1. Match the following English idioms with their endings (give the answer as a sequence of 10 letters without any separators).

1) Laughter is
2) You can choose your friends
3) Oil and water
4) Two is company,
5) When the cat’s away
6) Silence is
7) There’s no place
8) There’s always more fish
9) Two heads are
10) Two blacks

A) don’t mix
B) the best medicine
C) better than one
D) golden
E) like home
F) in the sea
G) the mice will play
H) but you can’t choose your family
I) don’t make a white
J) but three’s a crowd

2–11. Complete the sentences with one missing word.

[2] My friends _____ to the cinema last week, but I didn’t have time.
[3] We really like _____ small family, there are three of us.
[5] Cheetahs are _____ fastest animals in the world.
[6] I haven’t _____ much time, I’m really busy.
[7] Daddy is looking _____ his glasses but he can’t find them anywhere.
[8] — What are you doing?  
    — I _____ washing my hands.
[9] Sam is from Canada. He is _____.
[10] He _____ cooked a tasty cake today.
[11] My sister’s daughter is my _____.

12. Compare two pictures (50–150 words, articles and contractions are counted as one word each).

Kindergarten nanny Nina
P. Grigoriev-Savushkin

An excellent mark again
F. Reshetnikov
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Tasks for grades R7–R8

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1. Match the following English idioms with their endings (give the answer as a sequence of 10 letters without any separators).

   1) Actions speak  
   2) Englishman’s home  
   3) Bird in the hand  
   4) A room without books  
   5) Home is  
   6) The right hand doesn’t know what  
   7) There’s no place  
   8) A leopard cannot  
   9) The grass is always greener  
  10) It’s better to light a candle than

   A) is like a body without a soul  
   B) the left hand is doing  
   C) louder than words  
   D) on the other side of the fence  
   E) like home  
   F) is worth two in the bush  
   G) curse the darkness  
   H) change its spots  
   I) where the heart is  
   J) is his castle

2–11. Complete the sentences with one missing word.

   [2] I got ______ early and had a shower.
   [3] — Would you like ______ tea?
       — No, thank you.
   [4] — Did you like the show?
       — Yes, I ______ it was very good.
   [5] — Did Mary come to your party?
       — No, she ______ invited, but she didn’t come.
   [6] Tina is from Chicago. She ______ lived there all her life.
   [7] My parents have ______ working here for six years.
   [8] I was so tired I ______ not keep my eyes open.
   [9] The view was fantastic! If I’d had a camera with me, I ______ have taken some photographs.
   [10] — What ______ do you have classes?
       — At 5 o’clock.
   [11] Russia is bigger ______ Italy.

12. Compare two pictures (50–150 words, articles and contractions are counted as one word each).

   Upon the Dnieper River
   T. Yablonska

   Before start
   T. Yablonska
International English Olympiad
“Formula of Unity” / “The Third Millennium”
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Tasks for grades R9 – R10

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1. Match the following English idioms with their definitions (give the answer as a sequence of 10 letters without any separators).

   1) Culture vulture A) to hope that something happens
   2) Couch potato B) someone who can’t wait to finish work, school, etc
   3) Party animal C) someone who is very interested in music, art, theatre, etc
   4) Clock-watcher D) something that is impossible or extremely difficult to find
   5) Wild-goose chase E) a person with a pleasant and friendly appearance that hides the fact
   6) Cross your fingers that they are evil
   7) A needle in a haystack F) a search that is a waste of time because the person or thing being searched for does not exist or is somewhere else
   8) A wolf in sheep’s clothing G) I would like to know what you are thinking
   9) A piece of cake H) a person who watches a lot of television and does not have an active life
   10) A penny for your thoughts I) someone who enjoys going out and meeting people

   J) a very easy task

2–11. Complete the sentences with one missing word.

2) When ______ the telephone invented?
3) I’ve cut my finger chopping vegetables.
   — Oh, ______ you? Do you need help?
4) I asked some people ______ way to the bank, but no one could help me.
5) Our flat is ______ the second floor of the building.
6) She is one ______ the best people I know.
7) She ______ bought this dress this week.
8) We hardly ______ meet new people nowadays. It’s a small town.
9) It was the ______ ridiculous thing to say.
10) I feel sorry ______ Sarah. She’s had a lot of bad luck.
11) Last night police said that they ______ found the robber.

12. Compare two pictures (50–150 words, articles and contractions are counted as one word each).

Theorists
M. Kanayan

Christmas tree decoration
A. Guliayev
Tasks for grade R11

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1. Match the following English proverbs with their definitions (give the answer as a sequence of 10 letters without any separators).

1) Hit the hay  
2) Shoot something or somebody down in flames  
3) Have the last laugh  
4) Go a bomb  
5) In the pipeline  
6) Not in a month of Sundays  
7) Under the weather  
8) The time of your life  
9) Go to town  
10) A green thumb

A) to refuse to accept someone’s suggestion or idea and not consider it at all
B) it is very unlikely to happen
C) go to bed
D) the ability to make plants grow and be healthy
E) to do something in a detailed and enthusiastic way, especially by spending a lot of money
F) an extremely enjoyable experience
G) to finally get an advantage from an argument or disagreement, when it seemed that you would not
H) feeling ill
I) to be very successful or popular
J) being planned

2–11. Complete the sentences with one missing word.

[2] Lucy doesn’t work here ______ more. She left last week.
[3] They are very kind to me. They treat me as ______ I’m their son.
[5] The prisoners who are ______ released are only men.
[7] Don’t blame ______! It’s not your fault!
[8] Have ______ to eat before you leave.
[9] If I ______ known how difficult the course was, I wouldn’t have applied for it.
[10] Last night police said that they ______ found the robber.
[11] I can’t start the computer, my brother must ______ changed the password.

12. Describe the picture (100–200 words, articles and contractions are counted as one word each).

A son was born

E. Timonina