

Time limit: 120 minutes

Maximum score: 100

**Внимание! Обязательно перенесите ответы в бланк ответов.
Жюри проверяет только бланк ответов.**

LISTENING AND WRITING (35 points)

Task 1. Listen to the text. Decide which of the following statements (1 – 10) are (A) true, (B) false, or (C) there is no information in the text. Transfer your answers onto the answer sheet.

№	Statements	A	B	C
1.	The speaker argues that nowadays positive way of thinking is less popular in America.			
2.	The speaker believes that people, in general, are good by nature			
3.	According to the speaker, cynicism is a philosophical notion that helps people accept who they are.			
4.	Working on a smaller boats makes people want to compete with each other.			
5.	Social environment is a key factor in how we percept the world			
6.	Lisa Simpson argues that with the age people's happiness goes down.			
7.	Being a cynic prevents you from performing better			
8.	Cynics create conditions that might improve the results of scientific research.			
9.	Optimists are more likely to succeed in socially varied relationships.			
10.	Studies show that nowadays the majority of people consider themselves being cynical.			

Task 2. Listen to the text again and write a summarizing paragraph based on the text you have just listened to. You should follow the structure:

- a topic sentence;
- supporting arguments;
- a conclusion.

The paragraph must contain no less than 100 words.