

**EVALUARE ÎN EDUCAȚIE**  
**Limba Engleză**  
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**8<sup>th</sup> year of study (10<sup>th</sup> grade)**

**Timpul efectiv de lucru este de 180 de minute.**

**Punctaj total: 100 de puncte. Nu se acordă puncte din oficiu.**

**I. It is 2030 and you have already become a \*‘success story’. You are being interviewed by a reporter working for ‘People’, the famous American magazine, who wants you to think back to your school years and describe them. Your answer starts like this:**









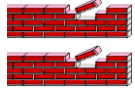



*‘Have you ever heard the phrase ‘your school years are the best years of your life’? Well, it’s not true. It would be pretty sad if all the good ‘stuff’ were over before you reached your twenties. They might not have been the ‘best’ days, but there are definitely memories I still hold dear to my heart.*

*\*success story - someone or something that becomes very successful*

**25p | Continue your description of ‘those days’ in 100-150 words. Include the following 10 words in your answer: friends, dreams, time, first, compulsory, sleepovers, pranks, grew, camping, fairly.**

**II. READING COMPREHENSION**

**6p | 1. Fill in the blanks with the missing letters to guess the words that pictures A-L represent.**

<p><b>A.</b> d _ _ r</p> 	<p><i>You could be the greatest,                  You can be the best,                  You can be the King Kong                  Banging on your (1)..... .                  You could beat the world,                  You could beat the war,                  You could talk to God, go banging on his (2)..... .                  You can throw your hands up,                  You can be the (3) ..... ,                  You can move a (4) ..... ,                  You can break (5) ..... .                  You can be a master,                  Don't wait for luck!                  Dedicate yourself                  And you can find yourself                  Standing in the (6) ..... of fame                  And the world's goin' to know your (7) ..... ,                  Cause you burn with the brightest (8) .....                  And you'll be on the (9)..... of the hall of fame.                  You could go the distance, you could run the mile,                  You could walk straight through hell with a (10) ..... ,                  You could be the hero,                  You could get the (11) ..... ,                  Breaking all the records                  You thought never could be broken,                  Do it for your (12) .....!                  Do it for your pride!                  Never goin' to know if you never even try!</i></p>	<p><b>G.</b> h _ _ l</p> 
<p><b>B.</b> r _ _ _ s</p> 		<p><b>H.</b> m _ _ _ _ _ n</p> 
<p><b>C.</b> c _ _ _ k</p> 		<p><b>I.</b> ch _ _ t</p> 
<p><b>D.</b> p _ _ p _ e</p> 		<p><b>J.</b> s _ _ _ e</p> 
<p><b>E.</b> w _ _ _ s</p> 		<p><b>K.</b> n _ _ e</p> 
<p><b>F.</b> f _ _ _ e</p> 		<p><b>L.</b> g _ _ d</p> 

- 6p** | 2. Match pictures A-L with blanks 1-12 to get the lyrics of a very popular song performed by *The Script feat. Will.I.Am*. Fill in the blanks with the missing words.
- 1p** | 3. Re-read the lyrics and choose the title of the song. Circle the correct answer.  
*a. Hall of fame      b. Someone like you      c. Troublemaker*
- 12p** | 4. Underline 4 imperative structures/ sentences used in the text to express advice:

**III. ENGLISH IN USE**

**10p** | 1. Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given.

1. Have you contacted any of your old friends from school? **TOUCH**  
 Have you .....any of your old friends from school?
2. The sisters really enjoyed themselves in Turkey last summer. **TIME**  
 The sisters really ..... in Turkey last summer.
3. The Mayor is opening the new school tomorrow afternoon. **BEING**  
 The new school ..... the Mayor tomorrow afternoon.
4. No dinner for me, thanks. I ate half an hour ago. **ALREADY**  
 Thanks, but I.....
5. I could never have got the job without your help. **IF**  
 I could never have got the job..... me.

**10p** | 2. Read the text and use the words given in capitals to form words that fit in the numbered gaps. The words are given in the order in which you need to use them.

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| <b>1. THREE</b>   | <b>2. BANK</b> | <b>3. WHEN</b>       | <b>4. EXTREME</b> | <b>5. ACT</b>     |
| <b>6. PRIVACY</b> | <b>7. LOVE</b> | <b>8. NATIONALLY</b> | <b>9. SELVES</b>  | <b>10. TRENDY</b> |

Skype is not a key to success, is it? But the doors it can leave ajar are a fact. I first realised its importance when I was in my (1)..... year of university. I had just moved to Germany for my ‘year abroad’, and it was my first long period of time outside the UK. About a week after I had arrived, I received a text message from one of my best friends saying that she was very upset and needed to talk to me. I remember rushing out of my flat with a 20 euro (2) ..... trying to find a shop that would change it into coins so that I could call her from a payphone. When I finally had the coins, I still only managed to speak to her for around fifteen minutes. Payphones are expensive! Things like this are ‘history’ now. I still live in Germany, and I know that I can talk to my family and friends (3) ..... I need to, for as long as I want, for free. It’s (4) ..... reassuring. It seems to me that Skype is a bit of an underdog in the world of technology. It’s pretty normal to talk about Facebook, Twitter and Google, but you don’t overhear people on the bus talking about ‘that amazing conversation’ they had on Skype, or how Skype ‘affects the way we (5) ..... socially’ with our fellow humans. Probably this is because Skype is more of a (6) ..... place than a public one: we don’t use it to show off or to follow celebrities, we use it to stay in touch with our (7) ..... ones. Skype has also become a useful tool in the workplace. Sometimes it is used for interviews – especially when companies are recruiting (8) ....., or when it would be very expensive for the candidate to travel for the interview. It can also be used for video conferences or even within offices (9) ..... instead of regular telephones with extension numbers. This is particularly the case for younger, ‘(10) .....’ companies – the kind of offices that want to come across modern, flexible, approachable.

**10p | 3. Look at the picture on the right, considering the manager's opinion about success.**



Success has many fathers, but failure is an orphan.  
Before I can promote you, you'll need to take a paternity test."

a) Write down your definition of 'success' based on the proverb in the cartoon (10-20 words): 'Success has many fathers, but failure is an orphan' (2p).

b) Choose and circle from the list below 4 words that are conditions for success (8p):

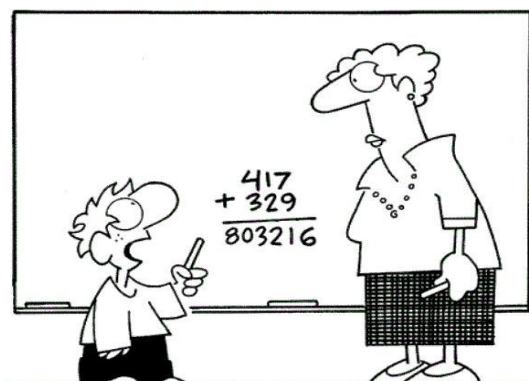
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| 1-HARDWORK      | 6-CONCENTRATION |
| 2-LAZINESS      | 7-ENVY          |
| 3-DETERMINATION | 8-DISTRESS      |
| 4-INSANITY      | 9-MOTIVATION    |
| 5-HATRED        | 10-OBSESSION    |

**10p | 4. Fill the gaps in the text below with ONE suitable word.**

'Dry clean only' is probably a phrase that you (1)..... seen before. You see it on the labels of certain pieces of clothing - like smart jackets, trousers and skirts, and ties or other silk garments. Next to the words or above (2) ....., you'll also see a capital 'P' with a circle around it. It's the 'P' my mum always taught us to avoid when buying clothes. 'P' means it has to be dry-cleaned, and dry cleaning is expensive. 'P' (3) .....for 'perchloroethylene.' That's the chemical that is used in the machine to 'dry clean' the clothes because water would damage - stretch, shrink, fade - the fabric. I know quite a lot about this because every Saturday, (4) ..... the age of 15 to 18, I worked at a dry cleaning shop. It was my first job: it was not particularly fun and it was not at (5) ..... glamorous, but, looking back, I think it was important. The only reason why it was important back then was the money. It paid for my social life, my mobile phone credit, a weekly copy of 'New Musical Express', a holiday to Portugal after my 'A' Levels, and, thanks (6) ..... extra shifts in the summer holidays before university, my first laptop. But my time at that shop taught me some important things about what I *didn't* want. I knew that I didn't want to (7) ..... cleaning other people's clothes in the future. I didn't want to work on a tiny, suburban street where you saw the same people every Saturday. I didn't want to kneel next to a basket folding a stranger's underpants and pairing their socks. I didn't want to go home smelling (8) ..... chemicals. And so I went to university at 18 with (9) .....idea about what I wanted to do or be as an adult, but with my very own laptop and a good idea of what life wasn't going to be. It wasn't going to be 'dry clean (10) .....'!

**10p | 5. Identify and write down two things that cartoons A and B have in common (4p). Then, starting from the student's attitude, make a list of 3 suggestions for the adult character in the cartoons so as to help the child understand the idea of success correctly (6p).**

**A**



"My dad says persistence is the key to success. So I'm going to keep giving you the same wrong answer until it becomes the right answer!"

**B**



"If I work hard, I'll get good grades. If I get good grades, I'll go to a top college. If I go to a top college, I'll get a great job. If I get a great job, I'll make a lot of money. If I make a lot of money, everyone will hate me. That's why I didn't do my homework."