**1. Choose the right answer to these questions**

1. The Commonwealth of Nations is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A an association of the former British colonies.

B a union of sovereign states.

C an organization of independent countries.

D all of the above.

2. Which country was called “the Jewel in the Crown”?

A The USA

B India

C Canada

D Australia

3. The motto of the UK is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A “God and My Right”.

B “God Save the Queen”.

C “Land and My Fathers”.

D “In God We Trust”.

4. What bird is the national bird of the UK?

A The blackbird

B The sparrow

C Robin Redbreast

D The starling

5. What is the highest mountain in the United Kingdom?

A Ben Nevis

B Snowdon

C The Mourne Mountain

D The Pennine Chain

6. On the Welsh flag, we can see \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A three crosses.

B a lion.

C a dragon.

D a daffodil.

7. What is the historical name of Northern Ireland?

A Ulster

B The Irish Republic

C The Republic of Eire

D The Emerald Isle

8. Which of the following writers did not belong to the Angry Young Men?

A John Braine

B Kinsley Amis

C John Wain

D John Osborne

9. The motto of Canada is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A “A Mari Usque Ad Mare”.

B “From Sea to Sea”.

C Neither of the above.

D Both of the above.

10. Poetically, the Aboriginal population in New Zealand is called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A the Knights of the Round Table.

B Merry Men.

C the People of the Long White Cloud.

D the Vikings of the Sunrise.

11. New Zealand’s natural dangers do not include \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A earthquakes.

B volcanoes.

C snakes.

D climate

12. New Zealand’s famous dessert is called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

A “Pavlova” cake.

B Paua Shells.

C Buzzy bee.

D Lemon Paeroa.

13. What do people of Scotland bring when they visit their friends in the morning on January 1?

A Luck B Coal C Firewood D Treats

14. What kind of sport comes from England?

A Ice Hockey B Tennis C Football D Karate

15. Which bird have citizens of the American city of Boston erected a monument in the city center?

A Crow B Eagle C Sparrow D Parrot

16. Which country of the United Kingdom sent a lot of the Saints to other countries in VI-VII centuries?

A England B Scotland C Ireland D Wales

17. In honor of which president of the United States was named a teddy bear?

A Theodore Roosevelt B Thomas Jefferson C Theodore Fraklin

18. The cat of the United States president was actively involved in US political life and virtual life on the Internet. Name this President.

A Barrack Obama B Bill Clinton C Abraham Lincoln D Harry Truman

19. In New Zealand people are discussing changing the national flag. One of the variant is solid color flag. What colour can it be?

A White B Green C Blue D Black

20. Recently in New Zealand a new type of license of carrying a weapon was passed. For what type of weapon was it?

A Cold steel arms B Firearm C Toy gun

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21. What kind of ground flightless mammals did appear in the XIII century on the islands of New Zealand?

A Cows B Sheep C Tigers D Humans

22. Uncle of *this* USA president has lived illegally in the country for more than 50 years.

A Bush B Clinton C Obama D Donald Trump

23. As you know, New Zealand national rugby union team has the nickname "All blacks". What is the nickname of the basketball team of the country?

A Tall blacks B Small blacks C Tall backs

2. *Some people think that you can master the language only if you study it abroad, in the native speaking envi­ronment; others believe that you can become fluent in a for­eign language without ever visiting the country.* What can you say for and against learning languages in a native speaking envi­ronment? **Write an essay(about 140-150 words).**