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Let's speak English!

Как человека можно распознать по обществу, в котором он находится, так о нем можно судить и по языку, которым он выражается.

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Учителям иностранных языков приходится спорить с учениками, которые говорят: «Ну что вы придираетесь: то артикль не тот, то Perfect перепутал с Simple! Вот за границей все понимали и даже хвалили!» Конечно, понимали! Но нам-то хочется, чтобы английский у ломоносовцев был как у леди и джентльменов.

Как же научиться свободно, правильно и современно владению языком, чтобы все спрашивали: «Где так английский выучил?» Нашу выпускницу Милену Харитонову в МГИМО спрашивают, а она английский нигде, кроме Ломоносовки, не учила! Отвечать на этот вопрос приходится часто, в том числе, и журналистам.

У нас есть **хорошие учителя**. Верный способ — рекомендация коллег! 85% из 40 учителей иностранных языков именно так и попали в Ломоносовку. Остальные прошли конкурс. Сплоченная команда профессионалов трудится уже более 10 лет. Нам всегда нужен challenge: новые учебник, программа, курс, проект, наши авторские пособия. Рабочие тетради и методические рекомендации к УМК «New opportunities» получили диплом Лауреата Всероссийской выставки «Золотой Фонд Отечественной Науки» как лучшее учебно-методическое издание 2010 года и рекомендованы к применению. Наши учителя — члены жюри конкурсов и олимпиад, эксперты ГИА и ЕГЭ, авторы статей и победители конкурсов профессионального мастерства.

У нас есть **хороший учебник**. Он аутентичный, т. е. написан носителем языка, снабжен выходом на Интернет ресурсы, имеет приложение для интерактивной доски, позволяет ученику получать индивидуальные задания и осуществлять обратную связь с учителем через Интернет.

Каждому ученику подбираем **правильный уровень группы**. Обучение ведётся в группах разных уровней (от 2 до 5 на параллели). Необходимость открытия группы появляется, когда на параллели учатся дети с разным уровнем владения языком или при поступлении новых учеников, которые обучались по каким-либо другим программам. Система дает хорошие результаты, гуманна по отношению к учащимся всех уровней, позволяет развивать речевые умения и навыки, осваивать языковой материал в том темпе и объеме, который диктуется индивидуальными особенностями. Обязательный материал осваивается всеми учащимися. Контролирующие и диагностические материалы, одинаковы для всех групп и позволяют осуществлять мониторинг уровня владения языком учащихся всей школы, проводить анализ и при необходимости корректировать деятельность учителей. Переход в группы других уровней возможен при изменении уровня владения языком. Обучение в мини-группах ведётся при наличии в параллели 2-3 учеников, чей уровень отличается от других. При этом программа подбирается индивидуально. Есть и индивидуальная форма обучения.

Система Кембриджских экзаменов позволяет подтвердить соответствие уровня владения языком международным стандартам. Проходя через все ступени Кембриджских экзаменов, учени-

ки приобретают бесценный опыт подготовки к ГИА и ЕГЭ, что даёт им значительное преимущество. Ломоносовская школа номинирована Кембриджским университетом на присвоение статуса Cambridge ESOL Exam Preparation Centre (Центр по подготовке к Кембриджским экзаменам). В письме из Кембриджа сказано: «Статус Cambridge ESOL Exam Preparation Centre — это знак отличия, который показывает, что школа придерживается мировых стандартов в обучении английскому языку».

Уроки ведут и **носители языка**. Также ученики организованно посещают образовательные вы-

классов.

Языковая практика действует в системе: постоянные путешествия, Интернет общение, обучение в разных странах. Ученики читают книги, смотрят фильмы, слушают песни на английском.

По законам жанра в начале и в финале нужно заострить внимание на самом важном. Кто это? **Ученики, ломоносовцы!** Наши общие **достижения** — высокие баллы на ГИА (в прошлом году всего две «четвёрки», остальные — «пятерки») и ЕГЭ (средний балл — 86,86 и два результата по 99!), успешное поступление в престижные **вузы Москвы и**



ставками, где общаются с представителями зарубежных университетов на английском языке. Наш партнёр учебная группа «Знание-Центр» приглашает в Ломоносовскую школу преподавателей известных школ и колледжей Великобритании. Занятия проходят в форме деловых игр, семинаров, мастер-

зарубежья. Мы гордимся победами в конкурсах и олимпиадах, карьерным ростом выпускников, которому способствует уверенное пользование английским языком. Мы создаём условия для успешного овладения иностранными языками. Успехов в этом увлекательном деле!



Незабываемые каникулы, или Лондон — 2013

Наталья Богдановна Бычкова,
учитель английского языка

Много лет группа учеников нашей любимой Ломоносовской школы выезжает в Лондон, где с удовольствием погружается в языковую среду. В летнем языковом лагере на базе университета занятия прекрасно сочетаются с внеурочными событиями. Нас, педагогов, особо радует высокий уровень знаний наших учащихся по сравнению с их сверстниками из других стран. Преподаватели в группах также отмечают высокий уровень мотивации ребят, их хорошую подготовку и активность на занятиях. Детям же нравится дружелюбная атмосфера, подача материала и возможность общения внутри группы. Музей Виктории и Альберта, Тауэр, Собор Святого Павла, Вестминстерское Аббатство, Аквариум, Музей восковых фигур Мадам Тюссо, поездки в Брайтон, Кембридж — это далеко не полный список для двухнедельного пребывания в Великобритании. Многочисленные вечерние мероприятия на охраняемой территории университета помогли ребятам ближе познакомиться с зарубежными сверстниками, укрепить командный дух ломоносовцев. Вот почему всякий раз, уезжая, обещаем непременно вернуться туда, где нам было так хорошо. Заметки учеников о поездке подтвердят мои слова..

Катя Дружина

This summer I spent two weeks studying at the University of East London. It was my first time in England, so it was interesting to me. On the first day we went on a guided tour. We visited places such as: Madame Tussauds, the London Eye, Trafalgar Square and many others. We spent our free time differently. Some of us stayed in the hostel, some went for a walk, but I preferred to go for evening entertainments. There were a lot of things to do in the evenings. For example, karaoke, disco, billiards, crazy games, different sports. After lessons we visited a lot of interesting places. It was the best two weeks of the summer. I will never forget the UEL.

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Андрей Барковский

This summer we went to London with our teachers. It was one of my best trips ever! We were on the top of the London Eye, we visited Cambridge, Trafalgar Square, The London Dungeon and many other interesting places! And of course, we studied English! It was a fantastic trip! I love London!

Никита Маркин

For four years consecutively I've been going to England to improve my English and just to have a good time. But, perhaps, I will remember this summer for a long time because I wasn't travelling alone but with the school. I went with my friends and this means a lot for me. Plus, we were in a great camp where you can learn English easily. Every day we had interesting excursions which were also informative. English was taught at a high level, the lessons were so interesting that the time passed quickly. The second half of the day was also exciting so no one was bored. I hope next summer I will go back to England with the school again.

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Katya Kibalchich

Geographically, English is the most widespread language on the earth. It is widely spoken on six continents, and is the official language, or one of the official languages, in 55 countries. 400–500 million people speak it as their native language. In addition to this, one in every 6 people on our planet regularly uses some sort of English — and the percentage is growing all the time. I have been learning English since the age of 7. I have always been interested in the English language that is why I was quite enthusiastic about getting down to my first exercises. Studying English is the most beneficial for me. Firstly, it broadens my mind and my knowledge of English-speaking countries. Secondly, memorising English words and phrases improves my memory. As for my preferences, I am keen on different aspects of the English language. But the most attractive and preferable for me are grammar tasks and speaking practice. However, not everything is that good as I wish it were. Frankly speaking, sometimes I feel lazy about learning by heart long poems and endless lists of words. But I try to combat my laziness. Nobody can do without English nowadays. The Internet, e-mail, social net, all kinds of business negotiation are in English. All well-paid positions require some level of fluency in English. What is more, to improve your computer skills you should at least have an elementary knowledge of the English language for working with programs and sites. I suppose that my knowledge of English will help all my life.

НАШИ ВЫПУСКНИКИ

Kristina Yurova



15 years have passed since I learned the alphabet of the language, which was used to create such masterpieces, as Shakespeare's and Byron's poems. Dozens of countries have made a breakthrough with the help of English. However, it is hard to believe that before studying in Lomonosovskaya school, which I entered in the 8th form, I could hardly say a word. With the help of our sympathetic and highly professional tutors my level of the language improved dramatically. Four years ago I passed the entrance exam in English to MGIMO University with one of the highest marks and I have recently become an advanced learner with an IELTS certificate. That may sound a bit banal, but each time I make a new step up in learning English, I always remember teachers from Lomonosovskaya school.

Dina Dianova



Hello, my name is Dina. I graduated from Moscow States University as a PR-specialist, after 3 months I went to MGIMO to get a diploma in International Marketing. At the same time I got on traineeship in Indesit Company — a European producer of white goods. I went on my very first interview with two Italian experts, thinking I was not going to make it. But after 3 months of traineeship I was the only trainee, who got a permanent employment contract and stayed in the company. I was delegated to international trainings held in Italy, Poland and UK, I saw how production works and I shared international experience and I met people from different countries and different professions, who became my friends. After some time in Indesit I got a better job proposal from another company and I accepted it. Now I work in Electrolux company — international producer of domestic appliances. Two weeks ago I went to MSU to postgraduate school of economics to get a PhD degree. What I mean is that it would not have happened if I didn't speak English. Every day I

meet people who are not promoted just because they don't speak English. If you don't speak the same language with your boss, or client, or employee — your career prospects are limited. I went to entrance exam in English, without even knowing in which form it would be held and I got an excellent result. You can get ready for economics in one week, for philosophy, or for some other subjects, but you can't learn a language in one night. That's why it is so important to do the right thing from the beginning, when you are at school and there are teachers willing to help and explain. It is 1000000 times harder to make yourself do something after a hard working day. Skipping English now means giving a green light to your competitors, which you'll meet a lot in your professional life.

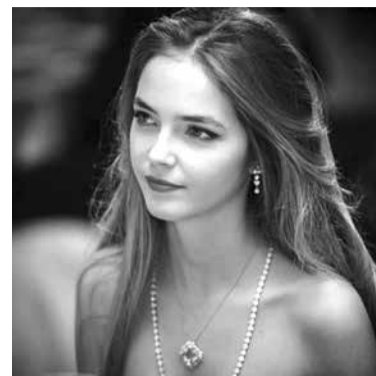
Anna Ivanochkina

Hello, my name is Anna, I'm 20, and I hate drilling. Phrasal verbs used to drive me mad when I was at school, and all my annoyance would concentrate on tests, even though their necessity was clear to me. I'm sure I'm not an exception — never have I met a schoolboy who enjoys tests. The day came when I realized the importance of phrasal verbs. I'm supposed to write how useful language learning is in terms of career, self-realization and self-development, but there's quite another thing I want to mention: personal contact. You meet real people, not textbook dialogues Johns or Junes, and this is the moment when phrasal verbs come in handy. You get together, you hang out, maybe get loaded and can't get over it the next day. All these activities imply live contact, chatting, or at least expressing yourself somehow. It is nothing more than an example. Motivation depends on the level of one's personal will or despair, and when it comes to foreign languages, the earlier you get it the better. Just for the fun of it.



Yulia Gluhova

I'm a 3d year student of Lomonosov Moscow State University Business School but I clearly remember the moment when we passed the English entrance exam there. Me and my friends from our Lomonosov school (there were 4 of us) did very well in it and were placed in the 1 and 2 levels of English groups out of 7. That shows how great the background we got from our school was! We already knew how to make speeches, presentations, write essays. I remember how great interactive



Vlada Smolenskaya

«Business before pleasure» — says an English proverb. However, this wise saying did not concern to our English lessons with Galina Igorevna Marasanova. These lessons were always both a big gain and a great pleasure for me. I can't remember attending English classes reluctantly. Now I'm studying journalism at Moscow State University. Thanks to the school lessons I've managed to join

lessons in our school were: extremely interesting but also efficient and productive. The teachers were all very attentive to every student all the time. Me and my friend Sofya Burbasova are now in Paris on the exchange program and we often recollect how cool the trips organized by our school (to Malta, London, Scotland etc) were. I'm very thankful to my school, to the teachers for the level of English I have.

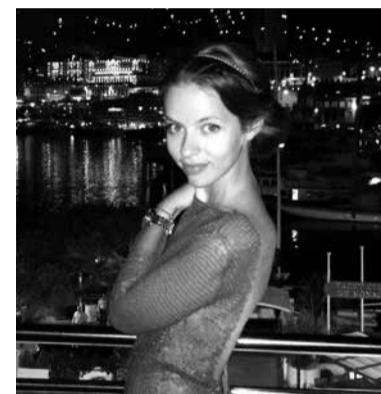
Daria Aleksandrova



I graduated from the Lomonosovskaya school in 2009 and in the same year I entered MSU the Faculty of Journalism. I currently work at a large PR company. And I want to say I'm very grateful to the teachers of English at Lomonosovskaya school. They give much more than just a good base. My company has a lot of expats and international companies among our clients. Therefore, knowledge of the English language is an important factor that contributes to quality performance of my work and upward move in career. Colleagues appreciate my knowledge and ability to apply it correctly. And I know that this is all due to the level of language teaching in Lomonosovskaya school.

Ksusha Speranskaya

English was always one of my favorite classes. The more I learned, the more I was fascinated by the ability to freely speak a different language. And even though neither my Bachelor's nor my Master's studies had anything to do with English, I ended up realizing that what I really wanted to do was work with English. For me, that is interpreting. I am now doing a second Master's in Conference Interpreting in California, and the English language has become my life. I work on it, I think about it, I'm interpreting from or into it. And I am very thankful to my teachers, because they all helped me get to the point where it became an essential part of my life.



the highest level English group and passed the state exam in the first course. There is no use in saying that I need English not only in my education but also in my future profession. Good knowledge of English will provide me with better opportunities. And it is always pleasant to hear from native speakers that my English is «on level». I really miss our English lessons and I'm grateful to the teachers.

Valeria Beketova

In today's world proficiency in English is not a competitive advantage any more — it is an essential skill. Excellence in the language — that is what really matters and serves as an advantage. When I left school and entered MGIMO I was quite afraid of University requirements and tasks and I was happy to realize that my English enabled me to keep on with my studies without any problems. Good English skills facilitated all the four years of my studies and contributed a lot to my overall educational performance (once you have learnt one language — it is so easy to study others). However, learning English is not just about spending a few hours doing homework or praising yourself. It is about you and your life. When you read a book in the original (no matter for studies or not), it is so pleasant to understand that there are no mediators between you and the author, no translator can distort the writer's words. When you go abroad you can always be confident speaking English. There are much more other benefits, but the one we cannot ignore in our pragmatic world, is that all modern employers take an applicant's proficiency in English for granted — to get any reasonable job you are to speak English pretty well. With English life is much more colourful and that is what I would like to thank my English teachers at school very much for!

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РОДИТЕЛИ ЛОМОНОСОВЦЕВ

Спасибо Ломоносовской школе!

Кто не знает чужих языков, не знает ничего о своем.
Иоганн Вольфганг Гёте.

Татьяна Алексеевна,
мама Стефании Горьковской

Стефания учится в 4 классе и с увлечением изучает английский язык. Владение английским позволяет ей чувствовать себя уверенно в большинстве стран мира: она легко может общаться с людьми, ходить по музеям и выставкам, передвигаться, пользуясь указателями. Может спросить у вожатой о том, что прослушала, пока болтала с подругой — иностранкой, перекинуться десятком фраз со знакомым официантом, посмотреть мультфильм или фильм на английском до премьеры в России. Чувство раскованности, отсутствия ограничений из-за неспособности понять и сказать — это лишь малая часть преимуществ. Важно отметить: если ранее достаточно было хоть как-то говорить на английском, то в последнее время требуются хорошее владение грамматикой и богатая лексика.

Умение правильно говорить на английском стирает границы общения между детьми разных стран. Став международным, английский требует, чтобы его изучали в российских школах так же углубленно и полно, как русский, чтобы наши дети были конкурентоспособными в мире. Изучение английского позволяет ребенку расти разносторонне развитой личностью, увеличивает его умственный потенциал, стимулирует его интеллектуальный и социальный рост, поощряет его любознательность, развивает его мировоззрение, позволяет посещать как можно больше мест в мире, не ориентируясь на наличие русского гида.

Благодарим Ломоносовскую школу за введение экзамена Cambridge. Это позволяет детям без особых усилий подготовиться к испытаниям, выдержать их так, будто это обычное дело. В школе

обучают детей так, что они считают учебу в школе одним из лучших занятий из всех существующих.

Ольга Борисовна Левковская

Хотели бы мы, чтобы наши дети походили на нас? «Да», так как хотим видеть свое продолжение в наших детях. «Нет», потому что хотим, чтобы дети были лучше нас. Знакомо ли Вам переживание, когда Вы видите, что после многих лет усилий, а подчас и борьбы, Ваш ребенок, что-то делает лучше Вас? Это настоящее родительское счастье!

Для родителей, которые учились в советское время, мир изменился. Было любопытно переступить границы привычного и оказаться в дру-



гой стране, с другими традициями, языком. Впервые оказалась за рубежом в 25 лет. Неповторимые воспоминания той поры связаны с цветущими деревьями в октябре и с... чужим языком. Не будучи выпускницей языковых школы или ВУЗа, невольно оценила свои скромные попытки овладеть английским. Даже плохонький английский сгодился на

тот период, пока не выучила, как теперь говорят, «в языковой среде» другой язык.

Наши дети оказываются за рубежом подчас раньше, чем начинают узнавать собственное Отечество. К счастью, они, оказавшись в других странах, не переживают того шока, который выпал на долю родителей. Это связано и с тем, что с дошкольного или младшего школьного возраста они начинают трудный и многообещающий путь овладения иностранными языками. Купить мороженое, заказать любимое блюдо, выслушать и понять наставления тренера, попытаться расшифровать музейные надписи — с этого начинается дорога в другую культуру. Не обходится, конечно, без казусов. Однажды в Канаде, в Монтриблане, где все мы катались на горных лыжах, Борис, который учился в то время во 2 классе, занимался в группе начинающих сноубордистов. Тренер давала объяснения на английском. Она была хрупкая, но каталась — просто высший класс! Заинтересовавшись, сколько лет понадобилось, чтобы хорошо освоить доску, Борис спросил: «How old are you?» Девушка загадочно выкинула указательный и средний палец правой руки сначала один раз, потом еще. Борис, рассказывая нам об этом, утверждал, что учительнице не может быть всего 4 года.

Парфразируя Гете, осмелюсь предположить, что открывая для себя другую культуру, традиции, языки, мы открываем и узнаем себя самих. Путь к себе трудный, тернистый, но и невероятно интересный! Счастливого всем пути!

Владение иностранным языком необходимо. Выпускники продолжают обучение за границей или поступают в сильнейшие московские вузы, где необходим высокий

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балл ЕГЭ по английскому языку. Кафедра английского языка в Ломоносовской школе очень сильная, о чем свидетельствуют высочайшие результаты сдачи ЕГЭ и международных экзаменов, победы в олимпиадах и конкурсах.

Путешествуя с детьми, с удовольствием отмечаю, что у них нет языкового барьера и они отлично общаются со своими иностранными сверстниками. В этом огромная заслуга всего коллектива педагогов. Благодаря их самоотверженной работе, творческому подходу и высокому профессионализму наши дети с удовольствием учат английский и достигают высоких результатов. Старшая дочь Анастасия в этом году сдала ЕГЭ по английскому языку на 95 баллов и поступила на бюджет в МГУ. Вторая дочь Анна сдала PET с отличием и сейчас готовится к сдаче ЕГЭ. Младшая дочь Арина отлично сдала начальный уровень Кембриджских экзаменов FLYIS.

Отмечу высокое качество преподавания второго языка. Мои дочери выбрали французский. Мало школ, где выпускники, при желании, получают качественную подготовку по двум иностранным языкам сразу. Анастасия и Анна свободно говорят на французском языке, сдают международные экзамены DELF.



Вспоминая свое детство и обучение в государственной школе, вижу, какое счастье выпало моим детям учиться в атмосфере любви и творчества, поощрения на пути к знаниям и дружелюбного общения с учителями. Повзрослев и оглянувшись назад, они обязательно оценят время, проведенное в Ломоносовской школе!

The Role of English in My Life

Dmitry Antonichuk

I started learning English when I was five, and I'm still doing it step by step. I really like English as a language, and when the question about choosing the second language came up, I chose it without any doubt. Well, I think that the main role of English in my life will be in the future. Because I really want to be a businessman, and I know that I would have to speak with my partners from different countries in English. I like to travel a lot. I have been to 15 countries all around the world, and certainly, I spoke English there. This summer I was in summer camps in Manchester and London. I practiced my pronunciation on language courses, and talked to my friends from other countries in English. I love England. I love the way English people speak. And I hope that one day I will speak English as they do! English is really important for me.

Из школьных сочинений

Milena Kharitonova

English has always been a passion of mine... You learn to work hard, develop your memory... You are lucky if you have a good teacher and a group. Personally, I have them. I am learning with great pleasure. The main merit of our teacher is that she keeps us alert all the time. I am so grateful to my marvelous teachers.

Yana Morozova

Learning a language requires talent as well as knowledge. And talent is gained only through practice... In our school, teachers show us the way to increase our capabilities and advise us on methods that lead path to discoveries... I am grateful to my teachers.

Anna Korsunskaya

I am very grateful to my school which has been giving me the basis of the language, patiently, from the very first day... Learning a new language is like learning a new way of thinking.

ФОТО-ЗАГАДКА



Вместе со своим отцом-дипломатом она была на приеме английской королевы. Кто это? Ответ оперативно сообщите главному редактору.

АНОНС. ЧИТАЙТЕ В СЛЕДУЮЩЕМ НОМЕРЕ

Михаил Сагалов

Если с раннего детства ребенок растет в семье, где говорят на двух или нескольких языках, для него это не сложно, поскольку он воспринимает эти языки как нечто единое. Спустя время, понимает, с кем говорить, по-русски, а с кем — по-английски. В таких семьях

есть свой набор милых детских оговорок и выражений, например: «Мама, как по-русски будет «корова»?». Другое дело, когда однажды ребенку говорят: «Теперь ты будешь учить иностранный!» — и сообщают, что «яблоко» теперь не «яблоко», а «apple».

Как бывший ученик советской школы, отмечаю: никто из моих одноклассников не относился к

английскому языку иначе, чем к химии или начальной военной подготовке, которые далеко не каждому будут чем-то полезны за стенами школы. Причем, наш военрук был твердо убежден, что навыки обращения с автоматом Калашникова мне в жизни непременно пригодятся. Поэтому устройством автомата овладел в совершенстве, разбирал и соби-

рал его за 28 секунд и довольно метко стрелял.

Возвращаясь к яблоку, хочу поделиться своим представлением о неперемных условиях успеха в обучении иностранному языку.

Каковы представления автора, Михаила Мироновича Сагалова, уважаемые читатели узнают в декабре.

On how to love and live the language

Polina Ostrovskaya

In Elementary School there was nothing worse for me than a lesson of English. Saying that I didn't use to like it would be a lie. I hated it so much that I would do everything to skip it. This was my mood when I got to Middle School.

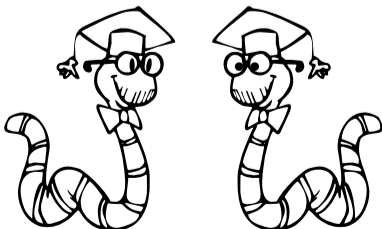
I remember how the 9th and 8th grade students seemed to me to be so adult and educated. I believe that time I got inspired by them and by their knowledge of different subjects including English. I guess I was just really lucky to be bad at English from 5th till 7th grade.

My teachers were the best. There are no more words needed to describe them and what they did. They opened my eyes on things that I really like — languages. English, German, Italian, Spanish, Latin became something more for me. I understood that if I know the language I know the country and what is more important I know the people.

In 7th grade I was already in group «C» in English. That was the time that actually changed my life. I discovered something more interesting than student books and Round ups. That was YouTube. Now I recommend everyone this way of learning English. Some fantastic and very talented American Youtubers improved my English. I recommend checking these people out: smosh, Jenna Marbles, Ray William Johnson, Shane Dawson, Joey Graceffa, College Humor, Anna Aka-na, Bad lip reading, Epic Rap Battles of history, HISHEdotcom, sxephil and others. All these channels will crack you up and you will definitely like them and what they do. I guess YouTube played, plays and will play the most important role in developing my English skills because now I have a beautiful (as I think haha) American accent, I know a lot of idioms and things that «only Americans say».

This showing of American life on the Internet got me interested in the country. Now I'm thinking about getting my second higher education in the city where my heart is — in New York.

If you watch movies, TV shows or listen to the LYRICS of every song in English, first you will understand half of it, than 70–80% and only then the whole thing. Imagine how you sit in the car and understand what exactly the song on the radio is about. Imagine that you are reading an article or a book in English and get the idea. And every time you watch TV shows such as Ellen you understand more and more. This feeling of «sweet victory» motivates you and keeps you going. Now I speak English pretty much as good as my native language. I think, read and write in it. Even my agenda is in English. I think I'll never stop learning languages. At least I really hope so.



From Class Compositions

Daniil Koudryashov

I have been studying English since primary school. Now after 8 years of learning I know a lot of words and rules. The role of English in my life is really important. Firstly, when you go abroad you can communicate with other people because English is an international language. Moreover, my job may be connected with English because I would like to study economics at university. I do not know whether I will study abroad or in Russia but I do not mind going to the United Kingdom of Great Britain or to the USA to practise my English and study something new. As you see, English plays a big role in my life because I am going to connect it with my future. To sum up, I like this language very much and I would like to study it for many years later.

Anna Luzhkova

English is very important because I will need it in my future. English plays a huge role in my life. It is very useful to learn this language because all people in the world speak English and you can communicate with other people of different nationalities. It will be essential for me when I go to University. I am going to study abroad in the future, so I need to know English very well. If I study abroad I will need to speak English with professors and other students. In order to study well I need to be able to read books in the original language and write essays in English. I will also need English to know how to travel to other places, to know which buses to take or to find my way in the subway.

However, I have some difficulties with learning English. I have

problems with using verbs in the past tense. Also I do not feel comfortable writing introductions in essays and phrasal verbs trouble me. I have been studying English for 8 years and I am always improving. This year I am going to study hard, read every day and I am planning to take TOEFL exam. Last year I took IELTS exam and TOEFL is the next step.

Anna Merkulova

Well, the role of English is really big. In my opinion studying or learning English is really useful. Of course, at the beginning it's difficult: you don't have good vocabulary, it's hard to learn words and you can't speak to other people properly. However, after a few years of learning you can't live without English. You want to speak English, to read English books, to write something in English. Moreover, I can't imagine my life without English. What will I do abroad? Will I have a job without the knowledge of this language? You'll understand everything after my story. When my family and I were in the USA on summer holidays in 2013, my sister got sick. At first, my parents and I didn't worry, but two months later we called a doctor. Actually, my parents can't speak English. My father can't understand people at all, my mum can a bit. So, at that time the only person, who could speak, was me. The Doctor said that my sister had diabetes. Then we went to hospital. During that time I spoke and spoke, translated and translated. I didn't have enough time to think about what I am saying, I did it impulsively. It was really important for me to understand the information. You see, the knowledge of English is everything. It can be sometimes hard to learn it but you can do it.

Daniil Shkulanov

English is one of the most widespread languages in the world, taking second place right after Chinese. English is used to communicate almost everywhere: at international airports, on the Internet and etc. There have been many changes in the language. It is so popular nowadays because it is rather easy to speak. In my future English will probably be very useful for me, because I think it will be even more widespread. Plus, I am going to be a programmer, so I will need to know English in order to know how to program. English is a global language and is spoken in 54 countries. There are about four hundred million native speakers and one and a half billion people speaking English as a second language.

Svetlana Simanchuk

There are seven international languages: English, Chinese, Spanish, Russian, Arabic, German and French, but English is the most wide-spread language on the Earth. Over 1, 8 billion people use it all over the world every day. Nowadays we can hear and read English several times a day. For example, some signs or names of the shops and other stuff like that are in English, or while surfing the Internet you come across English words. People also prefer to listen to English songs, so there are English songs on the radio. English is very important for me. Ninety percent of music that I listen to is in English. I can also watch some films or videos on YouTube in the original and although I may not

understand everything but it is quite enough to have fun. Just imagine yourself travelling by plane. You have to spend a lot of hours in a plane having nothing to do but watch a film. As sometimes there are no Russian films, you watch films in English. I love travelling to other countries and English helps me to communicate with people abroad. One day I'd like to live in Lose Angeles, so English will be very useful for me in the future. Unluckily, learning languages (not only English) for me is hard, so I face a lot of difficulties while learning but I'm really trying to do my best because English is not only a school subject for me.

Nastya Uzun

I am sure that English is very important for us. I have been learning English for 6 years. I remember the day when my family and I flew to the Emirates on holiday (I was only 7 years old). There were many children and I wanted to play with someone, but I didn't speak English. The language wasn't a problem because we were small, but I felt uncomfortable. Who knows, maybe that was the reason for my desire to learn English and now I can speak to my friends from other countries. I know that English will be very useful for me in the future because I want to be a film director and the first thing I should know is how to speak with my colleagues (a language is the main thing). I wish all the students of Lomonosovskaya school success in their future life and I think they should know that those who speak foreign languages are the people of the World!

НАШИ ВЫПУСКНИКИ

Ksenia Tur (Dubovskaya)



DEAR STUDENTS OF LOMONOSOV SCHOOL!

One of my dearest teachers of all the times asked me to tell my story of the role of English lessons taught in Lomonosov school in my life. To tell you the truth, learning English has always seemed attractive to me. Maybe because I've succeeded in it, maybe because even being a child I saw practical approach of this subject in my everyday life. As it turned out, I was right. My level of English let me pass the entrance exam to MGIMO University easily. The knowledge

and attitude that I gained at Lomonosov school also helped me to continue my English studies and to even to make a go of it. Later, when I started my career, I became a kind of international representative of our company due to my speaking and communicational level. At present, because of my family and kids I don't have much time for my career but I still find the way to earn and to self-actualize. And again this is my English that came to my aid. I give lessons of English to different companies' employees. English comes together with me through all my life and I believe that we have ambitious prospects together.

Sincerely,
Kristina Mnatsakanova
(Lomonosov School graduate cum laude – 2006)

English, like any other foreign language, requires constant practice and development for a successful use in both professional and non-professional environment. Obtaining a comprehensive basis, which will become a solid founda-

tion for studying various aspects of the language, is also essential. First and foremost, I would like to thank my School and its English teachers for giving me the basis that subsequently turned out to be my advantage over other Law School group-mates at MGIMO University. MGIMO has always been famous for its top-notch language teaching (English goes without saying here) and corresponding high-level requirements (entrance exam, intermediate testing of all aspects). In order to successfully pass the exam, it had always been necessary to show the high level of proficiency, linguistic «feeling», and the ability to use a whole variety of lexical and grammatical techniques. The base gained at Lomonosov School allowed me to deepen my knowledge of English at MGIMO University, bringing it to perfection, while my group-mates worked on different rules and vocabulary which I was familiar with from school-days. Lomonosov School and its teachers created all possible conditions for an efficient learning process; they tried to pique our interest instead

of making us do something since studying any language with lack of curiosity on the part of the learner is simply impossible. All of that gave me an opportunity to become the language «locomotive» of the group, to participate in numerous meetings with foreign guests of the University and to conduct academic research in English swimmingly. Once again I want to thank the whole team of Lomonosov School English Department and wish not to «lower the bar» of teaching under the «oppression» of standardized tests and State Unified Exams.

