## Private Higher Educational Establishment-Institute "Ukrainian-American Concordia University"



### **PROGRAM**

of the English language examination for international entrants onto bachelor's degree programs within specilities 073 "Management" (field of study 07 "Management and Administration") and 292 "International Economic Relations" (field of study 29 "International Relations"

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## of the examination in the English language for entrants to the Ukrainian-American Concordia University

The entrance examination in the English language is designed and held in the form of tests, which involve assessing the entrants' level of the following skills:

- to recognize linguistic and speech phenomena and patterns;
- to group, classify language and speech phenomena, identify cause-effect relations between them;
- to use language tools in accordance with the literary norms;
- to distinguish the correct use of language tools from erroneous ones;
- to understand the meaning and peculiarities of the functioning of language units.

The test tasks within the entrance examination in the English language have three levels of difficulty, incl.:

- Level 1 the level of knowledge reproduction, which determines the ability of the entrant to reproduce the acquired knowledge (this level is the information minimum of the subject);
- Level 2 the level of application of skills and abilities that the entrant acquired at secondary school;
- Level 3 the level of transformation; to successfully complete the tasks of this level, the entrant must possess sound knowledge of all content areas of the program and be able to apply it in practice.

The test tasks are developed with due regard to the current English language programs for grades 5-11. The material is divided into the following sections: "English" ("Phonetics. Graphics", "Word structure. Word formation", "Morphology", "Syntax", "Lexicology. Phraseology", "Stylistics", "Orthoepy", "Orthography", "Speech development")

The time allotted for each test task is 60 minutes.

# I. STRUCTURE of the English Language Test

The English language test includes two types of tasks:

- 1. Multiple-choice tasks with one or more correct answers.
- 2. Short-answer open-ended tasks.

The written instructions for each task are given at the beginning of each type of task.

#### 1. Multiple-choice tasks with one or more correct answers

Each task consists of an introductory text and a list of four possible options, from which respondents need to choose one (or more) correct answer(s) and write it/them down. Example:

#### **Hidden Treasure**

If, like me, your vision of the perfect Caribbean holiday involves *muscovado* sand beaches, blissfully warm azure sea and a constant supply of rum-based cocktails, then Antigua won't disappoint.

The island has 365 palm-fringed beaches – one for every day of the year, as Antiguans will tell you – great food and wonderful, open-hearted people.

It also has some top accommodation options, including the luxurious St James's Club. Moving from my perfectly positioned lounger was always going to be a challenge. My husband, however, had other ideas. He'd hired a jeep and was determined to explore.

Lured by the prospect of a picnic lunch in a deserted cove, I agreed to join him, and I'm very glad I did. The island has a host of unexpected treasures.

At picturesque English Harbour we explored historical Nelson's Boatyard, and bought a bag of 'black gold' – nothing to do with pirates, but the sweetest pineapple I've ever tasted.

Along the way we saw pastel-coloured houses, Eric Clapton's villa, kids playing barefoot cricket – Antigua is home to Sir Viv Richards – and more great beaches.

Our four-year-old daughter was entranced to see real bananas growing on trees and whole families of goats and chickens trying to cross the road.

For an outstanding view of the island, I heard the best place is Shirley Heights. On a Sunday afternoon this is the place to be for 'jump-up' – a traditional Caribbean party involving barbecued food, cold beer, steel band music and endless dancing.

There are plenty of boat trips on offer in Antigua and it's definitely well worth taking a catamaran cruise to the nearby island of Barbuda - home to the famous K Club resort, a spot much favoured by celebrities, including late Princess Diana. With barely anyone else in sight, even the sand at the resort feels exclusive.

Close to Barbuda, and only accessible by boat, is a sanctuary for the magnificent frigate bird. The males have bizarre large red balloons beneath their beaks, which they plump up during the mating season to attract females.

Back on land we made the bone-rattling journey to Brown's Bay on the east side of the island for an exquisite dinner at the upmarket B&B Harmony Hall. Not only does the place offer local arts and crafts and a stunning view of uninhabited Green Island (brilliant snorkelling) but it also serves the best daiquiris ever. Bliss.

By Dawn Alford

#### **GETTING THERE**

Seven nights in Antigua with Virgin Holidays, staying at The Beach Club hotel, starts at £929 per adult and £489 per child, including return Virgin Atlantic flights from London Gatwick to Antigua, transfers and accommodation on an all-inclusive basis. Prices, based on departures between 1 Sep-11 Oct 2007, may be subject to a fuel surcharge. Virgin is a Clubcard

Deals partner, so every £10 in Clubcard Vouchers can be exchanged for £40 worth of Holiday Tokens to pay for all or part of your holiday. Pick up a Clubcard Deals brochure in store or visit.

#### The text is about

- A having perfect holidays.
- **B** visiting historical places.
- **C** meeting famous people.
- **D** looking for treasures.

Each correct answer scores 2 *points*. The maximum number of points that can be scored by correctly completing the 32 multiple-choice tasks with one or more correct answers constitutes 64 *points*.

## 2. Short-answer open-ended tasks

Short-answer open-ended tasks require an entrant to give free written answers without any options suggested.

Example:

## The Bermuda Triangle

The Bermuda Triangle, or Devil's Triangle, is the name (0) given (give) to an area
that has been at the centre of many unexplained disappearances. It lies between
Bermuda, Miami and San Juan, Puerto Rico. Within this area of water, numerous
planes and ships have mysteriously vanished.
The mystery of the Bermuda Triangle (1) (begin) in 1950. A small
article appeared outlining the strange disappearances of ships and planes. The area
was given the name The Devil's Sea. In a feature in 1964, Vincent Gaddis christened
the area the Bermuda Triangle.
One of the most famous disappearances occurred in 1945. Flight 19 was a squadron
of five naval bombers that supposedly disappeared while they (2) (fly)
over the Bermuda Triangle. The two planes that set out to rescue Flight 19 also
disappeared and were never found. Naval ships such as the USS Cyclops also
disappeared without a trace. A large ship
(3) (carry) ore also mysteriously vanished after only three days at sea.
An official statement by the US Coastguard stated that repeated search attempts were
made, but no traces (4) (can) ever be found of the missing planes or
ships.
Popularity of the Bermuda Triangle phenomenon reached a peak in 1974 with the
publication of Charles Berlitz's book. The (5) (author) book was called
The Bermuda Triangle. At around the same time, a film with the same name (6)
(release) as well. Numerous articles and books (7)
(publish) since then to try to give scientific explanations to the mystery. Some of the
explanations have been (8) (much) than credible.
There (9) (be) a number of discrepancies in the reports of the Flight 19
disappearance. Flight 19 was reported to have been manned by (10)

(experience) pilots flying in calm weather. In fact, the flight was a training exercise for students and the weather had turned stormy. The last contact with the flight stated that they were running low on fuel. The flight would no doubt have crash-landed, and no one could have survived the stormy seas of the triangle.

For all credible explanations of the disappearances, one mystery (11) \_\_\_\_\_ (remain). None of the crashed planes were ever recovered. As a mystery, the Bermuda Triangle is one that may never (12) \_\_\_\_\_ (solve).

0 – given; 1 – began; 2 – were flying; 3 – carrying; 4 – could; 5 – author's; 6 – was released; 7 – have been published; 8 – more; 9 – are/were; 10 – experienced; 11 – remains/remained; 12 – be solved.

Each correct answer scores *3 points*. The maximum number of points that can be scored by correctly completing the 12 short-answer open-ended tasks totals *36 points*.

Thus, the maximum score (number of points) that an entrant can obtain in the entrance examination in the English language is 200 points.

II. CRITERIA for the assessment of entrants' knowledge, skills and abilities at the entrance examination in the English language

Type of task	Number of points, max	Object of assessment	Scoring
1. Multiple- choice tasks with one or more correct answers	64 points	Linguistic (lexical, stylistic, grammatical) accuracy	Correct completion of the 32 tasks – 64 points. Each correct answer scores 2 points. Points are not awarded if there is
2. Short-answer open-ended tasks	36 points	Linguistic (lexical, grammatical, stylistic) and literary accuracy	no answer.  Correct completion of the 12 tasks – 36 points. Each correct answer scores 3 points. 1 point is deducted for each spelling mistake. Points are not awarded if there is no answer; the answer is correct, but not justified/well-reasoned.

If an applicant fails to appear for the entrance examination at the scheduled time for no good reason, they are not allowed to take the subsequent entrance examination and do not participate in the competition.