

Olympiáda v anglickom jazyku, 34. ročník, krajské kolo 2023/2024, kategória 1C – úlohy**GRAMMAR**

**Read the text below and fill in each gap with the proper verb tense or verb form. Write your answers in the spaces below the article. Spelling counts! There is an example at the beginning (0).**

Increasing temperatures, a melting Arctic, cataclysmic Canadian wildfires: in 2023, the effects of climate change and environmental threats to wildlife set records. But not all the environmental milestones of 2023 -0- (be) negative. Amid these causes for concern were signs of hope.

A trend away from fossil fuels and toward renewable energy -01- (continue) apace, even if not at quite the rate of change that many would like to see. While some species -02- (declare) extinct, others -03- (show) themselves for the first time in decades. And the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Endangered Species Act highlighted that some species that -04- (seem) destined to disappear are now, relatively speaking, thriving.

Both the good and the bad, here are two environmental milestones from the past year.

**Temperatures kept climbing**

With just two weeks remaining, 2023 appears destined to be the warmest year on record, with average temperatures approximately 2.5°F higher than they were before the Industrial Revolution. This year, we -05- (see) the hottest July, August, September, and October on record. July was the hottest month ever recorded, and July 4<sup>th</sup> was the warmest single day ever documented—possibly one of the warmest days in the past 125,000 years.

Global carbon emissions from fossil fuels, the primary driver behind such temperature increases, also reached a new high in 2023, -06- (increase) by 1.1 percent since 2022.

This extreme heat -07- (also/fuel) by a strong El Niño event, which emerged this past spring in the Northern Hemisphere and developed rapidly during summer. According to the World Meteorological Organization, this weather pattern -08- (likely/lead) to even higher temperatures in 2024.

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*Continue reading the text and fill in the gaps with ONE word. Use only function words. Write your answers in the space provided below the text. Spelling counts! There is an example at the beginning (00).*

Fire damage spreads

-00- a year that saw a succession of extreme weather events, few stood out -09- than the wildfires that swept across swaths of Canada and polluted the skies over much -10- the United States. A record 45.7 million acres burned across the country in 2023, almost three times the previous record amount and an area approximately twice -11- large as Portugal. According -12- a study by the Copernicus Climate Change Service, Canada's wildfires emitted 410 million metric tons of carbon dioxide -13- the atmosphere, roughly the equivalent of Mexico's emissions in 2021 and not far -14- the 546 million metric tons that Canada -15- emitted as a result of human activity in 2022.

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## VOCABULARY

*Read the text below. Use the word given in brackets to form a word that fits in the space. Write your answers in the spaces provided. There is an example at the beginning (00).*

The Javari River splits Brazil and Peru as it flows deep into the Amazon forest. The only signs of human life along the waterway are the -00- occasional (**occasion**) boat or dock on the Peruvian side. On the Brazilian bank, -01- \_\_\_\_\_ (**govern**) signs warn that this is Javari Valley Indigenous land, a -02- \_\_\_\_\_ (**reservation**) that's home to the highest -03- \_\_\_\_\_ (**concentrate**) of isolated Indigenous peoples in the world. -04- \_\_\_\_\_ (**outside**) are forbidden to enter, but the lure of -05- \_\_\_\_\_ (**abundance**) minerals, timber, and wildlife is -06- \_\_\_\_\_ (**possibility**) for many to resist.

Some 6,000 people are known to live in the reserve, an area of nearly pristine forest roughly the size of Portugal. But that number accounts only for members of seven tribes who have -07- \_\_\_\_\_ (**establishment**) contact with the outside world. I've come to see how these people, who live on an embattled frontier, are faring as illegal logging, fishing, and mining chip away at their -08- \_\_\_\_\_ (**ancestry**) home.

The village of São Luís sits about 200 miles up the Javari River from the town of Atalaia do Norte. It's home to 200 or so Kanamari people, who have granted me and a film crew permission to visit. For eight days we live in their tidy settlement of wooden stilt houses, rising when Chief Mauro Kanamari blows a horn. We -09- \_\_\_\_\_ (**accompaniment**) the women as they harvest manioc, or cassava, and the men as they hunt and fish. What we witness, again and again, are people who, worried about -10- \_\_\_\_\_ (**violence**) incursions into their forest, are -11- \_\_\_\_\_ (**increase**) finding new ways to defend their land and their way of life. "There used to be only a few illegal invaders, fishermen, and loggers who took wood from our territory," Chief Mauro tells us. "Now they are more with every day."

For the Kanamari, the forest is their parent who -12- \_\_\_\_\_ (**supplement**) everything. Logging and other natural resource -13- \_\_\_\_\_ (**extract**) threaten their parent's health and their own livelihood. But it's dangerous to oppose such activities. In 2022 Brazilian Indigenous advocate Bruno Pereira and British journalist Dom Phillips were brutally murdered on another river in the region, -14- \_\_\_\_\_ (**allegation**) by order of the head of a criminal fishing network. "I've personally received many threats," says Chief Mauro.

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Still, the Kanamari refuse to allow these **-15-** (encroach) to go **- 16-** (challenge). They've joined forces with FUNAI, Brazil's Indigenous affairs agency, and UNIVAJA, a union of the Indigenous groups in the Javari Valley, to organize vigilance patrols and push back against the outlaw **-17-** (log). FUNAI supplies radios and fuel for a motorized boat, but the Kanamari's weapons—bows and arrows and small-calibre guns—are no match for those of the intruders. By **-18-** (necessary), their philosophy is to be nonconfrontational but to report what they find. "We used to confiscate this wood, but now, since they're coming in greater numbers, we've become afraid," says Chief Mauro. "When you go to the city, then you're marked for **-19-** (assassin)."

João Kanamari, Chief Mauro's 20-year-old nephew, documents the patrols on his cell phone and shares the information on social media. In his late teens he was sent to Atalaia do Norte to learn Portuguese and serve as an interlocutor between his people and the rest of the world. "We want the world to see us so they can help us," João says. "We are out here on these **-20-** (danger) waters patrolling our territory, not just for us but also for you. The Amazon is our government, our father, and our mother. We can't survive without her, and, from what we all now understand, neither can you."

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## VOCABULARY: PROGRESSIVE TEST

*Read the proverbs below. Fill in the gaps with the proper word or words to complete each proverb.*

*Write your answers in the spaces provided. You will score 1 point for every 3 correctly spelled answers.*

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| 01. A bad workman always _____ his tools.              | 18. It's better to be safe _____.                    |
| 02. _____ makes the heart grow fonder.                 | 19. The early bird catches the _____.                |
| 03. A fool and his _____ are soon parted.              | 20. Don't make a mountain out of _____.              |
| 04. Honesty is the best _____.                         | 21. Where there's a will, _____.                     |
| 05. Birds of a feather _____ together.                 | 22. Always put your best _____ forward.              |
| 06. Still waters run _____.                            | 23. The squeaky wheel gets the _____.                |
| 07. Curiosity _____ the cat.                           | 24. A rolling stone gathers no _____.                |
| 08. My hands are _____.                                | 25. A lean agreement is better than a _____ lawsuit. |
| 09. _____, out of mind.                                | 26. An apple a day _____ the doctor away.            |
| 10. Easy come, _____.                                  | 27. Better late _____.                               |
| 11. You can't make an omelette without breaking _____. | 28. Don't bite the hand that _____ you.              |
| 12. Forbidden fruit is always _____.                   | 29. _____ wasn't built in a day.                     |
| 13. If you scratch my back, _____.                     | 30. Lightning never _____ in the same place.         |
| 14. It's the tip of the _____.                         |  |
| 15. Learn to walk _____.                               |  |
| 16. Every horse thinks its own _____ is the heaviest.  |  |
| 17. Don't bite off more than you can _____.            |  |

Total points: \_\_\_\_\_ pts

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## READING COMPREHENSION

*Read the following article about why Santa is packing more presents for pets this Christmas. For questions 01-10, decide which of the sentences (A-M) below the article best fit into each of the numbered gaps in the article. There are three extra sentences.*

**Creature comforts (and joy): why Santa is packing more presents for pets this Christmas**

For pet owners, the festive period used to mean hiding chocolate out of harm's way and trying to stop the dog or cat fighting or climbing the Christmas tree. Now it seems many people are also busy helping their furry friends open Advent calendars and counting down the days until they can pull a cracker together. Since the Covid pandemic, pups -01- and cats better catered for, particularly around the festive season. According to retail analysts at Kantar, in the eight weeks to Christmas 2022, spending on pet supplies was up by 12% on 2021's figure.

Kathryn Imrie, chief consumer officer at Pets at Home, says: "Pets are much-loved members of the family and owners -02- on big seasonal occasions, such as Christmas, Halloween, Valentine's Day, and Easter, and it is showing no signs of slowing down."

Halloween sales at the retailer were up 18% year on year. Although sadly the cost-of-living crisis has forced some people to give up their pets, -03-, and retailers and manufacturers are launching more and more products for generous owners to spend their money on, offering everything from hampers to Christmas cards. Dogs -04- more gifts than cats. Pets at Home has sold 500,000 dog toys so far, compared with 20,000 cat treats. The retailer's £30 Advent calendar for canines featuring toys and treats, including three packs of "three-bird-roast freeze-dried stars", sold out online in three days. On the John Lewis website, -05- of dog Advent calendars, though you can still buy one for your feline friend.

A survey of Pets at Home customers found a quarter were planning to spend the same or more on their pet than on their children or partner, while a third were expecting to spend the same as on their parents. This isn't new, says Matt Piner, a retail expert at GlobalData. "Maybe 10-15 years ago, we -06- and found that people were more likely to cut back their spending on their grandparents than on their pets. People take their pets very seriously," he says.

He adds that during the pandemic -07- in pet ownership "and people spending more time with their pets, and that probably fosters a closer relationship." Piner says dogs may be getting a better deal because -08- than cats and because there are more options for presents.

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Gift guides now frequently feature a section for pets and their owners, and it's not just specialist stores that are offering -09-. Fortnum & Mason's traditional hamper range includes two new offerings for dogs: the Hound About Town (£90), which contains a tartan bow tie and paw balm for the canine recipient and iced biscuits for the owner, and the Man's Best Friend (£185), which has all that and more, including a tartan treat pouch.

The upmarket department store is also stocking crackers for cats and dogs (£25). They contain a toy – -10- about your pet's ears as there are no "frightening bangs", or jokes. Alice Eastwood, a fashion, beauty, and homebuyer at Fortnum & Mason, says consumer spending on dogs and other pets has increased at the retailer.

- A** are on track to receive
- B** they are less independent
- C** seems to be more pampered
- D** the market is still booming
- E** the virtual shelves have been emptied
- F** but there's no need to worry
- G** appear to be more pampered
- H** there was an increase
- I** the same products
- J** did a survey
- K** an array of options
- L** want to treat them with gifts
- M** must buy gifts

<b>01</b>	_____
<b>02</b>	_____
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**LISTENING COMPREHENSION**

***You will hear an interview with the opera singer Andrea Bocelli discussing his career and his music.***

***Decide whether the statements 01-05 are true (A), false (B), or whether the information was not stated (C). Circle the correct answer. You will hear the recording only once.***

01 He creates a mutual feeling with the audience during his performances.

(A) true            (B) false            (C) not stated

02 The bond with the audience serves as the pivotal element in his life.

(A) true            (B) false            (C) not stated

03 Andrea Bocelli favours singing in Italian because its subtleties pose no hindrance for him.

(A) true            (B) false            (C) not stated

04 English and Spanish are suitable languages for creating lyrics.

(A) true            (B) false            (C) not stated

05 Andrea Bocelli recorded an album in 2022 with all of his children.

(A) true            (B) false            (C) not stated

***Total points: \_\_\_\_\_ / 5 pts***

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