

**Olimpiada de Limba Engleză LICEU – Etapa locală****An școlar 2023-2024****Clasa a XII-a, SECȚIUNEA B****BAREM DE EVALUARE ȘI DE NOTARE****SECTION A – USE OF ENGLISH 40 points****I. (10p)**A. 1. C; 2. B; **3. D**

- B. 1. what we adults worry about is  
2. means letting go of  
3. has wrongly been believed to be

C. 1. rebellion; 2. maturation; 3. urges; 4. loss

**II. (5x2p=10p)** 1. SOCIAL; 2. COURT; 3. TERM; 4. RESISTANCE 5. INITIATIVE**III. (10 x 1p = 10p)**

1. BEEN
2. WITH
3. ✓
4. THERE
5. TO
6. IS
7. WHICH
8. THAT
9. GET
10. FOR

**IV. (10 p)**

- **grammar structures 4 points**
- **vocabulary 4 points**
- **fluency 2 points**

**Suggested answer:**

The second big project on the human agenda will probably be to find the key to happiness. Throughout history numerous thinkers, prophets and ordinary people defined happiness rather than life itself as the supreme good. In ancient Greece the philosopher Epicurus explained that worshipping gods is a waste of time, that there is no existence after death, and that happiness is the sole purpose of life. Most people in ancient times rejected Epicureanism, but today it has become the default view. Scepticism about the afterlife drives humankind to seek not only immortality, but also earthly happiness. For who would like to live for ever in eternal misery?

For Epicurus the pursuit of happiness was a personal quest. Modern thinkers, in contrast, tend to see it as a collective project. Without government planning, economic resources and scientific research, individuals will not get far in their quest for happiness. If your country is torn apart by war, if the economy is in crisis and if health care is non-existent, you are likely to be miserable. At the end of the eighteenth century the British philosopher Jeremy Bentham declared that the supreme good is 'the greatest happiness of the greatest number', and concluded that the sole worthy aim of the state, the market and the scientific community is to increase global happiness.

(Yuval Noah Harari, *Homo Deus. A Brief History of Tomorrow*)

**SECTION B – INTEGRATED SKILLS 60 points****I. READING COMPREHENSION (10p)** 1. D, 2. F, 3. B, 4. A, 5. E**II. WRITING (50p) - See marking scheme**