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## Предисловие

Данное практическое руководство предназначено для слушателей подготовительных курсов. Руководство поможет слушателям овладеть новыми лексическими единицами, а также узнать разницу в употреблении тех или иных синонимов

Руководство состоит из четырех разделов, каждый из которых посвящен отдельной части речи: существительное, прилагательное, глагол и другие сложные случаи. В английском языке имеется немалое количество синонимов, которые вызывают трудность в употреблении. Руководство нацелено на снятие подобных трудностей у поступающих и облегчить им выполнение заданий централизованного тестирования.

Задания каждой из частей выполнены в виде мини-упражнений, с помощью которых возможно тщательно отработать лексический материал. С помощью подобного рода упражнений представляется возможным перевести лексические единицы из пассивного словаря в активный, что значительно сказывается на уровне владения языком. Упражнения на отработку построены на современном лексическом базисе повышенного уровня сложности.

Практическое руководство соответствует требованиям, предъявляемым к учебным публикациям данного рода, и может быть использовано на занятиях по английскому языку, а также для самостоятельной работы слушателей.

# Unit 1 Nouns

## Lexical test

**Consult the dictionary and find out the difference between the following words. Do the tests and translate them into Russian.**

### **1 comprehension or understanding**

There is not enough ... between the spouses.

The plan is beyond my ... .

### **2 cook or cooker**

The ... puts too much salt in the food.

The ... is out of order.

### **3 cost or price**

The shop was always empty because the ... were too high.

I'll be happy to pay for the ... of the postage.

### **4 custom or habit**

I want to learn more about Chinese ... .

He has a ... of coughing before he speaks.

### **5 a great deal or a great number**

We have received a ... of complaints.

He paid a ... for his car.

### **6 argument or discussion**

He ran away from home after an ... with his father.

After further ... the government decided to reject the American offer.

### **7 economy or economics**

The Brazilian ... seems to be improving.

The professor delivered a lecture to the students of ... .

### **8 effort or efforts**

Despite all his ..., the prisoner failed to escape.

Digging the tunnel demanded a great deal of ... .

### **9 experience, expertise or experiment**

He found sky-driving a wonderful ... .

I think it's cruel to do ... on animals.

She has been working as a manager for 10 years, you can rely on her

... .

### **10 fantasy or imagination**

Were the voices real or just product of his ... ?

He lives in the world of ... .

### **11 fare or ticket**

She offered to pay my ... .

He went to a travel agency to buy a ... .

### **12 guard or guardian**

The ... told them that the last train had just done.

They became little Tommy's ... after his parents death.

### **13 house or home**

It is believed that the castle was once the ... of evil monster.

Do you live in a ... or a flat?

### **14 household or housework**

Be quiet or you'll wake the whole ... .

At the week-end they have to do all the ... .

### **15 emigration or immigration**

The writer lives in ... now.

... has increased in recent years.

### **16 influence or effect**

The ... of the sea on the climate is evident.

My appeals had no ... .

### **17 enquiry or inquiry**

After making several ... , I finally found his house.

The police made an ... into the cause of the accident.

### **18 institute or institution**

He is a member of the Royal ... of Science.

Marriage is an ... (and I am not ready for an ...)

### **19 manifestation or demonstration**

The flowers he sent were a clear ... of his feelings.

There was a ... in the street.

### **20 marriage or wedding**

Why didn't you invite me to your ... ?

Her parents are against their ... .

### **21 measures or measurements**

You can't buy a carpet without knowing the ... of the room.

New ... are to be introduced in the light against crime.

### **22 memories or memoirs**

Casanova recording his adventures in his ... .

I have many vivid ... of my childhood.

### **23 age or ages**

The history of the town dates back to the Middle ... .

He proved to be a man of middle ... .

### **24 mistake or fault**

The calculation contains a ... .

When my CD player wouldn't work, I tried to find the ... myself.

It's not my ... that nothing has been done.

She called him Jack by ... .

### **25 note or notice**

There was a ... on the wall saying "No smoking".

I wrote him a ... saying that the package had arrived.

### **26 a number of or the number of**

Harsher punishment will not reduce ... .. crimes.

... large ... cars were parked outside the school.

### **27 duty or obligation**

You can try our computer in the show-room without any ... .

My ... is to do the house and take the children from school.

### **28 chance or opportunity**

After 10 years he finally had a ... to visit America.

There is a ... that David will come to the party.

### **29 footstep or paces**

The trees were planted ten ... apart.

In the silence he heard ... outside the windows.

### **30 amount or number**

She made a great ... of mistakes in the test.

I am not going to play such a/an ... of money for this old car.

### **31 audience, congregation, spectators**

The ... listened to the sermon in silence.

The ... cheered the teams coming on the field.

The ... was bored to death by her stilted manner of acting.

### **32 chance, opportunity**

She had the ... of visiting Paris.

I had no ... to speak to him.

There is a ... that I will see him tomorrow.

Going abroad is an excellent ... of learning languages.

### **33 clothes, cloth, clothing, dress**

She squandered all her money on ... .

How much ... will I need to make a blouse?

If you attend an official event you must wear formal ... .

Before setting out on their way, they had calculated the cost of winter ... food and fuel.

### **34 desire, appetite, craving, lust**

His ... for educating himself is praiseworthy.

After such a stressful week he lost his ... .

His maniacal ... for power is dangerous.  
You should cure your ... for cigarettes.

### **35 reason, excuse, pretext**

What is the ... for his refusal?  
He was trying hard to find a/an ... not to be present at the meeting.  
He left on the ... that his boss wanted to see him.

### **36 genius, talent, skill, capacity, aptitude, competence**

Einstein has ... / was a ... .  
N. is a young actress with a lot of ... .  
The minister answered his opponent, with great ... .  
The boy shows a great ... for learning languages.  
Understanding the book is beyond my ... .  
Do you doubt my ... as a programmer?

### **37 jealousy, envy**

Your plans for the summer sound nice.  
I ... you / I am ... of you.  
Tom is full of ... / is ... of Jim, because he thinks Jim has been promoted for no reason.

### **38 official, officer**

High rank ... have attended the conference.  
The usual form of addressing a member of the police force is ... .

### **39 pay, income, remuneration, salary, fee, wages**

Have you any ... apart from your ... .  
He expects an adequate ... for his effort.  
Teachers ... are much below average in this country.  
The lawyer demanded an exorbitant ... for this work.

### **40 travel, journey, voyage, flight, pilgrimage, expedition**

She wrote a book about her ... in South America.  
I felt run down after the uncomfortable ... in a crowded train.  
She dreams of a space ... .  
They got acquainted during a ... from New York to Paris.  
Millions of Muslims make ... to Mecca.

I bought a book about Scott's famous ... to the South Pole.

**41 work, occupation, post, position, trade, profession, vocation, career**

What is your ... ?

Please, send me the detail of the ... / ... advertised in the paper.

He is an electrician by ... .

Some ... , such as teaching and rising are called. ... .

His political ... began 20 years ago.

**42 tax or fine**

The ... on tobacco has been increased.

He was given a parking ... .

**43 title or headline**

The newspaper ... were all about the earthquake.

What is the ... of the play?

**44 voice or sound**

The only ... I could hear was a child is ...

**45 accident, incident, case, chance or occasion**

He was badly injured in a car ....

He is down with a bad...of the flu.

There is a small ... of his winning the prize.

They recall the funny ... very often.

You are having a party, what's the ... ?

**46 beach, coast, shore**

Looking down from the plane, we could see the Dutch ...

He enjoyed lying on the ... , looking at girls.

I live 10 miles from the ...

The ... of lake Geneva are very beautiful.

**47 border, frontier, boundary**

The ... is protected by minefields.

J.F. Cooper described the life on the ...

We live ten miles from the French ... .

The ... between the farms follows the line of the river.

#### **48 clothes, cloth**

I've spilled my tea, can I have a dish-...?

He is so untidy, he never changes his ... .

#### **49 cook, cooker**

My husband is a very good ...

I prefer gas ... to electric one.

#### **50 custom, costume**

The girls were wearing their national ... at the beauty contest.

A lot of the old ... are dying out now.

#### **51 limit, border, frontier**

You know, there is a ... to my patience.

France and Germany have a common ....

They were shot trying to cross the ....

The ... of medical knowledge are being pushed farther outwards every year.

## **Unit 2 Adjectives**

### **Lexical test**

**Consult the dictionary and find out the difference between the following words. Do the tests and translate them into Russian.**

#### **1 alive, living or lively**

Some of the fish were still ... .

Every ... creature is affected by pollution.

Our neighbors' children are very ... .

#### **2 all or whole**

... walls were painted green.

He spent the ... journey talking about accidents.

#### **3 lonely, alone or on one's own**

I want to buy a dog because I feel ... .  
He is not married and prefers to live ... .  
A child learns a lot by doing things ... .

#### **4 ashamed or embarrassed**

I always feel ... when I have to speak in public.  
He admitted to stealing the money without feeling ... .

#### **5 aware or familiar**

Are you ... that the train leaves in 5 minutes.  
The aim of the book is to make you ... with the latest teaching methods.

#### **6 big or large**

I paid a ... amount of money for the car.  
There was a ... dog sitting on the porch.  
A ... number of people believe in ghosts.

#### **7 strong, bad, severe or terrible**

Elephants are ... animals.  
He came back home with a ... headache.  
He is down with a ... case of the flu.  
He was suffering from a ... toothache.

#### **8 careless or carefree**

I wish I were young and ... again.  
If you weren't so ... , you wouldn't make so many mistakes.

#### **9 cheerful or happy**

They are very ... in their new home.  
Despite all her problems she is always ... .

#### **10 dead or died**

One of the passengers ... in the accident.  
Is the bird ... ?

#### **11 drunk or drunken**

The man who kept falling over was obviously ... .

A new law against ... driving has been adopted.

**12 economic or economical**

First, we need to improve our ... situation.

A large packet of flour is more ...

**13 electric or electrical**

The pasture was surrounded with an ... fence.

My brother is an ... engineer.

**14 exhaustive or exhausting or exhausted**

An ... investigation finally revealed the cause the accident.

They were sleeping after the ... ascend to the mountain.

She felt so ... after the exam.

**15 female or feminine**

The song was performed by a ... choir.

She was fragile and movingly ... .

**16 glad or happy**

I am so ... your wife is feeling holler.

She is a very ... person, and very intelligent.

**17 gold or golden**

She wore a coat with ... buttons.

She was brushing her ... hair.

It was a very valuable ... ring.

**18 graceful or gracious**

Everybody admired the dancer's ... movement.

The duchess was ... enough to accept the invitation.

**19 hard or hardly**

I could ... hear him.

Society shouldn't punish suck people too ... .

**20 historic or historical or history**

She enjoys reading ... novels.

The government made a ... decision.  
Why don't we visit the ... museum?  
We'll take you to see some ... places.

### **21 ill or sick**

Many of the old people looked ... .  
Most of the ... people were very old.

### **22 imaginary or imaginative**

People tend to become less ... as they grow older.  
The events of the book happened in an ... country.

### **23 last or latest**

Our ... meeting was in Rome.  
I am very interested in the ... events.

### **24 former or late**

There is a photo of his ... life on his desk.  
My ... husband works for a TV company.

### **25 male or masculine**

He had a deep ... voice.  
He bought a couple of ... rabbit.

### **26 open or opened**

*I wanted to buy a newspaper because the shop wasn't ... .*  
The shop was ... by Mary this morning because the manager was ill.

### **27 personal or personnel**

He has his ... opinion.  
Mr Jones is ... manager in our office.

### **28 strong or forceful**

He is a man of ... character and convictions, who will fight for what is right.  
For a career in you need a ... personality.

**29 famous, well-known, distinguished, eminent, notorious, infamous**

He is a ... sportsman in our city.

The ... sportsman was elected to the Parliament.

G. Alfeorov is a/an ... Russian scientist.

V. Bykov and other ... Belarusian authors contributed to this collection of stories.

Everyone was talking about the ... M. Levinsky.

J. Cash was the ... robber of elderly ladies.

**30 high, tall**

The cottage was surrounded with a ... wall.

Who is that ... man in the corner?

**31 intelligent, intellectual**

Rex is an ... dog.

You should exploit your ... capacity.

**32 legal, lawful, legitimate**

People under 18 must not buy tobacco, it is not ... .

Everyone should know his ... right.

You can take your exam only within the ... terms.

**33 superior, inferior, senior, junior to**

She is ... to everyone else in the company.

**34 near, close**

The ... future, the ... distance; a ... friend; ... behind.

**35 nervous, concerned, anxious**

I didn't play well because I was to ... .

Your mother will be ... until she hears you are safe.

We are rather ... about father's health.

**36 new, recent, modern, contemporary, current**

A ... law has been adopted by the government.

The ... election produced a ... president.

We are to take an exam in ... history.

My ... ideas o marriage differ from those I had at the age of 18.  
... art is too complicated for common people.

**37 thin, slim, slender, skinny, underweight, emaciated**

I don't want any cake. I am trying to ... .

This dress flatters her ... figure.

My mother thinks I am ... , but I feel O.K.

The doctor told the girl that she was ... .

The prisoners were ... .

Mrs Cook was a ... lady of 50.

... people seek nutritionists' advice.

Her brother says she is ..., but her mother thinks she is just a little ... .

Jane isn't fat, she is as ... as a partridge.

**38 wounded, injured, hurt**

They were badly ... when the car hit a tree.

He was ... by an enemy bullet.

I ... my foot when I dropped the hammer on it.

**39 valuable, priceless, invaluable, valueless, worthy**

Your help has been ... , we couldn't have done the job without you.

In my collection there are some ... items.

The exposition included the ... Egyptian manuscript.

He is just a ... member of society.

She is an excellent swimmer, she is a ... winner of the contest.

What's the use of keeping all these old and ... things?

**40 suited to or suitable for**

He is not ... life in a big city.

The film is nit rally ... children.

**41 sympathetic or likeable**

He expected people to be ... .

He is selfish, greedy and not at all ... .

**42 tasty or tasteful**

The design of the room was very ... .

Thank you for a ... meal!

### **43 tiring or tiresome**

That ... child never gives me a minute of peace.

The flight from London to New York was very ... .

### **44 usual or ordinary**

It is ... to thank people for their help.

We arranged to meet at the ... time.

It was an ... winter morning.

### **45 alive, live**

Don't touch this wire, it is ... .

The fish is still ... .

After the race he felt more dead than ... .

This broadcast comes to you ... from Sydney.

### **46 big, large, great**

He felt sleepy after a ... lunch.

Can't have a ... burgher?

You are making a ... mistake.

I had ... difficulty in getting through with the phone.

One of the ... paintings by Picasso was stolen.

Napoleon was a ... man.

- How do you like my dress? - ... !

### **47 broad, wide**

The car is too ... to go into the gate.

Dentist to a boy: "Open your mouth ... !"

They committed this crime in ... daylight.

He is an intelligent and ...-minded person.

He is a tall ...-shouldered boy.

The street is not ... enough for parking.

### **48 contrary, opposite**

What's the ... of "small"?

I am not angry, on the ..., I am delighted!

### **49 dead or died**

Mrs. Black is ...

This idea has been ... for years.  
Shakespeare ... in 1616.  
Have you heard? He has ... in a heart attack.  
When a person is fast asleep, he is said to be ... to the world.

### **50 genial, genius, ingenious, genuine, ingenuous**

I like going to Uncle Harry – he is such a friendly, ... person.  
There have been many brilliant women scientists, but very few  
women have been mathematical ...  
She gave me a ... smile.  
She is ... at making up excuses for being late.  
Do you think it is a ... Picasso?  
I was moved by her ... manners.

### **51 sick, ill**

I feel ..., where is the bathroom?  
I am never sea-... .  
I am ... of your complaints!  
She is not ... , she is just tired.

### **52 small, little**

The girl is ... for her age.  
Stop giggling like a ... girl!  
The Indian elephant is ... than the African elephant.  
Your work is good, but you made two ... mistakes.  
She is running a ... café.  
The truth will be revealed in a ... time.  
She is too ... to ride a bicycle.  
Don't let the ... things of life upset you!

### **53 continual, continuous**

I can't work with this ... interruptions.  
There was a ... ringing of the telephones

### **54 dull or blunt**

The knife is too ... to cut the bread. It's too ... in here, let's change  
the light bulb for a more powerful one. He felt a ... pain in his chest.  
She gave him a ... look.

## Unit 3 Verbs

### Lexical test

**Consult the dictionary and find out the difference between the following words. Do the tests and translate them into Russian.**

#### **1 achieve or reach**

He should be given a chance to ... his aim.

She ... out her hand to greet me.

The book on the upper shelf is hard to ... .

#### **2 avoid, prevent or restrain**

Some parents try to ... their children from leaving home.

Try to ... making this mistake again.

Most film stars try to ... being recognized when they are on holiday.

You must ... from asking personal questions.

#### **3 borrow or lend**

The garage has ... me another car while mine is being repaired.

You can ... my umbrella.

#### **4 brake or break**

He didn't mean to ... the plate.

Don't so suddenly on this slippery road.

#### **5 breath or breathe**

She had a very bad cold and couldn't ... properly.

He said something under his ... .

#### **6 cancel or postpone**

The flight was ... because of the weather.

The meeting was ... till next Thursday.

#### **7 be careful about smth, take care of smth, care for or care about smth**

The only thing ... was how to make money.

Who will ... the dog while I am away?

If you want to lose weight you must ... what you eat.  
Would you ... another drink?

### **8 compliment or complement**

The dry wine ... the meal perfectly.  
He was ... on doing a good job.

### **9 control or inspect**

The customs officer ... our baggage.  
Who will ... the aircraft?

### **10 deal in or deal with**

The company ... textiles.  
The play ... the problems of the young.

### **11 delay or postpone**

Because of the bad weather, the match was ... for a week.  
The departure of the flight was briefly ...

### **12 deny or refuse**

Mary wanted Arthur to help her, he ...  
He ... that he had told anybody about it.

### **13 destroy, spoil or ruin**

The explosion ... the whole house.  
His endless complaints ... my journey.  
The terrible weather ... our holiday.

### **14 disagree or refuse**

I tend to ... with what you say.  
Nowadays people ... to work very long hours.

### **15 edit or publish**

The magazine has just been ...  
The manuscript need ... badly.

### **16 to effect or to affect**

The new president ... several major changes.

The long illness ... his chances of passing the exam.

**17 excuse oneself or apologize**

She ... from the meeting, saying that she was not feeling very well.

He ... and promised never to do it again.

**18 to excuse smb or to be sorry**

I hope you will ... my untidy handwriting.

He ... that he had made her cry.

**19 expect or wait**

I ... they arrive late as usual.

She was standing by the reception desk ... for a taxi.

**20 drop, fall down, fall asleep, knock down**

I had to see anybody ... rubbish in the street.

He was so drunk that he kept ...

He was very tired and immediately ...

A car hit the woman and ... her ...

**21 look like or be like**

Could you describe what the driver ... ?

What ... Christmas ... in France?

**22 invent or discover**

Scientists have ... a cure for this disease.

Who ... the bicycle?

**23 lay or lie**

He ... on the floor asleep.

She ... her books on the chair.

**24 to threaten or to menace**

Nowadays stability and peace are ...

The world is ... by the risk of nuclear war.

**25 name or call**

They ... the baby Jane.

The students were asked to ... the five largest oceans in the world.  
He ... her Mrs Brown, though she is Ms Brown.  
What do you ... this dish?

## **26 feel nervous or feel anxious**

Wouldn't you feel ... if you had to speak before an audience of 300 people?

Thinking she might be hurt, I felt very ... .

## **27 overwork or work overtime**

The doctor advised him not to ... .

He made a lot of money by ... .

## **28 excuse or pardon**

I asked the teacher if I could be ... for a few minutes.

I am they will ... the occasional mistake.

## **29 past or passed**

We were glad to hear that you had ... you exam.

Of those who took the exam only 50% ... .

He ... me the papers.

She walked ... very quickly.

She never speaks about her ...

Sever taxis ... me without stopping.

## **30 bother, worry, disturb, infuriate**

I ... with him for keeping me waiting go long.

Will it ... you if I put the radio on?

These files ... me.

The woolen sweater ... my skin.

The teacher will be ... with us if we are late.

Her derisive laughter ... him.

## **31 answer, reply, respond, retort**

He didn't feel like ... my question.

After a pause she ... to my question.

I spoke, but he didn't ... .

"Help me with the task!", she asked him. "Why should I?", he ... .

**32 ask, enquire, inquire, demand, question, interrogate**

The student was ... many question.

The police officer ... whether we had seen the accident.

She ... where I had bought the dictionary.

I ... to know the truth!

The suspect was ... by the chief inspector.

All the witnesses were ... thoroughly.

**33 to bath, bathe**

He ... every morning if the weather is fine.

When are you going to ... the baby?

**34 bear, stand, endure, tolerate**

I can't ... weak coffee.

I can't ... talking to people who are racist.

He ... the pain as long as he could.

She had ... great pain for many years.

I find it hard to ... your rudeness.

**35 become, come, go**

One day I'll ... a doctor.

Everything is ... wrong.

Everything will ... right in the end.

I hope all your wishes will ... true.

**36 break, tear, cut, smash, crack**

The glass was ... , but not ... .

She ... his photo into pieces.

Will you help me ... the vegetables up?

The stone ... the light bulb.

**37 compare with/to**

The poet compared his beloved ... a rose.

In today's lesson we'll compare the British system of government ... the American.

**38 comprise, compose, consist of, constitute, include**

The UK ... Northern Ireland and Wales.

The UK ... England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.  
England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland ... the UK.

### **39 decorate, adorn, embellish, garnish**

The children ... the house for Christmas.  
The elderly lady ... herself with diamond rings.  
The door of the church was ... with was ... with decorations.  
The waiter brought a plate of baked fish ... with slices of tomato.

### **40 doubt, hesitate**

I don't ... that he is telling the truth.  
She ... over the choice between the dresses.  
I ... to ask you, but will you lend me some money?  
I ... his honesty.

### **41 dress, put on, wear**

She always ... in black/black.  
They were all ... up for the party.  
Wait a minute, I am getting ... .  
... your jacket, it's getting cold.  
Do you like the costume the singer is ...?

### **42 migrate, emigrate, immigrate**

His family ... to Australia 10 years ago.  
Many young people ... because of ... hardships.

### **43 glance, glimpse**

I ... at the clock and saw that it was late.  
I caught a ... of the Town Hall clock.

### **44 hear, listen**

I was in the garden, so I didn't ... the telephone.  
If you ... hard, you can ... what the neighbours say.

### **45 hire, hire out, rent, let (out), charter**

Let's ... a car for the week-end.  
Ask the owner of the house if he ... it ... .  
You ... a house or a flat, and the owner ... it ... .

They ... a bus / plane for an excursion to the mountains.

#### **46 hire, appoint**

We ... an advertising company to help us sell our new product.

The school board is going to ... a new history teacher.

#### **47 insure, ensure, assure, insurance, assurance**

Life ...; fire ... .

I went back to the car to ... myself that.

I had locked it properly.

I fitted a new lock to ... that the car would be stolen.

My car ... against being stolen. She seems very self-....

#### **48 interfere in/with**

My sister is always ... my cooking.

Your remarks ... the teacher's explanation.

#### **49 discover, invent**

Who ... the law of gravitation?

Who ... the steam-engine?

#### **50 lead, guide, direct, drive, steer**

He ... us through the forest.

She ... the visitor round the office.

Can you ... me to the central library?

Farmers were ... the cattle into the pasture.

... a motor-boat is an exciting experience.

#### **51 do, make**

... a favour; ... war; ... a noise; ... the shopping.

- What are you ...? – Cutting the cloth.

- What are you ... ? – A new dress.

#### **52 made of / from**

What is this salad made ... ?

Let's make a vest ... this jacket.

She bought a bag made ... leather.

Scarlett made a dress ... a curtain.

### **53 order, command**

My wife ... me to be in time for supper.

The general ... the regiment to advance.

The police officer ... us to produce our IDs.

### **54 persuade, convince**

Try to ... him to come with us.

The newspaper article ... me that smoking is dangerous.

### **55 refuse, reject, decline, turn down**

I'm sorry, but I must ... your invitation.

The girl ... to give her phone number to him.

I came for an interview, but they ... me ... .

Handicapped people often feel ... by society.

### **56 replace, displace**

Typewriters have been ... by printers.

G. Kasparov was ... by a new champion.

### **57 remain, stay**

We ... at the Savoy Hotel.

She ... true to her word.

### **58 spend, waste, pass (time)**

We ... the day painting the outside of the house.

How do you ... the time when on holiday?

I ... an hour trying to get him on the phone.

### **59 Match nouns and verbs**

*A horse / bicycle / car / plane / boat*

Drive ...

Ride ...

Sail ...

Pilot: to fly ...

Get on/off (dismount) ...

Get on/off (alight) ...

Get on/off (embark) ...

Get on board / off (disembark) ...

Get into/out of ...

**60 venture, adventure**

Nobody ... to speak to the angry king.

Her favorite cartoon is the ... Sinbad the Sailor.

**61 win, earn, gain**

Who is going to ... election?

You've been working hard and you've ... a rest.

She ... enough to afford a new car.

By reducing prices, we ... an advantage over our opponents.

She ... experience while working for the newspaper.

**62 wonder, admire**

Arriving in New York, she ... at the tall buildings and crowded street.

She ... the beauty and elegance of the poet's style.

**63 work, toil, labour**

Digging in the garden is hard ....

The slaves ... up the hill pulling the heavy blocks.

The company is having ... problems.

**64 be used to doing smth, get used to doing smth or used to do smth**

People ... considering men superior to women.

I ... play football when I was younger.

It took me a long time ... the Irish accent.

**65 watch or see**

Have you ever ... a giant turtle?

We sat on the beach and ... the sun go down.

**66 interfere (with smth) or prevent (smth or smb from smth)**

What ... you coming earlier?

I am determined to ... his arrival.

The continual ringing of telephones ... our conversation.

**67 address, consult, apply, turn for advice**

She decided to ... to her boss for a day-off.  
Her mother is a wise and considerate person, many people ... to her  
...  
I don't know if she is married and how to ... her.  
You'd better ... a lawyer before signing the papers.

### **68 Give up or refuse**

Mr Brown ... to explain his motives.  
They ... our help.  
Having turned the matter over in her mind, she ... the idea of buying the house.

### **69 differ or distinguish**

His program ... from mine.  
I can't ... John from his twin brother.  
Colour-blind people can't ... between colours.  
His exceptional intelligence ... him from the rest of the class.

### **70 discover or reveal**

Professor N. ... a new way of curing this disease.  
He promised to do his best to ... the truth.

### **71 accept, take or adopt**

The government has ... a program of rehabilitation for the handicapped.  
The company must ... measures against the decrease of demand for its products.  
I am glad to ... your invitation.

### **72 convince or persuade**

The shop-assistant ... me to buy this blouse.  
She ... me that the blouse matched my eyes.  
We are ... that he is innocent.

### **73 learn, find out, recognize, get to know**

You'll like him when you ... him better.  
Try to ... all details about it!

She has grown so thin, besides, she has a different hair-do, you will hardly ... to her.

You can only ... to speak English by speaking.

#### **74 beat or bite**

Our team was ... yesterday.

The dog would never have ... you, if you hadn't been teasing it.

#### **75 feel or fall**

She ... very tired and ... asleep immediately.

#### **76 find or found**

When was the Royal Society ... ?

Have you ... the textbook you lost yesterday?

#### **77 hanged or hung**

She ... a notice saying "Keep out"

In the Middle Ages criminals were ... before large crowds of people.

#### **78 lay or lie**

She ... her books on the desk and began reading.

He ... still trying to fall asleep.

Get up! You've been ... on the sofa for hours.

"... aside your textbooks and listen to me", said the teacher.

#### **79 rise or raise**

As soon as she saw him, her spirit ... .

Are you going to ... this problem at the meeting.

The prices have been ... again.

After this performance, the actor ... in my esteem.

#### **80 saw, sew, sow**

You'll have to ... off the old bough of the tree.

Thanks for ... on my button.

Do you know what the expression "... wild oats" means?

#### **81 strike or stroke**

The dog is very friendly, you can ... it.

The clock ... 7 and he immediately rushed out.

### **82 alive, live**

Don't touch this wire, it is ... .

The fish is still ... .

After the race he felt more dead than ... .

This broadcast comes to you ... from Sydney.

### **83 borrow, lend**

The word "phenomenon" was ... from Greek.

Can you ... me some money?

Don't ... him anything, he is always ... things and never bringing them back.

... me a hand! (help me)

### **84 listen, hear**

We tried to explain it to her, but she shouldn't ... .

Please, say it again. I didn't ... what you said.

### **85 rouse, arouse**

His behavior ... everybody's suspicion.

He is very hard to ... in the morning.

The speaker ... the audience to anger.

### **86 shout, cry, weep**

Don't ... , I am not deaf!

The prince sat ...ing in the garden.

She ... when she heard of her friend's death.

The little girl ... out in pain when she burnt her finger.

"Stop ...ing your heart out, it is not the end of the world!", mother said to her.

### **87 shut, close**

They have ... the road for repairs.

The doors ... and the train moved off.

Keep your eyes wide open before marriage and half ... after it.

## **Unit 4 Other cases**

## Lexical test

**Consult the dictionary and find out the difference between the following words. Do the tests and translate them into Russian.**

### **Confusing words: other cases**

#### **1 as long as or while**

You can stay here ... you like.

Please, water my pot-plants ... I am away.

#### **2 besides or beside**

My friend was sitting ... me.

There were 3 other people ... us.

#### **3 in case or in this respect**

Belarus lies in the centre of Europe, and ... we are lucky.

- What shall I do if he is out?

- ... leave him a message.

#### **4 continually or continuously**

The phone has been ringing ....

A line of cars stretched ... down the motorway.

#### **5 for or during**

He remained there ... a long time.

She made this pictures ... her holiday.

#### **6 accept, except or besides**

She eat everything ... fish ... smoke and traffic fumes, there are several other types of pollution.

Some people are unable to ... criticism.

#### **7 first, at first, firstly**

... , open the windows, then call an ambulance.

... I didn't want to go, but I soon changed my mind.

There are several reasons for my refusal ... , it's too expensive.

Secondly, my wife wouldn't approve of it. Thirdly...

### **8 forever and for ever**

Nobody lives ... .

He is ... asking me for money.

### **9 how or what**

The decision will depend on ... generous your offer is.

... do you call this flower in English?

### **10 on the contrary, on the other hand, in contrast**

- Are you happy?

- I am desperate.

It's too expensive, but ... it's so stylish.

She is so keen on languages, but ... she is the most hopeless case for her math teacher.

### **11 disinterested, uninterested**

You'd better ask an/a ... person for advice.

Do whatever you like, I am quite ... .

### **12 electric, electrical**

We got stuck in the elevator because of the ... fault in the system.

She is too old fashioned she still prefers mechanical clocks to ones.

### **13 hardly, scarcely, barely, no sooner**

He had ... come home when the telephone rang.

The game had ... begin than it started raining.

He is ... ever late for work.

We have ... any time left.

### **14 literally, literary**

He ... exploded with anger.

He is the editor of a popular ... magazine.

### **15 in the way, on the way**

I saw the accident ... the way to work.

Sorry, but you are ... my way.

**16 strongly or tightly**

I ... advice you to think again.  
She held my hand ... and began to cry.  
He grasped at the end of the rope ... .  
He smelt ... of beer.

**17 after all, in the end, at last**

What conclusion did they come to ... ?  
..., it isn't the end of the world!  
... he took a decision.

**18 besides, except**

This car belongs to Miss Smith. She has two others ... .  
All of us passed the exam ... John.

**19 at all or altogether**

It's out of the question ... .  
I don't know him ... .

**20 alone, along**

After her husband's death she lives ... .  
Take your girlfriend ... to the party!

**21 among, between**

Are there sportsmen ... your friends?  
It's very hard to distinguish ... John and his twin brother.

**22 each other, one another**

After the match the footballers congratulated ...  
Her parent looked at ... in surprise.

**23 round, around, about**

Where is he? He is somewhere ... .  
Stop throwing rubbish ... !  
Would you like to go ... the United States?  
I spent the day messing ... in the garden.  
He showed us ... the castle. The tree is 3 meters ... .  
Turn the picture ... to face the wall.

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