

# Témata pro státní základní jazykovou zkoušku z angličtiny

## **0. Úvodní témata pro všechny okruhy – představení kandidáta**

- Your name, surname, date and place of your birth, your family – family members, other relatives, friends
- Descriptions and characteristics, hobbies and daily occupations
- The place you live in and its surroundings
- Your job, studies, plans for the future

## **1. Daily Programme, Hobbies**

- Your average weekdays and weekends – daily programme, your job: what it involves, main responsibilities, daily routines
- Your leisure time activities and hobbies, the most common hobbies, gardening
- (Typical British and American weekends, hobbies and pastimes popular in the UK and the U.S.A.)\*

## **2. Sports and Games**

- Your attitude to sports, different sports activities: winter sports and summer sports, outdoor and indoor sports, games, light athletics – track and field events, water sports
- Sports facilities, PT lessons, gymnasium, sportswear
- The Olympic Games, famous sportsmen and sportswomen
- (Sports and games popular in the UK. Sports and games popular with the Americans.)\*

## **3. Housing**

- Various types of dwellings: the differences between houses and flats
- The place where you live – general description of all the rooms, your workplace, cottage or garden
- How is housework organized in your family, labour-saving devices
- (The most common type of buildings in the UK and the U.S.A. A typical English house and its layout.)\*

## **4. Language Studies, Education**

- The terms „English Speaking Countries“ and „the Commonwealth“
- English as a World language : the main type of English
- Foreign language courses, lessons, textbooks, the qualities of an ideal teacher
- A school building, classroom, language lab, the Czech system of education
- (Systems of education in the UK and the U.S.A.)\*

## **5. Jobs: My job, Future Career**

- Manual jobs, professional people, office work, factory work
- Your career ladder, main responsibilities and daily duties at work
- Pay: wages – salaries, working hours
- Applying for a job: compiling a CV – interview
- (Working opportunities and working hours in the UK and the U.S.A.)\*

## **6. Food, Restaurants**

- Your eating habits, your favourite food and drinks
- Czech breakfast, lunch, dinner, supper: typical Czech dishes: table manners
- Your attitude to cooking: your favourite recipe
- Catering establishments – types of restaurants. Fast Food restaurants – advantages and disadvantages
- (How do the British and Americans organize their daily eating schedule? Typical British and American meals.)\*

## **7. Festivals, celebrations, Partygoing**

- The Czech way of life – personal anniversaries, holidays and festivals in the Czech Republic
- Christmas and Easter traditions in the Czech Republic and the UK. Christmas in your family, presents, meals.
- Partygoing in this republic, various parties
- (Some festivals and notable days in the UK and the U.S.A. Partygoing in the UK and the U.S.A.)\*

## **8. Going on Holiday, Tourism, Sightseeing**

- Various kinds of holidays, necessary equipment for each kind of holidays, package holidays
- Travelling abroad, preparations, documents
- Travel agencies – services, hotel and hotel services
- (The greatest tourist attractions in the Czech Republic, Prague – the capital of the Czech Republic)\*

## **9. Transport, Means of Transport, City Traffic**

- Advantages and disadvantages of travelling by various means of transport
- At the airport, at the railway station, water transport
- Travelling abroad, package tours
- Travelling by car, types of cars, description of a car, driving-licence, hitchhiking
- (Places of interest in the UK and the U.S.A.)\*

## **10. Shops, Shopping, Services**

- Your attitude to shopping, your daily shopping
- Specialized shops, supermarkets, hypermarkets, department stores, shopping centre – shopping mall
- Services and service shops
- Commercials on TV, newspapers and magazines, trade fairs. Different currencies, money matters, H.P., C.O.D.
- (Shopping habits in the UK and the U.S.A. Department stores in the UK and the U.S.A.)\*

## **11. Human Body, Health – Illnesses**

- The main parts of the human body
- Health insurance system, GPs, specialists, hospitals
- various types of medical treatment, At the dentists, Spa treatment, prevention
- Common infections, children's diseases, other disorders, mortal diseases
- The most frequent injuries, first aid, your medicine chest
- (Medical care in the UK and U.S.A.)\*

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### **12. Course of Life**

- Your family life, family background
- The birth of a baby, upbringing, generation gap.
- Wedding preparations, civil wedding, church wedding, wedding customs
- Happy marriage. The most common reasons for divorces
- the old age, retirement, early retirement
- (Family life in the UK and the U.S.A.)\*

### **13. Clothes and Fashions**

- Your attitude to fashion
- The main articles of men's/women's wear. Accessories: footwear, hats, bags, jewellery, etc.
- Materials, patterns, cuts, styles and colours. Advantages and disadvantages of man-made fibres
- Worn-out clothes and unworn clothes. Second-hand shops and sales
- Ready-made clothes or made-to-measure clothes, at the dressmaker's
- British schools uniforms, Scottish costumes. World-famous fashion centres fashion designers.)\*

### **14. City Life, Country Life**

- Advantages and disadvantages of living in a town/village
- The main parts of a town: commercial centre, shopping area, cultural and sports facilities, night life, the main industries, suburbs
- The old part and the new part of the town, city transport, municipal services
- Your home town and its surroundings, your region (Ostrava, ....)
- (London, Washington D.C., New York, other British and American towns)\*

### **15. Entertainment – Cinema, Theatre, music, Books, Arts**

- Cinema going, various kinds of films, people who participate in film industry, credits, subtitles, dubbing, film stars, awards
- Theatre going, theatre building – seating arrangement, intervals, various performances
- Your attitude to music, musical instruments, dancing, the Prague Spring Festival
- Your favourite types of books, fiction – non-fiction, favourite writers
- Your favourite style of arts, painters, art galleries, museums, chateaux and castles
- (British theatre and opera houses, famous composers. British galleries and painters, concert halls – the Proms)\*

### **16. Media – TV, Radio, Newspapers**

- Radio and television, advantages and disadvantages. various TV and radio programmes – your favourite ones
- TV news analyses: what do they comprise?
- popular press – quality press, parts of newspapers, headlines, people working in this business, a journal, a colour supplement, a comic
- What makes reading English newspapers rather difficult?

- (the best-known British and American newspapers, Fleet street – a synonym for big national newspapers)\*

### **17. Climate, Seasons of the Year, Weather**

- Individual climatic zones – how they differ. Climate in the Czech Republic
- A typical weather pattern of four seasons, countryside, activities
- Pollution and its forms, solutions, how can we help?
- (A typical weather pattern in the UK and the U.S.A.)\*

### **18. Countryside, Nature, the Environment**

- The physical world: physical features, landscapes, the environment, natural disasters
- The natural world: deciduous and evergreen trees, flowers, pets and farm animals, wild animals, the ZOO or wild animals park, specific animals (birds, fish and reptiles, insects), endangered species of plants and animals
- Pollution and its forms, alternative sources of energy, solutions, conservationists, Green organizations
- (What plants, trees and animals are the symbols of Britain, Australia, Canada and New Zealand?)\*

### **19. Progress in Technology, problems in Society**

- The greatest achievements of modern science and technology. Traditional branches of science and new trends
- Computers: description, important vocabulary, operating PC, What do people use computers for?
- Social problems:
  - Criminality and terrorism. Conflicts and wars among ethnic groups and nations.
  - Drug and alcohol problems, sexual problems, vandalism, homelessness and squatting, ecological problems
  - Abortion and euthanasia, death penalty, genetic engineering, cloning, genetically altered foodstuffs.
  - Unemployment, broken families, single-parent families
- Solutions, the role of education, the effects of films and TV programmes
- (British and American inventors, scientists and thinkers)\*

### **20. Post-Office, Communication and Banking, Money Matters**

- At the post-office, various counters, postal services
- Writing letters and postcards, the layout of an English persona letter
- Types of letters, business correspondence, envelopes, postal instructions
- Sending a parcel – labels, sending a telegram, fax
- How to use a phone, various phone calls, tones, public phones, long-distance and international calls, mobile phones – pros and cons
- British and American currency: banknotes, coins, credit cards, at the bank, bank services
- (Postal services in the UK and the U.S.A.)\*

\*Podotázky v závorkách vyžadují základní znalost reálií anglicky mluvících zemí.