**Учебная дисциплина:** Иностранный язык.

**Специальность:** Декоративно-прикладное искусство. **4 курс.**

**Задание:** 1**) Написать** письмо личного характера.

 2) Прочитайте и переведите текст, выполните **письменно задания (А, В).**

1. **You have received a letter from your English-speaking pen-friend Beth who writes: who writes:**

*…You know, three days ago there was that party at my cousin’s place and it was awful. I had bought an expensive pink silk evening gown from Macy’s and long gloves to match and I looked gorgeous. But when I came to the party I saw my classmate Grace wearing just the same outﬁ t. The night was ruined. Have you or your friends ever met someone wearing the same clothes as you? How did you react? Where do you buy clothes for going out? By the way, I went to Cyprus last month and brought some souvenirs…*

Write a letter to Beth. In your letter

* answer her questions
* ask 3 questions about the souvenirs

Write 100–140 words.

Remember the rules of letter writing.

**2. Read and translate the text, find the sentences with following words:**

*especially, efficient, major, means, exchange, area, native speakers, software, patience, necessary.*

**Learning foreign languages**

The problem of learning foreign languages is very important today. Students should learn foreign languages. They became important especially at the present time.

Foreign languages are needed as the main and most efficient means of information exchange between the people of our planet.

Today English is the language of the world. Over 350 (three hundred and fifty) million people speak it aa a mother tongue. The native speakers of English live in Great Britain, in the United States of America, Australia and New Zealand. English is one of the official languages in the Irish Republic, Canada and South African Republic. As a second language it is used in the former British and US colonies.

It is the major international language for communication m Such areas as science, technology, business and mass media. English ought to be used as one of the official languages of the United Nations Organization and other political organizations. It is the language of computer software, literature, education, modern music, international tourism.

Learning a foreign language is not an easy thing. It is a slow process that takes a lot of time and patience. But every educated person, every good specialist h.as to know English, because it is absolutely necessary nowadays,

It is well known that reading books in the original, talking with the English speaking people will help a lot. When learning a foreign language, you are to learn the culture and history of the native speakers. You may learn any foreign language. They are all important.

**A**. **Answer the questions:**

1. Why do we need to learn foreign languages now?

2. How many people in the world speak English?

3. What are English-speaking countries?

4. In what areas is English mostly used?

5. What are the difficulties in learning foreign languages?

6. Is the knowledge of English necessary nowadays and why?

**B**. **Translate the following words and phrases from English into Russian.**

Language, people, listen, like, need, explore, world, more, communicate, native, become, engineering, latest, device, high, reading, watch, via, town, because, our, Denmark, hard, part, useful, however, begin, half, discourage.