

II T – język angielski – ROZSZERZONY

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1 EXAM TASK Przeczytaj tekst, z którego usunięto cztery zdania. Wpisz w luki 1–4 litery, którymi oznaczono brakujące fragmenty (A–E), tak aby otrzymać logiczny i spójny tekst. Uwaga: jeden fragment

DIRECT DEMOCRACY IN SWITZERLAND

In most democratic countries, ordinary citizens exercise their legislative power through their representatives. (1)___ Such a system is often referred to as indirect democracy. The situation is quite different in Switzerland, which takes advantage of a system of direct democracy. Although parliamentary elections are held every four years, the Swiss get the chance to vote on particular issues several times a year.

They might be asked to express their opinion on issues at a federal level. (2)___ But also quite often, they decide on issues which are relevant only for their own canton or even their local community. examples of such local votes could be the anti-hooligan measures accepted by Zurich, or the decision by the people of Graubünden to reject the organisation of the 2022 Winter Olympics.

What is more, the Swiss can also come up with their own proposals for new legislation. This is known as a 'people's initiative'. Supporters of the new law need to gather a hundred thousand signatures in favour of their proposal. (3)___ A similar procedure is applied when Swiss citizens want to veto a new bill already passed by the parliament. The only difference is that the opponents need 50,000 signatures to call a referendum. If a majority of voters decide to reject the new law, it is simply cancelled.

Despite the advantages, the direct system of democracy does have its critics. (4)___ Others point out that the general public should not have a say on issues which are very complex. Yet, this criticism does not stop the Swiss from being very proud of their unique democracy.

został podany dodatkowo i nie pasuje do żadnej luki.

A Some of them argue that the legislative process becomes too long and too ineffective.

B If they manage to do so, their project is then approved or rejected in a nationwide vote.

C This means most people only turn up at the ballot box to vote in elections, which are either presidential, parliamentary or local.

D It was one of the most controversial initiatives put forward by the general public.

E In that case, all citizens all over the country vote on the same thing.

2 Read the definitions and write the correct words.

1 the sum of money that is demanded for the release of a kidnapping victim: _____

2 an official written agreement between two countries: _____

3 an area of a country that elects a representative to a parliament: _____

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3 Complete the sentences with the correct words.

1 If you're abroad, don't change your money at the airport because the banks in the city centre offer a better exchange _____.

2 Most countries have already abolished the death _____ as a punishment for serious crimes.

3 Political parties often employ a spin _____ to advise them how to present their policies and actions to the public.

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4 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words in brackets.

1 Some economists are predicting a severe economic _____ (**turn**) and urge the government to carry out important reforms.

2 The _____ (**head**) of the United Nations are in New York City.

3 The police have found some copies of illegal software in his house and charged him with _____ (**pirate**).

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5 Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

1 The poor condition of the national health system is a **burning / biting / fiery** issue at the moment.

2 A lot of people feel it's important to stick **for / on / to** traditions to preserve their sense of national identity.

3 A good alarm system is often an effective **deterrent / prevention / protection** to would-be burglars.

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6 Write sentences using the ideas below.

1 Powiedz, że chciałbyś/chciałabyś dowiedzieć się więcej na temat inwestowania w akcje.

2 Powiedz, że regularnie przeglądasz strony internetowe poświęcone problemom społecznym.

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7 Replace the underlined expressions with their more formal equivalents.

1 I got to know about the problem on the news on a local radio station.

I _____ about the problem on the news on a local radio station.

2 If you treat people badly, you are likely to lose the most valuable members of your staff.

If you treat people badly, you are likely to lose the most valuable section of your _____.

3 The company is aiming to be an equal opportunity employer and does not treat anyone unfairly.

The company is aiming to be an equal opportunity employer and does not _____ anyone.

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8 EXAM TASK Przeczytaj tekst. Z podanych odpowiedzi wybierz właściwą, tak aby otrzymać logiczny i gramatycznie poprawny tekst. Zakreśl literę A, B, C albo D.

The right to trial by jury is considered to be one of the most fundamental civil rights in a number of countries, including the UK and the USA. (1)___ in Poland and some other European countries, whose law system is based on the roman code, these countries have legal systems that are derived from that of common law.

The idea of jury trial is thought to (2)___ in ancient Greece. However, historians are unsure how the concept came to England. Some believe that it might have developed there of its own accord (3)___ others think it was brought with the Norman conquest in the 11th century.

The basic idea of trial by jury works according to some simple principles. A group of ordinary citizens are chosen to take part in a trial and hear the evidence. Next, they discuss the case and announce their (4)___ : 'guilty' or 'not guilty'.

1 A Unlike

B Contrary

C Opposed

D Compared

2 A originate

B originated

C have originated

D had originated

3 A however

B whereas

C so that

D unless

4 A sentence

B concept

C verdict

D findings

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