

**КОНТРОЛЬНО-ИЗМЕРИТЕЛЬНЫЙ МАТЕРИАЛ  
ДЛЯ ПРОМЕЖУТОЧНОЙ АТТЕСТАЦИИ ЭКСТЕРНОВ  
ПО УЧЕБНОМУ ПРЕДМЕТУ «ИНОСТРАННЫЙ (АНГЛИЙСКИЙ)  
ЯЗЫК» ЗА КУРС 9 КЛАССА  
Демонстрационный вариант**

**Task 1. You are going to read the text aloud. You have 2 minutes to read the text silently, and then be ready to read it aloud. Remember that you will not have more than 2,5 minutes for reading aloud.**

The ninth planet of the solar system was discovered not long ago. It happened in 1930. Scientists had been hunting for the planet for a long time. They had calculated its probable position but there was no proof that the planet really existed. It was too far away for the telescopes of that time to find it. It's worth mentioning that the first photos of the planet were taken by a very young researcher. He was only twenty-four and had no formal education in astronomy. However, he was deeply involved in the search for the ninth planet. The planet at the edge of the solar system was called Pluto, after the Roman god. The name for the planet was suggested by an 11-year-old British girl.

**Task 2. You are going to answer 3 questions based on the information in the text you've read.**

1. When was Pluto discovered and who took the first photos of it?
2. Why was it difficult for scientists to find the ninth planet?
3. Who suggested the name “Pluto” and why do you think it was a good choice?

**Task 3. You are going to take part in a telephone survey. You have to answer six questions. Give full answers to the questions. Remember that you have 40 seconds to answer each question.**

**Task 4. You are going to give a talk about school exams. You will have to start in 4 minutes and speak for not more than 3 minutes (10-12 sentences). Remember to say:**

- what exams you have to take this year;
- whether exams are useful for your learning or not, and why;
- how you get ready for your most difficult exams;
- what your attitude to school exams is.

You have to talk continuously.

**Task 5. You are going to participate in a conversation on the topic of the previous task. Please provide complete answers to the questions asked by the interviewer.**

*Примерные вопросы экзаменатора-собеседника:*

1. *Which exam do you find the most difficult and why?*
2. *Do you prefer written or oral exams? Why?*
3. *If you could change something about school exams, what would it be?*