



# ДЪРЖАВЕН ИЗПИТ ПО АНГЛИЙСКИ ЕЗИК И ЛИТЕРАТУРА

Специалност: РУСКИ ЕЗИК И АНГЛИЙСКИ ЕЗИК; АНГЛИЙСКИ ЕЗИК И  
ФРЕНСКИ ЕЗИК, АНГЛИЙСКИ ЕЗИК И НЕМСКИ ЕЗИК

ОКС „Бакалавър“ – редовно обучение

Държавният изпит се състои от писмен изпит по специалността.

Изпитът включва (А) **практически компонент** – проверка на практически английски език и (Б) **разработка на теоретичен въпрос** по съвременен английски (фонетика и фонология, лексикология, морфология, синтаксис) или английска и американска литература.

**А. ПРАКТИЧЕСКИЯТ КОМПОНЕНТ** на писмения изпит включва:

- а/ диктовка на непознат оригинален текст на английски език;
- б/ превод на непознат текст от английски на български език;
- в/ превод на непознат текст от български на английски език;

Текстовете на диктовката и двата превода са от около 25 реда всеки.

**Б. ТЕОРЕТИЧЕН КОМПОНЕНТ**

Задават се три теми – две литературни (по една от британска и американска литература) и една езиковедска. Студентът разработва ЕДНА от темите по избор.

Времетраене на писмения изпит – четири часа /след записване на темата и преди започване на диктовката/.

Темите на изпита се дават на базата на приложените по-долу въпросници по съвременен английски език и литература, като се формулират така, че да насочват към проблемни въпроси и да дават възможност за творческа изява.

Крайната оценка на писмения изпит е средноаритметично от оценките на практическия и теоретичния компоненти. При това трябва да се има предвид, че и практическият и теоретичният компонент са поотделно елиминаторни.

Крайната оценка на практическия компонент е средноаритметично от неговите компоненти /диктовката и двата превода/.

За **чуждестранните студенти** изпитът съдържа практическа част, състояща се от диктовка и лексикално-граматичен текст и теоретична част по общия регламент. Крайната оценка представлява средноаритметично от практическата и теоретичната част. При това трябва да се има предвид, че и практическият и теоретичният компонент са поотделно елиминаторни.



## КОНСПЕКТ

### I. LINGUISTICS

#### PHONETICS AND PHONOLOGY

1. The consonant phonemes of English: plosives, fricatives and affricates; nasals; the lateral; approximants.
2. The vowel phonemes of English: long and short vowels, diphthongs. The syllable.
3. Connected speech: vowel reduction, assimilation, elision, linking, strong and weak forms.
4. Intonation and rhythm. Stress.
5. Transcription: intralingual (phonemic and phonetic); interlingual (English-Bulgarian, Bulgarian-English). The English spelling.

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2. Danchev, A. (1988) Segmental phonology of the Bulgarian English interlanguage(s), In: *Error Analysis – Bulgarian Learners of English*, Narodna Prosveta, pp. 156-175
3. Danchev, A. (1995) *Bulgarian Transcription of English Names*, 3<sup>rd</sup> ed., Open Society Publishing House
4. \*Dimitrova, S. (2003) *English Pronunciation for Bulgarians*, Sofia: Vezni-4
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6. Gimson, A.C. and A. Cruttenden (1994) *Gimson's Pronunciation of English*, 5<sup>th</sup> edn., Arnold
7. Roach, P. (2000) *English Phonetics and Phonology: a practical course*, CUP.
8. Тилков, Д., Т. Бояджиев (1990) *Българска фонетика*, Наука и изкуство.
9. Данчев, А., М. Холман, Е. Димова и М. Савова (1989) *Английски правопис и изговор на имената в българския език*, Наука и изкуство, София

#### Dictionaries of English Pronunciation:

\*Wells, J.C., *Longman Pronunciation Dictionary*, Longman, 2000,...

Roach, P., Hartman, J. and Setter, J. (eds.) *D. Jones' English Pronouncing Dictionary*, CUP. 2003

#### LEXICOLOGY

1. Word - meaning. Referential and functional approach to meaning. Types of meaning.
2. Change of meaning: causes and nature. Results of semantic change.
3. Polysemy. Semantic structure of polysemantic words.
4. Homonymy.
5. Semantic classification of words: synonyms, hyponyms, hyperonyms, antonyms.
6. Collocation of words.
7. Word structure: morphemes, types of morphemes. Morphological classification of words.
8. Conversion.
9. Compound words.
10. Phraseological units.

#### BIBLIOGRAPHY / LEXICOLOGY/:

1. J. Molhova. *Outlines of English Lexicology*, Sofia, 1990
2. J. Lyons. *Semantics*, Oxford university Press, 1981
3. R. S. Ginsberg, et al. *A Course in Modern English Lexicology*. 1990
4. S. Ulmann. *The principles of semantics*. Oxford, 1967
5. I.V. Arnold. *The English word*. 1986



## MORPHOLOGY

1. The English Noun. Morphological and Semantic Classes.
2. The English Noun. The Grammatical Category of *Number*
3. The English Noun. The Lexico-grammatical Category of *Gender*.
4. The English Noun. The Grammatical Category of *Case*.
5. The English Verb Phrases. Finite. Non-finite.
6. The English Verb. The Grammatical Category of *Tense*.
7. The English Verb. *Futurity*.
8. The English Verb. The Grammatical Category of *Aspect*
9. The English Verb. The Grammatical Category of *Mood*.
10. Modality and modal verbs.
11. The English Verb. The Grammatical Category of *Voice*.
12. The English adjective. Morphological, semantic, and syntactic characteristics.
13. The English adverb. Morphological, semantic, and syntactic characteristics.

### BIBLIOGRAPHY / MORPHOLOGY/:

1. Douglas Biber, *Longman Grammar of Written and Spoken English* – 2001, Pearson Education Limited / *Student's Grammar of Written and Spoken English*.
2. R.Quirk, Sidney Greenbaum, *A University Grammar of English* – 1996, Longman Group Limited.
3. R.Quirk et al. *A Comprehensive Grammar of the English Language* – 1994, Longman Group Limited.
4. Rodney Huddleston, *Introduction to the Grammar of English* – 1993, Cambridge University Press.
5. Веселина Койнакова, Сашко Павлов, *Помагало по морфология на САЕ*, 2003, Пловдивско университетско издателство.

## SYNTAX

1. English Phrases
2. The Sentence: definition, characteristic features, classification
3. The Simple Sentence: basic patterns of sentence structure
4. The Subject
5. The Predicate (and the Predicative)
6. Subject – Predicate Agreement
7. The Object
8. The Attribute; Apposition
9. The Adverbial Modifier
10. English Word Order
11. The Composite Compound Sentence
12. The Composite Complex Sentence

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1. Grancharov, M. *English Syntax: Practice Book*. Plovdiv University Press, 2009.
2. Grancharov, M., Грънчаров, М. *Синтактични средства на функционалната изреченска перспектива, локализиращи комуникативно-информационния фокус на изречението в модерния английски книжовно-литературен език, 15-20 век*. Пловдивско университетско издателство: 2010.
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5. Molhova, J. et al. *Reader in English Syntax*. Shoumen, 1996.
6. Huddleston, R., G. Pullum. *A student's introduction to English grammar*. Cambridge: CUP, 2005.
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11. Quirk, et al. *A Comprehensive Grammar of the English Language*. Longman, 1985.
12. Leech, G. et al. *English Grammar for Today*. Macmillan Education, Ltd., 1982.

## II. BRITISH LITERATURE

### MEDIEVAL AND RENAISSANCE ENGLISH LITERATURE

#### MODULE 1: THE MIDDLE AGES (428-1500)

1. The heroic code in *Beowulf*: discuss the examples of loyalty, heroic boasting, and generosity.
2. Discuss the ways in which Gawain espouses and betrays the ideal of knighthood in *Sir Gawain and the Green Knight*.
3. *The Canterbury Tales*: discuss the General Prologue in terms of its frame narrative, thematic scope, and medieval estates satire.
4. The traditional ballad: form, meter, and style (“Lord Randall,” “Sir Patrick Spense,” “The Douglas Tragedy,” “The Birth of Robin Hood,” etc.).
5. Medieval drama: discuss the importance of the scenes with Mak and Gill in *The Second Shepherds' Play*. Can they serve any other purpose than that of providing comic relief?
6. Discuss the effect of courtly love on the situation of women in Thomas Malory's *Le Morte Darthur* (e.g. the love relationship between Gareth and Lady Lyonesse and that between Lancelot and Guinevere).

#### MODULE 2: THE RENAISSANCE (1500-1660)

7. Discuss the letter from Spenser to Sir Walter Raleigh, the use of allegory, and the *roman à clef* mode in *The Faerie Queene*.
8. Discuss the clash between medieval and Renaissance values in Marlowe's *Doctor Faustus*.
9. The characteristics of Shakespeare's romantic comedies – family, marriage, and free will in *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, *Much Ado About Nothing*, *Twelfth Night*.
10. The essence of Shakespearean tragedy: tragic protagonists and tragic downfall in *Hamlet*, *King Lear*, and *Macbeth*.
11. Time, mutability, and death in Shakespeare's sonnets.
12. Discuss Ben Jonson's comedy of humours (*Volpone*, *The Alchemist*) against the background of Shakespeare's romantic comedies.
13. Milton's *Paradise Lost*: story, plot, and the Bible.

#### CRITICAL READING /MEDIEVAL AND RENAISSANCE ENGLISH LITERATURE/:

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- Abrams, M. H., and Stephen J. Greenblatt, eds. *The Norton Anthology of English Literature: The Middle Ages through the Restoration and the Eighteenth Century*. Vol. 1. New York: Norton, 1986. Print.
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## USEFUL SOURCES FOR ACADEMIC ESSAYS

### MODULE 1: THE MIDDLE AGES

1. The *Beowulf* poet: Hill, John M. *The Cultural World in 'Beowulf'*. Toronto: U of Toronto P, 2015. Print.
2. The Gawain poet: Pearsall, Derek. "Courtesy and Chivalry in *Sir Gawain and the Green Knight*: The Order of Shame and the Invention of Embarrassment." *A Companion to the Gawain Poet*. Ed. Derk Brewer and Jonathan Gibson. Cambridge: Brewer, 1997. 351-62. Print.
3. Geoffrey Chaucer: Mann, Gill. *Chaucer and Medieval Estates Satire: The Literature of Social Classes and the 'General Prologue' to the 'Canterbury Tales'*. Cambridge: Cambridge UP, 1973. Print.
4. The traditional ballad: Atkinson, David. *The English Traditional Ballad: Theory, Method and Practice*. Aldershot: Ashgate, 2002. Print.
5. Medieval drama: Bowers, Rick. *Radical Comedy in Early Modern England: Contexts, Cultures, Performances*. Aldershot: Ashgate, 2008. Print.
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### MODULE 2: THE RENAISSANCE

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12. Ben Jonson: Harp, Richard, and Stanley Stewart, eds. *The Cambridge Companion to Ben Jonson*. Cambridge: Cambridge UP, 2000. Print.
13. John Milton: Schwartz, Louis, ed. *The Cambridge Companion to 'Paradise Lost'*. New York: Cambridge UP, 2014. Print.

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## **18<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY LITERATURE**

1. Restoration Drama and Poetry Jonathan Swift
2. Daniel Defoe
3. Henry Fielding and Tobias Smollett
4. Laurence Sterne

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## ROMANTICISM

1. William Blake's contrary states. *Songs of Innocence and of Experience*.
2. William Wordsworth. Nature, memory and mortality. *The Thorn. Tintern Abbey. The Intimations ode*.
3. T. S. Coleridge. The conversational and the supernatural. *The Aeolian Harp* and *The Rime of the Ancient Mariner*.
4. Lord Byron. The Byronic hero. *Manfred*.
5. Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein*: philosophical and ethical issues.

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Newlyn, Lucy (ed). *The Cambridge Companion to Coleridge*. Cambridge: CUP, 2006.

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The International Byron Society site: <http://www.internationalbyronsociety.org/>

The William Blake archive: <http://www.blakearchive.org/blake/main.html>

## ENGLISH LITERATURE OF THE VICTORIAN AGE

1. Charles Dickens and the Victorian *Bildungsroman*. Consider at least two novels as you discuss: thematic range, character building, genre peculiarities, and ideological orientation.
2. William Makepeace Thackeray: *omniscient narrative* and "*the manager of the performance*" (based on *Vanity Fair*, 1847-8).
3. The Brontë sisters: female self-perception and life-writing, mysticism, Gothicism and the metaphysical novel. Consider one novel by each writer in comparative terms.
4. George Eliot and the development of the *psychological novel* in the Victorian period. Focus on: intrusive narration, introspection, the role of Nature, the formation of the human self and human culture.
5. Thomas Hardy. Naturalism & Determinism. Alienation and Self-perception. The victimized individual. Your answer should contain specific comparative analysis of at least two representative works by Hardy.
6. Alfred Tennyson – medievalism, poetic romances, commemorative verse. Focus more specifically on the early romances (*Mariana, The Lotos-Eaters, The Lady of Shalott, Ulysses*).



7. Robert Browning & *the dramatic monologue* in Victorian poetry. Cultural context, thematic range, structural peculiarities, the lyrical persona's self-perception. Focus on at least two representative poetic works by Browning.
8. *Fin de siècle*. Aestheticism and Decadence. Oscar Wilde: *The Picture of Dorian Gray* (1891).

## CONTEMPORARY BRITISH LITERATURE

1. English Modernist Prose Fiction: the *stream-of-consciousness* way: James Joyce and Virginia Woolf. Consider at least one work by each author, in comparative terms.
2. Nature and Psychology: D.H.Lawrence.
3. Modernism in British Poetry: W.B.Yeats and T.S.Eliot. Consider: genre peculiarities, thematic range, cultural orientation, and most emblematic works.
4. Experiments in British Fiction: William Golding, Iris Murdoch, and John Fowles. Consider one work by each author in comparative terms.
5. 20<sup>th</sup>-century British Drama: G.B.Shaw, John Osborne, Samuel Beckett, and Harold Pinter. Choose two playwrights and consider at least one work by each in comparative terms.
6. Feminist writing: Doris Lessing, Margaret Drabble, and A.S.Byatt. Consider at least one novel by each author in comparative terms.
7. Post-Modernism: gender issues, race matters, historiographic metafiction, and time and space as human variables: Jeanette Winterson, Zadie Smith, Julian Barnes and Ian McEwan. Choose two novelists and consider at least one work by each in comparative terms.

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