### I. Speaking

## Task 1. Answer the following questions to the text "A higher medical educational establishment in Russia".

- 1) What types of higher educational establishments do you know?
- 2) What application requirements are common for all medical universities?
- 3) How many years will your course of studies last?
- 4) Are there any part-time courses for clinical psychologists in our university?
- 5) What subjects do the future clinical psychologists study?
- 6) What are the most common forms of teaching process?
- 7) Why is the practical training necessary for the future clinical psychologists?
- 8) When do students take exams?
- 9) What opportunities do the graduates have?

### II. Reading

## Task 2. While reading the text (Informative reading) find the answers to the following questions:

- 1) When was the Stalingrad Medical Institute founded?
- 2) How many departments were there then?
- 3) What departments does our university have now?
- 4) When was the Medical Institute granted the status of Academy?
- 5) When was the Medical Academy granted the status of University?
- 6) What levels of postgraduate training are there?
- 7) How many terms are there at the University?
- 8) What must students do at the University?
- 9) What also plays an important role at the University?
- 10) How many faculties does VolSMU have? What are they?
- 11) What specialists does a medical college train?
- 12) What does the Medical University framework include?
- 13) What does the University library provide?

### **Volgograd State Medical University**

The Stalingrad Medical Institute was founded in 1935. There was only the department of General Medicine then. In 1993 the Institute was granted the status of Academy, in 2003 - the status of University. Nowadays the Volgograd state medical university has several faculties: General Medicine, Pediatrics, Dentistry, Pharmacy, Biomedicine, Clinical Psychology and Social Work, Postgraduate Training and the Department for International Students.

The Medical University framework includes a number of research centres. There is a medical college training dental technicians, dental hygienists, pharmacists, nurses. Postgraduate training involves a clinical residency and a postgraduate course.

The Diploma granted by the VolSMU is recognized in over 80 countries and by the World Health Organization. Our University has got wide international links.

The academic year is divided into two terms (or semesters): the autumn and the spring ones. After the autumn term, students have winter examinations and then winter vacations, after the spring term students have summer examinations and then summer vacations. Students must attend lectures, seminars and practical classes in various subjects. They master their specialty and do research under the supervision of highly qualified staff.

Sport and healthy lifestyle play an important role at the University. There are some gyms, fitness center and a swimming pool. The University library gives students educational and scientific literature, provides free access to international scientific databases.

Task 3. Match the names of faculties with the specialists they train; make up sentences according to the pattern: The Faculty of General Medicine trains therapeutists.

1	Faculty of General Medicine	a	Genetics Technologists, Medical
			Laboratory Technologists
2	Faculty of Dentistry	b	Hygienists, Epidemiologis
3	Pharmaceutical Faculty	c	Pediatricians
4	Faculty of Pediatrics	d	Health Care Managers
5	Faculty of Preventive	e	Biology Teachers, Medical
	Medicine		Technologists, Laboratory
			Technologists
6	Faculty of Management	f	Clinical Psychologists & Social
			Workers
7	Faculty of Clinical	g	Medical Bioengineers
	Psychology and Social Work		
8	Faculty of Biomedicine	h	Therapeutists
9	Faculty of Bioengineering	i	Pharmaceutists
	Systems and Technologies		
10	Faculty of Biology	j	Dentists

# Task 4. Say which of the sentences are true/false. Correct the false sentences.

1) The Volgograd Medical Institute was founded in 1993. 2) There were several departments then. 3) The Medical University framework includes a number of research centres. 4) There is a medical college training Pediatricians and Pharmaceutists. 5) The Diploma granted by the VolSMU is not recognized by the World Health Organization. 6) Students may avoid attending lectures, seminars and practical classes. 7) The academic year is divided into two terms (or semesters): the winter and the summer ones. 8) Students master their specialty and do research on under the supervision of highly qualified staff. 9) Faculties provide free access to international scientific databases. 10) Everyone in our University must go to the gym, fitness center or a swimming pool.

#### III. Grammar

### Безличные предложения (Impersonal constructions):

#### 1) Местоимение It +be

Используется как формальное подлежащее в начале безличного предложения и не переводится:

## 1. Если русское предложение начинается с характеристики, оценки, выраженной наречием

Трудно учиться в университете - It's difficult to study at the university. Поздно плакать – It's late to cry.

Нужно помочь ему с заданием - It is necessary to help him with the task.

### 2. Если русское предложение начинается с дополнения:

Студентам важно посещать все занятия - It is important for students to attend all the classes.

Врачам необходимо знать симптомы болезней — It's necessary for doctors to know the symptoms of diseases.

### 3. Для указания времени, расстояния

Половина одиннадцатого. - It's half past ten.

Сегодня четверг. - It's Thursday today.

От Лондона до Бристоля всего 170 км. - It's only 170 km from London to Bristol.

### 2) Конструкция there+be

## 1.Используется, если предложение в русском языке начинается с местонахождения предмета (субъекта)

<u>В кабинете</u> 3 студента. - *There are 3 students <u>in the classroom</u>* 

# 2. Используется, если предложение в русском языке начинается со сказуемого «существует, есть»

Есть 2 способа решить эту проблему — There are two ways to solve this problem. (There are two solutions of the problem)

**Вопросительное предложение** образуется путём перестановки формы глагола be и формального подлежащего there — Are there any students in the classroom?

**Отрицательное предложение** образуется путём добавления частицы **not** к форме глагола be — There are not any familiar students in the lecture hall. Другим способом является добавление отрицательного местоимения «no» к существительному - There are no students in the lecture hall.

# Task 5. Start the sentence with It+be or There + be. Choose any corresponding tense-form.

1) a lot of mistakes in your last test. 2) a lot of new opportunities in future.
3) necessary to learn new words. 4) cells in all the organisms 5) a lot
of opportunities to study English. 6) many conferences in Biology and related
sciences next year. 7) difficult to get high grades in Chemistry at the finals. 8) several hostels close to our University. 9) eight departments in the hospital
in the nearest future. 10) impolite to say that to her yesterday. She was so
much upset! 11) no mistakes in your test yesterday. 12) only one question
in my exam card last year. 13) winter now, so you should choose the warmer
clothes. 14) a medical college in Kim street.
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