1. TEXT STUDY. ABOUT MY FAMILY AND MYSELF

**Задание 1. Прочитайте тексты А, В, С, D. Выпишите незнакомые слова в словарик. Проанализируйте грамматические конструкции и элементы, представленные в теоретическом разделе Темы 1 и 2 данного курса. Переведите тексты на русский язык.**

1. ABOUT MY FAMILY AND MYSELF

My name is Linda Jackson. I am twenty years old. I am a medical student at Oxford University. I am from England.

My native village is called Jimpley Stroke. It is in the Avon Valley, ten miles away from Bath. The countryside is really beautiful there. There are vast green lands and green hills covered in beautiful wild flowers.

My family is not very large. We are five: my parents, my elder brother Robert, my younger sister Ann and myself. My parents come from quite large families (my mother is one of six children and my father is one of four), so my brother, my sister and myself have many aunts, uncles and cousins.

My father is a farmer. My elder brother is a veterinarian; he helps father with the animals. There is a horse, a cow, two pigs and four sheep on our farm.

Ann, my younger sister, is a schoolgirl. She is eight. She helps mother about the house and in the garden. She is a lover of outdoor life. There are some apple trees and a lot of flowers in our garden. Ann is interested in farming and wants to study agriculture at University. We are great pet lovers. We have three dogs, two cats and a parrot. We are fond of them all. We are a very happy family.

**B.** My name is Natalia. My surname is Govorova. I am 15. I was born in 1982 in Chelyabinsk. I live in a small town of Usinsk in the Komi Republic. My address is Flat 116, 19, Pionerskaya Street. My phone number is 41-5-81. I am a student. I study at university. I do well in all subjects. They say, that I am a hardworking person. To tell the truth, all subjects come easy for me but sometimes I have to sit much, for example, to do assignments in Physics or Chemistry. My favourite subject is English. I spend much time on it reading books, doing tests etc. I’m sure, English is essential for my future career. I like reading. I think comics and detective stories are much easier to read but I prefer to read novels - historical or up-to-date. I like music. My musical tastes are different, but it depends on my mood. But I think every apple is good in its season. I play the piano and the guitar, not seriously, but for my soul. Sometimes I like to listen to the Russian classical music. My favourite composers are Chaikovsky and Mozart. I don't like rock music, but I аlso like Russian folk songs. I have not much time to watch TV but sometimes I spend an hour or two watching an interesting film or a news program. In the evening I often read newspapers (our local ones) or magazines. I like fresh air and exercise. I'm sorry I have not much time for doing sports. But some aerobics in the morning, a swimming-pool twice a week, a ski-walk on a frosty day are of great help. Sport is fun. I have a wide circle of interests. I'm very sociable. I have many friends; most of them are my class-mates. We spend much time together, going out to the cinema or to the disco party, speaking about lessons and music, discussing our problems. But most of all I like my family. We all are great friends and deeply attached to each other. You see, it's me - a person with his good and not good characteristics, liking this and hating that. But it's interesting for me to live, to open new things.

**Задание 2. Ответьте на вопросы к тексту A.**

1. What is the girl’s name?
2. How old is she?
3. Is she a school-girl or a student?
4. Where does she study?
5. Where is Linda from?
6. Linda lives in the village of Jimpley Stroke, doesn’t she?
7. Where is the village?
8. Is Linda’s family large?
9. What are the members of her family?
10. What do they do?
11. Are there any farm animals? What are they?
12. The family has some pets, doesn’t it?
13. What can you say about Linda’s sister?

**Задание 3. Составьте вопросы к тексту В.**

**Задание 4. Используя лексику и грамматические структуры текстов А и В, напишите сообщение о Вашей семье и о себе.**