

# «Звезды Югры»

региональный компонент  
на уроке английского языка



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## Предпосылки проекта «Звезды Югры»

- Недостаток материалов о малой Родине в существующих учебниках
- Недостаточно развитые умения представлять свой регион и страну в ходе общения с зарубежными сверстниками и гостями региона
- Необходимость мотивирования на творчество и инновационную деятельность на материале о своем регионе
- Наличие материалов на региональную тематику в заданиях олимпиад и ЕГЭ по английскому языку

## Актуальность проекта «Звезды Югры»

- Ханты-Мансийский автономный округ-Югра как основная тема для обучения и развития учащихся
- Умение представлять свой регион, рассказывать о его достопримечательностях, инновациях, достижениях при общении с зарубежными сверстниками и гостями региона
- Метапредметность
- Развитие ключевых компетенций 21 века: коммуникативности, креативности, критического мышления и сотрудничества
- Качественная подготовка к ОГЭ, ЕГЭ, ВПР по английскому языку

## Цели и задачи

### Воспитание сознательного и компетентного жителя Югры

- уважающего свой народ, его культуру и духовные традиции
- владеющего знаниями о социокультурной специфике своей страны и стран изучаемого языка и умеющего представлять свою малую Родину и родную страну в ходе общения с зарубежными сверстниками
- умеющего использовать иностранный язык как средство для получения информации из иноязычных источников в образовательных и самообразовательных целях
- владеющего английским языком на уровне, позволяющим свободно общаться с представителями других культур
- осознанно выполняющего и пропагандирующего правила здорового, безопасного и экологически целесообразного образа жизни
- мотивированного на образование и самообразование в течение всей своей жизни

# Создание регионального компонента

## Centre of Arts Exams



EXAMS WILL BE HELD IN JUNE, FROM 16 TILL 28

- Painting
- Design
- Arts and Crafts
- Dates to choose
- For free
- Easy to find

MAY SUCCESS ATTEND YOU!

You want to enter the Centre of Arts and you'd like to have more information about the procedure. In 1.5 minutes you are to ask five direct questions to find out about the following:

- entrance exams
- dormitory for students
- scholarship
- holidays
- general education subjects

are your plans for the nearest future? Rank the following ideas of your next year according to the level of relevance for you. Give arguments.

- to enter a college in your home town
- to enter a university in a bigger city in Ugra (Khanty-Mansiysk, Surgut or Nizhnevartovsk)
- to enter a university in Moscow or some other Russian city
- to enroll to the preparatory classes
- to stay at home and find a job
- to take a gap year and travel the world

### Topic Vocabulary

- to require thorough preparation
- to demonstrate profound skills in
- to apply theory in practice
- to use reference materials
- to read a lot
- to select appropriate information
- to register online
- to understand the procedure



**12** The State Library of Ugra in Khanty-Mansiysk is situated next to the Centre of Arts. The students of this professional art college are constant participants of its creative projects.

This is what they say about their college. Complete the gaps I-II with the correct derivative of each word in capitals.



**Alex, 12**

I came to the Centre of Arts in Khanty-Mansiysk from Saranpaul. My friends are from different cities, towns and settlements of Ugra: Langepas, Beryezovo, Pokachi, Urai, Nyalino and many others. It takes quite a lot of time to get here, but the tickets are free for us. And the (1) ... is free too. It's not easy to leave home, but we all want to become (2) ... artists, dancers or musicians. My musical instrument is a violin. I have great teachers. I like to study here. We give concerts in Khanty-Mansiysk, travel to the cities of Ugra and we are often (3) ... to master

EDUCATE

PROFESSION

INVITE

**Dima, 14**

It's quite difficult to study here. Firstly you have to work hard at the lessons, do all the homework, do your (4) ... at your speciality subject, follow the rules, make friends with all other students and get used to eating in the school canteen! (5) ... as the Centre of Arts is a boarding school, we are here since September to June. We have 3-week winter holidays and we are absolutely happy to go home to see the New Year in with our families. But then we have 3-month summer holidays and we miss our schoolmates and our teachers. We are like a big family.

**Yulya, 15**

This year has become very special for me. I had a (6) ... part in an annual Christmas ballet performance. We worked a lot during the year to get ready – dance, costumes, make-up, light, everything... And the music! It was live! The Symphonic Orchestra of the Centre of Arts performed with us.

My parents and my first dance teacher came from Nyagan' to support me at our (7) ... night. It was on the stage of the Big Concert Hall of the Centre of Arts. And then we performed at the Concert and Theatre Complex Ugra Classic in Khanty-Mansiysk and toured Surgut.

To tell the truth, my role model is Vladimir Varnava. He was a student of our choreography department and now he stages performances in the major theatres of Russia.

**Nina, 20**

I'm a fourth-year student of the Art Department. This year I'll get my diploma and I plan to come back to Pyt'-Yakh to become an art teacher. I feel I have enough knowledge to teach (8) ... We practiced a lot for many years, participated in various master classes, exhibitions and festivals. For example, I was lucky to go to Suzdal' Summer Art School.

We had great experience visiting art museums. Two of them are very close to the Centre of Arts: the Gallery of the Khanty artist Gennady Ralshev and the State Art Museum with the masterpieces of Repin, Aviazovskiy, Shishikh and Levitan. We also had vocational practice in museums of St. Petersburg last year. Of course, I can develop my creativity further, (9) ... on-line, for example.

**Alexander Vladimirovich, 45 – Head of college**

Our secondary vocational education college is called The Centre of Arts for short. Each year there are about 700 students. They are great young people showing talent to music, dance and

GOOD

TWO

LEAD

ONE

CHILD

STUDY

art. They are constant participants of all cultural events- about 250 concerts a year! And they are often (10) ... to represent culture of Ugra and Russia in other countries: France, Spain, the USA, Switzerland, China and so on. Especially, because the college is a member of UNESCO Associated Schools. Since 1997, when the Centre of Arts was first opened, there have been more than 2,000 alumni. After (11) ... some of them come back to their native towns, some stay in Khanty-Mansiysk and become members of professional music bands and dance groups, others go on with their study at the universities of Russia and abroad. We want the best for them though it's always sad to say good bye.

TRUST

GRADUATE

**B** Study the official website of the Concert and Theatre Complex Ugra Classic in Khanty-Mansiysk. Are concerts of the students of the Centre of Arts scheduled there? What performance would you like to see? Find the information about it. Tell the class.

**14** Comment on the following statement.

*Only the best professional performers should be allowed to give concerts on professional stages like the Concert and Theatre Complex Ugra Classic in Khanty-Mansiysk or the Palace of Arts Neftyanik in Surgut.*

What is your opinion? Do you agree with this statement? Write 200-250 words.

### PLAN

- make an introduction (state the problem)
- express your personal opinion and give 2-3 reasons for your opinion
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- make a conclusion restating your position

## Создание регионального компонента



# Создание регионального компонента

## ■ Ханты-Мансийск

[admhmao.ru](http://admhmao.ru) ▾

Ханты-Мансийский автономный округ, города. История, география, климат, природа, демография. Новости. Власть. Социальная политика. Экономика....

### Руководство

Правительство Ханты-Мансийского...

### Аппарат Губернатора

Представительство ХАНТЫ-МАНСИЙСКОГО....

### Уведомление

Официальный сервис для уведомления о выходе из...

### Правительство

Представительство ХАНТЫ-МАНСИЙСКОГО...

### Обращения граждан

ИНФОРМАЦИЯ ДЛЯ ОЗНАКОМЛЕНИЯ ЖЕЛАЮЩИМ....

### Департаменты и службы

Департаменты и службы: Ханты-Мансийский автономный...

## ■ Ханты-Мансийский автономный округ — Югра — Википедия

[ru.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ханты-...](http://ru.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ханты-...) ▾

Ханты-Мансийский автономный округ — Югра — субъект Российской Федерации, территориально включён в состав Тюменской области. Округ является экономически самодостаточным регионом-донором. Основной нефтегазоносный район России и один из крупнейших нефтедобывающих регионов мира. Занимает 3-е...



## ■ Хмао-югра — 16 тыс. картинок



## ■ Хмао-югра — 13 тыс. видео



# Создание регионального компонента

**My Ugra**

★ Listen, point and repeat.

★ Listen and read.

electrician

bus driver

driving instructor

proud

## What are my parents?

Hi! My name is Eleonora. I live in Khanty-Mansiysk with my parents, and our dog, Julia. My dad's name is Gennady. He's tall and clever. My mum's name is Bella. She is beautiful and funny. Dad is an electrician. His job is very important for the city! Every day he helps build new houses for people.

Mum's got a very important job, too. She is a bus driver! She is the first woman bus driver in Khanty-Mansiysk. She is also a driving instructor! Well done, Mummy!

I'm very proud of my parents and the work they do for our city!



## Ugra Skills 2

8 Read what Ugra teenagers say about their experience in some unusual kinds of sports. Which one do you find most exciting?

**Yuliya, 15**  
I have tried different kinds of sport before I started cheerleading in my club in Surgut. For me it's a perfect 1) ... of dancing, acrobatics, gymnastics and it's a bright show, of course! It's a common kind of sport in America - almost every college has 2) ... own team and pop stars like Madonna and even some of the US presidents used to go into this sport. It has been called a pre-Olympic kind of sport recently! Though for us it's quite new. We hope cheerleading will become popular in Ugra too.

**Vadim, 16**  
It was the World Chess Olympics in Khanty-Mansiysk and my father took me to the Chess Academy. I was 3) ... to see and play huge chess pieces in the hall. I was 6. Then we had chess classes in the kindergarten and at primary school. At 12 I took it up professionally as I think it's the best kind of sport because it 4) ... concentration and combinatorial thinking. Chess is very popular in Ugra and I can take part 5) ... lots of competitions. Even the next World Chess Olympics if I'm lucky enough.

**Daniyar, 16**  
I always liked to play computer games. 3 years ago I met some cool guys and we tried to play as a cyber-sport team. In 2019 we played for the Surgut district at UGRA OPEN and you know what! We became the third in The World of Tanks among 28 teams from Russia, the Ukraine, Morocco and 7 other countries. The money fund of the competition was 750,000 roubles. Some international Dota 2 tournaments have multimillion dollars pools.

**Vladislav, 15**  
Fishing is a 6) ... way to get food or a hobby for those who like to be in nature. My dad, granddad and me - we all love fishing on the Nurmio lake near our village! Last year we took part in Winter Fishing Championships in Sogom. There are strict rules of fishing and the weight of the fish is important. Small ones are to be let back into the water. Our family 7) ... didn't win though we caught some 2-kg pikes and a large perch. Anyway we had a lot of fun as there were also national games, fishing gear master classes, a concert and a lot of tasty fish. In August we are going to take part in a fishing festival in Khanty-Mansiysk. They promise a rock concert after the competition!

60 MODULE 2

- 1 A combined B combine C combination D combining  
2 A its B his C her D it  
3 A embarrassed B elevated C exhausted D excited  
4 A follows B teaches C runs D classes  
5 A at B from C - D in  
6 A nontraditional B tradition C traditionally D traditional  
7 A team B class C group D organization

9 Read the text in ex. 4 again. For gaps 1-7, choose A, B, C or D to complete each gap correctly.

10 Do you like fishing? How can you and your friends take part in a fishing tournament? Study the advertisement.

### Kluyvi Barez Fishing Tournament



- Amateur and sport fishing spinning competition
- Open KhMAO Ugra Bank Spinning Cup
- Rock concert
- Fishing fair. Master classes. Contests

You want to participate and you'd like to have more information about the festival in Khanty-Mansiysk. In 1.5 minutes you are to ask five direct questions to find out about the following:

- 1) participation fee
- 2) if you can register online
- 3) number of participants
- 4) public transport
- 5) prizes

You have 20 seconds to ask each question.

11 Surf the Internet and answer the questions in ex. 10.

12 These are photos from your photo album. Choose one photo to describe to your friend. You will have to start speaking in 1.5 minutes and will speak for not more than

## Ugra Skills 2

2 minutes (12-15 sentences). In your talk remember to speak about:

- where and when the photo was taken
- what/who is in the photo
- what is happening
- why you keep the photo in your album
- why you decided to show the picture to your friend



Photo 1



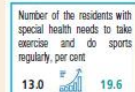
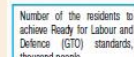
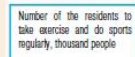
Photo 2



Photo 3

You have to talk continuously, starting with: "I've chosen photo number ..."

13 Work in pairs. Study the information from the official website of the KhMAO-Ugra about the project of realization of the State Programme of the Sports and Physical Culture Development for the period 2019-2025: admhmao.ru. Answer the questions.



- 1) What might be the reason of the planned increasing number of residents of Ugra including those with special health needs exercising regularly?
- 2) How would you characterize the investment into the sports development in Ugra?
- 3) The graphs reflect the projected positive dynamics of the number of the Ugra residents who will have achieved Ready for Labour and Defence (GTO) standards by 2025, don't they? Why do you think the President and the government have made it one of the goals of the State Programme?

14 Comment on the following statement.

Ugra is a truly sports-friendly region.

What is your opinion? Do you agree with this statement? Write 200-250 words.

### PLAN

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MODULE 2 61

**My Ugra**

Lesson 6

★ Listen, point and repeat.

★ Listen and read.

champion

water polo

medal

train

gym

## An Olympic Champion at my school!

Hi! My name is Katya. I'm ten. I live in Khanty-Mansiysk. I go to a sports school in Ugra with my sister, Anastasiya. We play water polo. Anna Timofeeva is the captain of our women's team. She is a very good player! She has got an Olympic medal!

The sportswomen are strong and beautiful. We often see them when they are training. They are fantastic! Every girl from my group wants to be just like them, so we train every day in the gym and swim a lot! We also do special exercises with a ball.

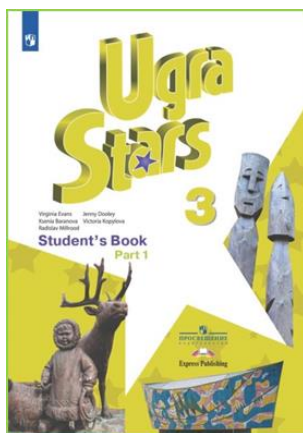
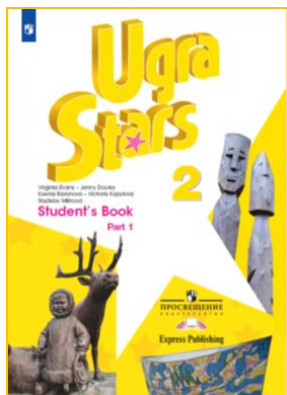
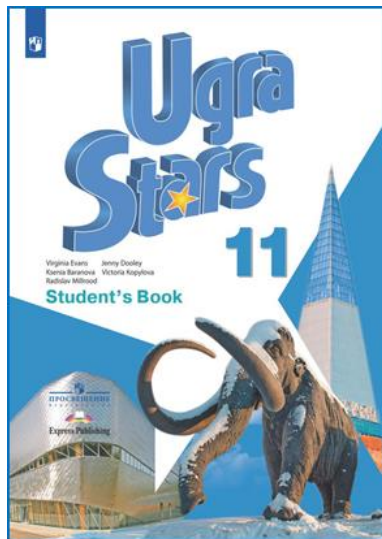
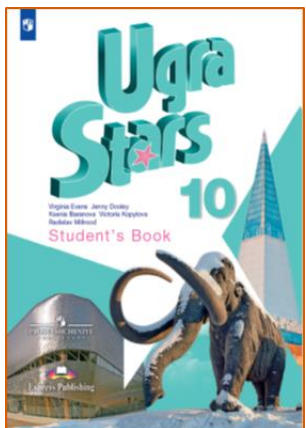
I work hard every day because I want to become an Olympic champion, too. I enjoy what I do and I really like my school!



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# Формирование системы духовно-нравственных ценностей, готовности и способности к служению своей семье, своему отечеству, обществу

### Ugra Quiz

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6
- 7

A – The State Art Museum  
 B – The Monument To the Explorers of Samot'ra  
 C – The Archeopark  
 D – The Ugra Pearl Sports Complex  
 E – The Surgut Philharmonic  
 F – The Oceanarium  
 G – The Red Dragon Bridge  
 H – The Bronze Symbol of Ugra  
 I – The Gallery of Gennady Raishev  
 J – The Stella To the Explorers of Ugra Land

**Your score**

**0-2:** You are the happiest of all! There is so much to explore. You still have a chance to see your region through new eyes. Don't hesitate to take a tour around Ugra.

### Ugra Skills 4

**Fact**  
 Anybody who has ever come to Ugra by plane could see a fantastic nature mosaic of blue and green. The view is unforgettable! Numerous rivers, lakes and swamps as well as woods of the region have inspired the creation of the coat of arms and the flag of Ugra.

**1** What do you know about the coat of arms and the flag of Ugra? Why do you think it might be important for a Ugra resident to know a few facts about the main heraldic symbols of the region?

**2** Read the description of the coat of arms. Is the Ugra coat of arms presented anywhere in your school? Why is it a good idea to place it in school?

**3** According to the law passed in 1993, the coat of arms of the Khanty-Mansiysk Autonomous Okrug – Ugra is a clear emblem representing a stylized natural symbol of a two-headed bird. It is placed against the background of the blue and green shield.  
 The shield is covered with a white coloured emblem made in the ceremonial style of the Old Ugraians and fringed with green cedar branches. 'Ugra' means a writer in silver letters on a blue band beneath.

**4** Work in pairs. Imagine that you know something about the flag of Ugra. Write a list of things you would like to know. Tell the class.

**5** Use the Internet to answer the rest of your questions in ex. 3.

**6** Read the text about flags of the different municipal units of Ugra. For gaps 1-7, choose A, B, C or D to complete each gap correctly.

**7** The 8th of May is a very special day for all Russian citizens. Cities and towns are decorated with flags and military symbols of the country. Songs of the war period can be heard everywhere. Millions of people come out to the streets and squares to take part in military parades and the March of the Immortal Regiment. The cadets of the Cadet Boarding School also take part in this important event. Read the text to learn more about this cadet school. Would you like to become its student?

### Being a Cadet

Sergey Malykh, 16, is a student at the Cadet Boarding School in the settlement of Nizhny Ussuriysk (the school is 17) ... In the school of Ugra's flag is the coat of arms of the region – a military symbol for the March of the Immortal Regiment, military glory and ceremony of flags. Every day at the entrance and leaves of the School Gates and Main Gate in blue for cadets. It is given to Khanty-Mansiysk again for the military ceremony.  
 In fact, schools have a very long history of their kind in Ugra. For 3-4 periods of military-musical games, marching competitions and the Best Cadet Class Competition. Students often have creative meetings with the 8 ... of all children and are well-versed in them.  
 Cadets are to study hard as they have all the general educational subjects and some specialized courses for economics, law and engineering, as well as other subjects.

**SITUATION**  
 Read the text in ex. 7 again. Complete the gaps 1-7 with the correct derivative of each word in capitals. Change form if necessary.

**TRADITION**  
 What are the benefits of such education?

**PRESENT**  
 Topic Vocabulary  
 • respect, loyalty, selflessness, physical and mental strength  
 • developing critical thinking  
 • developing physical and mental endurance  
 • to increase self-confidence  
 • to learn the history of Russia  
 • to practice making decisions and solving problems  
 • to prepare morally, mentally and physically for a military career  
 • to raise awareness and appreciation of the

You want to visit the Museum of Geology, Oil and Gas and you'd like to have more information about it. In 1.5 minutes you are to ask five direct questions to find out about the following:

- 1) location
- 2) ticket price
- 3) if tickets are available on-line
- 4) name of the temporary exhibition
- 5) audio guide in English

You have 20 seconds to ask each question.

**13** Do you know any famous oil workers apart from Fyodor Sakmanov? What can you tell about them?

**14** A group of students from Ugra are preparing a collaborative project. They are to speak about outstanding people. Read what they say. How do the students explain their choice?

**Nadya, 16**  
 Why have I chosen Gennady Raishev for my project? I walk 1) ... his gallery with its extraordinary facade every day when I go to my school in Khanty-Mansiysk. I have always wanted to know what is 2) ... The impressive mosaic on the facade is called My Siberia. In fact, all the artworks of the 85-year-old master are dedicated to his native land: its history, its beauty, indigenous peoples, and philosophical understanding of the future. One of the topics is the extraction of the first oil. Some of the symbols on his canvases that are not always clearly interpretable are actually oil fountains coming out of the ground. There are 3) ... and temporary exhibitions of his works. Just imagine there are 20,000 of them! I was very lucky to take part 4) ... one of the artist's master classes. He taught us to use the typical Khanty and Mansi colours that are green and blue and explained his perception of art. For him painting is similar to music.  
 Of course, there are many artists in Ugra and all of them are very 5) ... about what they do. As for me, I really like authentic artworks of Gennady Raishev and decided to tell about him in class.

**Nikita, 16**  
 I live in the village of Kamrarka of the Berdyuzhsky district. I am very proud that a famous Mansi writer Varon Shestakov also comes from here. I often read his book Potyeyka to my younger brother. That's why I 6) ... him for my project.  
 He was born in 1937. His father was a collective farm head and his grandfather was a shaman. After school Varon Shestakov studied at universities in Leningrad and Tyumen, worked as an editor-in-chief of some newspapers and magazines. He was also a professor at the Ugra State University. He became the first professional Mansi writer. His novels are special because they are 7) ... of the Russian literature and Mansi folklore and are often denied 8) ... poetry.  
 You, the legend, can't dare.  
 To the legend, to the woods!  
 As a present let me give you  
 Small oil coats of gas,  
 Wisdom of the ancient woods!  
 Varon Shestakov described the most important 9) ... concerning his countrymen and revealed their world-view, customs and beliefs. He worried about the future of his native people and ecological problems 10) ... the oil and gas exploration. I wish my classmates knew more about his works! Frankly, I would like to become a writer too!

**6** A have chosen B choosing C chose D has chosen  
 7 A representation B narrative C possession D conversation  
 8 A - B with C for D up  
 9 A memories B operations C issues D lectures  
 10 A suitable B leading to C respectably D quietly

**15** Read the texts in ex. 14 again. For gaps 1-10, choose A, B, C or D to complete each gap correctly.

**16** In ex. 14 Nadya talks about numerous artist's pictures. Use the Internet to find out where else they are displayed.

**17** Prepare a 2-minute talk about an outstanding Ugra resident. Who is will you choose and why? Use the Internet or go to the school library to find information. Tell the class.

**ANSWER PLAN**  
 • name the person and explain your choice  
 • say what makes this person outstanding  
 • what contribution he/she made into society.

**13** Go to the official website of Ugra and complete the table. Use the text in ex. 12 to complete the information about the Oblas Competitions.

FESTIVAL	MONTH	THE IDEA BEHIND THE FESTIVAL	FAMILY ACTIVITIES
Khanty-Mansiysk is a New Year's Capital of Russia			
Day of the Khanty-Mansiysk Autonomous Okrug – Ugra			
Oil Workers' Day			
Oblas Competitions			
Crow Day			
Maslenitsa			
Easter			
Uraza Bayram (Eid Festival)			
Kurban Bayram (Eid al-Adha)			

**14** Work in pairs. Rank the festivals from ex. 13. What are your top-three events? Explain your choice, tell the class.

# Формирование экологической культуры



If you come to Surgut, the biggest city of Ugra, you'll land in Farman Salmanov airport. If you live there you might even go to a school named after him as well. In fact if you walk around the streets of this city you'll see many names on street signs, such as Gubkin, Vasilyev and Bystritsky. But why is this and who were these people? You might be surprised to hear that they were all incredible pioneers who played a huge role in industry and the development of Ugra. Through their hard work and spirit of adventure they laid the foundations for the oil and gas industries that still support and power Ugra today.

Our story starts about 100 years ago, when an academic called Ivan Gubkin assumed control of enormous oil and gas reserves in the West Siberian Lowland. In 1935 the first Soviet expedition headed by a brave 24-year old engineer, named Victor Vasilyev, found oil near the Yugan River. Just imagine the conditions these intrepid explorers had to work in during those difficult times: severe frosts, lack of electricity and food and tons of equipment to be brought by horses as the nearest railway was 1,000 km away.

But the story doesn't end here. Later, in September 1953, work continued and a geological expedition led by Alexander Bystritsky found the first gas in the region. It was during this period that another brave pioneer of Siberian oil came to Ugra. That man was Farman Salmanov from Azerbaijan, who dreamed of mighty rivers and vast forests and always wanted to be an oilman because of his grandpa's exciting stories! Salmanov was originally sent to find oil in Kuzbass.

But he broke the order and brought his people to Surgut instead. He was sure he could find oil there and wouldn't give up. And find oil they did! Farman Salmanov took part in the discovery of more than 130 out of the 480 oil and gas fields in Ugra!

Later, in 1965, a gush of oil that came out of the well near Lake Samotlor would change Ugra forever. The drilling which began in winter 1968 is often called "the battle of Samotlor" because the temperature dropped below -60° Celsius! It was so bitterly cold that diesel oil got frozen and thick metal pipes burst! Even so, the people continued to work and battle against the elements. One of the streets in Megion is named after the drill master, Grigory Norkin, in honour of his courage. In fact the cities of Megion and Nizhnevartovsk exist only because of these important discoveries.

Today, Samotlor is the biggest oilfield in Ugra and the 6th largest oil reserve in the world! Almost a quarter of the 12 billion tons of oil extracted in Ugra is from Samotlor. Thanks to this Ugra takes 1st place in Russia! The 112,000 km length of the oil pipes is enough to cover 2.5 equators! Over 100 companies work there now and give jobs to hundreds of thousands of people. To learn more about this fascinating period of history you can visit the Museum of Geology, Oil and Gas in Khanty-Mansiysk. So, the next time you walk through the streets of Surgut, stop for a moment and spare a thought for those brave people and their struggles against incredible odds.

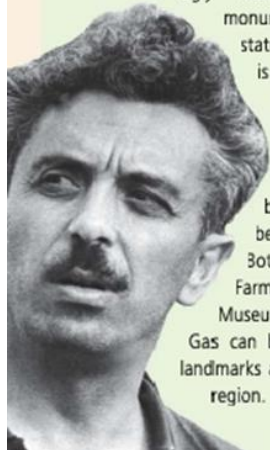
## 9 **Read** What landmarks and places of interest in Ugra are connected with oil exploration? Read the text to find out.

A monument to a distinguished scientist and geologist Farman Salmanov in Khanty-Mansiysk is probably one of the most awe-inspiring monuments A) ...

The monument was unveiled in front of the Museum of Geology, Oil and Gas B) ... It is a Day of the Oil and Gas Industry Workers. On this day bronze stars dedicated to the outstanding oil workers usually appear C) ... As a form of a special thanksgiving to the prominent geologist who had been working in West Siberia for more than 30 years and had taken part in discoveries of more than a hundred of oil fields in Ugra, it was decided to erect a monument.

D) ... Azerbaijan compatriots of the scientist: architects and artists Djamaledin Bek ogly Kadirov, Ali Aziz ogly Ibadulaev and Salhab Isa ogly Mamedov. The 6-metre monument is E) ... The statue of Farman Salmanov is set on a high pedestal and is oriented upwards F) ... Part of the composition is an oil derrick and a bronze fountain of oil behind his figure.

Both the Monument to Farman Salmanov and the Museum of Geology, Oil and Gas can be considered the city landmarks and the symbols of the region.



- 1) on 10 September 2010
- 2) It was jointly designed by
- 3) devoted to the exploration of oil in Ugra
- 4) representing his impulse to new discoveries
- 5) to be remembered
- 6) on the facade of the museum
- 7) made of bronze

## 11 Find the Monument to Farman Salmanov and the Museum of Geology, Oil and Gas on the map of Khanty-Mansiysk. What other city sights are there nearby?

## 12 Study the advertisement.

### Museum of Geology, Oil and Gas



**TODAY THE MUSEUM OF GEOLOGY, OIL AND GAS IS THE LARGEST MUSEUM IN RUSSIA THAT COLLECTS, KEEPS AND POPULARIZES MATERIAL RELICS THAT ARE CONNECTED TO THE HISTORY OF OIL EXPLORATION**

- virtual tour
- Wed-Sun: 11 AM — 7 PM.  
Thu: 10 AM — 9 PM.  
Museum is closed on Mondays and Tuesdays.

**COME AND ENJOY!**

For more information go to: [muzgeo.ru](http://muzgeo.ru)



## 7 Work in pairs. What is the role of urban parks? How do communities benefit from them? Make a list of ideas. Tell the class.

### Topic Vocabulary

- an outdoor recreation area
- deteriorating/improving quality of life
- forward-thinking initiative
- green space
- physical activity
- public health
- to access recreational opportunities
- to contribute to the well-being of the community
- to fight global warming
- to preserve ecosystems of the expanding cities
- to reduce people's stress levels

## 8 Comment on the following statement.

Urban parks have a unique capacity to ensure residents' well-being.

What is your opinion? Do you agree with this statement? Write 200-250 words. Use the following plan:

### PLAN

- make an introduction (state the problem)
- express your personal opinion and give 2-3 reasons for your opinion

## 9 **Read** According to the statistics almost 15 thousand trees are planted every year in the cities and towns of Ugra. Have you ever planted a tree? What kind of tree was it? What trees can you see in the streets of the place where you live?



## 10 Work in pairs. What green projects have you taken part in? Make a list. Compare your list with another pair.

## 11 What do people and Ugra Government do to save the unique nature of the okrug? What do these events encourage society to? Read the text to find out.



To Save and to Preserve  
The International Ecological Action To Save and

### Ugra Skills 4

4 Study the text photograph showing Ugra landmarks. In 2-3 sentences describe the landmarks and explain their significance.

5 Read the text and answer the questions.

6 Work in pairs. Write a short text about the landmarks. Use the text as a model.

7 Listen to the audio and answer the questions.

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18 Work in pairs. Write a short text about the landmarks. Use the text as a model.

19 Listen to the audio and answer the questions.

20 Work in pairs. Write a short text about the landmarks. Use the text as a model.

# Формирование привычки к здоровому образу жизни

1 Look at the pictures. Write down three things you would like to know about this stadium. Read through the text. Does it answer your questions?



The open-air stadium Ugra Athletics is situated in Khanty-Mansiysk – the capital of the Khanty-Mansiysk Autonomous Okrug. It was opened in 2016 in one of the most beautiful parts of the city – A) ...

The stadium has all the necessary facilities to host track and field competitions at Russian and international levels and there are stands for 10,000 spectators. It is a modern sports complex ) .... There are tracks with a special covering that makes them reliable and safe, jumping pits for high jump, long jump and pole jump, a shot-put section and a section for discus and hammer throwing. In the western part of the stadium there is a sports hall, a covered 78-metre-long track, a conference hall, a sauna and an administration block. In the eastern part there is a gym, a boxing hall, two fitness rooms and three saunas. These three separate areas cater for groups of children or grown-ups C) ....

The stadium annually hosts different sport events. These include: Ready for Labour and Defence students' games, the Healthy Way of Living Festival, regional and qualification contests for All-Russian and international competitions in paintball, gymnastics, boxing and many other kinds of sports. The Mixed Martial Arts Ugra Championships (MMA) also take place here. In June 2019, Khanty-Mansiysk hosted the World Games of the Young Compatriots D) .... On the first competition day, master classes for Ugra sportsmen were held by famous Russian athletes at the stadium. The famous boxer, Ruslan Provodnikov, also known as Siberian Rocky, was born

and lives in Ugra. From time to time he organises master classes in the sports halls and he is an honoured guest at the competitions. Each August, Ugra-Athletics becomes the playing field of the well-loved Ugra festival – All Russian Physical Culturist Day. Ugra is a region E) .... That's why thousands of residents and guests of

### Ugra Skills 1

10 We have witnessed recent rise of awareness of disability related issues including different kinds of adaptive sports. Read the posts on social networks. What do people say about the disabled people? What arguments are there behind their opinion? You may use the following phrases to answer the questions: use disabled people, a decision that everyone would benefit from, turn into a safer place, cause consciousness, strengthen appreciation, a life-time decision.

I lost my arm when I was a boy. Specialists from the Adaptive Sports Centre of Ugra helped me to live through it, and also taught me to love sport. I had been dreaming to go to Paralympic Games since I was 14. I managed to do it when I turned 22 at the XVIII Winter Paralympics held in Khanty-Mansiysk and my results were pretty good. Also at your goals in life, have faith in yourself, and you will make your dreams come true. *Mikhail, 24*

My friend is in a wheelchair, and I think she is strong, clever and cool! She has more vitality than anybody else. I want more people with disabilities to enjoy life! I want them to believe that they can win the mountain top. That's why I have become a volunteer, and it is right for me! *Dasha, 16*

Big cities have more opportunities for disabled persons. For example, there are more special access ramps for people in wheelchairs. There are great adaptive sport centres. But there are a lot of small settlements in the region and sometimes disabled people who live there lack projects. There should be more opportunities for them. I definitely approve of the public organisations that help our special children to adapt. *Valentina, 52*

Sport is very important for a child with disability. Going in for sport makes him or her feel better and helps realise the child's potential. The Adaptive Sports Centre of Ugra organizes sledge hockey trainings. I am sure this is not just rehabilitation but also the first step to a World Olympics. We are bound to develop sport directions. *Alena, 32*

Useful language

- generally appreciate/suppresses ...
- is in favour of ...
- doesn't mind (+ -) ...
- is strongly against ...

### Ugra Skills 2

2 minutes (12-15 sentences). In your talk remember to speak about:

- where and when the photo was taken
- what's in the photo
- what is happening
- why you like the photo in your album
- why you decided to share the picture to your friend

1) What might be the reason of the observed increasing number of residents of Ugra's, including those with special health needs, swimming regularly?

2) How would you characterize the investment into the sports development in Ugra? (mention the number of the Ugra residents who will have achieved their 100th birthday in 2025, state their 'Why do you think the President and the government have made it one of the goals of the State Program?')

3) Comment on the following statement. Ugra is a truly sports-friendly region. What is your opinion? Do you agree with them? Write 200-250 words.

4) You have to talk continuously, starting with: "You choose photo number ..."

5) Work in pairs. Study the information from the official website of the KhMAO-Ugra about the project of realization of the State Program of the Sports and Physical Culture Development for the period 2019-2025. [admbn.ru](http://admbn.ru). Answer the questions.



8 Read what Ugra teenagers say about their experience in some unusual kinds of sports. Which one do you find most exciting?

**Yuliya, 15**  
I have tried different kinds of sport before I started cheerleading in my club in Surgut. For me it's a perfect 1) ... of dancing, acrobatics, gymnastics and it's a bright show, of course! It's a common kind of sport in America - almost every college has 2) ... own team and pop stars like Madonna and even some of the US presidents used to go into this sport. It has been called a pre-Olympic kind of sport recently! Though for us it's quite new. We hope cheerleading will become popular in Ugra too.

**Vadim, 16**  
It was the World Chess Olympics in Khanty-Mansiysk and my father took me to the Chess Academy. I was 3) ... to see and play huge chess pieces in the hall. I was 6. Then we had chess classes in the kindergarten and at primary school. At 12 I took it up professionally as I think it's the best kind of sport because it 4) ... concentration and combinatorial thinking. Chess is very popular in Ugra and I can take part 5) ... lots of competitions. Even the next World Chess Olympics if I'm lucky enough.

**Daniyar, 16**  
I always liked to play computer games. 3 years ago I met some cool guys and we tried to play as a cyber-sport team. In 2019 we played for the Surgut district at UGRA OPEN and you know what! We became the third in The World of Tanks among 28 teams from Russia, the Ukraine, Morocco and 7 other countries. The money fund of the competition was 750,000 roubles. Some international Dota 2 tournaments have multimillion dollars pools.

**Vladislav, 15**  
Fishing is a 6) ... way to get food or a hobby for those

- 1 A combined B combine C combination D combining
- 2 A its B his C her D it
- 3 A embarrassed B elevated C exhausted D excited
- 4 A follows B teaches C runs D chases
- 5 A at B from C - D in
- 6 A nontraditional B tradition C traditionally D traditional
- 7 A team B class C group D organization

9 Read the text in ex. 4 again. For gaps 1-7, choose A, B, C or D to complete each gap correctly.

10 Do you like fishing? How can you and your friends take part in a fishing tournament? Study the advertisement.



- Amateur and sport fishing spinning competition
- Open KhMAO-Ugra Bank Spinning Cup
- Rock concert
- Fishing fair. Master classes. Contests

You want to participate and you'd like to have more information about the festival in Khanty-Mansiysk. In 1.5 minutes you are to ask five direct questions to find out about the following:

- 1) participation fee
- 2) if you can register online
- 3) number of participants

# Формирование информационной культуры



**9** Read what people say about modern living in Ugra. Underline a few words and phrases that might be useful to talk about your understanding of the issue.

**Artyem, 16**

It's so hard to live in the modern world without the Internet. I realised it when the residents of our village Laryak got access to the Internet for the first time in 2016. I am an active user and I just don't understand how I had lived without it. Now I am making the most of it staying in touch with my friends from the neighbour settlements and finding information on the topics I am interested in.

**Natalya, 41**

I think back when we had to go to the polyclinic and queue for 3 hours to book an appointment with a doctor. How fortunate that the time went by and we can have an appointment using online service. Now, thanks to new technologies, I save my time and come to the medical centre just to see the doctor.

**Vasily, 26**

I live in the town of Gornopravdinsk. When I was a child it took us 4 hours to get to Khanty-Mansiysk by a motor ship Meteor. In 2010 a new highway was built. Now it takes me just 1.5 hours by my car to travel on business or visit my friends there.

**Anna, 20**

I help homeless animals. It is quite costly. My associates and I used to count on ourselves. But then I learned about grants that support such voluntary organisations. I registered in and my project was approved! We were given a grant! Tomorrow we are opening our animal shelter!

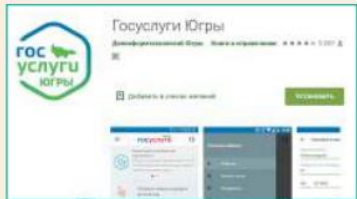
**What changes have you witnessed during your life? Are they for good? Use some of the ideas from the texts above to answer the questions.**

**10** Which of the following things can you do in your everyday life using the Internet? Why/ why not?

- use a computer to search for some information
- study online while winter frosts, the so-called aktirovka
- see your academic results in an online class register
- help a classmate to do his/ her homework online
- start a joint school project with the students from the other cities or countries
- find the place in your town on an online map
- using special service, see when the bus comes to the nearest bus stop
- shop online
- book an appointment with a doctor

**11** What electronic services are possible in your school?

**12** Ugra has the leading positions in terms of online government services. Talk to your parents and surf the official website Gosuslugi Ugra to complete the table below. How often does your family use the electronic services of the kind? What would you change to make the website more attractive for young citizens of Ugra?



**1** Look at the photos and the title of the text. Is IT important in Ugra? Have you ever visited the official Ugra website? Read the first paragraph. What can you learn about on the website? Read through to find out.

## Ugra Online!

Are you a 2020 graduate in Ugra? If you are, then we have some good news for you! You're going to get a present from the regional government! Where can you find out the details and news about other schemes for young people? They're on the official site of the Khanty-Mansiysk Autonomous Okrug- Ugra, of course. This fantastic Internet resource has been awarded a 100 % score on the All-Russian "Infomir" rating; A) ... You can find almost anything on the site, and the most important information is translated into different languages such as English, German and Chinese. There's also a version for visually impaired people. Let's have a look!

First of all, you can find information about Ugra: its history, current affairs, and all the latest news; such as awards and special presentations for students and citizens. There are links allowing quick and easy access to important policies, documents, web pages and external sites. You can also learn about the budget of the region and its plans for socio-economic development. Every Municipality in the region has its own website B) ... Inside you can find details about local construction programmes for new roads and factories, sport complexes and concert halls, hospitals and schools in the place where you live.

In addition, each governmental department also has its own website. The Department of Youth Policy and Education is no exception. There's regional data about children's technological parks, cadet classes, systems of GTO (Get Fit for Work and Defence), Olympiads, and different social issues. For example, Ugra has a special programme to help local children have summer holidays by the sea for free. You can apply! Of course, the site has information about the

RNE (the Russian National Exams) as well: the locations, the dates, and the results. As a final year school student you may be interested in colleges and universities, C) ... There are also links to websites of all schools, including yours. These provide information ranging from electronic academic results D) ... There are also links to platforms like Skype or Zoom and additional distance learning resources which are of great help during difficult periods: E) ... Pupils can post information about their achievements and stories about their school life developing important life-long communication skills and creativity. But that's not all! If you have questions, or there are issues you feel need to be discussed or improved upon, there's also a helpline on the official site of the Ugra government. Moreover, a special feedback platform is currently being tested F) ... In general, Ugra does its best to keep up to date with its IT infrastructure and services. It also organises numerous events, including the International IT Forum annually held in Khanty-Mansiysk. So, make sure you use all our online services to overcome the challenges of our times! And don't forget to look for upcoming events featured on the site!



# Формирование интереса к изучению английского языка и карьерные возможности



## Fact File

English is no more an ordinary school subject like any other. Learning the English language in Ugra today takes place in a variety of contexts. Due to the exposure to the language and the development of digital technologies, we can learn English independently, we apply the knowledge and skills immediately, and we have more than one single teacher to learn from.

1 **Think!** Is it important for a resident of Ugra to know English? Where can you practise English in your town?

2 **Work in pairs.** Tick the ideas that seem reasonable for practising your English in the place where you live. Say which of them you already use.

- listen to your favourite songs in English and sing along
- watch some authentic videos
- watch films and read books in the original
- switch to English when using official websites, if possible
- switch your phone and social media accounts to English
- volunteer to help foreign participants of international events
- have a virtual museum or city tour with an English-speaking guide
- join a school English Club or a city language school for additional classes

3 **Read what Ugra students say about their language learning experience. Do these**

**Polina, 17**

I live in Kogalym but I travel abroad quite often. My English is good enough though I make some mistakes. My teacher says that it is natural for language learning and it's more important to express your ideas and minor mistakes don't really (4) ... . Except when you are taking an exam. I'm happy that she understands it.

**Leyla, 16**

I felt I lacked conversational practice when I only had English classes at my school in Kazym. So I (5) ... a site where I can practise English with native speakers for free. How come? My buddy is Rebecca and I teach her Russian!

**Natalia, 17**

It's great that I live in Khanty-Mansiysk. I am a volunteer and we help international guests of different events. My favourite was the Film Festival Spirit of Fire last year. We showed foreign guests round the city and helped them during master classes. And the nicest thing, we watched all the new films free (6) ... charge! Some of them were in English, of course!

**Semen, 16**

There is no (7) ... why learning English can't be fun! I have extra classes of English at one of the language schools of Surgut. We laugh and chat all the time. Our teacher often prepares language games or songs. So we don't get tired and the lessons seem short. It makes us feel comfortable practising the language.

**Kostya, 16**

I used to be very shy when I had to speak in front of the class. But gradually I (8) ... confidence by giving short oral presentations on various topics. I do need it because I want to become a pilot. I know I will have to talk to the passengers and my future colleagues in English as it's the working language. I will also have to pass serious exams.

8 **Think!** How can digital technologies help you in your study? What role can they play in education of the schoolchildren in the remote areas of Ugra?

9 **Talk to your classmates.** Do they know anybody who preferred entering a boarding school to have quality full time education? What kind of boarding schools are there in Ugra?

10 **What are the differences between studying at school in your home town and a boarding school far from your family?**

Schoolchildren who have already made their mind about their future career or those from remote areas prefer or have to leave their native town and enter a (1) ... school. There is a range of such schools and residential colleges in Ugra with its huge territory and low (2) ... density.

*Milena, 15, Ugorian College of the Olympic Reserve*

I started playing tennis when I was 5 and by 12 I had already won some (3) ... tournaments. But it was difficult to focus on my studies during competitions. The teachers here understand it and help us cope with the programme. We often get counseling online.

*Kiail, 16, Ugorian Physics and Mathematics Lyceum*

The college has been among the top ten in the Russian rating for the last couple of years. No wonder the entry is highly (4) ... and I was really lucky. I will definitely recommend it to other ninth-grade (5) ... to come here for their senior years at school.

*Rishat, 17, Cadet Boarding School*  
This has been a challenge! They say the conditions (6) ... resemble a real army! And it turned out to be very true. It's all very serious.

*Arna, 15, College-Boarding School The Centre of Arts'*

I used to think that study at the college is a kind of an extracurricular activity where you just enjoy a little bit of (7) ... . The first semester was an eye-opener for me. Now I know how much effort you need to become a professional (8) ... .

**BOARD**

**POPULATE**

**REGION**

**COMPETITION**

**LEAVE**

**CLOSE**

**DRAW**

**ART**

## Ugra Skills 5

**Topic Vocabulary**

- understanding and respect for safety issues
- being able to work alone or essential periods of time as well as being able to work unimpeded
- understanding the demand of job work
- directing a variety of administrative processes at a time
- persuading others to change their minds or behaviour
- communicating effectively in writing
- bringing others together and trying to reconcile differences
- using ICT skills
- organisational and self-management skills
- enthusiasm and the ability to motivate yourself and others
- good practical skills for using tools and equipment
- attention to safe working practices
- emotional creativity and innovation
- accuracy and attention to detail
- good presentation skills and the confidence to explain and sell ideas to clients and colleagues
- being open to feedback and willing to make changes

6 **You have received a letter from your English-speaking professional friend who writes:**

... the mail we write about the most pressing job of the firm. I am thinking of forming a Division of Sales. How are things doing in your firm? What do you have to do to be relevant to the job? What opportunities for continued education are there in Ugra?

**Write a letter to Karen. In your letter:**

- answer her questions
- ask 3 questions about the SDI project
- write 10-15 words
- formulate the rules of letter writing. Use the ideas from ex. 5.

7 **Study the two photographs. In 1.5 minutes be ready to compare and contrast the photographs. Give a brief description of the photos (action, location).**

• say why the pictures have in common

- say in what way the pictures are different
  - say which job is more promising in Ugra
  - explain why
- You will speak for not more than 2 minutes (12-15 sentences). You have to talk continuously.



8 **Think!** How do you think the school building and its design can influence students' attitude to learning and achievement? Explain your opinion.



## Centre of Arts Exams



**EXAMS WILL BE HELD IN JUNE, FROM 16 TILL 28.**

- Painting
- Design
- Arts and Crafts
- Dates to choose
- For free
- Easy to find

**MAY SUCCESS ATTEND YOU!**

You want to enter the Centre of Arts and you'd like to have more information about the procedures. In 1.5 minutes you are to ask five direct questions to find out about the following:

- entrance exams
- dormitory for students
- scholarship
- holidays
- general education subjects

are your plans for the nearest future? Rank the following ideas of your next year according to the level of relevance for you. Give arguments.

- to enter a college in your home town
- to enter a university in a bigger city in Ugra (Khanty-Mansiysk, Surgut or Nizhnevartovsk)
- to enter a university in Moscow or some other Russian city
- to enroll to the preparatory classes
- to stay at home and find a job
- to take a gap year and travel the world

**Topic Vocabulary**

- to require thorough preparation
- to demonstrate profound skills in
- to apply theory in practice
- to use reference materials
- to read a lot
- to select appropriate information
- to register online
- to understand the procedure

15 **Do you know anybody who studies at a boarding school or residential college? Imagine that one of your classmates is going to enter a college and is very nervous before leaving home. What advice would you give him/her?**

16 **Work in pairs.** What college or university are you going to enter? What is your preparation strategy? Would you like to study in your town or go to a bigger city? What bothers you most? Tell your classmate.

## Ugra Skills 1

5 **What other foreign languages do students study at your school? What are the benefits of knowing more than one foreign language?**

6 **These are photos from your photo album. Choose one photo to describe to your friend.**



**You will have to start speaking in 1.5 minutes and will speak for not more than 2 minutes (12-15 sentences). In your talk remember to speak about:**

- where and when the photo was taken
- what/who is in the photo
- what is happening
- why you kept the photo in your album
- why you decided to show the picture to your friend

**You have to talk continuously, starting with: "I've chosen photo number ..."**

7 **Think!** Is Ugra a comfortable place for those who can't speak Russian? Why?

8 **Read the text. Do you think Ugra residents should learn foreign languages?**



One might think that living in Ugra, so far from the capital and the borders of the country, you don't need to know English (1) ... . And he will be mistaken, of course!

Firstly, the KhMAO is the main oil and gas bearing area of Russia with many foreign (2) ... working there.

Secondly, during last decades Ugra has also become the territory of (3) ... international events: International Ecological Action To Save and to Preserve, International Film Festival Spirit of Fire, International Crafts Festival of the Indigenous Peoples of the World, International IT Forum, World Junior Compatriots Games, World Chess Olympics and World Cups, Biathlon and Roller Skis Championships and World Cups and so on. Being a member of the organizing committee or staff personnel you need to communicate (4) ... .

And the last but not the (5) ... ! Nowadays, with the Internet blurring all the boundaries, you may work, study or implement your most daring projects no matter where you live! Think of a 16-year old Nastya Kovtun from Chalkovsky who (6) ... the youngest author of the American Vogue with her portray of Billie Eilish on the cover of the magazine.

9 **Read the text in ex. 8 again. Transform the words written in capital letters at the end of each line marked by numbers 1-6 to make them match grammatically with the contents of the text. Complete the gaps with the transformed words.**

**GOOD**

**COMPANY NUMBER**

**EFFICIENT LITTLE**

**NOMINATE**

# To see Ugra - to Fall in Love with Russia

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## Reading & Listening

1 Which of the following tours do you think are available in Ugra?

- a snow vehicle safari
- an ethnographic tour
- an extreme sports tour
- an oil tour
- a waterway tour

Read through the text to find out.

2 **RNE** Read the text and for each gap (1-7) choose the correct word (A, B, C or D) to fill in.

### To See Ugra – to Fall in Love with Russia

The charm of northern nature, picturesque landscapes with mountains, rivers and lakes, the living culture of the indigenous peoples of the North and modern architectural objects – all of these can be 1) ..... in Ugra.

In Ugra, you will 2) .... yourself in a winter fairy tale land where you can see white snowdrifts and try winter sports such as skating, skiing and snowboarding. You can even go sledding downhill on special devices like ledyanka or argamak as well as go snow tubing and ride snow vehicles.

Ugra is home to more than 30,000 representatives of the indigenous peoples of the North who make up about 2 percent of the whole population. About 4.5 percent of the indigenous peoples 3) .... their traditional way of living. That's why ethnographic tours are always interesting for tourists. On one of these tours, visitors can stay in a nomad camp in a chum and dive into the culture, folklore, everyday life, art and crafts and traditional cuisine of the indigenous peoples – the Khanty and Mansi.

In winter time for example, you can go on a snow vehicle safari from the city of Nizhnevartovsk to the nomad camp Amputinskoye. The route runs through a very picturesque forest. Here you will learn about how the reindeer breeders and fishermen live. You will see traditional traps used for hunting and fishing and how they work. You will be 4) .... how to harness reindeers and take them out. You will also try traditional dishes, wear traditional dress and visit an ethnographic museum of the settlement Varyegan.

Similar tours are 5) .... all over Ugra. For example, you can go to an ethnographic nomad camp Luk Yaun from Surgut or visit an open air ethnographic museum Torum Maa and a national village Ven Kort starting from Khanty-Mansiysk in any season. According to the traditions of the northern peoples you will be met by the locals with singing and dancing.



For those who are interested in active recreation there are unique routes to the mountains of the Sub Polar Urals. The highest peak of the Urals is Narodnaya at 1,895 m. It is situated in Beryezovskiy district and it is very popular with tourists. Other popular routes are near the mountain Nyer-Oika (1,645 m) in the borough of the settlement Saranpaul'. Extreme sports tours including hiking and waterway tours are popular, too.

Another type of tour which is exclusive to Ugra is an oil-tour. On this tour, you can visit a special school that teaches drilling specialists. You can see the first oil drill of the largest oil field in Russia – Samotorskoye and you can visit corporate museums of the largest oil companies. Every tourist can bring home a very special souvenir – a drop of oil.

Ugra is also a paradise for lovers of hunting and fishing because of the scenic nature and clean air. There are many varieties of fish that 6) .... the rivers and lakes of Ugra including crusan, burbot, perch, white salmon, whitefish, pelyad, dace, ruff and others. Experienced fishermen come to Ugra to catch a trophy pike which may be up to 17 kg. It is not easy to get such a catch, but it is possible. Make sure you try it!

Wildlife lovers will love seeing the wide diversity in Ugra including the fox, polar fox, squirrel, sable, marten, ermine, mink, hare, reindeer and elk. There are also many kinds of birds such as the brant goose, wood grouse, black cock, grouse and duck. The hunting season in Ugra is from September/October till March/April.

Ugra is a perfect place for tourists. It is a great land with a special atmosphere. In spite of the severe climate, Ugra can 7) .... ice in peoples' hearts. That's why they say: 'To see Ugra means to fall in love with Russia'. Come and see for yourself!

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|---------------|----------------|-------------|------------|
| 1 A looked    | B seen         | C viewed    | D watched  |
| 2 A find      | B lose         | C discover  | D seek     |
| 3 A lead      | B live         | C follow    | D observe  |
| 4 A learnt    | B demonstrated | C explained | D taught   |
| 5 A organised | B led          | C managed   | D arranged |
| 6 A live      | B inhabit      | C occupy    | D exist    |
| 7 A defrost   | B relax        | C loosen    | D thaw     |

3 **Listen to and read the text again. Tell your partner a few interesting things you remember from the text.**

4 **ICT** In small groups collect more information about Ugra. For example, how many tourists visit every year? What else can visitors do there? Are there any other interesting facts? Prepare a digital presentation for your class.