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## **The English Language Entrance Examination program for foreign applicants**

entering the English Media Medicine (EMD) of  
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English Language Program was designed to determine a level of English language proficiency prerequisite for admission to the University Medical Faculty (EnglishMedia). The program takes into account the requirements for foreign students who speak English on the level necessary for admission to universities in the Russian Federation.

Entrance examinations are conducted in the oral form. The exam tests English language skills in the following types of speech activity: reading, speaking, understanding, grammar.

In the entrance exam an applicant must demonstrate: skills in reading, understanding, rendering, answering questions to the text on basic sciences, understanding speech addressed to him, extracting factual information (subject, time, relationship, characteristics of objects, goals, reasons), taking part in dialogues on proposed topics, expressing their attitude to the statements of the

speakers, formulating own statements based on what they have read or listened in accordance with the norms of English.

### **The structure of examination paper and assessment criteria**

The examination paper for the oral entrance exam contains 3 sections.

The first part is **reading**.

The applicant shall read the text. The assessment takes into account the applicant's reading ( speed and pronunciation), understanding of the text content and vocabulary, the ability to adequately respond to the questions, rendering the text and extracting factual information from it, formulating own statements based on this text.

#### **Evaluation Criteria**

The maximum score for this task- to 40 points.

**Reading**(speed and pronunciation) – to 10 points

**Understanding**– to 10 points

**Answering the questions**– to 10 points

**Rendering**– to 10 points

#### **The second part is speaking**

When answering this question speech skills and monologue construction skills as well as dialogue skills and abilities are evaluated. The applicant must be able to understand the content of the other person's statements, identify their communicative intentions, respond properly to the remarks, and be able to initiate a dialogue and express their communicative intentions on one of the proposed topics:

Acquaintance

About myself  
My family  
My country  
Foreign languages study  
My working day  
My day off  
Doctor- profession  
Why I want to study in Russia  
Weather  
Education in my country  
Man and his health  
The capital of my country  
Famous doctors I know  
Travelling  
Problems of young people  
School Life  
My Hobby  
Shopping

### **Evaluation Criteria**

The maximum score for this task is 50 points.

Monologue speech- to 30 points

**Speech without lexical and grammatical errors**– to 10 points

**The correspondence of the statement to the subject**– to 10 points

**The scope of the statement** –to 10 points

Dialogue speech – to 20 points

**Understanding examiner's questions and answering them correctly**– to 10 points

## **Ability to initiate a dialogue -to10 point**

The third part is **grammar**

The maximum score for this question is 10.

In the third part applicant is offered sentences that contain missing grammatical forms. His task is to restore the correct grammatical forms.

**The maximum score for this question is 10.**

**2 points for each correct answer**

## **Sample exam paper**

Task 1. Read, understand, render, and answer the questions to the text.

The protozoans, minute, aquatic creatures each of which consists of a single cell of protoplasm, constitute a classification of the most primitive forms of animal life. They are fantastically diverse, but three major groups may be identified based on their motility. Have one or more long tails, which they use to project themselves forward.

Protozoans are considered animals because, unlike pigmented plants to which some protozoans are otherwise almost identical, they do not live on simple organic compounds. Their cell demonstrates all of the major characteristics of the cells of higher animals.

Many species of protozoans collect into colonies, physically connected to each other and respond uniformly to outside stimulate. Now almost 40,000 species of protozoa have been identified.

Where do protozoans probably live?

Why are protozoans classified as animals?

How many species of protozoans are known now?

Task 2. Talk about your native country. Answer the examiner's questions.

Task 3. Fill in the proper grammar form:

1. I \_\_\_\_\_ work at 9 o'clock every day

- a) will begin
- b) am begin
- c) begin
- d) begin

2. The new hotel \_\_\_\_\_ next year.

- a) was built
- b) will built
- c) will be built
- d) will be builded

3. I'm late. \_\_\_\_\_?

- a) am I not
- b) aren't I
- c) am not I
- d) are I not

4. Many people think that Chinese is the world's \_\_\_\_\_ language.

- a) more hard
- b) harder
- c) hardest
- d) most hardest

5. Sorry, I'm late. How long \_\_\_\_\_ waiting?

- a) did you
- b) have you been
- c) are you
- d) have you

Examples of possible questions:

1. What is your name?

2. When were you born?

3. When did you graduate from high school?

4. Tell us about your native country, where are you from?

5. What language is spoken in Russia?
6. Do you like to read? What are you reading?
7. What medical specialties do you know?
8. What kind of person should a good doctor be?
9. Why did you decide to enter this University?
10. What kind of education does a person receive at the university?
11. What do students do every day?
12. Where do doctors usually work?
13. What do you think you need to do to avoid getting sick?
14. What time of the year do you like the most? Why?
15. At what age do children in your country go to school?
16. What do you need to do to be a good student?
17. What language is spoken in Russia?
18. Which books of Russian writers have you read?
19. Why did you choose St. Petersburg for your medical education?
20. Have you ever been to St. Petersburg?

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