**Task 1.**

***Read the text. Try to remember all the details of organizing Egyptian troops in Ancient Egypt. After reading return the text to the member of Jury. Time – 3 min.***

Egyptian troops

Numerous sources on the history of ancient Egypt help us learn about the ancient Egyptian army.

The unification of Egypt into a single state was the basis for the creation of a unified army. The Supreme power belonged to the Pharaoh, who appointed the heads of troops and units, as well as the heads fleets.

In Egypt, there was the "House of arms" – a kind of military establishment, or ministry . It was in charge for the manufacture of weapons, the building of ships, and the supply of troops.

The soldiers were in the service of the Pharaoh, the rulers of districts and churches. For their service they received land. These pieces of land were treated by slaves. The Pharaoh's army was organized in the form of military settlements. The soldiers were settled in the center of the country and in the most dangerous districts. The main forces were located in Lower Egypt, which was frequently attacked.

Military service to the Pharaoh was supposed to be carried out not only by the Egyptians, but people conquered by Egypt as well.

Internal disagreement and disputes often occurred in the army, assembled for a military campaign. The military discipline in the Egyptian army was weak.

The soldiers were armed with maces (булава) with a stone tip, battle-axes of copper, spears with a stone tip, and combat blades made of stone or copper. The boomerang was widely used as well. The main weapon was the bow and the battle-axe. Soldiers used wooden shield covered with fur as defensive weapons.

The soldiers were engaged in combat training, which was in charge of the special chief of military training.

***Return the text to the member of Jury***

***(after reading)***

1. ***Read the list of questions. Circle the numbers of those to which you cannot find answers in the text. Time – 2 min.***

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| **№** | **Questions** | **+/-** |
| 1. | What was the cause of the unification of Egypt into a single state? |  |
| 2. | Did the Egyptians use steel blades in combat armies? |  |
| 3. | What was the name for the military office in ancient Egypt? |  |
| 4. | What did the soldiers get from the Pharaoh for military service? |  |
| 5. | Who treated the land that the Pharaoh gave to the soldiers? |  |
| 6. | Who did the Supreme power in ancient Egypt belong to? |  |
| 7. | How was the Egyptian Army organized? |  |
| 8. | How much land did soldiers get from the Pharaoh? |  |
| 9. | What was the basis for the creation of the unified Egyptian troops? |  |
| 10. | Who was in charge of combat training in the Egyptian army? |  |

1. ***Put the questions in the correct order according to the information in the text. Do not use the questions to which there are no answers in the text. Time – 2 min.***

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