Раздел 2 (задания по чтению)

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Вы проводите информационный поиск в ходе выполнения проектной работы. Определите, в каком из текстов **A-F** содержатся ответы на интересующие Вас вопросы **1-7**. Один из вопросов останется без ответа. Занесите Ваши ответы в таблицу.

- 1) When did cricket supposedly appear?
- 2) What is the main cricket event?
- 3) Which countries find cricket very exciting?
- 4) When does the England team play at home?
- 5) What are the basic rules of playing cricket?
- 6) How is cricket different from country to country?
- 7) Who is the England team's major competitor?
- A To a large part of the world, the English national sport of cricket is almost impossible to understand. It's a game that, to outsiders, looks like a slow, lazy activity which can, amazingly, last for as long as five days. However, in places where the sport is played, such as Australia and India, cricket has millions of fans who get very excited about it.
- B Cricket is a game of athletic ability, and also of strategy a battle between bowler and batsman. A bowler aims a hard, red ball at a target the batsman's wicket and the batsman uses a wooden bat to protect the wicket. The batsman may be 'out' in various ways, such as if the ball hits the wicket, or another player in the bowler's team catches the ball. At the same time, the batsman tries to hit the ball far enough to score runs.
- C Cricket probably started as a children's game, and the first written mention of the sport is in a court case from 1598. The game gained popularity in the 18th century. By the end of that century, the Marylebone Cricket Club had been formed, and established the Laws of Cricket. Their famous cricket ground, Lord's, is still seen as 'the home of cricket' today.
- As the British Empire grew, the game was taken to Britain's new colonies. All of the countries where cricket is very popular today India, Australia, New Zealand, the West Indies and South Africa used to be colonies of Britain. The top cricket-playing nations play each other in international games known as 'Tests'.
- E Every winter the England cricket team go abroad to play in Test matches against another cricket-playing nation. They usually play a series of One Day Internationals and 20/20 games, which are shorter forms of the game, as well as several five-day Tests. In the summer, the England team will play a visiting team at various grounds around England.
- The most important Test matches for the England team are the Ashes series, played against England's great rivals, Australia. The Ashes were first played in 1882. England and Australia take it in turns to host the series, and the home team is always under great pressure to win it.

Запишите в таблицу выбранные цифры под соответствующими буквами.

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Вопрос						