## Reference Part

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INTRODUCTION

Longman Exam Activator is a combination of a coursebook and a self-study exam preparer that offers thorough preparation for upper secondary school-leaving exams aimed at A2/B1 levels. It is therefore appropriate for both classroom use and individual study.

THE STRUCTURE OF THE BOOK

REFERENCE PART

This part follows the structure of a typical school-leaving exam. Its main features include:
- exam tips and strategies for each type of exam task
- exercises providing students with an opportunity to put exam tips into practice
- models of the most typical texts used in the written part of exams
- lists of useful expressions for the written and spoken part of the exam required at A2/B1 level

A distinguishing feature of the Reference Part is its active approach to exam tips: linking the exam tips to typical exam exercises allows students to see how the tips work in practice. Individual sections of the Reference Part may be used in any order, either in class or as self-learning material. The Reference Part and the Thematic Part are closely linked, which allows the teacher to refer their students to the Reference Part while discussing particular topics from the Thematic Part.

THEMATIC PART

This part consists of twelve units, each of which is related to a given exam topic. It enables learners to:
- revise and review key vocabulary from each topic (the vocabulary section at the beginning of each unit, the lead-in exercises for each lesson, the exercises accompanying reading and listening texts, the word banks)
- apply and activate exam strategies to complete various types of exam tasks (examworkout exercises)
- practise various types of exam tasks in an authentic exam-like context (examtask exercises)
- learn interesting facts about various cultural aspects of life in English-speaking countries (the LANGUAGE & CULTURE boxes).

The Thematic Part will also appeal to teachers: its logical structure and the richness and variety of the presented material will enable them to make their lessons easier to prepare and more diverse.

GRAMMAR

This part presents the most important grammar areas that need to be mastered by students at the A2/B1 level. Each grammar chapter:
- presents the new grammatical structure in a clear and approachable way
- explains its correct usage
- provides extensive practice of the new structure
- shows how each grammatical form is linked to a given part of the exam

The primary aim of the Grammar part of the book is that of a quick revision and reference section. It will prove useful when completing tasks from the Use of English part of the exam, completing written assignments or preparing for oral tasks.

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Most of the grammar revision exercises are presented in the form of typical exam tasks.

The last exercise in each grammar section shows how to use the particular grammar structure to complete exam tasks of various types.

Students should refer to the entire grammar section when preparing for the oral part of their exam (see pages 174–213).
WORKING WITH THE BOOK

The way the book could be used depends on the needs of a particular group of students. It is the teacher’s decision as to which parts of the book should be taught from in class and which should be assigned as homework. This decision should be made on the basis of the students’ familiarity with the exam strategies and the format of the exam. The students’ ability to complete various types of writing tasks and their knowledge of grammar should also be taken into account. Undoubtedly, the core of the book is the Thematic Part, as its coursebook feel enables teachers to use it in class. The Reference Part introduces exam strategies and language functions which are then linked to the examworkout and examtask exercises in the Thematic Part. This enables both the teacher and students to focus on the practical aspects of the language as well as work on developing exam strategies. On the other hand, whenever there is a need to refer to the part of the book containing theory, it can be easily done thanks to each section being marked with specific colour and reference markers. The Grammar part, in turn, makes it easy to revise the grammar structures needed to complete particular exam tasks.

THE NUMBER OF CONTACT HOURS

The number of contact hours provided by the book depends on the way the material is used. If you would like to discuss all the contents of the book in class, you would need 90+ contact hours. If you would like to cover only the Thematic Part in class, that would take about 60+ contact hours. However, if you do not have so much time at your disposal but would still like your students to revise all the available material before the exam, you could treat large parts of the book as self-learning material and assign the Reference Part as well as Writing and Vocabulary sections as homework.

CHECKING STUDENTS’ PROGRESS

Short vocabulary and grammar tests (provided as photocopiable material in the Teacher’s Book) could be given to students after each unit has been covered.
STATE SCHOOL-LEAVING EXAMS IN ENGLISH

Most state school-leaving exams in a modern foreign language are compulsory for all the students wishing to graduate from high school. They are typically provided at two levels of proficiency: the 'lower' level, which corresponds to the A2/B1 levels of the Common European Framework of Reference scale, and the 'higher' level, whose level is usually described as B2.

The 'lower' level of the exam typically comprises two parts: the written and the spoken exam.

WRITTEN EXAM

The typical set-up of the written exam includes:

LISTENING COMPREHENSION
In this part of the exam, students will usually listen to 3–4 authentic or semi-authentic recordings played twice along with the instructions. The recorded text types might include conversations, lectures, discussions, narratives, announcements, instructions or media broadcast. There will usually be one task for each of the recordings for the candidates to do. The typical task types include: multiple choice, true/false, matching and gap filling.

READING COMPREHENSION
In this part of the exam, students will usually read 3–4 authentic or adapted texts. The text types might include newspaper articles, short stories, letters, emails or informative texts of various kinds. There will be one task for each of the texts for the candidates to do. The typical task types include: multiple choice, true/false, matching, gapped text and gap filling.

USE OF ENGLISH
This part usually requires reading 1–4 adapted texts. The text types are similar to the ones found in the Reading Comprehension paper (informative texts, articles, letters, short stories) but they are usually shorter. The typical tasks include: multiple choice, open cloze and word building. There is one more type of task that is often found in the Use of English part of the exam that is not based on a continuous text: sentence transformations. This task focuses on rewriting single sentences according to the instructions given by the exam task. Most often there is a separate Use of English paper, but sometimes it is included in the Reading Comprehension part of the exam.

WRITING
In this part of the exam, the candidates are supposed to produce one or two texts (one short and one long). Most often, these will be simple texts of everyday use. Apart from using correct grammar structures, appropriate language register and a wide range of vocabulary, the candidates will need to make sure that their text is logical and coherent and that it achieves the communicative aim outlined by the exam task. The short text is usually a note, a postcard, an announcement, an email or an invitation. The long text might be a formal letter, an informal letter or a short story. In most cases, the exam rubrics also state the word limit that the candidates should adhere to: it is usually 35–80 words for the short text and 100–150 words for the long text.

SPOKEN EXAM

The spoken exam might include some or all of the following components:

GENERAL CONVERSATION
This is essentially a warm up exercise where the examiner will ask a student some general questions related to everyday topics. Topics might include: everyday life, school, work, sport, holidays, hobbies or plans for the future.

INDIVIDUAL LONG TURN
This is often an extension of the General Conversation: the examiner asks the students to reflect on a problem for 1–2 minutes without being interrupted. It is not supposed to be a conversation, but the examiner (or the other candidate, if the exam is taken in pairs) might ask some additional questions at the end of the student’s monologue.

DISCUSSION
In this task, the candidates are supposed to have a conversation with one another and discuss the material presented in the exam task. Usually, the candidates will have to achieve some communicative aim — they may be required to solve a problem, choose the best option from what is available, convince the other person, ask the other person for a favour or negotiate a compromise. It is very important that the candidates achieve this communicative aim, apart from using correct language and applying appropriate conversation management techniques.

SITUATIONAL ROLEPLAY
In this task, the students (or the student and the examiner) are supposed to assume roles outlined by the exam task and have a guided conversation together. The task will give the context for the conversation, and will often include the issues that the speakers should talk about in their conversation. The exam tasks correspond to people’s real-life experiences and might put the candidates in a situation that they might deal with in the future. The speakers must say things consistent with the role they are playing, as well as use correct grammar structures, language register and vocabulary.

PHOTO DESCRIPTION
In this part of the exam the candidates are supposed to talk about a set of pictures. Quite often, they will be asked to start by describing one of the pictures, and then compare and contrast it with the other one(s). However, the task itself is not so much a detailed description of the pictures, but more a reflection on the problem that is shown in them. Thus, the candidates should not limit themselves to describing the picture(s) in great detail, but should try and develop their speech by speculating about the scenes shown in them.

Various factors are taken into account when evaluating the student’s performance in the spoken exam. It is useful to remember that achieving the communicative aim of the conversation is as important as the range of vocabulary, fluency and language accuracy. Additional points are often awarded for correct pronunciation and intonation.
EXAM STRATEGIES

1 PREDICTING THE CONTENT OF THE RECORDING

Before you start listening, you should try to predict what the recording is going to be about. You can do this by carefully reading the rubrics and looking at the type of task you are required to complete. If you read the instructions carefully, you will see that they usually contain information about the type of recording and its content. For example, if the rubric says You are going to hear a funny story about a couple who got lost in New York, you already know that the recording will be a story and it will talk about a couple’s adventures in New York. Make some predictions at this point: think of places you know in New York and typical problems that people may have when they get lost in a big city. Try to imagine what happened to the couple and what they might have said to each other.

Also, pay attention to the type of recording you are going to hear. In our example, it is a story, so you should listen carefully to remember the actual order of events as well as watching out for discourse markers which sometimes can greatly affect the meaning of what you hear.

It is also important to know what type of exam task you are required to do, as this will determine what pieces of information you should find in the recording and what listening strategies you should use (for strategies on particular types of tasks see pages 14—19).

2 INFORMATION IN THE RECORDING VS. YOUR GENERAL KNOWLEDGE OF THE WORLD

Although the exam questions often refer to well-known phenomena and problems, you should not let your knowledge of the world get in the way of doing the exam task properly. Before deciding on an answer, you should always ask yourself: “Does the recording really say this?” Here is an example: let’s say you are a great fan of sports. In the exam there is a recording about the best swimmer in the world. The recording says that he won many gold medals at the last Olympic Games. Then, in the task there is a statement which states He won eight gold medals at the last Olympic Games. You know that this happens to be true, but did the recording say this? No, it didn’t, it just said many. So this answer is incorrect! Remember that your starting point must always be the recording and not your knowledge of the world.

3 GUESSING THE MEANING OF UNKNOWN WORDS

Don’t panic if you hear any words or phrases that you do not know. Do not stop to think about these words, because you will miss another important part of the recording, which you may find easy to understand. Remember that your task is to find the necessary information and not to understand all the words in the recording. Try to use the context to guess the meaning of unknown words. In the worst case, simply ignore the phrases you don’t know.

4 THE MEANING OF WORDS WHICH SOUND SIMILAR

There are words in English that to a foreigner sound very similar to each other. Always listen to such words carefully and try to figure out which word is meant. When in doubt, try to use the larger context to guess the meaning. Examples of such words include:

- homonyms: words which have the same pronunciation and spelling but different meaning, e.g. bear ≠ bear
- homophones: words which have the same pronunciation but different meaning and spelling, e.g. break ≠ brake
- words in which one sound is different, and there is a difference in meaning, e.g. woman ≠ women
- numerals: thirty ≠ thirteen

5 VOCABULARY PARAPHRASES

Exam questions are typically constructed in such a way that the information from the recording is conveyed by means of vocabulary paraphrases. It means that the exam question will include expressions of similar meaning as the ones used in the recording, but they will not be exactly the same. Typical vocabulary paraphrases include:

- synonyms:
  - John is so good-looking. = John is so handsome.
  - We bought some shoes because they were cheap. = We bought some shoes because they were inexpensive.

- antonyms:
  - The film we watched yesterday wasn’t really interesting. = The film we watched yesterday was very boring.
  - The test we wrote today was quite difficult. = The test we wrote today wasn’t easy at all.
6 Grammar Paraphrases

Exam questions can also use grammar paraphrases to convey the meaning from the recording. For example, if you encounter the sentence: Sue's family has lived in this area since the end of World War II, one of the answers could read: Sue's family came to live here in 1945. As you can see, the grammar transformation used here is about changing Present Perfect into Past Simple. Other typical grammar transformations include:

- conditional sentences:
  * If Megan were rich, she would buy a new house with a big garden. = Megan would buy a new house with a big garden if only she had enough money.

- comparatives:
  * Paul is younger than my little brother. = My little brother is older than Paul.

- quantifiers and phrases such as some/any/much/many/few/a few:
  * I haven't got many good books at home. = I only have a few good books at home.

Exam questions which use grammar paraphrases may contain information which is identical with the content of the recording; however, it does not always have to be the case. Very often exam questions contain information which is different in meaning to that used in the recording, so you have to be very careful, as not all exam questions are synonyms of the information presented in the recording (e.g. Jo went to bed a short while ago. ≠ Jo has been asleep for a few hours.)

CD 1-02 Listen to the recordings for Exercise 1 and match them to appropriate types of listening tasks A–C.

A commercial  B monologue  C interview

1 2 3

CD 1-03 Listen to the recording and check if your predictions were correct.

CD 1-03 Listen to the recording again and decide if the sentences 1–5 are true (T) or false (F).

1 Agnes didn't want to lie on the beach because she was bored with it.
2 On the first day of her holiday, she spent about ten hours walking.
3 She went to the town because she wanted to see her old friend.
4 Even though she changed her shoes, her problems didn't stop.
5 She had to stop her walking tour because she had lost her way.

a Complete one student’s predictions about the content of the recording.

What she probably did during the holiday:
- lying on the beach
- walking
- 
- 
- 

Problems she might have had:
- uncomfortable shoes
- 
- 

CD 1-03 Listen to the recording and check if your predictions were correct.

d Check your answers on page 226. Then look at the transcripts on page 214 and underline the parts which helped you choose the correct answers.
4 Look at the exam task below and do exercises a–b.

Listen to the recording and match the speakers 1–5 to the places A–F. There is one extra place that you don’t need to use.

Where is each of the speakers?
Speaker 1
Speaker 2
Speaker 3
Speaker 4
Speaker 5
A in the classroom
B at the post office
C at the tourist agency
D at a restaurant
E in a clothes store
F at the airport

a Write three phrases which can appear in the recording for each of these places.

A classroom
B post office
C tourist agency
D restaurant
E clothes store
F airport

Repeat please. Write it down! Open your books!

b CD 1:04 Listen to the recording and do the exam task. Did any of your phrases appear in the recording?

5 CD 1:05 Listen to the recording twice and choose the correct answer.

What is the main idea of this excerpt?
A It’s better to spend holidays in the mountains than at the seaside.
B If you decide to stay at home, you won’t spend a lot of money.
C Even if you decide to stay at home, holidays can be a problem.

6 CD 1:06 Listen to five short recordings and guess the meaning of the words below using the context of the recording.

1 flabbergasted
   A angry
   B surprised
   C disappointed

2 wear-it-everywhere
   A universal
   B boring
   C cheap

3 container
   A a box to keep things in
   B a kind of passenger ship
   C a person who carries things

4 mainstream
   A important
   B popular
   C usual

5 ravine
   A a river
   B a valley
   C a farm

7 CD 1:07 Listen to eight short utterances and choose the word that you hear. Check your answers with the script on page 214.

1 cat — caught — cut
2 hat — hard — heard
3 sixtieth — sixth — sixteenth
4 eighty-four — eighty-eight — thirty-eight
5 right (=correct) — right (=not left)
6 fair (=exhibition) — fair (=blond)
7 piece — peace
8 night — knight
Complete the table with the words from the box.

easy well-known be fit dear global cheap

great number of late feel unwell regional

just before exotic

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1 Complete the sentences using the words in brackets so that both sentences mean the same. Don’t change the form or the order of any of the given words.

1 Kate has just moved in and she hasn’t met many people here. (ONLY)
   Kate has just moved in and she ____________

2 Tom started talking on his mobile about half an hour ago – it will cost him a fortune! (FOR)
   Tom ____________
   – it will cost him a fortune!

3 All my friends are too busy to go with me on a trip around the world. (WOULD)
   If ____________,

4 The apartment next to the river is more expensive than the flat in the city centre. (AS)
   The flat in the city centre ____________

5 We will go away for the weekend only if the weather is fine. (WON’T)
   Unless ____________

Read the fragments of the news broadcast you have just heard. Find corresponding vocabulary paraphrases for the correct answers from Exercise 9.

1 The concert of Crazy Rag Bone and the Monkey, which was to start at 9:30 on Saturday at Nick’s Place, has been called off. The band informed us that their singer has fallen ill.

2 You may get a special invitation to a party after the show, but only if you come early.

3 There will be cafes with popular food and drink, local bands will be playing, and you’ll be able to watch Great Runs in other cities on many giant telescreens.
MULTIPLE CHOICE

In a multiple choice task you need to rule out two incorrect answers and choose one answer that is correct. The correct answer should contain the same information as what was said in the recording.

1 Reading the questions and predicting the content of the recording

Before you listen to the recording, first read all the questions and try to predict the correct answer. Afterwards read all the available answers and see if any of them seem more probable than others.

2 Sequence of questions

Remember that the questions follow the order of the information in the recording. If it is an interview, you may assume that each exam question will correspond to the questions asked by the interviewer.

3 Using the context to rule out the incorrect answers

Never choose an answer on the basis of one word you can hear, as both the correct and incorrect answers may contain the same words as used in the recording. In order to choose the right answer, you have to pay attention to the context of the recording and rule out the answers which are not consistent with it.

4 Dealing with distractors

Distractors are words that sound similar to the words used in the recording. Such words are often used to make up a wrong option or lead you away from the correct answer. These are usually generalisations and the most typical distractors are words like **always, all, everybody, everywhere**, etc.

5 Inferring the information

It may happen that an exam question will ask for information which is not directly stated in the recording (e.g. the exact word, phrase or number), but needs to be worked out on the basis of other clues. This is often the case with conditional sentences and reported speech. Remember then that sometimes the answer is not explicit and you have to infer it from what is said in the recording.

Predicting the content of the recording

1 **CD 1-10** You are going to hear a monologue about studying in Denmark. Listen to the recording once and answer questions 1–5.

1 Why was studying in Denmark different from studying in the speaker’s country?
2 What skill must students learn quickly in such an expensive country as Denmark?
3 Was the speaker satisfied with the crash course about living in Denmark?
4 What was the problem with using English in Denmark?
5 What is the main aim of the monologue?

2 You are going to listen to the same recording once again. Read the exam questions 1–5 below. Are any of the options A–C similar to your answers from Exercise 1?

1 Studying in Denmark was different from studying in the speaker’s country because she had to
   A speak to a group of professors
   B do some tasks with other students
   C use all the special skills she had

2 Because Denmark is an expensive country, the speaker
   A started to be careful with her money
   B cooked food for the whole group
   C had no money for cultural events

3 The crash course about living in Denmark
   A was not organized that year
   B gives too little information
   C should be organized before the students come to Denmark

4 Although the speaker knows English,
   A it was difficult to communicate with other students
   B there were few social events where she could use it
   C it was not enough to get to know local people very well

5 The main aim of this extract is to
   A present problems
   B ask for financial help
   C promote Denmark

3 **CD 1-10** Listen to the recording again and for questions 1–5 choose the correct answer A–C.

4 Check your answers on page 226 and look at the tapescript on page 214. Underline the parts which match the correct answers. Why are the other answers incorrect?
MULTIPLE CHOICE: SHORT RECORDINGS

In this type of task, you will hear several short recordings (conversations or monologues). For each recording, there will be one question about specific information with three or four answers to choose from. The answers may sometimes be given in the form of pictures. To do this type of task you should apply the same strategies as with a typical multiple choice task, but you should also bear in mind the following:

- before you listen, look at the pictures and try to name or describe the things or people you see,
- it is possible that key words from all options will appear in the recording. Don’t choose the answer based on hearing a single word. It is the meaning of the whole sentence that makes an answer right or wrong.

EXAM TASK

1 CD 1-12 You will hear a radio announcement about criminals wanted by the police. Choose the correct answer A–D.

Which man is the speaker describing?

A 
B 
C 
D

EXAM TASK

2 CD 1-13 You will hear a radio programme about famous people. Choose the correct answer A–C.

What’s the news about Angela Pretty?

A. She’s going to have a baby.
B. She’s going to be divorced.
C. She has received an Oscar.

3 Check your answers with the answer key on page 226. Then look at the tapescript on page 215 and underline the parts of the recordings which helped you choose the correct answers.
TRUE/FALSE

In this type of task, you need to decide if the given statements convey the same information as used in the recording (and mark them True) or different (and mark them False).

1 READING THE QUESTIONS AND PREDICTING THE CONTENT OF THE RECORDING

Pay attention to the rubrics as they usually tell you what kind of recording you are going to hear (e.g. an interview, a radio programme, a story etc.) Also, read the statements carefully and try to find key words in each of them. In this way you will know what information you should be looking for in the recording, and it will be easier for you to choose the correct answer.

2 SEQUENCE OF QUESTIONS

Remember that the questions follow the order of the information in the recording.

3 INFORMATION IN THE RECORDING VS. YOUR GENERAL KNOWLEDGE OF THE WORLD

Before you decide if a statement is true or false, you should always ask yourself, Does the recording say it is true? or Does the recording say it is false? The most important reference point in this type of task is the recording, even if it says something that you know is not quite right. Remember, that your task is to decide if a statement is true or false in reference to the recording, not if it is true in reality.

4 VOCABULARY PARAPHRASES

Many true/false statements are built in such a way that the information from the recording is conveyed by means of synonyms or antonyms. Watch out for these words, e.g:

- synonyms:
  Jake prepared excellent spaghetti for dinner. = Jake prepared exquisite spaghetti for dinner.
  Finally, we found a very clever solution to the problem. = Finally, we found an ingenious solution to the problem.

- antonyms:
  I didn’t think this new book would be so dull and badly-written. = This new book is not as exciting and well-written as I expected.
  Jim’s room is never neat and tidy. = Jim’s room is always in a mess.

5 GRAMMAR PARAPHRASES

Look out for grammar paraphrases as well. They typically include:

- conditionals:
  If I had more time, I would learn how to play the guitar. = I would learn how to play the guitar if only I had enough time.

- comparatives:
  Vegetables are healthier than meat. = Meat is less healthy than vegetables.

- quantifiers and phrases such as some/any/much/many/a few/few:
  There aren’t many cookies left. = There are only a few cookies left.

- tenses:
  We have been here since Friday. = We came here on Friday.

- negations:
  They hardly ever go there. = They don’t go there very often.

PREDICTING THE CONTENT OF THE RECORDING

Look at the exam task below and highlight the key words that you should pay special attention to while listening to the exam task. The first one was done for you as an example.

You are going to hear a student talking about her first job. Decide if the statements 1–5 are true (T) or false (F).

1 She started working in Australia one week after she had got there.
2 During her first week at work, Mr Jenkins and Kate watched her all the time.
3 Dealing with customers helped her understand human nature.
4 When she made mistakes with money, Mr Jenkins was not always there to correct them.
5 She’s not planning to work as a shop assistant in the near future.

CD 1-14 Listen to the recording and do the exam task. Check your answers on page 226.

Look at the tapescript on page 215. Underline the parts of the recording that refer to each of the questions and find phrases that correspond to the keywords you have highlighted.
TRUE/FALSE/NO INFORMATION

This is a variation of the true/false task and, therefore, you can use the same strategies as the ones described previously. However, the main difference between these two types of tasks is that this time you have three options to choose from instead of two. This time a statement might be true, false, or the recording might include no information related to the statement. If you are sure that the statement includes the same information as the recording, mark it true. If you know that a statement is not true, you have to decide if it is false, according to the recording, or if there is no information in the recording referring to this statement. Read the statement carefully, find key words and look for them in the recording. If you are sure you can’t find any information that would refer to the given statement, mark it No Information.

EXAM TASK

CD 1.15 You are going to hear an interview with a famous sportsman. Decide if the statements 1 – 5 are true (T) or false (F).

1 As a child, Terry Donovan wasn’t as busy as he is now.
2 When Terry was eleven years old, his life suddenly changed.
3 His parents got divorced before he became a champion.
4 Terry’s next gold will make him happier than the first one.
5 Terry thinks that skills are not as important as motivation.

CD 1.15 Listen to the interview and look at the exam task once again. Answer the questions below. Each question refers to a corresponding question from the exam task.

1 Why was his childhood the way it was?
2 When did his life change? What vocabulary paraphrase is used to talk about it?
3 What other thing happened when his parents were divorcing?
4 What vocabulary paraphrase did Terry use to talk about his next gold medal?
5 What grammar paraphrase is used here to talk about experience and motivation?

CD 1.16 You are going to hear an extract from an interview with a famous traveller. Decide if the statements 1 – 5 are true (T), false (F) or there is no information (N).

1 Beryl Martin made up her mind to become a traveller on the day of her fifteenth birthday.
2 When Beryl Martin first went to Africa, she felt very excited about it, but also very tired.
3 According to Beryl Martin, you won’t become a traveller unless you are a friendly person.
4 Beryl Martin has a family in Africa.
5 The main idea of this part of the interview is to ask Beryl Martin for practical advice.

Check your answers on page 226. Look at the tapescript on page 215 and underline the parts which helped you choose the correct answers. Answer the questions below:

1 Whose birthday was it? What expressions are used in the recording to distract you?
2 What vocabulary paraphrase is used in question 2?
3 What grammar paraphrase is used in question 3?
4 Does Beryl Martin mention her family at all during the interview?
5 What kind of questions did the interviewer ask Beryl Martin?
MATCHING

When doing a matching task, you need to match given elements (e.g. names of places, speakers, titles, headings, summaries) to various short recordings or excerpts of one longer recording. The task typically contains one extra element, which cannot be matched with any of the recordings/excerpts. Your task is to rule this one out and match the other ones correctly. Considering all this, the strategy that you need to apply while doing a matching task differs from the strategies used in other types of tasks.

1 Establishing the type of matching

Read the instructions carefully to know what exactly you need to do. Before you start, you need to know what elements you have to match to each other: headings or summary sentences to speakers, or maybe questions to the correct part of the interview? Depending on what elements you are asked to match, you need to employ different strategies:
- matching speakers to places/jobs – you need to watch out for words and phrases typical of the given place (e.g. a restaurant) or job (e.g. a waiter).
- matching speakers to titles/headings/summary sentences – after listening to each utterance try to summarise it for yourself. This will help you to do the matching. Remember that the titles/headings or summary sentences usually paraphrase what was said but they never use the same words and phrases as used in the recording.

2 Dealing with extra items

Remember that matching tasks often include one or more extra items, which you need to rule out.

3 Sequence of questions

In a matching task, the questions are usually listed in random order. You need to be very careful here because the information you need to answer the first question might be located, for example, in the last recording.

4 Questions about the main idea

Remember that virtually all the questions provided in a matching task are about extracting the most important information from the given piece of recording. Therefore, in fact, all the questions ask about the main idea of the recording.

CD 1.17 Listen to five speakers giving advice to job seekers. For each speaker 1–5, summarise what you have heard in your own words and write the summaries below.

Speaker 1: ___________________________
Speaker 2: ___________________________
Speaker 3: ___________________________
Speaker 4: ___________________________
Speaker 5: ___________________________

CD 1.17 Listen to the recording again. Match the speakers 1–5 with the statements A–F. There is one extra statement that you do not need.

A Don't come to work late.
B Wear a clean white shirt.
C Look people in the eye.
D Be friendly but formal.
E Don't eat and drink at your desk.
F Wear jeans only on Fridays.

Compare your summaries in Exercise 1 with the statements A–F. Are they similar?

Exam task

CD 1.18 You are going to hear five short messages. Match the speakers 1–5 to the statements A–F. There is one extra statement that you do not need.

Speaker 1: ___________________________
Speaker 2: ___________________________
Speaker 3: ___________________________
Speaker 4: ___________________________
Speaker 5: ___________________________

A Unlucky manager has to rebuild business.
B Star-watching can bring you good luck.
C Unhappy fans say goodbye to their dreams.
D An animal lover talks about her success.
E All dreams come true for a lucky star.
F Unfortunate travellers must change plans.

Check your answers on page 226. Then look at the tapescript on page 216 and underline those parts which helped you choose the correct answers.
GAP FILLING

In this type of task, you will get a set of gapped sentences, a form or a fact file with some information missing. You will have to listen to a recording and use the information you hear to complete the gaps. The sentences that you need to complete are only paraphrases of what you hear in the recording – they convey the same information, but they are not phrased in the same way. However, the words you need to write down in the gaps are exactly the same as the ones used in the recording. You should be looking out for words that are actually spoken, and can also complete the gaps in your sentences in a way that is lexically and grammatically correct.

1 SEQUENCE OF QUESTIONS

The sentences you have to complete are given in the same order as the information in the recording.

PREDICTING THE CONTENT OF THE GAP

Read the exam task below and do exercises a–b

You are going to hear a radio news programme. Complete the gaps 1–4 with a maximum of two words.

Politics:
Mr Jack Prune is said to have spent public money during his Italian 1 _________.

Economy:
The scientists have found that we are wealthier now and enjoy 2 _________.

Entertainment:
The Rolling Stones concert is supposed to begin at 3 _________. p.m.

Weather:
The roads in the northern parts of the country may be 4 _________ and blocked by fallen trees.

a Look at gaps 1–4 and try to predict the information that is missing from each of the gaps. In which gap are you possibly looking for:
• an adjective?
• a noun?
• a number?
• a verb?

b CD 1·19 Do the exam task and check your answers on page 226. Were your predictions correct?

2 PREDICTING THE CONTENT OF THE GAP

Read the gapped sentences carefully before you start listening and try to predict what kind of information you should be looking for. See if you can tell what word category is missing from each gap: a verb, a number, a noun? If you do this, it will be much easier for you to locate the information you need in the recording.

3 NUMBER OF WORDS IN A GAP

Sometimes the instructions specify the number of words you can write, so make sure your answers are the right length. If the instructions say you have to write one or two words, your solution of three words will not be accepted, although otherwise it may be correct.

EXAM TASK

CD 1·20 You are going to hear a phone conversation about a citizenship test. Complete the form below with one word in each gap.

THE UK CITIZENSHIP TEST

• The citizenship test contains 1 ________ questions.

• There are questions about job interviews, 2 _________ a flat, how to open a bank account.

• There are also questions about British institutions and about national and local 3 _________.

• The questions about politics might be connected with the Prime Minister, the 4 _________ family and the main political parties.

• There are no questions about famous 5 _________ and 6 _________.

• The test costs 7 _________.

• You can find all the information on the website 8 _________.

3 Check your answers on page 226. Then look at the tapescript on page 216 and underline the parts which contain the correct answers.
EXAM STRATEGIES

1 Predicting the content of the text

Before you start reading, you should try to predict what the text is going to be about. You can do this by considering what type of text you are going to read and its characteristic features, such as the title, the headings and the first sentences of each paragraph. By looking at the text, try to establish its type: is it a newspaper article, a story, a letter, a review? Once you have done this, you will find it easier to work with the text and predict its structure. A review, for example, has a very predictable structure: it usually starts with basic facts about the thing being reviewed (e.g. name of the artist, title, etc.), then talks about it in detail, and finishes with the reviewer’s opinion and recommendations.

Pay special attention to the typical elements of the text: the title will help you see its main idea, and the headings and the opening sentences of each paragraph usually summarise the paragraphs and help follow the author’s line of reasoning. Remember to always read the entire text first to get the idea of what it is about.

It is also important to know what type of exam task you are required to do, as this knowledge will determine what pieces of information you should focus on while reading and what reading strategies you should use (for strategies on particular types of tasks see pages 23-29).

2 Information in the text vs. your general knowledge of the world

Although the exam questions often refer to well-known phenomena and problems, you should not let your knowledge of the world affect the way you do the exam task. Before you decide what the correct answer is, you should always ask yourself: “Does the text really say this?” Take a look at an example: let’s imagine that you are a great fan of cars. In the exam there is a text about your favourite car and it says that this car is very fast. Then, in the task there is a statement that says This car has a top speed of 250 km/h. You know that this happens to be true, but did the text say this? No, it didn’t, it only said the car is very fast. Therefore, this answer would be incorrect. Remember that your starting point must always be the text and not your knowledge of the world.

3 Matching the information in the text to the questions

When completing an exam task, it is useful to first locate the part of the text that contains the information matching the question you are considering. You can underline this part, as it will help you find the correct answer more quickly and more precisely. Now you will not have to concentrate on the whole text to find the answer you need, but just on that paragraph. It will be also useful when you are double-checking your answers at the end of the exam.

4 Finding the right kind of information

Please note that the information you need to successfully complete the task may be of different form and length: it can be a single word, a sentence or a larger part of the text. When reading the questions, try to predict what kind of information is needed as it will influence the way you read the text.

5 Guessing the meaning of unknown words

Don’t panic if you can see unknown words and phrases in the text. Don’t focus all your attention on them, as this can block the entire process of understanding the text. Remember that your task is to find the necessary information and not to understand all the words in the text. Try to use the context to guess the meaning of unknown words. You can also use the following clues to guess the meaning of the word:

- its grammatical form - e.g. noun/adjective/adverb
- its position and role in the text - e.g. words like first/second/next show the sequence of information, and phrases like on the one hand/on the other hand/h owever/conversely show contrasting ideas
- its general meaning - e.g. ginger bread must mean some kind of bread
- your general knowledge of culture - e.g. if a text talks about healthy food, you can assume that the phrase nourishing value means something positive
- the similarity of a given word to a word in your language. However, here you must be very careful and pay special attention to false friends.

In the worst case, simply ignore the word or phrase you don’t know.
6 Vocabulary Paraphrases

Exam questions are typically constructed in such a way that the information from the text is conveyed by means of vocabulary paraphrases. It means that the exam question will include expressions of similar meaning as the ones used in the text, but they will not be exactly the same. Typical vocabulary paraphrases include:

- **synonyms:**
  
  Grace gave another clever answer. = Grace gave another brilliant answer.

- **antonyms:**
  
  The car we finally decided to buy wasn’t very expensive. = The car we finally decided to buy was very cheap.

7 Grammar Paraphrases

Exam questions can also use grammar paraphrases to present the meaning from the text. Often the information in the exam question is the same as in the text, but is phrased differently and different grammar structures are used. Typical grammar paraphrases include:

- **tenses:**
  
  When she came home, everybody had already eaten dinner. = They ate dinner before she came home.

- **conditional sentences:**
  
  If I had gone to the party with you at the weekend, I would not have spent the evening at home doing nothing. = I regret not going to the party with you at the weekend, I spent the evening at home doing nothing.

- **comparatives:**
  
  Josh Reynolds is by far the best guitar player I have ever heard. = I have never heard a better guitar player than Josh Reynolds.

- **quantifiers and phrases such as some/any/much/many/a few/few:**
  
  I know that many people liked his latest book, but I didn’t. = I am one of the few people who did not like his latest book.

Exam questions which use grammar paraphrases may contain information which is identical to the content of the text; however, it does not always have to be the case. Quite often exam questions contain information which is different in meaning to that used in the text, but looks superficially similar. You have to be very careful, as not all exam questions are synonyms of the information presented in the text, e.g. When she came home, everybody had already eaten dinner. = When she came home, they ate dinner.

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Finding the Right Kind of Information

1. **Read the text below. For questions 1–2, choose the correct answer A–D. For questions 3–4, decide if the sentences are true (T) or false (F). Underline the parts of the text which helped you answer the questions.**

   1. Briony knew it would be a typical day when
      
      A. she was waking up.
      B. her alarm was ringing.
      C. she got to the bathroom.
      D. she was having her shower.

   2. In the kitchen,
      
      A. she asked her mother for a glass of milk.
      B. the bread was gone but there were some eggs.
      C. there was a news programme on TV.
      D. she heard some surprising news on the radio.

   3. Briony’s family had no idea she played Lotto every week.

   4. Briony’s jeans were in her room, but the coupon was gone.

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Briony’s Lucky Day

Even when Briony was still half-asleep, she knew it would be one of those days. She was even more certain about it when she realised her alarm clock wasn’t working and she was absolutely sure when she couldn’t get to the bathroom because her sister Jess had decided to take a very long shower. Yes, it was going to be another unlucky day in her boring, sixteen-year-long existence.

Feeling sad and unhappy, she went to the kitchen and poured herself a glass of milk. Of course, there was no bread, not to mention eggs. She switched on the radio. An earthquake in Peru... floods in England... storms in Mexico... Great, Briony thought, it is like that all over the world. But then the voice on the radio said something else, something like ‘... and your lucky number is...’ Briony pushed the glass away and ran back to her bedroom.

For two months, every week Briony played Lotto, without telling anybody. And now, the voice on the radio said ‘ten’, and she knew it was the number she’d chosen. Yes! The coupon was in her jeans. She looked around. But the jeans were gone, and she could hear her mother shout happily from the bathroom downstairs, ‘Briony, don’t look for your jeans! It’s your lucky day and they are finally being washed!’
Research finds what people really want

A recent research project at Mulberry Institute of Social Studies has found out that most people aren’t very materialistic and don’t really need as many things as you might think. The scientists gave people a list of things and asked them to choose something they wouldn’t be able to live without. Then they interviewed people, asking them to give reasons for their choices.

The needs of most people turned out to be very basic. Instead of hi-tech computers, iPods and other gadgets, most people said they wouldn’t be able to live without a comfortable bed or a set of good cooking pots. Some people even said they didn’t want anything as long as their health was OK, they had a job, and their family was happy.

The scientists will now move on to the next part of the project, in which they will try to interpret the results and explain why people want to have so little. At the same time, they will keep watching social trends and collecting more information. The future will show if it is the beginning of a real change of values, or perhaps just a passing trend.

Predicting the content of the text

Read the headings A–D below. Try to predict the content of the text for each of the headings. Then read the text and choose the heading that best conveys the main idea of the text. Were your predictions correct? Explain why the other headings are not appropriate.

A Good and bad sides of living in a big city
B Useless survey that cost a fortune
C Sensational results of Birmingham survey
D Big city fans don’t care about traffic jams

When they think about it now, the whole journey was a half-baked idea. They could have probably prepared themselves for it better. But how on earth are you supposed to know these things? After all, no one had ever walked across the Sahara desert in seven days before. No wonder they were so eager to become the first ones to do it. However, they hadn’t realized how strenuous and tiring it was going to be. The wind blew violently while they were slowly making their way through the desert. During the day, there was no place to hide from the scorching sun, so they were dehydrated and overheated. At night it was freezing cold, so they were forced to put on all their clothes to keep warm. Yet, despite the ordeal they had been through, neither of them had ever suggested giving up. There was some inexplicable force that compelled them to go forward, even though the thought of three more days of this challenging desert trek appalled them.

a Look at the words in bold. Do you know their meaning? What part of speech are they?
b Use the context to guess the meaning of the words in bold that you do not know.
c Circle the correct meaning of each of the words in bold from the paragraph above.

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ECONOMICS

How to spend public money on something that makes no sense? The best idea is a survey like the one which was carried out in Birmingham last week. They decided to find out what people thought about living in a big city. The results of the survey are... well, not surprising at all. To many people, living in a big urban centre is important because there are so many professional and cultural opportunities there. As a result, they like everything about it: the crowds, the noise, even the traffic jams. But to others, a big city means only stress and trouble. They don’t like competition and they simply hate the fact that in kind of place you’re never alone. After the survey brings obvious, if predictable answers. It’s a shame such an unnecessary initiative cost ten thousand pounds.
In this type of task, you need to decide if the given statements convey the same information as used in the text (and mark them True) or different (and mark them False).

1 INFORMATION IN THE TEXT VS. YOUR GENERAL KNOWLEDGE OF THE WORLD

Remember that your task is to decide if a statement is true or false in reference to the text, not if it is true in general. Before you decide on the answer, always ask yourself, Does the text say it is true? If it does, then it is the right answer, even if it is not quite correct in reality.

2 SEQUENCE OF QUESTIONS

Remember that the questions follow the order of the information in the text.

3 VOCABULARY PARAPHRASES

Many true/false statements are built in such a way that the information from the text is conveyed by means of synonyms or antonyms. Watch out for these words:

- synonyms
  Jake Myers made another excellent movie. = Jake Myers made another great movie.

- antonyms:
  Whatever happens, do not switch the computer off. = Keep the computer switched on at all times.

4 GRAMMAR PARAPHRASES

Look out for grammar paraphrases as well. They typically include:

- comparatives:
  Anne is taller than Maria. = Maria is not as tall as Anne.

- tenses:
  In December this year they will have been married for 10 years. = In December this year they will be celebrating their 10th marriage anniversary.

- negations:
  Mike never sunbathes when he goes on holidays. = Mike does not sunbathe when he goes on holidays.

- reported speech:
  She said: "Don't get there because it is very dangerous!" = She warned me not to go there because it was very dangerous.

Grammar paraphrases using quantifiers and conditional sentences are also quite common.

THE YOUNGER, THE BETTER?

Nowadays it is very important to be young. Look around, and you will see young faces on the covers of magazines and in the ads on TV, switch on the radio, and you will hear music which young people adore; go shopping, and you will find all shops packed with items on sale for young people. This tendency to see being young as something better than being old is a cultural phenomenon. But is it always good to be young? And isn't young sometimes too young?

First of all, let's remember that this cult of youth didn't start so long ago. Before the revolutionary changes in society and culture of the 1960s, it was exactly the opposite: when you were a teenager, you only wanted to become an adult, and to look like an adult, too. It's also important to remember that in many cultures even today there is a lot of respect for the elderly. Such people are well-experienced, and can always give you a precious piece of advice.

When people are young, they are usually energetic and bold. They can work for longer periods of time and they are ready to take risks. As they still haven't had much experience, they don't have many inhibitions, which means that there aren't many things to stand in their way. Young people have also got potential - they still have time to develop in many different ways. Because of that, employing young people can be a good investment.

On the other hand, being young doesn't automatically mean you're always happy. There is a lot of competition in society nowadays, which starts even when you're in school. Getting a good education isn't easy and can cost a lot of money.

Next, you have to look for a good job. In spite of the fact that so many employers prefer young people, jobs aren't just waiting for you. And even if you find one, it is often only for a very short period of time.

Statistics show that the heavy burden of the stress of modern life on young people can sometimes bring them a lot of suffering. Most of them can cope with problems very well, but some others break down and lose all hope. If we don't want this to happen, something must be done. We live in a world in which being young is almost like a religion, so it is our responsibility to offer help to those to whom being young is definitely too young.

Check your answers in the answer key on page 227. Find passages in the text that correspond to the exam questions.
MULTIPLE CHOICE

In a multiple choice task you need to rule out three incorrect answers and choose one answer that is correct. The correct answer should contain the same information as the text.

1 READING THE QUESTIONS AND PREDICTING THE CONTENT OF THE TEXT

Before you start reading the text, first read all the questions and then find in the text the parts that correspond to each question—it can be a single word, a sentence or a paragraph.

2 SEQUENCE OF QUESTIONS

Remember that the questions follow the order of the information in the text. It is safe to assume that the answer to question number two will be somewhere before the answer to question number three. This might help you if you're not sure where to look for the answer to a particular question.

3 USING THE CONTEXT TO RULE OUT THE INCORRECT ANSWERS

Never choose the answer on the basis of one word, as both the correct and incorrect answers may contain the same words as used in the text. Pay attention to the general context of the text, which will help you rule out the answers which are not consistent with it.

4 SELECTING THE CORRECT ANSWER

When choosing the correct answer, always double check if the information in the questions is the same as what is in the text. You may want to underline the parts of the text that contain the answer you need, which will help you finish the task more quickly.

5 MAIN IDEA VS. IDEAS OF SECONDARY IMPORTANCE

It is important for you to be able to locate the main idea of the text and separate it from ideas which are only details or illustration of the main idea. This will help you answer the questions correctly as a lot of wrong options in the exam questions ask about ideas of secondary importance.

6 AUTHOR'S OPINIONS AND INTENTIONS

Some multiple choice questions may ask about the author's opinion or intention—if this is the case, it is usually the very last question in the task. When deciding on the author's opinion, look at the entire text and not only at its last part. Think about how you would summarise the text, as this will help you choose the correct answer.

7 PARAPHRASES

Pay particular attention to grammar and vocabulary paraphrases, as these often appear in multiple choice options.

8 INFERRING THE INFORMATION

It may happen that an exam question will ask for information which is not directly stated in the text but needs to be inferred on the basis of other clues. Take a look at an example: a paragraph taken from a film review and a multiple choice question referring to it:

I saw this film last month and I must say the script was well-written, the events believable and the actors' performances convincing. At first, I thought that it was going to be boring and uneventful, but it was not the case. I have seen this film one more time since then. The only weak point was the soundtrack, which was a bit annoying at times, but the plot made up for it brilliantly.

1 The author of the review
A was bored by the movie.
B enjoyed the movie a lot.
C particularly liked the soundtrack.
D will see this film one more time soon.

The writer does not say directly that he enjoyed the movie, but it can be inferred on the basis of the expressions he uses to talk about it.

EXAM TASK

1 Read the text below. For question 1, choose the correct answer A–D.

NEWS NEWS NEWS NEWS NEWS

A youth will go on trial today in Alabama accused of murder. If found guilty, he could face life imprisonment or the death penalty. His defence is that a video game, Grand Theft Auto, made him do it... Devin Moore, 18, was being questioned about a stolen car when he took a policeman's gun and shot him in the head. Before escaping in a police car, he killed two more policemen. When captured, he said, 'Life is like a video game. You have to die sometime.'

1 Which of the titles best fits the text?
A Policeman shoots 18-year-old boy.
B Video games even more popular.
C 18-year-old criminal 'inspired' by video games.
D The great escape.

2 Check your answer in the answer key on page 227. Underline the fragment in the text which helped you choose the correct answer and explain why the other options are incorrect.
The new exhibition in the city of Mulberry
A has just opened.
B started by accident.
C is next to the bank.
D is very modern.

If you want to visit the museum, you
A can do it every day.
B have to enter the bank.
C need to climb the stairs.
D must buy a ticket.

The exhibition makes it possible to understand
A how modern the Medieval building technique was.
B why it wasn’t nice to live in a Medieval house.
C why Medieval city walls were so small.
D how the world has changed since the Middle Ages.

According to the text,
A there is nothing unusual about old pots and coins.
B some objects are more interesting than children’s toys.
C children’s toys are more interesting than ornaments.
D the board isn’t as old as other objects in the museum.

The exhibition in Mulberry is especially interesting because it presents
A new objects that have just been found.
B contrasts in Medieval life.
C the past and the present.
D a cash machine in the Medieval street.

The main aim of this text is to
A inform the reader.
B warn the reader.
C make fun.
D criticise.

Check your answers in the answer key on page 227. Find passages in the text that refer to the exam questions.

The questions below correspond to the questions 1–6 in the exam task. Read the text again and answer them.

1 Find in the text the same word as in answer D. Why is this answer incorrect?
2 Find in the text the part where it talks about the stairs. Why is answer C incorrect?
3 Why are answers A–C incorrect?
4 Underline in the text the part which refers to answer A.
5 Underline in the text the part which refers to answer C.
6 What words or phrases would have to appear in the text in order for the answers B, C and D to be correct?

later today, the city of Mulberry will get a new, unusual exhibition. It all started three years ago. When a new bank was being built in the city centre, construction workers suddenly came across an old wall. Then they found large fragments of an old street and two houses. According to Professor Laura Adams, head of the archaeological department of the local university, these structures were about six hundred years old. The city council decided to keep all of them, but at the same time, build the bank. As a result, Mulberry will get a museum of its past under a very modern bank.

The museum will have the same opening hours as the bank, so it will be only possible to visit it from Monday to Friday, 9a.m.–6p.m. To see the exhibition, people will first go into the bank, then turn right and go downstairs. The underground museum has three large rooms. Its main part is a reconstruction of a fragment of the Medieval city of Mulberry. And by the way, visitors don’t need to pay anything.

The exhibition has some interesting points. For example, it’s fascinating to check in detail how houses in the Middle Ages were built. Techniques and materials used at that time were rather primitive, but the house looks quite comfortable. And the city wall seems now so small – it’s strange to think that once it was big enough to protect the city against its enemies.

Together with the structures, the workers found a lot of everyday objects. Apart from the typical collection of old pots and coins that you can see in many museums of the world, there are certain things that are more unusual: children’s toys or beautiful ornaments. Probably the most extraordinary object in the exhibition is a small wooden board with a text which looks like a shopping list!

The exhibition in Mulberry, which will open today in the afternoon, will certainly become one of the most attractive points of interest for tourists as well as local people. It’s extremely interesting, full of original objects, and very well organised. But there is one more attractive thing about it. The museum is located under the bank, and this shows the contrast between the old and the new in the best possible way. Just go there on a busy Monday, walk along the Medieval street and listen to the cash machines upstairs – the rhythm of contemporary life.
MATCHING

When doing a matching task, you need to match given elements (e.g. names of places, speakers, titles, headings, summaries) to various short texts or paragraphs of one longer text. The task typically contains one extra element, which cannot be matched with any of the texts or paragraphs. Your task is to rule this one out and match the other ones correctly. Therefore, the strategy that you need to apply while doing a matching task differs from the strategies used in other types of tasks.

1 ESTABLISHING THE TYPE OF MATCHING

Read the instructions carefully to know what exactly you need to do. Before you start, you need to know what elements you have to match to each other: headings or summary sentences to paragraphs, or maybe questions to parts of the text that contain the answers? Depending on what elements you are asked to match, you need to use different strategies:

- matching headings or summary sentences to paragraphs – in order to do this correctly, you should locate the main idea of the entire text or its particular paragraphs, on the basis of which you should choose your answer.
- matching questions to paragraphs – you need to find the parts of the text which contain the answers to the exam questions.
- matching statements to paragraphs – essentially, your task is to find the parts of the text which convey the same information as the statements, but expressed in different words.

2 DEALING WITH EXTRA ITEMS

Remember that matching tasks often include one or more extra items which you do not need to use.

3 SEQUENCE OF QUESTIONS

In a matching task, the questions are usually listed in random order. You should be aware that the information you need to answer the first question might be located, for example, in the last paragraph of the text.

4 QUESTIONS ABOUT THE MAIN IDEA

Remember that virtually all the questions provided in a matching task are about extracting the most important information from the given piece of text. Therefore, all the questions ask about the main idea of the text or the paragraph.

EXAM TASK

Read the article below. The headings have been removed from the text. Match the headings A–G to the paragraphs 1–6. There is one extra heading that you do not need to use.

A Move your body
B Become a dreamer
C Make new friends
D Have a chocolate
E Have a good read
F Talk to people
G Play that song

SIX GREAT WAYS TO RELAX

You may be a student, a doctor or a businessperson whatever your age or job, from time to time you need to slow down and relax. But do you know how to relax successfully? In this article, we’ve collected ideas from all over the world and formulated six great, effective ways to relax.

1

For a long time we have all known that sweets do us good: they calm us down and make us smile. Well, it’s true that they are full of calories and sugar, but from time to time, when you’re really unhappy, a small candy or ice cream won’t do you any harm.

2

Remember that every type of physical exercise helps you relax. You don’t need to run for miles! Just try to walk a bit more often or use the stairs at work instead of the lift. Or get yourself a dog and take it for long walks every day. This will make both you and the dog happy!

3

Some people say that when they are doing this, they forget about the whole world. And that’s the point! If you want to relax, you should be able to distance yourself from all the everyday worries. An interesting book will really help you to take it easy.

4

In today’s world, many people think that they must be serious and rational. They often say, “Be realistic!” But if you want to relax, you need to do the opposite - you need to imagine something absolutely unrealistic. Stop thinking for a while, or you’ll feel much better!

5

Tuning in to your favourite kind of music is one of the best ways to relax. It has a positive influence on our brain. With some people it's like reading because when they are listening, they forget about everything. Try to make it even more relaxing, and dance.

6

Finally, remember to contact somebody you care for — and mean real contact, not just texting or emailing them. You can talk about your worries, but it’s even better to listen to them. Listening to others will not only make you relaxed, but also a better person.

Check your answers in the answer key on page 227. Look at the text again and underline the parts in each paragraph which helped you choose the correct answers.
3 Read the descriptions of people 1-5 and the book reviews A-F. Match each person to a book that he or she might be interested in reading. There is one extra review that does not match any of the people.

1. Chris
   Chris is a student. He is very interested in travelling and extreme experiences. He likes reading true stories of people who did something unusual and dangerous.

2. Isabella
   Isabella is a businesswoman. She works a lot and hasn't got much free time. She likes short stories, because she can finish them quickly. She would like to read some really interesting and unusual ones.

3. Karl
   Karl travels a lot on business. He would like an exciting book that is not very serious or difficult so he can read it on trains and planes. He enjoys detective novels set in real places.

4. Elena
   Elena is an art teacher from Prague. She likes reading interestingly written true stories about the lives of famous people from history, especially great women.

5. Tereza
   Tereza works as a DJ on the radio. She enjoys stories about ordinary people and especially stories about their love lives. She would like to buy something light-hearted and amusing.

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A BOOK FOR EVERYONE!
This is our selection of perfect summertime books. Read the reviews and choose the book that suits your taste!

A. Charles Nicholl
   Leonardo Da Vinci: The Flights of the Mind
   This beautifully written book is an excellent introduction to the life and times of the great painter and inventor Leonardo da Vinci. It describes his personal life as well as his artistic achievements. Recommended for anyone with an interest in Da Vinci, Renaissance art or just a good biography.

B. Ernest Shackleton South
   In 1915, explorer Ernest Shackleton with 27 men set out to cross Antarctica on foot. After their ship was crushed by ice, he had to find a way of rescuing his crew from the frozen Antarctic wilderness. In this book, Shackleton himself tells the story of the 20-month battle for survival and the amazing rescue. Unforgettable.

C. Ian Rankin Let It Bleed
   Another story about the well-known inspector John Rebus starts with a car chase through the streets of Edinburgh on a winter night. This is not the pretty Edinburgh known to tourists, but a city with poverty, crime and corruption. Politicians try to stop Rebus from investigating a mysterious death. Dark, thrilling and unpredictable, this novel will hold your attention from start to finish.

D. David Starkey Elizabeth
   In this fascinating new biography, historian David Starkey focuses on the early years of the life of Queen Elizabeth I. His narrative gives the reader an insight into the great monarch's character and relationships as well as historic events. The book reads like a great historical thriller.

E. Roald Dahl Tales of the Unexpected
   The secret of Roald Dahl's success is a mix of great storytelling, sometimes macabre sense of humour and completely unexpected endings. Each of the short stories in this great collection will keep you hooked from the beginning to the end.

F. Nick Hornby High Fidelity
   Rob, the owner of a vinyl record store in London, is obsessed with creating 'top five' lists of everything. After his girlfriend Laura leaves him, he goes through his 'top five' failed relationships, trying to understand what he's doing wrong. Wildly funny and sometimes serious, this is a novel about men, women, relationships, and the love of pop music!

Check your answers in the answer key on page 227. Find sentences in the reviews that helped you choose your answers.
This is a special type of matching task in which you have a text with some parts (full sentences or parts of sentences) missing from it. As with all the other types of reading tasks, before you start doing the exam task, read the text ignoring the gaps to get the overall idea of what it is about.

1 The content of the gaps
Read the instructions carefully and look at the text to check what needs to be put into the gaps: full sentences or parts of sentences.

2 Reference words and helpful links
When completing the gaps, look for words which are used to refer to sentences that come before or after the gaps. Pay special attention to:
- cause and effect markers: if a sentence talks about an action, then the next one will most probably talk about its effect:
To the surprise of the opposition party leaders, the government abolished the income tax (action). In this way the cabinet earned people’s votes and won the elections easily (effect).
- pronouns and determiners: if they are used in the sentences, they refer to the people or things that are already mentioned in the text:
Last Friday I went shopping with Jane. I knew she liked buying clothes, but I didn’t expect her to buy five pairs of shoes!
- chronology markers: look for words like afterwards, eventually, finally which show the order of events:
I couldn’t find the tie anywhere. First I checked the wardrobe, then the chest of drawers – nothing. Finally, after wasting three hours looking for it around the house, I found it in the wastebasket.
- vocabulary paraphrases: neighbouring sentences often refer to the same person, thing or concept but use different words or phrases to describe them:
What the spectators saw then was probably one of the fastest vehicles which had ever been built. Spellbound, the crowds cheered and waved as the car sped past the stands and vanished in the distance.

3 Double-checking your answers
After you have completed all the gaps, read the text again to see if it is sensible and consistent. Make sure that the extra sentence does not match any of the gaps. Ask yourself: “If I put this part here, will the sentence make sense? Is it a logical beginning or ending in this sentence? If I put this part here, will the grammar be OK?” If the meaning is logical and the grammar is correct, you have chosen the correct answer.

EXAM TASK

1 Read the following article about a car thief. Some phrases have been removed from the text. Match the phrases A-G to the gaps 1-6. There is one extra phrase that you do not need to use.
A giving up his life of crime
B becoming a mechanic
C thinking that he was going to die
D leaving the car unlocked in front of the garage
E because its brakes needed changing
F things always seem to go wrong
G get a proper job

BAD LUCK FOR A CAR THIEF

Some people are born lucky. For others, ______. Take the story of Yuri, a car thief from Moscow. He had never had much luck and he was wondering whether he should ______. He liked cars and thought that he might enjoy working as a car mechanic.

One day, he was watching a mechanic in a garage and was just about to cross the road and ask about work when something happened. The mechanic went to the toilet ______! Yuri saw that the keys were inside. He ran across the road, got in, switched on the engine and drove away smiling. He realized that he hadn’t really been serious about ______ because it was the only way of life for him.

The first time he realized that something was wrong was at a set of red traffic lights. He put his foot on the brake to stop the car, but nothing happened. He tried again, but the car did not slow down even a bit. He suddenly realized what was wrong. The car had been at the garage ______. The mechanic had taken the old ones out but he hadn’t put the new ones in yet! Yuri closed his eyes, ______. He felt the impact of the collision with another car. When he opened his eyes, he realized that he was unhurt. He was just starting to think that he was lucky after all when he saw the car he had crashed into. It was a police car with two angry policemen inside! Yuri got arrested for stealing a car and fined for causing a traffic accident. In the future he will think twice before he breaks the law again!

2 Check your answers in the answer key on page 227. Read the text one more time and underline phrases that helped you choose the correct answers.
GAP FILLING

In this type of task, you will get a set of gapped sentences, a form, or a fact file with some information missing. Your task will be to complete the gaps using the information you find in the text. The sentences you need to complete are only paraphrases of what you read in the text – they convey the same information, but they are not phrased in the same way.

1 NUMBER OF WORDS IN A GAP

Sometimes the instructions specify the number of words you can write, so make sure your answers are the right length. If the instructions say you have to write one or two words, your solution of three words will not be accepted, although otherwise it may be correct.

2 PREDICTING THE CONTENT OF THE GAP

Read the gapped sentences carefully before you start doing the exam task and try to guess what word category is missing from each gap. If you do this, it will be easier for you to find the correct answers.

3 SEQUENCE OF QUESTIONS

The sentences you have to complete are given in the same order as the information in the text. Bear this in mind when you work through the task.

1 The sentences below come from a sample exam task. Read them and try to guess what part of speech is missing from each gap.

1 The woman was sentenced to ______ years in prison for ______ £250,000.
2 Emma Golightly tricked four men by pretending to be a ______ businesswoman.
3 She supposedly suffered from ______.

2 Read the complete paragraph now and complete the gaps in Exercise 1. Were your predictions correct?

A Newcastle woman who admitted stealing over £250,000 has been sentenced to two years in prison. The defendant, Emma Golightly, nineteenth, convicted four men she was a rich businesswoman suffering from terminal cancer in order to get expensive gifts and gain access to their credit cards and bank accounts.

EXAM TASK

3 Read the following text about the history of English in the USA. Complete the gaps in statements 1–5 with a maximum of three words using the information in the text.

1 Nobody knows why the first group of English travellers to America ________.
2 The first ________ of immigrants was set up in Chesapeake Bay in 1607.
3 The next wave of settlers came from ________ in the 18th century.
4 Slavery began in 1619, when the first ________ slaves were brought from Africa.
5 English remained the ________ because the immigrants wanted to be part of the new society.

AMERICA
THE MELTING POT

In 1584 a group of English explorers tried to start a colony in the ‘New World’. It was near Roanoke Island in what is today the American state of Virginia. Conditions, however, were hard and there were frequent conflicts with the native Indians. Six years later, in 1590, more ships arrived with supplies and new colonists. But the original settlers had all disappeared. The mystery of what happened to them has never been solved.

Fortunately for the worldwide importance of the English language (although perhaps less fortunately for the native Indians), the English did not give up, and in 1607 the first permanent settlement of English-speaking immigrants was established in Chesapeake Bay, not far from Roanoke Island. These first settlers came mainly from the ‘West Country’ of England and spoke with Somerset or Gloucestershire accents. During the 17th century many more immigrants with a wide variety of English accents landed on the eastern shores of the ‘new’ continent.

They were followed in the 18th century by huge numbers of Irish and Scottish immigrants: fifty thousand in the 1720s alone. By the time independence was declared in 1776, it is thought that one in seven of the colonial population was Scots-Irish, but of course English was the language of the newly independent country.

The first African slaves – only twenty of them – were brought to Virginia in 1619. By the time slavery was abolished in 1865 after the US Civil War, there were over 4 million. The slaves had come from many different language backgrounds, and in order to communicate together, they created their own version of English, which would help the development of ‘American English’.

In the 19th century there was a dramatic increase in American immigration as people escaped from wars, revolution, poverty and famine in Europe. The population rose from only 4 million in 1790 to over 50 million a hundred years later. Irish, Germans, Italians, Poles, French, Greeks, Central European Jews and many more came looking for a better life. However, although they all spoke their own languages, the desire to become part of their new country and learn its language was strong, and so English kept its status as the dominant language.

Since 1900 even more immigrants have come to the USA from around the world – Asia, Africa and especially Central and South America – increasing its population to over 300 million. Spanish is now the second most widely-spoken language in the USA. It is estimated that up to 40 million people speak it at home. However, today, 400 years after the first colonists landed in Chesapeake Bay, English remains the USA’s only national language.
EXAM STRATEGIES

1 Reading the instructions
Regardless of the type of task you are going to tackle in the exam, remember to read the rubrics carefully before you start. The instructions will tell you precisely what you are supposed to do in the exam task and where to write your answers. By reading the rubrics first you will find it much easier to complete the task successfully. Remember that your answer will only be marked as correct if it is given in the way that the task asks you to, so do not use more words than the instructions say and write your answers exactly where you are asked to.

2 Reading the text for general understanding
Most of the exam tasks in the Use of English part of the exam are based on a continuous text (e.g. open cloze, multiple choice or word building). Remember that the first thing you ought to do after you read the instructions is to read the text ignoring the gaps to get the general idea of what it is about. When you choose your answers you have to make sure that your ideas fit the grammar and the register of the text as a whole, not only the one sentence you are working with. Consider an example from a multiple choice task:

I regret _______ that, but it was an honest mistake, really.
A saying  B said  C to say  D say

If you look at this sentence taken out of context, both options A and C could be used to complete the sentence so that it is gramatically correct. Thus, you must read the whole paragraph to be able to decide what the correct option is:

I understand all this now and I know that I shouldn’t have reacted like I did. I shouldn’t have told them to go. I regret _______ that, but it was an honest mistake, really. I had no idea that they were going to take offence.

Only if you consider the whole paragraph is it clear that the correct option is A. Lots of mistakes made in the exam are caused by choosing words which go with the words before or after the gap, but fail to complete the rest of the text in a meaningful way.

3 Predicting the content of the gap
Before you complete the gap, it is extremely important that you determine what kind of expression is missing from it. Look at the words immediately before and after the gap and decide what word you need: a noun, a verb, an adjective? Are you supposed to complete a collocation or rather you need an auxiliary verb to form a correct grammar structure? If for example, an adjective is missing, try to determine whether it should be positive or negative. When you decide on this, it will be much easier for you to come up with a correct answer. Also, remember to make sure the word you choose is correct in both the context of the one sentence where it is being used and in the context of the text as a whole.

4 Dealing with unknown words
Do not panic if you encounter some words or phrases in the text which you do not know. Remember that it is never necessary to understand every word to complete the exam task, so do not let yourself be distracted by any expressions that you do not know. Make sure you have general understanding of what the text is about and learn how to select the information that you really need in order to complete the task.

5 Managing your time
If you are experiencing problems doing one of the tasks, you can skip it and do another one first, so that you do not spend too much time on one task and, as a result, run out of time to do the others. The order in which you tackle the exam tasks is entirely up to you. You can go back to a more difficult task later, when you have already done the easier ones.

6 Proofreading your work
After you finish doing the tasks, remember to go over your answers carefully one more time to make sure all your answers make sense in the context of the whole text. Pay special attention to spelling and grammar, as your answers in this part of the exam are required to be 100% correct. Do not leave any gaps unanswered - if you are not sure what the correct answer is, make an educated guess.
SENTENCE TRANSFORMATIONS

In this task you will get a set of sentences and you will be asked to rewrite them. There are two types of sentence transformations that you might encounter in the exam: in the first type you will get the original sentence as well as the beginning and the ending of the new sentence. Your task is to complete the new sentence so that the meaning stays the same as in the original. Remember that you cannot change anything in the phrases you were given. Consider an example:

Jack is too young to go to the cinema with us.
Jack is not _old enough to go_ to the cinema with us.

The second type is quite similar – the only difference is that this time you will additionally get a word that you must use in your sentence, without changing its form in any way. Take a look at another example:

I regret not buying that CD when I was in London last week.
WISH
I _wish I had bought_ that CD when I was in London last week.

It might also happen, that one sentence will test your knowledge of more than one structure, for example:

'Please don't say anything to my parents,' the boy said to his neighbour.
The boy asked his neighbour _not to tell_ his parents anything.

Two grammar points are tested here: you are supposed to use indirect speech instead of the quote from the original sentence and change the reporting verb from say to tell. Basically, you have to pinpoint the exact meaning of the original sentence and write a new one that says the same as the original, but using a different grammar structure. Sometimes, there might also be a limit of words that you are allowed to use (usually between two and five).

1 Reading the instructions

It is extremely important that you read the rubrics carefully before you start doing the exam task. Establish the type of transformation that you are supposed to do – have you got a word that you must use, or just the beginning and the ending of the new sentence? Remember that the meaning of the new sentence must be as close as possible to the meaning of the original sentence. If you were given a word that you must use, remember not to change its form in any way. If you were given a word limit, remember not to use more words than you are allowed. Your answer must be fully correct, so pay attention to grammar and spelling as well.
2 DOING THE TRANSFORMATIONS

Sentence transformations are aimed at testing your ability to use various grammar structures. The most important thing to do when dealing with this part of the exam is to determine what grammar structure you are supposed to complete. Typical grammar and lexical points that are tested in the exam include:

**Reported speech**
'Can you help me with the gardening?' my uncle asked me.
My uncle asked me **if I could help him** with the gardening.

**Passive voice and 'have something done'**
He went to the doctor to check his eyesight. **HAD**
He **had his eyesight checked** by the doctor.

**Conditionals**
You failed the exam because you did not prepare well enough.
You **would have passed the exam** if you had prepared well enough.

**Wish/ if only/ would rather**
Please do not smoke here.
I'd rather **you did not smoke** here.

**Tenses**
Today is their 10th wedding anniversary. **FOR**
They **have been married for** 10 years.

**Inversion**
You do not often meet such a sophisticated person as Mark.
Rarely **do you meet** such a sophisticated person as Mark.

**Linking words**
I really liked that movie, even though it was so long.
Despite **the movie being so long**, I really liked it.

**Modal verbs**
You are not allowed to touch anything here until I come back. **MUST**
You **must not touch** anything here until I come back.

**Past modal verbs**
It is possible that she did not go to work yesterday, but I do not know for sure. **NOT**
She **might not have gone** to work yesterday, but I do not know for sure.

**Verb patterns**
His mother made him do the housework.
He **was made to do** the housework.

**Phrasal verbs**
The boss cancelled the meeting at the last minute. **OFF**
The boss **called off the meeting** at the last minute.

3 PROOFREADING YOUR WORK

When you have done the transformations, go over the sentences one more time to check if they are logical and grammatically correct. Make sure that their meaning is as close as possible to the meaning of the original sentences, and that you have not changed the form of the words and phrases you were given. Finally, pay attention to spelling, as you are not allowed to make any spelling mistakes in this part of the exam.

1 **Look at a sample sentence from an exam task. Answer questions a–c.**

WISH

1 Jack keeps asking silly questions, it's driving me mad!
I ____________ silly questions, it's driving me mad!

a **Look at the sentence and the word given. What structure are you supposed to use in the new sentence?**

b **Look at the answer below. Is it correct?**

i wish Jack kept asking silly questions, it's driving me mad!

b **Look at the sentence above. Watch the tense. What tense do you need to use in the new sentence?**

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c **What changes do you need to make in the sentence above? Rewrite it.**

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2 **Look at another two examples from an exam task. For each of them, do exercises a–c.**

HAVE

1 We had to hire a painter to redecorate our flat.
We __________ redecorated by a painter.

a **What structure are you supposed to use in the new sentence?**

b **What tense do you need to use in the new sentence?**

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c **Do the transformation.**

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2 I am sure it was Jake who did it, it's the only explanation.
It __________ Jake who did it, it's the only explanation.

a **What structure are you supposed to use in the new sentence?**

b **What modal verb do you need to use in the new sentence?**

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c **Do the transformation.**

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Read the sentences below and decide what grammar structures are tested in each of them.

1. I have never heard such ridiculous advice.
   Never _______ have I heard _______ such ridiculous advice.

2. We are not going to start working unless they pay us.
   IF
   We are not going to start working _______ if they don't pay _______ us.

Read the sentences below, decide what grammar structures are tested in each of them, and do the transformations.

1. I have not played football for ages.
   It's ages ____________ football.

2. I will lend you the money if you pay me back next week.
   I will lend you the money ____________ me back next week.

Exam Task 1

For questions 1–5, complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first sentence.

0. It's a pity you are not here.
   I _______ wish you were _______ here!

1. 'OK, the car can be yours for 500 dollars,' said Mike.
   Mike ____________ the car for 500 dollars.

2. I did not know that we were supposed to pick him up from the airport.
   Little ____________ were supposed to pick him up from the airport.

3. I have had enough of your rude behaviour and I will not tolerate it anymore!
   I will not ____________ behaviour anymore!

4. I have never watched a Bond movie before.
   It's ____________ watched a Bond movie.

5. Jim has a lot more friends now than when he lived abroad.
   Jim used ____________ when he lived abroad.

Exam Task 2

Look at the exam tasks in Exercises 5 and 6 once again and explain why the answers below are incorrect:

Exam Task 1:

1. By the time _______ Jack arrived we finished _______ doing the housework.
2. If she hadn't missed the bus, she _______ would not be _______ late for school.
3. During the first lesson, the teacher asked _______ up _______ learning English.
4. No one has told Mike about the change of venue.
   Mike _______ about the change of venue.
5. It's a pity I didn't prepare well for the exam.
   I regret _______ for the exam.

Exam Task 2:

1. Mike _______ the car for 500 dollars.
2. Little _______ were supposed to pick him up from the airport.
3. I will not _______ with _______ behaviour anymore!
4. It's _______ watched a Bond movie.
5. Jim used _______ when he lived abroad.
MULTIPLE CHOICE

In this task you will read a text with gaps. For each gap there is a choice of four different options and your task is to choose the correct one. The wrong answers can be incorrect for several reasons: the meaning might be wrong, the grammatical form might be inappropriate or the word might not form a correct collocation with the word(s) before or after the gap.

1 READING THE TEXT FOR GENERAL UNDERSTANDING

Before you start doing the exercise, read the text ignoring the gaps to know what it is about. Do not pay too much attention to unknown vocabulary, as you will not need to know every word to complete the exam task successfully.

2 PREDICTING THE CONTENT OF THE GAP

Before you look at the options A-D, decide what part of speech is missing from each gap or what grammar structure needs to be completed. Try to think of a word that would complete the gap in a meaningful and grammatically correct way. Then check if your answer is available in options A-D - this may well be the correct answer.

3 RULING OUT THE INCORRECT ANSWERS

Sometimes it might be useful to rule out the incorrect answers before deciding on the correct one. Look for words which are grammatically incorrect, illogical in the given context or belong to a different word category than required in the gap. You can do this before you choose your answer, so it is easier for you to concentrate on the remaining options, or afterwards, to make sure your answer is correct.

4 CHOOSING THE CORRECT ANSWER AND PROOFREADING YOUR WORK

Your answers must be grammatically and lexically correct. They must fit in with the words immediately before or after the gap and make sense both in the sentence where they are used and in the context of the whole text. After you finish choosing the answers, read the text one more time to check if it sounds natural and logical.

PREDICTING THE CONTENT OF THE GAP AND RULING OUT THE INCORRECT ANSWERS

Below you will find a sentence taken from a multiple choice task. Read it and do exercises a–c.

Jack ________ take us to the cinema tonight.

a What part of speech do you need to complete the gap?

b Read the options A–D below. Which two options could you use in the gap so that the sentence is grammatically correct?

A might      B is      C does      D can

c Read the paragraph below. Which option A–D is the correct answer?

We are quite lucky! Jack ________ take us to the cinema tonight. He talked to his parents and they allowed him to take the family car.

2 READING THE TEXT FOR GENERAL UNDERSTANDING

Read the text below and ignore the gaps. Decide if statements A–C are true (T) or false (F):

A The writer is fond of his small town childhood.
B The writer did not have any siblings.
C Yorksville is still the same as it was when the writer was young.

YORKSVILLE

I grew up in a small town called Yorksville, just outside of Boston. It is one of those average places you sometimes see in the movies: a bit dull but quiet and peaceful at the same time. I clearly remember the people ________ lived in my street – the nicest folks you can imagine.

I had a lot of friends there and I enjoyed ________ with them after school. With my best friend Tom, we would read comics all the time and secretly listen ________ CDs from my dad’s collection.

I was never much of an athlete. I mean, I tried to ________ some exercise at least once a week to keep fit. I started jogging but I was too lazy and gave it up in the end. Besides, Yorksville ________ be very windy in winter, and jogging in this kind of weather is no pleasure at all, believe me.

We ________ living in a small flat when my brother was born. We all needed more space, so my parents decided to move to ________ detached house. My father found a great place in the suburbs, and decided to buy it even ________ it was in poor condition. He renovated the house with the help of his friends and made it look as good as new. I remember very well the day we moved in because I had ________ with Amy, my girlfriend, the day before.

My parents still live there – the town has got bigger and it is quite busy right now. A few modern housing estates have been built over the years and a new shopping mall ________ opened last month, so Yorksville is no longer the quiet town it used to be.
On Wednesday, May 23, I got up at 4:30 a.m. after five hours of sleep and woke up my 8-year-old son, who was sleeping beside me. He had no idea that I was going somewhere to get his birthday present, so he did not object. When we arrived at the airport, problems started when we were boarding the plane. I realised that I had forgotten the tickets for the match. I quickly called my wife on my mobile but the tickets were apparently not where I had left them in the morning. I was still whispering on the phone (not to spoil the surprise for Mark) when the flight attendant sternly asked me to switch my mobile off. What could I do? The plane was taking off at that very moment and we were on it flying to Athens without the tickets. At this point I regretted that I had gone to all the trouble oforganising our trip. Just when I was thinking how to break the news to Mark I felt something under my thighs. I reached for it and there were the tickets! They were lying on the seat and I had been sitting on them all that time!
OPEN CLOZE

In this type of task you will read a text with gaps. Unlike the multiple choice task, this time you will have to come up with the answers yourself, as you will not get a set of options to choose from. When choosing the answer, you will have to pay special attention to the words which come immediately before or after the gap. The missing words are most often grammar and function words. Read the instructions carefully before you start doing the exercise and remember that you can only put one word in each gap.

1 READING THE TEXT FOR GENERAL UNDERSTANDING

Before you start doing the exercise, read the whole text ignoring the gaps so that you know what the text is about. Pay attention to the grammar structures being used, as you will have to complete some of them. If you encounter any words that you do not know, do not pay too much attention to them. As long as you have a general understanding of the text, you will not need to know every word to complete the exam task successfully.

2 WORKING WITH THE GAPS

Look at the gaps and try to decide what part of speech is missing from each gap or what grammar structure needs to be completed. Pay special attention to words which come immediately before and after the gap, because they will give you a hint as to what word you should put in the gap. Remember that in this type of task you will have to deal with function words, hardly ever with lexical items. You might be required to fill in a gap to complete a variety of structures: for example, you may need to use an appropriate auxiliary verb, complete a collocation, form a correct tense or put in a dependent preposition or a linking word. Narrow your choice: if you know that you need to use a verb, try to work out if it is an auxiliary verb or maybe a modal verb. If you do so, it will be much easier for you to choose the correct word. Look out for punctuation marks, as sometimes they might also suggest the right word to use. Also, pay attention to the register of the text: do not use expressions which are too formal or too informal.

3 PROOFREADING YOUR WORK

When you choose the answer, you need to check whether it is grammatically correct and goes with the words immediately before and after the gap. Make sure that you used the correct part of speech and that you have not made any spelling mistakes. After you finish choosing the answers, read the text one more time to check if your answers sound natural and logical in the context of the text.

WORKING WITH THE GAPS

1 Below you will find a sentence taken from an open cloze task. Read it and do exercises a–c.

   The climate of the Earth will change for the worse if we stop using greenhouse gases.

   a What grammar structure are you supposed to complete in this sentence?

   b What words could you use to complete the gap so that the sentence is grammatically correct?

   c Read the paragraph below. Which option (if when or unless) is the correct answer?

   The greenhouse effect is definitely one of the most difficult problems of our time. The climate of the Earth will change for worse if we stop using greenhouse gases. But seeing as how people nowadays are used to living in comfort, there isn’t much chance of this happening.

2 Read the text below. For gaps 1–9, choose the correct part of speech from the box below. The words in bold will help you.

   adverb article (x2) linking word preposition (x2)
   pronoun verb (x2)

   Mrs. Ann Fraser, 48, of Long Creek, Colorado, unexpectedly surprised when she tried to reheat a pizza she had previously ordered by telephone.

   Mrs. Fraser, who owns a small pet shop in her hometown, was attending a conference on organic food for animals in Denver. Yesterday evening, when she got back to her hotel room at the end of a long day, she realised that she was feeling rather hungry. Remembering that she still had half of the pizza she had ordered previous day, she took it out of the fridge intending to heat it.

   'We were cleaning the corridor when she came out and we thought she should turn on the microwave,' housekeeper Margaret Atkins told a reporter of the Denver Daily Herald. 'She was staying in one of our expensive rooms with no kitchen facilities, so we thought that she had brought her own microwave with her.' Mrs. Fraser was astonished to find that she had accidentally locked her pizza in the in-room safe,' she added.

   It took hotel staff two hours to locate the master codes and remove the food from the safe.
The questions 1–9 are related to gaps 1–9 in the text in Exercise 2. Answer the questions.

1. What tense do you need to use in gap 1?
2. What article (definite or indefinite) do you need to use in gap 2?
3. You can use only one preposition in gap 3. What is it?
4. The word you need to use in gap 4 is used as a linking word and a relative pronoun. What is it?
5. What part of speech do you need to use in gap 5: a preposition or an article?
6. The verb you can use in gap 6 is used to report questions. What is it?
7. What grammar structure or lexical item do you need to complete gap 7?
8. What pronoun do you need to use in gap 8? Who is saying this sentence?
9. What lexical item do you need to complete gap 9?

Read the text Pizza in the safe again. Use the words from the box to complete the gaps 1–9. There are four words that you do not need to use.

had was more told we asked out the that most she of a

Look at the words which you did not use in Exercise 4 and answer the questions below.

a. Why is had not correct in gap 1?
b. Why is told not correct in gap 6?
c. Why is more not correct in gap 7?
d. Why is she not correct in gap 8?

Exam task

You are going to read a story about a jealous husband. For gaps 1–8, think of a word that best fits each space. Use only one word in each gap. There is an example (0) at the beginning.

**MISGUIDED REVENGE**

Jack and Susan Taylor lived in a quiet suburb of Knoxville. He worked for the local building company and she was a secretary at Bank of America.

Some time Jack had suspected that Susan was having a love affair with another man, but he had no proof. Having the job that he had, Jack couldn’t stay around the house all day and check up on his wife and make sure everything was all right.

Then, one summer day, quite unexpectedly, his boss gave Jack an address was only a couple of blocks away from his own house. Thinking that the little detour could go unnoticed, he drove by his home and, sure enough, the bedroom curtains drawn and a brand new red BMW was parked right in front of the house.

Jack acted without giving a second thought to what he was doing. He positioned vehicle next to the flashy red car and loaded a full ton of cement into it.

‘Justice has been done,’ he thought as he prepared to drive away. He sat into the driver’s seat and looked into the rear-view mirror only to notice a sporty young man leave his house and hop on a bike at the bottom of his garden path.
WORD BUILDING

In this type of task, just like in multiple choice and in open cloze, you receive a text with gaps. Next to the gaps, there are base words which you are supposed to use to form a word that should go into the gap. Most often you need to change the word category (e.g. a verb into a noun, an adjective into an adverb), but occasionally you will need to change the meaning of the word as well (e.g. change an adjective or a verb into its opposite, or use a plural of a noun). The context and the structure of the sentence will help you decide what part of speech to use. Your answers must be grammatically and lexically correct. You have to pay special attention to spelling as well, because your answer will only be accepted if it is spelled correctly.

1 Reading the text for general understanding

Before you start doing the exercise, read the whole text ignoring the gaps so that you know what the text is about. Do not pay too much attention to unknown vocabulary, as you do not need to know every word in the text to complete the exam task successfully.

2 Working with the gaps

The words which come immediately before or after the gap and the grammar of the sentence will help you determine what part of speech you need to form. Remember that you have to use the base word which is given next to the gap. Usually, it is possible to form several different words from the given base word. When you have established what part of speech you need (e.g. a verb or an adjective), try to predict the meaning of the word that is missing from the gap. Be careful with suffixes and prefixes: fascinated is not the same as fascinating, friendly is not the same as unfriendly and encourage is not the same as discourage. Pay special attention to whether the word you need to use (e.g. an adjective) should be positive or negative – prefixes like un-, in-, im-, ir-, dis-, mis- can be all used to form words of opposite meaning.

3 Proofreading your work

Your answer has to be grammatically and lexically correct. Make sure you used the correct part of speech and that the meaning of your answer makes sense in the sentence. Pay special attention to spelling, as you are not allowed to make any spelling mistakes in this part of the exam. After you finish choosing the answers, read the text one more time to check if your answers sound natural and logical in the context of the text as a whole.

1 Look at the word building tasks below and do exercises a–c.

a Form the opposites of the adjectives in the box by using appropriate prefixes and suffixes: un-, il-, in-, im-, ir-, dis-, -less. Next, write the nouns these adjectives are formed from.

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b Look at the nouns below. Write two adjectives for each of the nouns.

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c Look at the adjectives below. Write the nouns these adjectives are formed from.

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2 Below you will find a sentence taken from a word building task. Read it and do exercises a–c.

For example, it is now 1._______ (possibility) to broadcast food and snacks commercials which are specifically aimed at teenagers.

a What part of speech do you need to complete the gap?

b Read the sentence again. Use the word "possibility" to form two adjectives of opposite meaning that could be used to complete the gap.
c Read the paragraph below. Which of the two adjectives is the correct answer?

Recently the government has introduced a series of laws which are supposed to control advertising. For example, it is now ___________ (possibility) to broadcast food and snacks commercials which are specifically aimed at teenagers. Such products used to be advertised quite freely in the past, but right now they are more strictly controlled.

3 Look at the nouns in the box below and form two verbs for each of them.

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4 Choose from the verbs in Exercise 3 to complete the sentences below. Use the verbs in their correct form.

1 It is very important that soldiers never ________ the orders of the general. They must always do what they are told to.
2 Jack Dawson was ________ from taking part in the Athletics World Championship for taking illegal drugs.
3 That was a really bad fall, Jimmy. We must ________ the wound as soon as we get home.
4 OK, perhaps you ________ with me now, but you will soon see that I was right!
5 Although I failed my driving test for the first time, this will not ________ me! I'm going to take it again next month.
6 This new antivirus programme isn't working properly on my computer, so I think I will have to ________ it.
7 You must always ________ a lamp before you change the bulb in it.

5 You are going to read an article about a very old postcard. Use the words in brackets to form one word for each of the gaps 1–8. There is an example (0) at the beginning.

**Oldest Christmas Card IN SERVICE**

Christmas is a very special time of the year for most people, but for the Cliftons of Hastings, Nebraska there is another cause for celebration this year. They have just received a Christmas card that the family has been using for 50 years today.

It all started when Mr. Clifton's grandmother bought the card to send to her nephew, who had just moved to the West Coast. The card had a 0 ________ (fun) cartoon saying, 'The dearest Christmas card for someone dear to the heart.' Inside, it went on with an 0 ________ (explain) about the increasing price of greeting cards and how it would be appreciated if the recipient sent the card back so that it could be reused the 3 ________ (follow) year.

The card has small tabs for the signature of the 4 ________ (send), each of which is to be torn off before the card is posted again.

A few days ago it was sent from a residential care home in Oregon, where David Clifton's elderly father is 5 ________ (current) living. 'We asked our children not to 6 ________ (wrap) their presents until we opened that envelope for the 50th time. This is really special,' David said.

Each year since 1958 the card has been delivered by the postman to the doors of family members living in the four corners of the country. It has now become such a 7 ________ (value) family possession that one family member is always appointed as its safekeeper. The back of the card and the tabs are now full of names and even extra slips of paper have been attached to it to provide more space for writing.

The card has been sent to 8 ________ (difference) relatives living in Connecticut, New Jersey, Florida, Nebraska and Oregon.

6 Read the text in Exercise 5 again. In which gaps were you supposed to put in:

- a noun?
- an adjective?
- an adverb?
- a verb?
The most typical writing tasks in most exams at A2/B1 level include two pieces of text: a short one (e.g. a note, a postcard, an email, an invitation, an announcement) and a longer one (e.g. an informal letter or a formal letter). The exam strategies that should be used when tackling these tasks depend on the type of text you are required to produce.

**SHORT TEXT • EXAM STRATEGIES**

### 1 Text type

The short texts you may need to write will be texts of practical, everyday use. Each of the text types has its own structure and requirements and you will have to bear that in mind when doing the task. You will need to use a variety of appropriate grammar structures, organise your writing in a logical way and pay attention to the spelling. Similarly, you will have to use vocabulary which is natural in the given context as well as use appropriate language register.

### 2 Reading rubrics carefully

Always remember to read the instructions carefully as they will give you all the necessary information about what type of text you are asked to write. The instructions will also briefly outline the context of your writing, as well as provide some guidelines which you need to follow in your work. The instructions will tell you exactly what you must write about, what questions you should ask or answer in your writing, what points you are supposed to mention and what the length of your writing is supposed to be. Take a look at an example:

This is part of an email that you received from your English penfriend Mark.

...so I really liked this movie, it was well-scripted, had an interesting plot and my favourite actors were in it, too. How about the last film you saw, what was it? Did you like it? Did it star any famous actors? When and where did you see it? I am really curious, because...

Write him a reply. Answer all his questions. Write 40–60 words.

Always remember to read all parts of the instructions carefully. You will lose points in the exam, if, for example, you forget to answer any questions or fail to include all the necessary pieces of information. Also, pay special attention to the word limit, if it is given, because you will lose points if you write less or substantially more than required. Remember that you can always write a rough copy first and then read it through to check it and introduce all the necessary corrections. In this way your final text will look nice and neat on the answer sheet.

### 3 Appropriacy of language

Remember that in an exam situation it is always better to use grammar structures and words you know well rather than experiment with new language. It is always useful to memorise a few useful phrases and review typical grammar structures that can be used in almost any type of writing (e.g. opening and closing lines, indirect questions) and use them in the exam paper. In addition, pay attention to whether you are supposed to use formal or informal language.

### 1 Match the phrases A–K to appropriate text types 1–4. There are two phrases for each type of text. There are also three extra phrases that do not match any of the text types.

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A lost
B Dear Sir or Madam
C greetings from
D invite
E I'd like to ask for compensation
F your mum called
G the weather is awful
H black, size 15x25 cm
I for more information
J contact Joe as soon as possible
K I believe I'm the right candidate
2 Read the exam task below. From the list A–G, choose three sentences that best convey the context and ideas included in the exam task and put them in the correct order.

You are on a school trip in the mountains. Write a postcard to your Welsh friend Jane. Tell her where you are right now, say if you like the trip and write about your plans for the following day.

A It’s my first day at the seaside.
B I'll email you when I get back next weekend.
C I don’t like this trip because it’s raining all the time.
D Tomorrow me and my family are going to the top of Mont Blanc.
E I’m sitting in the tent with two other guys.
F Our plans for the next few days are still not decided.
G If it is fine tomorrow, we may finally climb some mountains.

3 Read the exam task below and pay special attention to the four bulleted pieces of information. There are two possible answers (1–4) for each of the four bullet points. Choose the right answer for each bullet and explain your choice.

You are living in Edinburgh and sharing a flat with your Irish flatmate, Ben. You are expecting a parcel to arrive this afternoon but you have to leave house early today. Write a message for Ben, in which you will:

• tell him that a parcel should arrive in the afternoon
• give a reason why you can’t stay at home and collect it yourself
• ask Ben to get the parcel for you
• apologize for the inconvenience

1 A I’m expecting a parcel this afternoon.
   B They may send me a parcel today.
2 A I can’t come home because I have to go to the doctor.
   B I won’t be here because I have to go to the doctor.
3 A Please ask them to bring the parcel tomorrow.
   B Could you take the parcel for me?
4 A Hope it’s not a problem for you.
   B Sorry you’re in trouble.

4 Read the exam task below and underline all the questions you need to answer.

Read the email from your friend Jim. Write a reply. Answer all his questions.

Hi Jim,

Thank you for yesterday’s email. I am having a wonderful time. There’s something amazing about being in the countryside, isn’t there? I am enjoying the fresh air and the peace and quiet. The stars are so bright at night. I am looking forward to exploring the area more and seeing more of the wildlife.

1 When did you arrive?
2 What are your plans for the rest of the holiday?
3 Have you visited any attractions?
4 What is the weather like?
5 Are you enjoying your holiday so far?

Hi,

Thanks for the message about the holiday trip you’re planning. Can you tell me exactly where and when you are going to go? Who else is going on the trip? When do I have to decide if I want to go along too?

Jim

5 Read a sample answer to the exam task from Exercise 4. Complete the gaps 1–5 using the phrases A–F. There is one extra phrase that you do not need to use.

A with my girlfriend Amy
B coming back on the last of August
C come before the end of March
D leave on the first of July
E travelling to Mozambique in Africa
F my brother might also be coming

Hi Jim,

Thanks for your email. We are planning on 1 __________. We would like to 2 __________. I will be going 3 __________, and 4 __________, but he is not sure yet. You need to tell me if you want to 5 __________, as we will have to book the plane tickets.

Cheers,

Peter

6 Read the sample answer in Exercise 5 again. Did the writer answer all the questions from the exam task?
POSTCARD

USEFUL EXPRESSIONS

BEGINNING A POSTCARD
- Dear Susan,
- Hi Peter!

SAYING WHERE YOU ARE
- I'm in Rome
- I'm spending my holiday at the seaside
- I've just arrived at the airport
- I'm going to stay here for two weeks

SAYING WHAT YOU ARE DOING
- Every day there are many things to do
- I'm (very) busy every day
- There are morning/evening activities
- We climb mountains/visit places of interest

DESCRIBING THE WEATHER
- The weather is pretty good/fine/awful/horrible
- It's raining/snowing all the time!
- It's sunny/cold most of the time

SAYING HOW YOU ARE FEELING
- I enjoy it/I'm having a great time
- I'm glad/happy/disappointed because...
- It's my best/worst holiday/stay abroad ever
- I'm enjoying/hating every minute of it

ASKING ABOUT THE PERSON YOU ARE WRITING TO
- How about your holidays?
- I hope you're fine
- I hope you're having a great time
- How's your summer/holiday?

FINISHING A POSTCARD
- All the best
- Best wishes
- See you soon
- Love
- XXX (Kisses)

SAMPLE EXAM TASK

You are attending a summer course at an English school in Dublin. Write a postcard to your Australian friend Peter. In your postcard, you should:
- explain where you are
- describe two typical activities you do every day
- write what you like most about the course

Hi Peter,

I'm here in Dublin on a summer language course. I'm very busy every day. We have four language classes every day. There are also evening activities; for example, Irish dancing. The weather's rather horrible. Just rain most of the time.

I'm enjoying the course because there are so many people from all over the world!

How about your holiday? I hope you're having a great time, too.

Love,

Adam
ANNOUNCEMENT

USEFUL EXPRESSIONS

BEGINNING THE ANNOUNCEMENT

• Attention!
• Announcement!
• We're happy/pleased to announce a competition to find an expert on Ukraine

DESCRIBING THE EVENT

We're happy/pleased to announce...
• a competition/contest/tournament
• a meeting to elect our representative to the School Council
• a party to celebrate the end of the school year
• an exhibition of paintings by our school artist

DESCRIBING THE CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION IN THE EVENT

• If you are interested in...
• You must be eighteen years old/have some experience of...
• To take part, you need to know something about...
• To sign up, contact...

ENCOURAGING PARTICIPATION IN THE EVENT

• Come on, don't be afraid/it's not difficult/it's easy!
• Why don't you come and meet interesting people/see great things?
• Come and tell us what you think

INFORMATION ABOUT THE PRIZES AND/OR SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

• The prizes include free passes to the National Museum
• The winner will receive a medal/trophy/cup
• Special attractions include a free cruise on the river/a one-day ticket to the National Museum

EXPLAINING THE SIGN-UP PROCEDURE FOR THE EVENT

• To sign up, contact John
• If you are interested in joining us, call John on 234 432 23
• If you would like to take part in this tournament, contact Peter in 3A

SAMPLE EXAM TASK

You are organizing a contest about your country for a group of international students. Write an announcement in which you will:
• describe the contest and explain how to take part in it
• include information about the prizes
• give contact details

We're pleased to announce

a competition
to find an expert on Ukraine.

To take part,
you need to know something about Ukrainian history and geography.
Come on, it's not so difficult!

The prizes include free passes to major tourist attractions in Kiev and albums about Ukraine.

If you're interested, contact
Katia in Room 12,
2nd floor, on Monday, 12 p.m.-1 p.m.
INVITATION

Useful Expressions

Beginning an Invitation

- Invitation
- I'm organising...
- I'd like to invite you to...
- We are holding...

Information about the Event and the Occasion

- a birthday party/picnic by the river/exhibition of my photographs
- a party to celebrate/mark (my birthday/the beginning of holidays)

Giving Additional Information about the Party

- If you want, you can bring a friend
- You are welcome to...
- Come with a friend
- Take your favourite music with you
- Come on time because...

Information about the Event Location

- The party will take place in/at...
- To get there, take the bus and get off at the third stop
- When you get there, find apartment no. 6

Finishing your Invitation

- See you!
- I hope to see you!
- Please let me know if you can't come

Sample Exam Task

You are going to throw a birthday party for a group of friends. Write an invitation in which you will:
- mention the occasion
- give the date and time of the party
- tell your friends that they can bring one person with them
- explain how to get to the party

INVITATION

Please come to a party to celebrate my 18th birthday.

The party will start at 8 p.m.
on Saturday, 23rd August.

You are welcome to bring a friend.

The party will take place in the Golden Rose pub, at the corner of Edelberry Avenue and Rose Road.

To get there, take bus 112 from the High Street and get off at the fifth stop.

See you!
Useful Expressions

Beginning Your Note
- Hi Matt/Susan!

Explaining the Reason for Writing
- I've just received/got news/information/a call that...
- Your mother/boss has just called to say that...
- I'm not sure if you remember about...
- I'd like to remind you that...

Emphasising the Urgency of the Problem
- My mobile has stopped working
- They're waiting for your call, so...
- I have to leave right now/call them back as soon as possible/leave a message at once

Describing the Consequences of the Situation
- I'm afraid I'll have to...
- As a result, I need to go back to town instead of staying here for longer
- I have to leave now, so there'll be no time to say goodbye

Suggesting a Way of Contacting You
- Let's meet...
- Let's talk about...
- I'll call you later today at 6
- I hope to see you at/in...

Finishing Your Note
- Sorry! Sorry about that/this problem
- See you! See you back home/at 6
- Thank you! Thanks/Cheers!

Sample Exam Task

You are on holiday in the mountains with your English friends. They are out shopping and you receive an important message, urging you to leave immediately and change your plans for the day. Write a note to your friends, in which you will explain:
- what message you received
- why you had to leave immediately
- how your plans for the day are going to change
- where you will meet later

Start your note with: Derek and Harry,

Derek and Harry,

I've just got news from home that my brother has had an accident. My mobile stopped working in the middle of my conversation with Mum, so I have to go out right now and find a place where I can talk to her for longer. I may be out for some time, so I'm afraid we have to drop the idea of going on the trip today.

Let's meet at the Tourist Internet Café at 10 and discuss other options.

Sorry about that!

Viktor
1 TEXT TYPE

The long text of practical use you need to write in the exam might, for example, be an informal letter (e.g. to a friend), a formal letter (e.g. a letter of inquiry, an application letter or a letter of complaint) or a story. Each of these text types has its own structure and requirements and you will need to bear that in mind when writing your text. You will be expected to use a variety of grammar structures and to organise your writing in a logical way. Pay special attention to the spelling and use vocabulary which is natural in the given context (make sure you use appropriate language register).

2 READING RUBRICS CAREFULLY

Always remember to read the instructions carefully as they will give you all the necessary information about what type of text you are asked to write. The instructions will also outline the context of your writing, as well as provide some guidelines which you need to follow when composing your piece of writing. The instructions will tell you exactly what you must write about, what questions you should ask or answer in your writing, what points you are supposed to mention and what the length of your text is supposed to be. Take a look at an example:

You are looking for a job as an au-pair in Britain. You have found an advertisement of the agency Au-Pair World on the internet and you decide to apply for a job. Write a letter of 100–120 words to the agency in which you:
- explain where you saw the advertisement and express your interest in the job
- explain why you think you are an ideal candidate
- mention relevant professional experience
- offer to come for an interview

Here, you need to write an application letter, so the style of your piece of writing should be suitably formal. You must organise your letter in a logical and coherent way, as well as including all the pieces of information that the agency would like to know about you. If you forget to do this, you will lose points in the exam. Pay special attention to the word limit, because you will lose points if you write less or substantially more than required. Remember that you can always write a rough copy first and then rewrite it introducing all the necessary corrections. In this way your final text will look nice and neat on the answer sheet.

3 THE LENGTH AND THE FORM OF THE TEXT

Your answer must both include all the necessary pieces of information from the instructions and meet some formal requirements. It must include: an appropriate opening phrase, an introduction explaining the reason for writing, a paragraph (or paragraphs) including the information that the instructions are asking about, a closing paragraph summing up the contents of the letter and an appropriate closing phrase. The layout of the letter must be logical and coherent: the information should be conveyed in an appropriate order and the whole text should be written in an appropriate, coherent style. Remember that if you are given a word limit, you must meet its requirements and write a piece of text of appropriate length. In such case it is useful to develop a strategy for controlling the length of the text in an efficient and automatic manner. In order to achieve this, you can calculate the average word count in one line of your text, and then multiply it by the total number of lines. You can also memorise the amount of space taken up on a page by a text of appropriate length and try to keep the same proportions so that your text fits within the memorised space limit. Should you use any of these strategies in the actual exam, try to do so while writing a rough copy of your piece of writing: before rewriting it on your exam sheet, you should count the words in a traditional way, just in case!

4 APPROPRIACY AND RANGE OF LANGUAGE

Remember that in an exam situation it is always better to use grammar structures and words you know well rather than experiment with new language. However, it is important that you use a wide range of grammar and lexical structures and avoid repeating the same phrases all the time. While preparing for the exam, learn different ways of expressing the same idea (e.g. I am writing to ask for information... and I am writing to enquire about... or synonyms like start and begin). It is also useful to memorise a few typical phrases and review grammar structures that can be used in almost any type of writing (e.g. opening and closing lines, indirect questions) and use them in the exam paper. This will improve the quality of your text and, of course, get you extra points in the exam! Finally, pay attention to the language register you are supposed to use to complete the exam task, and keep your writing suitably formal or informal. If you write a rough draft first, rewriting your letter on the answer sheet will give you one more opportunity to spot and correct any mistakes.
1. Read the sentences 1–8 and decide which of them are typical of a formal letter (F) and which are typical of an informal letter (I). Think about what features of these expressions helped you make your choice.
   - 1 It's cool!
   - 2 I would like to ask for compensation.
   - 3 Would you believe it?
   - 4 However, I do not agree with this point.
   - 5 I believe I am the right candidate for this job.
   - 6 Pat went home and now she says she wants to come back – isn't it strange?
   - 7 I wonder how Aunt Jane is? Give her my love!
   - 8 I look forward to hearing from you.

2. Read the sample letter of enquiry below. Match the underlined expressions 1–9 to phrases A–I which are more appropriate for this type of letter.

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to enquire about the bus services you run. I saw them advertised on the Internet.

I am eighteen years old. I come from Hungary. Next year I want to start university. Before that I am planning to spend one year in the USA. I want to ask some questions about your services.

First, I would like to know if you sell discount tickets for students. If you sell any, I would like to know if somebody like me can buy them.

Also I would like to know something about your bus routes. I would like to visit two cities, Chicago and San Francisco. I do not know if the Panther Bus travels between them.

Now I would like you to tell me how much return ticket between these cities cost. And my last question is when I should book it.

I am looking forward to your answer.

Yours faithfully,
Jan Koval

A. has been so long
B. need to be available all the time
C. was still working very well
D. stopped working on the day
E. had already been made
F. agreed to send me

3. The letter below is a sample answer to an exam task. Put the phrases A–F in the gaps 1–5 to complete the text in a logical and coherent way. There is one extra phrase that does not fit in any of the gaps.

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to enquire about the mobile phone, model UNA-8. The phone 1 I bought it. In your letter of 12th October you 2 a new phone within ten days. However, it is now three weeks later, and the phone has still not arrived.

Being without a phone for such a long time is making my life impossible because I am currently looking for a job and 3 . I am particularly disappointed about the lack of information because if I 4 so long, I would have bought another phone a long time ago.

As the matter 5 , I expect now to receive a new phone together with a letter of apology. I hope it can be resolved within the next few days.

Yours faithfully,
Viktor Hubert

4. Read the exam task below and the letter of complaint in Exercise 3. Highlight the fragments of the letter that contain the information required by the exam task.

Your new mobile phone broke down soon after you bought it. The manufacturer promised a new mobile phone as a replacement, but it has been three weeks and you have not received anything. Write a letter of complaint to the company, in which you will:

- explain what happened and why the current situation is unacceptable
- suggest a possible solution
The letter below is a rough draft of an answer to an exam task. Read it and find 6 grammar mistakes, 5 lexical mistakes and 4 spelling mistakes and correct them.

Hi, Amanda
I haven’t hear from you from such a long time! Actually, I’m a bit worried and wonder if you’re OK.

When you last me wrote, you mentioned you might come on a trip to Alaska. Have you managed to get there? As about myself, I’ve got important news for you: we’ve just moving to a new house. It’s just grate, but it’s unfortunately far away from my previous home, so in fact I’ve lost nearly all my friends!

As for my family, my big sister Anna is think about applying for a job at Ottawa. She’s asking for your advise about languages; which one is speak in Ottawa, French or English?

I am already planning my holidays last year: I think it’ll be the seaside as usually. I wonder if you did come to join me in the second half of August.

I hope to hear from you soon.
Love,
Anna

Read the exam task and the paragraphs A–H on the right. Choose the ones that best convey the information presented in the rubrics and put them in the correct order. Think about the reasons for leaving out the remaining paragraphs.

You are on a year-long scholarship in Sydney. You read an article in a local paper yesterday about the situation of young people in today’s world. You disagree with some of its arguments. Write a letter in which you will:
• explain where you come from and give a reason for your being in Sydney
• express your disagreement with some of the article’s arguments and give a reason why
• present one difference between the life of young people in your country and in Australia and justify its importance
• find out if the editorial staff is planning some other articles on similar topics and suggest one topic.

A

Young people in Croatia continue to live with their parents for longer than in Australia, and that is why they may have such big problems when they try to adapt to life on their own in society.

B

On the other hand, there is one point which I find difficult to accept, probably because I grew up in Europe, and not here. It is possible that I simply do not understand it. But there is only one point like this.

C

I wonder if you are planning more articles about this issue? If so, I would like to suggest a topic which might be really interesting to many people, which is living abroad as a young person.

D

There are many differences between life in Croatia and Australia. For example, everything’s so clean here! I like the food and the kindness of people. I like the language. In Croatia, it’s a different story.

E

I come from Croatia, and currently I am staying in Sydney on a scholarship. I have read the article which appeared in Saturday’s paper with great interest because it touches on many universal issues.

F

If you think you can afford to publish more articles about it, I could suggest a few topics. Like what makes young people so unhappy about older generations. But I don’t.

G

However, I cannot agree with the opinion in the article that social skills are always easy to learn. Because young people grow up in different social contexts, and this context can influence them in a negative way.

H

I simply loved your article. Honestly, I’ve never read anything like that in my whole life as normally, all newspapers are so boring, and it was really surprising to see something about people like myself!
INFORMAL LETTER

USEFUL EXPRESSIONS

OPENING PHRASE

- Dear Peter/Greg,

INTRODUCTION

- I hope you’re fine.
- How are you? How are you doing?
- It was good to hear from you! Thanks for your letter!

GUIDING INFORMATION

- I’m writing to tell you...
- I wonder if you remember/have heard...
- As for the latest news...

WRITING ABOUT YOUR PLANS

- First/Secondly, we’re going to...
- The plan includes...

MAKING A REQUEST

- I’m writing to ask you for your help/advice...
- I wonder if I could ask you to...
- Could you tell me...
- I’d be really grateful if you could...

EXPRESSING GRATITUDE

- I’m writing to thank you for...
- Thank you so much!
- It was (so really) very kind of you to...

APOLOGISING

- I’m writing to tell you how sorry I am to...
- I’m really sorry that...
- It will never happen again.
- Sorry for any trouble/bothering you (again).

BEGIN YOUR LETTER WITH A SHORT INFORMAL PHRASE.

WRITE THE FIRST SENTENCE, USUALLY ADDRESSING THE RECIPIENT OF THE LETTER.

DEVOTE ONE PARAGRAPH TO ONE TOPIC OR ONE PIECE OF INFORMATION.

FINISH THE LETTER WITH AN APPROPRIATE PHRASE.

INVITING

- I’m writing to invite you to...
- I’m having... (a party)
- Would you come to...
- I hope you’ll be able to join us/to make it

CLOSING PHRASES

- I must be going now
- Bye for now
- See you
- Say hello to...
- Love from... / Love, Viktor
- Have a nice trip
- All the best

SAMPLE EXAM TASK

This is a part of an email you received from your American friend Greg.

I am really looking forward to visiting you on Friday. Is there anything I should remember about? Would you like me to bring anything from the USA? I am really excited about the visit, I am really curious about what things you have planned for the weekend!!

Write an email answering your friend’s questions.

Hi Greg!

How are you doing? I wonder if you’re ready and packed? By the way, I hope you remember about the packet from Aunt Anna - she’d be really mad if you forgot to take it.

Oh, and a friend of mine has just asked if you could bring On the Road by Jack Kerouac. I hope you don’t mind.

Well, I’m also getting ready for your stay. Plans for the first day include a quick tour of my town and a party with all my friends. And as for lunch, my mother wants to know whether you prefer fish or chicken. Let me know!

Oh, and another thing! In case you’ve forgotten where we meet at the airport, it’s Terminal A, next to the newspaper stand. If I’m late, you can check what’s making headlines in Slovakia!

Have a nice journey.

Viktor
FORMAL LETTER: LETTER OF ENQUIRY

USEFUL EXPRESSIONS

OPENING PHRASE
• Dear Sir or Madam,

INTRODUCTION
• I am writing in connection with/to ask/enquire about...
• I have read/found your advertisement in... and would like to...

EXPRESSING INTEREST
• I am interested in.../I have been looking for...
• I am planning to... and that is why I found this advertisement/offer/text interesting/important

EXPRESSING DOUBTS
• I have read the advert/about your services and but I am not sure if...
• I cannot understand if...
• It is not clear to me if...

ENQUIRING ABOUT THE DETAILS
• I would like to know more details about...
• I would like to ask for further information about/concerning...
• I am still not sure about one thing/problem, namely...

ASKING FOR INFORMATION
• I would be (very) grateful if you could...
• I wonder if you could...
• I would like to ask if/when/where/why...

MAKING FINAL REMARKS
• I look forward to your answer/to hearing from you...

CLOSING PHRASES
• if the letter begins Dear Sir or Madam: Yours faithfully,
• if the letter begins Dear Ms/Mr Robinson: Yours sincerely,

SAMPLE EXAM TASK

You saw this advertisement on the Internet:

Are you looking for a good English course at the Proficiency level?
The Cambridge School of English has the best English courses in town!
Affordable prices, best teachers, free Internet, delicious meals at the school’s cafeteria!
Write to info@cseed.edu.uk and we’ll answer all your queries!

Write a letter to the school in which you ask about the details of the course. Include the following points:
• explain why you are writing
• ask about payment forms and enrolment requirements.

ADDRESS THE RECIPIENT IN A FORMAL MANNER.

IN THE FIRST PARAGRAPH WE USUALLY STATE THE AIM OF THE LETTER.

DO NOT USE ABBREVIATIONS, KEEP THE LANGUAGE SUITABLY FORMAL.

FINISH THE LETTER WITH AN APPROPRIATE CLOSING PHRASE.

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing in connection with an advertisement for your Proficiency course in English. I am an eighteen-year-old student from Slovakia. For some time I have been looking for a course in English at a higher level, and that is why I found your course very interesting.

However, I am not sure if the course is for Slovakian students only, or for other Europeans, too. I would like to ask for more details on this matter. I would also be very grateful if you could inform me if there is a choice of meals at the cafeteria: I am allergic to some foods. Finally, I would like to ask if I can pay for the course with a credit card and what kind of documents I need to be enrolled.

I look forward to your answer.

Yours faithfully,

Anna Kovač
FORMAL LETTER: LETTER OF COMPLAINT

USEFUL EXPRESSIONS

OPENING PHRASE
• Dear Sir or Madam/ Dear Ms/Mr Smith,

INTRODUCTION
• I am writing to complain about...
• I must express my dissatisfaction with...

EXPLAINING THE REASON FOR WRITING
• (In fact,) I have already talked/written to... about it but (unfortunately) nothing has changed/happened
• There has been no reply to my previous letter/enquiry
• The item has not been replaced

GIVING DETAILS
• I bought/purchased this watch last week in your shop in Washington Square.
• I started attending this course a week ago.
• I visited your restaurant last weekend.

DEScribing THE PROBLEM WITH THE ITEM
• It suddenly stopped working.
• The screen went blank.
• The hands/mechanism stopped moving.
• It had two deep cracks on the front.
• The keyboard was missing.
• Contrary to the description in the brochure, ...

DEScribing THE PROBLEMS WITH THE SERVICE
• The course has not been provided properly.
• The holiday was too expensive.
• The hotel room was dirty.
• The food was not cooked properly.

DEScribing THE CONSEQUENCES
• It was a very unfortunate event because...
• In this way it ruined all my plans as...
• As a result, I was left without...

SUGGESTING A POSSIBLE SOLUTION
• In this situation I am afraid I must ask for.../ask you to...
• I hope/believe this (failure/loss/disappointment) entitles me to compensation/a refund.
• Taking into consideration all (the trouble) I suffered/ experienced, I hope I can expect...

MAKING FINAL REMARKS
• I hope to hear from you soon.

CLOSING PHRASES
• if the letter begins Dear Sir or Madam: Yours faithfully,
• if the letter begins Dear Ms/Mr Robinson: Yours sincerely,

SAMPLE EXAM TASK

You are attending a language course that you are not satisfied with. You have talked to the school’s authorities about it, but nothing has changed. Write a letter of complaint to the school’s manager, Barbara Smith. In your letter:
• give details of the course and remind her what your complaints are
• suggest a possible solution and ask to discuss the matter in person.

Dear Ms Smith,

I am writing to complain about the course in business English for beginners run in your school on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. In fact, I have already talked to you about problems with this course, and last week you promised a change for the better, but unfortunately nothing has happened.

Let me remind you that there are two main problems with this course. First, it is not provided on a regular basis as the instructor does not come on Mondays. Secondly, there is not enough business vocabulary in the coursebook. A language course which has no regular routine and uses a wrong coursebook is not likely to help the students learn a lot, is it?

I hope it will be possible for you to find an instructor for the Monday classes and to replace the coursebook as soon as possible. Please let me know when I could come to your office to talk about the details.

Yours sincerely,

Ivan Chernenko

ADDRESS THE RECIPIENT IN A FORMAL MANNER.

IN THE FIRST PARAGRAPH WE USUALLY STATE THE AIM OF THE LETTER.

USE LINKING DEVICES THAT MAKE THE TEXT EASIER TO READ.

FINISH THE LETTER WITH AN APPROPRIATE CLOSING PHRASE.

DEVOTE ONE PARAGRAPH TO ONE TOPIC OR ONE PIECE OF INFORMATION.

DO NOT USE ABBREVIATIONS, KEEP THE LANGUAGE SUITABLY FORMAL.
FORMAL LETTER: LETTER OF APPLICATION

USEFUL EXPRESSIONS

OPENING PHRASE
- Dear Sir or Madam/Dear Ms/Mr Scott,

INTRODUCTION
- I am writing in response to/in reply to/with regard to...
- I am writing in connection with...

EXPRESSING INTEREST IN THE JOB
- I would like to express my interest in...
- I found the (advertised) post/position/job offer extremely interesting because...
- The (advertised) post/position/job fits my expectations of a perfect job/career for a young person/student.

EXPLAINING WHY YOU ARE INTERESTED IN THE JOB
- I would like to apply for this job because...
- My reason for applying for this job is that... (I am very hard-working/I like working with children)
- I have always been interested in.../enthusiastic about...

DESCRIBING YOUR QUALIFICATIONS AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE
- As for my experience/As far as my qualifications are concerned...
- My professional experience includes...
- I worked for... as...

MAKING FINAL REMARKS
- I would be happy to come to/attend an interview at your earliest convenience/at any time that is convenient to you
- I enclose my CV/references from my previous employers
- I look forward to hearing from you

CLOSING PHRASES
- if the letter begins Dear Sir or Madam: Yours faithfully,
- if the letter begins Dear Ms/Mr Robinson: Yours sincerely,

SAMPLE EXAM TASK

You saw this advertisement in a newspaper:

A fashionable modern hotel in the city center is looking for
HOTEL RECEPTIONIST
We offer a good salary, health insurance and flexible working hours.
If interested, send an application letter to john@chelsealodge.com
Include details of your former employment, give the names of two referees, explain why you would like to get the job and why you are a suitable candidate.

Write an application letter, including all the necessary details.

Dear Sir or Madam
I am writing in response to your job offer concerning the post of a hotel receptionist which I found in the latest issue of Home News.
I believe this position fits my expectations of a perfect job.
As far as my qualifications are concerned, I have been working for about a year as a senior receptionist at the Eagle Hotel in Charing Cross Road, where I have gained a lot of valuable professional experience. In addition to this, I consider myself hard-working and career-orientated. I know very well from my experience that the post of a hotel receptionist requires both of these features.
I am ready to attend an interview at your earliest convenience. I am enclosing the names of two referees from the Eagle Hotel, whom you can contact for further information.
I look forward to hearing from you,

Yours faithfully,
Anna Katarova
Exam Strategies:

- Read all the tasks and make sure you understand what you have to talk about.
- If you do not understand the question, ask the examiner to repeat it.
- If you can't remember a word or phrase, use another one instead. Do not show that you have forgotten something or expect the examiner to finish your answers for you.
- Think of ideas for things to say and organize them in a logical order. You can note down a few useful words or phrases for each task. Do not waste time writing full sentences.
- If you take the exam with a partner, listen to what they say so that you can comment on it and react properly to the examiner's questions.
- Use full sentences and try to elaborate your answers, make them more interesting. Do not just answer with one word. Give reasons for your opinions and examples to support your point of view.
- Avoid using the same words and structures all the time. Use a wide range of grammar structures and vocabulary to make your speech more effective.
- Stick to the point and keep the question in mind, do not talk about irrelevant things.

1. The words of the questions a-e below have been jumbled. Write the questions with the correct word order.
   a. one/describe/of/can/friends/your?
   Can you describe one of your friends?
   b. ideal/your/is/home/like/what?
   What ____________________________
   c. favourite/your/was/subject/school/what/at?
   What ____________________________
   d. parents/do/your/what/do?
   What ____________________________
   e. food/do/you/nationality/best/what/like?
   What ____________________________

2. Write the letter of the appropriate question from Exercise 1 into the box next to the answer.

   1. ...so he absolutely adores his job. As for my mum, she was on maternity leave with my little sister until two years ago, but now she's back at her bank. She's just been promoted to Head of Marketing...

   2. ...with a big garden and a swimming pool. It's in a green area with lots of trees but with easy access to shops and not far from a bus line which takes me to the city centre...

   3. ...how hot and spicy it was! My host had asked me beforehand whether I wanted it mild, but I thought one should try and be adventurous – especially when in the home of an Indian colleague in Delhi...

   4. ...because I've always loved animals. I have a dog and two cats at home and I can recognise all the species in my country. Eventually, I'd like to be a vet...

   5. ...and he always wears casual clothes – a T-shirt, blue jeans and a pair of trainers. I really like him as a person because he's very reliable. I can always count on him when I need some help...

Asking for a Question to be Repeated

Could you repeat that please?
Sorry, I didn't hear that...
Sorry! Excuse me/Pardon?

Asking for Explanation of an Unknown Phrase

I'm afraid I don't understand...
I don't know what it means...
Could you explain this word to me?
I'm not sure – does it mean...?

Playing for Time

Well, I don't know... / It's hard to say, really...
There are many possible ways in which you can do it. One possible way is...
For instance,... / For example,...
May I think for a second? / Let me think for a moment. How shall I put it?
It's difficult to say, but...
3 Look at the following questions and the prompts for the answers. Use the prompts to write complete sentences.

1 Where did you go for your summer holiday last year?
   - go/to/Rome/with/parents
   - stay/at/hotel/which/15 minutes/from/city centre
   - see/all/famous sights/and/favourite/Coliseum
   - also/go on/2-week Italian course/at/language school
   I went to Rome with my parents. We stayed at a hotel which was 15 minutes from the city centre. I saw all the famous sights, and my favourite was the Coliseum. I also went on a 2-week Italian course at a language school.

2 Do you prefer reading a book or watching the same story on film?
   - like/both/book/and/film
   - if/have/time/prefer/read/book/but/sometimes/too busy
   - when/decide/see/film/always/watch/in/original language
   - this way/can feel/atmosphere/better/and/practise/languages/which/study

3 How often do you do sports?
   - try/do/something/at least/twice/week
   - swimming pool/5 minutes/from/home/but/often/crowded
   - also/play/tennis/one/my classmates
   - sometimes/difficult/find/time/then/just/go/jog/park

4 Are you a healthy eater?
   - unfortunately/often/eat/fast food/because/can't/go/home/lunch
   - but/usually/cook/whole family/weekends/and/it/always/healthy
   - little brother/love/fruit salad/that/make/dessert
   - buy/ingredients/local market

5 Do you often use a computer?
   - mum/say/that/shouldn't/use/too much
   - but/not/fair/as/find/lot/useful information/for/school homework
   - even/teachers/sometimes/tell/class/hand in/homework/printed form
   - of course/true/love/play/game/also

4 Read the questions below. Match the headings from the box to the correct set of questions A–F.

- Holidays and travelling
- Free time and hobbies
- Sport
- Your daily routine and lifestyle
- Modern problems
- Education

A

1 What do you think is the best way of learning a foreign language?

2 Which subjects do you enjoy learning the most and which the least? Why?

B

3 What kind of sports are you interested in?

4 What do you think about extreme sports? Why do people do them?

C

5 What is your typical day? Describe your daily routine.

6 What is the best thing about being a teenager nowadays?

D

7 Where did you spend your last summer? Who did you go with and what did you do?

8 Where would you like to go for a dream holiday?

E

9 How do you spend your free time? Do you have any hobbies?

10 What kind of films do you like watching? What kind of films do you dislike?

F

11 What are the advantages/disadvantages of living in the city and in the countryside?

12 It is said that people watch too much television nowadays. Do you agree?

5 Work in pairs. Ask and answer questions from Exercise 4 with your partner. Student A asks questions 1–6, Student B asks questions 7–12.

6 Work with your partner. Write one more question related to each heading from Exercise 4. Find a new partner and ask them your questions.
Read the sample exam task below and the notes that a student made while preparing for the exam. Do exercises a–b.

Talk about food. Talk about:
• your idea of healthy eating
• what you usually have for breakfast
• what you think about fast food
• how you would like to change your eating habits

a Match the notes to corresponding bullet points in the exam task.

b Read a sample answer to the exam task. Put the paragraphs a–e in the correct order. When you finish, underline sentences that match each of the bullet points in the exam task.

Examiner:
Now I am going to ask you a few questions. Let’s get started!

1 What sort of things do you do to keep healthy?

Candidate speaks

Additional questions the examiner can ask:
• Do you do any sports?
• Do you ever spend time in the open air?
• Do you eat healthily?

Let’s move on to a new topic.

2 If you could choose, what other part of the world would you most like to live in?

Candidate speaks

Additional questions the examiner can ask:
• Why? What are the people like there?
• What’s the climate like?
• Would you like to live in a city or in the countryside?

I see, that’s interesting. Now let’s move on to hobbies and free time.

3 Talk about your hobbies and free time. Talk about:
• how you usually spend your free time
• how often you meet your friends
• the kind of books and films you like reading
• something you would like to have more time for

Candidate speaks

Thank you very much. That’s the end of your first task.

Work with your partner and do the exam task below. One of you is the examiner and the other one is a student.

Talk about a book you have read recently. Talk about:
• what it is about
• where and when it takes place
• the plot and the characters
• your opinion of the book
During this part of the exam you are supposed to have a conversation with your exam partner or with the examiner. You will receive a topic that is related to everyday life and a set of ideas that you are expected to discuss. You will need to reflect on each of them, supporting your opinions with examples and arguments for or against. However, the instructions for the exam task will also tell you to sum up the discussion in some way; you might be expected to choose an item that is the most important for you, choose the best solution to a problem or give your opinion on a subject. It is essential that you remember about this part of the exam task—you do not have to agree with your partner, but you should always explain your point of view and wrap up the conversation properly.

**Exam Strategies:**
- If you can't remember a word or phrase, use a synonym instead. Do not expect the examiner to help you with your answers.
- Use a wide range of grammar structures and vocabulary.
- Stick to the point and do not talk about irrelevant things.
- Pay attention to what your partner says, show interest in what they are saying and be polite.
- Always justify your opinion and give examples to support your arguments.
- Remember to follow the instructions for the exam task carefully and include answers to all parts of the exam task.
- At the end of the conversation, draw conclusions from what was said and sum up the discussion.

**Expressing and Justifying Opinion**
- I believe that...
- It seems to me that...
- In my opinion...
- If you ask me...
- Let me explain my point of view...
- To be honest, I don't think that...
- From experience, I know that...
- That's (the reason) why...
- I think so because...
- For example,...
- For instance,...
- In general,...
- What I mean is that...
- What I am trying to say is that...
- My point is that...
- The reason I think so is that...
- For that reason, I...
- Actually...
- In fact...
- As far as I am concerned...
- To the best of my knowledge...
- Bear in mind that...
- What you need to consider is...
- Another thing we have to mention is...
- As far as I know...

**Interruption in a Polite Way**
- Excuse me,...
- Sorry for interrupting, but...
- May I interrupt?
- Can I say something?
- Sorry but there is something important I'd like to add.
- I'm sorry, I'd like to say something...
- Excuse me, I'd just like to say that...
- That reminds me...

**Expressing Interest**
- Right! Absolutely! / That's true!
- And what happened next?
- Oh, really? / That's amazing!
- Go ahead, tell me what you think...
- That's horrible!
- I think I can understand how it felt.
- I think I can understand your point of view.
- I can see your point.
- So what was it like?
- What is your opinion on this subject?
- What do you think about it?
- Would you agree with me?
- I see what you mean...
- That must have been really difficult...
- It must have been hard...
Read the exam task and the sample answer below. Complete gaps 1–12 with expressions from the box.

Look at the list of factors which could influence one's choice of career. Discuss their importance and choose the one that is the most important for you.

- job security
- self-development
- salary
- working conditions

**Student 1:** Well, it 1_________ to me that all of these factors are important, so it might be hard to choose the most important one. 2_________ job security is actually very important, because if you have a family and bills to pay then you must have a steady source of income. I am not sure if it is more important than the other factors, but that is 3_________ it is quite high on my list.

**Student 2:** 4_________ it is important for people who have families. However, I am still quite young and have no family, so I would say that self-development might be more important for me.

**Examiner:** Excuse me, but 5_________? You are going to be university students soon – what do you think about taking a part-time job while you are at university?

**S1:** It is a great idea. 6_________ In this way you can gain some professional experience which may be useful when you apply for a job after graduation. What do you think about it?

**S2:** 7_________ I am not sure if we are going to have enough time to do both: study and work.

I worked at a restaurant last summer while I was on an English course in London, and I can't imagine working and studying full time.

E: So 8_________?

**S2:** Studying was fun but work was very exhausting.

**S1:** Okay, let's take a look at the next factor: money. 9_________ it is very important, but for me it's less important than self-development. 10_________ obviously, I would like to earn a lot of money, but I wouldn't like to do a boring job even if it was well-paid. 11_________ with me?

**S2:** Well, for me money is the most important thing! Working conditions are of secondary importance. I wouldn't mind working a nine-to-five job as long as my salary was good. So, 12_________ salary is on top of my list.

Below you will find a set of follow-up questions that the candidates were asked in the exam and three sample answers. Match the sample answers a–c to the correct bullet point.

**Follow-up questions:**
- What is your dream job? What skills do you need to have to do it?
- Would you rather work abroad or in your home country? Why?
- If you were to find work, how would you go about it?

**a** I would like to be a doctor. I know that it is quite difficult to become a doctor, and it is not easy to find a job. But I like helping other people so I think that being able to take care of people's health would give me a lot of satisfaction.

**b** Well, I guess I would write a good CV first and send it to companies. I would like to work for. I think I would also read the job openings in newspapers and on the internet, or maybe even ask my friends and parents if they know about a vacancy that might be suitable for.

**c** It seems to me that working abroad is a very good idea. In this way you could improve your language and communication skills, and learn more about the country where you work. However, I am not quite sure if I want to be away from my family for a long time, so I'd rather go on a short contract or an internship with a foreign company if it was possible.

**EXAM TASK**

3 Work with your partner. Do the exam task below and discuss the follow-up questions.

Look at a list of things that young people should learn at school. Discuss their importance and choose the one that is the most important for you.

- creativity
- independent thinking
- responsibility
- practical skills
- how to get a good job

**Follow-up questions:**
- Would you like to go to a university when you finish your final exams? What would you like to study?
- Is it a good idea for students to spend some time studying abroad?
- What subjects did you like at school?
- What will the school be like in the future?
SPEAKING • SITUATIONAL ROLEPLAY

In this type of task you are going to interact with the examiner or with your partner in a simulated situation. Each of you is going to assume a role (you could be a politician, a celebrity, a journalist, a traveller etc.) and you are going to have a conversation in which both of you will have to say things consistent with your roles. The description of the situation will outline who you are going to talk to and what you need to talk about. Depending on the situation, you might be asked to discuss the advantages and disadvantages of something, complain about a faulty product, persuade someone to do you a favour, explain your point of view, give advice to someone or negotiate a compromise.

EXAM STRATEGIES:
- Read the rubrics carefully and make sure you know what you are supposed to do.
- Remember to mention all of the issues you are supposed to talk about.
- Even if you are at a loss for words, try not to talk about irrelevant things.
- Listen to your partner and react appropriately to what they say.
- When you give arguments to persuade someone, always give examples and explain your point of view.
- Use appropriate grammar structures and vocabulary consistent with the situation that you are roleplaying.

EXCHANGING INFORMATION

EXPLAINING THE PROBLEM
I've got a problem and I wonder if you could help me...
The thing is that...
The problem is that...
I need to...
I am not sure...
I have no idea how to...
What I need is...

ASKING FOR HELP AND ADVICE
Excuse me, may I ask you something?
Could you please tell me...?
Could you do me a favour?
Could you help me with...?
I'd like to know if...
Can you tell me where I can find it?
What shall I do?
Any idea how to go about it?
Do you happen to know...?
Sorry for interrupting, but I wonder if you've got...?
Is it possible to...?
Where can I...?
Could you recommend...?
I really need your advice...
Could you give me a piece of advice regarding...
Do you know how I could...
So how do I...

ASKING FOR DETAILS
I see, but I still don't know how...
I can't really understand...
Does this mean that I should...?
Is there anything else I should know?
Could you give me some more details?
Do you think I could...?
And what if...?
What do you mean by this?
I need to know one more thing...
It is still not clear to me...

OFFERING HELP
Can I help you?
What can I do for you?
How can I help?
Is there a problem?
What's the problem? You look a bit worried.
Is there anything else I could do for you?
Don't worry, it's not so complicated!
If you need my help, just let me know.
I'll sort it out for you.

GIVING ADVICE
I think you should...
The best thing to do is...
What you could do is...
First/Second/Next/Final...
I think it's a good idea to...
I'd recommend...
If I were you, I would...
I'd suggest...

SHOWING THE WAY
Go straight on.
Turn left at the next crossing.
Turn right at the traffic lights.
Keep going until you can see a church.
Take the second turning on your right.
Go past a museum.
Walk along the street.
Go across the square.
It takes about three minutes to get there.
It's the first building on the left, you can't miss it.
NEGOTIATING

AGREEING
That's exactly what I think.
It's precisely what I wanted to say.
You've convinced me.
Perhaps you're right.
On the whole, I agree.
You're definitely right.
I'd go along with that.
You're absolutely right!
I couldn't agree more.
Good idea!
I'm of a similar opinion.

DISAGREEING
That's right, but don't you think that...
That may be true, but...
I'm not sure I agree with you.
Perhaps, but don't you think that...
I can see your point, but...
I don't think so.
I can't agree with that, because...
Not necessarily.../Not really...
You're not seriously suggesting that...
I'm afraid it will not work.
I don't think it's a good idea to...
Remember that.../Don't forget that...
I see what you mean, but...
I'm afraid I don't agree at all.
I'm not convinced (about it).
I'm of a totally different opinion.

ASKING FOR, GIVING AND REFUSING PERMISSION
Could I...?
Do you think we could...?
Would it be OK if we went there right now...?
Will you let me...?
Sure, go ahead!
Yes, (of course) you may.
That's fine with me.
No, I don't think you could...
I'm afraid it's not possible...
I can't go along with that because...
That's absolutely out of the question.

REACHING A COMPROMISE
OK, so we can first..., and then...
Let's do it my way, OK?
So let's agree on...
OK, if you insist, but...
We need a compromise.
Let's meet in the middle.

MAKING, ACCEPTING AND REJECTING SUGGESTIONS
So instead of..., maybe we could...
Why don't we...?
How about...?
Why not...?
Could we please...?
I think you should...
If I were you, I would...
All right, let's do it!
Let's do as you suggested.
I don't think it's the best thing to do...
I think it's not good enough.
I don't think it's cheap enough.
This might (not) be the best idea.
It might be too late to do that.

APOLOGISING AND MAKING EXCUSES
Sorry for being such a nuisance, but...
That's not what I wanted to say at all.
That's not what I meant.
We do apologise for this problem.
Sorry about that.
I understand how you feel but...

EXpressing your feelings
I am so disappointed!
What a pity!
Oh, that's a shame!
I must say I'm surprised.
I just can't believe it!
I feel rather excited about it.
It's an unusual idea.
Let's hope it will turn out right.
I can't wait to start.

expressing doubt
They may not like it.
But what will you do if...?
I've got some doubts about it.
I'm not quite sure how to go about it...
Are you sure it'll be the right thing to do?
To some extent you're right, but...
Well, I haven't thought about that before.

finishing the conversation
Thanks a lot!/Cheers!
That was very kind of you!
Not at all!
You're welcome!
It's been a pleasure.
All right!/No problem!
1 Read the exam tasks and the fragments of sample answers below. Do exercises a–b.

1 You are a TV reporter. Your partner is a famous American actor and you are going to interview him. Introduce yourself and ask for permission to talk about the actor's personal life. Ask about his career so far, his childhood, family and plans for the future.

2 You are a member of the school committee. The committee has received a grant to be spent on the equipment for the school. The other members would like to buy new whiteboards and furniture. You think the school should get new computers. Explain why a computer room is in your opinion a better idea and try to persuade the other members of the committee.

3 You bought an expensive sweater last week. However, it shrank when you washed it and now it does not fit you anymore. You go to the shop and ask for a refund.

a Match the fragments of sample answers A–C to the exam tasks 1–3.

A ...Well, first of all, I think everybody understands how important it is to have a fully functioning computer lab in our school. The hardware we have now is so old that we can't run any new programs on it. Also, we need to have a broadband internet connection for every computer, as well as some new printers and screens. You are saying that we need new furniture, but the computers are just so much more important...

B ...I bought this last week and have only worn it once to a party. However, it shrank in the washing and now it is too small for me. I washed it according to the instructions on the label. I would like to receive a full refund. Here's the receipt...

C ...Hello, my name is John White, and I work for Gossip magazine. Thank you for agreeing to speak to me. I know that you are starring in some new movies right now, but I would like to talk more about the past, a little bit about your childhood and family life?

b The phrases below were removed from paragraphs A–C. Put them back in the correct place in each paragraph.

A and I see your point

B I've got a problem and I wonder if you could help me.

B I must say I am extremely disappointed now and

C would it be OK if we talked

2 Match the beginnings 1–8 to the endings A–H to make correct expressions.

1 Are you sure it
2 How about
3 Well, I haven’t thought
4 I think
5 That's exactly
6 The thing
7 What will you
8 You’re

A about that before
B definitely right
C do if
D doing something
E is that
F what I wanted to say
G will be the right thing
H you should

3 Complete the table below using expressions from Exercise 2.

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Read the exam task below and do exercises a–c.

Your Irish friends are coming to stay with you for three days. They would like your advice about what they should do during their stay. Plan the arrangements, give details and explain your choice. Focus on their arrival, accommodation, cultural and free time activities, shopping and other details.

a Complete the sample answer below with expressions from Exercise 2.

Examiner: Well, I can see your Irish friends are coming to stay with you for a couple of days. Where are you going to meet them?

Candidate: They are coming on Saturday so I think I will ask my dad to give me a lift to the airport and we’ll pick them up from there. I am not sure if my dad is off work on Saturday, if not, we’ll take a cab. They are going to stay with me, so we’re going to drive straight to my flat so they can relax and take a shower.

E: What are you going to do during their stay here?
C: Well, on Saturday we could go dancing at my favourite club. It’s really nice and not very expensive, so I think that would be the best idea.

E: OK, but they don’t like dancing?
C: Right. Maybe we could stay at home and have a quiet party there. We could watch some DVDs, or maybe order pizza and just have a chat.

E: Don’t you think that they would like to do something typical for your country?
C: I think a dinner at a traditional restaurant is a must, so we should also do that, maybe on Sunday.

E: And what if your friends turn out to be culture vultures? organize some cultural activities as well.
C: I am sure they would like to learn more about our culture. I think we could go sightseeing and visit the Fine Arts Museum.

E: to do? Would they enjoy a visit to the museum?
C: Well, they may find the museum a bit boring. Perhaps I should suggest doing some shopping in this new shopping mall instead — they could buy some souvenirs for their Irish friends.

E: Good choice. more active?
C: If the weather is good we can go on a trip out of town and visit my uncle who has a farm in the countryside.

E: That sounds like a very good plan!

b Look at the exam task again and roleplay the situation with your partner. One of you is the student and the other one is the examiner.

c Now swap roles and role play the situation again.

Read the exam task below. Roleplay the situation with your partner. One of you is Student A and the other one is Student B. Use as many of the arguments listed below as you can.

You are on a scholarship in Dublin. You are living in a dorm with a student from Australia. The authorities gave you 200 Euros to buy some furniture for your room. Your roommate suggests buying a TV set. Disagree with him, explain why, suggest buying another piece of equipment instead and try to reach a compromise.

A We need a TV set to be well-informed. Money will always be needed for more important things, so if we don’t buy a TV now, then we never will.

Lost of interesting movies and programmes are on every evening.

We can’t miss any episode of our favourite TV show!

B There is a big TV in the common room for all students.

We have no room for it.

A microwave oven will make our life easier.

We need something hot to eat.

We will use it every day and a TV only from time to time.

EXAM TASK

Do the exam task below. When you finish, swap roles and roleplay the situation again.

You landed at Heathrow Airport in London. You went to reclaim your baggage but you could not find it anywhere. Apparently, it has got lost. Go to the lost luggage counter and complain about the situation. Your partner is a customer service manager. Mention your flight details, describe your baggage and add any other useful information.
In a Photo Description task you might be asked to either talk on your own about one picture or compare and contrast two or more pictures. In the first case, you will be expected to talk about the picture for 2-3 minutes, without being interrupted by the examiner or your partner, who, however, might ask you a question or two after you have finished. Bear in mind that your task is not so much to describe the picture in detail as reflect on the situation and the problem that is shown there. When describing a picture, it is useful to remember three basic questions that your description should provide answers to: Who is in the picture? Where are they? What are they doing? You can develop your description further by adding information about the general atmosphere of the picture or by speculating about the relationships between the people and their feelings. Sometimes, you are also asked to give your opinion on the depicted issue. If you are to compare and contrast the pictures, remember that you are essentially supposed to do two things: describe the pictures and talk about the differences and similarities between the situations shown there. Thus, there must be some common theme that links the pictures, you just need to find it and reflect on it.

**Exam strategies:**
- Read the instructions carefully so that you know what issues you are supposed to mention.
- Remember to use the Present Continuous when you describe what is happening in the picture.
- Do not describe the picture in great detail. Outline the situation and don’t forget to reflect on the depicted problem.
- If you are at a loss for words, talk about your own feelings concerning the problem shown in the picture.
- If you compare and contrast the pictures, focus on similarities and differences between them. Do not spend too much time on one picture.
- Remember to include in your description all the information required by the exam task.
- If you are asked to give your opinion, support your arguments with examples and explain your point of view.

**Describing the picture**

The picture shows...
In this picture I can see...
There is... in this picture.
On the right there are...
In the left hand corner...
In the foreground, there is...
There are... in the background.
In the bottom part of the picture there is...
There are... in the top part of the picture.
The people in the picture are...
The people in the picture look happy because...
The people in the picture seem sad because...
The general atmosphere in the picture is positive because...
The picture was taken in...
The weather in the picture is...
The atmosphere in the picture is depressing because...

**Speculating about the situation**

It may be...
They could be...
Perhaps...
It is probably...
Another idea is that...
It is also possible that...
It seems to me that the people in the picture...
I get the impression that the people are not very happy here...
They don’t seem to be enjoying themselves...

**Expressing your opinion**

I think that...
It’s quite obvious that...
The situation in the picture is unusual because...
I don’t think this situation is very common, because...
In my opinion...
It seems to me that...
On the one hand/On the other hand...
All in all...
I wouldn’t feel comfortable in this situation...
I would love to be there!
Personally, I’d prefer...
I’d rather...

**Comparing and contrasting**

Both photos show...
In both pictures the people are...
One similarity is that...
What both these pictures have in common is...
However, there are also some differences between the pictures.
The picture on the left is more... than the other one.
The situation shown in Picture A is more... than the situation in Picture B.
The people in the first picture are less... than the people in the other one.
This man looks... while the other one is rather...
The main difference is (that)...Another important difference is that...
In contrast....
Look at Picture A and answer the following questions:

a. What kind of situation is shown in the picture?
   - Who is in the picture?
   - Where are they?
   - What are they doing?

b. What are your feelings about the situation shown in the photo?

Look at Picture A. Read the exam task below and a sample answer. Complete the gaps 1–8 using the expressions from the box.

Talk about the picture and say what kind of situation is depicted in it. Try to determine the relationship between the people and give your opinion on it.

I prefer, look busy, on the left, personally, in, seems, probably, think

1. ___________ this picture I can see people shopping at an open-air market. The day is sunny, but I ________ that it might be a bit cold anyway, because the seller ________ is wearing a jacket. There are a lot of people, mainly women, and the market ________ quite busy. There is a great selection of fruit and the people in the picture ________ trying to choose the best from what is available. It is ________ in the UK, but I can see people of different nationalities. ________ if I need to buy fruit ________ to go to an open-air market like this than to a supermarket, because the fruit is usually cheaper and fresh.

Exam Task

Look at Picture B and do the exam task below.

Talk about the picture and say what kind of situation is depicted in it. Try to determine the relationship between the people and give your opinion on it.
Look at pictures A and B. Consider the following questions:

1. What kind of situation does each picture show?
2. Try to determine the relationship between the people in each picture:
   - Do these people often spend time together?
   - Are they friends?
   - Do they like each other?
3. Which of these two situations do you prefer?

Look at the expressions in the box. Match each phrase to the correct picture, A or B. Write the expressions in the boxes next to the pictures.

check if it fits                          close to nature
designer shops                          exhausted
look for a map                           seasonal sales
shopping bags                           take a break
shopping mall                           sports clothes
sunny weather                           teenagers
try on clothes                           keep fit
hunt for bargains                       helmets
fashionable brands                      shades
environmentally friendly                cyclist
wonder where to go next                 accessories
professional equipment                  receipt
wait in long queues                      good condition
they have been on a spending spree      
they have just stopped cycling           

Picture A

Picture B
Look at Picture A. Answer the questions below using the vocabulary items from Exercise 5.
1. Who is in the picture?
2. Where are they and what are they doing?
3. What is the general atmosphere?
4. What has just happened?
5. What are your own feelings about the situation shown in the picture?

Look at Picture B. Answer the questions below using the vocabulary items from Exercise 5.
1. Who is in the picture and what are they doing?
2. Where are the people and how are they feeling?
3. What has just happened?
4. What do you think is going to happen next?
5. What are your own feelings about the situation in the picture?

Look at pictures A and B and try to find at least three similarities and three differences between the situations in the pictures.

Similairities

Differences

Read the exam task below and do exercises a–b.

Look at pictures A and B. These pictures show people spending their free time in two different ways. Compare and contrast the pictures. Say where the people are and how they are feeling, talk about the general atmosphere and give your opinion on both situations.

a Read the sample answer below and complete the gaps 1–14 with the phrases from the box.

1. ____________ show young people who are spending their free time with their friends.
2. ____________ I can see four young people who are riding their bikes in a forest. They have just stopped cycling and are wondering where to go next.
3. ____________ they are looking for a map.
4. ____________ I can see three girls who are on a spending spree in a big shopping mall.
5. ____________ that they have bought a lot of clothes and accessories because I can see some shopping bags in front of them.
6. ____________ that they wanted to take advantage of seasonal sales in expensive designer stores.
7. ____________ the people are happy and having fun. What both pictures ____________ is that the people seem to be good friends and they like each other.
8. ____________ in Picture A are spending their free time in a more active way.
9. ____________ the girls in Picture B. They are trying to keep fit and can feel close to nature.
10. ____________ the girls in Picture B are in a big shopping centre and they are spending their free time waiting in queues and hunting for bargains.
11. ____________ that if you want to go cycling you need to have a lot of money to buy professional equipment, like bikes and helmets, and if you want to go shopping you just need to have your dad’s credit card and some free time!

b Read the sample answer again. Did the speaker include all the information required by the exam task?
Look at Pictures C and D. Consider the following questions:
1. What kind of situation does each picture show?
2. What could be the relationship between the people in the pictures?
3. Which of these two situations do you prefer?

Look at the exam task below and do preparation exercises a–f.

Look at pictures C and D. These pictures show people spending their free time in two different ways. Compare and contrast the pictures. Talk about where the people are, what they are doing and how they are feeling, say what the general atmosphere is in both pictures and give your opinion on both situations.

a The phrases below can be used to describe Picture C. Complete the gaps using the words from the box.

pass gear sunny fresh energetic mountains outdoor skiers wear slope

1. ski down the ______
2. skiing ______
3. ________ goggles
4. snowy but ________ and warm
5. in the ________
6. ________ activity
7. out in the ________ air
8. experienced ________
9. ski ________ for the ski lift
10. ________ and exciting
b Match the beginnings 1-10 with the endings A-J to make phrases that can be used to describe Picture D.

1 a disco is a good place  
2 dance to  
3 fashionable  
4 if a DJ is good  
5 the nightlife here  
6 enjoy  
7 relaxed  
8 if you don't like loud music  
9 have fun  
10 crowded  

A dancefloor  
B to celebrate your birthday  
C at a party  
D atmosphere  
E you will dance all night  
F clothes  
G you can go to a pub or café  
H popular music  
I is exciting and fun  
J the company of friends

c Look at the exam task and the phrases in a and b. Choose the phrases you would like to use in your description.

d Think about similarities and differences between the pictures. List at least three similarities and differences between the pictures.

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e Look at the phrases on page 62 and choose at least 8 expressions that you will use in your description.

f Work with your partner and do the exam task. When you finish, listen to your partner's version of the task.
12 **EXAM TASK**

Work with your partner and do the exam task below. When you finish, listen to your partner's version of the task.

Look at pictures A and B. These pictures show people working in two different situations. Compare and contrast the pictures. Talk about where the people are, what they are doing and how they are feeling, say what the general atmosphere is in both pictures and give your opinion on both situations.

13 **In the same pairs write three more questions related to the topic of Work.** Find a different partner in your group and ask them your questions.

- What kind of job would you like to have in the future?
- Would you like to work in a team or on your own?
- Would you like to work in an office or outdoors?
PART

THEMATIC
It's easier to love humanity as a whole than to love one's neighbour

Erich Fromm (American social writer, 1900-1980)

1. **APPLICATION FORM**

   **FIRST NAME**

   **SURNAME**

   **DATE OF BIRTH**

   **NATIONALITY**

   **SEX**

   **EU CITIZEN**

   **OCCUPATION**

   **PARTIAL STATUS**

2. **CLOTHES**

   CD 1-21 Mike's going to summer camp. His mother is helping him pack. Complete their dialogue with the words from the box. Listen to the dialogue and check your answers, then read it aloud with another student.

   gloves hat jumpers sandals scarf shorts socks trunk's underpants

   **MOTHER:** Here you are, Mikey. Twelve pairs of clean

   **MIKE:** Mum, I don't need twelve pairs. I can wash them.

   And anyway I'll be wearing for most of the time.

   **MOTHER:** And I've bought you some

   **MIKE:** Mum, that's really nice of you, but you know I only wear

   **MOTHER:** Have you packed the three

   **MIKE:** Take a woolly

   and a , they said on TV it may be cold!

   **MIKE:** Mum, it's July! Are you going to tell me to take

   **MOTHER:** Better safe than sorry, Mikey. And here's

   **MIKE:** Wow! A new pair of Speedo swimming

3. **BODY PARTS**

   Label the body parts in the picture above.

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CLOTHES AND APPEARANCE
Rose is going to meet her student exchange partner Paul at the airport. They have never met before. Complete Paul’s email in which he tells Rose what he looks like.

Hi Rose,
Thanks for your email. My plane lands at 12.40. And this is what I look like: I'm 1 t________ and thin; I've got long, 2 w________, fair hair in a 3 p________. I've also got a 4 m________, but no beard. I'll be wearing 5 j________, a black 6 s________, an 7 a________ and trekking 8 b________. I'll be carrying a BIG backpack.
Looking forward to seeing you,
Paul

PERSONALITY
Circle the correct word.
1 Mary’s very sensible / sensitive. She tends to think everything over and she doesn’t often make stupid decisions.
2 He’s a bit talkative / bossy. He likes telling people what to do.
3 Bill’s wonderfully calm and relaxed / reserved. I don’t think I’ve ever seen him lose his temper.
4 My sister’s very sensible / sensitive. She always cries when she hears something bad has happened to someone.
5 Andrew’s too generous / ambitious. He’s never satisfied unless he’s the best.
6 Diane is very friendly / nasty. She’s usually the first one to talk to newcomers at school and help them.
7 Chris is a loyal, polite / reliable friend. I trust him completely.
8 They say I’m rebellious / responsible. I say I’m independent. I just don’t like other people telling me what to do all the time!
9 Millie’s very cheerful / helpful by nature. She’s never sad for long.
10 He’s so dreadfully selfless / selfish! He never thinks of anyone but himself.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES
Chris and Rose have recently started going out together and are trying to decide what to do in the evening. Complete their conversation. Then listen and check.

CHRIS: So, what shall we do tonight?
ROSE: Let’s go 1 c________! I feel like a dance.
CHRIS: Oh no… I can’t stand all that noise. Can’t we just stay at home and 2 p________ chess?
ROSE: You’ve got to be joking! Is that your idea of 3 e________?
CHRIS: Well, actually, yes, it is… But if you don’t like it, we can do something else.
ROSE: Like what?
CHRIS: How about 4 w________ a good film on DVD?
ROSE: You really don’t want to 5 g________ o________ at all, do you Chris? What are you, sixty years old or something?
CHRIS: We could 6 l________ to some music later… we could 7 d________ on our own, just the two of us. What do you think of that, Rosie?
ROSE: Oh, OK, then. Maybe you can be romantic after all. But no chess, right?

USEFUL PHRASES
Choose the verb which completes all the expressions in each box.

go have take get play

1 be ready
2 have a good time
3 take a rest
4 get a row/an argument
5 play a party

married
up
dressed
on with someone

a meal
a good time
a rest
a party
out with someone
swimming/bowling
to the cinema
clubbing/dancing
for a walk
the guitar/the piano
board games
cards
computer games
chess

5 turn (to do sth)
the dog for a walk
a shower
the children to school
a rest/a nap
MAKE POVERTY HISTORY

Look at these children. They're both girls, they're both 11 years old and they both like school. But their lives are very different.

Kay lives in Uganda. Every morning she gets up at 6 a.m., sweeps the floor, cleans her tiny house, and prepares whatever breakfast she can find for her family. She then walks four miles to school. Although Kay is an excellent pupil, there are more than 150 children in her class, and not enough books to go round, so it's difficult to learn. Kay is an orphan. Her parents and her uncle and aunt died from AIDS, so she has to look after her younger brother and sister, three cousins and her sick elderly grandmother. At weekends and in the evenings she works to feed her family: 'I dig gardens and people give me food. If I don't do it, we can't eat.'

Sarah lives in England. She wakes up at 8 a.m., except at the weekends, when she likes to lie in. After breakfast, which her mother prepares for her, she gets dressed and gets ready for school. She doesn't do much housework after tidying her room, clearing up after dinner and taking the dog for a walk. Her father takes her and her close friend, Susan, to school by car. Her favourite subject is Computer Studies. There is one computer for every child in her class. Sarah is an only child and she gets on very well with her parents and her grandparents. She gets £10 pocket money every week, which she usually spends on clothes. She loves shopping.

THESE GIRLS' LIVES SHOULDN'T BE SO DIFFERENT.

In 2005, world leaders said they were going to MAKE POVERTY HISTORY. Because of public pressure they made some big promises—to increase aid and cancel many poor countries' debts. But if 2005 was supposed to be the start of a global movement to end poverty, Kay didn't see it. She and her family still have to survive on just twelve pence a day. And there are millions of children like her. So today, we are telling our governments that Kay and children like her CAN'T WAIT. We must deliver on our promises and take decisive action against poverty... NOW.

1. You are going to read about two children, a poor one from Uganda and a richer one from England. How might their lives be different? Write three sentences about each:
   The poor child hasn't got any toys.
   The poor child ____________________________
   The rich child ____________________________

2. Read the text and the statements below. Decide if the statements 1–6 are true (T) or false (F).
   1. In Kay's school there aren't any books.
   2. Kay works to get some money for herself.
   3. Sarah doesn't help her at all.
   4. Both girls walk to school.
   5. Sarah hasn't got any brothers or sisters.
   6. This text was written to make people more sensitive to poverty.

3. Match the highlighted words from the text to the definitions.
   1. someone who has no brothers or sisters
   2. the children of your aunt and uncle
   3. a child whose parents have died
   4. not young
   5. money you get from your parents to spend as you like
   6. to stay in bed a bit longer in the morning

4. Write a paragraph about the everyday life of an ordinary child in your country. Give the child a name. Use these questions to help you.
   - What does he/she do in the morning?
   - How does he/she get to school?
   - What is his/her school like?
   - How many people are there in the family?
   - Does he/she do any housework?
   - How much pocket money does he/she get?
   - Does he/she work to earn money?
Multiple Choice, Exercise 1

What do you imagine humans might look like in the future? Compare your ideas in pairs. Think about:
- height
- build
- proportions of the body
- skin
- colour
- strength
- fitness
- hair
- intellect
- personality

I think people will be taller and thinner than they are now...

Exam Task, CD 1:23

You are going to hear a lecture on the future of mankind. For questions 1–6, choose the correct answer A–C.

1. Dr Fedotov describes herself as
   A. elderly.
   B. middle-aged.
   C. short.

2. Dr Fedotov describes the people in the room to show that
   A. men are different from women.
   B. people can look very different.
   C. the people in the audience are different from average people.

3. The Eloi and the Morlocks are
   A. exotic people H. G. Wells saw in his travels.
   B. fictional humans described in a book.
   C. names for predicted future types of people.

4. The Eloi are
   A. smaller and weaker than the Morlocks.
   B. dark-skinned.
   C. blond-haired.

5. The Morlocks
   A. have dark skins.
   B. live in caves.
   C. are aggressive.

6. Dr Fedotov believes that
   A. people couldn’t really become two different species.
   B. people who use technology a lot will become more intelligent.
   C. some people will be physically better developed than others.

Exam Task, Exercise 2

You are going to read an article about how to beat stress and nervousness. Some words are missing from the text. Complete the gaps 1–10 with one word.

Test Anxiety – And How To Beat It

You’ve participated in class, done all of your homework and _______ studied hard. The day of the test comes, and suddenly, you feel _______ nervous that you can’t answer the questions you knew last night. Test anxiety is a type _______ performance anxiety - a feeling one might have when performance is really important. For example, a person might get it when they are to perform on stage or go into _______ important interview.

What Can You Do?

- Use a little stress to your advantage. Study well before a test. This way, you’ll keep your stress from getting _______ of control. After all, nobody feels stressed by the thought _______ they will do well on a test.
- Accept mistakes. This is especially important _______ you’re a perfectionist. Everyone makes mistakes, so you must learn to tolerate _______. This is a valuable skill.
- Take care of yourself. It can help to learn ways to calm yourself down when you _______ tense or anxious.

Learn a simple breathing exercise and practice it regularly, which will help you relax. Everything _______ time and practice, and learning to beat test anxiety is no different, so don’t give up!
1 You are going to read letters from teenagers to magazines. Think of three reasons why a person might write to a magazine.

2 Read the letter below, the multiple-choice exercise and answer the questions 1–4.

Dear Editor,

I saw your enthusiastic article on top fashion models, with lots of impressive photos, in last Saturday's issue and I was disgusted. You present women as objects that are nice to look at! What is more, printing such materials is completely irresponsible. I would like to tell you about my younger sister. She was a completely normal, cheerful, lively girl. About the age of 14 she started reading glossy magazines and looking at photos of models and film stars all the time. She started dieting and even though she got really thin, she couldn't stop. In the end, she had to go to hospital to be treated for anorexia. Can you imagine to how many teenage girls this might happen as a result of looking at your photos of impossibly skinny females? Why don't you print articles about women who are brave or intelligent, or who have done something special for other people? They are the right kind of models for young girls.

Richard, Manchester

Richard describes the article as irresponsible because:

A it presents women as objects.
B it may cause girls to have eating disorders.
C he thinks the photos are pornographic.
D it doesn't mention women with serious talents.

1 Out of the four options above, one does not relate to anything in the text and you can eliminate it at once. Which one?

2 The other three options all refer to something in the text. Find and underline the related sentences.

3 irresponsible is a key word in the question. What exactly does it mean? Complete this explanation:

If someone does something irresponsible, they don't think about...

4 Only one of the options explains why Richard thinks the article is irresponsible. Which one?

3 Read the text below. For questions 1–6, choose the correct answer A–D.

1 Jodie has written the letter because she

A would like to get advice on her friend's problem.
B is annoyed with something the magazine has written.
C has just found out about the website Beautifulpeople.net.
D wants to warn other readers.

2 If a girl wants to join Beautifulpeople.net,

A she doesn't have to send in a photograph.
B all members make rude comments about her.
C men belonging to the club will vote on her membership.
D a jury will study her profile and decide if they accept her.

3 Out of all the people who tried to join Beautifulpeople.net since January,

A most have been successful.
B only a small group have failed.
C most feel frustrated and insecure.
D most have been unsuccessful.

4 TeenTimeMag usually

A gives girls good advice on how to be beautiful.
B writes a lot about supermodels.
C does not treat appearance as very important.
D does not write about Internet dating sites.

Tell Tina

Your chance to let us know what's on your mind
Send a letter, email or text message to Tina, TeenTimeMag,
42 Fleet Street London, EC4 / tina@tmags.com / 020 4034844

Dear Tina

I've never written to TeenTimeMag before, but after reading your article about the dating website Beautifulpeople.net I've just got to let you know how I feel. Usually, I'm a very easy-going girl. In fact, I'm a bit shy. But right now I really angry! Let me tell you why...

Beautifulpeople.net is an online club which accepts beautiful people. To join you have to send in a picture and a profile of what you're like. Then, for the days members of the opposite sex study your profile and send in rude messages and then vote whether you are attractive enough to become one of them. According to your article, more than 35,000 people have tried to join the club since January, but only one in twenty has been successful! It's a cruel, arrogant system that makes good people feel frustrated, lonely and insecure. I'm not narrow-minded, but I was absolutely amazed you decided to print an article about this club, and I'm disappointed that you described it in such a positive way. I've always admired the sensible advice you give adolescent gi
5 Why was Debbie not allowed into the club?
A because she was behaving badly.
B because of her clothes.
C because of her appearance.
D no reason was given.

6 Jodie is asking TeenTimeMag
A not to write about Beautifulpeople.net again.
B to describe Beautifulpeople.net more accurately.
C to be more careful about what they write in the future.
D to print her letter.

According to Jodie, which of these things are more and less important in a person?

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<th>Being friendly</th>
<th>Sense of humour</th>
<th>Perfect teeth</th>
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In pairs, ask and answer these questions.

- Do you agree with Jodie? Why? Why not?
- In your view, how important is appearance and personality?
- What is your opinion of the dating website described in the letter?

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You tell them not to try to look like skinny supermodels. You say it's more important to have a lively personality and to be friendly and generous than it is to have perfect teeth or a sexy body. But your article on Beautifulpeople.net sends out the opposite message: for appearance is more important than personality.

Last weekend, I went to a new club with some friends. I was wearing short denim skirt, a sleeveless top and high heels and they let me in. But they told my friend Debbie she couldn't go in. Why not? Maybe she wasn't pretty enough or maybe it was because she was wearing some baggy jeans, a hooded sweatshirt and a pair of old trainers. Debbie's a cheerful outgoing girl with a great sense of humour, but just then she felt insecure and depressed and she started crying. And that's how the thousands of people who are rejected by Beautifulpeople.net must feel.

Personally, I can't stand people who look down on others just because of their appearance, so the next time you write an article about such an unpleasant thing on Beautifulpeople.net please try to describe it more accurately.

Jodie, Luton

1 Work in groups. Girls ask boys the quiz questions. Check the answers on page 172. Do you agree with them?

The Ideal Boyfriend Test

1 How much time do you spend on your appearance every day?
A less than 5 minutes
B 30 minutes maximum
C more than an hour

2 If you split up with a girl, would you do it?
A on the phone
B by text message
C face to face

3 It's your girlfriend's birthday. What do you do?
A throw a surprise party and buy her a birthday cake
B go out for a romantic meal and then go dancing with her
C go out with your friends. She should celebrate her birthday with her family

4 If you were married, which household chores would you do?
A just the shopping
B the shopping, the cooking and light housework like dusting and washing-up
C 50% of everything including the washing, the ironing and the vacuuming

5 Your girlfriend asks you to go shopping with her. Do you?
A agree enthusiastically - you love shopping, too
B agree but insist on going to different shops from her
C refuse - you want to play computer games with your mates

6 You go to the cinema and there's a choice of three films. She prefers the romantic film. Which film do you go to see?
A an action film
B a romantic film
C a French comedy

exam task

2 CO 1-24 You are going to hear a conversation between two friends about The Ideal Boyfriend Test. Decide if the statements 1-6 are true (T) or false (F).

1 Kieran doesn't have a girlfriend.
2 According to Georgie, spending time on your appearance means mainly working out at the gym.
3 Kieran would end a relationship with a text message because it does not cost much.
4 Kieran likes cooking and dislikes ironing.
5 Kieran doesn't like action movies.
6 At the end of the conversation, Kieran decides to change his behaviour a bit.

3 Work in pairs. Write four sentences on each of the topics below. Read your sentences to the whole class to compare ideas.

An ideal girlfriend should...
An ideal boyfriend should...
examworkout

1 Match the questions from the box to the answers 1–6.

Have you got any brothers or sisters?
Could you please describe one of your friends to me?
What do you like doing in your free time?
Can you tell me something about your family?
What are some of your good and bad qualities?
How do you spend time with your friends?

1 I love cycling and doing tricks on my bike.
2 I'm rather lazy.
3 My best friend is Katka. She's a very interesting person.
4 No, I'm an only child.
5 We go out together, especially at the weekends.
6 There are four of us: my parents, my brother and myself.

2 Make the answers in Exercise 1 longer by adding lines a–f below.

a Sometimes we go dancing, sometimes to the cinema, and sometimes we just walk around the city centre.

b But I've got four cousins: two girls and two boys. My favourite cousin is the same age as me.

c I go out on my bike every day if the weather isn't too bad.

f She paints and draws and plays the piano.

d I usually leave doing all work till the last moment.

e My mother is a doctor and my father is an engineer.

examtask

3 In pairs, ask and answer the questions from Exercise 1. Student A asks questions 1–3; student B asks questions 4–6. Give answers that are true for you. Say as much as you can!

4 Now swap roles and ask the questions in Exercise 1 once again.

examworkout

1 Read the exam task in Exercise 2 and do preparation exercises a–b.

a Which of these sentences suggests a positive, and which a negative opinion of the new relationship? Write 'P' or 'N'.

1 I don’t know what she sees in him.
2 Personally, I can’t stand people like that.
3 He’s gorgeous!
4 She’s really sweet.
5 I give it two months.
6 I think it might be really special.
7 They look so happy!
8 I think it’s a total misunderstanding.

Choose one or two sentences for your letter.

b Circle the openings and endings that are appropriate in an informal letter. Then write ‘O’ for openings and ‘E’ for endings.

Dear Sir or Madam, All the best,

Dear Kitty, Love,

Hi Ricky, Best wishes,

Kindest regards, Yours sincerely,

Choose a beginning and ending for your letter.

examtask

2 Read the exam task below and write a letter.

This is part of a letter that you received from your Irish friend Jane:

I have heard that your brother Mark has a new girlfriend. It's great. I am really happy for him. Could you tell me how they met? What does she look like? I bet Mark chose a pretty girl! What do you think about her, what is she like? I am dying to hear some juicy gossip!

Write a letter answering all Jane's questions.
'Always live in the ugliest house on the street - then you don't have to look at it.'

David Hockney (British artist living in the US, b. 1937)

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**Furniture and Equipment**

1. Label the objects in the picture.

   1. __________
   2. __________
   3. __________
   4. __________
   5. __________
   6. __________
   7. __________
   8. __________
   9. __________
   10. __________
   11. __________
   12. __________
   13. __________
   14. __________
   15. __________
   16. __________
   17. __________
   18. __________
   19. __________
   20. __________
   21. __________
   22. __________

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**Parts of the House**

2. Fill in the gaps.

   The picture shows a detached house with a _g_________ and a big _g_________. It has a _b_________ upstairs. There's a car parked in the _d_________ and the _g_________ is open. There's a bird sitting on the _f_________. The _r_________ needs repairing - I think there's a hole in it.

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3. Tell another student about your room, using words from Exercise 1 and the following phrases.

   On
   In
   Next to
   Above/Over
   Under
   on
   in
   next to
   my
   above/over
   on top of

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Complete the note Michael's mother left for him.

Mikey,
Get yourself some breakfast. The milk's in the f________ and the cereals are in the c________. These are some strawberries in the s________, because I've just washed them. If you want bread, get some out of the f________ - it's deep-frozen, but you just need to put it in the m________ for two minutes and it'll be fine. If you want to cook yourself an egg, don't forget to switch off the c________ afterwards.
And remember to put all the dishes in the d________ later.

Mum

Types of Houses and Flats

Match the types of houses and flats to their definitions.

1. apartment 5. detached house
2. studio flat 6. semi-detached house
3. block of flats 7. mansion
4. cottage 8. skyscraper

a. a house that's joined to another house on one side
b. a small house in the country
c. a house that's not joined to another building
d. a large, impressive house
e. a building containing many apartments
f. a very tall city building
g. flat
h. a small apartment with one main room used for both living and sleeping

Renting a Flat

CD 1:27 Jane wants to rent a flat. Complete the dialogue with the words from the box. Listen to check.

advance bedrooms details furnished located living room per public rent renting views underground

JANE: I'm calling about the advertisement. I'm interested in 1________ the flat, but I'd like to know a few 2________.

LANDLADY: Well, it's a very nice flat, very conveniently 3________: near the centre, but in a quiet side street. It has lovely 4________ from the windows.

JANE: I see. That sounds nice. And how about 5________ transport?

LANDLADY: There are lots of trams and buses and an 6________ station within five minutes' walk.

JANE: And there are two 7________, is that right?

LANDLADY: Yes, two bedrooms and a 8________.

JANE: Is it 9________?

LANDLADY: Well, the kitchen is fully fitted, but the bedrooms are a bit bare, to be honest.

JANE: So, how much is the 10________?

LANDLADY: £500 11________ month, payable in 12________.

JANE: Can I come and see it?

LANDLADY: Of course. When would you like to come?

Housework

Complete the collocations with the words from the box. Who does these jobs in your house?

the bathroom your clothes the ironing the mess the dishes/the washing-up dinner the housework the floors the shopping the washing

**Do**  **Other Verbs**

Do ___________ cook ___________

Do ___________ vacuum ___________

Do ___________ clean ___________

Do ___________ put away ___________

Do ___________ clear up ___________

Useful Phrases

Match the collocating words.

A  B

move  home  pay  the bills
pay  homesick  see  the door
go  house/in/out  lock  home
feel  at home/in  get  a flat/a room
stay  the rent  share  someone home

Use the collocations from Exercise 8 to complete these sentences. Change the form of the verb if necessary.

A

1. It's better to buy your own flat than to ___________ every month.

2. Look, I think our neighbours are ___________. There's a van in front of the house.

3. When I first went on holiday without my parents, I ___________ all the time.

4. 'Are you going out with us?' 'No, sorry, I feel rather tired. I think I'll ___________ tonight.'

5. I have to ___________ now. I told my mum I'd be back at ten.

B

1. It's not much fun being an adult. You have to ___________.

2. Wait, I'll ___________ you. I don't want you to go alone after dark.

3. Yesterday I had eight lessons, then I went to my drawing class and then to the gym - I ___________ at 9 p.m. What a day!

4. Tom has to ___________ with his younger brother, because their flat isn't very big. He hates it!

5. Don't forget to ___________ when you leave.
1 Talk in pairs or small groups. Answer the questions.
   What kind of home would you like to live in:
   • as a student?
   • later on in life?

exam task

2 Read the following descriptions of seven houses and flats. Match the questions 1–6 to a correct description A–G. There is one extra description that you do not need to use.

Which house or flat...
1 was redecorated not long ago and is close to public transport?
2 has no furniture in it, and you don't have your own bathroom?
3 consists of just one big room with a bathroom and kitchen?
4 has gardens both at the front and at the back?
5 has somewhere to keep your car and lots of room for your clothes?
6 has some high quality furniture in the living room and a complete kitchen?

3 Now read the advertisements again and choose the home you like best. Tell another student which one you have chosen and why.

4 Put the highlighted words from the text into the diagram.

5 Write a short advertisement describing the place where you live now. Read it to another student. Try to sell him/her your home!
MULTIPLE CHOICE < 14

1 Choose the option that's true for you and tell another student about your choice.
When I finish school, I'd like to:
• continue living with my parents for some time, because...
• move out and live on my own, because...
• move out and share a flat with a friend, because...

examtask

CD 1-28 You are going to hear a conversation between two people who are looking for a flat to share. For questions 1–6 choose the correct answer A–C.

1 Colin wants to move out because he
A argues with his parents.
B doesn't like the TV programmes his parents watch.
C would like to be more independent.

2 Kate says one difficult thing about living on her own is that
A she has to do the housework.
B she always feels lonely.
C she can't pay all the bills.

3 Kate thinks it is not a good idea to eat sandwiches all the time because
A you get tired of them.
B they make you fat.
C it's unhealthy.

4 Kate's uncle
A left her a house when he died.
B has a flat to let.
C wants to rent two rooms in his house.

5 One problem with the uncle's place is that
A it's very expensive.
B Kate doesn't like the way the rooms are decorated.
C it's poorly furnished.

Having your own home can mean problems!
Read six people's complaints and tick (✓) the ones that are true for you. Add one more sentence as in the example. Read your complaints in pairs.

✓ 1 The bills are astronomical!
   Sometimes we can't afford to pay them.
  2 We've got some awful neighbours!
  3 There's always something that's not working.
  4 I have to share a room with my brother/sister.
  5 There's always so much housework to do!
  6 It's terribly noisy.

Sentence transformations < 31

examworkout

1 Match the grammar structures tested in the sentences 1–5 to their names A–E.
   1 'How on earth did you know that?' Jenny asked me.
      Jenny asked me how on earth __________________________ that.
   2 My car needs repairing.
      I should __________________________ repaired.
   3 John won't go for a trip around the world because he isn't rich.
      If John were rich, __________________________ for a trip around the world.
   4 I started living here in 1990.
      I __________________________ here for more than ten years.
   5 It's too cold to go swimming.
      It's not __________________________ to go swimming.

   A Present Perfect
   B Reported Speech
   C Second Conditional
   D have something done
   E too vs. not enough

2 Look at the sentences in Exercise 1 again. For each question, complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first one.

examtask

3 Read the following sentences about homes. For each question, complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first one.

1 This room is not big enough for me.
   This room is __________________________ for me.

2 The living room needs painting.
   I need to __________________________ painted.

3 'How much is the rent?' I asked the landlord.
   I asked the landlord how much __________________________.

4 I moved in here a long time ago.
   I __________________________ here for years!

5 I can't afford a house with a big garden!
   If I __________________________ a house with a big garden, I would buy it immediately!
exam workout

1. Match the groups of phrases to the charts.

   1. many, a lot (of)
   2. very few, almost none, almost nobody
   3. all, everybody, everyone, everything
   4. none, nothing, nobody, no one
   5. few, not many
   6. most, almost all, nearly all, almost everyone

2. Read these pairs of sentences. For each pair, decide if they mean the same (√) or not the same (×).

   1. Most people in our town live in flats.
      All the people in our town live in flats.
      √
   2. Few people in our city have gardens.
      Not many people in our city have gardens.
      ×
   3. Almost nothing in our house is new.
      We have very few new things in our house.
      ×
   4. In London, a lot of people live in semi-detached or terraced houses.
      Everyone in London lives in a terraced or semi-detached house.
      ×
   5. Almost everyone in our class wants to live in a big city.
      Nobody in our class wants to live in the country.
      ×

3. Read the following extract and decide if the statements 1–3 are true (T) or false (F).

Do you live in a big city? If so, have you ever said to yourself 'I can't stand it any longer, the noise, the polluted air, my hectic lifestyle? Have you ever told yourself you just have to get out? These days, a lot of people living in big cities feel tired and fed up and long for the peace and quiet of the countryside. They go to the mountains or lakes during their holidays and sigh 'If only we lived here, we would be happy!' They gaze at photos of wooden cottages on the Internet. A few even look for jobs in small towns. However, few of them actually make the move. The excitement of living in a big city can be like a drug.

   1. Many people living in cities think of moving to rural areas.
      T
   2. A lot of city people look for jobs in small towns.
      T
   3. None of the people who plan to move really do it.
      F

4. Read the following text about a new kind of house. Decide if the statements 1–6 are true (T) or false (F).

   1. Freiburg is well-known for several reasons.
      T
   2. Nobody in Freiburg owns a car.
      F
   3. The ecological houses are in the centre of town.
      F
   4. Everything in the house is powered by solar energy.
      T
   5. The house rotates to give the best view at every time of day.
      T
   6. When you are inside the house, you can feel it turning.
      F

5. In pairs, ask and answer these questions.

   • Where would you prefer to live: in the centre/in the suburbs/on the outskirts of a city, or in the countryside? Why?
   • What would be good/bad about living in a tourist resort, or in the old town of a historic city?
   • What are the advantages and disadvantages of living in a city that is an industrial and commercial centre?

WILKOMMEN! BIENVENUE! WELCOME!

THE HELIOTROPE

A unique eco-house in Freiburg, Germany

Freiburg is a town of 200,000 inhabitants located in beautiful countryside on the edge of the Black Forest in south Germany.

It's a university town, an important industrial and commercial centre, and a tourist resort. But today it is best known as an ecological capital of Germany. The old town is completely pedestrianised, recycling is a way of life and people use both public transport and to commute. In one part of the town, cars are forbidden: drivers must park on the edge of the suburban car park with solar panels on the roof. The result is that every few residents own cars.

On the outskirts of the town there is a special district where all the houses are solar-powered. Here there is a detached house, which at first sight looks rather strange. It is an experimental eco-house called the Heliotrope. It looks like a small house block sitting on a narrow platform. In the centre of the house there is a spiral staircase, and as you go upstairs, you see bright rooms with triple-glazed windows and spacious balconies. Enormous solar panels provide energy for the heating, the hot water, the fridge, the light bulbs and all other domestic appliances. The most amazing thing about the house is that it turns round to follow the sun from morning to night to maximise the energy it produces. Although it rotates very slowly, the movement is noticeable. It feels a bit like being on a ship in a calm sea, a house high up in a tree. The good news is that the technology works: the house produces five times more electricity than it consumes.

Freiburg is a window to the future which shows how in the future life may change. Perhaps one day we'll all live in houses like the Heliotrope. If we do, we'll never have to worry about electric bills again. And we'll never get bored with the view.
6 Read again the first three sentences of the article, which describe the town of Freiburg. Write similar sentences about your city, town or village.

[name of city] __________________________
has __________________________ inhabitants.
It is located in a region called __________________________ in the [north/south-west...] __________________________ of __________________________ [your country].
It is a(n) __________________________ [industrial centre/historic city or town/tourist resort...]
It is best known as [the birthplace of...]
It is famous for [its castle/the film festival...]

Use the sentences from Exercise 6 and any additional information to talk about your city, town or village.

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1 Describe the photo and answer the questions.
- Do you think the children feel good in their room? Why?/Why not?
- What are the good and bad sides of sharing a room?

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Exam task

2 CD 1:29 You are going to hear a conversation between a mother and her children on Christmas Day. Decide if the statements 1–6 are true (T) or false (F).

1 Kenny and Lorraine share a bedroom.
2 The family live in a small bungalow.
3 The children look for their Christmas presents in all the rooms.
4 The envelope contains a picture of the real present.
5 The new house has a front garden and a back garden.
6 Kenny doesn’t know what a terraced house is.

3 CD 1:30 Write down as many places as you can remember where the children look for presents. Listen, check and complete the list.

4 If money was not a problem, what kind of house would you like to have? Take notes under these headings.
- Type and size of house
- Location
- Outside (garden/garage)
- Inside (rooms/furniture and furnishing/style)
- Other (neighbours/attractions in the neighbourhood)

5 Use your notes from Exercise 4 to talk about your dream house.
examworkout

1 Read the exam task below and do exercises a–b.

Look at the list of advantages of living in a big city. Discuss their importance and say what possible disadvantages might be connected with living in a big city.
- public transport
- access to cultural events
- shopping opportunities
- education and employment opportunities

a Match the fragments of sample answers 1–6 to a correct bullet point in the exam task.
1 Usually, there are a number of cinemas and theatres in every big city, so you have a much better choice as far as entertainment is concerned.
2 There are also smaller specialised shops which sell things for professionals.
3 I can easily get wherever I want, and it is cheaper than driving your own car, too.
4 There are a few shopping malls in every city so you can buy just about everything you need in one place.
5 There are a lot of companies, so the employment market is much more varied than in a small town.
6 I know that sometimes it can get very crowded, but trams go much faster than cars anyway.

b Look at possible disadvantages that might be connected with living in a big city. Try to explain how they might affect people's lives and what might be their consequences.
- pollution
- crime
- commuting
- traffic congestion
- noise
- overcrowding

examtask

2 Work in pairs and do the exam task below.

Look at the list of advantages of living in the countryside. Discuss their importance and say what possible disadvantages might be connected with living in the countryside.
- clean environment
- safety
- peace and quiet
- no traffic jams

3 Work in pairs and answer the follow-up questions below. One of you is a student and answers the questions, the other plays the role of the examiner.

Follow-up questions:
- Would you like to live in the countryside or in the suburbs of a big city? Why?
- Can you describe your room?
- What are the advantages and disadvantages of living on your own?

examworkout

1 Read the exam task in Exercise 2 and do preparation exercises a–d.

a List at least two words or expressions you are going to use for each bullet point.

b Answer the following questions.
1 How should you begin this letter?
   Dear _________,
2 Complete the first sentence:
   I am writing _______ about the _______ advertised on the property pages of The Guardian on September 15.
3 How should you finish the letter?
   I look forward _______,
   Yours ________.

c Put these jumbled questions in order.
1 bathroom / a / in / is / shower / the / there? Is there a shower in the bathroom?
2 post office / far / how / is / it / nearest / the / to?
3 there / sports / are / facilities / in / any / area / the?
4 house / the / been / redecorated / recently / has?

b Turn questions 2–4 from Exercise 1 c into indirect questions. >> 202
1 I would like to know if there is a shower in the bathroom.
2 Could you please let me know ______?
3 Do you happen to know ______?
4 I would also like to ask ______

examtask

2 Read the exam task below and write an email.

You have received a scholarship to Bristol University and you are looking for a room to rent. You found an agency that specialises in student accommodation. Write an email to the agency in which you will:
- explain what kind of accommodation you need
- write how long you need it for
- mention three things that are important for you about a room or flat
- ask if they have a website with pictures of the rooms.

Start your email like this: Dear Sir/Madam,
SITTING ROOM / LIVING ROOM
armchair /'ɑːmtʃɑː/  
back door /bæk dɔːr/  
back garden /bæk 'ɡɑːrdn/  
balcony /'bælkənI/  
basement /'bærsəmt/  
cellar /'sɛlə/  
downstairs /dəu'nstreɪz/  
drive /draɪv/  
fence /'fens/  
floor /flɔː/  
front door /frɔːnt dɔːr/  
front garden /frɔːnt 'ɡɑːrdn/  
garage /'ɡærɪdʒ/  
lawn /lɔːn/  
letterbox /'letəbɔks/  
loft /lɔft/  
nest /nɛst/  
shoe /ʃu:/  
shower room /'ʃaʊər rʊm/  
sofa /'sɔʊfə/  
stairs /steɪəz/  
upstairs /'ʌpstreɪz/  
window /'wɪndəʊ/  

FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT

IN THE WHOLE HOUSE
blind /blænd/  
carpet /'kærpɪt/  
central heating /sɛntrəl 'hɪtn/  
curtain /'kɜːtərn/  
household appliance /'hauzhoʊld ə pləns/  
light bulb /lɑːt bɑːlbul/  
net curtain /'net kɜːtərn/  
radiator /'reɪdɪətə/  
window sill /'wɪnəʊsɪl/  

BATHROOM
bath /bæθ/  
mirror /'mɜːrə/  
shower /'ʃaʊə/  
sink /sɪŋk/  

tap /tæp/  

BEDROOM
bed /bed/  
bedside table /'bedsaɪd ˈteɪbl/  
blanket /'blæŋkɪt/  
bookshelf /'bʊkʃelf/  
chair /tʃeə/  
chest of drawers /tʃɛst əv ˈdɔːrz/  

dressing table /ˈdresɪŋ ˈteɪbl/  

CONDITION AND SIZE
bright /brait/  

Useful phrases
be at home /bi ət haʊm/  
be in /bɪ ɪn/  
commute /'kɔmju:t/  
feel homesick /fɪl həʊmˈsɪk/  
get home /ɡet həʊm/  
go home /ɡəʊ həʊm/  
leave the house /lɪv də hɔʊz/  
lock the door /lɔk də dɔːr/  
move house /mʊv həʊz/  
moving in /mʊvɪŋ ɪn/  
move out /mʊv əut/  
share a flat /ʃeər ə fLAT/  
stay in /steɪ ɪn/  

RENTING A FLAT
accommodation /ə'kʌmədeɪʃən/  
electricity bill /'ɪkˈletrɪsəti ˌbɪl/  
estate agent /'steɪt əˈdʒent/  
flats /flæts/  
for sale /fɔː səl/  
landlady /ˈlændlɑːdi/  
landlord /ˈlændlɔːd/  
let a flat /lɪt ə fLAT/  
p.m. (per month) /pI mʌnθ/  
p.w. (per week) /pI wɛk/  
pay in advance /peɪ ɪn ədvəns/  
pay the bills /peɪ də bɪls/  
pay the rent /peɪ də rɛnt/  
rent a flat /rɛnt ə fLAT/  
roommate /ˈrʊmmeɪt/  

telephone bill /ˈteləfon bɪl/  
to let /tə lɛt/  

HOUSWORK

clean the bathroom /klɪn ə bɑːθrʊm/  
clean the windows /klɪn ə wɪndəʊz/  
clear up the mess /klɪər ap ə mes/  
do the cooking /dʊ ə kʊkɪŋ/  
do the work /dʊ ə wɜːk/  
do ironing /dʊ ə ɪˈrəʊnɪŋ/  
do the washing-up /dʊ ə ˈwɒʃɪŋ ə p/  
vacuum the floor /ˈvækjuəm θə fɔːl/  

In the UK:
area /eərɪə/  
capital city /ˈkeɪpəl sɪˈti/  
conveniently located /kənˈvɪniəntl ləʊˈkɛntid/  
countryside /ˈkʌntrɪsайд/  
district /ˈdɪstrɪkt/  
home town /həʊmtaʊn/  
in the country /ɪn də ˈkʌntri/  
inhabitant /ɪnˈheɪbɪtənt/  
nearby /nɪəˈbaɪ/  
next-door neighbour /nɛksˈdɔːr nɪəʊbər/  
old town /əld tɔːn/  
residents /ˈrɛzɪdəntz/  
resort /ˈrɪzərt/  
rural /ˈrjuərəl/  
slums /slʌms/  
subsidies /ˈsʌbsɪdiz/  
urban /ˈɜːbən/  

USEFUL PHRASES
be at home /bi ət haʊm/  
be in /bɪ ɪn/  
commute /ˈkɔmjuːt/  
feel homesick /fɪl həʊmˈsɪk/  
get home /ɡet həʊm/  
go home /ɡəʊ həʊm/  
leave the house /lɪv də hɔʊz/  
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move out /mʊv əut/  
share a flat /ʃeər ə fLAT/  
share a room /ʃeər ə rʊm/  

STAIRS /STEɪəS/
In examinations, those who do not wish to know the answers ask questions of those who cannot tell.

SIR WALTER ALEXANDER RALEIGH (BRITISH LITERARY CRITIC, 1861–1922)

LANGUAGE & CULTURE

Educational systems in Britain and the USA are not the same. In Britain currently there is only primary school (ages 5–11) and secondary school (12 to 16 or 18). The last two years are sometimes called sixth form, or sixth-form college. At the age of 18, students who want to go to university take A-levels, which are a type of national school-leaving exam. In the USA, primary school is followed by middle school or junior high school (ages differ, usually being 11–14 or 12–15). After that students can go on to high school or, more precisely, senior high school.

1. Read the Language & Culture box about education in Britain and in the USA. What are the following called in your country?
   1. primary school - 
   2. junior high-school - 
   3. high school - 
   4. A-levels - 

2. Now use the vocabulary from Exercises 1 and 2 to tell the story of your own education to another student.

PLACES IN A SCHOOL

4. Match sentences 1–8 to a–h, then tick (√) the facilities your school has got.
   1. Do you know what time the library opens?
   2. Can you tell me where the canteen is?
   3. Can you tell me where the office is?
   4. Our school's got several sports fields.
   5. I'm looking for the computer room.
   6. Our school has a very well-equipped science lab.
   7. Tommy's in the gym.
   8. I'm looking for the staff room.
   
   a. I need to see the secretary about some papers.
   b. We do all kinds of experiments there.
   c. Where else can a sports fanatic be at break?
   d. I need to talk to the art teacher.
   e. I'm hungry!
   f. I need some books.
   g. We can play all kinds of team games.
   h. Has it got really fast Internet access?

TYPES OF SCHOOL

5. Match pictures a–f to sentences 1–6.
   1. The first year of primary school was fun. I was proud to be a schoolgirl.
   2. I had to pass an entrance test to get into this secondary school.
   3. I went to kindergarten when I was three. I hated it.
   4. And then, if everything goes according to plan, I'll graduate from university in five years' time.
   5. I'm taking the school-leaving exams this year. The stress is dreadful!
   6. I hope to get a place at university to study literature.
Complete the sentences with the words from the box.

classmate	deputy	head
teacher
teacher
teacher

1. There are twenty-eight ________ in my class.
2. Miss Hutchinson is a(n) ________ as well as a teacher. She knows all about the final exams.
3. My father's a ________ at university.
4. The ________ is away at a conference this week. In her absence, the ________ is in charge of the school.
5. Uncle Gerald is not really my uncle. He's my dad's old ________. They went to school together thirty years ago.
6. Our school is big. There is a teaching ________ of more than 100.

Match the subjects to the activities. Tick (✓) the activities you enjoy and put a cross (✗) next to the ones you dislike. Tell another student about your choices.

**SUBJECT**
1. Maths
2. Science (Physics, Chemistry, Biology)
3. Geography
4. History
5. Language and literature
6. Foreign languages
7. PE (Physical Education)
8. IT (Information Technology)
9. Art

**WHAT DO WE DO DURING LESSONS?**
- a play team sports
- b learn to use software
- c solve problems
d. do vocabulary exercises like this one
- e draw or paint
- f study maps
- g read and discuss set books
- h learn about the past
- i do experiments

Complete the sentences with names of school objects.

1. Adam, can you please wipe the ________ for me? And could you also go and fetch some ________?
2. Would everybody please put their ________ on their desks so that I can collect them?
3. Don't lose this material. Put it in your ________ now.
4. This year, we're going to use a new English ________. There are tons of vocabulary exercises in it!
5. 'Has anyone got a ________? I need to correct something.' 'There is one in my ________ c. Help yourself.'
6. I need to go to my ________. I've left my Maths book in it.

Arrange the verbs from the box to tell the story of someone who took an exam, but didn't succeed the first time.

failed passed retook prepared for took

He ________ the exam.

Use the verbs from Exercise 8 to tell a real story of how you or someone you know had difficulty passing an exam (for example, the driving test!)

Circle the correct answer.

1. The teacher who is responsible for a whole class of students is called a form/ head teacher.
2. If a child goes to an independent school, the parents must pay school fares/fees.
3. If you are good at adding, deducting and multiplying, you should take part in a Maths competition/course.
4. If you study hard every day and get good grades, you will get an impressive school certificate/graduate at the end of the school year.
5. Teachers have many responsibilities: for instance, they must prepare lessons and examine/mark tests and essays.
6. At the end of each term all the teachers at school gather together at a staff/school meeting and discuss important school issues.
7. After taking the school-leaving exam, the students have to wait for the exam papers/results to be announced before they can apply to a university.

Useful Phrases

11. Zoe's in a new boarding school. Read her letter to her parents and complete the sentences with make or do in the correct form.

Hi Mum and Dad,
They're making us work really hard in this school. If you don't pay attention in class and 1 ________ notes, you're soon lost. Last week I didn't 2 ________ my Latin homework and Miss Scott told me to 3 ________ fifteen exercises! But then when we had a test, I 4 ________ only two mistakes. On the whole, language lessons are fun. Most of the time we 5 ________ fun activities. And I think I'm really 6 ________ progress in Spanish. I understand much more now than a year ago. We're 7 ________ an interesting project on local history now. When we finish, we'll have to 8 ________ presentations about what we've found out.

Some days I just want to scream: 'I can't work any harder! I'm already 9 ________ my best!' But then I think that at the end of it all I'll 10 ________ really well in the final exams and go to a good university.
Give my love to Granny. I miss you all. See you at Christmas.

Love,
Zoe
1. If you could suggest some changes in your school, what would they be? List three ideas. You can use the topics in the box. Then ask other students in your class about their ideas.

Subjects lessons homework trips tests and exams equipment uniforms

exam task

2. Read the students' suggestions concerning changes at their school. Answer the questions 1–5 by matching each question to an appropriate suggestions form A–F. There is one extra suggestions form that you do not need to use.

Who...
1. doesn't think learning foreign languages is useful?
2. would like to see more high-tech equipment at school?
3. suggests a different way of assessing students' progress?
4. would like school work to be easier and more fun?
5. dislikes being in the same class with people who don't study hard?

A SUGGESTIONS FORM

Please make this a single-sex school! Mixed schools don't work because schoolboys don't learn like schoolgirls. They don't study as hard or revise for their exams as well as we do.

We also need smaller class sizes, especially for students with learning difficulties. It's unfair to put hard-working, motivated co-operative pupils with lazy, uncooperative kids.

Name: Jenny Dawson (3C)

D SUGGESTIONS FORM

1. Serve better food in the school canteen and lower the prices.
2. PE should be optional, not compulsory. I hate it.
3. There aren't enough copies of the set books in the library.
4. Get bigger lockers. There's no room for all my stuff.
5. Paint the classrooms and get bigger desks. They're too small.
6. Let us leave the school grounds when we have a free period or during the lunch break. We're bugging kids now.

Name: Emily Anderson (4B)

B SUGGESTIONS FORM

We shouldn't have examinations every term, and the teachers shouldn't give us so much homework. I spend all my time writing essays and learning things by heart for all the tests and exams. It's no fun. All my classmates agree that we learn better when we're doing things so there should be more school trips. It's boring staying in the classroom all the time.

Name: Bart Simpson

F SUGGESTIONS FORM

Get rid of blackboards and chalk and replace them with interactive whiteboards and a laptop computer for each student. It's the 21st century, you know! And what about the school webpage? It works! We could do lots of things online: hand in homework, consult our results, download past papers, send suggestions to the head teacher and communicate with the teaching staff.

Name: Gill Bates (5A)

C SUGGESTIONS FORM

Let's spend more time on useful subjects like Maths, Computer Studies and Science, especially Physics and Chemistry, and less time on boring rubbish like English literature, Art, Music and foreign languages. What's the point of learning French or German when everyone in the world speaks English? And the Science lab is a disgrace.

Name: Stephen Bawing (2A)

E SUGGESTIONS FORM

Could you change the system of assessment, please? It's not fair. Some students just don't do well in exams. I always do my homework, my class work is usually good, I take notes in class, and I revise really hard. But I fail my exams because I get nervous. Why don't we do more project work as part of our assessment?

Name: Gordon Black (1E)
**Listening**

Think of three to five school problems you’ve had recently. Tell another student about them.

**Exam Task**

**CD 1-31** You are going to hear a conversation between two pupils in a school canteen. Decide if the statements 1–6 are true (T), false (F) or there is no information (N).

1. Tommy is not with them because he’s got a PE lesson now.
2. David thinks that Geography is a useless subject.
3. The next lesson is History.
4. David hasn’t done his History homework because his computer crashed.
5. David and Jenny have got exams in three months’ time.

**CD 1-32** Listen again to the following extract. Then write your own short dialogue using the highlighted phrases and adding your own ideas.

A: Anyway, how’re you doing?
B: Not bad, considering I had to survive double Geography first thing this morning.
A: What’s wrong with Geography? I like it. It’s almost like travelling, you know, like, in your imagination.
B: It’s boring, that’s what’s wrong with it. And it’s certainly nothing like travelling...

Miss Fitzwilliam thinks that ‘if you don’t study now, it may affect your whole future.’ What’s your opinion? You can use the chart to help you.

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b) Look at the adjectives in the table above. Which of them can form antonyms by adding a prefix or a suffix? Add the antonyms to the table.

**Exam Task**

Read the following article about the school lottery. Use the words in brackets to form one word for each gap 1–8.

**The School Lottery**

In some big cities in Britain, identical houses in similar areas are sold for very different prices. Why is this? Each school in Britain has a list of streets it takes its students from. It can only take students from another area if there are not enough local students to take up all the places. Understandably, parents will pay more for a house in a street where their children could attend a better school.

What about those who can’t afford to pay more for their house? At the moment, if they don’t have the (able) to pay, their children will have to go to a worse school which probably has more problem students and low exam results.

Some people believe that this is fair. They say that the children of poor parents who want a good educate should have the same chance as the children of richer parents. They suggest introducing ‘lottery’ schemes to decide which school a child will attend. The idea is that the better students will help the others and the teachers will be able to control them more easily.

Obviously not everyone likes the idea. The parents who are upset are generally richer and more powerful than others, and they have a good chance of keeping things as they are. The ideal solution, of course, would be to make all schools better.
The KIPP Academy
Donna Smith takes a look at an educational revolution

New York’s South Bronx district suffers terrible social problems, such as widespread illiteracy, drug abuse and youth crime. But in the midst of this, there is a school which has produced surprising academic results by combining lessons in hip-hop with the long hours and work ethic of the Victorians.

The KIPP Academy has been the best public middle school in the South Bronx in reading, math and attendance for nine consecutive years, and ranks in the top ten percent of all New York City public schools.

KIPP stands for the Knowledge is Power Programme, a national network of free co-educational public schools in poor communities throughout the USA. There are over fifty KIPP schools serving 14,000 students in seventeen states. More than eighty percent of them are low-income, and more than ninety-five percent are African American or Hispanic/Latino. KIPP aims to provide underserved students the same quality of instruction found in a top state-run Academy in Europe,’ explains KIPP spokesperson Steve Mancini, who taught English at the Second Liceum in Glwice, Poland in 1990-91 through the World Teach Program. The idea is that everyone should have the opportunity to obtain the academic and character skills necessary to achieve success, so students are accepted regardless of background or academic record. Amazingly, nearly eighty percent of them end up graduating from high school and going on to college.

The secret to KIPP’s academic success is hard work. The school day lasts from 7:25 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. every weekday, plus four hours on Saturday and three weeks during the summer holidays. That amounts to fifty per cent more classroom time than in traditional public schools.

The students’ progress is closely monitored and they get a lot of support. They can phone their teachers if they have problems with their homework, and the school constantly communicates with parents about how they can help their children at home.

Another reason why KIPP is successful is the ‘joy factor’. The teachers are hard-working, creative and motivating, and they use techniques such as singing, chanting, and movement to make lessons fun and engaging. A unique feature at the South Bronx KIPP school is the 180-piece band whose purpose is not to train future musicians, but to show what can be achieved through enthusiasm and hard work. Students can take part in extra-curricular activities such as Art, Physical Education and Business Studies, and there are also regular field trips all around the country.

The result is that very few students drop classes, cheat in exams or drop out. All they help children become better citizens as well as better learners. They may not only by higher test scores, also by what kind of citizens their students become. The philosophy is simple: ‘Work Hard, Be Nice’.
3 Look through the text again. Find at least ten things that make the KIPP Academy a success. Tick (√) those that your school has got and cross (X) those that your school has not got.

The KIPP Academy
- school day from 7:25 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- every weekday plus four hours on Saturday

My school

X

Which of the things you listed in Exercise 3 would you like your school to have? Discuss in small groups.

5 Read the Language and Culture note. Find three more collocations with the word academic in the text.

LANGUAGE & CULTURE
The word academic in English can mean 'related to education and studying'. If a school is good, we can say it offers high academic standards. Academic honesty means not cheating in exams or copying other people's work.

Ask and answer in pairs:
- Which school in your town or city has a reputation for high academic standards?
- Are you satisfied with your academic results?
- When you applied to this school, did you have to give your academic record from the previous one?
- How good are your academic skills?

4 CD 1-34 You are going to hear six teachers talking about what annoys them at school. Match the speakers 1–6 to the statements A–H. There are two extra statements that you do not need to use.

A This teacher has got a lot of problems with students.
B This teacher likes everything about his/her job except the part that is not related to teaching.
C This teacher dislikes his/her head teacher.
D This teacher says only good things about his/her students.
E This teacher has more problems with some adults than with students.
F This teacher says parents are always difficult.
G This teacher would like students to show more interest and enthusiasm.
H This teacher is upset by some students' lack of academic honesty.

CD 1-35 Here are some of the expressions the teachers used when talking about what students do. Match the collocating words. Then listen and check.

1 cheat
2 steal
3 miss
4 turn up
5 play

a lessons
b late
c truant
d in exams/homework
e library books

Matching < 18

1 You will hear three people talking about their primary school teachers. Read sentences A–D, which summarise what they say, and answer the questions to predict what they might say.

A I had a teacher who was too strict.
B I had a teacher who was inspiring despite some faults.
C I had a teacher who was never punctual.
D I had a teacher who was demanding but fair.

What do strict teachers do?
What can a teacher be inspiring?
What can a teacher have?
What does a demanding teacher do?
What makes a teacher fair?

2 CD 1-33 Now listen to the three people and match what they say A–D to the numbers 1–3. One option does not match any of the speakers.

1
2
3

3 One of the recordings contains the same word as one of the options, yet that option is not the right answer! Which one?
**SPEAKING**

**Situational roleplay →56**

**Exam workout**

1. Read the exam task in Exercise 2. Then do preparation exercises a–b.

   a. Use the correct verb forms in these sentences.
      1. I’d like to suggest (organise) ___ a class trip.
      2. Why don’t we (go) ___ to Stonehenge?
      3. How about (go) ___ to Oxford?
      4. We could (do) ___ a project on it.
      5. We promise (behave) ___ very well.

   b. Tick (✓) polite ways of disagreeing.
      1. I see your point, but...
      2. You must be joking! No way!
      3. I see what you mean, but...
      4. I’m afraid I can’t quite agree with you about that.
      5. What a stupid idea!
      6. I’m not sure that’s very educational.

**Exam task**

2. In pairs, roleplay the situation below. One of you is the candidate, the other plays the role of the examiner.

You are attending a language school in England and you are planning a class trip. Below you will find some pictures of places you could go. Your teacher wants to go to the National Gallery in London, but you think it is boring. Persuade your teacher to go to one of the other places.

1. Alton Towers
   One of the largest theme parks in the UK.

2. Oxford
   The oldest university in the English-speaking world.

3. Stonehenge
   The mysterious stone circle built over 4600 years ago.

4. The National Gallery, London
   Masterpieces by famous painters.

**WRITING**

**Formal letter: a letter of enquiry →50**

**Exam workout**

1. Read the exam task below and do exercises a–b.

   You would like to go on a summer English course in Cambridge. You have found an advertisement for a language school that looks interesting. Write an email to the manager of the school in which you will ask about:
   - the price of a one-month General English course
   - the facilities at the school
   - afternoon activities

   a. Read a student’s response to the exam task and answer these questions:
      - Has she included all the questions required by the rubric?
      - Is there anything wrong with the email?

   Dear Sir or Madam,
   Could you please tell me something about the school’s facilities?
   I also wonder about the social activities.
   May I ask you to let me know the price of a course?

   b. Develop the candidate’s email by adding the following lines in appropriate places:
      1. Yours sincerely,
      2. that you mentioned in the advertisement. What are they exactly?
      3. one-month General English
      4. I have read your advertisement and I am interested in taking a course. However, I would like to know some more details.
      5. Finally,
      6. For example, is there a computer room and a library?

**Exam task**

2. Read the exam task below and write a letter of enquiry.

   You would like to take part in a windsurfing course in Australia. You have found the website of a company that organises such courses. Write an email to the manager of the company in which you will ask about:
   - enrollment requirements
   - the price of a two-week course
   - accommodation

   Dear Sir or Madam,
   I have read your advertisement and am interested in taking a course. However, I would like to know some more details.
   Finally,
   For example, is there a computer room and a library?

   Yours sincerely,

graduate from a university
/grædʒuət/kvəm frəm ə ˌjuːnɪvərˈsɪtɪ
leaving school
/leɪv skɔːl/

BEING AT SCHOOL/STUDYING

class
/klaːs/
deadline
/ˈdedəm/ˈlɪn/
do a course
/də kɔːs/ˈkɔːs/
grade
/ɡreɪd/ˈɡreɪd/
holidays
/ˈhɒlədeɪz/ˌhɒləˈdeɪz/
learn (about) sth
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EXAMS

academic results
/ˈækədəmɪk rɪˈzuːltz/ˈækədəmɪk rɪˈzuːltz*
academic standards
/ˈækədəmɪk stændədʒz/ˈækədəmɪk stændədʒz*
cheat in an exam
/tʃiːt in ɪn ən ɪgˈziːm/ˈtʃiːt in ɪn ən ɪgˈziːm*
correct exam papers
/ˈkɔːrrek ɪmˈpeɪəz/ˈkɔːrrek ɪmˈpeɪəz*
do an exam
/də dən ɪgˈziːm/ˈdə dən ɪgˈziːm*
do badly in an exam
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do well in an exam
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GOING TO/LEAVING SCHOOL

absence
/ˈæbsəns/ˈæbsəns*
attend a course
/əˈtend ə kɔːs/ˈətend ə kɔːs*
attend classes
/əˈtend klɑːsɪz/ˈətend klɑːsɪz*
attend school
/əˈtend skɔːl/ˈətend skɔːl*
attendance
/əˈtændəns/ˈətændəns*
be absent
/biˈæbsənt/ˈbiˈæbsənt*
be present
/biˈprɛzənt/ˈbiˈprɛzənt*
get a degree
/get də ˈdiːgri/ˈget də ˈdiːgri*
get a diploma
/ɡeɪt ə ˈdɪpləʊ/ˈɡeɪt ə ˈdɪpləʊ*
graduate (noun)
/ɡrædʒuət/ˈɡrædʒuət*

SCHOOL OBJECTS

blackboard
/blækbɔːrd/ˈblækbɔːrd*
board
/bɔːrd/ˈbɔːrd*
chalk
/kɔːlk/ˈkɔːlk*
copybook
/ˈkɒpbʊk/ˈkɒpbʊk*
coursebook
/ˈkɔːsbiːk/ˈkɔːsbiːk*
exercise book
/ˈɛksəsaɪz bʊk/ˈɛksəsaɪz bʊk*
file
/ˈfɪl/ˈfɪl*
folder
/ˈfɑːldər/ˈfɑːldər*
interactive whiteboard
/ɪntəˈveɪtɪv ˈwaɪtəbɔːrd/ˈɪntəˌveɪtɪv ˈwaɪtəbɔːrd*
link
/lnk/ˈlnk*
notebook
/ˈnəʊtɪbʊk/ˈnəʊtɪbʊk*
PE kit
/piː kɪt/ˈpiː kɪt*
pen case
/ˈpɛnsɛls,kəz/ˈpɛnsɛls,kəz*
rubber
/ˈrʌbər/ˈrʌbər*
ruler
/ˈrʊlər/ˈrʊlər*
textbook
/ˈtekstbʊk/ˈtekstbʊk*
whiteboard
/waɪtəbɔːrd/ˈwaɪtəbɔːrd*
workbook
/ˈwɜːrkbʊk/ˈwɜːrkbʊk*

USEFUL PHRASES

discuss set books
/dɪsˈkʌs set bʊks/ˈdɪsˈkʌs set bʊks*
do a project
/də ə ˈprɛdʒekt/ˈdə ə ˈprɛdʒekt*
do a task
/də ə ˈtæsk/ˈdə ə ˈtæsk*
do an exercise
/də ən ənˈɪkɜːsəs/ˈdə ən ənˈɪkɜːsəs*
do an experiment
/də ən ənˈɜːpɪrɪˈment/ˈdə ən ənˈɜːpɪrɪˈment*
do homework
/də əˌhəʊmˈweɪr/ˈdə əˌhəʊmˈweɪr*
do your best
/də ə ˈbɛst/ˈdə ə ˈbɛst*
hand in homework
/hænd ɪn əˌhəʊmˈweɪr/ˈhænd ɪn əˌhəʊmˈweɪr*
I like work; it fascinates me. I can sit and look at it for hours.

*Jerome K. Jerome*  
(BRITISH HUMOROUS WRITER, 1859–1927)

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**Jobs**

1. Complete the sentences by adding the suffixes from the box to the words in bold to make names of jobs. Which of the jobs are shown in the pictures?

   - ant -er -ian -ist -man/-woman -or

   1. A person who is responsible for the **accounts** of a company is an _________.
   2. A person who **directs** films is a ___________.
   3. A person who repairs **electrical** devices/things is an _________.
   4. A person who works in a **library** is a ___________.
   5. A person who plays **music** is a ___________.
   6. A person who works in **politics** is a ___________.
   7. A person who **programs** computers is _________.
   8. A person who delivers the **post** is a ___________.
   9. A person who has studied **psychology** is _________.
   10. A person who takes **photographs** is _________.
   11. A person who works in the field of **science** is _________.

Which of these jobs are most/least useful? Discuss in pairs.

2. Match the people to what they do.

   1. A journalist
   2. A chef
   3. A miner
   4. A farmer
   5. An engineer
   6. A fashion designer
   7. A surgeon

   a. will operate on you if you are ill
   b. designs clothes
   c. builds roads, bridges or machines
   d. writes for a newspaper
   e. cooks in a restaurant
   f. works underground
   g. grows food for all of us

3. Match the words to make names of jobs.

   1. police
   2. shop
   3. flight
   4. driving
   5. sales
   6. security
   7. taxi

   a. attendant
   b. representative
   c. guard
   d. officer
   e. driver
   f. instructor
   g. assistant

Complete the crossword to find out what all the jobs have in common.

1  He/She looks after you if you are ill in hospital.
2  You need him if the taps are leaking.
3  He/She can cure you when you're ill.
4  You need him/her if your dog is ill.
5  He serves you in a restaurant.
6  You need him if your car isn't working well.
7  He/She can advise you on legal matters.
8  You need him/her if you want your hair cut.

ADJECTIVES TO DESCRIBE JOBS

What's the opposite of...
1  a well-paid job - a ___________ job
2  a permanent job - a ___________ job
3  a full-time job - a ___________ job

LOOKING FOR A JOB

Complete this letter of application with the words from the box.

September 6, 2007

Dear Sir or Madam,

I would like to _______ for the position of assistant at your art gallery. I saw your _______ in The Guardian on June 12.

As you will see from my _______, I have all the _______ you require: a degree in art history and several certificates in foreign languages. I also have five years' _______ of similar work at a small local gallery in my home town, Carnforth. While working there, I was _______ for contacts with buyers, both face to face and via the Internet.

My computer _______ include using all the applications in both MS Office and OpenOffice.

I look forward to an opportunity to meet with you in person. Please contact me at any of the email addresses or telephone numbers listed in the CV to arrange for an _______.

Yours faithfully,

Sharon Collins

WORK AND MONEY

Match the words to the definitions.

1  salary  a  money that you make by selling
2  wages  b  the money a retired person receives
3  fee    c  money paid every month for work
4  income d  extra money paid to employees
5  profit e  money paid per hour or per week of work
6  bonus f  payment for professional services, e.g. of a doctor or lawyer
7  pension g  all the money a person makes (and has to pay tax on)

USEFUL PHRASES

CD 2-02 Read the dialogue and choose the best words a–c for each gap. Then listen and check.

BARRY: Excuse me, Mr O'Reilly, may I have a word with you?

MR O'REILLY: Yes, Barry, of course. What is it?

BARRY: Mr O'Reilly, I've been thinking maybe it's time I had a _______ rise. I've been working here for five years, I _______ my job well, I've never taken a day _______, but my salary is still the same as when I started.

MR O'REILLY: It seems to me you're _______ paid, and as you know the _______ we give are unusually good; you've got health insurance, a staff canteen...

BARRY: But what about overtime, Mr O'Reilly? I _______ really long ______, you know.

MR O'REILLY: Well, Barry, we all have to do our best, don't we? I'm sure you're proud to be _______ of such an excellent team, aren't you? And you'll get a bonus at Christmas.

BARRY: Thank you, Mr O'Reilly.

1  a income  b wages  c pay
2  a make  b work  c do
3  a off  b free  c out
4  a good  b well  c much
5  a benefits  b fees  c bonuses
6  a time  b day  c hours
7  a group  b team  c work

Complete the sentences with the correct prepositions from the box.

as (x 4) of (x 2)

1  He works _______ a big international company.
2  She works _______ a receptionist.
3  I'm _______ a new invention.
4  She's in charge _______ the music department of a big shop.
5  What do you _______ a living?
6  He applied _______ a job in Thailand.
7  She's responsible _______ all the correspondence in the office.
8  The workers felt so angry about the bad working conditions that they _______ strike.
1 Work in small groups. Ask and answer the questions.
   • Have you or anyone you know ever had a summer job? What was it?
   • What did you (he/she) have to do?
   • What was good/bad about the job?
   • What kind of summer job would you like to do?

2 Make a list of all the summer jobs you can think of which students do in your country.

3 Read the following text about summer jobs. Match the headings A–H to the paragraphs 1–6. There are two extra headings that you do not need to use.
   A A bit of everything
   B Capital job
   C Entertain us
   D For artistic people
   E Get people to help
   F Mummy wanted
   G Strawberry fields
   H Work in sales

4 Which of the jobs would you like to do? Why? For which ones have you got the required qualities?

5 Complete the definitions with highlighted words from the text. Change the form of the word when necessary.
   1 A _______ is another word for a job or position.
   2 A _______ is a job that is available and people can apply for it.
   3 _______ is time that you spend working in your job in addition to your normal working hours.
   4 A _______ is a previous employer’s opinion of a candidate for a job.
   5 A _______ is one of the periods (usually day/night) into which a day’s work is divided in a hospital or factory.
   6 _______ are small jobs of various kinds.

6 Match the sentence beginnings 1–5 with the endings a–e.
   1 The job involves...  3 We require...
   2 You will be...  4 You will work...
   5 You will earn...
     a a group of five people/cleaning the office/all the correspondence
     b in a team/in shifts
     c up to £300 a week/a weekly wage of £200
     d working long hours/looking after children/a lot of travelling
     e good references/healthy, hard-working young people

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GET A JOB THIS SUMMER!

SUMMER JOBS

If you want a job this summer, it isn’t hard to find one. There are plenty of employers willing to pay a decent salary to young people who are not afraid of a hard day’s work.

1 For example, Star Summer Camps, based in the South-West of England, are looking for Activity Instructors to work with children aged 5–15. The money is not bad – from £220 to £260 per week. It’s ideal for outgoing, reliable people who enjoy working with children. Candidates with musical or sports ability are preferred, but all applications are welcome.

2 Can you see yourself as Mary Poppins? Want to work as a nanny? Well, there is a vacancy for a child carer with a prestigious family in the Channel Islands from May to September. The work involves looking after three pre-school children. Suitable qualifications, experience and good references are essential. It pays £180 per week plus full board and travel expenses.

3 Have you ever given money to a charity? Of course you have. Well, Time 2 Give need highly motivated, energetic, professional people to raise money for good causes. There are both permanent and short-term vacancies available all over the country, and good workers can earn over £400 a week! After a paid training period you would be responsible for working in a team to persuade people to give to charities.

4 If you prefer physical work, Gowrie Farms in the North-East of Scotland require hard-working fruit pickers for the summer. They provide medical insurance, holiday pay and accommodation and the wages range from £5 to £8 per hour.

5 Edinburgh has thousands of visitors every summer, and Travotel Hotels are offering £535 per month plus full board for a Hotel Reception Assistant. It’s a temporary summer contract, ideal for a student. The duties include answering the phone, helping customers, assisting senior receptionists and any other odd job. The hotel is open 24 hours, so you may be asked to work shifts, and overtime is also available.

6 How about working in a restaurant? Edinburgh Restaurants are recruiting part-time staff to serve and clear tables in its central staff. Applicants must be at least 16 years of age and a neat and tidy appearance essential. The posts are all in Central Edinburgh and the pay is £7.25 per hour.

To apply for any of the jobs above visit our website.
MATCHING 1-6 with the phrases a-f.

1 job interview
2 a new job
3 workers feeling dissatisfied
4 asking for a pay rise
5 getting fired
6 retirement

a low wages, go on strike
b unemployed, on the dole
c pension, part-time job
d previous experience, CV
e starting salary, benefits
f doing my job well, improved qualifications

CD 2.03 You are going to hear 5 short dialogues related to work. Match the speakers 1-5 to the statements A-F. There is one extra statement that you do not need to use.

A Someone is going to retire soon.
B The boss is threatening to fire someone.
C Employees are protesting against unfair treatment at work.
D Someone is trying to get a job with an airline.
E Someone is trying to get a pay rise.
F Someone is explaining to new employees how their job is.

CD 2.04 Listen to dialogue 4 again. Complete this list of advantages of the job the person is talking about:

We've got the best starting s________ in the country; fantastic b________; six weeks' p________ h________ a year, guaranteed s________ p________, free d________ c________ for pre-school children.

Which of these things would be most important to you? Discuss with a partner.

CD 2.05 Listen to dialogue 5 again and write down the names of all the jobs the man has done (there are six). Which of the jobs could you do for some time?

MULTIPLE CHOICE 1-34

Look at the exam task in Exercise 2 and do preparation exercises a-c.

a Read the text. Do not look at the given answers. Complete the text with your own ideas.

b Look at your ideas and make sure they are correct by considering these points:

- Does the meaning of the phrase make sense?
- Is the sentence grammatically correct now?
- Does the word normally go with the word that comes before or after it?

c Look at the given answers. Are any of them the same as your ideas?

CD 2.06 Read the story below. For gaps 1-8 choose the correct answer A-D.

WORK UNPAID

Mr. Stetson was the richest man 1 _______ town. He had made his money in the oil business and 2 _______ he was living on his own, he never gave money to charity. This is probably why everybody hated him.

One day he decided 3 _______ a new house built in the most fashionable part of town with a fireplace in his large living room. When the mason had finished working on the fireplace, he asked Mr. Stetson 4 _______ the money he was owed. 'I'm afraid I can't pay you today. You see, I don't have the exact money,' Mr. Stetson said. 'No problem, but please don't use the fireplace 5 _______ you've paid me,' went the answer. The client agreed unwillingly.

Four hours later the wealthy man phoned the workman, shouting, 'My house is 6 _______ smoke! I told you not to use the fireplace yet,' the mason replied. A little later he arrived 7 _______ Mr. Stetson's house and received his money. He immediately took a ladder, went up to the roof and took out his heaviest hammer. He simply 8 _______ it drop into the chimney, breaking the pane of glass he had built into it.

1 A at
2 A even
3 A to have
4 A Ø
5 A until
6 A filled of
7 A Ø
8 A let

B in
B until
B having
B to
B when
B full of
B by
B hit

C for
C although
C to do
C from
C because
C filled
C to
C did

D by
D where
D doing
D for
D while
D full
D at
D looked
Work in pairs. Describe the photo and answer the questions.
• Would you like to work in an office like this? Why? Why not?
• What are the advantages and disadvantages of working in an office?

Read the text below. For questions 1–5 choose the correct answer A–D.

1 The writer says he used to find offices impressive because
A the people are smartly dressed.
B employees get many perks.
C you get sick leave if you’re ill.
D you can do some of the work from home.

2 A woman’s desk
A is more hygienic than an office toilet.
B has three to four times less bacteria than a man’s desk.
C is usually in her home.
D has more bacteria than a man’s desk.

3 Which of the following is NOT given as a reason why women’s desks have many germs on them?
A Women keep food in their desks.
B Women have more contact with children.
C Women leave tissues lying on their desks.
D Women use cosmetics.

4 Men’s wallets are full of bacteria because of
A the place where men usually keep them.
B the amount of money they contain.
C the different things men keep in them.
D the high temperature in the office.

5 The writer advises the reader to:
A give up his or her office job.
B find a more hygienic workplace.
C get more information before making a decision.
D avoid hard manual work.

Complete the questions, using the highlighted expressions in the text to help you. Then ask and answer the questions in pairs.

1 Do your parents work ________ hours?
2 What, in your opinion, makes good ________ conditions?
3 Would you like to work ________ home?
4 If you were ________ for a job, what would you give as your greatest strength?
5 Which of these people should not, in your opinion, go on ________? doctors, nurses, teachers, firefighters, street cleaners, dustmen, bus drivers? Why?
A survey was carried out to find out what makes people happy at work. Complete the results with what you think is the most important.

Enjoyable work  Friendly supportive colleagues
Good boss or manager  High salary

CD 2-06 Listen to a dialogue between two friends to find out the real results of the survey. Then check your answers on page 172.

CD 2-07 You are going to hear a conversation between Rita and Laura about Rita’s new job. Decide if the statements 1–5 are true (T) or false (F).

1 Rita is not happy because the working conditions at the café are bad.
2 Rita has been fired.
3 Rita damaged a piece of equipment.
4 Rita’s help in the kitchen was a success.
5 Rita split some coffee over a customer.

CD 2-08 Read the sentences. Can you complete some of them without listening again? Compare your answers in pairs. Then listen and check.

1 All the s_________ are so nice and friendly.
2 They are making lots of p_________.
3 You can take time o_________.
4 I was in ch_________ of the coffee machine.
5 They asked me to give the chef a h_________.

What can you say when you are not sure? Match the beginnings and endings of six useful phrases with which you can start your answer.

1 That’s a good/difficult
2 I’m not
3 I haven’t
4 I have
5 It (all)
6 Let me

exam task

3 Work in pairs. Ask and answer questions from Exercise 1. Student A asks questions 1–3; student B asks questions 4–6. Give answers that are true for you and say as much as you can.

4 Now swap roles and ask the questions in Exercise 1 once again.
FORMAL LETTER: APPLICATION LETTER

Read the exam task below and do preparation exercises a–f.

You are going to spend next summer in the USA and you are looking for a summer job. You have seen this advertisement on the Internet:

A popular seaside resort is looking for SUMMER CAMP INSTRUCTORS. International students are welcome! Brilliant way to have a great summer and earn some money at the same time! If interested, send your letter of application to Gwen Smith, gwen@scusa.net. Include details of the position you are applying for, describe your professional experience, say why you would like to get the job and why you think you are a suitable candidate, describe your level of English and your experience in using it in practical situations.

Write an application letter including all the necessary details.

a Highlight the six items of information that the instructions ask for. The first one has been done for you as an example.

b Read a candidate’s response to the task. Which three pieces of information are not included? What else is wrong with the letter?

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to apply for the job of instructor at your summer camp. Last summer I worked as an instructor in Hungary and the children liked me. I can do many sports. I speak English quite well, I think I will be able to communicate with the children at your camp.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,

Adam

c Which three of the sentences below describe the candidate’s experience using English in practical situations?

1 I have no problems speaking English.
2 I have used English a lot when travelling and I can communicate with people of different nationalities.
3 I think I will be able to communicate with the children at your camp.
4 I often show foreign visitors around my town.
5 When I went on a school exchange to Britain two years ago, I had to speak English all the time.

d Match the jobs (1–6) to the candidates’ strengths (a–f).

1 au pair
2 instructor at summer camp
3 fruit picker
4 receptionist
5 shop assistant in a supermarket
6 cleaner

a I can work long hours and shifts.
b I am hard-working and very tidy.
c As well as playing tennis and football, I am a strong swimmer.
d I am strong, fit and I enjoy working outdoors.
e I am very patient and I like working with children.
f I can speak English, Spanish and Russian.

e Here are different ways in which you can join two strengths in a sentence.

1 I am strong and fit and I also enjoy working outdoors.
2 I am strong and fit and I enjoy working outdoors.
3 As well as being strong and fit, I enjoy working outdoors.

Now rewrite this sentence in the same three ways.

I am very patient and I like working with children.

1
2
3

f Put this jumbled sentence in order.

The Guardian / apply for / the position of / like / would / 1 / in / on / to / waiter / May 28 / advertised

2 Write an improved version of the candidate’s letter.

3 Read the exam task below and write an application letter.

You are studying in London and would like to take a part time job. You have seen this advertisement in the London News:

Are you a music junkie? We’ve got work for you!

If you like music, come and work in one of our music stores!

If interested, send your letter of application to Patrick Jones, pat@cdunet

Include details of your professional experience, say why you would like to get the job, why you think you are a suitable candidate and what kind of music you are into.

Write an application letter including all the necessary details.
TV presenter /'ti: viː/ 
vet /vet/ 
waiter /'weitə/ 
waitress /'weitrəs/ 

ADJECTIVES TO DESCRIBE JOBS 
badly paid /'bedli pɛid/ 
full-time /'ful tʌm/ 
manual work /'mænjuəl 'wɜːk/ 
part-time /'pɑːt tʌm/ 
permanent /'pɜːrmanənt/ 
temporary /'tempərəri/ 
well-paid /'wel pɛid/ 

LOOKING FOR A JOB 
applicant /ə'plɪkənt/ 
application form /,æplɪkeɪʃən fɔːm/ 
candidate /'kændidət/ 
curriculum vitae /kə'riktjʊəm 'vaiət/ 
CV /sɪ viː/ 
employment contract /'ɪm'plɔɪmənt 'kɔntrəkt/ 
enclave a CV /'enkləuz ə sɪ viː/ 

INTERVIEW 
job advertisement /'dʒəb /'æplɪkeɪʃən/ 
job application /'dʒəb /'æplɪkeɪʃən/ 

time
time
time
time
time

NOT WORKING 
be fired /fiərd/ 
be off sick /bi ɑf sɪk/ 
be on sick leave /bi ɑn sɪk lɪv/ 
be sacked /sækɪd/ 
be on strike /gəʊ ɑn straɪk/ 
look for a job /lʊk fɔː dʒəb/ 
take a day off /teik ə dɪ ɔf/ 
take leave /teik lɪv/ 
take above from sb /teik əboʊ frəm ə sb/ 
take time off /teik taim əf/ 
the job involves /ðə dʒəb ɪnvləvz/ 
work as /wɜːk əz/ 
work for a company /wɜːk fər ə kəmpəni/ 
work long hours /wɜːk lʊŋ hɔːrs/ 
work on sth /wɜːk ən ə sb/ 
work shifts /wɜːk ʃiftz/ 

WORK AND MONEY 
bonus /'bənəs/ 
earnings /'ɛrnɪŋz/ 
fee /fiː/ 
fringe benefits /'frɪŋ bi'neɪtʃɪz/ 
income /'ɪnkəm/ 
pay /peɪ/ 
pay rise /peɪ rɪz/ 
pension /'pensən/ 
profit /'prɒfɪt/ 
salary /'sæləri/ 
working conditions /'wɜːrkwɪŋ 'kəndɪʃənz/ 

EMPLOYMENT 
career /'kærɪər/ 
employ /'ɪmplɔɪ/ 
employment /'ɪmplɔɪmənt/ 
job /dʒəb/ 

Odd jobs /əd dʒəbz/ 
position /'pəuzʃən/ 
promotion /prə'mɔʃən/ 

at work 
assist /ə'sɪst/ 
deadline /'dedlin/ 
deal with /diːl wɪð/ 
give sb a hand /gɪv 'sæm ə hænd/ 
manage /mænɪdʒ/ 
management /mænɪdʒmənt/ 
office /'ɒfɪs/ 
overwork /'əʊvərwɜːk/ 
per hour /pɜː hʌr/ 
run a business /rʌn ə 'bɪznəs/ 
teamwork /'tiːmwɜːk/ 
work overtime /wɜːk 'əʊtvʌlt/ 
workplace /'wɜːkplæs/ 

people at work 
boss /bɒs/ 
colleague /'kɒliːg/ 
employee /ɪm'plɔɪ/ 
employer /ɪm'plɔɪər/ 
staff /stæf/ 
team /tiːm/ 
worker /'wɜːkə/ 

useful phrases 
apply for a job /æ'plai fə dʒəb/ 
be in charge of sth /bi ɪn 'tʃeɪz əv ə sb/ 
be part of a team /bi pɑːt əv ə tiːm/ 
be responsible for sth /bɪ 'rɪspənsəbəl fə ə sb/ 
be self-employed /bɪ self ɪmplɔɪd/ 
concentrate on sth /kən'zentreɪt ən ə sb/ 
deal with people /diːl wɪð /'piːpəl/ 
do your job well /də juː dʒəb weəl/ 
do sth for a living /də ə sbɪŋ ə 'lɪvɪŋ/ 
earn your living as /ɪn ə sbɪŋ ə 'lɪvɪŋ əs/ 
fill in a form /fɪl ɪn ə fɔːm/ 
get a bonus /get ə 'bəʊnəs/ 
get a job /get ə dʒəb/ 
get a pay rise /get ə pə raiз/ 
get promoted /get prə'məʊtəd/ 
go on strike /goʊ ən straɪk/ 
look for a job /lʊk fɔː dʒəb/ 
take a day off /teik ə dɪ əf/ 
take leave /teik lɪv/ 
take over from sb /teik əvə frəm ə sb/ 
take time off /teik taim əf/ 
the job involves /ðə dʒəb ɪnvləvz/ 
work as /wɜːk əz/ 
work for a company /wɜːk fər ə kəmpəni/ 
work long hours /wɜːk lʊŋ hɔːrs/ 
work on sth /wɜːk ən ə sb/ 
work shifts /wɜːk ʃiftz/
Types of Food
1 Match the sections of the food pyramid a–g with the words 1–7.
   1 cereal products
   2 dairy products
   3 fats and sweets
   4 fish and seafood
   5 fruit
   6 meat
   7 vegetables

2 In your notebook, divide these types of food into the seven categories from the food pyramid. Then add two to three more words to each category.

   apricot
   bacon
   beef
   breakfast cereal
   cabbage
   cauliflower
   cherry
   chocolate
   cod
   cottage cheese
   cucumber
   eggs
   grapes
   green peas
   herring
   lettuce
   margarine
   milkshake
   olive oil
   plum
   pork
   radish
   red pepper
   rice
   rolls
   sausage
   steak
   strawberry
   sweetcorn
   tuna
   turkey
   watermelon
   yoghurt

Adjectives Describing Food
3 Match.
   1 How would you like your steak?
   2 What kind of water would you like?
   3 How do you like your tea?
   4 What kind of wine shall we buy?
   5 What's this bread like?
   6 What kind of food do you prefer?

   a Dry or sweet?
   b Mild or spicy?
   c Fresh or stale?
   d Rare, medium or well-done?
   e Still or sparkling?
   f Weak or strong?

Food Packaging and Quantities
4 Match.
   1 a carton of
   2 a can of
   3 a packet of
   4 a loaf of
   5 a jar of
   6 a box of
   7 a bar of

   a bread
   b honey
   c chocolate
   d chocolates
   e cola
   f crisps
   g juice
PREPARING FOOD
6 Match the drawings a–i to the sentences 1–9.

1 Boil the eggs in a saucepan.
2 Stir the soup with a wooden spoon.
3 Bake for forty-five minutes in a hot oven.
4 Put the kettle on.
5 Mix all the ingredients in a large bowl.
6 Peel the potatoes.
7 Slice the pineapple.
8 Chop the parsley with a sharp knife.
9 Melt some butter in a frying pan.

MEALS
6 Complete the sentences with the words from the box.

picnic breakfast dinner barbecue snack packed lunch

1 I usually have a bowl of cereal for _______.
2 Our neighbours are having a _______. I can smell the burning meat!
3 We're going hiking tomorrow. Remember to bring a _______, there won't be any restaurants in the mountains!
4 We've got some guests coming to _______ on Saturday at 7 p.m.
5 I'm busy. I'm just going to have a quick _______.
6 The weather's so lovely! Let's have a _______ in the park!

RESTAURANTS AND BARS
7 In what situations would you go to these places?
Match.
1 pub
2 cafe
3 canteen
4 buffet car
5 fast food restaurant
6 Chinese takeaway

a You're on a train journey.
 b You need something to eat while studying, so you buy it on your way home.
 c You're in a hurry and not thinking about your health!
 d You're at school or at work.
 e You want to meet some friends for a beer.
 f You're meeting a friend for a coffee.

USEFUL PHRASES
8 In what order do you normally do these activities?
Number them 1–5.

Clear the table
Cook a meal
Do the washing-up
Have a meal
Lay the table

9 CD 2.09 Complete the dialogue between Lucy and her boyfriend with the words from the box. Then listen and check.

junk vegetarian lose put on go low high

LUCY: Oh dear, I really need to _______ weight. I'll have to _______ on a diet. I hate it.
PHIL: Do you really have to? You don't look as if you've _______ weight.
LUCY: Oh, but I have, Phil. It's all this _______ food I eat when I don't have time to cook. It's so fattening, you know.
PHIL: Well, then it's not just about weight, is it? It's really about your health, Lucy. Listen, why don't we do something together? We could cook healthy food, you know, _______ in fat and calories, _______ in vitamins and minerals… and maybe some of it might even be tasty. We could take it in turns, you cook one day and I do the next. How's that?
LUCY: OK. Let's try. We could even do some _______ food. Summer's a good time for that.
Who needs meat when there are all those cheap fresh vegetables?
1. Describe the photo below. Answer these questions.
   - Do you eat school lunches or do you bring your own lunch from home?
   - What do you usually have for lunch?
   - What is your favourite lunch food?
   - Are the school lunches in your school good?

2. Read the following text about school meals in different countries. Match the statements 1–5 to the countries A–F. There is one extra country that you do not need to use.
   1. Meals are organised differently in primary school and in high school.
   2. Small children receive free fruit.
   3. Sweets cannot be bought at all times.
   4. The government makes rules about the content of the meals.
   5. You cannot usually choose your food unless you are on a special diet.

3. Which of the school lunches described in the text would you most like to eat?

4. Use the highlighted words from the text to complete these sentences.
   1. ________ are a bit like spaghetti, but thinner; they are often used in Chinese cooking.
   2. In informal speech vegetables are often called ________.
   3. When you can choose your meal from a range of foods on a table and serve yourself, this is called a ________.
   4. Another word for cold non-alcoholic drinks is ________.
   5. ________ comes from Italy and there are many different kinds, e.g. spaghetti, penne, farfalle.

5. In pairs, write a paragraph like the ones in the text about school meals in your country.

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**SCHOOL MEALS AROUND THE WORLD**

**A SCOTLAND**
The typical menu might offer a choice between turkey, steak and two veg, pizza, baked potato with salmon mayonnaise; a sandwich, roll or salad. In addition, children can choose to have milk, juice, soup and bread, vegetable and fruit. Chips are still available, but no more than twice a week. Every child gets a free piece of fruit a day in their first two school years and all dining rooms provide free chilled water.

**B COLOMBIA**
State schools provide either one hot meal a day: soup, rice or pasta, meat, salad and fruit juice; or a series of light snacks: at least two pieces of fruit, fruit juice, small cake and sandwich. In both cases, the amounts of calories, vitamins and nutritional content are set by the Health Ministry, and each meal must provide children with thirty-three per cent of their recommended daily intake.

**C JAPAN**
In many primary schools meals are eaten in the classroom during the lunch break, and children clean up afterwards. Among the dishes served are tofu stew, assorted vegetables, rice, miso soup, frozen yoghurt and canons of milk. High schools operate canteens, which serve anything from noodles to curry, but not burgers and chips. Other children have lunchboxes, which may contain cold rice balls, grilled meat or fish, pickles and simmered vegetables.

**D SPAIN**
Hamburgers are on the menu, but only once a week. On other days you might find omelettes, salads, chick pea stew, fish and pasta. Desserts could be natural yoghurt, orange compote or a banana. Typically there is only one option on offer, though children on special diets are catered for.

**E AUSTRALIA**
Meat pies, sausage rolls and hotdogs are traditional in Australia. But to fight childhood obesity, many schools use a 'traffic light' system, which limits the sale of red-labelled foods that are high in fat, sugar or salt, such as pastries, chocolate and soft drinks. Healthier green-labelled foods such as sushi, sandwiches, corn on the cob and watermelon slices are available every day. In one school, students can choose from eighty-nine foods, including popcorn, sandwiches, spring water, milkshakes and rice crackers.

**F SWEDEN**
Schools serve at least one cooked main dish with vegetables, bread and one third fruit and veg. A typical lunch features meatballs with potatoes, cabbage rolls or with a mixed salad from the box.

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**LANGUAGE & CULTURE**
The word 'lunch' means a (usually light) meal eaten around 1 p.m. It doesn't matter what you have just a sandwich, or a cooked meal. The largest meal of the day is 'dinner', which is eaten later.
In pairs, describe the photo and answer these questions.
- Why do you think the people are eating in this place?
- What do you think of restaurants of this kind?

Here are some possible effects of an unhealthy diet. Tick (√) the ones you think are true.
- It makes you fat.
- You can get heart disease.
- It makes you aggressive.
- It makes your skin and hair look bad.
- You get worse academic results.

CD 2-10 You are going to hear people talking about the link between food and crime. Complete the gaps 1-9 with one word.

THE LINK BETWEEN FOOD AND VIOLENT CRIME
- TV commercials encourage people to _____ the wrong kind of _____.
- The kinds of food shown in adverts include fizzy drinks, chocolate, _____, biscuits, sweets, _____ and chicken nuggets.
- There are no TV adverts for bananas or _____.
- The proportion of obese children has almost doubled in _____ years.
- Children who don't have a balanced diet are more _____.
- In the experiment, the number of violent incidents caused by the teenagers who changed their diet _____ by _____.

What is your reaction to the idea that a bad diet makes people violent? Tell another student.

I'm surprised.
I don't believe it's true.
I already knew it.
I didn't know it, but I'm not really surprised.

MULTIPLE CHOICE ← 34

1 Read the article in the Exercise 3. Ignore the gaps. Decide if the sentences 1-3 below are true or false.
   1. According to the article, crisps are a popular snack nowadays.
   2. Crisps were invented by a choosy customer.
   3. An annoyed cook invented crisps unintentionally.

2 Read the paragraph below and complete gaps a-d using the options 1-4 from Exercise 3. Explain your choice and say why the other options are not correct.

Mike has been going to that restaurant _____ he first came to live in London. It _____ very cheap, but the food is delicious. He last went there _____ Monday and ate some spicy Thai noodles and a traditional Chinese moon pie, which was not sweet _____ but he liked it anyway.

3 Read the following text about the invention of crisps (or chips in American English). For gaps 1-8, choose the correct answer A-D.

THE ORIGIN OF CRISPS

CRISPS HAVE BEEN GREAT FAVOURITES WITH MANY OF US 1 YEARS. WHO 2 ENJOY NIBBLING THIN ROUND PIECES OF FRIED POTATOES IN FRONT OF THE TV OR AS A SNACK TO GO WITH A DRINK AT A PARTY? ONE WOULD THINK THAT SUCH A POPULAR FOOD WAS BORN FROM AN IDEA THAT CAME TO ONE OF THE TOP CHEFS OF AMERICA AT A MOMENT OF GREAT INSPIRATION, BUT THE TRUTH IS QUITE DIFFERENT.

One day in 1853 in a restaurant a choosy customer complained to the waitress 3 the quality of his chips, saying that they were 4 thick and oily. When the cook heard about this, he became very angry. He made some paper-thin slices of potatoes, fried them until they were brown and 5 a rather generous amount of salt. Finally, he 6 his crisps to the dissatisfied customer in person and literally dumped them in front of him. The customer tried one, liked the taste, and went on to eat 7 all. Today, according 8 statistics, an American eats an average of six pounds of crisps each year.

1 A many B since C from D for
2 A isn't B doesn't C hasn't D wasn't
3 A on B that C for D about
4 A enough B more C too D so
5 A mixed B added C put D did
6 A served B gave C sold D fried
7 A them B it C this D that
8 A to B with C by D on
1 Think about any sci-fi (science fiction) books or stories you've read. In pairs, ask and answer these questions.

- Who in a sci-fi book would be called Earthman?
- What could aliens look like?
- Describe one unusual invention you remember from a sci-fi story.
- What do you imagine a restaurant at the end of the universe could be like?

2 Using a dictionary, match the words to the explanations.

1 To approach someone is to
2 When you whisper, you
3 To exclaim is to
4 If you speak disapprovingly, you
5 To treat animals in a humane way is to
6 Someone who is malicious
7 If you stuff yourself, you

- a eat too much.
- b are critical.
- c come near them.
- d enjoys making fun of others in a cruel way.
- e speak very quietly.
- f not be cruel to them.
- g say something loudly and suddenly, often because you're surprised.

3 Read the following excerpt from a novel. Decide if the statements 1-6 are true (T) or false (F).

1 The cow was upset that it was going to be killed.
2 Arthur ordered a salad because he was shocked by the cow's behaviour.
3 The cow believes that vegetables can think.
4 The animal behaved in this way because it had been designed to do so.
5 When the meal was served, all the characters started eating at once.
6 Zaphod agrees with Arthur's objections.

4 Read the two statements by Arthur and Zaphod. Who do you agree with? Why? Do you think this idea is just science fiction or could it become reality some day?

'I don't want to eat an animal that's standing there inviting me to. It's cruel.'

'It's better than eating an animal that doesn't want to be eaten.'

5 Complete these phrases from the text.

1 Are you ready to ________?
2 May I ________ you in...?
3 Why ________ ________ ________ have some...?
4 I think I'll just ________ a salad.
5 A ________ ________ of water, ________.

6 Complete these sentences with highlighted words from the text.

1 Potatoes and other vegetables can be ________ in oil.
2 Food can be ________ over a real or electrical fire.
3 Meat or vegetables can be ________ ________ a raw ________.
4 To make ________ potatoes creamier you can add butter and milk.
5 ________ meat is usually cooked in the oven.

LANGUAGE & CULTURE

The novel The Restaurant at the End of the Universe is the second volume of the series The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy by Douglas Adams.

A large cow with big eyes and a smile approached Zaphod's table. 'Good evening,' it said and sat down, 'Are you ready to order? I'm the main Dish of the Day. May I interest you in parts of my body?'

Arthur and Trillian were shocked. Ford appeared bored but Zaphod looked hungry.

'A slice from the shoulder perhaps?' suggested the animal, 'grilled,' with a wine sauce?

'Er, your shoulder?' said Arthur, horrified.

'But naturally, my shoulder, sir.'

Zaphod jumped up and felt the animal's shoulder.

'My meat is very good,' it said, 'I've been exercising and eating plenty of grass.

'This animal actually wants us to eat it!' whispered Trillian.

'That's horrible!' exclaimed Arthur.

'What's the problem, Earthman?' said Zaphod.

'I don't want to eat an animal that's standing there inviting me to,' said Arthur, 'it's cruel.'

'It's better than eating an animal that doesn't want to be eaten,' said Zaphod.

'That's not the point,' Arthur protested. Then he thought for a moment. 'Alright,' he said, 'maybe it is, but...? He looked at the menu.

'I think I'll just have a salad.'

The cow spoke up, 'Why don't you have some nice roast beef with peas and carrots? Or how about a steak fried with onions? Rare, medium or well done?'
Multiple choice \(\Rightarrow 14\)

1. How often do you eat out? Do you enjoy it?

2. In what order do you usually do these things in a restaurant? Number them 1–8.

   - Ask for the bill
   - Leave a tip
   - Find a table
   - Have a dessert
   - Order
   - Have a starter
   - Ask for a main course
   - Read the menu

3. CD 2-11 You are going to hear a radio programme about an unusual restaurant. For questions 1–5 choose the correct answer A–C.

   1. Why is it dark in the restaurant?
      - A. To save energy.
      - B. To make the atmosphere more romantic.
      - C. To let you imagine what it's like being blind.

   2. How do you find your table?
      - A. You follow little lights in the floor.
      - B. The waiter leads you there.
      - C. There's just enough light to do it.

   3. Which of these difficulties is NOT mentioned?
      - A. Getting the waiter's attention.
      - B. Finding things on the table.
      - C. Pouring drinks.

   4. What was special about the meal Lily and Julian ordered?
      - A. It was vegetarian.
      - B. They didn't know what they'd get.
      - C. It was fried in a mustard sauce.

   5. Which of these statements best summarises how Lily and Julian felt about the restaurant?
      - A. They felt uncomfortable.
      - B. It felt odd at first, but they liked it.
      - C. They loved it from the start.

4. In pairs, write your own restaurant menus, with a choice of at least three starters, main courses and desserts, and some drinks. Make two copies of your menu. Change partners and order meals from each other's menu.

   - A. Customer
     - Ask for the menu
     - Drink?
     - Ask B to recommend sth
     - Order something to drink
     - Order your dinner
     - Thank the waiter
   - B. Waiter
     - Bring the menu
     - Ask if A is ready to order
     - Recommend a dish or dishes
     - Recommend a dish or dishes
     - Thank the waiter
Read the following exam task and complete a candidate's response to it by putting the words from the box in gaps 1–6.

You and your English-speaking friend are planning a field trip and have to decide what sort of food to take with you. Think of possible ideas and decide together what to take. Consider taking chocolate bars, biscuits, some fruit, sandwiches.

about better good sure think what

EXAMINER: 'So, about the food. Let's take two chocolate bars per person and a few packets of biscuits.'

CANDIDATE: 'Nothing but sweets? I don't 1 ________ that's a 2 ________ idea. We'll be hungry and thirsty. I'm 3 ________ it's 4 ________ to take some sandwiches and apples.'

EXAMINER: 'Oh no, it's too much bother making sandwiches, and apples are heavy.'

CANDIDATE: 'How 5 ________ this then: I'll make the sandwiches and you buy some biscuits. And perhaps we'll manage to get some fruit on the way. 6 ________ do you think about that?'

EXAMINER: 'OK, let's do that.'

In pairs, roleplay the situation below. One of you is the candidate, the other plays the role of the examiner.

You and your English-speaking friend are planning a party and have to decide what sort of food to prepare. Your friend wants to roast a duck and serve strawberry pancakes for dessert. You don't think this is a good idea for party food. Persuade your partner to prepare something else. Consider the following ideas: pizza, sandwiches, fruit salad, potato crisps, fresh fruit, apple pie, sweets and chocolates. Decide on three foods that you are going to buy or prepare.

Now swap roles and roleplay the situation again.

You are studying abroad. You promised to bring some food to a party. You have to go out and don't have time to prepare anything. Write a note to your roommate, in which you will:

• explain the situation
• say what dish should be prepared
• explain where the ingredients are
• apologize for the problem

Begin like this: Donny,

It's nothing serious, but I can't prepare the Greek salad I promised to bring to the party. Could you please do it for me?

Donny,

I'm really sorry to bother you; I hope it's not too much trouble. Thank you very much and see you in the evening.

The tomatoes and peppers are on the kitchen table, and the onions, olives and cheese are in the fridge. Just chop everything and put it in a bowl with some olive oil!

Adam

Help! I've got a problem. Jim hurt his leg playing football today and I have to take him to the clinic.

Think of different ideas for the same task.

• explain the situation
• say what dish should be prepared
• explain where the ingredients are

Write your own version of the note from Exercise 1.

You have just started university. There is a picnic organised for new students where you can get to know your classmates better. Everyone is supposed to bring a friend and some food with them. Write a note to your friend Jane, in which you will:

• tell her about the picnic
• ask her if she would like to come with you
• suggest what you could take to the picnic
• offer to pick her up in your car

Start your note like this: Hi Jane,
Types of Food

MEAT
- bacon /ˈbeɪkən/
- beef /bɪf/ (Beef)
- chicken /ˈtʃɪkən/
- ham /hæm/ (Ham)
- pork /pɔrk/ (Pork)
- sausage /ˈsɔsɪdʒ/ (Sausage)
- turkey /ˈtʃɜkri/ (Turkey)

FISH AND SEAFOOD
- cod /kɒd/ (Cod)
- fillet /ˈfɪlɪt/ (Fillet)
- fish and chips /ˈfɪʃ ənd ˈtʃɪps/ (Fish and Chips)
- herring /ˈhɛrɪŋ/ (Herring)
- salmon /ˈsæmən/ (Salmon)
- sardine /ˈsɜrdeɪn/ (Sardine)
- shellfish /ˈʃelflɪʃ/ (Shellfish)
- tuna /ˈtjuːnə/ (Tuna)

DAIRY PRODUCTS
- butter /ˈbʌtə/ (Butter)
- cheese /ˈtʃɪz/ (Cheese)
- cottage cheese /ˈkɒtɪdʒ ˈtʃɪz/ (Cottage Cheese)
- egg /eg/ (Egg)
- ice cream /aɪs krɪm/ (Ice Cream)
- margarine /ˈmærgərɪn/ (Margarine)
- milkshake /ˈmɪlk ʃeɪk/ (Milkshake)
- omelette /ˈɒmɪlət/ (Omelette)
- yoghurt /ˈjʌgət/ (Yoghurt)

CEREAL PRODUCTS
- breakfast /ˈbɛkfrɪst/ (Breakfast)
- brown bread /ˈbraʊn bred/ (Brown Bread)
- cereal /ˈsɛrɪəl/ (Cereal)
- noodles /ˈnəʊdlz/ (Noodles)
- pasta /ˈpæstə/ (Pasta)
- rice /rʌɪs/ (Rice)
- toast /təʊst/ (Toast)
- white bread /ˈwet brɛd/ (White Bread)

SWEETS
- apple pie /ˈæpl pai/ (Apple Pie)
- birthday cake /ˈbɜðəri kek/ (Birthday Cake)
- biscuits (Biscuits)
- cake /kek/ (Cake)
- cheesecake /tʃɪzˈkeik/ (Cheesecake)
- cookies (AmE) /ˈkoʊkɪs/ (Cookies)
- fruitcake /ˈfrʌɪktkeik/ (Fruitcake)
- poppy-seed cake /ˈpɒpi sɛd kek/ (Poppy-seed Cake)
- pudding /ˈpʌdɪŋ/ (Pudding)

FRUIT
- apple /ˈæpl/ (Apple)
- apricot /əˈprɪkɒt/ (Apricot)
- banana /ˈbænə/ (Banana)
- blackcurrant /ˈblækərənt/ (Blackcurrant)
- blueberry /ˈbluəbɛri/ (Blueberry)
- cherry /ˈtʃɛri/ (Cherry)
- coconut /ˈkɒkənt/ (Coconut)
- grapefruit /ˈɡreɪpfrʊt/ (Grapefruit)
- grapes /ɡrɛps/ (Grapes)
- kiwi /ˈkiwi/ (Kiwi)
- lemon /ˈlɛmən/ (Lemon)
- lime /ˈlaɪm/ (Lime)
- mango /ˈmæŋɡəʊ/ (Mango)
- melon /ˈmɛlən/ (Melon)

ADJECTIVES DESCRIBING FOOD
- delicious /ˈdɪliʃəs/ (Delicious)
- dry wine /ˈdrɔɪ wɪn/ (Dry Wine)
- fatty /ˈfeɪti/ (Fatty)
- fresh /fref/ (Fresh)
- mild /mɪld/ (Mild)
- rare steak /reɪ stek/ (Rare Steak)
- sour milk /sɔr mɪlk/ (Sour Milk)
- spicy /ˈspɪʃɪ/ (Spicy)
- stale bread /ˈstɛl bred/ (Stale Bread)
- strong tea /ˈstrɔŋ tɛ/ (Strong Tea)
- sweet /swɪt/ (Sweet)
- tasty /ˈteɪsti/ (Tasty)
- weak tea /wɛk tɛ/ (Weak Tea)
- well-done steak /wel ′dæn ˈstek/ (Well-Done Steak)

PACKAGING AND QUANTITIES
- bag of flour /bæg əv flɔər/ (Bag of Flour)
- bar of chocolate /bɑː əv ′tʃɔklt/ (Bar of Chocolate)
- bottle of lemonade /′bɒtl əv ′lemən′neɪd/ (Bottle of Lemonade)
- box of chocolates /bɒks əv ′tʃɔkləts/ (Box of Chocolates)
- can of cola /kæn əv ˈkəʊlə/ (Can of Cola)
- carton of milk /ˈkɑrtən əv milk/ (Carton of Milk)
- carton of orange juice /ˈkɑrtən əv ′ɔrəndʒ dʒuːz/ (Carton of Orange Juice)
- glass of water /ˈɡlæs əv ′wɔtə/ (Glass of Water)
- jar of jam /dʒɑː əv dʒeɪm/ (Jar of Jam)
- loaf of bread /ˈləʊf əv bred/ (Loaf of Bread)
- packet of biscuits /ˈpækət əv ′bɪskəts/ (Packet of Biscuits)
- packet of crisps /ˈpækət əv ′krɪspz/ (Packet of Crisps)

RESTAURANTS AND BARS
- bill /bɪl/ (Bill)
- breakfast /ˈbrekfəst/ (Breakfast)
- cafe /keɪf/ (Cafe)
- cafeteria /ˈkæfɪtəriə/ (Cafeteria)
- canteen /ˈkæntən/ (Canteen)
- cutlery /ˈkʌtləri/ (Cutlery)
- dessert /dɪ′zɜːrt/ (Dessert)
- dish /dɪʃ/ (Dish)
- fast food restaurant /fɑːst fʊd ˈrɛstərɒnt/ (Fast Food Restaurant)
- fork /fɔrk/ (Fork)
- knife /nɪf/ (Knife)
- main course /ˈmein kɔːs/ (Main Course)
- menu /ˈmɛnju/ (Menu)
- napkin /nəpˈkɪn/ (Napkin)
- order /ˈɔrədər/ (Order)
- self-service restaurant /ˈsɛlf ˈsɛrvɪs ˈrɛstɔrənt/ (Self-Service Restaurant)
- serve /sɜːv/ (Serve)
- service /ˈsɜːvɪs/ (Service)
- serviette /ˈsɜrvjɛt/ (Serviette)
- spoon /ˈspɔn/ (Spoon)
- starter /ˈstɑːtər/ (Starter)
- take away /teɪk əˈweɪ/ (Takeaway)
- tip /tɪp/ (Tip)
- waiter /ˈweɪtə/ (Waiter)
- waitress /ˈwɛtər/ (Waitress)
- wine list /ˈwɪn ˈlɪst/ (Wine List)

USEFUL PHRASES
- be on a diet /bi ən ə ˈdɑːt/ (Be on a Diet)
- book a table /bʊk ə ˈteɪbəl/ (Book a Table)
- clear the table /klɪər də ˈteɪbəl/ (Clear the Table)
- cook a meal /kʊk ə ˈmiːl/ (Cook a Meal)
- do the washing-up /də ˈwɒʃ əˈpjuː/ (Do the Washing-Up)
- go on a diet /ɡoʊ ən ə ˈdɑːt/ (Go on a Diet)
- healthy food /ˈhelθi ˈfʊd/ (Healthy Food)
- high in calories /haɪ ɪn ˈkælərɪzɪz/ (High in Calories)
- junk food /dʒʌŋk ˈfʊd/ (Junk Food)
- lay the table /leɪ də ˈteɪbəl/ (Lay the Table)
- leave a tip /lɛv ə ˈtɪp/ (Leave a Tip)
- lose weight /luːz wɛt/ (Lose Weight)
- low in calories /laʊ ɪn ˈkælərɪzɪs/ (Low in Calories)
- put on weight /pʊt ən wɛt/ (Put on Weight)
- vegetarian diet /ˈvɪtrɪən diˈɛt/ (Vegetarian Diet)
- wait a bit /weɪt ə ˈbɪt/ (Wait a Bit)
SHOPPING AND SERVICES

"The consumer isn't a moron. She's your wife."

David Ogilvy
(British advertising guru, 1911–1999)

**Types of Shops**

1. Where can you buy these things? Label the pictures with the names of shops from the box.

- bookshop
- DIY store
- fishmonger's
- flower shop
- furniture shop
- greengrocer's
- newsagent's
- off-licence
- petrol station
- stationer's

![Images of fruits, fish, wine, notebooks, furniture, newspapers, hammer, roses, table, dictionary, card, wallet]

2. Correct the following statements.

1. I bought some potatoes at the butcher's.
   - greengrocer's
2. I went to the baker's and bought the medicine the doctor prescribed.
3. I got some notebooks and envelopes at the DIY store.
4. I bought some lovely roses at the fishmonger's.
5. I got the newspapers at the off-licence.
6. I went to that big furniture shop and bought a new dictionary.

3. CD 2-12 Listen to dialogues 1–6. Where are the people? Match them to the shops A–G. There is one extra shop.

A  Baker's
B  Butcher's
C  Shopping mall
D  Clothes shop
E  Music shop
F  Chemist's
G  Shoe shop

4. Complete the explanations with the right words.

1. A person who serves you in a shop – __________
2. When several people are waiting to buy things – __________
3. The thing on wheels into which you put your shopping – __________
4. When buying clothes, you need to know your __________: large, medium or small.
5. The place where you can try clothes on in a clothes shop – __________
6. The place where you pay in a supermarket – __________
Complete the dialogue with the words from the box. Listen and check.

back, complaint, exchange, manager, receipt, refunds, return

CUSTOMER: Good morning. I'd like to make a _______. I bought these shoes here a week ago and the heel's come off. I'd like to _______ them, please.

SHOP ASSISTANT: Let me see. Er yes, they don't look too good. Have you got a _______ for them?

CUSTOMER: I do. Here it is.

SHOP ASSISTANT: Would you like to _______ them for another pair? Just like this one, or perhaps this beautiful new style?

CUSTOMER: No, thank you, I'd just like to have my money _______, please.

SHOP ASSISTANT: I'm afraid we don't give _______.

CUSTOMER: Excuse me? I'd like to talk to the _______, please.

Useful phrases: bargains

All the phrases in these sentences mean something was cheaper. Complete the missing words.

1. These jeans were half _______.
2. This jacket was _______ percent off.
3. These CD players are on special _______.
   When you _______ one, you get one _______.
4. I bought it in a _______.
5. There's a _______ percent discount on all CDs.
6. These boots were _______ from £100 to £30. It was a real bargain!

Useful phrases: paying

Pete and Rob are on holiday in an exotic place. Complete their dialogue with one word in each gap. Listen and check.

PETE: Can I pay _______ credit card here?

ROB: No, they don't _______ credit cards. You have to pay _______ cash.

PETE: I haven't got enough cash _______. Can I pay _______ cheque?

ROB: You've got to be joking. They wouldn't know what it is.

PETE: What a nuisance! Oh, OK, I guess I'll just go and get some money out of a cash _______.

ROB: If you can find one!

Match the sentences.
1. This dress fits very well.
2. This shirt really suits you.
3. It's a nice blouse, but it doesn't really match this skirt, does it?
4. You want to buy this striped tie to wear with your checked jacket? Don't.
5. Kitty looks great today.
   a. I'll have to wear it with something else.
   b. It's your style and it's the same colour as your eyes. Go ahead and buy it.
   c. It's not too tight, not too loose, just right.
   d. That new outfit really suits her.
   e. They don't match at all. You'll look awful.

Match the services 1–8 to the places a–h.
1. I'd like to have a new haircut.
2. My car needs servicing.
3. I need to change some money.
4. My shirts need washing and I haven't got a washing machine.
5. I need to get my boots repaired.
6. My winter coat needs cleaning.
7. I have to post a letter.
8. My car's dirty.
   a. Post office
   b. Car Wash
   c. Dry Cleaner's
   d. Laundrette
   e. Hairdresser
   f. The Royal Bank of Kalissa
   g. Office
   h. Shoe Repairs
MULTIPLE CHOICE © 14

1. List all the shops in your area. Tick the ones you often go to. Compare lists with another student.

exam task

2. CD 2-15 You are going to hear a conversation about shopping between a husband and a wife. For questions 1–6, choose the best answer A–C.

1. Jenny's pleased because the new top
   A. matches her eyes.
   B. is a smaller size than she expected.
   C. was cheap.

2. Jenny had to get cash from the cash machine to pay for
   A. her new top.
   B. some rolls for breakfast.
   C. some books.

3. Jenny says she bought some sausages
   A. at the butcher's.
   B. at the greengrocer's.
   C. at the DIY store.

4. Jenny says she bought Sidney a hat
   A. at the fishmonger's.
   B. at a clothes shop.
   C. at a furniture shop.

5. Jenny says she also bought
   A. some flowers.
   B. a horse.
   C. six digital cameras.

6. Jenny's husband
   A. never listens to her.
   B. has been listening all the time.
   C. doesn't know why she says such strange things.

Tell another student about a shop you like. Use these questions to help you.

• What kind of shop is it?
• Where is it?
• What does it look like?
• What are the shop assistants like?
• How often do you go there?
• What are some of the things you bought there?
• What is special about it?

TRUE/FALSE © 23

1. Think of an advertisement you've seen recently. Tell another student about it using these questions.
   • Where was the advertisement?
   • What product was advertised?
   • What was the picture/story in the ad?
   • Did you like it? Why? Why not?

exam task

2. Read the following comments from an internet forum. Decide if the statements 1–6 are true (T) or false (F).

1. Zippy is sure advertisements change people's behaviour.
2. Johnnybubble believes people react to ads without realising it.
3. Psrsus decides what to buy depending only on the price.
4. Niall878 thinks many car accidents happen because people buy fast cars they see advertised.
5. Blowout believes he/she makes rational decisions about what to buy.
6. Only one person states he/she is never influenced by ads.

Adverts are everywhere. There are hoardings in the streets, leaflets in your letter box, jingles on the radio, commercials on the TV, brochures in shops, glossy ads in magazines, personal ads in newspapers, handwritten ads on the supermarket wall and famous faces on the sides of buses. Advertising is a huge industry that uses emotions, logic, snobbery, beauty, music, truth and lies to make you spend your money. But do adverts influence you?

comment on this article

» Comment by Zippy
Of course adverts influence us. If they didn't, the companies wouldn't spend so much money on them. Just think of the power of a good slogan. Something like 'Just Do It!' fixes a brand name in people's minds and so that's the brand they choose in the shops.

add comment | complain about this comment

» Comment by Helenbee32
I prefer a lot of the adverts on TV to the programmes. I like the funny ones the best. But they don't influence me when I go shopping. I always buy the same brands.

add comment | complain about this comment

» Comment by Johnnybubble
Some people say adverts don't influence them at all, but they're forgetting about the subconscious effect. When you're in the supermarket and you pick
In pairs, ask and answer these questions.
- Which person's opinion is most like yours? Why?
- Which person do you disagree with? Why?
- On the whole, do you like or dislike ads? Why?

Complete this table with words from the text.

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*) the American word for hoarding is billboard

Complete the names of things you see in advertisements. Then give an example of each.
1. s_____ - a sentence, usually short, that sounds impressive and is easy to remember
2. l_____ - a symbol which is the sign of a company
3. b_____ n_____ - the name given to a product by the company that produces it

Write your opinion about advertising to add to the website.

Discuss the questions in pairs.
- What kinds of shops do you like best?
- Do you remember a shop that you used to go to, but it closed?

examtask

Read the following article about a famous old shop. Some words are missing from the text. Complete the gaps 1–9 with one word.

THE END OF AN ERA

In January 2009, shoppers ______ Britain lost an old friend. Woolworths, a shop found in almost every town in ______ country, closed its doors for the last time, almost exactly one hundred years after they ______ started up in Liverpool. The shop sold everything from sweets and toys to clothes, DVDs and things for the house. Perhaps this was the problem. Everything they sold could ______ bought more cheaply in supermarkets or online and, because they sold so ______ different things, they didn’t offer much choice of any of them.

The end of Woolworths wasn’t a huge surprise in the end. One of their biggest selling items was music CDs but, as more people bought music online, sales fell. The store was also hit by the growth of out of town shopping centres. Woolworths shops ______ built in the high streets of towns but fewer and fewer people were doing their shopping there. In the first six months of 2008, the shop lost almost £100 million and ______ was obvious that they couldn’t survive.

The decision to close was made in November 2008 and the shops started selling everything at bargain prices. On December 5th, they had the ______ successful day in their history, taking £27 million but it was ______ late to save them. The first 207 shops closed on December 27th and the last shops stopped selling on January 6th 2009.
examworkout

1 Read Michael's story. Connect the underlined words with the words they refer to. The first one has been done as an example.

Last Saturday I went shopping with my mother. First, she spent an hour trying on different styles of jeans and asking me: 'How do I look?' I just kept saying: 'You look great,' but that wasn't good enough for her. She wanted me to tell her which ones she looked best in. Well, you know, I love my mum and everything, but she's not exactly slim. I mean, she looks much better in her red dress than in jeans. 

Then we went to the supermarket. She picked out three saucepans and asked me which one I liked best! What did I care? Fortunately, she decided herself, and after another hour's shopping for food she was ready to go home. I had to carry about ten tons of shopping, but believe me, that was the least tiring bit!

Add comment

2 Two sentences have been removed from the text. Put them in gaps 1 and 2, using the underlined words as clues. There is one extra sentence you don't need.

A They all looked the same to me!
B Finally we found one that fitted him well.
C Anyway, she finally found a pair she liked.

examtask

3 Read the following text about fashion for kids. Five sentences have been removed from the text. Complete the gaps 1–5 with the sentences A–F. There is one extra sentence that you do not need to use.

A Explain patiently why they can't get everything they want.
B He was worried that some of the kids at his school would laugh at him because his new shoes didn't have a well-known brand name.
C In the factories full of child workers in the Far East where the products are made.
D Or is it their parents?
E Some parents, such as David and Victoria Beckham, dress their children in flashy fashions to show off their family's wealth.
F They were a well-known brand, but they were last year's model and the price had been cut to £25 in the sales.

Fashion for Kids

Last week, I bought my nine-year-old son a new pair of trainers that were reduced in a sale. They fit him fine and they looked good, but afterwards he didn't seem very happy with our bargain. I seriously thought about taking the shoes back to the shop to exchange them for a more expensive and fashionable make. But why should I pay money I can't afford, or get into debt just because of peer pressure?

One boy in my son's class wears jewellery and clothes with designer labels to school. He even wears Calvin Klein aftershave! And he isn't old enough to shave! I spoke to him and he told me why he had to have the latest fashions. One day he had worn his old trainers to school. When his pals saw him, they called him a tramp! He went straight home and put on his new trainers. His mum isn't well off, but she always finds the money so that he looks good in front of his mates.

I've seen children as young as six going round shoe shops and fashion boutiques looking for the latest styles, desperate for the expensive designer clothes they see on TV. What's wrong with these kids? Or our materialistic, consumer society?

All the major fashion labels have got special children's brands. It's a market which generates £5 billion a year in the UK alone. The big clothing companies and chain stores exploit children at both ends of the production line. And in our shopping centres full of child consumers competing with each other to be up to date.

If you're a parent, don't give your kids all the clothes and fashion accessories they ask for. Because one thing is sure: you won't make your kids happy by spoiling them.

Maggie from Bootle

Language & Culture

A billion in English is 1,000,000,000 or a thousand million.
The writer of the letter asks: 'What's wrong with these kids? Who do you think is responsible for young children's obsession with fashion? Why?
- the children?
- the parents?
- peer pressure?
- our consumer society?

Match the words to form compound nouns.
1 designer   a fashions
2 brand      b society
3 shopping   c name
4 latest     d clothes/labels
5 consumer   e centre

Complete these compound nouns:
fashion__________  - producers of fashionable clothes
fashion__________  - shops with expensive, trendy clothes
fashion__________  - additional things you wear or carry, like belts or bags

Read what seven secondary school students say about buying clothes. In pairs, ask and answer these questions:
- Which of the speakers is most like you?
- Which of them would you like to be friends with?

I only buy designer clothes. I think it's important to look smart.

I like buying unusual clothes in second-hand shops and creating interesting combinations. And I make my own jewellery. I think it's more important to have your own style than to wear expensive things.

I ask my parents to buy me well-known brands, because I don't want people at school to laugh at me.

I like fashionable clothes, but designer labels are too expensive. I usually buy clothes in sales. You can get some great bargains.

I like wearing my old jeans and a T-shirt. I don't care what people say. I just like to be comfortable. If I have some money, I prefer to spend it on CDs!

My mum can't afford expensive clothes. But in my cheap supermarket trainers I can still run sixty metres in 7.5 seconds!

I can't afford expensive clothes. I think it's quite normal, but some people are thoughtless, you know?

Exam task
CD 2-16 You are going to hear five speakers taking about Fairtrade. Match the speakers 1–5 to the questions A–F. There is one extra question that you do not need to use.
Which person...
A disagrees with the idea?
B doesn't buy imported fruit at all?
C is quite enthusiastic and well-informed?
D doesn't know much about Fairtrade?
E thinks it's important where you buy Fairtrade products?
F thinks there are too few Fairtrade products?

1  2  3  4  5

3 Work in pairs. Ask and answer these questions:
a Which of these things do you do? (Why? Why not? How often?)
- buy locally grown food?
- buy things from charity shops?
- buy environmentally friendly products?
b Would you ever buy a product if you suspected it was...

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c How important are these things to you when choosing what to buy?
- high quality
- low price
- fashion
- ethical issues
Read the exam task in Exercise 2. Divide the following phrases into 'arguments for' (+) and 'arguments against' (−).

- It's useful. (We don't know if she likes...)
- It shows we like him. (I think she has probably got one already.)
- Everyone likes... (It's too expensive/too cheap.)
- We don't know her size. (It's a good present from an international group of students.)
- If he doesn't like it, he can give it away. (It's connected with his work.)
- It's not very original. (Everyone gives... as a gift.)
- I don't think it's appropriate to give...

In pairs, roleplay the situation below. One of you is the candidate, the other plays the role of the examiner.

You are on a student exchange program in England. At the end of the academic year, your classmates would like to buy a thank-you present for your teacher. Your partner wants to buy a bottle of wine, but you do not think this is a good idea. Persuade your partner to buy one of the other things.

1. Could you please r____ e it / e____ e it?
2. I would be grateful if you could r____ d my money/send my money b____ k.
3. I would like to receive a full r____ d.
4. I look forward to hearing from you soon.
5. If I don't get my money back soon, I'll show you.

Now swap roles and roleplay the situation again.
TYPES OF SHOPS
baker’s /bɛkəs/
bookshop /bʊkʃɔp/
butcher’s /bʊtʃəs/
chain store /tʃeɪn stɔːr/ 
charity shop /tʃərəti ʃɔp/
chemist’s /kɛmɪstz/ 
clothes shop /kloʊðz ʃɔp/ 
delicatessen /dɛlɪkətɛsən/ 
department store /dəpərtmənt stɔːr/ 
diy store /daɪ ə wɛi stɔːr/ 
farmers market /fɑːrməz ˈmɑːkɪt/ 
fashion boutique /ˈfeʃən ˈbʊtɪk/ 
fishmonger’s /fɪʃmɒŋɡəz/ 
flower shop /ˈflɔʊr ʃɔp/ 
fruit and veg shop /frɪt ən vɛɡ ʃɔp/ 
furniture shop /ˈfɜːnɪtʃə rʃɔp/ 
grocer’s /ɡrəʊsər/ 
grocery store /ɡrəʊsəri stɔːr/ 
hairdresser’s /ˈheərdrɛsər/ 
bakery /ˈbeɪki/ 
salted fish /ˈsæltɪd fɪʃ/ 
mall /mɔːl/ 
music shop /ˈmjuːzɪk ʃɔp/ 
newsagent’s /ˈnjuːzəndʒəntz/ 
off-licence /ɔf ˈlɪnsəns/ 
shoe shop /ʃu ʃɔp/ 
shopping centre /ˈʃɔpɪŋ ˈsɛntər/ 
sports shop /ˈspɔːts ʃɔp/ 
stationer’s /ˈstætʃənərz/ 
supermarket /ˈsjuːpmɑːrkət/ 

A SHOP
Can I help you? /kæn a ʰɛlp dʒu:/
cheap /tʃiːp/
cash /kɑːʃ/ 
dry cleaner’s /draɪ klaɪnəz/ 
laundrette /ˈlændrɪt/ 
petrol station /ˈpɜːtrol ˈsteɪʃən/ 
photographer’s /ˈfəʊtəɡrɑːfəz/ 
office /ˈɒfɪs/ 
shop assistant /ʃɒp ə səˈstɪnt/ 
shopaholic /ʃɔpəhɑːlɪk/ 
shopping list /ˈʃɒpɪŋ lɪst/ 
supermarket trolley /ˈsjuːpmɑːrkət ˈtɹɒlɪ/ 

SHOPPING FOR CLOTHES
changing room /ˈtʃeɪndʒ ruːm/ 
designer clothes /ˈdɛzən klaʊðz/ 
designer label /ˈdɛzən lɪˈbel/ 
fashion accessories /ˈfeʃən əkˈsesərɪz/ 
fashion label /ˈfeʃən ˈlɪbel/ 
fashionable /ˈfeʃənəbəl/ 
fit /fɪt/ 
fitting room /ˈfɪtɪŋ ruːm/ 
go shopping /gəʊ ˈʃɒpɪŋ/ 
I’m a size… /aɪ mə ˈsaɪz/ 
last year’s model /ˈlɑːst ˈjaːs ˈmɒdəl/ 
look sth for /lʊk ər fɔːr/ 
match /mætʃ/ 
sale /seɪl/ 
style /staɪl/ 
suit /sjuːt/ 
the latest fashions /əθ ˈleɪstət ˈfeʃəns/ 
the right size /əθ rایt saɪz/ 
too loose /tʊ ˈlʊs/ 
too small /tʊ ˈsmɔːl/ 
too tight /tʊ tʃɪt/ 
trendy /ˈtrendɪ/ 
try sth on /tɹɪ ˈsʌmən ən/ 

SERVICES
bank /bæŋk/ 
car wash /kɑːr ˈwɒʃ/ 
deliveries /ˈdelɪvəriz/ 
garage /ˈɡærɪdʒ/ 
giardini /ˈɡrdnɪ/ 
laundry /ˈlændrɪ/ 
photographer’s /ˈfəʊtəɡrəfəs/ 
post office /ˈpəʊst ˈɒfɪs/ 
repair /riːˈpɔːr/ 
shoe repairs /ʃu ˈrɪpər/ 

ADVERTISING
ad (inf) /əd/ 
advert /ədˈvɜːrt/ 
advertise /ədˈvɜːrtɪz/ 
advertisement /ədˈvɜːrtɪzn/ 
advertising campaign /ədˈvɜːrtɪzn/ 
billboard (AmE) /ˈbɪlboʊd/ 
bond /bɔnd/ 
broadband /ˈbroidbænd/ 
brochure /ˈbruːʃɜː/ 
commercial /ˈkɒmərʃiəl/ 
consumer society /ˈkɒnsərər ˈsoʊsi/ 
hoarding (BrE) /ˈhəʊərdɪŋ/ 
jingle /dʒɪŋɡəl/ 
leaflet /ˈliːflɪt/ 
logo /ˈləʊɡoʊ/ 
make (in) /meɪk/ 
make a complaint /mək ə kəmˈplɛnt/ 
past its sell-by date /pɑːst ɪts sɛl bai ˈdeɪt/ 
receipt /rɪˈseɪt/ 
return sth /rɪˈtɜːn ˈsæməŋ/ 
scratch /ˈskrætʃ/ 
shopaholic /ˈʃɒpəhɑːlɪk/ 
sell /sɛl/ 
short /ʃɔːt/ 
the instructions are missing /ðə ɪnstrʌkʃənz ər ˈmɪsɪŋ/ 

TRADE
consumer /ˈkənˌʃjʊərə/ 
consumerism /ˈkənˌʃjʊərəˌɪzəm/ 
consumption /ˈkənˌsumpʃən/ 
free market /ˈfriː ˈmɑːrkt/ 
goods /ɡʊdz/ 
product /ˈprɒdʌkt/ 
profit /ˈprəʊfɪt/ 
protectionism /prəˌtekʃənɪzəm/ 

USEFUL PHRASES
BARGAINS
bargain /ˈbɑːɡɪn/ 
buy in a sale /bju ɪn e ˈseɪl/ 
buy two get one free /bju ˈtuː ɡet ən ˈfriː/ 
deal /diːl/ 
fair price /feɪr ˈprɪs/ 
for sale /fər ˈseɪl/ 
great reductions /ɡreɪt rɪˈdʌkʃənz/ 
half price /hɑːlf ˈprɪs/ 
on sale /ɒn ˈseɪl/ 
on special offer /ɒn ˈspeʃəl ˈəfər/ 
twenty per cent discount /ˈtwentɪ ˈpɜːr ˈsent ˈdɪsˈkʌnt/ 
twenty per cent off /ˈtwentɪ ˈpɜːr ˈsent əf/ 

PAYING
accept credit cards /əkˈsept ˈkredɪt kɑːds/ 
ATM /eɪ tiː əm/ 
automatic teller machine /əˈtɒmatɪk ˈtelər ˈmɑːʃɪn/ 
cash machine /kæʃ ˈmɑːʃɪn/ 
have enough money on you /hæv ɪnˈʌf məˈni on juː/ 
pay by cheque /peɪ bɛt tʃiːk/ 
pay by credit card /peɪ bɪ kredɪt ˈkɑːd/ 
pay in cash /peɪ in kæʃ/ 
take credit cards /teɪk ˈkredɪt ˈkɑːds/
If you look like your passport picture, you probably need the trip.

Anonymous

Air/Rail/Road/Sea Travel

1 Put the words from the list into the four categories above.

ferry coach plane sleeping car motorbike yacht dining car flight harbour platform motorway terminal cruise compartment runway traffic jam voyage

2 CD 2-17 Listen to five recordings and match them to the means of transport used in each of them.

A ferry B hitch-hiking C plane D train E underground

Road Travel

3 CD 2-18 Fill in the gaps. Then listen and check.

My worst journey ever? That would have been in the summer of 2000. I was returning home from Scotland. First I had a 1__________, I changed the wheel, drove on, couldn’t find a 2__________ for a hundred miles, nearly ran out of petrol. Well, I was in a bit of a hurry after that, and I guess I drove a little above the speed limit. The police stopped me and 3__________ me for 4__________ And when I was nearly back, two streets away from home, a guy in front of me 5__________ so suddenly I drove into the back of his car!

Air Travel

4 In what order do these things happen? The first and last one have been numbered for you.

A You go through security checks and wait in the departure lounge.
B The plane lands and you get off.
C You go to your gate.
D You wait for your luggage at the baggage reclaim.
E The flight attendant brings you a drink.
F You board the plane.
G The plane takes off.
H You fasten your seat belts.
I You go to the airport.
J You check in and get a boarding pass.

Accommodation

5 Match the places from the box to the descriptions.

campsite caravan guest house tent youth hostel

1 ________ – a bit cheaper than a hotel
2 ________ – a home that you can fold and carry
3 ________ – cheap accommodation for young people
4 ________ – a home attached to your car
5 ________ – a place where you can put up your tent
6 Read this information and decide if sentences 1–6 are TRUE or FALSE.

THE ROSE AND CROWN HOTEL

(prices are per room per night, including breakfast)

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All rooms are en suite.

T F 1 A room for two people with separate beds costs £75.
T F 2 If you are prepared to pay more, you can have a set of rooms: bedroom, bathroom and your own living room.
T F 3 A room for one person costs £65.
T F 4 Only some rooms have their own bathrooms.
T F 5 A room for two people is cheaper if they sleep in one big bed.
T F 6 You have to pay separately for breakfast.

7 Match the words to make collocations.

1 buy
2 holiday
3 travel
4 package
5 see

a the sights
b holiday
c resort
d agent
e souvenirs

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8 Useful Phrases

For each box, choose the verb that completes all the phrases.

book go miss take travel

1 a train/a plane/the ferry
   a ride
   a walk

2_____________
   a room
   a flight
   a ticket
   a seat
   online

3 abroad
   around the world
   across Europe
   by air/rail/sea
   by train/boat, etc.

4 camping/hiking/backpacking
   on a cruise
   for a ride
   on foot

5 your flight
   your plane
   your train
   your coach

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10 Complete the sentences with the phrases from Exercise 9.

1 I can easily _________ my _________ in a forest, but I get lost in a big city.
2 We’re lost. I think we’d better _________ _________ _________.
3 Don’t worry, Mum, we _________ _________ _________ our _________! We’ll be home in an hour.
4 Excuse me. Could you please _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ to the British Museum?

10 Complete the sentences with the phrases from Exercise 9.

get
meet
see
set

1 Bill’s leaving on Friday. I’m going to _________ him off.
2 If we want to get there tomorrow, we have to _________ off early.
3 Chris is coming tomorrow. Can you go and _________ him at the airport?
4 You’ll never _________ lost on the London Underground.

11 Complete the sentences with the verbs from the box.

give get meet see set

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give
give
give
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1 In which of the following places do you check in?
   A at a hotel  B at an airport  C at a train station

2 Which of the following can you catch?
   A a car  B a flight  C a train

3 Which of the following means of transport do you board?
   A a boat or ferry  B a plane  C a car

4 Where would you hear this phrase:
   ‘I’m sorry, we’re _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ _________ 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1) Look at the words in the box. In pairs, tell each other which of the forms of transport is, in your opinion:
  • the cheapest?
  • the most comfortable?
  • your personal favourite? Why?

train bus or coach car plane bike hitch-hiking

2) Read the following article about different ways of travelling. Using the information in the text, complete the gaps in the sentences 1–7 with one word or number only.

1) The Inter-rail pass is valid for one ________.
2) If you have an Inter-rail pass, your ticket to exhibitions will be ________.
3) Sometimes you have to pay ________ money if you travel on a high-speed train.
4) If, for example, you travel on Eurolines in November, you will have to pay ________ euros.
5) You can get a really cheap ticket with a budget airline if you ________ it well in advance.
6) Hitch-hiking has some advantages, but, for example, it can be ________.
7) For €15 you can be a(n) ________ of the Youth Hostels Association for a year.

3) Read the text again and find the following numbers. What do they refer to?

| 30 | €399 | 26 | 40 | €439 | €1 | €30 | €15 |

4) Match the highlighted words from the text to the definitions.

1) a kind of ticket that is valid for many trips – ________
2) a type of luggage that you carry on your back – ________
3) the line separating two countries – ________
4) the money you pay to travel – ________
5) the time of year when there are a lot of tourists – ________

5) Imagine you have been asked for advice about a cheap but interesting holiday in your country. Write a short text using the following headings:

Places to go: It's worth going to/visiting...
Transport: You can take...
Accommodation: You can stay at/in...
Food: If you want to eat well without spending a fortune, ...
Things to do: Depending on what you like, you can...

6) Present your ideas in groups. Decide whose idea for a holiday is the cheapest and the most attractive.

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TRAVEL ROUND EUROPE

A) Trains

With the Inter-rail Global pass you can spend a month exploring thirty European countries from Ireland to Greece for €399 for a second-class ticket. It's also valid on some ferry routes. Inter-rail pass holders are entitled to discounts on museums, hotels, etc. And if you can sleep sitting up, you can save money on accommodation, too. Some drawbacks:
  • you've got to be under 26,
  • the pass is not valid for travel in your country of residence, but you do get a discount on the rail ticket to the border,
  • you have to pay a supplement on some high-speed trains and night trains.

B) Buses

Coach travel is comfortable and relatively inexpensive. The Eurolines thirty-day pass for young people (under twenty-six) allows you to make international journeys between 40 European cities for prices ranging from €439 in the high season to €299 in the low season. In the UK, Megabus offers single tickets between major cities for under £2 plus a booking fee. And in Scotland, a Citylink Explorer Pass, which allows unlimited travel on any eight days in a sixteen-day-period, costs less than £120.
Describe the photo.

The man in the photo has cycled around the world. Think of:
- three things that could be enjoyable/interesting on a journey like that,
- three possible bad experiences.

LANGUAGE & CULTURE
Alastair's two books describing his trip, Moods of Future Joys and Thunder and Sunshine, are now available. You can read a few chapters on his website.

Use the sights without spending a fortune...

Air travel
You book ahead, you can get incredibly good deals with budget airlines. For example, flights from as low as £1! If you must reserve your seats early. Basically, start planning your summer trip just after Christmas! And watch out for the import taxes! They can easily add £30 to your fare.

Hitch-hiking
As a result of cheap air fares and bus tickets, there are not many hitchhikers carrying their rucksacks along European roads nowadays. It's romantic and cheap, but it might be dangerous, and can take a long time.

Accommodation
In some countries, such as Spain and Greece, you can stay in low-priced hotels, but in the UK and Ireland B&Bs are more reasonable option (about £60 for a double room including a cooked breakfast). A good idea is to join the Youth Hostels Association. A membership fee of about £15 year allows you to stay in thousands of youth hostels across Europe for under £15 a night, generally in shared-single-sex rooms.

3 CD 2-19 You are going to hear an interview about a man who cycled around the world twice. For questions 1–6, choose the correct answer A–C.

1 How long was Alastair Humphreys' journey?
A 36,000 miles through 60 countries.
B 46,000 miles through 60 countries.
C 60,000 miles through 46 countries.

2 How did he leave England?
A By ferry.
B By plane.
C He cycled through the Channel Tunnel.

3 Apart from cycling, he has travelled
A by air.
B by rail.
C by sea.

4 Which difficulty does the speaker NOT mention?
A problems with visas
B accidents
C being robbed

5 Why did he do it?
A Mainly for fun.
B To write a travel book.
C To raise money for charity.

6 The people Alastair met thought he was rich because...
A he had £13,000.
B he had a bike.
C he was travelling around the world.

4 CD 2-19 Listen again and write down:
A four countries Alastair's been to
B four numbers and what they refer to
C four problems he's had

5 In pairs, ask and answer these questions.
A Would you like to cycle or walk around the world? Why?/Why not?
B If you were on a trip like that, what would you find most difficult?
C Which countries would you most like to visit?
D Who would you take with you on a trip around the world? Why?
E What's the most adventurous journey you've ever made?

6 The people in some of the countries Alastair visited thought he was rich. When is a person considered 'rich' in your country?

*B&B – Bed and Breakfast
The Worst Day of Your Life

Few people have packed more into a day trip than Michael and Lilian Long from Kent who took the ferry from their home in England to Boulogne, France in 1987. On Easter Sunday this adventurous couple went for a short walk around the town. In no time they were spectacularly lost and showing all the qualities of lost explorers.

'We walked and walked,' Mrs Long recalled, 'and the further we walked to try to get back, the further we walked away from Boulogne.'

Unable to speak French, they felt embarrassed about asking the way, so they walked throughout the night until finally the next morning a driver gave them a lift to a small village they did not recognise. Here they caught a train to the next destination – Paris. In the French capital they spent all the remaining money on catching what they thought was an express train back to Boulogne. After an enjoyable trip they arrived in Luxembourg at midnight on Monday.

Two hours later police put them on the train back to Paris, but it divided and their half ended up in Basle, an attractive medieval town in the north of Switzerland.

Having no money, they tried to find work, but with no success. The railway company offered them a free ticket back to Belfort, thinking that this was where they had come from. Once they got off the train, our heroes hiked for two miles to Vesoul, hitched a lift to Paris and then caught the train to Bonn in Germany.

Diverted just in time to the right platform, they finally reached Boulogne a week after they had set out on their walk. They had covered a distance of almost 1,700km without luggage, maps or any idea of where they were. When arrived at Dover harbour, Mr Long said it was the first time they had travelled abroad and that they would not be leaving England again.
SENTENCE TRANSFORMATIONS <31

**Exam workout**

1. Look at these pairs of sentences. Correct the mistake in the second sentence of each pair. There is an example at the beginning (0).

   0. They speak English and French in Canada. English and French ___ is spoken ___ in Canada.

   1. 'Please don’t leave your luggage unattended!’ said the guide to the tourists. The guide ___ told the tourists not leave ___ the luggage unattended.

   2. You won’t know how the camcorder works if you don’t read the manual carefully. UNLESS

   3. The last time I saw Jack was on Saturday. SINCE

   4. They are still repairing my car.

   5. John is taller than Mike. Mike ___ is as tall as___ John.

**Exam task**

6. Read the following sentences about a holiday in Egypt. For each question, complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given.

   1. We spent a long time deciding where to go.

   2. It’s been ages since we last went to Egypt.

   3. The sun shone every day.

   4. I didn’t expect it to be so hot!

   5. We could not swim in some parts of the sea.

   6. There was a nice spa centre in the hotel.

   7. The water in the swimming pool was too cold.

   8. There weren’t very many diving centres around.

   9. Please take sun lotion with you!” said the guide to us.

   10. If you don’t go to Egypt, you won’t see the Pyramids.

   **TOOK**

   **BEEN**

   **WAS**

   **THAN**

   **ABLE**

   **HAD**

   **ENOUGH**

   **FEW**

   **TOLD**

   **UNLESS**

**True/false/no information <31**

1. How was travelling in the past different from travelling now? Consider some of the following:

   - speed
   - how often people travelled
   - where they went and why
   - means of transport

   **CD 2-20**

   2. You are going to hear a grandfather telling his granddaughter about his travel experiences. Decide if the statements 1–5 are true (T), false (F) or there is no information (N).

   1. The girl describes the weather in Ireland as hot and sunny.

   2. The grandfather used to like flying.

   3. At the time of the conversation, there are fast direct trains from Ireland to Spain.

   4. Grandpa’s mother didn’t have a driving licence.

   5. Air travel has been stopped for environmental reasons.

   **According to the author of the dialogue, what will travel look like in the future? Complete the sentences with the words from the box.**

   - bikes
   - cars
   - planes
   - transport
   - trains

   1. _______ will no longer be used.

   2. There will be fewer or no _______.

   3. People will use public _______ a lot.

   4. There will be high-speed _______ across Europe.

   5. _______ will also be popular.

   **Tick the statements in Exercise 3 which you think are true. Write two more sentences saying what you think transport will be like in the future. Compare your ideas in small groups.**

   **CD 2-21**

   2. Listen again to this extract and fill in the gaps.

   **Child:** Grandpa, did you ever _______ an aeroplane?

   **Grandpa:** Yes, there were lots of _______ airlines.

   **Child:** Wow! Is flying exciting?

   **Grandpa:** Well, when you’re taking _______ and landing, yes, but I never liked it. There wasn’t enough space for my legs and you wasted so much time at the _______ – you had to get there two hours early in, queue at the _______ desk, wait in the _______ lounge before _______ the plane, wait for your luggage at the baggage reclaim when you arrived...
examworkout

1. Read the questions 1–8 and match them to beginnings of sample answers a–h.
   1. Do you like travelling? Why/Why not?
   2. Tell me about a memorable journey.
   3. What sort of holiday accommodation do you like best?
   4. Do you have any travel plans for the nearest holiday?
   5. Tell me about your last holiday.
   6. Do you prefer to travel with your parents, with friends or alone? Why?
   7. Are you planning any time soon to go somewhere you haven’t been yet?
   8. Is there anything about travelling that you do not enjoy?

   a. I do like company when I travel, but I think I’d rather travel with...
   b. I really hate long-distance bus trips, they are slow and...
   c. I have been thinking of going to Nepal, which people say is...
   d. Last year I went to Egypt with my parents and it was...
   e. I prefer to stay in small and cozy bed & breakfasts...
   f. Yes, I am going to spend this holiday in Italy with...
   g. Yes, I really do, I really love it, because...
   h. Well, when I was fourteen I travelled to...

examtask

2. Work in pairs. Ask and answer the questions from Exercise 1. Student B asks questions 1–4; student A asks questions 5–8. Give answers that are true for you and say as much as you can.

3. Now swap roles and ask questions from Exercise 1 again.

4. Do the exam task below. When you finish, listen to your partner’s version of the task.

   Talk about holidays and travelling. Talk about:
   - ways of spending holidays that you like
   - people you travel with
   - the most memorable place you have ever visited
   - your plans for the next summer

examtask

5. Read the following exam task and a student’s response to it. It is correct but a bit monotonous. Why?

You are on holidays in the mountains and you received a text message from your English friend:
Hi, I bet you are still travelling! I wish I could go on holiday now. I really need one! Where are you now? I hope the weather is all right! Let me know what the hotel and the local people are like! And don’t forget to send me a postcard! ;)

Write a postcard to your friend answering all her questions.

Hi Jackie,
I’m in the mountains. I’m having a really nice holiday. My room’s very nice, and the views from the windows are really nice. The local people are always nice to us; the food’s nice, and the weather has been nice ever since we came. Wish you were here!

Love,
Klara

6. Match the adjectives to the nouns they can describe.

   1. friendly
   2. sunny
   3. delicious
   4. enjoyable
   5. spectacular
   6. comfortable

   a. holiday
   b. room
   c. views
   d. people
   e. food
   f. weather

7. Complete these strong positive and negative adjectives.

   It’s... 😊
   It’s... 😞

   FA___ST_C!
   WO_D_R__L!
   L__V__Y!
   BR__I_NT!

   DR__F_L!
   AW__L!
   HOP__S!
   HO__B_E!

8. Now write an improved version of Klara’s postcard.

examtask

9. Read the exam task below and write a postcard.

You are studying in the USA and decided to spend a weekend in New York. This is a part of an email you received from your English friend:

So you are in New York now! How great! How did you get there? Are you travelling alone? We are very worried about you! You must write us a postcard! So what is the best thing about New York for you? Have you got any plans for the evening? Oh, we wish we were there with you!

Write a postcard to your friends answering all their questions.
MEANS OF TRANSPORT
- bicycle /ˈbaɪsɪkl/  
- hike /haɪk/  
- boat /boʊt/  
- bus /bʌs/  
- cab /kæb/  
- car /kɑːr/  
- coach /ˈkəʊtʃ/  
- double decker /ˈdʌbl ˈdeklər/  
- ferry /ˈfɛri/  
- lorry /ˈlɔrri/  
- minibus /ˈmɪnɪbʌs/  
- motorbike /ˈmaʊtərbaɪk/  
- motorcycle /ˈmaʊtəsɪkəl/  
- plane /ˈplɛn/  
- subway (AmE) /ˈsʌbjɛwə/  
- taxi /ˈtɛksɪ/  
- train /ˈtreɪn/  
- truck (AmE) /ˈtrʌk/  
- underground /ˈʌndərɡraʊnd/  
- van /ˈvæn/  
- yacht /jɔɪt/  

TRAVELLING - GENERAL
- arrival /əˈrɛvl/  
- arrive at /əˈrɛv ət/  
- backpack /ˈbækpæk/  
- baggage /ˈbædɪdʒ/  
- business trip /ˈbɪzn̩s ˈtrɪp/  
- delayed /ˈdiːləd/  
- depart /dɪˈpɑːrt/  
- departure /ˈdəpərtʃər/  
- destination /dɪˈzɛnʃən/  
- excursion /ɪkˈskɜːʃn/  
- fare /fɔː/  
- hitchhike /ˈhɪtʃhaɪk/  
- invalid passport /ɪnˈveɪld ˈpɑːsˌpɔrt/  
- journey /ˈdʒɜːni/  
- luggage office /ˈləɡɡi:dʒ ˈɒfɪs/  
- baggage /ˈləɡɡi:dʒ/  
- baggage trolley /ˈləɡɡi:dʒ ˈtɒli/  
- monthly ticket /ˈmʌnθli ˈtɪkt/  
- one-way ticket (AmE) /ˈwʌn ˌweɪt ˈtɪkt/  
- passenger /ˈpæsɪndʒər/  
- return ticket /rɪˈtɜːn ˈtɪkt/  
- seat belts /siːt ˈbɛlts/  
- single ticket /ˈsɪŋgl ˈtɪkt/  
- suitcase /ˈskwɪtʃ/  
- ticket office /ˈtɪktʃər ˈɒfɪs/  
- timetable /ˈtɜːməntˈbæl/  
- tourist /ˈtʊrɪst/  
- trip /trɪp/  
- valid visa /ˈvɛldɪd ˈvɪzə/  

AIR TRAVEL
- airport /ˈeəpɔrt/  
- baggage reclaim /ˈbædɪdʒ ˈrɪkˈleɪm/  
- boarding card /ˈboʊdɪŋ ˈkɑrd/  
- boarding pass /bɒdɪn ˈpɑs/  
- budget airline /ˈbʌdʒɪt ˈɔləˌneɪ/  

SEA TRAVEL
- cabin /ˈkæbɪn/  
- cruise /kruːz/  
- harbour /ˈhɑːbər/  
- port /pɔrt/  
- sail /sɛl/  
- voyage /ˈvɔɪdʒ/  

TRAVELLING ABROAD
- cross the border /kros də ˈbaʊdə/  
- customs /ˈkʌstəms/  
- customs officer /ˈkʌstəms ˈɒfɪsər/  
- exchange office /ɪksˈfɛndʒər/  
- foreign currency /fɔrˈɛn ˈkjʊrənsi/  
- immigration officer /ɪmˈɡreɪʃən ˈɒfɪsər/  
- passport control /ˈpɑːspɔrt ˈkəntrəl/  
- visa /ˈvɪzə/  

ACCOMMODATION
- B&B /biː and biː/  
- bed and breakfast /bed ˈbrekfəst/  
- campsites /ˈkæmpsaɪts/  
- caravan /kəˈreɪvən/  
- double room /ˈdʌbl rʊm/  
- en suite /ɪn ˈsuːt/  
- guesthouse /ˈɡesthaʊs/  
- holiday /ˈhɒlədi/  
- hotel /haʊtəl/  
- reception /rɪˈseptʃən/  
- restaurant /rɪˈstæntʃənt/  
- single room /ˈsɪŋgl rʊm/  
- suite /swɪt/  
- tent /tent/  
- twin room /twɪn rʊm/  
- twin-bedded room /twɪn ˈbedɪd rʊm/  
- youth hostel /ˈjʌθ ˈhəʊstəl/  

HOLIDAYS
- go on holiday /ɡəʊ ɑn ˈhɒlədeɪ/  
- holiday destination /ˈhɒlədi ˈdestəˌniːʃən/  
- holiday resort /ˈhɒlədi ˈrɜːzət/  
- holidaymaker /ˈhɒlədi,meɪkər/  
- package holiday /ˈpækɪdʒ ˈhɒlədeɪ/  
- souvenir /ˈsuːvɪər/  
- tourist agency /ˈtʊrɪst ˈeɪdʒənsi/  
- travel agent /ˈtrævl ˈeɪdʒənt/  

ACCIDENTS
- break down /breɪk dəʊn/  
- call an ambulance /kɔːl ən ˈæmbjʊlɑːns/  
- crash /kraʃ/  
- drive into a tree /draɪv ˈɪnto ə trɪz/  
- emergency /ɪˈmɜːdʒənsi/  
- emergency landing /ɪˈmɜːdʒənsi ˈlændɪŋ/  
- emergency services /ɪˈmɜːdʒənsi ˈsɜːvɪsɪz/  

USEFUL PHRASES
- ask the way /ɑsk ðə ˈweɪ/  
- be on your way /bi ən ˈjɔː ˈweɪ/  
- board a boat /bɔːd ə ˈbɔt/  
- book a ferry /bʊk ə ˈfɛəri/  
- board a plane /bɔːd ə ˈpleɪn/  
- book a ticket online /bʊk ə tɪkɪt ˈɒnləɪn/  
- catch a train /kætʃ ə ˈtreɪn/  
- check in /tʃek ɪn/  
- check out /tʃek əut/  
- find your way /faind ə ˈweɪ/  
- fully booked /ˈfjuːlɪ ˈbʊkt/  
- get into the car /gɛt ɪnto ðə ˈkær/  
- get lost /ɡɛt ˈlaʊst/  
- get off /ɡɛt əf/  
- get on /ɡɛt ən/  
- get off the car /ɡɛt əf ðə ˈkær/  
- go backpacking /ɡəʊ ˈbækpaʊkɪŋ/  
- go camping /ɡəʊ ˈkæmpɪŋ/  
- go for a ride /ɡəʊ fər ə rɪd/  
- go for a walk /ɡəʊ fər ə wɔk/  
- go hiking /ɡəʊ ˈhaɪkɪŋ/  
- go on foot /ɡəʊ ɒn fʊt/  
- go sightseeing /ɡəʊ ˈsaɪtˌsiːɪŋ/  
- have a safe trip /hæv ə ˈsef ˈtrɪp/  
- make a reservation /meɪk ə ˈrɛzɪvərəʃən/  
- make a trip /meɪk ə ˈtrɪp/  
- make an excursion /meɪk ən ɪkˈskɜːʃn/  
- meet sb at the station /miːt ðə zetˈeɪʃn/  
- miss your flight /mɪs ə ˈflɜːt/  
- miss your plane /mɪs ə ˈplɛn/  
- see sb off /siː ðə ˈsəmbədi əf/  
- set off /set əf/  
- show sb the way /ʃəʊ ðə ˈweɪ/  
- stay at a hotel /steɪ ə ˈhɔtəl/  
- take a plane /teɪk ə ˈpleɪn/  
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- take a train /teɪk ə ˈtrɛn/  
- take a walk /teɪk ə ˈwɔlk/  
- travel abroad /ˈtrævl əˈbruːd/  
- travel around the world /ˈtrævl əˈraʊnd ðə wɜːld/  
- travel by bus /ˈtrævl ˈbaʊs/  
- travel by train /ˈtrævl ˈtrɛn/
CULTURE AND FREE TIME

It is not hard to understand modern art. If it hangs on a wall, it's a painting, and if you can walk around it, it's a sculpture.

TOM STOPPARD (BRITISH PLAYWRIGHT, B.1937)

Music

1. Complete the text about The Police with the words from the box.

album Awards band charts concert drums guitarist hit lyrics musicians release singer single songwriter tour

THE POLICE

2. Write a similar text about a band you like.

Literature

3. Complete the sentences with appropriate words.

1. I'm reading an exciting novel at the moment. The plot is very complicated, with a lot of dangerous adventures, but in the last chapter everything ends well.
2. The main character in Graham Greene's 'The End of the Affair' is a writer who falls in love with a married woman.
3. 'The Lord of the Rings' is a trilogy, which means it consists of three volumes.

4. Charles Dickens was a nineteenth-century English novelist.
5. William Shakespeare wrote about forty plays; 'Macbeth', 'Hamlet', 'King Lear' are among the best-known.
6. Czeslaw Milosz was a Polish poet who won the Nobel Prize. He wrote more than ten volumes of poetry.
7. I'm reading a collection of short stories by Ernest Hemingway at the moment.
9. I'm twenty years old and I still like the fairy tales I used to read as a child: 'Snow White and the Seven Dwarves', 'Cinderella'.
10. His latest book is a bestseller - it has sold more than 100,000 copies.

Theatre

5. In what order do you do these things? Number the sentences 1–8.

- Buy a programme.
- Clap as the actors come on stage again at the end of the show.
- Discuss the performance during the interval.
- Find your seats and look at the audience to see if there are any friends.
- Go to the theatre.
- Phone the box office to book tickets.
- Watch the first act.
- Watch the rest of the play.

Film

6. Match the types of films (1–8) with what happens in them (a–h).

- thriller
- romantic comedy
- drama
- musical
- western
- sci-fi film
- documentary
- horror

- Authentic shots of real events are shown, and people talk about them.
- The plot is not as important as the songs and dancing.
- People face serious problems and have serious conversations about them.
- A brave sheriff fights alone against five gunmen.
- There's an exciting plot, usually about crime or spying, and a lot of suspense.
- Strange and very frightening things happen.
- Someone falls in love but there are two hours of silly adventures and funny dialogue before they are finally together.
- There are spaceships, aliens and lots of special effects.
6 Complete the sentences with the verbs from the box. Use the verbs in the correct form.

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1. In Pirates of the Caribbean, Johnny Depp _______ as Jack Sparrow.
2. They are _______ a film in our street! There are vans, lights, cameras and about a hundred people.
3. E.T. was _______ by Steven Spielberg.
4. The original Star Wars was _______ in 1977.
5. I don’t like _______ films. I always watch the subtitled version.

9 Fill in the crossword and find out what all the words have in common.

1. There’s an interesting ___ in today’s Financial Times about Hungarian workers in Britain.
2. Have you seen today’s ___? There’s been a terrible plane crash.
3. I’m very angry about this text. I think I’ll write a letter to the ___ of this paper.
4. Excuse me. May I read your ___ of The Times? I didn’t manage to get one today.
5. Jim is a ___ for the BBC. He’s never at home – he has to go wherever things are happening.
6. There are about fifty women’s ___ here. Which one do you want? Elle? Cosmopolitan?
7. My uncle always buys two daily ___ to compare what they write.
8. I always buy my Economist from the same ___.

10 Complete the text with appropriate words.

Art by Natalie Jones in the Old Town
An ‘___’ of works by Natalie Jones will open at the Old Town Art ‘___’ on the 5th of May. Natalie is a young ‘___’ and ‘___’. This show includes her latest oil ‘___’ (landscapes and portraits) and pencil ‘___’, as well as ‘___’ in wood and stone, among them the famous Black Prince, described by critics as a true ‘___’. On Saturday the 7th of May Natalie’s ‘___’ will be open to visitors, giving the public the rare opportunity to see the artist at work.

USEFUL PHRASES

2. In 1975, One Flew Over The Cuckoo’s Nest was _______ into a film starring Jack Nicholson.
3. The novel The Three Musketeers is _______ in seventeenth-century France.
4. Roman Polański’s The Pianist is _______ on a true story.
5. The action _______ place in Warsaw during World War II.
6. I’d recommend this film. It’s definitely _______ seeing.
7. Let’s check what’s _______ at the cinema today. Have you got the paper?
8. When I was nine years old, I _______ the part of Pumba in a school production of The Lion King.
1. Write down three words connected with each of these areas of culture.

- literature
- art
- music
- film
- television

2. CD 2.24 You are going to hear 5 teenagers talking about their favourite kinds of entertainment. Match the speakers 1–5 to the statements A–F. There is one extra statement that you do not need to use.

- A I got interested in this area through another person.
- B My hobby causes some conflicts at home.
- C I’d like to invite you to come to an event.
- D I’ve got an expensive way of spending my free time.
- E I like a school subject that’s connected with my interest.
- F I share an interest with my parents.

1 Darren
2 Jessica
3 Tanya
4 Scott
5 Fiona

3. Stand up and talk to five people in your class. Ask and answer these questions.

- Do you like taking photos? If yes, what do you photograph most often?
- Can you play an instrument? How long have you been playing it?
- Do you fight for the remote control with your family? Which programmes do each of you like watching?
- Do you like reading? What do you read?
- Would you like to work in film-making? What would you like to do?

4. Work in pairs. Follow the instructions.

a. Tell each other which area of culture you are most interested in:

- art
- photography
- books
- music
- film
- theatre
- TV

b. Write three to four questions to ask your partner about his/her interest.

c. Ask each other your questions.

d. Tell the class what you learned about your partner.
Ask and answer the questions with your partner.
- What kind(s) of music do you enjoy listening to?
- When and where do you usually listen to music?
- How much time do you spend listening to music?

Exam task

Read the following text about an interesting social experiment. Use the words in brackets to form one word for each gap 1–9.

**SUBWAY MUSIC IN WASHINGTON DC**

Most of us who live in a city know what it means to spend 30 minutes in the subway 1 ____ (rush) through corridors and then trying to get into terribly 2 ____ (crowd) trains. Well, this guy and this morning was 3 ____ (difference). He stopped at the entrance to the station and played six 4 ____ (beauty) Bach pieces for about 45 minutes. Three minutes after he started, a man noticed him and stopped for a few seconds. A minute later the 5 ____ (music) received his first one dollar tip. The person who was most 6 ____ (interest) was a 3-year-old boy, who really wanted to listen. His mother didn’t let him stay very long, either.

In the 45 minutes, 1,097 people passed by and only six stopped. The 7 ____ (violin) collected 32 dollars. When he finished playing, nobody noticed and nobody knew that he was Joshua Bell, one of the best soloists in the world. He was playing a violin worth 3.5 million dollars and had played in a concert two days before where people paid an average of 100 dollars for their seats.

The aim of this real-life experiment was twofold. Can we notice beauty in an everyday place and at a rather 8 ____ (usual) hour? Do we recognize genius in an 9 ____ (expect) situation? And the most troubling question of all: if we miss Joshua Bell playing Bach just because we are not in Carnegie Hall, how many other things do we miss?
Multiple choice

CD 2.25 Listen to a father talking about role-playing games (RPG). For questions 1 and 2, choose the correct answer. Think of the recording as a whole, not individual sentences. Consider the following:
tone of voice phrases expressing opinion phrases expressing agreement/disagreement

1 The speaker
A thinks role-playing games are dangerous.
Blikes role-playing games.
Caccepts role-playing games.

2 The speaker mentions other parents to show that
A other people think like him.
B he disagrees with them.
C role-playing games are harmful.

Read the tapescript on page 223. Underline the parts which helped you answer the questions.

Examtask

CD 2.26 You are going to hear a person talking about entertainment. For questions 1-6, choose the correct answer A-C.

1 The speaker mentions a lot of free-time activities because
A he enjoys them all.
B he doesn't enjoy any of them.
C he wants to show how tolerant he is.

2 His girlfriend's father
A sells newspapers for a living.
B is addicted to the news.
C never leaves his house.

3 The speaker is fed up because
A people criticise him for playing video games.
B he's getting older.
C he doesn't know what to do in his free time.

4 He says video games are played mainly by
A teenagers.
B adults aged between 24 and 44.
C people under the age of 27.

5 He argues that to play video games you need more intelligence than you do to
A go to the opera.
B go to the theatre.
C watch TV.

6 He thinks adults should
A be proud of liking video games.
B be ashamed of liking video games.
C tell everyone to play video games.

Examtask

1 Work in small groups. Do you know anything about these four film directors? Have you seen any of their films?
- Martin Scorsese
- Francis Ford Coppola
- Woody Allen
- Spike Lee

2 Read the following text about famous directors. Match the directors A-D to the statements 1-6. Some directors match more than one statement.

1 He moved to a different city when he was young.
2 He grew up in a dangerous neighbourhood.
3 The characters in his films say funny things.
4 He made a film about a war.
5 He often stars in his own films.
6 He explained why he makes controversial films.

3 What makes a good film? Tick (✓) the things that are important to you, and add your own ideas.
- fast action
- an interesting plot
- good acting
- amusing dialogue
- interesting relationships between characters
- romance
- a social or ethical problem to think about
- special effects
- beautiful shots
- good music
- ...

4 Prepare to talk about a film you like. Use these sentences.
A film I like is [title] ________, starring _________.
It was directed by _________. It is set in _________.
The main characters are _________. He/She/They [what happens to them?] _________. I like the film because _________.

5 Work in pairs. Imagine you are going to the cinema together. Have a conversation using these prompts.

A AND B: Remember some of the films that are on at the moment.
A: Say which film you would like to see and why.
B: Disagree and say why. Say which film you would like to see.
A: Suggest a compromise.
B: Agree.

Language & Culture

Use the Present Simple tense to narrate what happens in a film: The hero comes back home and discovers...
More than Hollywood

If you find Hollywood movies too commercial, what about the great New York directors? Each of them has his own style, but they have three things in common: their films are deeper and more serious than typical Hollywood productions, they often show the city of New York, and none of the four is a ‘white Anglo-Saxon’ American!

A
Martin Scorsese was born into a family of Sicilian immigrants, in an area of New York dominated by the Mafia. As a child he witnessed a lot of crime and brutality, which he later portrayed in his films. They are usually set in New York, and the characters are, as a reviewer once wrote, ‘the kind of people you wouldn’t want to know.’ He often casts Italian-American actors Robert De Niro (Taxi Driver, Goodfellas) and Leonardo DiCaprio (The Aviator, The Departed). Scorsese’s films were sometimes criticised for the violence they contain. The director himself says: ‘All right, but that’s the reality I see.’ In 2007 he finally won an Oscar® for The Departed.

B
Francis Ford Coppola also comes from an Italian-American background.

The picture that brought him fame was The Godfather (1972), the story of a Mafia family; it also made Al Pacino a star. Two years later, with The Godfather II Coppola became one of only five directors ever to win Oscars® for Best Picture, Best Director and Best Screenplay for the same movie. His most ambitious film is Apocalypse Now, a Vietnam War epic inspired by Joseph Conrad’s novel Heart of Darkness.

C
Comedy director and actor Woody Allen, whose real name is Allan Stewart Königsberg, comes from a New York Jewish family. A typical Allen comedy (such as Annie Hall or Manhattan) is both set and shot in New York, contains lots of amusing dialogue and features a typical hero, played by the director himself: the intellectual ‘urban neurotic.’ The black-and-white shots of New York in Manhattan have become part of cinema history.

D
Spike Lee was born in Atlanta, Georgia – not a good place to be for an ambitious young black man in the 1950s. At a very early age he moved to New York. Initially he made films about the lives and problems of African Americans, such as Do the Right Thing and Malcolm X. His first movie with a white main character, played by Edward Norton, was 25th Hour (2002). It was also the first feature film to include spectacular shots of Ground Zero, where the World Trade Centre used to stand.
examworkout

1 Read the exam task below and do exercises a, b.

Look at a list of different roles culture (music, film, theatre, fine art) can play in people's lives. Discuss their importance and say what role culture plays in your life.

- entertainment
- social role
- relaxation
- education

a Use the phrases from the box to complete the gaps 1–7 in paragraphs A–C. There are two extra phrases that you do not need.

B Well, 1 _________ this might well be the most important role that culture plays in our lives. It helps people get together, inspire each other and share ideas. 2 _________ I think it's the most important one here—it helps us make up the society we live in.

C It 3 _________ is just like travelling, it broadens your horizons and promotes understanding of other nations, helps you see the world from a different perspective. 4 _________ — it makes learning much more fun, which is, 5 _________, quite important.

b Read the paragraphs A–C again and match each of them to the correct bullet point in the exam task.

examtask

2 Work in pairs and do the exam task below.

Look at a list of different roles that television can play in people's lives. Discuss their importance and say what role television plays in your life.

- entertainment
- social role
- relaxation
- education

SPEAKING

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3 Look at page 170 and do exercises 1–4.
Many continentals think life is a game; the English think cricket is a game.

GEORGE MIKES (HUNGARIAN-BRITISH HUMOROUS WRITER, 1912–1987)

SPORT

1. Label the pictures with names of sports.
2. Add two more sports to each category.

**SPORTS**

- **Individual sports:**
  - marathon,

- **Outdoor sports:**
  - rollerblading,

- **Indoor sports:**
  - table tennis,

- **Winter sports:**
  - skating,

- **Water sports:**
  - sailing,

- **Combat sports:**
  - fencing,

- **Team sports:**
  - basketball,

**EQUIPMENT**

1. boots
2. poles
3. suit
4. lift
5. slope
6. shoes
7. balls
8. racket
9. court
10. costume
11. trunks
12. cap
13. goggles
14. pool
15. boots
16. shirt
17. kit
18. pitch
19. fan

For each box, choose the sport word which goes with all the words. Find at least five of the things in the pictures in Exercise 1.
Complete the sentences with names of places.
1. We play football on a __________.
2. We play basketball, volleyball and tennis on a __________.
3. We go skating on a __________.
4. Runners run and cars race along a __________.
5. We work out at the __________.
6. People watch big sports events in a __________.

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Match the clues 1–8 with the people a–h.
1. The person who controls the game e.g. in football and can give a penalty.
2. Someone who is watching a sports event.
3. A sportsman or woman, especially one who runs or jumps.
4. The leader of a sports team.
5. He or she helps sports people practise and prepare for competitions.
6. Someone who's come first in an important sports competition.
7. A supporter of a team.
8. The footballer whose job is to catch the ball.

a. athlete
b. captain
c. champion
d. coach
e. fan
f. goalkeeper
g. referee
h. spectator

Useful phrases
7. Put the names of sports in the right columns. Tick the ones that you do.

football yoga swimming aerobics tennis badminton rollerblading skateboarding squash karate skiing basketball aikido athletics

Match the collocating words.

1. do a. a goal
2. set b. a match
3. score c. sports
4. win d. a record

Complete the sentences with the collocations from Exercise 9. Use the verbs in appropriate forms.

1. In 2000 in Sydney Australian swimmer Ian Thorpe swam a new world __________ in the men's 400 metres freestyle. He broke it himself a year later!
2. Liverpool won the __________ 3:1.
3. Chris is very fit and athletic. He ran __________ a lot.
4. In the first half, Ronaldinho scored __________ two.
1 Not everybody agrees what is and isn’t a sport. What do you think? Read this list and circle the activities you believe are ‘real’ sports. Say why.

- figure skating
- dancing
- diving
- gymnastics
- chess
- darts
- bridge
- car racing
- shooting
- golf
- yoga

2 CD 2-27 You are going to hear a discussion about the definition of sport. Match the speakers 1–6 to the statements A–G. There is one extra statement that you do not need to use.

Which person...
A thinks sport should be healthy?
B mentions the cost of doing sports?
C is not very proud of his/her country’s achievements in sport?
D says measurable, objective results are important?
E mentions a local sportsperson as an example?
F believes sport and smoking don’t go together?
G thinks what you wear is important?

1 Dan  3 Billy  5 Tina  2 Sue  4 Malcolm  6 Ken

3 Which of these statements from the recording do you agree with? Why? Compare your answers in pairs.

- A. A sport is something that needs physical effort and is good for your health.
- B. If you have judges who give subjective marks, then it isn’t a sport. But if you can actually measure or time the results, then it is.
- C. It’s not a sport if you can smoke when you’re playing.
- D. It can’t be a sport if you can play it in ordinary shoes.
- E. Nowadays sports shoes are ordinary shoes.

4 Work in pairs or small groups. Write your own definition of sport.
1. Nigel Mansell was leading the 1986 Formula One drivers’ championship by six points from Alain Prost. Only nineteen laps before the end of the final race of the season, Mansell was in third position. If he stayed in third, he would win the title for the first time. Just then, one of the tyres of his Williams car exploded. Prost won the race and the title by one point.

2. As she entered the athletics stadium in the final of the women’s 20km walk at the 2000 Sydney Olympics, Australian Jane Saville was in the lead. She was sure to win the gold medal. But then an official stepped forward to disqualify her for having both feet off the ground at one point in the race. Saville began screaming: ‘No, not me!’ When asked what she wanted, she replied: ‘A gun to shoot myself.’

3. In May 2000, Calais, an amateur football team from the fourth division, played first division Nantes in the final of the French Cup. Apart from the Nantes fans, everyone in France was supporting Calais. Just before half-time Calais scored a goal. Early in the second half Nantes equalised. Then, in the final minute of the match, the referee gave Nantes a soft penalty. The ball hit the goalkeeper’s knee and bounced into the net. Calais had lost.

4. The 1991 World Cup semi-final against England was the hardest game Scotland’s rugby captain Gavin Hastings ever played in. Late in the second half, with the score 6-6, Scotland had a penalty in front of the posts. Hastings had already scored two more difficult penalties. If he succeeded, Scotland would go three points ahead. Surprisingly, he missed it. Nobody in the ground could believe it. A few minutes later England scored and won the game.

5. At the 1954 Vancouver marathon, Englishman Jim Peters ran into the stadium an amazing seventeen minutes ahead of his nearest rival. After twenty-six miles in the heat, he was certain to win. But the crowd’s cheers died as the exhausted athlete fell onto the track. For eleven dramatic minutes, Peters tried to finish the race, but 200 metres from the end he fell for the last time. When he woke up in hospital, he thought he’d won.

6. The Olympic 400m semi-final in Barcelona, Derek Redmond felt good. He had helped the British 4x400m relay team to victory at the world championships. Now, after years of suffering from injuries, he was in great physical condition and felt he had a good chance of winning Olympic gold. The race started, but Derek pulled a muscle. Desperately, he tried to continue running. ‘I told myself I had to finish. Then, I felt a hand on my shoulder. It was his father, Jim. 70,000 people stood and cheered and Derek cried as his father helped him finish the race.
Describe the photo and answer the questions:
- Which sport do you enjoy most?
- Which sport do you think is best for your health?
- Which sport is good if you want to lose weight?

examtask

2 CD 2 28 You are going to hear a conversation between Megan and her doctor. Decide if the statements 1–6 are true (T), false (F) or there is no information (N).

1 Megan dislikes the sport she has to do at school.
2 Megan doesn’t enjoy winter sports.
3 The doctor thinks Megan should do a sport which will help her to lose weight.
4 The doctor has played rugby.
5 The doctor tries to persuade Megan to take up rollerblading.
6 Megan’s friend is very good at rollerblading.

Work in pairs. List one to three ideas for appropriate sports for each of the following people:
- A grandma who wants to stay fit and healthy.
- An overweight twelve-year-old boy who hates all sports, except on TV.
- A writer who spends whole days writing in his study. He is rather unfit and a bit lonely.
- A young woman who works in an office. At the end of the day she can’t stand looking at people!
- A university student with no money.

Work in pairs and follow the instructions.

Student A
You are a fitness instructor. Advise B which sport to choose.

Student B
You are one of the people listed in Exercise 3.

THE STRANGEST FOOTBALL MATCH EVER

Why is football so popular all around the world? It’s fast, there are great passes, and the most memorable thing of all: the goals that the teams score each other. However, in a 1994 Caribbean Cup match Barbados and Grenada this logic was turned upside down.

It was the last match in the group and Barbados reached the final if they beat Grenada by two goals. According to the rules, if the match was a draw, the teams had to play extra time, where a golden goal would count as two goals.

Until about seven minutes before the end of the game Barbados led 2–0, but then Grenada scored. The result of 2:1 was enough for Barbados to say goodbye to the Cup. But with one or two minutes remaining, one of the players from Barbados that it was getting very difficult to score against the other team, so he shot the ball past his own goalkeeper instead, making the score 2:2. Now it was Grenada’s turn to score – at either end of the field! The really funny thing was that now the Barbadians defending both goals – and, believe it or not, they managed it!

Finally, in the fourth minute of extra time Barbados scored the golden goal they so much wanted and got into final. ‘This game was too exciting. My players didn’t even know which way to attack,’ the Grenada manager said.

1 A against B with C for D to
2 A of B among C with D between
3 A can B could C should D might
4 A must B had to C have to D can
5 A decided B decide C did decide D deciding
6 A had B was C have D were
7 A to do B doing C did D do
8 A Ø B the C a D some
1. Think of a sport you like. Tell another student about it using the following questions.
   - How many people play?
   - How long does a game last?
   - Where do they play?
   - What equipment do they use?
   - What do they do?
   - Who wins?

2. Read the following text about a new sport. For questions 1–5 choose the correct answer A–D.
   1. According to the author, the main difference between boxing and chess is that
      A. one is dangerous and the other isn’t.
      B. one requires intelligence and the other strength.
      C. only one of them is an Olympic sport.
      D. they are played by different kinds of people.

   2. A chessboxing match consists of
      A. four six-minute rounds of chess and two five-minute rounds of boxing.
      B. five two-minute rounds of boxing and six four-minute rounds of chess.
      C. five four-minute rounds of boxing and six two-minute rounds of chess.
      D. six two-minute rounds of chess and five four-minute rounds of boxing.

   3. If the chess match ends in a stalemate and the boxing in a draw,
      A. the winner is the player with black chess pieces.
      B. the winner is the player with most points.
      C. there is no winner.
      D. there is extra time.

   4. The idea of chessboxing came from
      A. Bulgaria.
      B. people who liked both chess and boxing.
      C. a science fiction story.
      D. the World Chess Boxing Organisation.

   5. The author thinks that
      A. it is unlikely that chessboxing will become an Olympic sport.
      B. it is crazy to mix different sports disciplines.
      C. the modern triathlon is another example of a strange discipline.
      D. combinations of sports that once seemed strange are now accepted.

3. Work in pairs. Invent another 'hybrid' sport. Describe it using these prompts:
   Our hybrid sport is called ________. It is a combination of ________ and ________. It is played like this:
   (describe what happens in a game) ________.
   The winner is the person who ________.

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**Chessboxing**

**Brian Godwin investigates**

**a brand new sport**

It's hard to think of two competitions so completely different as chess and boxing. In one you rely on your mental skill; in the other you need physical strength. However, thinking and fighting, brain and muscle, have come together in a new hybrid sport: chessboxing.

The way it works is this: two opponents play a round of chess, which lasts four minutes. After a one-minute break, there is a two-minute round of boxing, and then another round of chess, and so on. Presumably, the contestants are allowed to take off their boxing gloves to move their chess pieces. In total, there are eleven rounds, five of boxing and six of chess. You win at chess if you get a checkmate or if your opponent goes over the twelve-minute time limit; you win at boxing if you knock out your opponent or if the referee decides you’ve won. And in either chess or boxing, you win if your opponent gives up. If the chess match is a stalemate*, the boxer with most points wins. If the boxing also ends in a draw, the chess player with the black pieces wins. Apparently, it’s fascinating to watch.

The original idea comes from a 1990s sci-fi comic book called Fraid-Equator, in which the inhabitants of a distant planet compete in various games, including chessboxing. The first contests took place in 2003, and two years later Bulgarian ‘Tigert’ Titschko won the first European Heavyweight Championship in front of hundreds of cheering spectators. The champion beat his opponent in the ninth round of the chess match.

The motto of the World Chess Boxing Organisation is ‘Fighting is done in the ring – Wars are waged on the board.’ They want to get chessboxing into the 2016 Olympic Games.

If you think that sounds unlikely, remember that when the first modern triathlon took place in 1974, it seemed crazy to mix up long-distance running, swimming and cycling. And yet, at the 2000 Sydney Games the triathlon became an Olympic sport.

Could this be the start of lots of new hybrid sports? How about sumo wrestling and figure skating? Golf-sailing with floating balls? Marathon-poker? Perhaps you can think of more. I must admit I find it very hard to think of any combination stranger than chess and boxing.

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*stalemate – a position in chess in which neither player can win
examworkout

1. To do the exam task in Exercise 2, you will have to make suggestions, reject and accept ideas. Match the phrases 1–10 to the following functions:
   A. Suggesting
   B. Disagreeing/Rejecting an idea
   C. Accepting an idea

   1. Good idea.
   2. I don't think it is... enough.
   3. How about...?
   4. I see what you mean, but...
   5. I'm not convinced.
   6. Let's...
   7. OK, so we'll... first, and then...
   8. I'm afraid I don't agree at all.
   9. OK/All right.
   10. Why don't we...?

examtask

2. In pairs, roleplay the situation below. One of you is the candidate, the other plays the role of the examiner.

You are a member of the school committee. Your school is being visited by students from England and you are preparing an international sports day for them. The other committee members would like to organise a boxing match, a cricket game and a marathon. You think that these competitions are not very safe and that only few students would like to participate in them. Explain your opinion and suggest other activities.

3. Now swap the roles and roleplay the situation again.

examworkout

1. Read the exam task in Exercise 2 and do preparation exercises a–b.

   a. Match the beginnings 1–12 to the endings a–l.
      Tick the ones that you could use to do the exam task in Exercise 2.
      1. Thanks a lot for the invitation,
      2. Are you out of your mind?!
      3. How about registering for
      4. Thanks for writing it's
      5. I'd rather play some racket games,
      6. I'm not fit enough to run such a long distance and
      7. Oh come on, you must be foolish to think
      8. Maybe we could go on
      9. Forget about sports, let's go to the cinema and
      10. Sorry but I don't really have enough time
      11. Thanks for the email, it was
      12. There is a local tennis tournament,

      a. a bike trip to the countryside?
      b. a cross-country run instead?
      c. a pleasant surprise!
      d. grab a bite to eat later on, how's that?
      e. I am definitely not going to do this crazy thing
      f. I don't really enjoy running in the city.
      g. it is very nice that you thought of me.
      h. like tennis or squash.
      i. nice to hear from you!
      j. that I will run in this marathon.
      k. to answer your silly emails.
      l. why don't we register for that?

   b. Match the sentences you have chosen to correct bullet points in the exam task.

examtask

2. Read the exam task below and write an email.

You have received an email from your English friend who would like you to run in the summer marathon with her. You don't really want to take part in the marathon. Write her an email in which you will:
   • thank her for writing to you
   • refuse the invitation politely
   • explain why you don't want to take part in the marathon
   • suggest a different sports event you could both take part in

Start your email like this: Hi Tracy,
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10 HEALTH

"The only way to keep your health is to eat what you don't like and drink what you don't like and do what you'd rather not."
Mark Twain (American satirical writer, 1835–1910)

ILLNESSES, INJURIES, SYMPTOMS

1. Match the illnesses and injuries to the pictures.
   1. backache
   2. broken arm
   3. headache
   4. stomachache
   5. twisted ankle
   6. toothache

2. Put the words from the box into the categories below.
   cancer  broken ribs  heart disease  sprained wrist  pneumonia  stroke  flu

3. Complete Tim's description of how he is feeling.
   I'm a bit poorly. I must have caught a 'c______'. I've been 's_______ing and 'c_______ing all day and I think I've got a bit of a 'f______' as well – I feel very hot.

4. Match the words to make two-word nouns.
   - food
   - sore
   - twisted
   - nose
   - stomach
   - attack
   - throat
   - heart
   - poisoning

5. Match the words to the explanations.
   - Someone who is ill...
   - Someone who is injured...
   - Someone who is disabled...
   - Someone who is blind...
   - Someone who is deaf...
   - Someone who is hard of hearing...
   - Someone who is short-sighted...
   a. can't see.
   b. can't hear well.
   c. can't hear at all.
   d. can't use a part of their body completely or easily as a result of illness or injury.
   e. is suffering from a disease.
   f. has been hurt in an accident.
   g. can't see well.
Complete the text with names of organs of the body. The first letter has been given.

1. To have strong b________, you should drink plenty of milk.
2. He works out at the gym every day to build up big m________.
3. Running is good for your h________.
4. Pneumonia is a disease of the l________.
5. Alcohol is bad for your l________.
6. He fell off a tree and broke his s________.
7. You shouldn’t take these pills on an empty s________.

Circle the correct verbs.

1. The doctor examined / treated / cured him but found nothing wrong.
2. She was examined / treated / cured with a new drug, but it didn’t help her.
3. Many types of cancer can now be examined / treated / cured completely if they are diagnosed early.

Complete the leaflet with the words from the box.

herbs injections pills surgery vaccine X-ray

CHOOSE ALTERNATIVE MEDICINE

Panchamahabhutas
Holistic Medicine Association

Do you like going to the doctor’s? If you’re ill, you’ll be given disgusting t________ and painful p________.

You’ll be told to have an x________, which means harmful radiation going through your body. If you’re seriously ill, they’ll say you need y________—in other words, cutting up!

And even if you’re perfectly fine, they’ll give you a z________ so that you don’t get ill in future!

Forget all that—all you need is a healthy diet and some a________.

Match the words with their definitions.

PEOPLE
1. A nurse a. performs operations.
2. A dentist b. is an ill person in hospital.
3. A specialist c. looks after ill people.
4. A surgeon d. looks after your teeth.
5. A patient e. knows a lot about one area of medicine.

PLACES
1. A section of a hospital is called a. surgery.
2. If you need medical advice, you go to a. pharmacy.
3. A doctor sees his patients in his c. ward.
4. You can buy medicine at a. health centre.

Complete the sentences with the correct prepositions.

1. Our neighbour suffers from heart disease.
2. Walt Disney died of lung cancer as a result of smoking.
3. Many famous musicians of the 1960s were addicted to drugs.
4. I’m allergic to milk. I can’t eat ice cream!
5. Ann had really bad pneumonia last winter, but she recovered from it completely.
6. They operated on him last night and he’s already getting better.
7. My granddad is seventy, but he’s still in good shape.
8. I’ve been studying too hard and not exercising. I’m out of shape.
9. I’ve got a bad pain in my left leg.

Complete the sentences with the correct verbs.

1. You really should see a doctor about this pain in your chest.
2. Hello! I’d like to make an appointment to see Doctor Wheeler, please.
3. I’m going to take your temperature now.
4. Let me check your blood pressure.
5. What do you do to feel fit?

Doctor, there’s an invisible man in your waiting room! Tell him I can’t see him now.
Matching 1-6 to the explanations a-f.

1. A nap  a. is the ability to see.
2. Treatment  b. carries one piece of genetic information.
3. Obesity  c. is a short sleep.
4. To hug  d. is something that is done to cure an ill person.
5. A gene  e. is being seriously overweight.
6. Sight  f. is to hold someone in your arms.

In pairs, ask each other the following questions.

- Which of the new treatments described in the text do you think is the most useful? Why?
- What other drug or treatment would you like to see invented? Why?

I'd like to see...
- a cure for ________
- a vaccine against ________
- something to help people with ________

Find three synonyms of ‘sickness’ in the text. They are used in these collocations:

1. heart-related ________
2. heart d________
3. skin e________

NEW SCIENCE INVESTIGATIONS

1. A short nap after lunch may reduce your chances of suffering a heart attack. In a medical study in Greece, people who took a half-hour siesta at least three times a week were thirty-seven per cent less likely to die from heart-related illnesses. For working men, the result was even more dramatic: a sixty-four per cent reduction. The explanation could be that siestas reduce stress, one of the most common causes of heart disease.

2. There is a new treatment for skin conditions: a hot bath with hundreds of tiny toothless fish. 'Doctor fish' from Turkey eat dead and diseased cells, treating the symptoms of various illnesses of the skin. It does not hurt and the only side-effects may be some slight bleeding. Unfortunately, it is not a permanent cure. The results last only a few months.

3. A study into the effects of hugging has shown that hugs lower blood pressure, reduce the risk of heart disease, and generally improve your health. People in loving relationships benefit more from hugs. And women benefit more than men. During the study, thirty-eight American couples had to talk about a happy time, watch a romantic movie, and hug for twenty seconds.

4. Childhood obesity is a growing problem in the UK. In response to this, the British Government is to give 45,000 free pedometers to thousands of overweight children to help them become fitter. It is hoped the pedometers, which count the steps you take, will encourage the children to take more exercise and lose weight. In trials, the average number of steps taken by children rose from 8,355 to 13,933 per day.

5. A new drug that turns on a gene which burns body fat could lead to a new medicine that imitates physical exercise, allowing you to become thinner without effort. Mice on the drug lost weight even though they did no exercise and ate a high-fat diet. The aim is to create a medicine for people suffering from obesity rather than a pill which lets you eat too much while staying thin.

6. Millions of blind people could regain their sight thanks to a new invention being tested in the USA. A tiny camera which sits on a pair of glasses sends optical information to electrodes in the eye. This happens in real time, allowing patients to distinguish lights, shapes and movement. It could be available within two years.
MULTIPLE CHOICE <4 14

1. Which of these medical procedures do you dislike? Which ones are OK?
   - being examined
   - having your blood pressure taken
   - injections
   - blood tests
   - X-rays
   - taking pills

EXAM TASK

CD 2:39 You are going to hear a conversation about health between a father and his two children. For questions 1–6, choose the correct answer A–C.

1. Where are the characters?
   A. In a hospital.
   B. In a doctor’s surgery.
   C. At home.

2. Which symptom does the father NOT say he’s got?
   A. A headache.
   B. Vomiting.
   C. A sore throat.

3. Which procedures do the children perform on their dad?
   A. They take his blood pressure and his temperature.
   B. They give him an injection and an X-ray.
   C. They carry out an operation.

4. What is Paul’s diagnosis?
   A. The flu.
   B. Food poisoning.
   C. He’s not certain.

5. Paul tells his father to
   A. take some pills.
   B. go home and lie down.
   C. go to a health centre for some tests.

6. Why does Elisa start crying?
   A. She doesn’t want to play any longer.
   B. She imagines her father dying.
   C. She wants to be the doctor, not the nurse.

IN Pairs, ask each other the following questions.
- What should a good doctor be like?
- What should a good nurse be like?

OPEN CLOZE <36


Exam task

2. Read the following article about reducing stress. Some words are missing from the text. Complete the gaps 1–9 with one word.

STRESS REDUCERS
Are you stressed? Well, don’t worry. We have asked the experts 1._____ their advice and searched the internet for ideas and here are 2._____ best ideas that you can use easily and immediately to make your life 3._____ relaxing and healthier.

- Get up fifteen minutes earlier so that, when all those little problems happen in the morning, you will 4._____ fifteen extra minutes to sort them out.
- Forgetting things 5._____ be stressful so write down everything that you have to remember. Keep a diary, write notes on a wall calendar or use electronic reminders.
- Take a book wherever you go. Don’t get impatient in queues, read and relax.
- Look for the positives in any problems. If the train 6._____ late, don’t worry, enjoy the rest at the station.
- Unplug your phone. There probably won’t be an emergency during the half hour that you are in the bath or watching 7._____ favourite TV programme so you can safely make sure that you aren’t disturbed.
- Do the unpleasant things first. That way, the rest of the day will be more enjoyable and free of worries.
- Change your appearance in some way. 8._____ you look good, you’ll feel good.
- Try to find relaxed friends. Two worries together will just make each 9._____ even more stressed.

Now you know how easy it is to be more relaxed, there is no reason why you can’t reduce the stress in your life. Of course, that is unless you enjoy worrying and rushing around, in which case please ignore the above advice.
1 Read the text and answer the multiple-choice questions.

Possibly the most famous novel set in a hospital is *One Flew Over The Cuckoo’s Nest* by Ken Kesey, which takes place in a mental institution. The ward is run by cold, authoritarian Nurse Ratched, who neither has respect nor sympathy for the patients and simply wants to control them. The routine is disturbed by the arrival of Randle McMurphy, a loud, fun-loving man, who has been moved to the hospital from prison. McMurphy challenges the Nurse’s authority. His behaviour encourages the other patients, previously too frightened to be themselves, to do the same. The conflict intensifies to a dramatic climax. Kesey convincingly presents his view that the ‘mentally ill’ are in fact people who have been pushed out by society because they did not fit the conventional ideas of how they should behave.

1 McMurphy
   A disturbs the other patients.
   B makes the other patients feel frightened.
   C shows the other patients they could act differently.
   D gets into conflict with the other patients.

2 Ken Kesey believes that mentally ill people
   A have conventional ideas.
   B hate conventional ideas.
   C are pushed around by unfeeling people.
   D are different from the way others want them to be.

3 Compare the use of the underlined words in the text and the words in the answers. Why are the answers containing those words incorrect?

Language & Culture

*Catch-22*, written by Joseph Heller in 1961, is a satirical novel set in Italy during World War II. The main character, Captain Yossarian, a pilot in the United States Air Force, has flown too many combat missions and would like to stop. But there is a hidden problem, a *catch*: You can only get out of flying if you are crazy. However, if you say you don’t want to fly any more, it proves that you are not crazy, so you have to continue flying. That’s catch 22. *Catch-22* was made into a film by director Mike Nichols in 1970.

3 Read the following fragment of *Catch 22*. For questions 1–6 choose the correct answer A–D.

1 The doctors were annoyed because
   A they didn’t know what was wrong with Yossarian.
   B Yossarian pretended to be ill.
   C Yossarian behaved impatiently.
   D Yossarian refused to take the pills.

2 Nurse Duckett disliked Yossarian
   A but most other nurses didn’t.
   B and so did all the nurses.
   C because he was rude to her.
   D because she was an unpleasant person.

3 Yossarian
   A told the doctors he was feeling worse.
   B didn’t telle the doctors he was better.
   C made himself ill on purpose.
   D never spoke to the doctors.

4 How did Yossarian feel about being in hospital?
   A He was happy to be there.
   B He was impatient to get out.
   C He disliked the staff.
   D He missed his friends.

5 It was easy for Yossarian to stay on in the hospital because
   A the doctors were interested in his case.
   B he was seriously ill.
   C he had an unusually high temperature.
   D it was comfortable.

6 Yossarian wrote letters about going on a dangerous mission
   A in order to appear brave.
   B because he had volunteered to go.
   C so that people would think he was dead and leave him alone.
   D without mentioning why.
Describe the photo and answer the questions.

- Why do you think the man is doing this?
- What else can people do to stay healthy?

Exam Task

CD 2:30 You are going to hear a man talking about a healthy lifestyle. Complete the gaps 1-8 with a maximum of two words.

A HEALTHY LIFESTYLE

FOOD
- If you want to get fit and stay fit, watch what you eat.
- Eat at least 5 pieces of fresh fruit and vegetables every day.
- Always choose 3 foods.

SMOKING
- If you smoke, you should quit.

SPORT
- Take up a sport. Do regular exercises.
- If you lack discipline, join a sports club.

RELAXATION
- Relax. Avoid stress and make sure you get enough sleep.

Discuss the following questions as a class.

- Do Pam and Ken enjoy the talk? Why? Why not?
- Is the advice given by the speaker good? Is it convincing?
- How can young people be encouraged to adopt a healthy lifestyle?
Speaking

Discussion ←58

Exampworkout

1 Complete the phrases 1–8 using the endings from the box:
   agree with me... all up... considered... important I’d like to add... just like to say that...
   to say is that... understand your point of view.
   I don’t think that...

   1 Excuse me, I’d ________________
   2 I think I can ________________
   3 So, all things ________________
   4 Sorry, but there is something ________________
   5 To be honest, ________________
   6 To wrap it ________________
   7 What I am trying ________________
   8 Would you ________________

2 Match the phrases 1–8 from Exercise 1 to their functions A–D:
   A Expressing and justifying opinion
   B Summing up the discussion
   C Interrupting in a polite way
   D Expressing interest

Writing

Note ←45

Exampworkout

1 Read the following exam task and complete a student’s response to it with the words and phrases from the box.

While your roommate was out her sister called to inform that their mother was ill. Write a note for your roommate, in which you will:
   • write about the illness and give details of the treatment
   • explain that her sister asked for help
   • express your hope that their mother will soon be better

Begin like this: Hi Jane,

... come and help a bit get well medication prescribed take things easy the flu

Hi Jane
   Your sister Vicky called and said your mum’s got _____________. The doctor has been and he _____________. but mostly he just told her to stay in bed and _____________. Vicky would like you to _____________. , because she doesn’t want to leave her alone in the house too long. I’m sorry about it. But I’m sure your mum will _____________. soon.

Take care,
Zsofi

Speaking

Photo description ←62

5 Look at page 171 and do exercises 1–4.
backache /'bækεk/  
blood /blud/  
blood /blud/  
broken arm /'bɾəukən əm/  
burn /bɜrn/  
cancer /ˈkænsər/  
choke /tʃɔk/  
cold /kəʊld/  
condition /ˈkənˈdɪʃən/  
cough /kɒf/  
critically ill /'krɪtɪkli ɪl/  
def /dɛf/  
disease /ˈdiəz/  
dreadful pain in the back /'dredfəl ˈpiːn ɪn ə baːk/  
drink /drɪŋk/  
rare /reər/  
feet /fɪt/  
feel a bit poorly /fɪl ə bit ˈpɒləri/  
feel dizzy /fɪl ˈdɪzi/  
feel sick /fɪl ˈsɪk/  
feel terrible /fɪl ˈterəbl/  
feel weak /fɪl ˈwɛk/  
fever /fɪvər/  
flu /flju/  
food poisoning /'fudzˈpoʊzn/  
hard of hearing /ˈhɑːrd əv ˈhɑːrɪŋ/  
have a high temperature /hæv ə hæt ˈtempərətʃər/  
have a sore throat /hæv ə soʊ ˈθroʊt/  
have an upset stomach /hæv ə upˈset ˈstʌmək/  
headache /ˈhedək/  
heart attack /hɑrt əˈtæk/  
heart disease /hɑrt ˈdiəz/  
heart-related illness /hɑrt rɪˈleɪtəd ˈɪlnəs/  
hurt /hɜrt/  
ill /ɪl/  
ilness /ˈɪlnəs/  
injury /ˈɪndʒəri/  
insomnia /ˈɪnəsmənɪə/  
judicious /dʒudɪˈsɪəs/  
loss your sight /ˈlaʊs ə sɪt/  
mentally disabled /ˈmentəli ˈdɪsˈeɪbləd/  
my arm hurts /maɪ ərm ɜrts/  
not feel very well /nɒt ˈfiːl ˈveri ˈwel/  
painful /ˈpeɪnfəl/  
physically disabled /ˈfɪzɪkəli ˈdɪsˈeɪbləd/  
Pneumonia /ˈnjuːmənɪə/  
rash /ræʃ/  
regain your sight /rɪˈɡeɪn ə sɪt/  
risky /ˈrɪskɪ/  
seriously ill /ˈsɜriəsli ɪl/  
shiver /ˈʃɪvər/  
short-sighted /ˈʃɔrt ˈsɜːtɪd/  
side effects /saɪd ˈɛfɛkts/  
skin condition /ˈskɪn ˈkənˈdɪʃən/  
sneeze /ˈsniz/  
swollen tonsils /ˈswəʊlən tɔŋsəls/  
symptoms /ˈsɪmptəmz/  
take an overdose /teɪk ən əˈɔvədɔs/  
terminally ill /ˈtɜrmənəli ɪl/  
toothache /ˈtuːθeɪk/  
twist one's ankle /twɪst ən ˈænkl/  
vomit /ˈvʊmɪt/  
wound /wʊnd/  
wounded /ˈwʊndəd/  
bone /bɔn/  
heart /hɑrt/  
liver /ˈlɪvə/  
urine /ˈjɜrn/  
muscles /ˈmʌsəlz/  
spine /spайн/  
stomach /ˈstʌmək/  
cough medicine /ˈkɒf ˈmedsən/  
cure /kjuər/  
doctor's surgery /ˈdɔktər ˈsɜrdʒəri/  
drops /drɒps/  
drugs /drʌgz/  
examine /ɡˈziːmən/  
first aid /ˈfɜst ɛid/  
gain /ɡein/  
get better /get ˈbɛtə/  
go to hospital /ɡoʊ tu ˈhɑspɪtəl/  
go to the doctor's /ɡoʊ tu ˈdɑktər ˈdɑktəz/  
herbs /ˈhɜrbs/  
injection /ˈɪnˈdʒekʃən/  
medical check-up /ˈmɛdɪʊkəl ˈtʃekˌʌp/  
medication /ˈmɛdɪˈkeɪʃən/  
medicine /ˈmɛdɪns/  
painkillers /ˈpeɪnkɪləz/  
plaster /ˈpʌlsta/  
prescription /ˈpreʃrɪpn/  
run some tests /rʌn som tɛsts/  
sleeping pills /ˈslɛpiŋ pɪlz/  
thermometer /ˈθɜrmətər/  
treat /triːt/  
treatment /trɪˈtmənt/  
vaccination /ˈvækəʃən/  
What's the matter? /wɔts ə ˈmætə/  
What's wrong? /wɔts ˈwʊŋ/  
wheelchair /ˈwiːlʃeɪər/  

**Healthy/unhealthy lifestyle**

- avoid stress /ˈəvstres/  
- cut down on fatty foods /ˈkʌt daʊn ən ˈfeɪti ˈfudz/  
- do exercise /dəz ˈeksəsaɪz/  
- follow a sensible diet /ˈfɔləu ə ˈsɛnsəbl ˈdaɪət/  
- get enough sleep /gɪt əˈnʌf ˈsliːp/  
- give up smoking /ɡɪv əp ˈsmaʊkɪŋ/  
- healthy diet /ˈhɛlθi ˈdaɪət/  
- healthy food /ˈhɛlθi ˈfud/  
- healthy habits /ˈhɛlθi ˈheɪbəts/  
- high-fat diet /hiːt ˈfud/  
- low-fat food /loʊ ˈfud/  
- obesity /ˈəbəsɪtɪ/  
- overweight /ˈəʊvərˈweɪnt/  
- reduce stress /rɪˈdʒuːstres/  
- take regular exercise /teɪk ˈrɛɡjʊlər ˈɛksəsaɪz/  
- take up a sport /teɪk ap ə spɔrt/  
- work out at the gym /wɜrk aut ət də ɡɪm/  

**Useful phrases**

- be addicted to /bi əˈdɪktɪd tu/  
- be allergic to /bi əˈlɜrdʒɪk tu/  
- be in good shape /bi ɪn ˈgʊd ʃeɪp/  
- consult a doctor /kənsəlt əˈdɔktər/  
- die of /daɪ əv/  
- have a pain in one's leg /hæv ə pɛn ɪn ən ˈɛnz ˈleg/  
- keep fit /kɪp fɪt/  
- make an appointment with /meɪk ən ˈəˈpɔɪntmənt wɪth/  
- operate on /ˈɔpəreɪt ən/  
- recover from /rɪˈkʌvr frəm/  
- see a doctor /si: əˈdɔktər/  
- stay fit /steɪ fɪt/  
- suffer from /ˈsʌfər frəm/  
- take blood pressure /teɪk blʌd ˈpreʃər/  
- take temperature /teɪk ˈtemprətʃər/  
- take things easy /teɪk ənˈziːz ˈɛzi/
**LANDSCAPE FEATURES**

**1.** Label the numbered elements in the picture.

**WEATHER**

**2.** Number the following adjectives in order from hottest to coldest.

- chilly
- cool
- freezing
- hot
- warm

**3.** Complete the table with the words from the box.

| Blowing | Cloudy | Rainy | Shining | Snowing | Sunny | Windy |

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<td>The wind is ___ .</td>
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**ANIMALS**

**4.** Complete the sentences. Make new words from the words in BLOCK CAPITALS.

1. It was so ___ we could hardly see anything.
   
   FOG

2. We had a very ___ summer this year.
   
   STORM

3. It was a ___ winter evening.
   
   FROST

4. It was a lovely, ___ late-summer morning.
   
   MIST

**5.** Label the numbered elements in the picture.

**6.** What groups of animals are these?

1. Their mothers feed them with milk. ___

2. They can fly and have feathers. ___

3. They live in water and breathe water. ___

4. They fly and buzz. ___

5. Snakes, tortoises and lizards belong to this group. ___
Label the animals in the photos. Which of them have you seen?

NATURAL DISASTERS
8. Match the names of disasters 1–7 with their descriptions a–g.

1. drought
2. earthquake
3. famine
4. flood
5. hurricane
6. tornado
7. tsunami

a. a rotating wind
b. a very strong wind
c. a huge wave caused by a volcanic eruption
d. a long time without rain
e. the ground shakes
f. much too much water
g. there's no food and people are dying

THE ENVIRONMENT
9. Match the words that go together.

1. air/water
2. wind/water/solar
3. sort
4. global
5. greenhouse
6. acid
7. unleaded
8. animal

a. rubbish
b. effect
c. warming
 d. rain
e. petrol
f. species
g. pollution
h. power

10. Use the words from Exercise 9 to complete the table.

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<td>buy __________</td>
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<td>1. __________</td>
<td>use alternative energy sources, burn less fuel</td>
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<td>too much waste</td>
<td>3. __________ your __________; recycle</td>
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<td>extinction of many</td>
<td>4. __________ protect wildlife</td>
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USEFUL PHRASES

11. Complete the sentences with the words from the box.

become damage environmentally harmful protect sort pick up

1. We all have a responsibility to __________ the __________.
2. If we don’t protect wildlife, fifty per cent of the animal species that exist now may __________ __________ in the next century.
3. It’s not so difficult to __________ __________ once you get used to it.
4. Do you care about buying __________ __________ products?
5. Using aerosol sprays is __________ to the __________.
6. Industries which __________ the environment should pay special taxes.
7. Our whole school is going to __________ __________ on Earth Day.
In pairs, ask and answer the following questions.

• Do you like receiving postcards? How many did you get during your last holiday?
• Do you write postcards when you're on holiday?
  Who do you write to? What do you write about?

3 In pairs, ask and answer the following questions.

• Which of the places (A–F) would you most like to be in? Why?
• What kind of weather do you like and dislike?
  What do you do in that kind of weather?
• What kind of natural scenery do you like best? Why?

4 Match the words to make phrases.

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<td>b climate</td>
<td>c winters</td>
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5 Write down at least six words or phrases from the text to describe natural scenery.

1 high cliffs
2
3
4
5
6
7
8

A

Galapagos, General View

Hi Martin,

You'll love it here. It's an island in the Pacific Ocean 600 miles west of Ecuador right on the equator. It's an incredible place to investigate wildlife. There are lots of fish, reptiles, mammals of all sorts. Giant tortoises, pelicans, dolphins, marine iguanas, penguins. We've even seen whales! Unfortunately, some species are in danger of extinction because of pollution, overpopulation and competition from rats and goats and other animals. Our professor is a real expert, too. I'll send you some photos from my project.

Love, Blanca

B

Dear Gran,

It's gorgeous weather here: warm and sunny with clear blue skies! I can't believe it's date autumn! We're going to the sea later. The coastline is mainly rocky with high cliffs, but there are some lovely sandy beaches, too. Hope you're enjoying the mist and the clouds at home.

Love, Bug

C

Hi Sue,
The weather is awful! The day we arrived, there was a storm with thunder and lightning. The river burst its banks and a field washed away the campsite. It's still pouring with rain. They say the scenery is lovely - green valleys and snow-peaked mountains, but we can't tell because of the fog. Can't wait to get home. Years later, Sue

D

Dear Mum and Dad,

I'm really enjoying myself at Aunt Pam's. It's fun looking after my little cousins. It's like a farm here: there are dogs, cats, hamsters, rabbits, guinea pigs, ducks, hens and even a pet pig! I feed them in the morning. Then I water the plants in the garden and pick the fruit in the greenhouse. It's great!

Love you, Sarah

E

Dear Germany,

Greetings from England!

Mrs. Anderson

F

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Love, Bug

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Love, Bug

H

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Love, Bug

I

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Mrs. Anderson

J

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Love, Bug

M

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Love, Bug

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Love, Bug

S

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Love, Bug

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Z

Hi Sue,
The weather is awful! The day we arrived, there was a storm with thunder and lightning. The river burst its banks and a field washed away the campsite. It's still pouring with rain. They say the scenery is lovely - green valleys and snow-peaked mountains, but we can't tell because of the fog. Can't wait to get home. Years later, Sue

Love, Bug
Write a postcard like the ones below from a place you know, describing the scenery and the weather.

1. How are the following animals used by people?
   - dolphins
   - horses
   - donkeys
   - camels
   - pigeons
   - rats
   - guinea pigs
   - dogs

2. Read the following statements. For each of the highlighted words, think of a synonym and an antonym. Make a list of all the synonyms and antonyms as a class.
   1. Working with animals is not always **safe**.
   2. Some aspects of the work may make you feel **sad**.
   3. A pleasant thing about working with animals is that it's very **quiet**.

3. **CD 2-31** Listen to a part of a radio programme about working with animals. Decide if the sentences 1–3 in Exercise 2 are true (T) or false (F). Which of the synonyms and antonyms did you hear?

4. **CD 2-32** You are going to hear another part of the same radio programme. Decide if the sentences 1–6 are true (T) or false (F).
   1. The speaker describes dolphins as smart but **aggressive**.
   2. The speaker gives examples of animals used in **wars**.
   3. Some animals have been honoured for their **bravery**.
   4. The speaker gives examples of animals used for the amusement of humans.
   5. Horses do more kinds of work than any other **animal**.
   6. Training guide dogs helps difficult teenagers become more friendly and **confident**.

5. **Which ways of using animals do you think are acceptable? Which aren't?** Compare opinions in pairs. Then choose one of the ways of using animals and prepare a short speech for or against it.
   - dogs leading the blind
   - dogs helping the police
   - animals in the circus
   - zoos
   - keeping animals as pets (which ones?)
   - experiments on animals
   - bullfights
   - using animals for military purposes
1 In pairs, ask and answer these questions.
   • What are the causes of global warming?
   • What are the predicted effects of global warming?

2 Read the following text about the future of our world. For questions 1–5 choose the correct answer A–D.

1 The writer dreamt of a world where
   A the shape of the continents had changed.
   B some countries had lost their independence.
   C there had been a war.
   D Britain did not exist any more.

2 Flying above the earth, the writer saw the effects of
   A floods.
   B hurricanes.
   C an increasingly hot climate.
   D a volcanic eruption.

3 She saw the devastating effect of the change on
   A industry.
   B agriculture.
   C travel.
   D animals.

4 The city had been
   A burnt.
   B destroyed by a tornado.
   C destroyed by a nuclear bomb.
   D flooded.

5 The woman told the writer
   A to stop burning petrol.
   B to change her lifestyle.
   C that the situation was also her fault.
   D that worse things were going to happen.

3 Do you think the vision described in the text will come true? Look through the text again and find:
   • two or three things which you think are probable,
   • two or three things which you think are improbable.

4 Put the highlighted words from the text under the correct headings in the table.

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My Secret Diary
Ann Wilkins

Last night I dreamt...

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... of the future. There was a map of the world, but the countries looked different. The land had shrunk and the seas had got bigger. Britain was smaller, and so was France. And Holland had disappeared.

In my dream I could fly, and I saw that the land that had been green was now brown. The snow had melted long ago from the black mountain tops. A drought had left the earth dry and dusty. The forests had become a desert.

Near a village, there was a man, thin and silent, trying to plant trees in the dead soil. The heat was tremendous. I could hardly breathe. Then suddenly, a tornado came. Raindrops hit my face, the air was humid and heavy. A flood rushed down the valley towards the man and his village.

The storm carried me across an angry ocean and I came to a strange city without streets. Canals ran between high buildings. There was a statue of a giant woman, a torch above her head, water up to her knees.

Nearing to rest, I flew into a building, a library. A woman is reading. 'You want to know what happened,' she said. 'I nodded. Her voice was dry and quiet like dead leaves.

'You knew about global warming, you knew it was real. You're about the greenhouse effect and acid rain and what air pollution was doing to the environment. But you didn't care.'

'Some people tried. They warned you what would happen if you didn't protect your planet. They said, "Stop burning fumes, save energy, consume less, recycle, use solar energy, use your power." But you wouldn't change your lifestyle: your car exhaust fumes, your cheap flights, your polluting factories, your cars and dioxides.'

'And the climate changed and the temperatures rose, and the glaciers and the polar ice caps melted. Seas covered your islands and coastal towns. There were hurricanes and floods and fires. Innumerable species died out. First polar bears became extinct, and then bees. And now you are alone with the rats and cockroaches. And there are too many refugees, and not enough food or water, and you're just fighting for survival.'

She touched my face with her warm dry fingers and I woke from my dream.

But it wasn't a dream. It was a nightmare.

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How do you normally find out what the weather is going to be like? Discuss your ideas in pairs.

Read the following text about an interesting way to measure the temperature. For gaps 1–9 choose the correct answer A–D.

**NATURE'S THERMOMETER**

According to reliable sources \(^1\) **The Old Farmer's Almanac**, we can measure outdoor temperature without the help of a traditional thermometer. \(^2\) you need is good ears, a bit of countryside and silence. Your natural thermometer \(^3\) nothing but a small green insect: a cricket. We all listen to the concerts these animals give on warm summer evenings, but what \(^4\) this have to do with the temperature?

Crickets chirp as they rub their legs or wings together. That is, male crickets \(^5\) . Although we often find their music relaxing, it is not \(^6\) to that. The sound is a cricket's way to serenade his lady and to keep other males as far as possible. In 1897 physicist Amos Dolbear suggested that counting the chirps of the crickets will tell us \(^7\) temperature it is.

There are various formulas for making one's calculations. If you understand Celsius, rather than Fahrenheit, you need \(^8\) the number of chirps in 25 seconds, divide it by 3 and then add 4 to get the current temperature. But do remember — you will only be able to find out the temperature in this way when \(^9\) crickets around. Below 15°C you may not have many of them, or if they are there, they will probably not be in the mood for love.

1. Describe the photo and answer the questions.
   * Do you know anyone who is a vegetarian?
   * What does he/she eat? What does he/she refuse to eat?
   * Does he/she try to persuade others to become vegetarian? Why? Why not?

2. **CD 2-33** You are going to hear a conversation about the link between the vegetarian diet and the protection of the environment. For questions 1–6 choose the correct answer A–C.

   1. Alice says Tim
      A. never discusses environmental problems.
      B. does little to protect the environment.
      C. has no respect for animal rights.

   2. Tim protests that he
      A. does not use his car very often.
      B. always uses public transport.
      C. cycles instead of driving.

   3. Alice says the Amazonian rainforests are being cut down
      A. to produce paper.
      B. to obtain exotic types of wood for furniture.
      C. to make room for animal production.

   4. Alice says most people
      A. don't want to become vegetarians.
      B. don't want to sort their rubbish.
      C. do nothing to protect the environment.

   5. Alice says most farmland is used
      A. to grow cereals.
      B. to grow crops for the industry.
      C. to grow food for animals.

   6. Tim says a vegetarian diet
      A. will not save the planet.
      B. is unhealthy.
      C. is not good for men.

3. Who do you most agree with: Alice or Tim? Why?
1 **Exam Workout**

**CD 2-34** Read the exam task below. Listen to a candidate doing it and complete the conversation.

You have read about the Earth Day event in your town and you are trying to persuade your roommate to take part in it. Your partner thinks it is boring and a waste of time. Ask him to take part in one of the activities and suggest some attractive outdoor activity at the end of the day.

**Candidate:** Hi Gregory. Look what it says in the paper: it’s Earth Day next Saturday, and they’re inviting everyone to come and clear up the litter in all the parks in the city. Why ______ go?

**Examiner:** Oh, no, give me a break. It’s ______.

**Candidate:** What ______ it’s a waste of time? We live on Earth, right? We’ve got to take ______ for the planet.

**Examiner:** But I ______ spend my whole Saturday picking up rubbish!

**Candidate:** OK, so ______ go picking up litter first, and then just go cycling along the river and have dinner in the pub by the canal. ______

2 **Exam task**

In pairs, roleplay the situation below. One of you is the candidate, the other plays the role of the examiner.

There is “the Greenest School of the Year” contest in your country and you think that your school should enter it. Try to persuade your partner to help you organise some “green” events (e.g. a contest, an exhibition, a lecture, a Saturday meeting to clean the area around school) to encourage other students to take part in the program. Your partner is very busy studying for a test and doesn’t like the idea of picking up garbage in the streets.

3 **Exam task**

Now swap the roles and roleplay the situation again.

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**Exam Workout**

**Exam task**

Read the exam task below and write an email.

On a travel website, you have found a message from an English student who would like to visit your country. This is a part of the message:

*I love nature and I really like all kinds of outdoor activities – walking, cycling, sailing, and I am keen on seeing animals in the wild too. I am reasonably fit so I can manage challenging walks. Could someone recommend a few places for me to go to? What is the best time to visit? I’m not sure about the climate, what kind of clothes do I need to take? Do I need to remember to bring anything else? Rob*

Write him an email answering all his questions.
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Do not worry about your difficulties in Mathematics. I can assure you mine are still greater.

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AREAS OF SCIENCE AND SCIENTISTS

1. For each discipline, write the name of the person who specialises in it. Then listen, check and repeat the words.

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SCIENISTS AT WORK

2. Match the sentence beginnings 1–7 with the endings a–g.

1. Thomas Edison **invented**
2. The British chemist Sir Humphry Davy **discovered**
3. In the 20th century evidence from genetics **confirmed**
4. Louis Pasteur **rejected** the idea that
5. Jane Goodall **worked in Africa and studied**
6. American doctors Ernst Wynder and Evarts Graham were the first to **investigate**
7. Isaac Newton **observed** that

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3. Match the words form the box to the definitions.

- evidence
- findings
- hypothesis
- lab
- record
- research

1. something you think is true but have not proved
2. looking for information
3. what you discover as a result of research
4. facts or signs that prove something is true
5. information written down or stored in a computer so that you can check it later
6. the place where experiments are conducted

TECHNOLOGY

4. Label the numbered elements in the picture.

1.  
2.  
3.  
4.  
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8.  
9.  

COMPUTING

5. Complete the text with the words from the box.

- virus
- software
- restarting
- error
- downloading
- data
- crashed

My computer __________ yesterday. I think I got a __________ when I was __________ music files from the Internet. First there was an '__________' message, and then it stopped responding. I tried __________, but it didn't help. I lost a lot of important __________. I've got to buy myself better anti-virus __________.

6. What can you do with a file or document? Complete the table.

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1 Label the numbered elements in the picture.

SPACE EXPLORATION

Complete the crossword.

Complete the sentences with appropriate words.
1 Copernicus ________ to the conclusion that the Earth rotates around the Sun.
2 We know a lot about Charles Darwin's work, because he ________ records of all his research.
3 James Clerk Maxwell's most important ________ of research was electromagnetism.
4 Albert Einstein ________ the Nobel Prize in physics in 1921.
5 In 1922 British archaeologists ________ an important discovery in Egypt: they found the tomb of the pharaoh Tutankhamun.
6 Alexander Fleming found ________ that some types of mould kill bacteria.
7 Richard Feynman specialised ________ quantum electrodynamics.
8 Specialists are carrying ________ new research into ways of fighting malaria.

Complete the dialogues with appropriate words.
1 A: 'Hi! Did you have a good weekend?'
   B: 'It was OK. I spent five hours surfing the ________ on Saturday.'

2 A: 'Excuse me. How do I switch ________ this machine?'
   B: 'Just ________ this button.'
   A: 'I have, but nothing's happened. Maybe it's out of ________.'
   B: 'Let me see... gosh, yes it is. Again! It breaks ________ every two or three days!'
In pairs, list three things which you think scientists do as part of their work.

1. The Egyptians
   A. made incorrect observations of frogs.
   B. could not think of a hypothesis.
   C. did not test their hypothesis experimentally.
   D. believed frogs were sacred.

2. The heavier of the two balls dropped by Galileo
   A. looked just the same as the other one.
   B. fell faster than the other one.
   C. fell more slowly than the other one.
   D. fell at the same speed.

3. It is important to repeat an experiment
   A. to see if the results are the same.
   B. to check if the results are statistically significant.
   C. so that others can check it.
   D. to record what you've done.

4. It is important to record the procedure of an experiment
   A. so that others don't copy it.
   B. to check if you get the same results.
   C. so that others can repeat it.
   D. so you can check your conclusions.

5. The main point of the last paragraph is that
   A. there are many branches of science.
   B. the scientific method is universally used.
   C. mud doesn't produce frogs.
   D. laboratories are essential to science.

According to the text, in what order does a scientist do the following? Number the steps 1–4.

- Analyse the findings
- Observe the world
- Carry out an experiment
- Formulate a hypothesis

Use the highlighted words from the article to complete this text. Change the form when necessary.

Germ theory
Antoni van Leeuwenhoek, Dutch scientist and microscope-maker, 1. discovered the existence of bacteria and was the first person who 2. observed microorganisms under a microscope. The French 3. biologist and biologist Louis Pasteur carried out 4. experiments on fermentation. He believed that fermentation could happen only if a substance contained, or came into contact with microorganisms, or germs. His findings 5. confirmed his hypothesis, and so provided the 6. evidence which finally convinced European scientists that germ theory was true.

The Scientific Method

Every year in the spring, large numbers of frogs appear in the mud near the river Nile. They aren’t there in dry weather, so in the past ancient Egyptians used to believe that the mud produced the frogs. The problem is they didn’t test their belief scientifically.

The first step in the scientific method is to observe the world around you. For example, Newton noticed that an apple fell down, not up. The Egyptians did this part alright; they observed the frogs.

Step two is to ask yourself a question based on your observations. ‘Why does the apple go down?’ ‘Where do the frogs come from?’ And then think of a hypothesis: a possible answer. ‘Objects are pulled to the ground by an invisible force.’ ‘Mud produces frogs’. The Egyptians did this too.

But it isn’t enough just to think of an answer to a question and believe it’s true.

You have to discover some evidence that confirms your hypothesis. So, the next step in the scientific method is to test your ideas with experiments and more observations. Galileo believed that two objects with different masses would fall at the same rate. So, the story goes, he carried out an experiment. He dropped a heavy ball and a light ball from the Leaning Tower of Pisa, and confirmed his belief. The Egyptians never did any experiments on their mud-frog hypothesis, so they never found out it was false.

If you do an experiment only once, you may make a mistake. So repeat your experiment to make sure you get the same results, and analyse your findings statistically to check they’re significant. Then make any necessary changes to your hypothesis and conduct more experiments. Carry out everything you do so other scientists can duplicate your work and check your conclusions.

A hypothesis with lots of experiment evidence becomes a theory. A theory which has been confirmed many times is a scientific law. The great thing about hypotheses, theories and laws is that you can use them to make predictions. The law of gravity predicts that astronauts should float in space. And they do.

Chemists and physicists, geologists and biologists: researchers in every laboratory in every field of research use the scientific method. They don’t accept until they observe. So they don’t believe the mud produces frogs.
**Examworkout**

1. Complete the sentences in each pair with the correct words.
   a. Wilhelm Röntgen __ X-rays.
      b. X-rays __ in 1895.

2. although / because __
   a. I'd like to be a scientist __ I'm interested in why things happen.
      b. I'd like to be a scientist, __ I could probably make more money in finance.

3. from / to __
   a. The device is similar __ a big telescope.
      b. The device is different __ the one we had before.

**Examtask**

2. Read the text about the discovery of radioactivity. For gaps 1–9 choose the correct answer A–D.

   In 1896 the French physicist Antoine Henri Becquerel __ investigating uranium salts. He accidentally left a bit of uranium lying on some photographic plates — glass plates which were used in photography before film was __.

   __ the plates were wrapped in thick black paper to protect them from light, after some time Becquerel found out that they had been exposed, just as if they had been lying in the sun. He asked himself how this __ happened. He repeated the experiment and finally __ to the conclusion that the uranium salt emitted unknown rays, similar __ X-rays, which could pass through thick black paper. In this way radioactivity __ discovered.

   The story shows some important qualities of a scientist's mind: the desire to understand why something happens the way it does, and the imagination which made Becquerel __ of a new, original explanation. In 1903, Henri Becquerel won the Nobel __ in Physics for his discovery.

   1. A was
      B had
      C been
      D had been

   2. A discovered
      B invented
      C observed
      D found

   3. A Because
      B When
      C Although
      D However

   4. A been
      B was
      C had
      D has

   5. A came
      B went
      C made
      D did

   6. A than
      B like
      C to
      D with

   7. A —
      B was
      C had
      D been

   8. A thought
      B thinking
      C to think
      D think

   9. A Award
      B Prize
      C Reward
      D Price
examworkout

2 Read the text below without using a dictionary. Try to work out the meaning of the highlighted words, using clues 1–3.

‘DRY ICE’ – WHAT IS IT?
Carbon dioxide (CO₂), the gas we exhale when we breathe, freezes at a very cold temperature – not at 0°C like water, but at 79.5°C below zero! When you heat it, it doesn’t melt: it goes directly from a solid to a gas without becoming a liquid. And so it’s called ‘dry ice’.

1 What part of speech is the word exhale? What do we do with CO₂ as we breathe?
2 What part of speech is the word melt? Ordinary ice changes into a liquid when it is warmed. What is that change called?
3 What part of speech is the word solid? The text refers to the three states in which substances can occur: solid, liquid, gas. What are those?

3 Match the words 1–3 to their definitions A–C.

1 exhale  A become liquid as a result of heating
2 melt  B a substance that is not in a form of a liquid or a gas
3 solid  C let out the air when you breathe

4 Read the extract from Exercise 2 again. Decide if the statements below are true (T) or false (F).

1 A common gas can take the form of ‘dry ice’ at very low temperatures.
2 Every kind of ice will melt if you warm it.

examtask

5 Read the text below. Decide if the statements 1–4 are true (T) or false (F).

1 Vitamin C stops fruit becoming oxidized.
2 Water remains in the ocean, but salt doesn’t.
3 Water can stop an underwater volcano burning.
4 It is easy for our bodies to use the iron in breakfast cereals.
5 There are about three million skin cells on your body.
6 In danger, nervous reactions start in the body which can help you save yourself.

6 Match the highlighted words from the text to their definitions a–f.

a become a part of something else
b the smallest living unit
c put out (the fire)
d change into a gas or steam
e combine with oxygen
f mix with a liquid and become a part of it

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How does lemon juice help fruit stay fresh?
If you cut up apples or bananas and leave them in the air, they become brown. Why? Because chemical in the fruit react with oxygen and are oxidised. The Vitamin C in lemons, however, can make this react happen more slowly, preserving the taste and the colour of the fruit.

Why is there salt in the sea?
As rivers flow over rocks and earth, small quantities of minerals enter the water and make it taste a little bit salty. This salty water then runs into the sea. There are two ways for water to escape from the sea: it can evaporate into the air or it can freeze into ice around the poles. However, the salt which is dissolved in the water can’t escape, and so the seas just get saltier.

Can volcanoes erupt under water?
Yes. Normally, fire needs oxygen in order to burn. If you tried to put a fire under water, it would receive no oxygen and could not burn. But underwater volcanoes don’t need oxygen to burn because they’re already so incredibly hot. The water can’t extinguish the eruption because the heat immediately transforms it to steam.

Is the iron found in cereals and machines the same?
It is the same chemical and it comes from the same mineral. However, the iron which is added to cereals in the food-making process is in a form which our bodies can assimilate easily.
Use the words from Exercise 6 in the following sentences. Change the form when necessary.

1. Forest fires can be very difficult to __________.
2. Some living organisms are so small that they consist of just one __________.
3. On a hot day, rain water __________ very quickly.
4. Babies can only eat food which is easy for them to __________.
5. Sugar __________ in water.
6. When metal rusts, it becomes __________.

Read the following statements about science and technology. Tick (√) the ones you agree with. Compare your answers in pairs. Give reasons.

Everyone should learn something about science.
Science does not explain the most important things.
Thanks to science, we no longer believe a lot of nonsense.
People don’t know how to use their own inventions well.
Science and technology have made people’s lives better.
Science and technology have made people’s lives worse.

Describe the photo. Why do you think the man looks unhappy?

Exam task

You are going to hear a conversation about problems with a computer. For questions 1–6 choose the correct answer A–C.

1. Tony calls Michelle
   A. to tell her about his project.
   B. to talk about exams.
   C. to invite her to dinner.

2. Tony has problems
   A. printing his project.
   B. emailing his project to his professor.
   C. connecting to the Internet.

3. Which of these methods of solving the problem does Tony NOT try?
   A. Restarting the computer.
   B. Reinstalling the software.
   C. Talking to his computer.

4. Tony calls Michelle again in order to
   A. tell her he is ill.
   B. ask her for advice about his computer problems.
   C. cancel their date.

5. Tony
   A. has downloaded a suspicious program.
   B. has opened a strange email.
   C. has not made a backup copy of his project.

6. We can guess that Michelle
   A. is angry with Tony.
   B. offers to come and help Tony.
   C. decides to go out with someone else.

In pairs, ask and answer the following questions.
• Have you ever had a similar problem to Tony’s? What happened? What did you do?
• How do you feel about computers? Do you think they are great/awful/problematic but necessary?
• What do you use computers for?
• What do you usually do when you have a computer problem?
examworkout

1 Read the exam task below and do exercises a–c.

Discuss the ways in which people use electronic devices in the following areas of human life. Say what possible problems might be connected with them.

- education
- entertainment
- communication
- work

a Complete the table below with the ideas from the box. Then add three more ideas in each category.

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b Discuss the questions below with your partner and make notes which you could use while doing the exam task in Exercise 1.

- What electronic devices do people use in these areas of life? Why?
- What possible problems can be connected with using electronic devices?

c Do the exam task with your partner.

examtask

2 Work in pairs and do the exam task below.

Discuss the ways in which the Internet can be used in the following areas of human life. Say what possible problems might be connected with it.

- education
- entertainment
- communication
- work

3 Work in pairs and answer the follow-up questions below. One of you is a student and answers the questions, the other plays the role of the examiner.

Follow-up questions:
- What electronic devices do you find the most useful? Which of them do you use every day?
- Do you think people rely too much on technology nowadays?
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examworkout

1 CD 1:25 Look at Picture A and listen to a student trying to describe it. What’s his difficulty?

2 Answer the following questions. They will help you think of things to say about the picture.
   • Who is in the picture? What adjective(s) could you use to describe the people?
   • What are they doing? And what are they not doing?
   • Where are they?
   • What is the relationship between the people?
   • How are they feeling? Why do you think so?
   • What do you think happened before?
   • What are they thinking?

3 Describe Picture A using your answers to the questions in Exercise 2. You should talk for about one minute.

4 CD 1:26 Listen to a model description. Were your ideas similar?

examtask

5 Look at Picture B and do the exam task below.
   Talk about the picture and say what kind of situation is depicted in it. Try to determine the relationship between the people and give your opinion on it.

6 Look at pictures A and B and do the exam task below.
   Pictures A and B show people spending their free time together. Compare and contrast the pictures. Talk about where the people are, what they are doing and how they are feeling. Say what the general atmosphere is in both pictures and give your opinion on both situations.

7 With your partner, talk together about what qualities a good friend should have.
UNIT 3 • SCHOOL

SPEAKING 2 - page 92

examworkout

1. CD 1:36 Look at Picture A and complete the
description with the verbs from the box in
appropriate present tenses. Listen and check.

concentrate enjoy help like prepare paint
seem sit show

The photograph shows an art lesson at school.
A girl is painting a big yellow flower in
a large oil picture. She is really
hard. I think she is painting herself. The
teacher is concentrating her; he is
her something in the painting. Other students
are sitting at their desks and drawing
something. Perhaps they are painting a school
exhibition.

I think the teacher probably is really interested in helping
the students.

examtask

2. Look at Picture B and do the exam task below.

Talk about the picture and say what kind of
situation is depicted in it. Try to determine the
relationship between the people and give your
opinion on it.

3. Look at pictures A and B and do the exam task
below.

Pictures A and B show people learning in two
different situations. Compare and contrast the
pictures. Talk about where the people are, what
they are doing and how they are feeling. Say what
the general atmosphere is in both pictures and
give your opinion on both situations.

4. With your partner, talk together about the places
and activities you like and dislike at school.
UNIT 5 • FOOD
SPEAKING 2 - page 108

dename:workout

1 Look at the exam task in Exercise 2. Use tasks a-d to prepare your description.

a Add adjectives to the following nouns describing people and things in the two pictures.

- a group of ___________ people
- ___________ vegetables
- ___________ weather
- ___________ sandwiches
- ___________ salad
- a ___________ bowl
- ___________ plates
- two ___________ girls
- a bottle of ___________ wine

b Use the verbs in the box to complete the phrases below.

slice have unpack pour

- ___ a snack
- ___ the basket
- ___ a tomato
- ___ a glass of wine

c Match the phrases from a and b to the right picture: A or B.

d Write down at least two more verbs to describe what the people in each picture are doing.

exam:task

2 Choose one of the pictures and do the exam task below.

Talk about the picture and say what kind of situation is depicted in it. Try to determine the relationship between the people and give your opinion on it.

3 Look at pictures A and B and do the exam task below.

Pictures A and B show people eating and preparing food. Compare and contrast the pictures. Talk about where the people are, what they are doing and how they are feeling. Say what the general atmosphere is in both pictures and give your opinion on both situations.

4 With your partner, talk together about the kinds of food you like and where you like eating.
UNIT 7 • TRAVELLING AND TOURISM

SPEAKING 2 – page 124

exam workout

1 CD 2-22 Look at Picture A and listen to a student describing it. Do you think it's a good description? Why? / Why not?

2 CD 2-23 Listen to a second student describing the same picture. Which description is better? Why?

exam task

3 Look at Picture B and do the exam task below.

Talk about the picture and say what kind of situation is depicted in it. Try to determine the relationship between the people and give your opinion on it.

4 Look at pictures A and B and do the exam task below.

Pictures A and B show people on holidays. Compare and contrast the pictures. Talk about where the people are, what they are doing and how they are feeling. Say what the general atmosphere is in both pictures and give your opinion on both situations.

5 With your partner, talk together about the kinds of holiday you like and a trip you particularly enjoyed.
examworkout

1 Choose one of the pictures, A or B. Use tasks a–e to prepare your description.
   a Start by asking yourself three basic questions.
      • Who's in the picture?
      • Where is she?
      • What is she doing?
   b Describe the young woman's appearance.
      She's...
      She's wearing...
   c What else can you see in the picture?
   d What is the young woman interested in?
   e What kind of person do you imagine she is?

examtask

2 Choose one of the pictures and do the exam task below.
   Talk about the picture and say what kind of situation is depicted in it. Say if you enjoy spending your free time in this way and give your opinion on the situation.

3 Look at pictures A and B and do the exam task below.
   Pictures A and B show people spending their free time in two different ways. Compare and contrast the pictures. Talk about where the people are, what they are doing and how they are feeling. Say what the general atmosphere is in both pictures and give your opinion on both situations.

4 With your partner, talk together about cultural or creative activities you enjoy.
UNIT 10 • HEALTH

SPEAKING 2 - page 148

examworkout

Look at the exam task in Exercise 2. Use tasks a–b to prepare your description.

a  Think of answers to these questions.
• What is happening in each picture?
• What has happened?
• What’s going to happen?

b  Match the phrases below to the correct picture: A or B. Some phrases match both pictures. Write the expressions in the boxes next to the pictures.

car accident  sport injury  foul
paramedics  stretcher  opposite team
red card  hospital  play fair  ambulance
traffic  football pitch  victim  first aid

examtask

2  Choose one of the pictures and do the exam task below.

Talk about the picture and say what kind of situation is depicted in it. Try to determine the relationship between the people and give your opinion on it.

3  Look at pictures A and B and do the exam task below.

Pictures A and B show people involved in accidents. Compare and contrast the pictures. Talk about where the people are and how they are feeling. Say what the general atmosphere is in both pictures and give your opinion on both situations.

4  With your partner, talk together about what you can do to stay healthy and fit.

Picture A

_________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________

Picture B

_________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________
EXTRA MATERIAL

QUIZZES ANSWER KEY

UNIT 1 · PEOPLE, FAMILY AND SOCIAL LIFE

LISTENING 2, EXERCISE 1, PAGE 75

The Ideal Boyfriend Test

1 A: 0 points, B: 5 points, C: 10 points.
2 A: 5 points, B: 0 points, C: 10 points.
3 A: 5 points, B: 10 points, C: 0 points.
4 A: 0 points, B: 5 points, C: 10 points.
5 A: 10 points, B: 5 points, C: 0 points.
6 A: 0 points, B: 10 points, C: 5 points.

Fewer than 20 points
You are a hopeless case. You just don’t want to grow up and become an adult. You are never going to find a girlfriend unless she is really desperate. Change your ways or you will never know what it’s like to have a real relationship.

20 to 40 points
You are not really hopeless, but you’re immature and selfish and if you want to get on well with girls, you’re going to have to change a lot of things and think about what makes them happy and how they have fun.

More than 40 points
If you were telling the truth when you answered the questions, then you are close to being an ideal boyfriend. If you haven’t got a girlfriend now, then why not? There must be hundreds of girls who would just love to go out with you.

UNIT 4 · WORK

LISTENING 2, EXERCISE 1, PAGE 99

What Makes Us Happy At Work

Top 10 in order

1 Friendly, supportive colleagues
2 Enjoyable work
3 Good boss or manager
4 Good work/life balance
5 Varied work
6 Doing something worthwhile
7 Making a difference
8 Part of a successful team
9 Achievements recognised
10 High salary

Source: Chimento’s Happiness at Work Index

UNIT 12 · SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

LISTENING 1, EXERCISE 2, PAGE 161

In a national survey in the UK these were the British people’s top inventions since 1800:

1 Bicycle – 59%
2 Transistor – 8%
3 Electro-magnetic induction ring – 8%
4 Computer – 6%
5 Germ theory of infection – 5%
6 Radio – 5%
7 Internet – 4%
GRAMMAR • PRESENT TENSES

PRESENT SIMPLE

We use the Present Simple:

• to talk about things that happen repeatedly (routines, habits):
  I often finish school at 4:30.
  Adam visits his grandparents every Tuesday.

• to talk about things that are always true (general truths):
  Air pressure decreases with height.
  Water boils at 100°C.

• with verbs that express emotions (hate, like, love), activities of the mind (believe, know, need, remember, seem, think, understand, want) or senses (feel, hear, see).
  These are called stative or state verbs (see below).

  He doesn’t want to go there.
  I need your help with packing.

TIME EXPRESSIONS (TIME ADVERBIALS) USED WITH THE PRESENT SIMPLE:
always, regularly, usually, often, sometimes, rarely, seldom, hardly ever, never, every day/week/month, once/twice/three times a week/month.

PRESENT CONTINUOUS

We use the Present Continuous:

• to talk about things that are happening now (at the time of speaking) or around the time when we speak:
  She’s taking a shower now. (at the moment of speaking)
  They’re studying Ancient Greece this semester. (around the moment of speaking, not necessarily right now)

• to express current changes:
  More and more young women are getting married at later ages nowadays.
  The number of people studying Chinese is growing rapidly.

TIME EXPRESSIONS (TIME ADVERBIALS) USED WITH THE PRESENT CONTINUOUS:
at the moment, (right) now, today, this morning/afternoon, this year, these days, at present.

STATIVE VERBS

• describe states and are not normally used in the Present Continuous (they don’t take –ing form), even if they refer to things or states happening at the moment of speaking:
  Do you understand what she means?
  I don’t believe you.

Some state verbs can be used both in the Present Simple and the Present Continuous tense depending on what they refer to:

  I think she’s a very pretty girl. (think here means believe and refers to a state)
  I’m thinking about my new job. (think here means consider and refers to an activity)

DYNAMIC VERBS

• describe activities and can be used in the Present Simple and the Present Continuous tense:
  I often watch TV. (a habit)
  I’m watching a western now. (at the moment of speaking)

HAVE

The verb have can be used in the Present Simple and the Present Continuous tense.

• When have means possess, it refers to a state and can only be used in the Present Simple:
  I have got a new car. (have = possess)
  She has two sisters.

• When have refers to an activity (e.g. have a bath, have a party, have a good time), it can be used in the Present Simple and the Present Continuous:
  On Saturdays we usually have lunch at home.
  (have = eat, a routine)
  I can’t talk now. We are just having lunch.
  (have = eat, at the moment of speaking)
1 Read the situations and circle the correct verb form in each sentence.

1 You’re talking about young people in your country. More and more young people are going/go abroad to find work these days.

2 You don’t know why your friend is very quiet. What are you thinking/do you think about?

3 You’re talking to your English friend about the weather in your local area. In winter it’s snowing/snows here all the time.

4 You’re explaining to your friend why you can’t go to the cinema with her. I’m studying/study for a very important exam.

5 You’re talking about your favourite ways of spending free time. I’m enjoying/enjoy discs and parties.

2 Use the words in brackets and complete the sentences with the verbs in the Present Simple or Present Continuous.

a Tom says he can speak German, English and Spanish but I don’t believe (I/not believe) him. He never/talk to Carmela when she comes to visit us during the summer.

b I don’t think (I/not think) they need our help. Let’s leave them alone – they do fine.

c Listen to that! They are arguing (It/Seem) like they have a big argument every other day.

d Barbara lives (she not live) in this area until she can find a flat somewhere else. She doesn’t want/will to/cry. Two other boys build a sandcastle on the beach.

3 Complete the dialogues forming questions with the verbs in capitals.

1 A: What are you eating?
   B: A ham sandwich.

2 A: Who is holding/have a little girl, who isn’t willing to go in the water. I guess she doesn’t like water and that’s why she is crying. Two other boys build a sandcastle on the beach.

3 A: Are you thinking/thinking about tennis?
   B: Yes, but not very well.

4 A: How many hours are you working?
   B: Usually not more than seven.

5 A: What do you think?
   B: If you ask me, it’s a very good idea.

4 Complete the gaps with the verbs in brackets in the Present Simple or Present Continuous.

Hello Ruth!

I’m having a great time here. It’s really hot!

Spanish lessons go very well, and Andrea my teacher is really nice. I understand quite a lot now and I go to the stage where I can say some things I think that it’s helpful that I learn here other than at school back home.

Other than that I enjoy myself very much. I stay in is rather tempting as there are so many posh shops and restaurants around. I try not to resist buying too much. I can go out quite a lot, my lessons usually start at 10am so I have to get up early, which is great when tasting the nightlife. You know me. I like partying. Anyway I need to go. Hope you’re well and not too cold back at home! Keep in touch!

See you xxx

GRAMMAR: PRESENT TENSES

5 Read the text in which somebody compares and contrasts two photographs. Complete the gaps with the verbs in brackets in the Present Simple or Present Continuous.

Both pictures show people at the seaside. In the first picture I can see four people on the beach. A middle-aged man is holding a little girl, who doesn’t want to go in the water. I guess she hates water and that’s why she is crying. Two other boys build a sandcastle on the beach.

There are only two people in the other picture and they are both in the sea. I can see a teenage boy who wears red trunks and a swimming cap. The boy is playing with a dog and they both seem very happy. In the distance I can see one more person, probably a man. He swims. I think all the people in the two pictures are on holiday and they have a good time.
GRAMMAR · Past Tenses

Past Simple

We use the Past Simple:

• to talk about actions or situations which happened and finished in the past:
  
  He sold his car yesterday.
  
  During our last class we asked him many questions.

• to talk about actions/events which happened in the past one after another (we often use the Past Simple in stories):

  Ann finished her homework and went to visit her friend.
  
  I switched off the computer and locked the door.

Time expressions (time adverbials) used with the Past Simple:

yesterday (morning/evening), last (year/month/week/Friday/night), in (January/1966/the 1970s), (two days/a week/ten years) ago, when I was (12/young), one (day/morning)

Past Continuous

We use the Past Continuous:

• to describe actions in progress at a certain time in the past:
  
  They were waiting for us in front of the cinema.
  
  At midnight I was still tossing and turning in my bed.

• to talk about temporary situations or habits in the past:
  
  At that time Bethany was studying law at Cambridge.
  
  Were you living on your own when you were a student?

• to talk about actions or situations in the past during which shorter events happened (for these we use the Past Simple):

Mark and Ruth were dancing when I came in.

Somebody knocked on the door while I was arguing with my sister.

For complete finished states or actions, we normally use the Past Simple, and not the Past Continuous, even if these events happened repeatedly or lasted for a longer time:

Even if she was in a bad mood, she tried (NOT was trying) to joke with us.

We went (NOT were going) to the park every day last week.

Past Perfect

We use the Past Perfect:

• when we talk about the past events in non-chronological order (the Past Perfect is used to express an event or situation which happened before other past events expressed in the Past Simple):

  On the way to school I remembered that I had left my history book at home. (the second event happened before the first = first I left the book, then I remembered)

  When we got home, everybody had already gone to sleep. (the second event happened before the first = first everybody went to sleep, then we got home)

Past Perfect

We use used to:

• to talk about states (e.g. be, have, believe, like) and actions which were true or happened regularly in the past, but are not true or don’t happen regularly now:
  
  Tom used to read a lot. (he doesn’t do it any more or doesn’t read that much now)
  
  You didn’t use to be so talkative. (now it’s different = you’re talkative now)

When we talk about states and actions which did not happen regularly or we don’t want to emphasize a change in relation to the past, we use the Past Simple:

  Once I slipped on a banana skin. (it happened only once, not regularly)
  
  She earned a lot of money. (we don’t know if now she still earns a lot)

The structure used to refers only to past habits. We cannot use it for habits or actions happening regularly in the present. They are expressed by the Present Simple:

  I used to play tennis on Mondays. (past habit)
  
  I play (NOT use to play) tennis on Mondays. (present habit)
Circle the option which has a similar meaning to the original sentence. Explain your choice.

1. When we got to the cinema, the film had started.
   a. We watched the beginning of the film.
   b. We missed the beginning of the film.

2. She used to smoke when she was younger.
   a. She doesn’t smoke now.
   b. She smokes now too.

3. I switched off the lights and went home.
   a. I switched off the lights at home.
   b. I switched off the lights in some other place.

4. I painted a picture while she was reading a newspaper.
   a. Painting a picture took more time than reading a newspaper.
   b. Reading a newspaper took more time than painting a picture.

5. They had been on the plane for two hours when the sun set.
   a. Their plane took off after sunset.
   b. Their plane took off before sunset.

6. When you called, Tom was taking a shower.
   a. Tom started the shower before you called.
   b. You called after Tom started the shower.

Using the word in capitals write the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence.

1. It was John’s first time on the plane. BEFORE John had never been on the plane before.

2. Robert finished writing his essay and then he went out with his friends.
   WHEN

3. I walked into the classroom in the middle of her conversation with the teacher. WAS

4. I don’t see Gill as often as before. USED

5. Brenda felt sick from eating three bars of chocolate. BECAUSE

6. We were both very busy yesterday evening. We with my Maths homework and Joanna with the ironing. WHILE

7. The Perkins are very rich now but this was not the case before. DIDN’T

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Exam Practice

3. The letter below is a sample answer to an exam task. Read it and complete the gaps with the verbs in brackets in the correct tense (Past Simple, Past Continuous, Past Perfect), or use the structure used to.

Dear Janet,

I promised to tell you all about Adam, so here is our story.

One night I **was trying** (try) to finish my project when I **received** (receive) an instant message from some guy. He **claimed** (claim) that we **met** (meet) at a party. I **don’t remember** (not remember) that. But he was the funniest person I **ever encountered** (ever/encounter) on the Net, so we just **kept** (keep) talking and at the end **exchanged** (exchange) our phone numbers.

At that time I **was living** (live) in Prague and Adam **was studying** (study) in Budapest. We **knew** (know) each other for two weeks when he **invited** (invite) me to spend the weekend in his city. I **went** (know) to Budapest quite well because I **go** (go) there on school trips as a child.

When I **arrived** (arrive) in Budapest, Adam **was waiting** (wait) for me at the station. He **knew** (know) that I **bumped** (bump) into Mr Right on the internet.

From then on, we **spoke** (speak) on Skype every day. Only three months **passed** (pass) before I **decided** (decide) to move to Budapest. I can’t believe how I **thought** (think) that Internet dating was only for desperate, lonely people!

How are things with you?

Lots of love,

Éva

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4. Look at the instructions for the exam task below. Match the bulleted points to the proper sections of the letter above.

Your English friend Janet visited you four months ago in Prague. But now you have a new boyfriend and you have recently moved to Budapest. Write a letter to Janet, in which you will:

- explain how you met Adam
- describe how the relationship developed
- give some details of your visit to Budapest

Begin like this: Dear Janet,
**Present Perfect Simple**

We use the **Present Perfect Simple** to talk about activities and events:

- which happened not long ago and have results/consequences now:
  
  - *I have passed my biology exam* (and that’s why I’m so happy now)
  
  - *She has lost her student ID card* (and that’s why she needs a new one)
  
  - *They have won a lot of money* (and that’s why they can afford to buy a new house)

- which happened in the past, but we don’t know or we are not interested in when exactly they happened:
  
  - *She has been to Paris three times* (in her life, it doesn’t matter when exactly)
  
  - *I have taken part in many international competitions* (it is not important when he did it)

We often use the **Present Perfect Simple** with the time adverbials *already*, *just* and *yet*:

- *already* and *just* are used in affirmative sentences:
  
  - *She’s already done her homework.*
  
  - *I have just finished cooking.*

- *ever* is used in questions:
  
  - *Have you ever been to England?*
  
  - *Has Dave ever called you back?*

- *yet* is used in negative sentences and questions:
  
  - *I haven’t told him yet.*
  
  - *Have you prepared your presentation yet?*

**Present Perfect Continuous**

We use the **Present Perfect Continuous** to talk about activities:

- which started in the past and continue up to now:
  
  - *My mother has been teaching in this school since 2005*.
  
  - *We have been learning Spanish for three years*.

- from the recent past which have results/consequences in the present:
  
  - *I feel exhausted. I have been working in the garden all day. (that’s why I’m so tired)*
  
  - *Look at them! I’m sure they have been arguing.*
  
  - *(that’s why they look angrily at each other)*

We use **since** and **for** to answer the question *How long...?*

- *How long have you been skiing? → Since last winter.*

- *How long has she known Claire? → For four years.*

We use **since** to talk about the moment (a point in time) when the activity started:

- *since (1987)/Tuesday/last winter/his birthday/yesterday)*

We use **for** to talk about the period of time/the length of the time the activity has taken:

- *for (five minutes/two months/most of my life/a long time/ages)*

We use Present Perfect Simple to focus on the result of an activity (especially when answering the question *How much?* or *How many?*). We use the Present Perfect Continuous to focus on the activity itself (especially when answering the question *How long?*):

- *I’ve read five articles about global warming.*
  
  - *(focus on the result of activity – five articles)*

- *I’ve been reading a lot about global warming recently.*
  
  - *(focus on the activity itself – reading)*

- *They have played three matches.*
  
  - *(How many? → three matches)*

- *They have been playing all evening.*
  
  - *(How long? → all evening)*

With stative verbs (e.g., *know*, *have*, *understand*, *believe*, *like*) we can only use the Present Perfect Simple:

- *I have known him for three years.*

- *She’s had this watch since March.*

- *My parents have always liked coffee.*
1 Match the beginnings of sentences with correct endings.

A
1 She has been baking
2 She has baked

B
1 They’ve been living in Bath
2 They’ve lived here

C
1 I’ve been writing
2 I’ve written

D
1 You’ve been eating
2 You’ve eaten

2 Complete the gaps with the verbs in brackets in the Present Perfect Simple or Present Perfect Continuous.

1 Robert _________________________ (take) many photographs on our school trip.
2 We _________________________ (learn) most of the geometrical shapes.
3 I’m sure she _________________________ (cry). What’s the matter?
4 It _________________________ (rain) here since Monday.
5 That’s enough! You _________________________ (annoy) me all day.
6 I _________________________ (know) him for years.
7 No wonder they are exhausted. They _________________________ (clear) out the attic for five hours.
8 Barbara _________________________ (have) this teddy bear since she was two.

3 Read the situations and circle the correct form of Present Perfect in each sentence.

1 You’re waiting for your girlfriend. It’s raining and you’re not sure if you want to wait for her any longer.
   I’ve waited / [been waiting] for over an hour – I’m completely soaked. Perhaps I should just go home.
2 Your best friend is learning to drive. She wants to take her driving test soon.
   How many driving lessons have you had / been having?
3 You come into your younger sister’s bedroom and see that she’s crying.
   What’s happened / been happening?
4 You’re talking to your friend from school. You’ve never seen him with glasses on before.
   How long have you worn / been wearing glasses?
5 You’re talking with some friends about your favourite team games.
   I love basketball. I’ve played / been playing it three times this week.
6 You’re gossiping about other people with your best friend.
   Tom’s seen / been seeing a lot of Anna recently.
7 Somebody says that you look very tired.
   I’ve ironed / been ironing all afternoon.

4 All sentences below contain grammatical mistakes. Find them and write the sentences correctly.

1 Pete has been winning the chess championship four times.
   Pete has won the chess championship four times.
2 I haven’t visited my grandmother since a long time.
3 My brother always liked strawberry ice-cream.
4 Dave and Caroline are married for five years.
5 How many times have you been running in a marathon?
6 She’s had these skis for last winter.
7 How long are you sitting here?
5 Read the messages posted on the internet forum related to smoking. Circle the correct verb forms.

a I tried / have been trying to quit smoking for a long time now. But I have failed / have been failing a number of times. I don't know / didn't know what to do. It's a battle. Can anybody help?

b I have passed / passed the two month anniversary without smoking. Just wanted to tell you that I do / am doing GREAT. It makes me feel good to say, I am not smoking / don't smoke. Thank you very much for all your advice. It has worked / had worked!

c I am / have been smoke-free for over a month. It can be done! Smoking over a pack a day for 10+ years? Just think about the harm you were doing / have been doing to people around you for all this time. Think and do something now! And say hello to the rest of your life. I have / had and it feels great!

6 Complete the dialogue with the verbs in brackets in the Present Simple, Present Continuous, Past Simple, Present Perfect or Present Perfect Continuous.

Mum: Henry, 1. ______ Are you doing (you/do) anything important? I could do with some help with lunch.

Henry: Can't now, Mum. 2. ________ (I/look for) my collection of toy soldiers for about an hour but 3. ________ (I/found) only three.

Mum: What 4. ________ (you/need) your soldier collection for now? You 5. ________ (you/have) it for years but I don't remember when 6. ________ (you/last/play) with it.

Henry: Well, 7. ________ (we/study) the Second World War at school recently and 8. ________ (I/think) of preparing a presentation about it.

Mum: 9. ________ (that/sound) like a good idea. But how 10. ________ (you/want) to use your toy soldiers?

Henry: 11. ________ (I/not think) it over yet. But I might use them to present a typical Second World War soldier's uniform. What 12. ________ (you/use) them for a class presentation before?

Mum: Well, I'm not sure, Henry. 13. ________ (they/seem) too small to me. 14. ________ (you/use) them for a class presentation before?

Henry: No... But recently 15. ________ (Sam/bring) his animal toy collection to school a couple of times. Once it was for our science class and 16. ________ (everybody/like) his presentation.

Mum: In that case I can't see why not. Oh, I need to go check on our lunch. I can't believe 17. ________ (we/talk) for over ten minutes!

7 The email below is a sample answer to an exam task. Read it and complete the gaps using the verbs in brackets in the correct tense.

Hi Jane,

I'm sorry I 1. ________ haven't tidied up (not tidy up) our room today. I 2. ________ (shop) for a birthday present for my sister all day and I 3. ________ (not find) anything!

Don't be angry with me, Jane. I 4. ________ (already/clean) our room twice this week. Your task is to buy fresh milk and bread every other day, remember? And how many times 5. ________ (you/do) that so far? Not even once! And I 6. ________ (never/say) a word against you, while you 7. ________ (complain) since we started sharing the room. It's really not fair! I apologise but I expect you will start taking your duties seriously too.

Best regards,

Kristof

8 Look at the exam task below. Match the bullets to the appropriate parts of the email above.

You study English in Oxford. You didn't have a chance to talk to your English roommate before she left for holidays in the morning. She has just sent you an email:

From: jane@com.com

I was really annoyed to find the flat in such a mess. Remember that it's your duty to clean up the room every other day! I always do my duties and I expect the same from you. What's going on?

Write her an email in which you:

- explain why you didn't clean up
- remind her that she also sometimes forgets to do her duties
- apologise and suggest a resolution

Begin your email like this: Hi Jane,
GRAMMAR • THE FUTURE

FUTURE SIMPLE

We use will/won't + infinitive without to:
• to express a prediction based on opinions, beliefs or experience:
  I'm sure your German teacher will be disappointed that you've decided not to study German at university after all. (prediction based on my belief)
  They will come late, as always. (prediction based on my experience – they always come late)
• to talk about a decision made at the moment of speaking:
  I'll open the door. (decision made at the moment of speaking)
  Ok, I'll tell you everything. (decision made at the moment of speaking)
• to express a promise or intention:
  I'll help you if you want.
  I'll never leave you.

FUTURE CONTINUOUS

We use will/won't + be + ing:
• to talk about activities which will be in progress at a certain time in the future:
  I will be driving to Riga at 10 o'clock tonight.
  Will you still be working on your essay at 11 p.m.?
• to talk about future events which are very likely to happen or activities which happen as a routine:
  They'll be staying with their family. (they always do that)
  I'll be going to the supermarket on Saturday so I can pick up some charcoal for the barbecue. (on Saturdays at that time I usually go to the supermarket)
• to ask about people's plans when we want something or want someone to do something:
  Will you be using your computer today?
  (because I'd like to work on it)
  Will you be going to the town centre tomorrow?
  (because I'd like you to give me a lift)

STATIVE VERBS

Statative verbs (be, know, believe, forget, like, want) do not take -ing:

Will you be travelling on your own, or will you want to go with some friends?
This time tomorrow I will know the exam results.

BE GOING TO

We use be going to:
• to talk about plans and intentions which may still change:
  Barbara is going to become a scientist.
  (but it may change)
  They are going to spend the weekend at home.
  (but they still might change their plans)
• to express a prediction based on something we know or can observe now:
  It's going to be a long day for me.
  (I know how many things I need to do)
  Look at this boy! He is going to fall off the horse!
  (I can see that the horse has tripped over a stone)

PRESENT CONTINUOUS

We use the Present Continuous:
• to talk about future events we have already arranged.
  We often specify the date, time and/or the place:
  They are flying to New York on Monday.
  (they have already bought the tickets)
  I can't come tomorrow. I'm studying for my history exam with Robert. (we've already arranged to study together tomorrow)
• to express a prediction based on something we know or can observe now:
  It's going to be a long day for me.
  (I know how many things I need to do)
  Look at this boy! He is going to fall off the horse!
  (I can see that the horse has tripped over a stone)

PRESENT SIMPLE

We use the Present Simple:
• when we talk about future events and refer to timetables, schedules, routines, dates, etc.:
  My train tomorrow leaves at 3.30 p.m.
  Easter falls at the end of March next year.
1 Which form expressing the future should be used by the following people?

1 A high school graduate talking about his future plans:
   I will study / am going to study / am studying law at Warsaw University.

2 A little boy talking to his father and trying to avoid punishment for what he has done:
   I promise I won't do / am not going to do / am not doing it again!

3 A girl on the phone arranging a blind date for the next day:
   I wear / will be wearing / am wearing a blue dress and high-heeled shoes.

4 A school teacher giving some information to her pupils:
   Next term is starting / will start / starts on 12 February.

5 A man who can see a woman trying to get on the bus with a pushchair:
   Wait a second, I will help / am going to help / am helping you.

6 Somebody watching a man climbing a wobbly ladder to get to the roof of the building:
   Oh no! He will be falling / is going to fall / will fall.

7 A six-year-old girl talking about her birthday party scheduled for the next day:
   I have / am having / will have my birthday party at McDonalds.

2 Complete the gaps with the correct form of the verbs in brackets expressing the future.

1 Tonight? No problem, I can come I am not doing anything important.

2 Dave and Robin will get married on 14 July. Have you been invited?

3 Look at the sky. It will rain any minute.

4 I think Mark will (never/pas) the driving test. It is completely beyond him!

5 This time tomorrow we will lie on one of the most beautiful beaches in Brazil.

6 We'll have plenty of time in Madrid — our plane will depart at 11 p.m.

7 Don't give little Ruth so many potatoes. She won't eat them.

3 The future forms used in the situations below are wrong. Find the mistakes and write the sentences correctly.

1 Your friend has asked you to go to the cinema with him. He's already bought the tickets.
   We'll go to the cinema tonight.
   We're going to the cinema tonight.

2 You're offering your Mum some help with making lunch.
   I'm preparing the salad and dressing.

3 You're talking about your holiday arrangements.
   We will travel through Budapest on the way back so we could always call in on Franciska.

4 You're talking about your future plans.
   I will become a secondary school teacher.

5 You're asking your friend about the end of the school year.
   When will the school year finish?

6 You're sharing the latest news about your sister with your best friend.
   My sister will have a baby in May.

4 The email below is a sample answer to an exam task. Read it and circle the correct future forms.

Hi Chris,

Thanks for letting me know that you will come / are coming to Kiev next week. That's really great news.

Are you coming / Will you come on your own or with some friends? You know that you can always stay with us - there's plenty of room.

So that's Monday the 13th, is that right? Does your uncle wait / Will your uncle be waiting for you at the airport? Or do you want me to pick you up? No problem. What time will you arrive / are you arriving in Kiev? Let me know.

I'll have a lot of time next week because my new term will start / starts on the 20th.

Looking forward to seeing you soon,

Josef
**CONDITIONALS • Zero/first/second Conditional**

**Zero Conditional**

We use the Zero Conditional (If + Present Simple, Present Simple) to talk about facts, rules and situations which are always true (one thing always follows the other):

- Snow **melts** if/when you **heat** it. (this is what always happens)
- If/When you **eat** too many sweets, you **get** fat.
- If/When you **press** this button, the computer **comes** on.

**First Conditional**

We use the First Conditional (If + Present Simple, will + infinitive without to) to talk about possible future events which depend on other events happening in the future:

- If you **study** hard all year, you'll **pass** your exams.
  (passing exams in the future depends on studying)
- She'll help you if she **has** more time tomorrow.
- If the weather is fine, we'll **go** to the beach.

**Second Conditional**

We use the Second Conditional (If + Past Simple, would + infinitive without to) to talk about unreal, impossible or unlikely situations in the present or in the future;

- If I **had** your figure, I would **become** a model.
  (but I don't have your figure and I think it's unlikely)

- We **wouldn't** be late for school every day if she got up ten minutes earlier. (but she doesn't get up 10 minutes earlier)
- If Tom were taller, he would **play** basketball much better. (but Tom is not taller)
- If I knew her telephone number, I **would call** her.
  (but I don’t know her telephone number)

In conditional sentences instead of if we can also use: when (if something is sure to happen), provided that, as soon as, as long as, unless (= if not):

- I'll switch on the light when it gets dark.
- He'll lend you his car provided that you bring it back tomorrow.
- They'll call us as soon as their plane lands.
- I'll help you with maths as long as you help me to write my English essay.
- She won't let me watch TV unless I tidy up my room first. (She won't let me watch TV if I don't tidy up my room first.)

In the Second Conditional sentences after I, he, she and it we can use both was and were. Were is more common than was in a written and formal language:

- If he was/were more ambitious, he would apply for a more challenging position.

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1. **Circle the option which has a similar meaning to the original sentence. Explain your choice.**

   1. If it snows heavily, we won't go skiing.
      - a) It might snow heavily.
      - b) It doesn't snow.

   2. If she was interested, she wouldn't keep cancelling dates with you.
      - a) She might be interested.
      - b) She isn't interested.

   3. If I had a lot of money, I still wouldn't give up my job.
      - a) I might have a lot of money.
      - b) I don't have a lot of money.

   4. If they needed your help, they would call you.
      - a) They might need your help.
      - b) They don't need your help.

   5. If my boss wants me to work on Saturday, I'll say 'No'.
      - a) My boss might want me to work on Saturday.
      - b) My boss doesn't want me to work on Saturday.

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2. **Unjumble the sentences to form conditional sentences.**

   1. would / could / us / if / about / speak / humans / animals / they / complain
      If **animals** _could_ **speak**, they **would** **complain** about **us** **humans**.

   2. take / you / aspirin / will / down / feel / if / better / an / you / lie / and
      You _______.

   3. them / rude / and / if / him / people / ignores / he / are / to / calm / stays
      If **people** _______.

   4. didn't / she / take / breathing / jogging / problems / have / she / would / up / if
      She _______.

   5. school / if / hurry / late / Tom / we / be / doesn't / up / will / for
      If Tom _______.

   6. apologise / I / her / were / to / you / I / wouldn't / if
      I _______.

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3 Circle the correct verb form in each sentence.

1. If I go to bed after midnight, I'll always be / would always be tired in the morning.
2. I don't / won't / wouldn't tell you anything if you can't keep a secret.
3. If he could speak good English, he finds / will find / would find a well-paid job in London.
4. I don't / won't / wouldn't trust these people if I were you.
5. George comes / will come / would come if you promise not to talk about school all the time.
6. If plants don't have enough water, they die / will die / would die.
7. Is it / Will it / Would it be all right if I used your mobile phone?

5 Complete the gaps with the verbs in brackets to form correct conditional sentences (the Zero Conditional, the First Conditional or the Second Conditional).

1. If you aren't (not be) careful, you'll burn yourself.
2. Would you go to the headmaster if they start (start) bullying you again?
3. I don't know (not lend) him any money even if I had some.
4. If she has (have) a choice, she always chooses ice cream for pudding.
5. I would be so happy if he (ask) me out.
6. If you heat ice, it (turn) to water.
7. What will you do if she (decide) not to come after all?
8. It's very simple, kids: if you (not behave) properly, you don't get your treat.
9. Would you know what to do if you (lose) your passport on holiday abroad?
10. If Tom invites me to his party, I won't accept (not accept) his invitation.

6 Read the situations and form correct conditional sentences (use the First Conditional or the Second Conditional).

1. Steven is not tall, so he doesn't play basketball well. If Steven was / were taller, he would play basketball well.
2. We might have some more sweets. If so, we want to share them among the kids.
3. Sarah wants to ask her boss for a pay rise, but she's worried about making him angry.
4. I'm upset because I have to help my mother with the housework and I can't go to the cinema with my friends.
5. I think you should call a taxi now. The alternative is to walk there.
6. I don't think Southampton FC will win this match. The winner gets promoted to the Premiership.
7 Complete the gaps with the correct forms of the verbs in brackets. Then answer the questions using conditional sentences (the Zero Conditional, the First Conditional or the Second Conditional).

1 What would you do if you **found** (find) a lot of money in the street?
   **If I found a lot of money in the street, I would go on a long holiday.**

2 What will you talk about if your English teacher **ask** (ask) you to prepare a presentation?

3 What would happen if there **be** (be) no grades at school?

4 What do you usually do if you **get** (get) very angry?

5 What will you do if it **rain** (rain) all day on Saturday?

6 What would you do if you **see** (see) someone stealing something in the supermarket?

7 What do you do if you **have** (have) problems falling asleep?

8 Read the email below and complete the gaps with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

   Hi Bridget,

   That’s good news about this good looking guy, but do you really want to go? If I **were** (be) you, I **not accept** (not accept) the invitation. It’s just too risky. If you **go** (go) to a disco with strangers, anything can happen. You simply don’t do things like that. And what **you do** (do) if you **want** (want) to go back home and he and his friends **feel** (feel) like dancing all night? How are you going to get home on your own? You **take** (do) what you want, of course. But it’s always better to be safe than sorry so just to be on the safe side I **take** (take) a mobile phone and some money for a taxi.

   Sorry if I sound like your Mum :-(

   Take care,

   Klara

9 Look at the exam task below. Match the bullets to the proper sections of the email above.

   While you were in Ireland last summer you met Bridget and since then you have become really good friends. Bridget has recently visited you and you have just received an email from her in which she wrote:

   Thanks again for a wonderful time in your city. I loved it! Guess what happened yesterday on the plane home! I met the most good looking and intelligent guy. And we’re going to the disco with his friends on Saturday! I’ll keep you posted.

   Write her an email in which you:
   - express your surprise that Bridget wants to go out with complete strangers
   - speculate what could happen
   - make some suggestions

   Begin your email like this: Hi Bridget,
**There is/Are**

We use *there + be* to say that something exists or does not exist in some place:

- *There is* water on the floor.
- *There are* ten boys in my class.
- *There isn't* any cheese in the fridge.
- *There aren't* any tickets left.

The form of the verb *to be* after *there* depends on the noun following it:

- *There is* a toilet on the coach. (singular)
- *There are* three eggs in the fridge. (plural)

We can use *there + be* in different tenses changing appropriately the form of the verb *to be*:

- *There has been* an accident on the M25.
- *There'll be* more than two thousand people at the concert.
- *There wasn't* enough food at the party yesterday.
- *There might be* a spare chair in the other room.

We often use *there + be* (in its correct form) with the following words and expressions:

- *a lot of, many, much* – *There are many* mistakes in her essay.
- *more* – *There were more* pens than we needed.
- *some, any* – *There is some* milk in the bottle.
- *enough/not enough* – *Will there be enough* room for everybody?

**It is**

We use *it + be*:

- to refer to things, actions or situations:
  - *I like your new blouse. It's very elegant.*
    (it refers to a thing – a blouse)
  - *She doesn't like watching TV. She thinks it's a waste time.*
    (it refers to an action – watching TV)
  - *Nobody understood my English at first. It was very discouraging.*
    (it refers to a situation)

- to talk about time, days of the week, dates, weather or distance:
  - *It's five past ten. It's Monday tomorrow.*
  - *It's June 15, 2007. It was very cloudy yesterday.*
  - *It's almost fifty kilometres from here.*

- as a subject in sentences with infinitive + to or with the pattern with *that*:
  - *It was nice to meet you.*
  - *It's strange to see your ex-boyfriend with a new girlfriend.*
  - *It's a pity that you couldn't come.*

We often use *there + be* (in its correct form), when we talk about something for the first time and mention where it is. To give more details, we use *it + be* (in its correct form):

- *There was a big box in my room. It was my birthday present from mum.* (it refers to a box)
- *There's a new restaurant in Charminster Road. It's very good but expensive.* (it refers to a restaurant)
1. Complete the gaps with There's or It's.
   1. It's nice to see you again.
   2. too much noise in here.
   3. somebody at the door.
   4. not very far from here.
   5. a good film on tonight.
   6. a spider in my bedroom.
   7. very cold today.
   8. not enough juice for all of us.
   9. already after midnight. Go to bed!

2. Write questions for the following situations using there + be or it + be in their correct forms.
   1. You don't know the number of students in your friend's class.
      How many students are there in your class?
   2. You're in the centre of Bristol for the first time. You're not sure if you can find a phone box near where you are. You ask somebody in the street.
      ____________________________________________________________?
   3. You want to know how many people came to the party you missed yesterday.
      ____________________________________________________________?
   4. You ask your father about the distance from Budapest to Riga.
      ____________________________________________________________?
   5. You expected some phone calls while you were out. You come home and ask your brother.
      ____________________________________________________________?
   6. You ask your friend for today's date.
      ____________________________________________________________?

3. The sentences below contain grammatical mistakes. Find them and write the sentences correctly.
   1. Are there a garden?
      Is there a garden?
   2. Are any discounts for students?
      ____________________________
   3. Is it a bus stop nearby?
      ____________________________
   4. How many rooms are in the flat?
      ____________________________
   5. How far is there the flat from the university?
      ____________________________
   6. Is a TV set in the living room?
      ____________________________

4. Read the text in which somebody compares and contrasts two photographs. Complete the gaps with there + is/isn't/are/aren't or it + is/isn't.

   There are animals in both pictures. In the first picture, a big cat.
   black with white spots. The cat is lying on the grass and sleeping.

   In the other picture, a dog having its meal.
   a big bowl of dog food in front of it. several birds in the sky.
   a very sunny day.

   probably early morning in both pictures because any people around. They must still be asleep. I don't know if
   a city or a village because any houses or buildings.

   I like the picture with the dog very much.
   a work of art, of course, but very bright and colourful.
**Passive Voice**

In English passive structures are used more often in formal and written language. We use passive structures when we don't know or care who the 'doer' of the action (agent) is/was or when we are more interested in the action itself than the person who does/did it. If we want to mention the agent, we use a phrase beginning with *by*.

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**Have something done**

We use the structure *have + object + Past Participle* to say that we arranged for something to be done (by employing or asking somebody to do it):

- We *had our flat redecorated* last year. (we employed somebody to do it)
- I *need to have my car repaired*. (I need to employ a mechanic to do it for me)

**Complete the gaps with the verbs in brackets in the active or passive voice in the correct tense.**

1. On my way home yesterday I _____ was stopped _____ (stop) by a police car.
2. English ______ (speak) in many countries.
3. Mrs Mills is very angry with Matthew because he ______ (break) the window.
4. In 2012 the Olympic Games ______ (hold) in London.
5. John quickly realised that his sister ______ (not tell) him the truth.
6. Hannah hasn't come out of the room yet, she _____ (interview). (in interview)
7. Many accidents ______ (report) on the M1 recently.
8. Compasses ______ (use) to identify the directions when we cannot use the Sun or stars.
9. Marie Curie-Skłodowska ______ (discover) radium and polonium.
10. Luggage must ______ (not leave) unattended anywhere in the terminals at any time.
Using the beginnings provided write the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence. Is it necessary to use by at the end of each sentence?

1. Roman Polanski directed 'The Pianist'.
   'The Pianist' was directed by Roman Polanski.
2. Nobody has informed us about the changes to the train table.
   We ____________________________.
3. They are still repairing my bicycle.
   My bicycle ____________________________.
4. Will they punish him for skipping school?
   Will he ____________________________?
5. Alexander Graham Bell invented the telephone in 1876.
   The telephone ____________________________.
6. They don't sell fresh fruit and vegetables here.
   Fresh fruit and vegetables ____________________________.
7. I discovered that somebody had burgled our house.
   I discovered that our house ____________________________.

Circle the option which has a similar meaning to the original sentence.

1. Tom has cleaned his coat.
   a) Tom has cleaned it himself.
   b) Somebody else has cleaned it for Tom.
2. I had my oil changed.
   a) I changed my oil myself.
   b) Somebody changed my oil at the garage.
3. She is going to develop the film.
   a) She is going to develop the film herself.
   b) She is going to take the film to a photo lab.
4. We will have our bedroom repainted.
   a) We will re-paint it ourselves.
   b) We will hire somebody to re-paint it.

Rewrite the sentences using have sth done. Don't change the tense used in the original sentence.

1. A native speaker proof-read my Master's thesis.
   I had my Master's thesis proof-read.
2. A mechanic is going to repair John's car.
3. A hairdresser has cut her hair.
4. Two men are painting their house now.
5. Will a locksmith change all the locks in your house?
6. They deliver our newspaper every Friday.

EXAM PRACTICE

The letter below is a sample answer to an exam task. Read it and complete the gaps with the verbs in brackets in the passive or active voice, or use the structure have sth done.

Dear Bethany,

The worst trip of my life seemed like an excellent idea at first and I thought I would have a great time. Last week I was invited (invite) by one of the girls from my school to go on a short trip. We wanted (want) to go to Prague to visit the Prague castle and Charles bridge. So we rented (rent) a car very cheaply but we were told (tell) that it was not in a very good condition.

About an hour after we left (leave) Karlovy Vary, the car broke down (break down) in the middle of the highway. In the end, it was taken away (take away) to the nearest garage. We had our car repaired (our car/repair) at the garage but it took (take) over three hours and we must pay a lot of money. And the worst thing of all is that the money refund (refund) to us by the car hire company! Can you believe it? The worst trip you can imagine!

And how are things with you? On holidays already?

Take care and write back soon,

Eva

Look at the instructions for the exam task below. Match the bulleted points to the appropriate parts of the email above.

You saw this post on an internet forum, posted by Bethany:

Everyone is talking about great holiday trips and wonderful destinations! How about a trip that went wrong? What has been the worst trip of your life? Take part in the competition and send me an email, prizes will include...

Write a letter describing the worst trip you have ever been on.

- give details of where you went
- give details of what went wrong
Modal verbs (can, could, may, might, must, ought to, should):
• have only a present form (with the exception of could) – in other tenses we use different structures,
• have only one form (no -s in the third person singular, no -ing and -ed forms),
• form questions by inversion (a subject and a modal verb change places), and negative sentences by adding not (n’t) after or to a modal verb,
• do not come directly one after another,
• are followed by infinitives without to.

To express obligation, we use:
• must if we talk about obligation imposed by the speaker:
  I must talk to her as soon as she comes back.
  (my own internal obligation)
  I must visit my grandma in hospital tomorrow.
  (I’d really like to do that)
• have to if we talk about external obligation imposed by rules or other people:
  We have to be at school ten minutes before the first class.
  (these are the rules in our school)
  You have to take this medicine twice a day.
  (that’s what the doctor told you to do)

To express lack of obligation (to say that something is unnecessary), we use:
• don’t have to:
  You don’t have to bring any food. (it’s not necessary)
  She doesn’t have to help her mum with the housework. (it’s not necessary)
• needn’t:
  You needn’t tell your boyfriend about it.
  (it’s not necessary)
  She needn’t be afraid of me. (it’s not necessary)

To express obligation or give advice, we use:
• should, shouldn’t, ought to, oughtn’t to (they are not as strong as must):
  You ought to go to the dentist.
  He shouldn’t smoke so much.

To talk about abilities in the present or in the past, we use:
• can, can’t, could, couldn’t:
  I can dance quite well. (ability in the present)
  She can’t speak English. (ability in the present)
  When I was six, I could swim, but I couldn’t ride a bike. (ability in the past)

To express or to ask for permission, we use:
• can, could (when asking for something could is more polite than can):
  Can I go to the party tomorrow?
  When I was a teenager I could watch TV for two hours a day.
  Can/Could you pass me the salt?
• may when we give permission or ask for permission in a very polite way:
  You may go home now if you like.
  May I open the window?

To express prohibition, we use:
• mustn’t, can’t when we talk about what is generally not allowed or prohibition in the present (mustn’t expresses very strong prohibition):
  You can’t/mustn’t park here. (It’s forbidden)
  You can’t/mustn’t switch on your mobile before you leave the plane. (It’s not allowed)
• couldn’t when we talk about prohibition in the past:
  When I was young, I couldn’t stay at home on my own. (When I was young, I was not allowed to stay at home on my own)

To ask for something, or to express an offer or invitation, we use:
• would like:
  I’d like tea without milk, please.
  Would you like a cup of coffee?

To ask somebody for something in a more formal and direct way, we use:
• will:
  Will you carry my suitcase, please?
  Will you wait here for a moment, please?

To offer to do something, or to make or ask for a suggestion, we use:
• shall:
  Shall I help you to carry your suitcase?
  What shall we do now?
Circle the correct modal verb in each sentence.

1. I'm quite happy to do it myself. You ___ help me.
   a. needn't   b. mustn't   c. can't
2. My father is writing an article. We ___ disturb him now.
   a. needn't   b. mustn't   c. couldn't
3. ___ you lend me some money till next week?
4. Jiri ___ finish this essay today. The deadline is next week.
   a. shouldn't b. mustn't   c. doesn't have to
5. At this swimming pool you ___ wear a swimming cap. I hate it!
   a. have to   b. must     c. should
6. I'm afraid you ___ drink alcohol here. It's against the law.
   a. may not   b. shouldn't c. can't
7. If you want my opinion, I think you ___ tell anybody about it.
   a. shouldn't b. mustn't   c. couldn't

Using the sentence beginnings provided and modal verbs write the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence.

1. It's against the rules to talk on your mobile here.
   You ___ talk on your mobile here.
2. I learnt to ride a bicycle when I was 10.
   When I was eight, ___
3. My advice is to talk to the teacher about it.
   You ___ talk to the teacher about it.
4. The doctor told me to stay in bed for three days.
   I ___ stay in bed for three days.
5. Would you like me to pick you up from school?
   Shall ___
6. I believe it's not good for children to watch so much TV.
   Children ___
7. Fiona is quite a good singer.
   Fiona ___
8. It's not necessary to answer all questions correctly.
   You ___

3. The letter below is a sample answer to an exam task. Read it and complete the gaps with a modal verb and the correct form of the verb in brackets.

Dear Katharina,

Thanks for your letter.

Going to Scotland would be fun, I'm sure, but to be perfectly honest, I ___ drive (drive) here in England. I tried once but I ___ (get) used to traffic driving on the left. I ___ (take) some lessons with a driving instructor and then try again. But ___ (we, go) by car?

How about the train? It's much faster than the car. ___ (I, look up) the train timetable on the Internet? Or ___ (you, do) it yourself? I think we ___ (buy) the tickets fairly quickly, otherwise they might be quite expensive.

If we decide to go by train, we ___ (take) too much stuff - it will be too heavy to carry. For one thing, we ___ (take) towels since we are going to stay in a hotel. I'm not sure about the hair drier though. ___ (you, pack) yours, just in case?

Let me know what you think.

Love,

Maria

4. Look at the instructions for the exam task below. Match the bulleted points to the proper sections of the letter above.

You are on a 3-week English course in a language school in Bournemouth. You have just received a letter from your German friend Katharina, who you met in England last summer.

I've just arrived in Southampton and will be studying English here for two weeks. And how is your course in Bournemouth? Are you enjoying it?

Would you like to meet up and do something together? How about renting a car and going to Scotland for a few days? What do you think?

You are going to write a letter to Katharina, in which you:

- explain why you don't like her idea
- make another suggestion
- suggest what things to take with you.

Begin like this: Dear Katharina,
MODAL VERBS 2 – SPECULATION

To speculate about the present and the future we use must/might/may/can/could/can’t + infinitive without to.

- we use must when we are almost sure/certain that something is true:
  
  They must be really tired. (I’m sure that they are tired)

  Being a lawyer, you must earn a lot of money. (I’m certain that you earn a lot of money)

- we use might, may, can and could when we think that things/events are possible;
  can is used when we refer to things in general, whereas could, might, may are used when we refer to concrete situations:

  There can be a lot of tourists in the Tatra mountains during winter holidays.

  She could be the girl we’re looking for.

  They might need our help tomorrow.

  He may like riding a bicycle. (I’m not sure, it’s possible that he likes riding a bike)

- we use might not and may not when we think that perhaps things/events are not true or perhaps they will not happen:

  She may not be as intelligent as you think. (perhaps she’s not as intelligent as you think)

  They might not finish this work before Tuesday. (perhaps they will not finish this work before Tuesday)

- we use can’t when we are almost sure/certain that things/events are not true:

  He can’t be so silly as to do that. (I’m sure that he isn’t so silly)

  You can’t have more than eight classes a day. (It’s impossible that you have more than eight classes a day)

Different modal verbs express different degrees of certainty:

- They must be happy together. – I’m sure they are happy together.

- They could/might/may be happy together. – Perhaps they are happy together.

- They may/might not be happy together. – Perhaps they are not happy together.

- They can’t be happy together. – I’m sure they are not happy together.

1 Which sentence would you use in the following situations?

1 You’re approaching your friend’s house. You can see lights on in two rooms.
   a) Somebody can be in.
   b) Somebody must be in.

2 You have to revise a lot before your exam on Monday.
   a) I might not come to your party on Saturday.
   b) I can come to your party on Saturday.

3 You don’t believe your friend’s story.
   a) You can’t be serious.
   b) You may not be serious.

4 Your friend from school has been very sad recently.
   a) He can’t have problems at home.
   b) He must have problems at home.

5 You have some doubts if changing your present job is a good idea.
   a) I can not change my job after all.
   b) I might not change my job after all.

6 You can see a small boy trip over a ball and sprain his ankle.
   a) He must be in a terrible pain.
   b) He can be in a terrible pain.

2 Complete the dialogue with the correct modal verbs.

IAN: Hi, Dave. Have you seen Brian?

DAVE: Yeah, I saw him in the computer room some time ago. He 1 ______ may/might/could _____ still be there.

IAN: No, he isn’t. I’ve just come from the computer room.

DAVE: I don’t know then. Have you checked the gym? He 2 ______ be there playing football with his friend from the football club.

IAN: No, they 3 ______ be there. The gym is closed today. But if they are playing football they 4 ______ be in the playground.

DAVE: In the playground? You 5 ______ be mad! It’s pouring with rain!

IAN: Ok, you 6 ______ be right there. But where 7 ______ he be? I’ve looked almost everywhere.

DAVE: He 8 ______ be at school then – perhaps he has already gone home. Ian ... Look! Over there! Crossing the road...

IAN: No, it 9 ______ be Brian. He is much taller than that boy. I think I’ll ask the teacher. She 10 ______ know if Brian’s class is still at school.
Using modal verbs must, might, might not, may, may not, can, could or can't write the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence.

1. Perhaps it will rain later.
   It may/might rain later.

2. I'm sure they are not at school now.

3. It's possible that the match will not start before seven.

4. I'm sure she thinks I am not very bright.

5. I know this isn't Robert – he has gone on holiday to Spain.

6. I'm certain the car keys are somewhere in the kitchen.

7. Perhaps the teacher will give us our homework back tomorrow.

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**Exam Practice**

Read the text in which somebody compares and contrasts two photographs. Circle the correct modal verbs.

In both pictures there are people standing and talking to each other in front of some kind of building. It may/can/must be a school because on the gates in both pictures I can see a sign with the number of the school on it.

In the first picture there are two boys and one girl. They must/can't/should be pupils because they are wearing school uniforms. But they may not/can't/might not be from the same year – the girl is much younger than the two boys. I'm not sure but the two boys might/can't/must be twins because they look quite similar to each other.

In the other picture, there is a bigger group of pupils and several adults. They're also standing in front of the school. One girl is talking to one of the adults. The woman is certainly not a teacher, she could/can't/must be the mother or sister of one of the pupils but it's really difficult to say.

In both pictures the people look nervous and they are waiting for something. It may/can't/must be the exam results but I'm not sure. If they are nervous about the exam results, it may not/can't/might not be the school-leaving exam because both pictures were taken in winter and the school-leaving exam takes place in May.
**COUNTABLE/UNCOUNTABLE NOUNS**

Nouns in English can be countable or uncountable.

**Countable nouns:**
- are things we can count:
  
  *a dog, five pencils*
- can be singular or plural:
  
  *My best friend is a very intelligent girl.* (singular)
  
  *My two other friends are good at sport.* (plural)
- can be used with *a/an (a girl), the (the girl), numerals (two tables), and some/any, (too) many, how many, a lot of or a few (see table below):*

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**Uncountable nouns:**
- are things we cannot count:
  
  *water, light, friendship*
- are only singular:
  
  *Chocolate makes you happy.*
- can be used with *the (the tea), and some/any, (too) much, how much, a lot of or a little* (see table below).

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**QUANTIFIERS**

- We use *(too) many (of), not many (of), a few (of)* with countable nouns:
  
  *(too) many/not many/a few apples, girls*
- We use *(too) much, not much, a little* with uncountable nouns:
  
  *(too) much/not much/a little tea/ham*
- We use *a lot (of), lots of, all (of), most (of), some (of), not any* with uncountable nouns and countable plural nouns:
  
  *a lot of/ lots of/ all of/ most of/ some money/ pencils*
  
  *We haven't got any rice/books.*
- We use *none (of)* with plural nouns when we talk about more than two people or things:
  
  *None of the dresses was good.*
  
  *(more than two dresses)*
  
  *None of the films is worth recommending.*
  
  *(more than two films)*
- We use *both (of) (= one and the other)* with plural nouns when we talk about two people or things:
  
  *Both sisters are very attractive.* *(two sisters)*
  
  *Both of them were too long.* *(two things)*
- *either (of) (= any one of two), neither (of) (= not one and not the other)* refer to two things or people. After *either or neither* we use a singular noun (followed by a verb in a singular form) or a plural noun (followed by a verb in a singular or plural form):
  
  *Either house is too expensive for us.*
  
  *Neither of the songs sounds/sound romantic.*

**We use of:**

- with *a lot and none* – except for short answers:
  
  *How many of your teachers did you like?*
  
  *A lot. /None.*
  
  *None of them came to visit me.*
- with personal pronouns:
  
  *many/a few/all/most/some/either/neither/both of us/ you/ them*
- with possessive adjectives (with *all and both* we can omit of):
  
  *many/a few/most/some/either/neither of their friends*
  
  *all/both (of) my skirts*
- before nouns with the definite article the:
  
  *many/a few/all/most/some/either/neither/both of the classrooms in our school*
ARTICLES A/AN/THE AND NO ARTICLE

We use a/an:
• before singular countable nouns:  
a doll, an onion
• when we talk about a person or thing for the first time:  
I have a dog and two cats. The dog’s name is Tim.
• when we talk about one of many things or people (it is not important which one exactly):  
Have you got a pen? (any pen)  
I need a pencil. (any pencil)
• before names of jobs:  
She is an actress.  
David is a teacher.

We use the:
• before singular and plural nouns (the desk, the oranges)  
• when we mention somebody or something again:  
I have a dog and two cats. The dog’s name is Tim.
• when we talk about a concrete person or thing (in singular or plural), and the listener knows which person/thing we mean:  
Where are the car-keys? (the listener knows which car-keys).
The boys in my class are very clever. (particular boys, those in my class)
• when there is only one of the things we talk about (the sun, the Pope),
• before a surname + family (the Smith family, the Chandler family),
• before the times of the day (in the morning, in the evening),
• before the names of rooms or places near the house (in the bedroom, in the garden),
• before superlatives (the worst film, the most intelligent girl),
• before ordinal numbers (the first, the second),
• before numbers referring to centuries (the seventeenth century, the twentieth century),
• before the names of rivers (the Thames, the Nile), seas (the Baltic Sea, the Red Sea) and oceans (the Atlantic, the Pacific),
• before the names of mountain ranges (the Tatra Mountains, the Alps) and island groups (the Canary Islands, the Bahamas).

We do NOT use articles:
• before plural nouns when we talk about things or people in general or mention them for the first time:  
Teenagers can be very noisy. (teenagers in general, not a particular group of teenagers)
Dogs make good pets. (dogs in general, not a particular group of dogs)
• before uncountable nouns when we talk about something in general:  
Money is important.
Curiosity is a good quality.
• with days of the week and months (on Monday, on Thursday, in May, in September),
• with years (in 2006, in 1856),
• with the names of continents and most countries (in Europe, in America, in Slovakia),
• with the names of cities/towns/villages (in Glasgow, in Paris, in Bournemouth),
• with the names of streets/roads (in Cumberland Street, in Pine Road), stations (from Highgate Station) and airports (to Heathrow Airport, from Gatwick),
• with the names of lakes (Lake Michigan, Lake Superior), individual mountains (Mount Everest, Mount Etna) and individual islands (Sicily, Bermuda),
• with the names of meals (before lunch, after breakfast).
Circle the sentence you would use in each situation.

1. You are going shopping to the town centre. There is only one supermarket in your town.
   a. I'm going to a supermarket.
   b. I'm going to the supermarket.

2. You are talking to your friend about different kinds of animals.
   a. I don't like cats.
   b. I don't like the cats.

3. You want to persuade your mother to buy you two skirts you have just tried on.
   a. All of them are really fashionable.
   b. Both of them are really fashionable.

4. You are talking to your friend about the absence of your English teacher.
   a. I don't know why the teacher hasn't come today.
   b. I don't know why a teacher hasn't come today.

5. Somebody wants to know the amount of time you spend watching TV.
   a. Definitely too many.
   b. Definitely too much.

6. You are admiring your grandmother's garden.
   a. The flowers are really beautiful.
   b. Flowers are really beautiful.

7. You are talking about the picnic you went on with several friends.
   a. To be honest, none of us had a good time.
   b. To be honest, neither of us had a good time.

Complete the gaps in the sentences with the correct quantifiers from the box.

both none many any neither much some

1. You shouldn't eat so ______ chocolate.
2. I am very similar to my sister. ________ of us hate school and like sport.
3. I'm afraid they haven't got ________ tickets left.
4. I've tried on five pairs of jeans. ________ of them fits.
5. I had no idea that so ________ people from my class wanted to study medicine.
6. The worst teachers I've ever had are Mr Brown and Miss Smith. ________ of them can explain things properly.
7. I can speak English and ________ French.

Read the text and complete the gaps with correct articles a/an, the or leave the gap open (-).

Come and visit historic ______ Sherborne Castle and explore its beautiful lakeside gardens. Built by ______ Sir Walter Raleigh at ______ end of ______ sixteenth century and home to ______ Digby family since ______ 1617, ______ castle's state rooms reflect ______ variety of decorative styles from ______ greatest periods of English history. In ______ Castle's cellars you can see Raleigh's original kitchen and ______ collection of finds from ______ castle grounds.

______ visitors will enjoy exploring ______ lakeside gardens, which provide ______ wonderful setting for ______ picnics. Recently, we have opened up the historic dry grounds walk, ______ eight-acre extension to ______ gardens on ______ north side of ______ lake. Admission is free for ______ children, ______ dogs are welcome on ______ lead. ______ castle is open daily, except ______ Mondays and ______ Fridays, 22 May till ______ end of ______ October. For more ______ information call 01935 13182 or visit ______ website at www.sherbornecastle.com.

Read the text in which somebody compares and contrasts two photographs. Circle the correct option.

Both pictures are quite similar but there are also some differences.

In 'a / - / the' first picture, there are three people: ______ a / an / the girl and two teenage boys. They are in a small park or a playground. ______ The / - / A place looks quite empty because apart from these three children there are ______ any / many / no other people. The children are playing football.

In the other picture, there are also two boys and one girl. They are in a big room. ______ The / - / A boys are sitting on the carpet and playing chess. ______ All / Either / Both of them seem to like this game. ______ A / - / The girl is watching them with ______ some / few / an interest. She looks as if she wants to ask ______ some / any / little questions but ______ neither / either / none of the boys are paying attention to her.

I like the first picture better because football is my favourite team sport.
We use indefinite pronouns:
- somebody, nobody, anybody, everybody to talk about people,
- something, nothing, anything, everything to talk about things,
- somewhere, nowhere, anywhere, everywhere to talk about places.
They are all followed by a singular verb.

We use everybody/everyone, everything and everywhere:
- in affirmative sentences:
  Everybody wants to speak English well.
  I informed her about everything.
  You can buy them everywhere.

We use somebody/someone, something and somewhere:
- in affirmative sentences:
  I need to do something to help him.
  Somebody called you yesterday.
  He lives somewhere in Paris.
- in questions while making an offer or request:
  Can I get you something to eat?
  Can somebody stay at work longer today?
  Could you recommend somewhere cheap where we could stay the night?

We often use anybody/anyone, anything and anywhere:
- in questions:
  Do you keep in touch with anybody from our class?
  Does she know anything about computers?
  Have you seen Barbara anywhere?
- in negative sentences:
  There isn't anything more to do.
  I didn't particularly like anybody.
  I don't want to go anywhere.

We use nobody/no one, nothing and nowhere:
- in affirmative sentences:
  Nobody wants to help me.
  I heard nothing about it.
  Nowhere is safe.

Nobody/no one/nothing/nowhere have a negative meaning, and that is why the sentences in which they are used take an affirmative form:
- Nobody waited for me at the airport. (NOT Nobody didn't wait for me at the airport.)
- Nothing is more important than love. (NOT Nothing is not more important than love.)
- There is nowhere to park. (NOT There isn't nowhere to park.)

1 Complete the gaps with the correct indefinite pronouns.
1. There is someone on the phone for you.
2. Brenda would do ____________ to get tickets for this concert.
3. I can't believe you don't know about the disco tonight. There are posters ____________.
4. Does ____________ know why Sandra is not at school today?
5. He's very ambitious. ____________ will stop him from becoming a doctor.

2 Rewrite the sentences using the correct indefinite pronouns instead of the expressions in the brackets. Make changes in the other part of sentences if it is necessary.
1. (All people) dream of a better life.
   Everybody dreams of a better life.
2. I'd like to go (to a quiet place).
   ____________
3. (No other thing) is worse than losing your best friend.
   ____________
4. You need to get (the signatures of all the people).
   ____________

Exam Practice

Dear Mr Bailey,

I'm very sorry but I think I've lost a book I borrowed from the library. Tomorrow is my last day here and I know that everybody needs to return books before leaving.

At first, I thought I'd left it at home. But I've looked anywhere and I can't find it. And nobody in my host family doesn't touch my things, so I guess I've left it anywhere at school.

Do you think it's possible that anyone has found it and returned it to the library? If not, what would you suggest I should do now?

All the best,

Ferenc Horvath (library card no 3542)
GRAMMAR - POSSESSIVES

POSSESSIVE ADJECTIVES AND PRONOUNS

To express possession/the idea of belonging in English, we can use possessive adjectives (my, her) or possessive pronouns (mine, hers).

We use possessive adjectives before nouns:
My pen is on the desk.
Did you meet her brother?

Possessive pronouns are used on their own, without nouns (often at the end of the sentence):
This pen is mine. Are these trousers yours?

Subject pronouns       Possessive adjectives       Possessive pronouns
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I         my pen         mine
you        your pen       yours
he         his pen        his
she        her pen        hers
it          its pen        its
we          our pen        ours
you        your pen       yours
their pen     theirs

's genitive, of genitive
To express possession/the idea of belonging of someone or something to a given person, animal, thing or place, we can use one of the two possessive forms: 's genitive or of genitive.

The possessive form with 's ('s genitive) always comes before a noun:
Tom's wife (NOT wife Tom's)
the boy's uniform (NOT the uniform boy's)

To form 's genitive:
• we add an apostrophe and s ('s) to singular nouns:
Pete's notebook, my brother's bicycle
• we add only an apostrophe (') to regular plural nouns:
his grandparents' house, my friends' car

• we add an apostrophe and s ('s) to irregular plural nouns:
their children's school, these women's surnames

In written language and formal speech, of genitive is used more often than 's genitive.

Both forms ('s genitive and of genitive) can be used:
• for groups of people/organizations:
the team's new logo / the new logo of the team
the government's decision / the decision of the government

• for places:
Warsaw's famous Old Town Square/the famous Old Town Square of Warsaw
London's museums / the museums of London

We use 's genitive:
• with people and animals:
the girl's doll, a bird's beak
• with time expressions:
Tuesday's edition, seven hour's sleep

We use of genitive:
• with things:
the winner of the contest / the roof of the house
• with the words like end, top, front, middle:
at the end of the concert / in the middle of the book

If someone or something belongs to two people or animals, we add 's only to the last noun:
Matthew and Bethany's computer

If the meaning is clear, we can use a possessive without a following noun.
Whose dress was more expensive? Barbara's.
(it is clear that we are talking about a dress)

1 Complete the dialogue with the correct possessive adjectives or possessive pronouns.

ANNA: Becky! Where are 1. my silver earrings? Have you seen them?
BECKY: No, I haven't. But they're not 2. ! They're 3. ! I got them from Julie, one of 4. best friends, remember?
ANNA: Julie? Yeah... I know 5. sister quite well. They live in Blackpool Road with 6. grandmother, don't they? And they have two Siamese cats.
BECKY: Actually the cats are not 7. . They belong to 8. cousin, Alexia, who visits them every now and then. And that big Labrador retriever that you can sometimes see is 9. too.

ANNA: Do you think 10. parents will ever let us have a pet?
BECKY: I wouldn't count on it. They'll say that the parrot was 11. and we didn't take proper care of it. And Dad will probably remind us how many times 12. cage was not cleaned out and he had to do it himself.

ANNA: Yeah... You're probably right.
2 Use one of the underlined words in a correct possessive form ('s genitive or of genitive) to combine two sentences into one.
1 The office is upstairs. It belongs to the director.
   The director's office is upstairs.
2 I read a story. I liked its end the most.
3 There is nothing interesting in the newspaper. I've bought it today.
4 The decision was wrong. It was made by the local government.
5 These students are very clever. Miss Blunden teaches them.
6 It was a very nice walk in the woods. It lasted two hours.
7 This is our new table. Two legs are broken.

3 All sentences below contain grammatical mistakes. Find them and write the sentences correctly.
1 I like our car much more than their.
   I like our car much more than theirs.
2 Could you stop using mine lipstick instead of yours?
3 Mike's and Mark's bedroom hasn't been tidied up for ages.
4 Ours neighbours had a very loud party in their flat yesterday.
5 My father's best friend lives in Canada.
6 Her dress really suits me but I'd rather borrow your.
7 The meeting of tomorrow has been postponed.

4 The letter below is a sample answer to an exam task. Read it and circle the correct answers in the text.

Dear Nick,

Here's my embarrassing story:

Last summer my/my boyfriend invited me to his aunt's/aunts' wedding. I had never met her before and it was my boyfriends'/boyfriends' decision, not my/mine, to accept the invitation. At the ceremony's beginning / the beginning of the ceremony, I suddenly noticed three girls wearing dresses very similar to my/mine. Their/Their were a bit longer, but exactly the same colour and style.

When I realised that my dress was practically identical to the bridesmaids'/bridesmaids' dresses, I didn't know what to do. Then one of the bride's and groom's / bride and groom's friends looked at me and burst out laughing. I had enough—I started making my way to the main door of the church / church's door. My boyfriend followed me to our/ours car.

Just when we were leaving the church, the bride arrived in her/hers wedding car. She looked at me and said: 'You are my nephews'/nephews' girlfriend, aren't you? Nice to meet you,' and looking at my dress she added: 'Why don't you become my bridesmaid? I'd like that very much but the decision is, of course, your / yours.' So that evening I unexpectedly ended up being my boyfriend's aunt's / my boyfriend aunt's bridesmaid.

What do you think? Good enough for the first prize?

Anna

5 Look at the instructions for the exam task below.
Match the bullet points to the proper sections of the email above.

You saw this post on an internet forum, posted by Nick:

Have you ever wished the earth would open and swallow you up? What's the most embarrassing situation you have been in? Take part in the competition and send me an email, prizes will include...

Write a letter describing the most embarrassing situation you have ever been in.
• give details of the situation
• describe your reaction and how you felt
• explain how the situation ended

Begin like this: Dear Nick,
ADJECTIVES • COMPARATIVES/SUPERLATIVES

We use the comparative adjective (and than) to compare two things, people, actions or events:

Who is shorter, you or your brother?
My homework is more difficult than yours.

When a pronoun comes after than, it is usually an object pronoun (me, you, him, her, it, us, or them):

She is faster than me.
You are more intelligent than him.

We use the superlative adjective to compare a thing, person, action or event with the whole group to which this thing, person, action or event belongs. We normally use the before a superlative. After a superlative we can use in or of. We use in with a singular word for a place or group:

Little Harry is the youngest in our family.
Ella is the prettiest girl in our school.
For me Ronaldo is the most famous football player of all.
This is the coldest month of the year.

To compare things, people and actions, we can also use the following patterns:

• too:

This cake is too sweet for me.
Our holiday was too short.

• not enough:

Your test results are not good enough.
The water wasn’t warm enough to take a bath.

• (not) as ... as:

Robert is as clever as his brother.
Our new teacher is not as patient as Mrs Smith.

We use so and such to emphasize the meaning of adjectives:

I was so happy when our baby was born.
(really happy)
She is such a nice girl.
really nice)

• such is used before an adjective followed by a noun:

It was such a beautiful day.
Angela and Tom are such good friends.

• so is used before an adjective alone, without a noun:

It was so warm yesterday.
I was so tired that I couldn’t fall asleep.

In exclamations with adjectives we can also use What and How:

What nice of you to think of that!
What a lovely day!

• what is used before an adjective followed by a noun:

What a good idea!
What stupid things you’re talking about!

• how is used before an adjective alone, without a noun:

How strange!
How kind of him to remind me!

Spelling rules:

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Complete the sentences with the adjectives from the box in the comparative or superlative form.

popular, hot, comfortable, good, cheap, far, lazy, large, dangerous, slim

1. July is __________ month in my country.
2. My T-shirt cost only $10, it was much __________ than yours.
3. Why haven't you tidied up your room yet? You're __________ person I know.
4. Were you born in France? Your French accent is even __________ than our teacher's.
5. Everyone likes Hannah. She is __________ girl in our school.
6. John lives __________ away from me now, so we don't see each other that often.
7. The first two weeks of a new diet were difficult but I'm now __________ than ever before.
8. Why don't you sit on the sofa? It's __________ than the chair.
9. Is boxing __________ sport in the US?
   Or is it rugby?
10. The Pacific Ocean is __________ area of water and covers a third of the Earth.

Complete the gaps with the adjectives in brackets in the comparative or superlative form.

My three __________ (good) friends are very different but we get on very well together. Kathy is certainly __________ (intelligent) of all of us - I think, she's a genius. Her IQ is __________ (high) than her much older brother's. But Kathy is also very shy and much __________ (quiet) than Celia, Fiona and me. Celia loves sport and she's __________ (fast) long-distance runner in our school. She's not so good at team sports though - in fact, she's __________ (bad) basketball player I know. Strange, isn't it? And Fiona doesn't like sport at all. She's __________ (funny) girl in the world and everybody likes her company. Recently though, she has become __________ (serious) about life and her future, perhaps because she is __________ (old) and __________ (mature) than us.

My three friends are even __________ (close) to me than my own two sisters. I think life is much __________ (easy) when you have nice people around. __________ (sad) people I know are those who have no true friends.

Using the word in capitals write the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence.

1. Mark is taller than Robert.
   Robert __________ as tall as Mark.
2. The exam was so difficult.
   It was __________ .
3. It is very nice that he helps me.
   How __________ !
4. Jim is too short to join the police force.
   Jim is __________ enough.
5. Georgia is prettier than all the other girls in her class.
   Georgia is __________ .

EXAM PRACTICE

The letter below is a sample answer to an exam task. Read it and complete the gaps with the correct form of the adjectives in brackets. In some gaps you may need to add a word or expression.

Dear Sir/Madam,

My name is Anna Novak and I'm writing on behalf of my friend Klára Farkas, who stayed at your hotel last Saturday night. She asked me to write to you because her English is not __________ (good) to write a formal letter. My friend would like to complain about the quality of your hotel services.

First of all, her room was __________ (expensive) the rates you give on your webpage. What's more, she got a room on the top floor and nobody helped her with her suitcase. Then, the water was __________ (cold) to take a bath in. Furthermore, the people in the other rooms on her floor were __________ (noisy) that she couldn't sleep until the early morning.

But the next morning was __________ (bad). First, she was woken up forty minutes __________ (late) she had requested. Then, at breakfast, her fried egg was cold and the waiter rudely refused to acknowledge the problem. Your staff could certainly be __________ (polite). Why are your room rates __________ (high) if you offer __________ (poor) quality and service?

My friend insists on a full refund, otherwise she will be forced to take the matter further.

Yours faithfully,
Anna Novak
**REPORTED SPEECH • REPORTED STATEMENTS**

When we tell others what somebody has said, we can quote their words directly (direct speech) or report them indirectly (reported speech).

In **direct speech** what somebody has said is not changed in any way:

- 'I don't know the answer.' ⇒ He said: 'I don't know the answer.'
- 'I don't think he will come.' ⇒ She said: 'I don't think he will come.'

In **reported speech** the following elements of what somebody has said may change:

- **personal and reflexive pronouns, possessive pronouns and adjectives:**
  - 'I don't want your cake, I can bake one myself.' ⇒ She told me (that) she didn't want my cake and that she could bake one herself.
  - 'I'm sure you haven't done your homework yourself.' ⇒ The teacher said (that) she was sure I hadn't done my homework myself.

- **time and place expressions:**
  - now ⇒ at that time/then
today ⇒ that day
tomorrow ⇒ the next day/the following day
yesterday ⇒ the day before
4 hours ago ⇒ 4 hours earlier/4 hours before
last week ⇒ the week before/the previous week
here ⇒ there
this ⇒ that, the
- 'I can meet you here tomorrow.' ⇒ She told me (that) she could meet me there the next day.
- 'I bought this book last week.' ⇒ Mary said (that) she had bought that/the book the previous week.

- **tenses, as shown in the table below:**

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- **will**: Everybody will have to be very quiet.
  - 'I hope it won't rain.'

**REPORTED SPEECH • QUESTIONS AND ORDERS**

When we report questions, we often use **ask, wonder, want to know** and change the same elements as in reported statements (tenses, personal and reflexive pronouns, possessive pronouns and adjectives, time and place expressions). In addition, we use the same word order as in statements (the subject comes before the verb).

- When we report **Wh-questions**, we use the same question word (**what, who, how, where, when**) as in the original question:
  - 'How are you doing?' ⇒ He asked me how I was doing.
  - 'Who did you talk to?' ⇒ Ross wondered who I had talked to.

- **When we report Yes/No questions**, we use **if** or **whether**:
  - 'Do you like my new dress?' ⇒ He asked if/whether I liked her new dress.
  - 'Have you had your breakfast?' ⇒ Mum wanted to know if/whether I had had my breakfast.

When we report a request or command, we often use the structure **ask/tell/order someone to/not to + infinitive**:

- 'Stop hitting each other!' ⇒ My mother asked us to stop hitting each other.
- 'Don't touch my project!' ⇒ My sister told me not to touch her project.

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REPORTED SPEECH • INDIRECT QUESTIONS

In English we can ask questions in a direct or indirect way. Indirect questions are more polite and we often use them when we want somebody to do something or when we ask somebody for information. In indirect questions we use the same word order as in statements (the subject comes before the verb):

‘What time does the train leave?’ ⇒ Do you happen to know what time the train leaves?
‘How far is it from here?’ ⇒ Can anyone tell me how far it is from here?

- In indirect Wh-questions we use the same question word (what, who, how, where, when) as in the direct question:
  ‘Where is the supermarket?’ ⇒ Can you tell me where the supermarket is?
  ‘How can I get to the railway station from here?’ ⇒ Do you know how I can get to the railway station from here?

- In indirect Yes/No questions we use if or whether:
  ‘Do you come here every Monday?’ ⇒ I’d like to know if/whether there are classes on Mondays too.
  ‘Does the M1 run every 10 minutes from this bus stop?’ ⇒ Do you remember if/whether the M1 runs every 10 minutes from this bus stop?

Some opening phrases often used for indirect questions:

Do you think/I wonder/Do you (happen to) know/ I don’t know/I’d like to know/Are you sure/Can anyone tell me/Could you tell me/Would you mind telling me/Have you any idea/I’ve no idea/Do you remember/I don’t remember

1 Circle the correct word in each sentence.

1 She said / told / asked me that she wanted to live abroad.

2 I told you not / not to / to not disturb him. Why don’t you listen to me?

3 She said she would come tomorrow / the previous day / the next day.

4 I have no idea when / what / whether there are still tickets available for this concert.

5 The teacher said / asked / told if we were ready to start writing.

6 Robert told me he wanted to paint his room myself / himself / herself.

7 I asked Gill out last week but she said she was very busy this / that / then day.

8 Everybody asked / told / said that the bridegroom looked absolutely gorgeous.

2 Rewrite the sentences in direct speech making all the necessary changes.

1 Ronaldo said that he had left hospital the day before.
   ‘I left hospital yesterday.’

2 The teacher told the little child not to cross the road by himself.

3 Steven told me that he would never go to school again.

4 I asked her if she was having a good time there.

5 I told him that I didn’t want to cause any problems to his family.

6 A passer-by asked me how much a bus ticket was.

7 A security guard ordered me to open my suitcase.

8 Mum asked me what time Tom had come home the night before.
3 Report the sentences using the beginnings provided.

1 'Can you work overtime?' They asked _______ if I could work overtime.
2 'Do you need me to help you with your homework?' My older brother asked _______.
3 'Don’t leave this box in the hall.' My mother told _______.
4 'I have earned my first money today.' Jane said _______.
5 'I will try to call you tomorrow.' My boyfriend told _______.
6 'Somebody is following us.' They said _______.
7 'Did you finish school two hours ago?' Dad wanted _______.
8 'Fasten your seat belt, please.' The flight attendant told _______.

4 Unjumble the sentences to form indirect questions.

1 tell / film / the / could / you / when / me / starts / ?
   Could you tell me when the film starts?
2 have / money / I / what / wonder / with / done / you / the / .
   I
3 ticket / much / do / know / would / you / how / cost / single / a / ?
   Do _______.
4 are / you / have / toilets / the / idea / any / where / ?
   Have _______.
5 know / you / surname / do / happen / his / to / is / what / ?
   Do _______.

5 The letter below is a sample answer to an exam task. Read it and complete the gaps (1–11) with the most appropriate word from the list (A–L).
There is one word that you do not need to use.

Dear Mr Johnson,

I am writing in connection with the new Jim Smith book that you have just published.

I am a huge Smith fan and would love to get hold of a copy of the new book. I went to my local bookstore hoping they would have it, but the assistant _______ TOLD _______ me that it _______ out of stock _______ day. When I _______ when it would be possible for me to get one, he said that I should come back the _______ day and promised they would have it _______. On Friday, however, he _______: 'I am really sorry, but the book _______ not going to be in _______. You should ask the publisher about it, maybe they have some copies left.' You are, therefore, my last chance of getting the book!

Was wondering whether I can buy the book directly from you? Your website says it is possible, but I would also like to know _______ I am supposed to pay postage costs as well? Could you tell me _______ much it would cost me in total?

I look forward to hearing from you,

Best regards,

Jonas

A ASKED  D IF  G THAT  J WAS
B IS  E NEXT  H THEN  K TELL
C HOW  F SAID  I TODAY  L TOLD

6 Look at the exam task below. Match the bullets to the appropriate parts of the letter above.

You would like to get a copy of the new book by your favourite writer but it was not available at your local bookstore. You have found the following information on the publisher’s website:

A CRAZY TEACHER by Jim Smith. A new bestseller by the author of Impossible Nouns! The most exciting book Smith has ever written. To buy the book directly from us, write to Jack Johnson for further information: Johnson@whitescatbooks.com

Write an email to the publisher in which you will:

• explain that you have tried to get the book at your local bookstore
• ask if it is possible to buy the book directly from the publisher
• ask about the postage costs

Begin your letter like this: Dear Mr Johnson,
There are two kinds of relative clauses in English: defining relative clauses and non-defining relative clauses.

Defining relative clauses
- identify/define which person or thing we are talking about and are essential to the clear understanding of the described noun:
  A dishwasher is a machine which/that washes dishes. (a dishwasher is defined by a relative clause; a relative clause can’t be omitted)
  This is the girl who/that I met yesterday. (the girl is defined by a relative clause; a relative clause can’t be omitted)
- are NOT separated from a noun by a comma,
- can begin with the following relative pronouns:
  - who or that, when we talk about people,
    He is the boy who/that promised to wait for us.
    Do you know the girls who/that are talking to Alexander?
  - which or that, when we talk about things,
    It was the best short story which/that I’ve ever read.
    Can you bring the CDs which/that I lent you last month?
  - whose, when we talk about possession/belonging,
    I talked to a woman whose daughter used to go to school with Tom.
    That’s the man whose mobile phone has been stolen.
  - where, when we talk about place,
    This is the place where Mark and I kissed for the first time.
    Have you ever been to the city where Mr Perkins lives?
  - when, when we talk about time,
    Christmas is the time when I miss my family the most.
    I met him at the time when he was studying in Cambridge.

In defining relative clauses, relative pronouns who, which or that can be left out if they are followed by a personal pronoun or noun:

  This is the note (which/that) I found yesterday.  
  (which/that can be left out)
  Brad Pitt is the actor (who) she likes best.  
  (who can be left out)

Relative pronouns can’t be left out if they are NOT followed by a personal pronoun or noun:

  A doctor is a person who treats people. (who can’t be left out)
  I’ll take him to the cinema which has the biggest screen. (which can’t be left out)

Non-defining relative clauses
- do not identify a noun we are talking about but add more information about it; they are not essential to the meaning of the sentence and can be omitted without causing confusion:
  My friend Mike, who is getting married in July, lives in Scotland. (who is getting married in July gives additional information about Mike and can be omitted)
  She was rude and arrogant, which I didn’t like at all. (which I didn’t like at all is an additional comment and can be omitted without causing misunderstanding)
- are always separated from a noun by commas
- can begin with the same relative pronouns as defining relative clauses except for that:
  - John Smith, whose father works with my mother, is a very nice boy.
  - My black coat, which I bought last winter, is too small for me.
  - Brighton, where we often go in the summer, is on the south coast of England.
  - Jane Goodall, who is a famous primate researcher, has a house in Bournemouth.

In non-defining relative clauses, relative pronouns can’t be left out:

  Budapest, where they went on holiday, is much bigger than Gyula. (where can’t be left out)
  In 1985, when my parents got married, the summer was exceptionally hot. (when can’t be left out)
1 Circle the correct answer.
   1 I passed all my exams, _______ made my parents very happy.
      a that b what c which
   2 London is the city _______ the Olympic Games will be held in 2012.
      a that b where c which
   3 My sister Kate, _______ studies English, has an Irish boyfriend.
      a that b whose c who
   4 The play _______ we missed turned out to be very successful.
      a which b who c what
   5 I've lost my car keys, _______ is a real nuisance.
      a which b what c that
   6 Sibling is a person with _______ you share a parent.
      a that b who c whom
   7 Do you remember the times _______ we built snowmen on cold winter days?
      a where b when c that
   8 Yesterday I bumped into Joe, _______ sister used to be my girlfriend.
      a who b which c whose
   9 Everybody _______ hasn't done their oral exam yet needs to do it tomorrow.
      a who b which c whose
   10 The book _______ you have lost doesn't belong to me.
      a which b what c whose

2 Complete the gaps with the correct relative pronoun (which, what, who, whose, where or when).
   1 I don't like Mrs Sanders, _______ teaches Maths in our school.
   2 I love the dress _______ you bought in France.
   3 Winchester, _______ we met, has a very beautiful cathedral.
   4 The boy _______ dog went missing couldn't stop crying.
   5 Easter Sunday is a time _______ many people go to church.
   6 Do you know the girl _______ is dancing with Mark?
   7 Bournemouth, _______ attracts many tourists in the summer, is very close to Poole.
   8 He walked me home after the party, _______ was very kind of him.

3 Decide in which sentences a relative pronoun can be left out. Rewrite these sentences without a relative pronoun or write 'can't be left out'.
   1 What did you do with the hammer which Tom was using?
      What did you do with the hammer Tom was using?
   2 Where is the postcard that came yesterday?
      Can't be left out.
   3 Tom, who has never been to France, speaks French fluently.

4 My mother wants me to eat things which I hate.
   5 The scientist who I admire most is Einstein.

5 6 This was a birthday present which made me really happy.
   7 The people who live next to the school are Tom's friends.

6 Do you like the cake that I've baked?

4 Find the correct (√) and incorrect (X) sentences. Rewrite the incorrect sentences without mistakes.
   1 Tom, that is a very clever boy, wants to study law. X
      Tom, who is a very clever boy, wants to study law.
   2 Would you like me to introduce you to the girl I met yesterday?

3 She screamed and shouted, which made things even worse.

4 I don't get on well with people which are very serious.

5 I would like to see the picture, that you brought from France.

6 Santiago de Compostela, where we went on a pilgrimage, is a very nice place to visit.

7 Is there anything that I can do to cheer you up today?
5 Using the word in capitals write the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence. Put commas where necessary.

1 His dream is to meet Peter Crouch -
   he plays for Liverpool and England. WHO
   His dream is to meet Peter Crouch, who plays
   for Liverpool and England.

2 Could you remember to give me back the book?
   - you borrowed it from me two months ago. THAT

3 He wants me to go to a restaurant – they serve
   Chinese and Indian food there. WHERE

4 At the circus I saw a very strong man – he could
   lift 100 kilograms without any trouble. WHO

5 The heavy storm lasted for five hours –
   it is now over. WHICH

6 I often think back to these times – my
   grandparents were still alive then. WHEN

7 He didn’t apologise for his behaviour – this made
   me really cross. WHICH

8 Mrs Judge’s son is in Year 5 and Mrs Judge is our
   History teacher. WHOSE

6 Match the beginnings with the endings of sentences using correct relative pronouns. Write sentences putting commas where necessary.

1 Do you know a place...
2 I’ll never forget the moment...
3 The police are looking for the man...
4 I got an autographed photo from Sandra Bullock...
5 I don’t like the poem...
6 Her twin brother hit her...
7 We want to go to Rome...

   a She is my favourite actress.
   b We went on our honeymoon.
   c He robbed a bank yesterday.
   d He has written it for me.
   e I first saw my little baby son.
   f It made her cry.
   g You can buy cheap furniture.

1 Do you know a place where you can buy cheap
   furniture?

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7 Read the text in which somebody compares and contrasts two photographs. Circle the correct relative pronouns.

Both pictures show people and animals having a good time together.

In the first picture, there are two people and two
   animals: a little boy, 'that / who' / which is about 6
   years old, a teenage girl (probably his sister), and two
   dogs, 'whose / which / that' seem very lively. They’re
   in the park. The dogs are running about and playing
   with the boy, 'who / whose / which sister is sitting on
   a green bench and reading a book. The dog ‘that
   / whose has lots of black spots looks like a Dalmatian.'
   The other one is a poodle.

In the other picture, there is a little girl playing with
   a cute white cat. They are in a big playground, 'which / 
   that / who probably belongs to a nearby school. The
   playground looks very similar to the place 'when / 
   which / where I used to play with my friends when
   I was at primary school.

Both pictures make me think about the time 'when
   / which / where I had a dog and two cats and played
   with them a lot.
In English there are many linking words – words which join clauses into sentences. The most common linking words are:

- **And** used to express the idea of addition (to link chronological events or events resulting from each other, and to join the elements of a series):
  
  We ate breakfast **and** went to school.
  I took my raincoat **and** umbrella.

- **But** used to express the idea of a contrast:
  He likes playing chess **but** is not good at it.
  She isn’t my best friend, **but** I can always rely on her.

- **Or** used to express an alternative:
  I want to study **medicine** or physics.
  We can go to the cinema, **or** we could stay at home.

- **So** used to express the result of something:
  I hate being late, **so** I left home very early.
  Tom read until midnight **so** next morning he was very tired.

Other common linking words:

- **If** and **unless** used to express a condition:
  You can visit her in hospital **if** you want.
  I won’t help you **unless** you tell me the truth.

- **Because** used to express the reason for something:
  Everybody likes him **because** he is very friendly.
  I didn’t come **because** I had a terrible headache.

- **Till/Until** used to express time:
  I’ll wait till you come home.
  You won’t get any sweets **until** you’ve finished your lunch.

- **After and before** used to talk about events happening one after the other:
  It’ll be weeks **before** we see our favourite teacher again.
  **After** I graduated, I started working as a lawyer in a local law firm.

- **While** used to talk about events happening at the same time or to express the idea of a contrast:
  He phoned **while** I was having a conversation with my grandmother.
  Robert loves basketball, **while** his brother prefers tennis.

- **Although** and **though** used to express the idea of a contrast:
  **Although** she had a lot of friends, nobody offered to help her.
  I quite like him, **though** he can be very impolite and selfish.

Relative pronouns (e.g. **that, when, where**) are also linking words:

- They were sure **that** somebody was following them all the time.
  **I** last saw her **when** she was very little.
  Do you remember the place **where** we used to go after school?

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1. Circle the correct answer.

   1. I’ve been to London many times **but** / **and** / **so** I have never visited Kew Gardens.
   2. We will go camping **if** / **unless** / **after** it rains heavily.
   3. Make sure you switch off all the lights **while** / **until** / **before** you go home.
   4. I like Michal very much **so** / **and** / **but** I wouldn’t go on a long holiday with her.
   5. **Although** / **Because** / **If** we were late, we missed the boat we were supposed to take.
   6. I wanted to have a good seat, **so** / **because** / **and** I ordered a ticket online two weeks before the concert.
   7. **I** would love to move to Spain, **while** / **and** / **so** my wife would rather live where we live now.
   8. **Because** / **Although** / **Unless** she has never been to an English-speaking country, her English is very fluent.
   9. You can’t go out **after** / **until** / **while** you’ve cleaned your room.
Complete the gaps with the correct linking words.

1. The weather was awful, so we changed our plans and stayed at home.
2. They can’t go out tonight because they don’t have a babysitter to look after their children.
3. Our grandfather didn’t go to university, he is very knowledgeable.
4. It’s up to you - you can stay with us for the weekend or you can go home.
5. Is this the restaurant where we had our first date?
6. I wanted to become a musician but my parents persuaded me to study law.
7. We won’t have lunch until you come home.
8. I won’t tell you anything you promise to keep a secret.

The sentences below contain grammatical mistakes. Find them and write the sentences correctly.

1. I met my husband where we were both studying at the University of Oxford.
   I met my husband when we were both studying at the University of Oxford.
2. Because she is physically disabled, she still stays very active.
3. Unless you really want to pass this exam, you need to study much harder.
4. I turned his invitation down though I didn’t really fancy going out with him.
5. After using the camera, read this instruction manual to familiarize yourself with it.
6. My parents couldn’t afford to pay for my studies because I had to find a temporary job to pay my fees.
7. I can live with my parents after I get a job and a flat.

Exam Practice

Complete the gaps in the text with the correct linking word.

Some people watch football matches at home, but I prefer watching them live at a football stadium. It’s certainly a better option for me than going to the home city. The tickets are very expensive. I don’t earn much, so I have to be very careful with money.

Some people say that you are at a football stadium, you can’t really see what’s happening on the pitch. I can see their point but I don’t agree with them. Even though you can’t see everything very well, it’s still much more fun than watching a match on TV. One more thing - you can ask players for autographs or after the match. You really want to see all the details, you can always record a match and watch it again on TV after you get back from a stadium.
GRAMMAR • Prepositions

Prepositions of Time

To talk about time, we use the following prepositions:

- at:
  - at five o'clock, at 12.15
  - at lunchtime, at night, at midnight
  - at the weekend, at Christmas, at Easter
  - at the moment, at present

- in:
  - in the morning/the afternoon/the evening
  - in the second week of March
  - in January/the summer/the winter
  - in 1789/the 20th century
  - in a moment/five minutes/two months

- on:
  - on Wednesday(s)
  - on Monday afternoons
  - on May 1st, on 13 January
  - on Christmas Day, on Christmas Eve

We do NOT use prepositions before every, last, next and this:

I visit my aunt every month.
I went there last Tuesday.
What are you doing next week?
It was very cold this winter.

Prepositions of Place

To talk about position (where something is), we use the following prepositions:

- in with 3-dimensional spaces:
  - in the dining room
  - in the dishwasher
  - in Madrid, in Argentina
  - in the street/Cumberland Street and
  - in a car/a taxi
  - in a book/the newspaper/a story

- on with 2-dimensional surfaces:
  - on the floor/thewall
  - on a bus/train/a plane

- at:
  - at Tom's house
  - at the bus stop/the station
  - at the theatre/the cinema/a volleyball match/a party
  - at a concert/wedding/disco
  - at the table/door
  - at breakfast
  - at the office/work/university
  - at a restaurant
  - at the beginning/ the end
  - at the top/bottom

- behind:
  - behind a building

- in front of:
  - in front of a building
  - opposite:
  - opposite a building
  - between:
  - between the post office and the station
  - among:
  - among the trees
  - by:
  - by the river, by me
  - under:
  - under the desk
  - above:
  - above the clouds
  - near:
  - near to our school, next to our house

To talk about movement, we use the following prepositions:

- out of:
  - She got out of a car.

- over:
  - She jumped over the fence.

- across:
  - Go across the road.

- off:
  - She fell off the bike.

- They got off a bus/train.

- along:
  - Don't park along the yellow line.

- up:
  - Go up the stairs.

- down:
  - She cycled down the hill.

- through:
  - Go through the gate.

- into:
  - She jumped into the water.

- towards:
  - He was walking towards the pyramids.

- to:
  - She took him to the cinema.

- from... to...:
  - She drove from Poole to London.

We don't use a preposition before home: I went home straight after school.

Dependent Prepositions

Some verbs and adjectives are commonly followed by certain prepositions, for example:

- verbs:
  - agree with
  - apologise for
  - arrive in London
  - arrive at the station
  - ask for
  - believe in
  - belong to
  - depend on
  - dream of/about
  - divide into
  - happen to sb
  - laugh at
  - listen to
  - object to
  - pay for
  - remind of
  - succeed in
  - suffer from
  - translate from into
  - wait for

- adjectives:
  - allergic to
  - bad/good at
  - different from
  - interested in
  - married to
  - pleased with
  - polite to
  - responsible for
  - similar to
  - typical of
  - unaware of

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Complete the gaps with the words from the box and the correct preposition.

the beginning Rome the water Thursday the fridge a piece of paper May 7th a Thai restaurant the taxi the motorcycle

1 Saturday doesn't really suit me but I can come ___ on Thursday.
2 ___________ of the story she is very unhappy but then everything changes.
3 What time did you arrive ___________?
4 My sister's birthday is ___________.
5 They jumped ___________ with their clothes on.
6 I think there are three or four eggs left. They should be ___________.
7 He got ___________ and ran off without paying the driver.
8 Let's eat ___________. They serve delicious food there.
9 Martin fell ___________ and broke his leg.
10 Write it down ___________, otherwise you will forget.

Circle the correct preposition.

1 She wore her hair in a style similar to / from / with her mother's.
2 People will always disagree on what is responsible to / from / for global warming.
3 I think children should always listen in / - / to their parents.
4 I have always been interested in / for / at biology and chemistry.
5 Everybody laughed from / with / at him at school but he didn't really care.
6 At the age of 40 my aunt got married to / to / with an Englishman.

EXAM PRACTICE

Circle the correct option (a-d) to complete each gap (1–16).

I am concerned that my friend from a language course Manuela hasn't come ___ a class again.
I wonder what could have happened ___ her. I last saw her ___ Ricardo's party ___ Saturday night and she seemed perfectly OK. But this was ___ last week and now she hasn't been at school for four days. Perhaps she is not well. I know she sometimes suffers ___ terrible headaches.

Nicolas thinks that Manuela has gone back to her country. But I don't agree ___ him. Manuela wouldn't just go ___ home without telling anybody. She was planning to go back ___ Spain ___ the end of December because she wanted to be with her family ___ Christmas. So I can't understand why she would want to fly back ___ November. No, it's impossible. She must be ill or something.

I think we should call her tonight or tomorrow ___ the morning to see if everything is alright. We need to ask our teacher ___ her telephone number. Or he could call her from school during the break ___ lunchtime. If Manuela is ill we could visit her ___ the weekend.

1 a. to b. for c. at d. in
2 a. with b. – c. to d. about
3 a. in b. at c. to d. –
4 a. on b. in c. – d. at
5 a. at b. in c. on d. –
6 a. for b. at c. from d. with
7 a. with b. for c. – d. about
8 a. to b. in c. at d. –
9 a. to b. at c. for d. in
10 a. in b. at c. on d. –
11 a. on b. in c. at d. about
12 a. on b. – c. at d. in
13 a. in b. at c. – d. on
14 a. about b. with c. for d. –
15 a. at b. on c. in d. for
16 a. on b. at c. in d. for
**-ING FORMS AND INFINITIVES**

Sometimes two verbs come in an English sentence together one after the other. Then the first verb can be followed by the second verb in one of the following patterns:

- **verb + -ing**
  (e.g.: avoid, agree, consider, enjoy, hate, like, love, miss, not mind, practise, prefer, start, stop, suggest)
  I love watching westerns on TV.
  Laura can't stand waiting for the bus in the morning.

- **verb + to + infinitive**
  (e.g.: afford, agree, choose, decide, help, hope, learn, manage, need, offer, plan, promise, seem, want, wish, would like/love/prefer)
  I learnt to swim when I was 7.
  She promised to take me to the cinema.

- **verb + object + to + infinitive**
  (e.g.: advise, allow, beg, help, invite, order, tell, want, would like/love/prefer)
  Mark begged me to stay with him.
  They advised Peter not to go there.

- **verb (modal) + infinitive without to**
  (e.g.: can, could, might, must, should)
  You should obey your father.
  I can go with you if you want.

- **verb + object + infinitive without to** (e.g.: let, make)
  Let me show you how to do it.
  My mother made me clean the bathroom.

The verb help can be followed by verb + infinitive without to or infinitive + to:

- Can you help your sister lay the table?
- Can you help your sister to lay the table?

**EXAM PRACTICE**

3 The email below is a sample answer to an exam task. Read it and circle the correct verb forms.

Dear Mr Pendred,

I'd like to enrol/ enrolling on an intensive English course in your school. I don't mind to have / having classes in the evenings but I'd prefer to finish / finishing before 8 pm.

I started to learn / learning English five years ago in a primary school in the Czech Republic. We practised to speak / speaking and grammar but the groups were quite big. My teacher in the Czech Republic advised to go / me to go to England to get more practice.

I'm planning to stay / staying in London for five months and I hope to take / taking the FCE exam in November.

Could you please send me an email with the dates and fees for the courses in your school?

With best wishes,
Aneta Novakova
QUESTION TAGS

Question tags are short questions used at the end of a sentence. We form a question tag with an auxiliary verb (e.g. be, have, can, do) and a pronoun (e.g. I, you, she):

You like ice-cream, don’t you?
Ann’s very pretty, isn’t she?
Your brother can’t sing very well, can he?

We usually use a negative question tag after affirmative sentences:

affirmative sentence | negative question tag
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Luke will come later, | won’t he?
They’ve got a dog,   | haven’t they?
You were late,       | weren’t you?
She likes swimming,  | doesn’t she?

We usually use a positive question tag after negative sentences:

negative sentence | positive question tag
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You aren’t hungry,  | are you?
They didn’t do it,  | did they?
Your sister can’t cook, | can she?
He hasn’t come yet,  | has he?

Instead of a pronoun, we can use there as a subject in question tags:

There’s some milk in the fridge, isn’t there?
There weren’t any mistakes in my essay, were there?

In sentences with Let’s, the question tag is shall we?
Let’s go to the cinema, shall we?

In imperative sentences, the question tag is will you?
Switch the TV off, will you?

We use aren’t I? (not am I not) in question tags:
I’m a bit late, aren’t I?

EXAM PRACTICE

1. Circle the correct question tag (a–d) to complete each gap (1–15).

Paul: You’ve just come back from holiday, 1._____?
John: Yes, it was great! Switzerland is beautiful. You went there last year, 2._____?
Paul: Two years ago, actually. We went skiing for a week.
John: Aha, I remember now. Your father is a skiing instructor, 3._____?
Paul: That’s right. And he is a very good one, too!
John: I guess you can ski very well now, 4._____?
Paul: Yea ..., quite well. And what about you, John? Are you a good skier?
John: No, not really. It’s not so easy to learn at my age, 5._____?
Paul: Oh, come on! At your age! You are not serious, 6._____?
John: Well ... I guess I probably need more practice. I might ask your father for a few lessons. You don’t mind, 7._____?
Paul: No, of course not! As a matter of fact, I think he’s just starting a new beginner course. Let’s call him right now, 8._____?
John: Good idea. But ... wait, Paul. I still need to think about it ... Paul: Oh, come on! There’s nothing to worry about, 9._____?
John: Ok then. I guess it won’t hurt to give it a try, 10._____?
CD 1 - TRACK 2
1: My name is Amanda and I'm going to tell you a story about something very special that happened to me when I was sixteen years old. It all began...
2: Good morning. Our first guest today is the one and only Tom Jones who is going to talk to us about the good and bad sides of being a star. First of all...
3: Tired and irritable? Finding it hard to concentrate? Your tour will help you rediscover your true self and enjoy life again. It will all start at the airport...

CD 1 - TRACK 3
It's summer again and we can't wait to go on our holidays. But not all holidays are so nice and relaxing! Here's another story in our series 'A holiday that went wrong.' Agnes, over to you.

Agnes: Last year I decided to go on a walking tour along the coast of the Baltic Sea. I was led up with the idea of being on the beach, sunbathing and doing nothing; what I wanted was an active holiday. I started the preparations in June. I was very excited about it, and I couldn't wait to start!

The first day was pretty good. I walked for about four hours in the morning, and about three in the afternoon. But when I got to the place where I planned to spend the night, it turned out that there was not a single bed left free. I had to sleep out on the beach. The second day started with heavy rain, so my things got very wet. On the third day I began to have problems with my shoes. They were supposed to be 'perfect trekking boots for all conditions,' but it just wasn't true. My feet hurt so much that I had to take a bus to the nearest town to buy some other shoes. When I was there, I accidentally met an old friend. She invited me to her holiday home in the Lake District, but I refused to go because I wanted to keep walking along the seashore. So I did.

Next day, though, there was not only a problem with my shoes (I mean the new ones), but also another worry: there was no way to go! The track along the shore was blocked for some reason. I thought it would take me a long time to find another route. To make things worse, my feet hurt, so I didn't feel like walking any more. In the end, I decided to call my friend with a house in the Lake District. When she heard my voice, she said happily, Great! We'll be lying on the beach, sunbathing and doing nothing! Well, I must say I quite like this idea...

CD 1 - TRACK 4
1: Hi! Wonder if you could help me. I'd like to send these three letters to Canada, and there is also this small parcel I'd like to post to Spain. Can I buy all the stamps here?
2: If you're looking for sweatshirts, Sir, there are some nice colours down there on the right, next to the jeans and T-shirts. I think blue might be right. What size are you?
3: OK, Brian. May I see your homework? Right... Let's practise this dialogue, shall we? Listen and repeat after me...
4: We regret to inform passengers travelling to Hungary that all flights are delayed because of very strong winds in the area. Gates 2 and 3 are closed. More information...

CD 1 - TRACK 5
Every year when the summer comes people have the same problem: where to go on holiday? The mountains are fine with people who like walking and the beach could ruin their plans, and if it rains for six days, there's nothing to do. Other people prefer the seaside but all the best places are so crowded! So why not go abroad and visit some of the world's famous cities? This can be quite expensive, though. And by the way, staying at home isn't very cheap, either, as you often end up spending money on entertainment like theatres, shops and cafes. Many of these places close for the holidays, which can also be a problem. Really, when you come to think about it, holidays mean so much trouble that it's strange we haven't got rid of them yet!

CD 1 - TRACK 6
1: The project was very difficult and took a long time, so I knew we would be well paid for it. But still, when Janet told me how much money we'd made, I was flabbergasted.
2: Some people like being dressed in a formal way, some love easy, weekend styles, but I prefer wear-it-everywhere kind of clothes.
3: When we were moving house, there were so many different objects to pack! It turned out that the best idea was to use large containers made of hard cardboard.
4: I often wonder what it means to be an eccentric. People who seemed strange some time ago would probably become part of mainstream society today.
5: Between these two mountains there is just enough space for a small, narrow ravine full of flowers and trees and with a small stream flowing through it.

CD 1 - TRACK 7
1: The night was cold and wet but I had to walk my dog in the park and I caught a cold.
2: Have you heard what happened to play? She won a scholarship to Oxford.
3: On her sixtieth birthday, my grandma went to Paris for the first time.
4: I can't remember the number of Janet's apartment - is it eighty-three or thirty-eight?
5: On my desk I always keep my pen on the right, and paper on the left.
6: Christian and Andoni are brothers, but Chris is fair and Andoni is very dark-haired.
7: To walk through the labyrinth, you must carry a long piece of string to mark your way.
8: My brother's favourite computer game is about the adventures of a Medieval knight.

CD 1 - TRACK 8
Have you already started making your plans for the weekend? If so, you'd better wait a moment because we've just received information about some changes to the three main events which are planned for Saturday and Sunday. Here we go...

CD 1 - TRACK 9
1: I didn't have a lot of money so I could only buy a bottle of water.
2: We haven't visited our relatives in France since 2001, but they are coming to visit this year.
3: If Brad had been more careful, he wouldn't have lost his passport.
4: I haven't met anybody as intelligent as Simon.
5: Unless all your things are packed in ten minutes, I will have to leave without you!

CD 1 - TRACK 10
Ladies and gentlemen, it is a great honour for me to talk to you today about my experiences as a student on the international exchange programme, which was sponsored by your company. As you can see in my report, my stay proved very important and useful. However, there were also some problems which I faced during my stay. Let me talk about them now. First of all, studying in Denmark requires special skills that some Polish students may not have and should develop before they go there. I was really surprised to find out, shortly after I began my studies there, that I was asked to give a presentation to the whole group of students - something I had never done before. There were also a lot of papers to write at home, as well as study groups, which was another form of homework assignment: our professor gave us problems to solve, and we had to do them working together. Studying in Denmark is different to studying in Poland. Living abroad is also different, and can be quite difficult. In Denmark, everything is more expensive, and students have to learn very quickly how to make ends meet. So, for the first time in my life, I started preparing my own meals and buying everything as cheaply as possible. The standard of living, and culture in general are two other areas that are very different. Although there is a crash course about living in Denmark for all the international students, which is organised once a year, I think we should be given more information before going to Denmark.
Finally, let me say a few words about communication. I don't speak Danish, so I used English to communicate with other students, the teachers, and Danish people in general. There were a lot of occasions to socialise, and with the Internet and Skype I could always contact whoever I liked. However, paradoxically, after living there for as long as one year I still have the feeling that I haven't really got to know Danish society. If I had known the language, there would have been more opportunities for contact.

To sum up, the student exchange programme was a useful experience, but it would be even more successful if the difficulties I talked about were solved. Thank you for your attention.

CD 1 • TRACK 12

...managed to escape in a stolen car. Police are looking for two men in connection with the robbery. The men are both in their thirties. The first one is tall and thin. He's got long, wavy hair tied in a ponytail. He may be wearing jeans, a black sweater and a long dark coat. The other man is...

CD 1 • TRACK 13

Hi, welcome back to 'Famous Lives'. Actress Angela Peets is definitely not expecting a child. In fact, she has just announced that she and her husband, Mario Conway are planning to get divorced! It seems it isn't easy to get on with the Hollywood star. Remember how her fairytale romance with ex-husband, actor Brent Potts ended? She broke up with him after they had a row during an Oscar ceremony!

CD 1 • TRACK 14

Hello, everybody, and thank you all for coming here today. As you know, we meet here every week to share important experiences in our lives. It is my turn today, and I'd like to talk to you about my first job. After leaving school last year, I decided to go on a longer holiday and visit my family in Australia. During my second month there I thought I should do something to improve my English. And so, just one week later I became a shop assistant in a small corner shop in Melbourne. Of course I hadn't had any previous experience in this kind of job, and I was a bit worried. But Mr Jenkins, the shop owner, and Kate, the other assistant, said it wasn't important at all. They asked me to come to the shop for one whole week only to watch what they were doing. Those seven days were the best training I could imagine. I really learned a lot. If you are a shop assistant, dealing with customers is one of the most difficult things to do. Mr Jenkins was always very kind to them, but Kate sometimes became a bit angry, especially when they couldn't make up their minds what they really wanted. I discovered that some people come to our shop not only to buy things, but also to talk to us. Now I think I could assist people in a much more friendly manner. When you work for the first time, you feel really strange about it... For about one month, I kept making mistakes. But I was lucky because Mr Jenkins was always by my side ready to help me get out of trouble. And I'm sure now I've become an expert at mental arithmetic.

All in all, my first job was a very positive experience. I think I've become more open and tolerant. Even though I had a lot of work to do, I also somehow managed to get more relaxed and easy-going. But if you ask me, I wouldn't like to work as a shop assistant again! In fact, I'm just about to start studying astronomy, and then, who knows? The sky's the limit! Thank you very much for your attention.

CD 1 • TRACK 15

Interviewer: Well, it wasn't easy but we've finally managed to catch up with Terry Donovan, the Olympic champion swimmer and the current world record holder for the men's 200 m butterfly. Terry, thank you for coming to the studio and welcome to the programme! You seem to be very busy nowadays. Has your life always been like that?

Terry Donovan: Well, if you're asking about my childhood, it certainly wasn't. I had the most easy-going parents you can possibly imagine. I spent practically all the first twelve years of my life on the beach in my native Australia, playing in the sand, you know... doing nothing, actually...

Interviewer: When we talk about sport, we always think about how important it is to have a strong character, discipline, a strict timetable... If you had such a lazy childhood, how on earth did you manage to become an Olympic champion?

Terry Donovan: As I said, only the first twelve years of my life were like that. Later on my parents decided to send me to a special secondary school, and this school turned out to be the best swimming sports centre in the country, and I turned out to be quite good at the butterfly, and so it all started...

Interviewer: You seem to be creating this impression that all the success in your life came just like that, without any hard work on your part. But has this really always been like that?

Terry Donovan: Well, sometimes it was very hard. For example, the twelve months before I won the gold at the Olympics were the toughest in my whole life. All sorts of things were happening — my girlfriend went off with another guy, then my parents got divorced — and I still had my six hours of swimming to do every day...

Interviewer: What was it like when you won the gold? Did you have this feeling that it somehow compensated for all those bad moments and hardships?

Terry Donovan: In fact, it was more than compensated for everything. It was simply the best moment in my life, and it will probably remain so for ever. Even if I win another gold in the future, I won't ever feel as ecstatic as I did about that first one.

Interviewer: And finally, Terry, please tell us what you consider to be the most important feature of a successful sportsperson. Is it strong motivation?

Terry Donovan: Yes, motivation is certainly very important. When I start a race, I'm always strongly motivated — you know, I always want to come first! Yet I think that skills are even more important. You must train very hard, practise and learn, and always be very well prepared for each race. If you haven't got enough experience, you will never win, no matter how motivated you are!

Interviewer: Terry Donovan, thank you very much. And now, after the break, we'll have questions from the audience in the studio.

CD 1 • TRACK 16

Interviewer: We are very lucky today to have with us in the studio Beryl Martin, the famous traveller who specialises in Africa. Hello, Beryl.

Beryl Martin: Hello, everybody.

Interviewer: Can you remember that special moment in your life when you decided to become a traveller?
BM: Yes, I do. I think I was thirteen or fourteen at that time... in fact, I don't remember how old I actually was but the day itself stands very clear in my memory; it was Saturday, the fifteenth of May, my mother's birthday. I was reading Out of Africa by Karen Blixen when I suddenly stopped and said to myself, yes, that's what I want to do in life.

E: I suppose you probably had some romantic ideas about Africa. Did your first visit there meet your expectations?

BM: Oh, actually when I first went there, it's perhaps strange... I felt both exhilarated and exhausted. Everything was so new and interesting, and exciting -- but at the same time, I had this feeling that it had taken me so long to get to Africa, that I had been working so hard to get there... So as I said, it was both exhilaration and exhaustion.

E: It seems that nowadays there are many people travelling through Africa, taking pictures and describing or filming their adventures. How do you feel about the competition, Beryl?

BM: Most of them aren't my competitors; they are my best friends, actually. One thing you need to know about Africa is that it's important to make friends with people because sometimes your life depends on their help or advice. So if you aren't sociable and open to other people, don't ever think about becoming a traveller.

E: Well, I must ask this question: if not Africa, which other part of the world would you like to travel to?

BM: Of course there are many areas in the world which I find fascinating -- for example, the Amazon or some distant islands in the Pacific... But nothing is as interesting to me as Africa. Africa is also more important than any new place I could visit because I've got my home and all my life there. But one day, who knows?

E: OK. And now, after these personal questions, I'd like to give some more practical information for our listeners who would also like to become travellers one day. The first person to call us is, I think, Natalie from...

**CD 1 - TRACK 18**

**Announcers:** We asked five experts to give advice to people who want to get a job. Here's what they had to say.

1: Many candidates looking for a job in my business don't know how to behave when they are with customers. Some of them are very relaxed, which is not right. On the other hand, others get too serious and tense. I think that the best candidate would be someone in between a person who is nice to customers and, at the same time, a professional representative of the company.

2: In my company it is very important how you look and what you are wearing. No matter how old you are, there are certain rules that must be kept. Suits for men and women should be dark-coloured and rather traditional. And things like T-shirts and trainers are not allowed at all -- even though on the fifth day of the week you can wear jeans.

3: I'd like to advise all my future employees to practice something which is called time management. People should know how to use their time in the best possible way. Personally, I don't tolerate late-comers. If somebody doesn't come to work on time, they obviously show they don't respect their job and that they don't take me seriously as their boss.

4: I used to have a lot of tips for people who are just about to start work, but some time ago I went to see another office, and I saw something horrible: a desk with papers and documents, on top of which there was a big fat burger and a cola. Since then, my only rule has been no sandwiches and no cola when you're at work.

5: Let me think... It's not easy to come up with just one piece of advice. Of course it is important to do everything on time, to treat customers in the right way, not to talk on your mobile, be nice to other workers... But if I were to choose just one thing, I would probably say keep a nice white shirt always ready. You need to look smart when you work in a bank.

**CD 1 - TRACK 19**

**Good morning and welcome to our news programme.**

First, the world of politics. Yesterday in Parliament the Prime Minister had to answer some difficult questions about the activities of some ministers in his cabinet. The most shocking case is the Health Secretary, Mr Jack Prune, who spent large sums of money while he was on holiday in Italy. Mr Prune will be questioned about it by the Parliamentary Commission later today.

Let's move now to the economy. Have you noticed that you've got more money in your pocket? Even if you haven't, this is what the specialists say: as a society, we've got much richer and simply love spending money. The conference which starts at the University today will analyse this situation and give some suggestions for the future. It's obvious that we want to be rich not just today, but also tomorrow.

As for the world of entertainment, the big news is today's Rolling Stones concert. The ever-young veterans of rock have already arrived and spent last night visiting the Old Town. The concert starts at nine p.m., but of course you should arrive much earlier, especially if you want to get a good place to stand. The gates open at four, and all afternoon there will be special buses directly to the Stadium.

Finally, the weather. We've had some good news for you recently, but now it looks less optimistic. Rain clouds are developing in the west, and what's more, there will be some strong winds in the northern parts of the country. So be careful if you're planning to drive to the seaside because roads will be slippery and there may be some fallen trees on your way. Have a nice trip and good luck!

**CD 1 - TRACK 20**

**Marian:** Careful Training Centre. Marian speaking.

O: Hello, I'm a foreign national... from Libya...

M: I'm a resident here in Nottingham... I want to apply for British nationality, you know nationalisation as a British citizen, and I've been told I have to take a citizenship test. Do you...?

M: Yes, you can take the test here.

O: Oh good... What's it like?

M: It's a computer test with 24 questions.

O: What kind of questions?

M: About the British way of life, and...

O: What? Like do British people queue at bus stops?

M: Yes, questions about living and working here, you know like job interviews, renting a flat, how to open a bank account, if it's obligatory to join a trade union, how old you need to be to vote in a general election...

O: Sounds pretty easy.

M: There are also questions about tax, education, religion, human rights, British institutions, national and local government, politics, etc...

O: Such as?

M: Well, is Britain a democracy? Is it a republic or a constitutional monarchy? Where does
the prime minister live? The royal family?
Which are the main political parties? What does an MP or a town councillor do?
O: That's a bit harder...
M: You might get questions about the population of different cities, the role of the UK abroad, you know the European Union, the United Nations. You might have to recognise the national flags of England, Scotland...
O: Or I have to sing the national anthem too?
M: No. But you can if you like.
O: What about history?
M: No, no questions about famous kings and queens or the British Empire...
O: Just as well...
M: There's stuff about crime though. Drug laws, the police, the legal system, and there are even things like body language! You know the meaning of different gestures!
O: Oh right. How much does it cost?
M: £34. Listen, you can get all the information you need on this website, www.lifeheughtest.gov.uk, www.lifelheughtest.gov.uk... OK, thanks a lot.
O: Bye.

CD 1 - TRACK 21
MOTHER: Here you are, Mikey. Twelve pairs of clean socks.
MIKE: Mum, I don't need twelve pairs. I can wash them. And anyway I'll be wearing sandals most of the time.
MOTHER: And I've bought you some nice new underpants.
MIKE: Mum, that's really nice of you, but you know I only wear boxers shorts.
MOTHER: Have you packed the three warm jumpers? Take a wooly hat and a scarf, they said on TV it may be cold.
MIKE: Mum, it's July! Are you going to tell me to take a pair of winter gloves too?
MOTHER: Better safe than sorry, Mikey. And here's something else for you.
MIKE: Wow! A new pair of Speedo swimming trunks! Thanks, Mum!

CD 1 - TRACK 22
CHRIS: So, what shall we do tonight?
ROSE: Let's go clubbing! I feel like a dance.
C: Oh no... I can't stand all that noise. Can't we just stay at home and play chess?
R: You've got to be joking! Is that your idea of entertainment?
C: Well, actually, yes, it is... But if you don't like it, we can do something else.
R: Like what?
C: How about watching a good film on DVD?
R: You really don't want to go out at all, do you? Chris, what are you, 60 years old or something?
C: We could listen to some music later... we could dance on our own, just the two of us.
What do you think of that, Rosie?
R: Oh, okay, then. Maybe you can be romantic after all. But no chess, right?

CD 1 - TRACK 23
Ian: ... so let's meet our guest speaker... Anthropologist, author of 'Men and Women: the real difference', Dr Olga Fedotov...
Olga: Good evening, thank you... Look around you. What do you see? Other people. Some are male, some female. Black people, white people, brown people. Practically every colour except blue or green... Most of you are in your twenties or thirties, but I can see some middle-aged faces, a few adolescents, and even one or two elderly people like me. Some of you are short, some tall, and some average height. Some of you are slim, others a bit plump or overweight. Some have long straight fair hair, others curly dark hair, and some are totally bald like Ian... Most of you are clean shaven, but I can see one or two splendid moustaches and beards. Fortunately, only on the men... Look around... There's someone with straight white teeth. Someone with a prominent chin and a long nose. Someone with bushy eyebrows. Green eyes and freckles. Brown eyes and a clear complexion. Broad shoulders, thin lips, long fingers, bright eyes... We're all so different! But we're all human beings. The same species: Homo sapiens. There are six and a half billion of us and we've been around for 200,000 years... But nothing lasts forever... In his novel 'The Time Machine' H.G. Wells predicted a future with two distinct human species. The Eloi: delicate, happy, peaceful creatures with pink skin, curly hair, small ears and large eyes. And the Morlocks: bigger, stronger, uglier, who live underground and... eat the Eloi... Science fiction... Yes... But I believe that humans may become two different species. Those who depend on machines and those who don't. The humans who depend too much on technology, who let machines do everything for them, will lose the ability to communicate, to work in teams. They will become short, fat, slow, lazy and ugly. But the people who don't depend on machines will evolve differently. They will be 3 metres tall and will live for 150 years. They will be healthy, intelligent, sociable and creative. The women will develop smooth, hairless skin. The men will have stronger jaws, deeper voices and be more athletic. But is this...

CD 1 - TRACK 24
Georgie: Kieran, wake up!
Kieran: What?
G: Do this test. Find out if you're the ideal boyfriend.
K: Oh, OK. It might help me understand why I haven't got a girlfriend.
G: I've told you. Girls won't go out with you 'cause you're ugly.
K: Ah, Georgie, with a best friend like you, who needs enemies?
G: Okay, ready! Question one. How much time do you spend on your appearance? Less than 5 minutes, 30 minutes, more than an hour.
K: Eh, what's that mean?
G: It means stuff like combing your hair, cleaning your teeth, having a shower, putting on your clothes, looking after your skin...
K: Girly stuff.
G: Yeah.
K: Less than 5 minutes.

CD 1 - TRACK 25
In the picture I can see a man and a woman. They are sitting on a sofa and... I don't know.

CD 1 - TRACK 26
The photo shows a young man and a young woman sitting on a sofa and not talking to each other. They may be husband and wife, or girlfriend and boyfriend, but I don't think they like each other very much at the moment. They are angry or fed up. They're not even looking at each other. Perhaps they've had a row. Perhaps he said she spends too much money, or she said she wants to leave him... Or maybe they're just bored. They may be thinking: 'She's so boring' or 'He's so annoying!' or 'I can't stand him' or things like that. So, they are young, good-looking and probably quite rich, they've got this nice flat with a leather sofa, but they don't seem very happy.

CD 1 - TRACK 27
Jane: I'm calling about the advertisement. I'm interested in renting the flat, but I would like to know a few details.
Landlady: Well, it's a very nice flat, very conveniently located near the centre, but in a quiet side street. It has lovely views from the windows.
CD 1 · TRACK 28
Narrator: Part One.
Kate: Here's your tea, Colin.
Colin: Thanks, Kate. This is ridiculous, you know.
Kate: What's that?
Colin: No, not your tea. The price of accommodation! Rents are so high in London! I'd love to move out, you know, get away from my parents, but I just can't afford to.
Kate: Huh, sometimes I think it would be great to move back in with my mum and dad.
Colin: Seriously?
Kate: Well, no, of course not! But sometimes I do feel a bit homesick.
Colin: I just want to be free, I want to be able to stay out all night if I want to. Or to stay in and not have to watch the programmes my mum and dad like.
Kate: It's not all parties and fun, you know. You've got to do your own shopping, and wash your own clothes, and do all the cleaning and cook your own meals!
Kate: You can get pretty fed up with sandwiches, you know.
Colin: Yeah, I suppose...
Kate: And you have to pay the rent and all the bills! Electricity, gas, telephone...
Colin: Yeah, but still...
Kate: I'd really like to buy my own place, but it's impossible.
Colin: I think I'll buy a lottery ticket.
Kate: If I win the lottery, I'd buy a cottage in the country.
Colin: Or a bungalow by the sea.
Kate: Or a chalet in Switzerland.
Colin: A penthouse flat in a skyscraper in New York!
Narrator: Part Two.
Colin: Hi, Kate. What's up?
Kate: Hi Colin, you know you were saying that you wanted to move out?
Colin: Uh huh.
Kate: Well, how do you feel about sharing a house with me?
Colin: A house?
Kate: Yeah, my uncle's got a house in Ilford and there are two rooms he wants to let.
Colin: What's like?
Kate: It's got two floors and a basement with a games room, and a garage where you can keep your bike. There's a bathroom upstairs and a toilet downstairs, and...
CD 1 · TRACK 29
Kenny: Mum! We've looked everywhere and we can't find any presents!
Mandy: You haven't looked everywhere, Kenny.
Kate: We have! We've looked in our bedroom, and...
Mandy: Where's your bedroom?
Kate: Under the beds.
Lorraine: And I looked in the chest of drawers, and in the wardrobe.
Mandy: Did you look on top of the wardrobe, Lorraine?
Lorraine: No.
Mandy: And did you look on the bookshelf?
Lorraine: No.
Mandy: Well, what are you waiting for?
Kate: Mummy!
Mandy: Oh... There aren't any presents in your bedroom.
Kate: Tell us where the presents are! Please!
Mandy: This is just a tiny little flat. It's not a huge mansion! Or even a bungalow like granny's. It's only got two rooms, a kitchen and a bathroom. Keep looking.
Kate: Come on! Let's look in the kitchen.
Mandy: Any luck?
Kate: Mummy, we've looked everywhere in the kitchen — in the oven, in all the cupboards, under the sink, and in the microwave...
Kate: I even looked in the fridge.
Kate: I see you found the chocolate.
Kate: And in the bathroom too. Behind the mirror, in the shower, behind the toilet...
Kate: Mummy! This is the worst Christmas ever!
Mandy: Don't be silly, Kenny. Now, there's nothing in your bedroom, in the kitchen or in the bathroom, so...
Kate: There must be something here!
Kate: In the living room!
Mandy: Don't touch the TV or the DVD player!
Kate: Kenny! Look behind the curtain!
Mandy: No, nothing...
Kate: Under the coffee table! Nothing here!
Kate: Mummy! Stand up!
Mandy: Why?
Kate: Because! Look, Lorraine! What's that?
Mandy: It's an envelope.
Kate: It's your present.
Mandy: What is it?
Mandy: Open it and see.
know, the exams are in three months' time and you don't want to fail them, do you? Vegetarian, please.

D: I can't stand that Fitzwilliam woman.

Canteen worker: Here you are, love. And what can I give you today, Miss Fitzwilliam?

Miss Fitzwilliam: I'd like the same as David, please, Maggie, with just a little broccoli. Thank you.

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CD 1 - TRACK 33

1: I remember our maths teacher. He was quite strict, and he made us work really hard. But he was kind and patient too. If you didn't understand something, he would explain it as many times as you needed. He treated everyone in the same way. And he never made fun of weak students. Never. Even if they said something really stupid.

2: I remember we had this geography teacher. Everyone was scared stiff of her. If you made three mistakes in a test, you failed. If you forgot your book or anything, you got punished. She would shout at us, too. Some of the girls used to cry before her lessons. Honestly, I don't think people like that should be allowed to teach children.

3: Our music teacher was quite a character. She was not exactly well-organized; she sometimes forgot our names or what date it was, or what she'd set for homework; and she was sometimes late; but the lessons were fascinating. We used to sing, play instruments, compose our own little bits of music. She had us listening to classical stuff and actually enjoying it! I think it was in her lessons that I learned to like music.

CD 1 - TRACK 34
We went into the staff room of a comprehensive school in Bristol and asks some teachers this question... "What annoys you about your job?" Here's what they said...

1: Just one word: Whatever. I hate it when my students answer questions with 'whatever'. It means 'I don't care'. Or I've got no opinion'. It's so passive. Do you believe in the death penalty? 'Whatever'. Do you want the test on Tuesday or Thursday? 'Whatever'. How about a lesson on women's rights for March 8th? 'Whatever'.

2: I enjoy teaching. I like most of my pupils a lot. They're not always as hard-working and conscientious about their written work as they should be, but they're imaginative and really participate in the classes... The only thing that annoys me about my job is the administration, you know all the paperwork I have to do.

3: Cheating. They cheat in exams and in the homework we set them. Of course, not everyone does it, but it really annoys me. If I could teach my pupils just one thing, it would be that studying hard and revising for exams is good, and cheating is bad.

4: There isn't much that annoys me about my job. Well, correcting homework can be hard work, and taking the register is a waste of time, and sometimes with my favourite class... the bell goes too soon, you know just when we're starting something interesting. But, really I'm lucky. My students are talented, active and motivated.

5: A lot of kids have no respect. They don't respect teachers, or their classmates, or school property. They steal the chalk, the board markers and library books, they write graffiti on the desks and lockers, they destroy textbooks, they fight in the playground, they miss lessons and turn up late... Shall I go on?

6: My pupils are fine, but some parents are really difficult. They won't accept that their children aren't perfect. For example, one boy kept playing truant, and his dad said it was my fault for not making the lessons more interesting! And there's a mother who always does her daughter's project work even when I ask her not to.

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CD 1 - TRACK 36

The photograph shows an art lesson at school. A girl is painting a big yellow flower in a large oil picture. She's concentrating really hard. I think she's enjoying herself. The teacher is helping her, he's showing her something in the painting. Other students are sitting at their desks and drawing something. Perhaps they are preparing a school exhibition. I think the teacher probably likes his job. He seems really interested in helping the students.

CD 2 - TRACK 2

BARRY: Excuse me, Mr O'Reilly, may I have a word with you?

MR O'Reilly: Yes, Barry, of course. What is it?

BARRY: Mr O'Reilly, I've been talking to my friend, and she has been earning very well. I've been working here for five years, I do my job well, I've never taken a day off, but my salary's still the same as when I started.

MR O'Reilly: It seems to me you're well paid, and as you know the fringe benefits we give are unusually good: you've got health insurance, a staff canteen...

BARRY: But what about overtime, Mr O'Reilly? I work really long hours, you know.

MR O'Reilly: Well, Barry, we all have to do our best, don't we? I'm sure you're proud to be part of such an excellent team, aren't you? And you'll get a bonus at Christmas.

BARRY: Thank you, Mr O'Reilly.

CD 2 - TRACK 3

1 Mrs Atkins: Joe! You're late.

Joe: I know, Mrs Atkins, but...

Mrs Atkins: I've got a business to run.

Joe: Yes, but...

Mrs Atkins: There are lots of people who'd love to get a job here. Do you want me to sack you?

Joe: No... but...

Mrs Atkins: You know what it's like to be on the dole, don't you?

Joe: Yes.

2 Mrs Atkins: And you don't want to be unemployed?

Joe: No, Mrs Atkins.

Mrs Atkins: You wouldn't get much unemployment benefit... So clock on at the right time.

Joe: Yes, Mrs Atkins.

Mrs Atkins: Why were you late anyway?

Joe: Mr Atkins asked me to wash his car.

Mrs Atkins: Oh.

2 Hi Ted, would you like to come to a party?

Ted: Yes, I'm retiring... I can't see myself as a pensioner... Worried I might feel bored... And I'm not sure we can get by on my pension... I'm looking for a part-time job... Maybe a pilot or a stockbroker or a taxi driver... No, just joking... Nothing so stressful. Maybe a shop assistant or a lollipop man... Anyway, can you come? It's next Friday at 5pm?

3 The management have let us again and again. Our working conditions are terrible! We have the lowest wages in the country, and they always pay us late! They don't pay us when we're off sick! They're talking about making fifty workers redundant when this company has been making huge profit for years! It's time to go on strike!

4 Welcome to your first training session at Feelgood Industries. My name is Barbara and let me tell you this is a great company! We've got the best starting salaries in the country. Fantastic benefits: six weeks paid holiday a year, guaranteed sick pay, free day care for pre-school children... If you work hard, you can get promoted within six months.

5 Mrs Binn's: Could you tell me something about your previous experience?

Tim: Well, as you can see in my curriculum vitae I've had lots of jobs. I've worked as a bus driver, a driving instructor, a factory worker, a cook, a postman, a sales rep... I've never known what I really wanted to do... until now, of course.

Mrs Binn's: So why do you think you would make a good flight attendant?

Tim: I'm good at dealing with people.

CD 2 - TRACK 4
[see the previous recording]

CD 2 - TRACK 5
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CD 2 - TRACK 6

Trish: Hey, Laura, have you seen this survey?

Laura: No, I haven't. Is it interesting?

Trish: Yeah... hey, let's see if you can guess the three most important aspects of being happy at work...

Laura: That's easy. First place has got to be a high salary.

Trish: No, that's only number ten.

Laura: Oh, come on, Trish, be serious.

Trish: No, really! It's only number ten.
CD 2 - TRACK 8
[see the previous recording]

CD 2 - TRACK 9

LUCY: Oh dear. I really need to lose weight. I’ll have to go on a diet. I hate it.

PHIL: Do you really have to? You don’t look as if you’ve put on weight.

L: Oh, but I have. Phil. It’s all this junk food I eat when I don’t have time to cook. It’s so satisfying, you know.

P: Well, then it’s not just about weight, is it? It’s really about your health, Lucy. Listen, why don’t we do something together? We could cook healthy food, you know, low in fat and calories, high in vitamins and minerals ... and maybe some of it might even be tasty. We could take it in turns to cook your food one day and I’ll do the next. How’s that?

L: OK. Let’s try. We could even do some vegetarian food. Summer’s a good time for that. Who needs meat when there are all those cheap fresh vegetables?

CD 2 - TRACK 10

Narrator: Tonight on Channel 9 in a hard-hitting documentary we investigate the link between food and violent crime. Teacher and parent, George Thomas...

George: A lot of people think that TV causes crime ... You know, that people copy the violence they see in the programmes ... But it isn’t the programmes that cause violence ... it’s the TV commercials which encourage people to eat the wrong kind of food.

Narrator: Celebrity chef, Mary Rowe...

Mary: Logically, children who watch more television see more adverts. But what kinds of food are in those adverts? Junk foods: fizzy drinks, chocolate, crisps, biscuits, sweets, burgers and chicken nuggets! You never see adverts for bananas or apples ... Only for foods that are bad for you and that make you fat.

Narrator: Journalist, Kirk Broadfoot...

Kirk: A government survey published last month shows that the proportion of children in secondary schools who are far too fat, I mean clinically obese, has almost doubled in 10 years. It’s a huge problem.

Narrator: Social worker, Naomi Bell...

Naomi: In my experience, kids who see lots of adverts for junk food on TV eat less healthy food than other kids. The problem is that the diet encouraged by TV adverts is very bad for you. Kids who don’t eat a balanced diet with plenty of fruit and vegetables, do less well at school and are more aggressive. Basically, bad food makes you violent.

Narrator: Food scientist, Katy Smith...

Katy: In one experiment, we took some adolescents aged between 13 and 17, kids who had been in trouble with the police, and we gave them healthier diets. The number of violent incidents caused by those offenders who changed their diet fell by 80%. But for the others who kept on eating junk food with too much sugar, carbohydrates and caffeine there was no reduction.

CD 2 - TRACK 11

Liam: You’re listening to ‘Eat Out with Liam O’Connell’ and my next guest is Lily Boyle.

L: Hi, Liam.

L: Tell us about your meal, Lily.

Lily: I went to a really unusual restaurant called Dors Le Noir. It has great service and delicious food ... But you have to eat in complete darkness.

L: What?

Lily: Yeah, Dors Le Noir is French for In the Darkness. There are no lights at all. Not even mobile phones! ... All the waiters are visually impaired...

L: You mean, they’re blind.

L: Well, some of them can see a little ... The idea is to help you understand how difficult life is if you can’t see well.

Liam: How can you order if you can’t see the menu?

Lily: You order in the dark. Then you hold on to the waiter and he takes you to your table. You have to feel for your serviettes and cutlery and it’s really difficult to pour water into your glass!

Liam: What did you eat?

Lily: Well, we ordered the surprise menu. So we had to guess what each dish was.

Lily: For starters I had roast vegetables — aubergines, red peppers, mushrooms, carrots, sweet potatoes. It was fun guessing what everything was, you know from the feeling, the taste, the smell...

Liam: Hmm.

Lily: And my friend, Julian had goat’s cheese with tomato and onion.

Liam: Was it good?

Lily: Excellent. But we ate with our fingers. We couldn’t use a knife and fork in the dark!

Liam: And for your main course.

Lily: Fish, but I’m not sure what kind. It was fried in a mustard sauce and served with broccoli and mashed potatoes. Lovely. Julian had some kind of grilled meat. But he’s not sure if it was chicken or turkey or maybe rabbit. It came with celery and asparagus, he thinks.

Liam: And what about dessert?

Lily: Apple pie with ice-cream for me, and a fresh fruit salad for him — cherries, pears, grapes and pineapple and a few mystery fruits too...

Liam: The food sounds great, but did you enjoy the experience?

Lily: Yes. At first it was strange. We were whispering, you know. But you relax quickly in the dark, and soon everyone in the restaurant was talking together. I’d really recommend...

CD 2 - TRACK 12

1

Customer: Sorry, where’s the jazz section?

I can’t find it.

Shop assistant: It’s on the next floor. This is all pop here.

C: Thanks.

C: Hello. Where can I listen to these?

SA 2: Over there. Would you like to give me the CD? I’ll put it on for you.

Customer: Thank you.
SA: Can I help you?
C: Er yes, I'm looking for a jacket like this, but a bit smaller. Have you got one?
SA: I should think so. What size are you?
C: Erm, I'm European size 40, I'm not sure what that is here.
SA: That'd be size 12. Let me have a look. Here's one. Would you like to try it on?
C: Yes, please.
SA: The changing room's over there.
C: Thank you.
3
SA: Can I help you?
C: Yes, where are the shampoo's, please?
SA: Right here on this shelf.
C: Oh, so they are. Thank you. Normal and dry hair... OK... And I'd also like some tissues, and something for a headache.
SA: Are you allergic to paracetamol?
C: No, I don't think so.
SA: This should help you. Take one or two tablets with water. Don't take more than six in one day.
4
SA: Can I help you?
C: Have you got any really good fresh beef steaks?
SA: Have a look, sir. How do you like these?
C: They're fine. Can I have three of them, please? And I'd also like half a kilo of pork sausages.
SA: Right, Sir. Here you are. That'll be £7.85, please.
C: Thank you.
5
SA: Hello, Mrs Barnes. What can I do for you today?
C: Hello, Mr Cartwright. I'd like a loaf of that lovely wholemeal bread, please.
SA: Here you are. Anything else?
C: Five white rolls... and five teacakes, I think.
SA: Here you are. Anything else?
C: No, that'll be all thank you.
6
SA: Right. Do you need anything else?
C: Yes, a pair of shoes. Do you remember where that big shoe shop is?
SA: It's on level two, isn't it? Next to that café where we had lunch the other day.
C: Yes, you're right. So we need to go upstairs.
SA: Oh, this place is too big for me. Well, at least I can have a coffee while you try on twenty pairs of shoes.

CD 2 - TRACK 13
CUSTOMER: Good morning. I'd like to make a complaint. I bought these shoes here a week ago and the heel's come off. I'd like to return them, please.
SHOP ASSISTANT: Let me see. Er, yes, they don't look too good. Have you got a receipt for them?
C: I do. Here it is.
SA: Would you like to exchange them for another pair? Just like this one, or perhaps this beautiful new style?
C: No, thank you. I'd just like to have my money back, please.
SA: I'm afraid we don't give refunds.
C: Excuse me? I'd like to talk to the manager, please.

CD 2 - TRACK 14
PETE: Can I pay by credit card here?
ROB: No, they don't take credit cards. You have to pay in cash.
P: I haven't got enough cash on me. Can I pay by cheque?
R: You've got to be joking. They wouldn't know what it is.
P: What a nuisance! Oh, OK, I guess I'll just go and get some money out of a cash machine.
R: If you can find one!

CD 2 - TRACK 15
Jenny: Oh Sidney, I haven't stopped all morning. I went to the bank and paid all the bills and...
Sidney: Did you go to the newsagent's?
J: Yes, here's your magazine... And I got your wine at the off-licence, too...
S: Thanks.
J: I got a new top. Look!
S: That colour really suits you, Jenny. It matches your eyes.
J: Thanks, it's a size 10. I thought it might be too tight, but it fits me perfectly. I must have lost weight. I got it at Diddles. That new clothes shop. They've got a great choice of clothes and some real bargains.
S: Hmm.
J: I saw Jane while I was trying on the top in the changing rooms. She's got a job there. She gets a 25% staff discount on all the clothes!
S: Hmm.
J: Then, I went to the charity shop and got some second-hand books. But, they don't take credit cards, so I got some money out of the cash machine, and paid in cash.
S: Hmm.
J: Then I went to the baker's and got some rolls for breakfast. And I bought some of that nice salami at the Italian delicatessen.
S: Hmm.
J: And I got some potatoes at the greengrocer's... Sidney?
S: Uh huh.
J: I got some potatoes at the butcher's... Uh huh.
J: ...and some sausages at the greengrocer's.
S: Good.
J: After that I got a new handbag... at the DIY store.
S: Hmm.
S: Good.
J: And I got some lovely fresh fish at that big furniture shop in Camden.

CD 2 - TRACK 16
Sales of fair trade products in the UK went up by more than 50% last year. More and more shoppers want to give a better deal to farmers in developing countries by paying a fair price for the food they buy. So, do you buy fair trade products?

1
I do, but not as often as I would like to... It's a pity that supermarkets don't have a better range of Fairtrade products in stock. All they have is coffee, tea and bananas... Oh and chocolate... I also buy a lot of locally grown products, you know from farmers' markets and so on.

2
Man: Fairtrade! Em... no. To be honest; I've never heard of it.
Woman: Yes, you have Rodney, it's those things Oxfam sell, you know from Africa. Remember that advertisement we saw?
Man: Oh, yes, like coffee and chocolate and...
Woman: And tea, yes.
Man: No, we've never bought any of that stuff. Do you think we should?

3
It isn't as difficult as some people think to buy Fairtrade goods... You can get tea and coffee in most supermarkets, our local grocer's and fruit and veg shops also sell Fairtrade, and you can get them in health food shops too... They don't cost much more, and they taste a lot better, so if you haven't bought Fairtrade yet, go on and try it.

4
I buy Fairtrade goods whenever I can... Em, mostly from the stall in our local church... I believe that to really help underprivileged people in the developing world, you should buy fair trade products from your church or from charity shops like Oxfam. Not from large supermarket chains. That way, the profits really go to help people.

5
No, I don't. They're too expensive. Anyway, I don't believe in it. If those farmers can't get a good price for their products in the free market, they should grow something different. We need to get rid of protectionism in our countries. Then those farmers could sell us their products and we'd get cheaper food.
CD 2 · TRACK 17

1 WOMAN: Hello. Can I have a single ticket to Lancaster, please? Oh, and could I possibly have a window seat?

2 TICKET SELLER: Certainly. That's £40, please. Which platform does it leave from?

3 TS: Platform 5, madam.

4 Flight BA 786 to Barcelona is now boarding at gate 12. Passengers flying to Barcelona, please go to gate 12.

5 YOUNG WOMAN: Excuse me... Can you tell me how to get to Leicester Square?

6 ELDERLY WOMAN: Yes, dear. Take the Victoria line, northbound, and change at Green Park – that's the next station – to the Piccadilly Line, eastbound. Oh, and... mind the gap.

Good morning, ladies and gentlemen. I'd like to welcome you on board P&O Ferries. The weather's fine today, so we're expecting a smooth crossing.

7 DRIVER: What's your destination?

8 HITCH-HIKER: Edinburgh.

9 Driver: I'm only going as far as Newcastle. I can give you a lift there.

10 HH: Yeah, that'd be great, thank you.

11 Driver: Hop in, then.

CD 2 · TRACK 18

My worst journey ever! That would have been in the summer of 2000. I was returning home from Scotland. First I had a flat tyre. I changed the wheel, drove on, couldn't find a petrol station for a hundred miles, nearly ran out of petrol. Well, I was a bit of a hurry after that, and I guess I drove a little above the speed limit. The police stopped me and fined me for speeding. And when I was nearly back, two streets away from home, a guy in front of me braked so suddenly I drove into the back of his car!

CD 2 · TRACK 19

Val: You're listening to Travel Tales. I'm Valerie Doubleday and today we're asking you to tell us about people who have been on amazing journeys. Our next caller is Scott from York. Hello, Scott.

Scott: Morning, Valerie.

V: Who's your travel hero, Scott?

S: Well, Valerie. I love cycling, so my travel hero is a cyclist. His name is Alastair Humphreys and he's just returned to the UK from an amazing journey all over the world by bicycle! He cycled 46,000 miles across 5 continents and through 60 countries.

V: Amazing! Which route did he take?

S: Well, he took a ferry across the English Channel, then he cycled through Europe and the Middle East, down from Egypt to South Africa, got a boat to South America. Through the Americas from Patagonia to Alaska, then he sailed across the Pacific to Siberia and Japan. Then back on the bike across Asia and back to Europe.

V: How long did it take him?

S: Four years and three months.

V: What were his favourite places?

S: He really liked South Africa, Sudan, Russia and Colombia, but he said that in general people were really friendly everywhere.

V: Did he have any difficult moments?

S: There were problems getting visas for some countries, and a few difficult customs officers at some borders... He got lost a few times and he had a few crashes. And he had some pretty extreme weather from 45°C in Sudan to minus 40 in Siberia!

V: Oh!

S: In China, he rode for one month without a break! 4,200 km without a shower!

V: Ooh!

S: He cycled up a 4,900-metre-high mountain in Peru! And in one day in Bolivia he got 15 punctures!

V: Oh dear! Why do you think he did it?

S: For the adventure, of course, but also to raise money for the charity 'Hope and Homes for Children'. He's raised more than £13,000.

V: Have you met him?

S: Yes, I met him last week.

V: What's he doing now?

S: He's having a rest, and then he might write a book about the journey. He needs to make some money. He says that most of the people he met on his journey thought he was rich because he has a bicycle. But here if the only thing you own is a bike, people think you're poor, so that's why he...

CD 2 · TRACK 20

Child: Grandpa, did you ever take an aeroplane?

Grandpa: Oh, yes. When I was your age, we used to fly to Spain every summer.

G: Spain?

G: Yes, it was a really popular holiday destination then. Millions of holidaymakers used to go there for the sunshine and the beaches.

G: But, it's hot and sunny here in Ireland!

G: It wasn't then. It was wet and cold.

G: Why did you take the plane?

G: It was cheaper.

G: Cheaper than the train or the bus?

G: Yes, there were lots of budget airlines. If you booked your flight early enough, you got really cheap fares like thirty euros for a return ticket!

G: Wow! Is flying exciting?

G: Well, when you're taking off and landing, yes, but I never liked it. There wasn't enough space for my legs and you wasted so much time at the airport – you had to get there two hours early to check in, queue at the check-in desk, wait in the departure lounge before boarding the plane, wait for your luggage at the baggage reclaim when you arrived... But it was much faster than going overland.

C: Weren't there any high-speed trains?

G: Yes, but not like the direct trains we have now. It could take two or three days to get to Spain! You had to take the train to the port, and then a ferry to Wales and then another train to London, take the tube from one railway station to another, a train to Paris, another train to Spain!

G: Oh!

G: Some people would drive there!

G: By car?! To Spain?!

G: But my mother didn't like driving. She was always worried we'd break down on the way or have an accident or run out of petrol...

G: Public transport's much better.

G: True, but in those days people loved cars. Almost every family owned a car and some had two or three! The traffic jams were terrible!

C: Didn't they ride bikes?

G: In some countries like Holland there were lots of cyclists, but here hardly anyone cycled to work or to school.

C: Why can't we take planes anymore?

G: Come on! You've studied that at school!

G: Em... because of climate change?

G: That's right.

CD 2 · TRACK 21

(see the previous recording)

CD 2 · TRACK 22

(see the previous recording)

CD 2 · TRACK 23

The photo shows a young man (or maybe woman, I'm not sure) camping alone in the mountains. The place is very beautiful, very peaceful! There are mountains, green grass, a small river, and the colours are wonderful. This young... person is sitting on the grass by his tent and just looking at the view, at the mountains, at the sky, and probably thinking. His backpack is standing next to him. I think he, or she, is very happy there. Happy because of the peace and the nature around him or her. I wish I was there too!

CD 2 · TRACK 24

Teacher: OK, Tracy, tell us about your group's project.

Tracy: We wanted to find out what teenagers do in their free time, so we went into the playground and asked you the question: 'What's your favourite kind of entertainment?' What you didn't know is that we were recording your replies... Darren.

Darren: Drawing and painting. In fact, the only thing I like at school is art. I draw in pencil or charcoal, and I paint, usually watercolours. I love landscapes the most. I'd like to be an artist. I go to a lot of art galleries and exhibitions. I like photography too. I take a lot of photographs. Especially portraits of my girlfriend.
Tracy: Jessica...

Jessica: I love music, not just rap, all sorts, reggae, rock, punk, heavy, even some classical stuff. One time I went to an opera, it was amazing. I’m in a rap group. I compose the songs and I sing, but I don’t play any instruments. We’ve recorded a demo CD and we’re playing a concert on Saturday. Why don’t you come along?

Tracy: Tanya...

Tanya: I watch_telly. A lot. We’ve got cable TV so there are hundreds of channels. And we got a large screen plasma TV for Christmas. Action films look incredible on it. I like soap, reality shows and game shows, but I really prefer sitcoms and drama series, especially Desperate Housewives. My brother only likes cartoons so we’re always fighting for the remote control.

Tracy: Scott...

Scott: Reading. My house is full of books. My dad loves bestsellers, especially detective stories, and my mum reads historical novels. I love fantasy, horror and science fiction, but I read anything: fact or fiction, poetry, newspapers, magazines, even school books! I’d like to be a writer. I’ve written some short stories and a screenplay for a film.

Fiona: My boyfriend’s studying to be an actor, so we go to see a lot of films and plays. I’m too shy to get up on a stage or to act in front of a camera, but it would be great to work in the theatre or in the cinema. I could be a make-up artist or work on the special effects or maybe even be a director. I’ll probably end up selling tickets in the box-office though.

CD 2 - TRACK 25

My son Tommy loves RPG, that’s role-playing games, you know, like Dungeons and Dragons. He sits in his room with a couple of friends and they imagine they are warriors, elves, trolls and I don’t know what else. They can spend hours like that. Some other parents have warned me that they think role play games are dangerous. They say “Young people who play those games lose touch with reality.” So what’s wrong with that, as long as it’s only for a few hours? Don’t we all want to forget our problems sometimes? I read detective stories; my son plays his games. Fair enough, surely? Anyway, it’s not that easy to lose touch with reality if you’ve got three tests every week at school! Or people say “The boys put themselves into the skin of evil, cruel beings, and it changes their personality.” That’s just nonsense. When Tommy hacks a dragon to pieces in a game it doesn’t mean he’ll do the same to the neighbour’s dog, does it? I have only one objection to role-playing games. They simply take up a lot of time, really a lot, and I feel it would be better if Tommy did different things, played more sports for example. But I’m sure he’ll grow out of it.

CD 2 - TRACK 26

Some people like the ballet or the opera... That’s cool... Other people prefer jazz... That’s cool too... Some even like folk music... Why not... Others love admiring landscapes or sculptures in art galleries or visiting exhibitions of ancient masterpieces in museums... It’s not my cup of tea, but if that’s what turns you on, it’s OK with me... Then there are the TV addicts... They never miss an episode of their favourite soap operas... And they can tell you the name of every talentless presenter on television. And I don’t criticise them for that... My girlfriend is the kind of girl you’d expect to see in the newspaper’s best friend column. She read three papers every day, two broadsheets and a tabloid for the sports, two weekly magazines and she’s subscribed to a monthly political review... He watches almost every news broadcast and current affairs programme on television... And listens to the radio when he goes out... And I just say it’s his life and he can do what he likes... So why does everyone think there’s something wrong with me just because of what I like doing in my free time? I like playing video games. What’s the problem with that? Well, the thing is I’m an adult. I’m 27 and people think I’m too old for video games... They don’t know what they’re talking about. Apparently 56% of all gamers are aged between 24 and 44! Millions of intelligent adults around the world enjoy playing video games. Why? Because video games are good. You need to use your brain a lot more than you do to watch TV. They’re full of excitement and drama. And in my humble opinion, they’re a lot more fun than the opera... So if you’re an adult and you love video games, don’t be shy. Tell everyone you know and tell them why. There’s nothing to feel ashamed of.

CD 2 - TRACK 27

Des: OK, cool down... Now your homework was to define what a sport is... who’s going to start? Yeah, Dan?

Dan: It can’t be a sport if you can play it in ordinary shoes. Team sports like football, basketball, baseball and cricket all have their own special shoes, and so do individual sports like wrestling and tennis. And games like chess and cards that aren’t really sports, well you can play them in ordinary shoes, can’t you?

Des: Right, eh... Sue?

Sue: There’s a problem with Dan’s logic. Nowadays sports shoes are ordinary shoes. People wear trainers all the time, right? I don’t think it’s a sport if you can smoke when you’re playing. I mean, can you imagine going swimming or playing volleyball with a cigarette in your mouth? Or a footballer smoking as he’s heading the ball? Or someone pulling out her lighter as she’s skating downhill? No, it’s impossible.

Des: Hmm, interesting... Yes, Billy?

Billy: The goalkeeper of my local amateur football team smokes during the matches. The funny thing is he rolls his own cigarettes and he often has to throw everything in the goal when the other team attacks! Anyway, what about proper sports such as sailing, archery and golf? You can smoke when you’re doing them, can’t you?

Des: Good point, Billy... Yes, Malcolm?

Malcolm: I think that if you have judges who give subjective marks, then it isn’t a sport. But if you can actually measure or time the results, then it is. So figure skating isn’t a sport, but speed skating is, diving isn’t but swimming is, gymnastics isn’t, the long jump is.

Des: Tina?

Tina: But what about combat sports such as fencing, judo and boxing? They’ve got judges too. And Malcolm’s definition also allows indoor games like chess and darts to call themselves sports. And they’re not! A sport is something that needs physical effort and is good for your health.

Des: Yeah, maybe... Ken, what do you think?

Ken: It’s not easy to find the perfect definition for sports. But I’d like to suggest a very simple one... It can’t be a sport if England are any good at it.
CD 2 - TRACK 29

Elisa: Daddy, will you play doctors and nurses with us?
Dad: Alright.
Paul: I'm the doctor, and Elisa's the nurse.
E: And you're the patient.
Dr: We're in the hospital, are we?
P: No, we're in the doctor's surgery.
Dr: What's the matter with me?
P: We don't know. We haven't examined you yet.
E: OK, come and lie down on the sofa...
P: So, Mr. Barham. What's wrong?
Dr: I'm ill. I don't feel very well... I feel very weak and I'm dizzy when I stand up.
P: Hmm, and do you feel sleepy?
Dr: Yes.
P: Have you got a headache?
Dr: Yes, it's very painful. And my throat's sore, and I've got a stomach ache too.
P: I see. Have you vomiting?
Dr: No.
P: And have you been sneezing a lot?
Dr: Yes, I have.
P: Hmm, alright. Let's examine you with my stethoscope... Well, your heart is beating.
Dr: That's relief.
P: Does it hurt when I slap you on the back? (he slaps him on the back)
Dr: Ow! Yes!
P: And what about if I hit you on the knee with a hammer like this?
Dr: Yes!
P: Hmm, can you cough, please? Thank you... Open your mouth... Say, 'ahh'!
Dr: Aah!
P: Look, nurse! Swollen tonsils.
E: Yes.
P: Right, let's take your blood pressure...
E: Doctor! Look!
Dr: What is it?
P: Oh dear! Em, take his temperature, nurse.
E: OK, please hold this thermometer under your tongue.
Dr: What's that?
E: It's a thermometer, Daddy.
Dr: I mean, it's a thermometer, Mr. Barham.
D: I hope it's clean.
P: Now, let's see... Oh dear! Look!
P: What's wrong?
P: That's not good at all.
Dr: What?
P: You've got a very high temperature.
E: 45 degrees! And you're shivering.
D: Oh, that is bad.
P: Yes, you're suffering from a very unusual fever.
D: Oh!
P: Let's give him an injection!
P: Yes. Pass the syringe, please, nurse. The big one.
Dr: Ow!
P: Oh, I don't like this... Nurse. Call an ambulance at once.
Dr: What's wrong with me doctor?
P: I'm not sure. It could be food-poisoning. We're going to take you to the accident and emergency at the hospital for an x-ray and to run some tests. You're seriously ill, but please don't worry. There's nothing to worry about.
Dr: Good.
P: But you've got to take these pills right now or...
D: Or what?
P: Or you'll die.
E: Oh no, Daddy!
P: Elisa, it's just a game!

CD 2 - TRACK 30

Pam: Hi Ken, do you know what this is about?
Ken: Hi Pam. It's some guy talking about how to keep fit. It could be interesting, I...
Arthur: I confess, I'm an addict. But I'm not addicted to drugs or alcohol. No. I'm a fitness fanatic. I'm addicted to healthy food and sensible exercise. And I'm here to tell you how to keep a healthy lifestyle.
P: Interesting?
K: Sshh, give him a chance.
A: Look at me! I'm not particularly athletic, but I'm fit, as fit as a fiddle. I haven't had a day's illness in my life. Well, I've had a few colds, and I once broke my arm...
P: Who is this guy?
A: And another time I twisted my ankle, but I've never felt really sick or had to take a day off work. I never go to the doctor's and I've never been in a hospital, except to visit friends. One reason is that I follow a sensible diet. I'm 52, and I haven't put on any weight since I was 22.
P: Fascinating.
K: Sshh.
A: If you want to get fit and stay fit, watch what you eat. Your body is a temple. Do not pollute it...
K: Is your body a temple, Ken?
A: Do not pollute your body with junk foods and alcohol. Cut down on fatty foods and stimulants. To stay in shape, you should eat at least five pieces of fresh fruit and vegetables every day, and always choose low-fat foods. And please, if you smoke, give up. Not tomorrow, not next week, but now. I: I hope you're listening, Pam...
P: Shut it, Ken.
A: NOW! I smoked a cigarette once, so I know what it's like. My second secret is exercise. Don't be a couch potato! Don't be a lazy slob! All you get in front of the TV is backache and earache. Take up a sport! Do regular exercise!
P: I wish he'd speak louder.
even work as psychologists. That's right. Dog psychologists. Apparently, if you use anti-social teenagers to train guide dogs to help disabled people, then aggressive angry kids with problems become more sociable, tolerant and self-confident. They see how important discipline is to the dogs and realise that they need discipline in their own lives. Dogs that teach people to behave better? Well, that's certainly a lot better than people that teach dolphins to shoot guns.

**CD 2 - TRACK 34**

**CANDIDATE:** Hi Gregory. Look what it says in the paper: It's Earth Day next Saturday and they're inviting everyone to come and clean up the litter in all the parks in the city. Why don't we go?

**EXAMENER:** Oh, no, give me a break. It's such a waste of time.

**C:** What do you mean it's a waste of time? We live on Earth, right? We've got to take responsibility for the planet.

**E:** But I don't want to spend my whole Saturday picking up rubbish!

**C:** OK, so let's go picking up litter first, and then just go cycling along the river and have dinner in the pub by the canal. How's that?

**CD 2 - TRACK 35**

**Mathematician:** physicist, chemist, biologist, geologist, psychologist, archaeologist

**CD 2 - TRACK 36**

1: My least favourite modern invention is the television, and my favourite is the radio. A television controls you and stops you from doing things, but when you're listening to a radio, you can do all sorts of things: cooking, reading, and you can listen to it anywhere. In the car, at work, riding your bike, walking in the country. It's brilliant.

2: The computer. I mean, sometimes I hate it. I want to pick it up and throw it out of the window, but I can't do it. It lets me work from home, you see. And the internet lets me keep in touch with everyone, which is great. Cause I don't like talking on the phone.

3: My favourite invention is very simple. It's good for your health and it's good for the environment. It's fast and it's cheap to use. It's the bicycle. Everyone should have one.

4: I'm a physicist working in a research company, and my colleagues are all scientists: professors of genetics, electrical engineers and so on. We agreed that the two most useful inventions were both to do with electricity. The transistor, that's the small piece of equipment that controls the flow of electricity in radios and televisions. And the electro-magnetic induction ring, the device which lets us control electricity.

5: It's hard to decide the best invention. I know the worst — genetically modified food. And the technology that I'd love to see invented is a vaccine for AIDS. But the best invention? I don't know... Maybe the Internet, maybe the germ theory of infection, but that's purely a discovery, not an invention. Or maybe nuclear power. Or the communications satellites. I really don't know.

**CD 2 - TRACK 37**

I've got this psychology project to finish for tomorrow morning... What? Mathematics exam? Poor you! Yes, I know all you computer science students love maths, but... Hmn... Yeah... Listen, Michelle, do you want to go out for dinner tonight? You do? Well, great! I'll pick you up at...? Fantastic! No, I'll finish this project in no time... OK, see you at...? what? No, of course, I won't be late! Bye! Yes!
REFERENCE PART

LISTENING COMPREHENSION

EXAM STRATEGIES

1 A Multiple choice – Task 2
2 B Gap filling – Task 3
3 C True/false – Task 1

1 1B 2C 3A
2 Students’ own answers.
3 a Students’ own answers.
b Students’ own answers.
c 1T 2F 3F 4T 5F
4 Suggested answers:
1 I was fed up with the idea of being on the beach, sunbathing and doing nothing.
2 I walked for about four hours in the morning and about three in the afternoon.
3 My feet hurt so much that I had to take a bus to the nearest town to buy some other shoes. When I was there, I accidently met an old friend.
4 Next day, though, there was not only a problem with my shoes (I mean the new ones), but also another worry: there was no way to get back.
5 The track along the shore was blocked for some reason. I thought it would take me a long time to find another route.

4 a Students’ own answers.
b 1B 2E 3A 4F 5D

C

1 2B 3A 4C 5B
7 I caught 2 heard 3 stetisth 4 thirty-eight
left (not left) 6 fair (blond) 7 piece 8 knight
8 Synonym Antonym
early just before late
expensive dear cheap
good (of) feel well be fit
local regional global
many a great number of few
popular well-known exotic

9 a 2 C 3 B

10 The band informed us that their singer has fallen ill.
2 You may get a special invitation to a party after the show, but only if you came early.
3 There will be coffees with popular food and drink, local bands will be playing, and you’ll be able to watch Great Runs in other cities on many giant screens.
4 Kate has just moved in and she has only met a few people there.
5 Tom has been calling on his mobile for about half an hour – it will cost him a fortune.
6 I made a fortune.
11 By friends weren’t so busy, they would have gone on a trip around the world.
12 The flat in the city centre isn’t as expensive as the apartment next to the river.
5 Unless the weather is fine, we won’t go away for the weekend.

MULTIPLE CHOICE

1 Suggested answers:
1 She had to work with other students to solve problems.
2 Preparing their own meals and doing shopping as cheaply as possible.
3 No, she wasn’t because it was arranged after coming to Denmark.
4 Even though English is widely spoken, she couldn’t get to know Danish people very well.

5 To present difficulties connected with the exchange program.
2 Students’ own answers.
3 1B 2A 3C 4C 5A
4 Suggested answers:
1 ... a study group, which was another form of homework assignment: our professor gave us a problem to solve, and we had to do it working together.
2 So, for the first time in my life, I started preparing my own meals and buying everything as cheaply as possible.
3 Although there is a crash course about living in Denmark for all the international students, which is organised once a year, I think we should be given more information before going to Denmark.
4 However, paradoxically, after living there for as long as one year I still have the feeling that I haven’t really got to know Danish society.
5 So lump the student exchange programme was a useful experience, but it would be even more successful if the difficulties I talked about were solved.

5 1 C 2 C 3 A 4 C 5 B
6 The correct answer had to be inferred in question 5.
7 Despite the same words being used in the questions and in the recording, the context was needed to find the answer to questions 1, 2, and 3.
8 Each and every were used as adjectives in question 4.

TRUE/FALSE

1 Suggested answers:
1 She started working in Australia one week after she had gone there.
2 During her first week at work, Mr Jenkins and Kate watched her all day.
3 Dealing with customers helped her understand human nature.
4 When she made mistakes with money, Mr Jenkins was not always there to help them.
5 She was planning to work as a shop assistant in the near future.

2 1 F 2 F 3 F 4 T 5 T

3 Suggested answers:
1 During my second month there I thought I should do something to improve my English.
2 They asked me to come to the shop for one whole week only to watch what they were doing.
3 Now I think I can understand people’s behaviour much better than before.
4 For about one month, I kept making mistakes. But I was lucky because Mr Jenkins was always by my side ready to help me get out of trouble.
5 But if you ask me, I wouldn’t like to work as a shop assistant again!

4 1 T 2 F 3 B 4 F 5 F

5 He had easy-going parents and spent the first twelve years of his life on the beach, playing in the sand and doing nothing.
2 His life changed twelve months before he won the gold at the Olympics.
3 His girlfriend left him.
4 Even if I win another gold in the future, I won’t ever feel as ecstatic as I did about that first one.
5 Yes, motivation is certainly very important, ( ...) Yet I think that skills are even more important, ( ...) If you haven’t got enough experience, you will never win, no matter how motivated you are!

TRUE/FALSE/NO INFORMATION

1 1 F 2 T 3 T 4 N 5 F

2 I think it was thirteen or fourteen at the time... it was my mother’s birthday.
3 I felt both exhilarated and exhausted.
4 So if you aren’t sociable and open to other people, don’t ever think about becoming a traveller.
5 No, she doesn’t; she only mentions her mother’s birthday.

PERSONAL QUESTIONS

MATCHING

1 Students’ own answers.
2 1D 2F 3A 4E 5B
3 Students’ own answers.
4 1B 2E 3F 4A 5D

Suggested answers:
1 For each falling star, as they say, you should think of a wish to come true – so you’d better start thinking about them already!
2 As it turns out, Ms Jones has got interesting plans for the future. Her new film will be made in Hollywood, and after that she’ll probably fly back to Africa for a month-long safari. Good for her. Let’s keep our fingers crossed and wish her luck!
3 People who are planning to go to the south of the country must take care. ( ...) It’s hard to say when the disaster will come to an end, especially as more hot, wet and strong winds are expected.
4 The manager hopes things will be sorted out quickly, but we suspect it may not be so quick.
5 (...) Wendy Charleton, who has been walking through Europe to promote animal adoption, Wendy has already been very successful because she’s managed to find about one thousand families for homeless cats and dogs.

GAP FILLING

1 a Suggested answers: adjective – gap 4; noun – gap 1; number – gap 3; verb – gap 2
2 b 1 holiday 2 spending money 3 9 p.m. 4 slippery
3 c 1A 2D 3G 4C 5B 6C 7A 8G

Suggested answers:
1 It’s a comparison with 24 questions.
2 Yes, questions about living and working here, you know like job interviews, renting a flat, how to open a bank account, it’s obligatory to join a trade union, how old you need to be vote in a general election...
3 There are also questions about tax, education, religion, human rights, British institutions, national and local government, politics...
4 Well it’s a democracy, it’s a republic or a constitutional monarchy? Where does the prime minister live? The royal family? Which are the main political parties?
5/6 No, no questions about famous kings and queens or the British Empire...
6 C. Oh right. How much does it cost? At £34...
7 ...you can get all the information you need on this website.
READING COMPREHENSION

EXAM STRATEGIES
1
A (when Briny was still half-asleep, she knew it would be one of those days)
B (The voice on the radio said something else, something like... and your lucky number is... Briny pushed the glass away and ran back to her bedroom.)
C (For two months every week Briny played Lotto, without telling anybody.)
D (The coupon was in her jeans. She looked around. But the Jeans were gone.)
2
D (The scientists gave people a list of things and asked them to choose something they wouldn't be able to live without. Then they interviewed people asking them for reasons of their choices.)
B (to interpret the results and explain why people want to have so half.)
3
The correct heading: B
The reasons why the other headings are not appropriate: A - The advantages and disadvantages of living in a big city is only a topic of secondary importance in the text.
C - The word sentimentally actually contradicts the main idea of the text, which is that the results of the survey were not surprising, obvious.
D - This heading refers to a single and unimportant piece of information in the text.
4
a) Suggested answers: adjectives - half-baked, eager, stereotyped, dehydrated, inexplicable; nouns - ordinariness; verbs - complained, appalling.
b) Students' own answers.
c) Not well planned: 2 willing, 3 exhausting, 4 thirsty, 5 difficult, 6 difficult to explain, 7 forced, 8 scared.
TRUE/FALSE
1 1 F 2 3 T 3 4 5 6 F 7 8 9 6 F
2
1) Go shopping, and you will find all shops packed with items on sale for young people.
2) Before the revolutionary changes in society and culture of the 1960s, it was exactly the opposite...
3) As they haven't had much experience, they don't have many restrictions.
4) Getting a good education isn't easy and can cost a lot of money.
5) Statistics show that the heavy burden of stress of modern life is even young people can sometimes bring them a lot of suffering. Most of them can cope with problems very well.
6) The text doesn't give any suggestions, it just describes the situation of young people.

MULTIPLE CHOICE
1 C
2 E
3 B 2 B 3 D 4 A 5 C 6 A
4 1 When a bank was being built in the city centre, construction workers suddenly came across an old wall. To see the exhibition, people will first go into the bank, then turn right and go downtown.
2 It's fascinating to check in detail how houses in the Middle Ages were built. Techniques and materials used at that time were rather primitive, but the house looks quite comfortable. And the city wall seems so small - it's strange to think that once it was big enough to protect the city...
3 Apart from the technique of the old days, and coins that you can see in many museums of the world...

5 The museum is located underground, and this shows the contrast between the old and the new in the best possible way.
6 The text is written to inform the reader about the museum.
7 A - a museum of its past under a very modern bank. The bank is modern, not the exhibition.
8 Then turn right and go downtown. The visitors go downstairs and don't climb the stairs.
9 A - the paragraph doesn't say that the Medieval technique was modern; B - the paragraph says that the house actually looks quite comfortable; C - the paragraph only states that the city wall was small, it does not explain why.
10 Apart from the technique of old days and coins that you can see in many museums of the world.
11 The museum is located underground, and this shows the contrast between the old and the new in the best possible way.
12 Students' own ideas.

MATCHING
1 1 D 2 A 3 E 4 B 5 G 6 F
2 1 sweets do us good: they calm us down and make us smile.
2 Remember that every type of physical exercise helps you relax.
3 An interesting book will really help you to take it easy.
4 You need to imagine something completely unrealistic.
5 Tuning in to your favourite kind of music is one of the best ways to relax.
6 Finally, remember to contact other people who care for you.
3 B 2 E 3 C 4 D 5 F
4 1 In this book, Stevenson himself tells the story of the 20-month battle for survival and the amazing rescue.
2 A mix of great storytelling, sometimes macabre sense of humour and completely unexpected endings.
3 Another story about the well-known Inspector Raffles starts with a car chase through the streets of Edinburgh on a winter night.
4 His narrative gives the reader an insight into the great man's character and relationships as well as historical events.
5 Wildly funny and sometimes serious, this is a novel about men, women, relationships, and the love of pop music.

GAPPED TEXT
1 1 F 2 G 3 D 4 A 5 E 6 C
2 1 Some people are never lucky.
2 He liked cars and thought that he might enjoy working as a car mechanic.
3 Yari saw that the keys were inside.
4 It was the only way of life for him.
5 The mechanic had taken the old ones out but he hadn't put the new ones in yet.
6 He felt the impact of the collision with another car. When he opened his eyes, he realized that he was aunt.

GAP FILLING
1 number 2 verb 3 adjective 4 noun
2 two 3 two 4 three 5 rich 6 cancer
3 disappeared 4 settlement 5 Ireland and Scotland
4 twenty 5 dominant language

USE OF ENGLISH

EXAM STRATEGIES
1 1 were 2 an 3 doing 4 Despite 5 down 6 going
7 was 8 can 9 on 10 that/which
2 2 C 2 A 3 C 4 B 5 A 6 A 7 B 8 B 9 A 10 C
3 1 C past tense 2 I article 3 E verb + noun collocation 4 B linking word 5 C phrasal verb
6 H verb pattern 7 F passive voice 8 J modal verb
9 A dependent preposition 10 D relative pronoun

SENTENCE TRANSFORMATIONS
1 a A sentence with with.
b It is not correct, the meaning is different.
c I wish Jack wasn't asking silly questions, it's driving me mad!
2 a a have sht done.
b Past Simple.
c We had to have our flat redecorated by a painter.
3 a modal verb referring to the past.
b must.
c It must have been Jake who did it, it's the only explanation.
4 a Inversion 2 First Conditional.
5 It's ages since I last played football (conversion from Present Perfect to Past Simple)
6 I will lend you the money as long as you pay me back next week. (First Conditional)
7 a By the time Jack arrived, we had finished doing the housework.
8 If she hadn't missed the bus, she wouldn't have been late for school.
9 During the first lesson, the teacher asked when I had started learning English.
10 Mike has not been told about the change of venue.
5 I regret not preparing well for the exam.

EXAM TASK 1
1 Past Perfect should be used instead of Past Simple.
2 would not be is not correct because it refers to the present, while the whole sentence should refer to the past.
3 Here an indirect question must be used.
4 Present Perfect should be used instead of Past Simple.
5 The meaning is wrong.

EXAM TASK 2
1 Incorrect verb pattern is used.
2 Inversion should be used.
3 Words your nude are missing.
4 Present Perfect should be used instead of Past Simple.
5 The word flower has to be used in the sentence, and not few.

MULTIPLE CHOICE
1 A modal verb b might and can c can
2 A true b false c false
3 A relative pronoun b -ing verb (to form a correct verb pattern) c 3 dependent preposition 4 verb (to form a correct collocation) 5 modal verb 6 verb (to form a correct past tense) 7 article 8 linking verb 9 preposition (to form a correct phrasal verb) 10 verb (to form passive)
4 Students' own answers.
5 A 2 A 3 C 4 C 5 B 6 C 7 C 8 A 9 B 10 C
6 Students' own answers.
OPEN CLOZE

1 a. First Conditional / b. unless when / c. unless
2 1 verb 2 article 3 preposition 4 linking word 5 article 6 verb 7 adverb 8 pronoun 9 preposition
3 1 Past Simple 2 indefinite 3 of 4 that / 5 article 6 ask 7 superlative 8 we / the housekeeper is saying this sentence 9 phrasal verb
4 1 was 2 a 3 of 4 that / 5 the 6 asked 7 most 8 we 9 out
5 1 a. The same tense as in the rest of the sentence is needed (Past Simple). / b. The word if suggests that Mrs. Fraser was asking a question. / c. More is used to make comparatives here, so a superlative is needed. / d. The sentence is being said by one of the cleaners, not by Mrs. Fraser.
6 1 for 2 with 3 to 4 that / which 5 were 6 his 7 of 8 as
7 1. Since is used to refer to a specific point in time; for is used to talk about a period of time. / 2 Wrong: preposition; the correct collocation is have an offer with sb / 3 You can only put one word in each gap. / 4 A relative pronoun referring to the word address is needed here, where refers to a place. / 5 Passive needs to be used here, not the Past Perfect. / 6 The gaps can’t be left blank. / 7 Wrong preposition, is needed here. / 8 An indefinite article is needed here.
8 a. B 1, 2, 7, c. 5, d. 6, e. 4, f. 3

WORD BUILDING

1 a. adjective / opposite / noun
2 different / indifferently / difference
polite / politely / politeness
late / late / lateness
relevant / irrelevant / relevance
honest / dishonest / honesty
careful / careless / care
important / unimportant / importance
successful / unsuccessful / success

nouns / adjectives
satisfaction / satisfying / satisfied
comfort / comfortable / comfort
approval / approving / approval
luck / lucky / luck
reliability / reliable / reliableness

WRITING

SHORT TEXT – EXAM STRATEGIES
1 1 postcard / C, G / 2 lost item announcement / A, H / 3 invitation / D, E / 4 note / F, J / phrases not used / B, K, E
2 1 E 2 C 3 G
3 Reasons why other sentences are not correct: Sentences A and D do not fit in the context. A – It’s my first day at the seaside. B – Here’s some food for you. C – It’s your turn next. D – I don’t want to go. E – We have our plans for next week.
4 Can you tell me exactly why and when you want to go? Who else is going on the trip? When do I have to decide if I want to go along too?
5 1 travelling to Mozambique / Africa / 2 leave on the first of July / 3 with my girlfriend / Amy / 4 my brother might also be coming / 5 come before the end of March
6 Yes, the writer answered all the questions.

LONG TEXT – EXAM STRATEGIES
1 1 Formal letter / F, J / 2, 4, 5, 8 / Informal letter / N, L, M, O
2 Features typical of a formal letter:
3 1 a polite/formal request / 2 a personal/familiar / 3 friendly / 4 formal linking word / 5 no contractions / 6 full form of I do not agree
5 a complex sentence with a that-clause / 6 formal phrasing
7 Features typical of an informal letter:
1 contractions / 2 informal vocabulary / 3 and a question mark suggesting emotional involvement / 4 addressing the reader directly, the use of a rhetorical question

SPEAKING

GENERAL CONVERSATION/INDIVIDUAL LONG TURN

b What is your ideal home like? c What was your favourite subject at school? d What do your parents do? e What nationality food do you like best?

1 1 2 d 3 e 4 c 5 a
3 I like both books and films. If I have time, I prefer reading books, but sometimes I don’t have time. I usually watch the film first. I then go jogging in the park.
4 Unfortunately, I often eat fast food, because I can’t go home for dinner. But I usually eat at home and it makes me feel satisfied. I buy the ingredients at the local market.
5 My usual way is to use is too much. But it’s not fair as I can find a lot of useful information online.

2 1 E 2 H 3 B 4 F 5 A 6 C 7 G 8 D 9 I
3 1 D 2 F 3 E 4 S 5 A
4 explain what happened and why the situation is unacceptable. The phone stopped working on the day I bought it, (...) I agreed to send you a new phone when the repair was done. (...) Being without a phone for such a long time is making my life impossible because I am currently looking for a job. I suggest a possible solution: I expect now to receive a new phone together with a letter of apology.

5 Hi, Amanda.

I haven’t heard from you (OR) you’ve gone (OR) you’re OK. When you last wrote to me (OR), you mentioned you might go (OR) on a trip to Alaska. Have you managed to get there? As for (OR) myself, I’ve gone important news for you (OR) we’ve just moved (OR) to a new house. It’s just (OR), but it’s unfortunately far away from my previous home, so in fact I’ve lost nearly all my friends! As for my family, my big sister Anna is thinking (OR) about applying for a job in (OR) London. She’s asking for your advice (OR). What do you think about (OR)?

I’m already planning my holidays last year. I think it’ll be the seaside as usual. I wonder if you would (OR) come to join me in the second half (OR) of August.

I hope to hear from you soon.

Love,
Anna

6 The choice and order of paragraphs: 1 E 2 G 3 A 4 C

The reasons for leaving out the remaining sentences:
1 This sentence does not convey the second piece of information required in the first bullet. / 2 This sentence does not convey the second piece of information required in the second bullet. / 3 This sentence does not convey any of the information required in the third bullet. / 4 This sentence conveys some of the information required in the fourth bullet, but does not answer the question fully (the sentence if you think you can afford to publish more articles about it can’t be regarded as the equivalent of a full sentence). / 5 If you complete the editorial staff is planning some other articles on similar topics included in the rubrics.)
PHOTO DESCRIPTION

1. a) Suggested answer: The picture shows people shopping in an open air market.
   b) Students' own answers.

2. a) In 2 think 3 on the left, 4 seems 5 look busy
   b) probably 7 Person A is taller.
   c) Students' own answers.

3. Suggested answers:
   a) Both pictures show people spending their free time with their friends. People in Picture A are riding bikes in the forest.
   b) The girls in Picture B are shopping at a big shopping centre.
   c) They probably spend time together. They are probably friends. It seems that they know and like each other very well.
   d) Students' own answers.

5. Picture A:
   - Close to nature, cyclists enjoy the outdoor environment.
   - The atmosphere is peaceful and energetic.
   - They enjoy cycling together.
   c) Students' own answers.

- Suggested answers:
  1. There are some young people wearing sports clothes and helmets.
  2. They are in a big shopping mall and they are enjoying themselves.
  3. They are smiling happy.
  4. They have just bought some clothes and accessories.
  5. They are going to go and get something to eat or just go home to try on their new clothes.
  6. Students' own answers.

- Suggested answers:
  1. Both pictures show young people spending their free time.
  2. They seem to be happy and are having fun.
  3. Both shopping and riding a bike require a lot of energy.
  4. Students' own answers.

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- Suggested answers:
  1. Picture C shows two skiers skiing down the slope.
  2. The scene is very sunny and pleasant.
  3. Picture D shows a couple or maybe siblings.
  4. Students' own answers.

11. a) Ski down the slope 2 skiing gear 3 wear goggles
   b) Snowy but sunny and warm 5 in the mountains
   c) Outdoor activity 7 out in the fresh air
   d) Experienced skiers 9 ski pass for the ski lift
   e) Students' own answers.

- Suggested answers:
  1. Picture C shows an outdoor activity and Picture D is a party.
  2. Picture A shows a lot of people, and there is only a couple in Picture C.
  3. Picture C shows an activity that is healthier than the party in Picture D.
  4. Students' own answers.

12. Students' own answers.

13. Students' own answers.

GRAMMAR

PRESENT TENSES

1. a) going 2 are you thinking 3 knows 4 'm studying 5 enjoy
   b) Students' own answers.

2. a) don't believe 2 never talks 3 she comes
   c) don't think 4 they need 5 they are doing
   d) are arguing 8 It seems 9 they have
   e) Students' own answers.

4. a) are you eating? 2 are you waiting for? 3 Do you play
   b) do you work? 5 do you think?

5. a) 'm having 2 are going 3 seems 4 understand
   b) get 6 think 7 'm learning 8 'm enjoying
   c) I'm trying 10 I'm trying 11 start 12 don't have to
   d) Students' own answers.

5. a) is holding 2 doesn't want 3 hates 4 is crying
   b) are building 6 is wearing 7 is playing
   c) Students' own answers.

6. a) swimming 10 think 11 are having
   b) Students' own answers.

PAST TENSES

1. a) bought 2 a 3 b 4 b 5 b 6 a
   b) Students' own answers.

2. a) job had never been on the plane/flown before
   b) when Robert had finished writing his essay, he went out with his friends.
   c) When I walked into the classroom she was talking to the teacher.
   d) I used to play Gail more often.
   e) Brenda felt sick because she had eaten three bars of chocolate.
   f) We were both very busy yesterday evening I was doing my Maths homework while Joanna was ironing/doing the ironing.
   g) The Perkins didn't use to be rich.

3. a) was trying 2 received 3 claimed 4 had met
   b) didn't remember 6 had ever encountered 7 kept
   c) exchanged 9 was living 10 was studying
   d) had only known 12 invited 13 knew
   e) used to go 15 arrived 16 was waiting 17 knew
   f) had bumped 19 spoke 20 had passed
   g) Students' own answers.
PERFECT TENSES

1. have been waiting for 2. have been lying 3. have been wearing 4. have been crying 5. have been reading 6. have been travelling

THE FUTURE

1. am going to stay 2. won’t do 3. will be wearing 4. will help 5. will be going to fall 6. will have

1. am not doing 2. are getting married 3. is going to rain 4. will never pass 5. will be being 6. depart 7. won’t eat

1. We’re going to the cinema tonight. 2. I’ll prepare the salad and dressing. 3. We’ll be travelling through Budapest on the day back so we could always call in on Fraknoss. 4. I am becoming a secondary school teacher. 5. When does the school year finish? 6. My sister is going to have a baby in May.

1. is coming 2. are you coming 3. will your uncle be waiting 4. are you arriving 5. starts

CONDITIONALS

1. a 2 b 3 c 4 d 5 e

1. If animals could speak they would complain about us humans.

MODAL VERBS 1

1. a 2 b 3 c 4 d 5 e 6 f

1. I have Master’s thesis proofread. 2. John is going to have his car repaired. 3. She has had her hair cut. 4. They are having their house painted. 5. Will you have all the locks changed in your house? 6. We have our newspaper delivered every Friday.

1. was invited 2. wanted 3. rented 4. were told 5. left 6. broken down 7. was taken away 8. had our car repaired 9. took 10. had to 11. wasn’t refunded.

1. give details of where you went – the worst trip... a very good condition. 2. give details of what went wrong – About an hour... you can imagine?

1. can’t drive 2. couldn’t get used 3. must take 4. do we have to go 5. Shall I hook up 6. would you like to do? 7. should buy 7. shouldn’t take 8. don’t have to take/needn’t take 9. Could you pack?

1. explain why you didn’t like her idea – Going to Scotland... by car? 2. make another suggestion – How about the train... he quite expensive. 3. suggest what things to take with you – If we decided... just in case!

MODAL VERBS 2

1. a 2 b 3 a 4 b 5 b 6 a

1. may/might/could 2. may/might/could 3. can’t 4. may/might/could 5. must 6. might/may/could 7. could 8. may not/might not 9. can’t 10. must

1. It may/might rain later. 2. They can’t be at school now. 3. The match may/might not start before seven. 4. She must think I’m not very bright. 5. This can’t be Robert – he has gone on holiday to Spain. 6. The car keys must be somewhere in the kitchen. 7. The teacher may/might give us our homework back tomorrow.

1. must 2. must 3. can’t 4. might 5. could 6. may 7. can’t

COUNTABLE AND UNCOUNTABLE NOUNS, ARTICLES AND QUANTIFIERS

1. a 2 b 3 a 4 b 5 b 6 a 7 a

1. much 2. both 3. any 4. None 5. many 6. Neither 7. some
REPORTED SPEECH

1. I told 2 not to 3 the next day 4 whether 5 asked 6 himself 7 that 8 said 2.
2. I left hospital yesterday. 7. Don’t cross the road by yourself. 8. We will never go to school again.
3. Are you having a good time here? 9. I don’t want to cause any problems to your family.
5. What time did Rome come home last night? 11. I did like the poem which he has written for me.
6. Her twin brother hit her, which made her cry.
7. We want to go to Rome where we went on our honeymoon.
8. Where where 7 when

LINKING WORDS

1. but 2 unless 3 before 4 but 5 Because 6 so 7 while 8 Although 9 until
10. so 2 because 3 Although 4 or 5 where 6 but 7 until/ till 8 unless

1. I met my husband when we were both studying at the University of Bristol. 2. Although she is physically disabled, she still stays very active.
3. If you really want to pass this exam, you need to study much harder.
4. I turned his invitation down because I didn’t really fancy going out with him.
5. Before using the camera, read this instruction manual to familiarize yourself with it.
6. My parents couldn’t afford to pay for my studies so I had to find a temporary job to pay my fees.
7. I can live with my parents until/till I get a job and a flat.
8. but 2 because/as 3 so 4 unless 5 but 6 if 7 And 8 before 9 if 10 when

PREPOSITIONS

1. on Thursday 2 At the beginning 3 in Rome 4 on May 7th 5 into the water 6 in the fridge
7. out of the taxi 8 at a Thai restaurant 9 off the motorway 10 on a piece of paper
11. to 2 for 3 to 4 in 5 at 6 to

VERB PATTERNS

1. a 2 c b 3 e 4 a 5 a 6 c 7 b 8 c
9 b 10 a

2. 1 who 2 which/ that 3 where 4 whose 5 who/ that 6 that 7 which 8 which

3. 1 What did you do with the hammer Tom was using? 2 can’t be left out 3 can’t be left out
4. My mother wants me to eat things I hate.
5. The scientist I admire most is Einstein.
6. can’t be left out 7 can’t be left out
8. Do you like the cake I’ve baked?

ADJECTIVES

1. the hottest 2 cheaper 3 the laziest 4 better 5 the most popular 6 farther/further 7 slimmer
8 more comfortable 9 the most dangerous 10 the largest

2. 1 best 2 the most intelligent 3 higher 4 quieter 5 the fastest 6 the worst 7 the funniest
8 more serious 9 older 10 more mature 11 closer 12 easier 13 The saddest

3. Robert isn’t as tall as Mark.
4. It was such a difficult exam.
5. How nice of him to help me.
6. Jim is not tall enough to join the police force.
7. George is the prettiest girl of all in her class.