

**OLIMPIADA DE LIMBA ENGLEZĂ – ETAPA NAȚIONALĂ  
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**CLASA A XII-A - SECȚIUNEA A**

**Integrated Skills**

- Toate subiectele sunt obligatorii.
- Se acordă zece puncte din oficiu.
- Timpul de lucru efectiv este de 90 de minute.

I. You will see a fragment from a movie about Mrs. Richardson, a wealthy woman from Shaker Heights, who rents a house to newcomer Mia and her daughter Pearl. For questions 1-5, choose the best answer, A, B, C or D. **10 points**

1. Why were the houses on Windsor Street designed to look like single-family homes?

- A) to make them easier to sell
- B) to reduce building costs
- C) to conceal the fact that they are rented
- D) to comply with local building regulations

2. Why does Mrs. Richardson emphasize that the rent is “really not about the money for us”?

- A) She wants to convince the tenants they should negotiate.
- B) She is highlighting her priority of selecting tenants who will care for the property.
- C) She is suggesting that the rent might increase in the future.
- D) She is indicating that she is financially dependent on rental income.

3. What can be inferred about the rules regarding lawn maintenance in Shaker?

- A) They are part of a strict municipal code enforced with penalties.
- B) They are general guidelines that most residents ignore.
- C) They were created specifically for the landlady's property.
- D) They are suggestions included in the welcome packet for convenience.

4. What underlying concern does Mr. Richardson express about renting to Mia?

- A) She may not respect the property.
- B) She may not be financially and socially reliable.
- C) She might leave the town quickly and without notice.
- D) She could demand special treatment as a tenant.

5. What does Mrs. Richardson's final explanation seem to reveal about her personal values?

- A) She believes social rules should always be followed strictly.
- B) She regrets now not having checked references first.
- C) She prefers family approval over personal judgment.
- D) She values charity and moral action over caution.

II. Imagine you run a community blog. Write a **250–280-word article** about effective ways to help newcomers feel at home in a community. You may include practical ideas, examples of welcoming initiatives, and explain why creating a sense of belonging is important for both newcomers and long-term residents. **40 points**