

Exam card №1

Task 1. You need to read the text aloud. You have 1.5 minutes to read the text silently, and then be ready to read it aloud. Remember that you will not have more than 2 minutes for reading aloud.

On 11th March, 2011, at 14:46 local time, an undersea earthquake struck off the northeastern coast of Japan. The force of the earthquake, the most powerful in Japan's history, triggered a devastating tsunami. The world faced a partial nuclear meltdown and the planet moved on its axis, shortening the length of every day by 1.8 milliseconds. It was a terrible national tragedy that the country will need a great deal of time to recover from.

In the days before the main earthquake, Japan had experienced quite a few foreshocks, some of which exceeded magnitude 7 but nothing could prepare the nation for the main shock, a magnitude 9 quake. It was strong enough to be felt hundreds of kilometres away in Tokyo where buildings shook violently and many office workers ran out onto the streets terrified.

Task 2. You have to answer six questions. Give full answers to the questions.

1. What new inventions of tomorrow's world can you name?
2. How will these new technologies change our everyday life in the future?
3. What is vertical farming?
4. How can it benefit our society?
5. What problems do such farms have?
6. What is your attitude to new technologies changing our life?

Task 3. You are going to give a talk about environmental problems. You will have to start in 1,5 minutes and speak for not more than 3 minutes (12-15 sentences). Remember to say about:

- types of ecological problems
- global warming and deforestation
- how each of them affects life on Earth
- how people/government/personally you can help to fight global warming and deforestation

You have to talk continuously.