

### CARD N 3

*People differ from each other. When answering the following questions, consider what you are compared with others, both at work and at home.*

*Some of the questions look similar. This is because these questions are asked of different people and we want to make sure that everybody has understood them well.*

*Answer each question by giving the answer that describes you best. Do not think long on the questions and just give the first answer that comes to mind. This section contains no correct and incorrect answers.*

Answer each question by giving one of the possible answers from the scale below:

**Almost always**



**Often**



**Sometimes**



**Almost never**



## CARD N 4

*Please indicate whether you agree/disagree with each of the allegations. There are no correct and incorrect answers. We would like to know your ideas.*

Answer each question by giving one of the possible answers from the scale below:

**Totally  
agree**



**Agree**



**Rather agree**



**Rather  
disagree**



**Disagree**



**Totally  
disagree**



## CARD N 5

*I will ask you a few questions, resembling a word game. You can look at the questions and answers in the card in front of you. You must tell me what the correct answer to each question is according to you. If you are not sure in your answer, indicate the one you think is most appropriate.*

**Question 5.1. Which of these words is NOT close in meaning to the word *building*?**

- 1) edifice
- 2) structure
- 3) scaffolding
- 4) house

**Question 5.2. What does the expression '*money burns a hole in one's pocket*' mean?**

- 1) has a congenital disability
- 2) spends excessively
- 3) is a very generous person
- 4) saves money

**Question 5.3. What is the opposite of *shallow*?**

- 1) superficial
- 2) smooth
- 3) thick
- 4) deep

**Question 5.4. Which of these words is similar in meaning to the word *run*?**

- 1) start
- 2) leave
- 3) jog
- 4) walk

**Question 5.5. What is the opposite of *strong*?**

- 1) low
- 2) little
- 3) big
- 4) weak

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**Question 5.6. Which of these words is similar in meaning to the word *joy*?**

- 1) closeness
- 2) pleasure
- 3) relationship
- 4) youth

**Question 5.7. Point out the sentence that is closest in meaning to the following sentence:**

*The child that the teacher took by the hand was smiling happily.*

- 1) The child took the teacher by the hand.
- 2) The child and the teacher held hands.
- 3) The teacher took the child by the hand.
- 4) The child gave his hand to the teacher.

## CARD N 6

***Read the text carefully, trying to understand its meaning as much as possible. After reading it, I will take it and give you another card with questions on the content of the text. While answering the questions you will not be able to look at the text.***

### **The house in which you will live tomorrow**

An ageing builder decided to retire and devote the remaining time of his life to his wife and family. But when he went to inform his boss that he was retiring, the boss asked him if he could stay a little longer and build one last house, as a personal favour to him, before finally leaving work.

The builder was not pleased by that request but agreed to comply with it. He then began working on the new house, but it was obvious that he did not put his heart in the work as he had done before and did not work with desire as was befitting him. He did not pay attention to details and used materials of the lowest quality. It was obvious from afar that he was working sloppily, as if he was doing everything against his will.

Naturally, this affected the house and it became quite ungainly in appearance.

The day the construction finished at last, the boss of the respected builder came to him, opened the door of the new house, turned to his employee and handed him the key with the words:

- This house is for you. It is my gift to my best worker!

The builder, of course, was dumbstruck by what he heard. Such a thought had never occurred to him. When he was finally able to assimilate this unexpected turn of events, he became angry with himself. Because had he known in advance that he had been building his own house, he would have done his best and put a lot more effort into it. He could have made it very different and better than this one...

## CARD N 7

***Below are 5 questions on the content of the text you have read. There are 4 answers to each question. Only one of these answers is the most accurate and true regarding the meaning of the text. Please, do not look at the text card while answering the questions!***

**Question 6.1. What decision did the old builder take?**

- 1) to continue to financially support his family
- 2) to start his own business and build only small and cheap houses
- 3) to retire and devote himself to his family
- 4) to take a long leave and rest

**Question 6.2. What did his boss ask him when he learned about his decision?**

- 1) to leave work faster and free the position for unemployed builders
- 2) to work a little longer and build one last house as a personal favour to him
- 3) to stay a little longer to pass on his experience to young builders
- 4) to stay on as a trainer of young workers without being involved in building work

**Question 6.3. How did the builder work to fulfil the last request of his boss, which he had accepted reluctantly?**

- 1) he worked as usual, performing the construction works with professionalism
- 2) he worked with desire as was befitting him and finished the house on time and to a high standard
- 3) he put in it quality materials and paid attention to details
- 4) he worked reluctantly, did things sloppily, without putting his heart in the work

**Question 6.4. What did his boss tell him when he finished and delivered the house?**

- 1) he told him that the house was meant as a gift for him because he was his best worker
- 2) he thanked him for the work and paid him an additional salary
- 3) he told him he did not expect him to build a house with such an unsightly appearance
- 4) he told him that the house would be the crown of his long years of work

**Question 6.5. How did the builder respond to the decision of his boss after he had delivered the building?**

- 1) he could not believe because his boss had never given such things for nothing
- 2) he was angry at himself because if he knew that he had been building his own house, he would have made it a lot prettier
- 3) he told him he would not accept gifts, which had blighted his last days at work
- 4) he turned down the gift and felt relief that he would finally retire

## CARD N 8

*This is the leaflet for the consumer of a fictional medicine. Read it carefully. Then I will ask you a few questions about the content of the text. While answering the questions, you will be able to look at the content of the leaflet.*

### PARACETAM tablets (Paracetamol)

Patient information leaflet

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#### **Dosage:**

Adults - 2 tablets every 4 hours as needed. Do not take tablets at intervals shorter than 4 hours and do not exceed the dose of 8 tablets within 24 hours.

Children (6 to 12 years) - 1/2 to 1 tablet to be given every 4 hours as needed. Children should not be given more than 4 tablets within 24 hours. Children should not be given tablets for a period longer than three days without consulting a doctor. Children under 6 years of age should be given the tablets only on prescription. If symptoms persist, consult your doctor.

Do not exceed the indicated dose. Taking a high dose of the medicine can damage the liver. If you exceed the recommended dose, seek immediate medical assistance, even if you are feeling well.

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Source: framar.bg

**Question 7.1. Which is the maximum number of tablets that an adult can take within 24 hours?**

- 1) 8
- 2) 12
- 3) 4
- 4) it is not indicated

**Question 7.2. How long can the medicine be given to children aged over 6 years without consulting a doctor?**

- 1) indefinitely
- 2) 3 days
- 3) the medicine can be given only on prescription
- 4) it is not indicated

## CARD N 9

***This is the schedule of buses departing from Sofia central bus station. Look at it carefully. I will ask you several questions related to that schedule. While answering the questions you will be able to look at the schedule.***

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### SCHEDULE OF BUSES DEPARTING FROM SOFIA CENTRAL BUS STATION

City	Time of departure															
	08:00	09:00	10:00	11:00	12:00	13:00	14:00	15:00	16:00	17:00	18:00	19:00	20:00	21:00	22:00	23:00
Blagoevgrad				11:20		13:20										
Burgas				11:00	12:00	13:30		15:20	16:50		18:40		20:10		22:00	
Varna		09:30					14:30		16:50			19:15				
Vidin				11:50			14:20			17:00		19:50			22:30	
Montana			10:15				14:15					19:20		21:50		
Silistra		09:20							16:45							
Haskovo				11:20										21:30		
Smolyan	08:30					13:50								21:10		
Plovdiv				11:10		13:10		15:10		17:10		19:10				

**Question 8.1. To which of the following cities is there a bus departing between 14.00 to 15.15 h?**

- 1) Blagoevgrad
- 2) Plovdiv
- 3) Burgas
- 4) Smolyan

**Question 8.2. At what time does the last bus for Varna depart?**

- 1) 09:30
- 2) 20:10
- 3) 22:30
- 4) 19:15



## CARD 10

*This is a picture of a brochure for the sale of mineral water. Look at it carefully. I will ask you a few questions about it. While answering the questions you will be able to look at the picture.*



**Question 9.1. What is the price of a bottle from the six pack during the promotion?**

- 1) 25 stotinki
- 2) 30 stotinki
- 3) 35 stotinki
- 4) 37.5 stotinki

**Question 9.2. What was the price of three six packs before the promotion?**

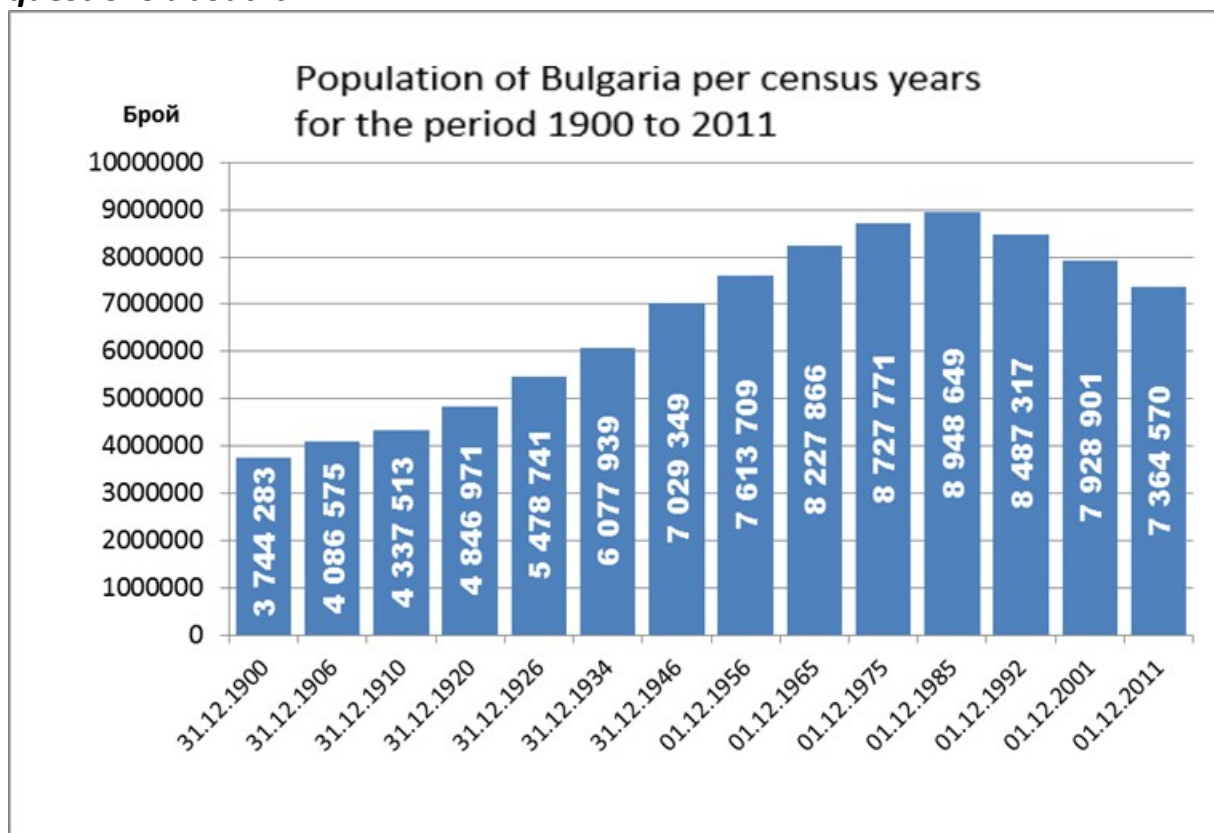
- 1) 1.13 lev
- 2) 4.75 lev
- 3) 6.25 lev
- 4) 6.75 lev

**Question 9.3. With how many stotinki is the price of the six pack reduced during the promotion?**

- 1) 25 stotinki
- 2) 40 stotinki
- 3) 45 stotinki
- 4) 35 stotinki

## CARD N 11

*This is a chart showing population levels according to the official censuses conducted between 1900 to date. Look at it carefully. I will ask you a few questions about it.*



Source: NSI (<http://www.nsi.bg/census2011/index.php>)

**Question 10.1.** According to the chart, in which year did Bulgaria have the lowest population?

- 1) 1985
- 2) 2011
- 3) 1900
- 4) 1920

**Question 10.2.** According to the chart, what was Bulgaria's population on 01/12/1965?

- 1) 7,613,709
- 2) 5,478,741
- 3) 8,487,317
- 4) 8,227,866

**Question 10.3.** According to the chart, Bulgaria's population is:

- 1) declining steadily
- 2) increasing to a certain point and then declining
- 3) declining to a certain point and then increasing
- 4) growing steadily

