of Europe’s most sparsely populated major cities compared to Madrid, Barcelona and Paris, and below the level of Milan, Berlin and Rome. The paper urged local authorities to reverse their long-standing opposition to built-up residential areas by highlighting London’s mansion blocks and terraced streets, all of which encourage a strong sense of neighbourhood.

0. A recent report shows that inner-city living may beat life in the suburbs in terms of conditions for physical and social well-being.
43. The report seems to \_\_\_\_\_ the ideas that many people have about life in cities.
44. Politicians need to understand that creating carefully thought-out and friendly neighbourhoods could lead to desirable \_\_\_\_\_ in terms of healthcare over a longer time period.
45. For example, the authors of the report suggest that well-planned urban areas could \_\_\_\_\_ their residents from unpleasant experiences.
46. Also, many popular recreational \_\_\_\_\_ in inner city areas, such as cinemas and sports centres, can be reached by public transport.
47. Using public transport, however, is not the best \_\_\_\_\_ if one lives out of town.
48. It turns out that the social and physical well-being of people within individual communities is directly related to the \_\_\_\_\_ of residential areas.

49. Bearing in mind the need to develop new residential districts, one of the researchers proposes a different way to deal with the \_\_\_\_\_ of places to live.
50. According to the report, life in densely populated areas will \_\_\_\_\_ better social relations among the residents.

Užd. Nr.	Taškų pasiskirstymas (%)		Sunkumas	Skiriamoji geba	Koreliacija
	0	1			
43.	46,3	53,7	53,7	67,7	0,526
44.	79,8	20,2	20,2	41,2	0,387
45.	45,6	54,4	54,4	89,5	0,710
46.	53,1	46,9	46,9	82,7	0,644
47.	39,9	60,1	60,1	79,9	0,651
48.	65,5	34,5	34,5	80,6	0,635
49.	64,2	35,8	35,8	81,1	0,637
50.	49,3	50,7	50,7	84,3	0,657

### III. WRITING PAPER

**Duration: 90 minutes, 25 points.**

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

You recently attended a public lecture on effective time management.

Write a semi-formal email to thank the speaker, a businessperson called Ms Williams.

In your email:

- say where and when you heard her lecture;
- explain why you found it useful (give at least two reasons);
- invite her to your school to do another talk on a different topic (suggest the topic).

**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 Alex Brown.

Send	To...	katherine.williams@trainingcompany.org
	Cc...	
	Subject:	Public Lecture

Vertinimo kriterijus	Maks. taškų sk.	Taškų pasiskirstymas (%)					Sunkumas	Skiriamoji geba	Koreliacija
		0	1	2	3	4			
Turinys	4	4,6	9,6	24,2	33,6	27,9	6,3	4,3	0,692
Teksto struktūra. Forma	3	7,0	11,3	36,4	45,2		73,3	40,1	0,570
Leksinių ir gramatinių formų bei struktūrų įvairovė ir taisyklingumas, rašyba ir skyryba. Registras	3	9,0	21,7	44,1	25,2		61,9	54,3	0,740

1 užduoties atimami taškai (%)	0	–1	–2
	98,8	1,0	0,2

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

People are losing the value of face-to-face communication.\*  
What impact (positive or negative) might this have on human relationships?

\*face-to-face communication – talking to someone directly without the use of technology (not by phone, email, online, etc.)

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.

Vertinimo kriterijus	Maks. taškų sk.	Taškų pasiskirstymas (%)							Sunkumas	Skiriamoji geba	Koreliacija
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6			
Turinys	6	7,1	12,5	18,6	19,8	18,5	15,5	8,1	51,5	54,9	0,776
Teksto struktūra.	4	9,3	9,3	26,6	32,3	22,5			62,4	56,0	0,756
Leksinių ir gramatinių formų bei struktūrų įvairovė ir taisyklingumas, rašyba ir skyryba. Registras	5	9,2	10,7	22,9	28,2	19,6	9,4		53,3	58,1	0,829

2 užduoties atimami taškai (%)	0	–1	–2	–3
	96,5	2,2	1,0	0,4