

**OLIMPIADA DE LIMBA ENGLEZĂ – ETAPA NAȚIONALĂ**

**BRAȘOV**

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**Probă scrisă**

**CLASA a X-a - SECȚIUNEA B**

**BAREM DE EVALUARE ȘI DE NOTARE**

- Se punctează oricare alte modalități de rezolvare corectă a cerințelor.
- Nu se acordă puncte din oficiu.

**I. Read the text below and do the tasks that follow on your answer sheet. 10 points**

**A. Choose the right synonym for the words given below, according to their meaning in the text. 3x1point = 3 points**

**1 d                      2 b                      3 c**

**B. Rephrase the following sentences so as to preserve the meaning. 3x1point=3 points**

1. ... **IT** had not been/ were not for Pichot('s mentorship) ...
2. ... the more **OPENLY** he defied ...
3. ... did Dali/he **BEGIN** ...

**C. Four words have been removed from the summary of the text above. Choose the right words to fill-in the summary. 4x1point=4 points**

1. incorporating;
2. talent;
3. challenging;
4. confines

**II. Use the word given in brackets to form a word that best fits each sentence. 10x1point= 10 points**

1. ENTIRELY, 2. WHIMSICAL, 3. STIFFNESS, 4. EXISTENTIAL, 5. FITTINGLY/FITLY,
6. PRACTICALITY, 7. ENSHRINED, 8. IMMORTALIZED, 9. PORTRAYAL, 10. UNMATCHED.

**III. For questions 1-10, read the text below and look carefully at each line. Some of the lines are correct and some have a word that should not be there. On your answer sheet, if a line is correct, put a tick (✓) by the number. If a line has a word that should not be there, write the word down next to the number on your answer sheet. 10x1point= 10 points**

1. themselves, 2. ✓, 3. old, 4. up, 5. off, 6. also, 7. ✓, 8. in, 9. so, 10. farther.

**IV. Translate the following text into English. 10 points**

grammar structures      4 points  
vocabulary                4 points  
fluency                      2 points

**SUGGESTED ANSWER**

Back on the train/ On the train yet again. This time I am all by myself/completely alone. Were I little more extravagant/ If I were a little more extravagant, I could/might imagine this train belongs to me and moves solely/ only to give me pleasure/ to make me happy. A fanciful/ whimsical thought. It is enough for me that I am alone in the compartment. I cannot say I got very bored in Techirghiol. I experienced a few moments of intense joy, and for those moments I gladly endured/ was happy to put up with the tedium/boredom of foolish conversations, which, of course, are no less common in Bucharest.

I try to recall myself there. I would sometimes walk/ sometimes used to walk alone to the lake's pier. I had a favourite spot there. The pier was a kind of walkway stretching roughly a hundred meters into the lake, no wider than a meter at most. I would walk to the very end, where the wind almost always blew. I would sit there for hours, contemplating/ gazing at the water, while the wind tousled my hair/ with the wind blowing in my hair/ was playing through my hair.

