Grammar

1. Put the words in the right order to make sentences. Put the verb in brackets into an appropriate form.

1. last of The in 25 pattern UK the radically in eating years (change) the habits .

2. well-balanced less People less to meals (have) and healthy time prepare .

3. amounts larger of food especially and larger people (eat) junk Young .

4. obese generation unhealthy The (become) younger and increasingly .

5. (suffer) teenagers more from and disorders and More children eating also .

2. Decide whether the phrases in bold are correct, and put a tick (✓) or write the corrected phrase in the spaces below.

The town where I live has two different faces: a winter face and its summer one. In winter, the weather is cold and damp, and people tend staying in in the evenings. They might occasionally go out to eat, or students will meet often friends in a pub or bar. Films are popular, but a lot of people rarely, if ever, go to the cinema; renting a video is an increasingly popular activity. At the weekend, people tend to spend their time doing household jobs and sleeping, although from time in time some take a break in the mountains or visit friends in other towns.

As summer approaches though, you start to see a difference. Cafés and restaurants are putting tables out on the pavement and little kiosks selling ice-cream open up. People spend more time outside and will stay up until the early hours of the morning. Always there are open-air events like films and discos and there every so often will be a big free concert in one of the parks or squares. And of course, you hardly ever stay in town at the weekend – everyone heads for the sea or the river to cool off!
Vocabulary

1 Complete the mini-dialogues with the words below.

| tedious | brilliant | dirty | freezing | disgusting |

1 'Can we open the window? There's a nasty smell in here.'
   'Yes, it's ____________, isn't it?'
2 'I thought Latitude was one of the most boring books I've ever read.'
   'Yes, I found it a bit ____________ too.'
3 'You can't wear that shirt to go out – it's absolutely filthy!'
   'Yes, it is a bit ____________, I suppose.'
4 'Do you mind if I turn off the air-conditioning? I find it a bit chilly in here.'
   'Yes, it's ____________, isn't it?'
5 'Did you have a nice holiday?'
   'Yes, it was ____________, thanks.'

2 Correct the mistakes in the idiomatic expressions in the sentences. There is one mistake in each idiom.

1 I got up ____________ to queue for tickets for the concert.

2 I had some time to spare so ____________ the spur of the minute I went into the art gallery.

3 My manager is on maternity leave so I'm doing her job ____________.

4 I think there used to be trams here but that was ____________ my age.

5 The show had started at 9.00 ____________ so we missed the first part.

3 Add the correct particles to the multi-word verbs to complete this text.

The best thing about my job is the lack of routine. Sometimes I'm so busy that work piles ________ and I don't get ________ answering faxes and e-mails that aren't urgent. Then suddenly the pressure eases ________ and I have time to catch ________ the backlog of work – including all those 'difficult' jobs I was putting ________ doing!

4 Complete the sentences with a suitable word to describe the problem with the food in each one.

1 This steak is really ____________ – I can hardly cut it.

2 Most restaurant desserts are too ____________ for me – all that cream and chocolate!

3 If there's one thing the Italians dislike it's ____________ pasta; they say it should be al dente, not too soft.

4 All we had was some ____________ bread and some very old cheese so the sandwiches were a bit hard!

5 I quite like fried food as long as it's not too ____________.
English in use

Complete the presentation by putting one suitable word in each space.

Well, as you can see from the annual report, this has ________ a year of mixed fortunes for the Old English School. Overall, there was a two ________ drop in student numbers from 268 last year to 254 this year. Although the number of Young Learner classes ________ from 4 to 7, our Adult classes ________ constant at 16. What is more, the average number of students per class has ________ since 1998 from 10 to 8. This means that we will have to ________ our prices again for the coming year.

On the positive side, sales of books in the school bookshop ________ dramatically, especially during the summer school period. The number of students ________ food and drink in the snack bar also increased, and enrolments in the multi-media centre actually ________, from 24 last year to 72 now. And ________ of accessories with the school logo – such as pens, bags, and mouse mats – were also up.

We cannot afford to be complacent. There has been a steady increase ________ the number of people studying alone via the Internet or on distance study programmes, and people working ________ long hours are demanding alternatives to the year-long course. In fact, we can see a steady ________ in the number of students enrolling on these courses ________ the last few years, while interest in our short intensive courses is increasing; in fact, we ________ the number of short courses we offer this year, from 3 to 6. This, I believe, is the way forward.

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Grammar

1 Complete the sentences with so / such / such a / really.
   1 She's __________ nice person; I'm sure you'd like her.
   2 I was __________ tired I left the party early and came home.
   3 That's __________ nice of you, but I don't want to put you to any trouble.
   4 It's __________ hard exam that most people don't pass it on their first attempt.
   5 That's beautiful, but you don't really need to do it in __________ detail.

2 Complete the text with a(n), the, or no article.
   1 recent survey has shown that 45% of people in Britain know almost exactly how much money they have in their bank account. banks who carried out survey say it reveals nation more knowledgeable and 'in control' of its money.

3 Complete the second sentence in each pair to give the same meaning as the first. Use noun phrases.
   ... offensive literature is published...
      ... the publication of offensive literature...
   1 When the boat sank, 200 lives were lost.
      The boat sank with ____________________________
   2 The Picasso was stolen last night.
      The ____________________________ occurred last night.
   3 The government is considering legalising soft drugs such as cannabis.
      The government is considering the ____________________________
   4 This supermarket does not sell GM foods.
      This supermarket has banned ____________________________
   5 People are protesting because the hospital is going to close.
      People are protesting about the ____________________________

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Vocabulary

1 Complete the text with the correct verb in an appropriate form.

Although a few fortunate people can choose whether they work or not, most of us have to
1 work in order to 2 make a living. Nowadays, it’s virtually impossible
3 to find work without qualifications, so more and more people are going to university to try to
4 get a degree. However, many employers in Britain also appreciate a wider outlook
5 on life and many 18-year-olds decide 6 to take a gap year between school and
7 university. They may 8 voluntary work or 9 to gain some experience in an
10 office or a particular type of industry.

In the past, most students in Britain used 11 to study but now it’s more likely that they will take out a bank loan. This means they need to
12 enough money in the first years of their working life to pay off the debt – not
13 in a world where short-term, temporary contracts are becoming more and more common
14 and the so-called ‘job for life’ has ceased to exist.

2 Complete the expressions in bold with the correct word.

1 In most cultures, marriage is still seen as a lifelong 15 to another person.

2 It is still common in many parts of the world for parents to 16 marriages
for their children by finding them a partner from a suitable family.

3 In other countries, people might advertise for a partner in a lonely 17 column in a magazine.

4 Others look for their soul 18 in singles bars or through dating agencies.

5 Others might just ask a friend to arrange a 19 date for them with
somebody they don’t know.

6 The aim is always the same, of course – to find the elusive Mr or Ms 20 !

7 If there is a ‘happy ending’, many people these days opt for a 21 ceremony rather than a religious one.

3 Choose the correct two-part noun from the list below to replace the phrase in
italics in the sentences. Make any other changes that are necessary.

update outbreak setback breakthrough turnout
output cutback outcome turnover backlash

1 High-level discussions are taking place to try to avoid a war 22 in the area.

2 Scientists at the conference are anticipating an important new development 23 in the
24 of the disease.

3 Hopes of an early end to the dispute encountered a serious problem that will delay
25 progress today.

4 And now, here is a report with the latest news 26 on the weekend weather.

5 The companies involved in the merger have a combined annual amount of business 27 over £3 billion.
1 Correct the mistakes in the compliments.

1 You’re putting nice perfume – what is it?

2 That’s very kind from you – you are thoughtful.

3 Wasn’t the food delicious? She’s so good cooking.

4 I like your hair; it really suits shorter and the colour’s nice too.

5 What pretty garden!

6 You’re looking too smart today!

7 Is he patient?! I would have lost my temper in that situation.

8 What’s a lovely bag! Did you get it here?

2 Write short reactions to the following pieces of news with the words below.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Oh wow, congratulations!</th>
<th>I’m so sorry.</th>
<th>Typical!</th>
<th>What a nightmare!</th>
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<td>Oh, what a shame!</td>
<td>Poor you.</td>
<td>Really?</td>
<td>How annoying!</td>
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'He’s cancelled my appointment twice now.'

'How annoying!'

1 ‘Apparently, bus fares are going up again next month.’

2 ‘Have you heard? Fiona and Ian are getting divorced.’

3 ‘Did I tell you I got that job I applied for at the BBC?’

4 ‘My brother’s decided to take a year off work and travel round the world.’

5 ‘Do you know, it took us five hours to get home yesterday, the traffic was so bad?’

6 ‘I’ve got to take my little girl to the doctor’s – she’s not very well again.’

7 ‘You remember I told you about Len, that colleague of mine I really hate? Well, he’s just been promoted, so he’ll be my boss now!’

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Grammar

1 Make the sentences sound more formal, but keep the same meaning, by using the quantity expressions below.

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<th>virtually no</th>
<th>virtually all</th>
<th>the overwhelming majority</th>
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<td>a great many</td>
<td>vast amounts of</td>
<td>a small number of</td>
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<td>a small amount</td>
<td>the majority of</td>
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1 For my grandparents’ generation, there was hardly any chance of travelling abroad.

2 Now people spend loads of money on foreign holidays.

3 Most working people like to go on holiday at least once a year.

4 A lot of people choose package holidays or all-inclusive deals.

5 Nearly all of these organised holidays use charter flights.

6 A few people own a second holiday home.

7 Almost everyone says they value their holidays.

8 Sadly, people often find that even holidays cause them a bit of stress!

2 Change the statements made by young prisoners into standard English by correcting any ungrammatical forms and changing any very informal expressions.

1 ‘I didn’t learn nothing at school.’

2 ‘I’m in here because I done a robbery.’

3 ‘Prison’s a university of crime, innit?’

4 ‘When I come in here, I only knew about one crime – now I know about ten.’

5 ‘You learn about crime in prison ‘cos you’re mixing with criminals all the time.’

6 ‘When I get out, I’m gonna have to find a job.’

7 ‘I’m not really qualified so it’ll be one of them stupid jobs.’
Vocabulary

1 Correct the colloquial response in each sentence.
  1 'Any idea where I can find Jane?' ‘Sorry, not on hand.’

  2 'What time's Mum coming back?' 'Haven't an idea.'

  3 'Do you know what time the shops close on Saturdays?' ‘Same as normal, as far as I think.’

  4 ‘Do you know where the Apollo cinema is?’ Never known of it, sorry.’

  5 ‘Do you happen to know Ruth’s e-mail?’ ‘Not off the back of my head, no.’

2 Complete the second sentence so it means the same as the first, using the KEY word.
  1 You can walk to the shops from my house. WITHIN
    The shops are ____________________________________________

  2 It takes 40 minutes to drive to the coast from here. DRIVE
    The coast is ____________________________________________

  3 They’ve just bought a house in a very isolated place. NOWHERE
    They’ve just bought a house in ____________________________________________

  4 We stayed in a little cabin very close to the sea. STONE
    We stayed in a little cabin just a ____________________________________________

  5 I prefer beaches that not many people get to. TRACK
    I prefer beaches that are a bit ____________________________________________

3 Put the words below into pairs to make two-word collocations connected with crime.

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<th>stricter</th>
<th>deprived</th>
<th>delinquency</th>
<th>measures</th>
<th>makers</th>
<th>trouble rate</th>
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  1 ____________________________________________

  2 ____________________________________________

  3 ____________________________________________

  4 ____________________________________________

  5 ____________________________________________
4 Complete the multi-word verbs in the text.

Many young offenders are brought up by a single parent or in a situation of family breakdown. They often live in poor housing and poor social conditions and when they leave school, often with no qualifications, unemployment becomes a further major factor. Unable to find work, they hang on with other kids in the same position, and often take their aggression and frustration on their environment through acts of vandalism and other crimes against property. There is also tremendous group pressure, even on those who have stayed on at school to get some qualifications, to be able to afford the latest fashions in clothes, gadgets or music, so many kids turn robbery and theft to support their expensive tastes.

English in use

1 Put the words in the correct order to make sentences.

1 I self staying catering to in on prefer whole hotels .

2 both I them equally of like .

3 I rent a hotel an apartment than rather I stay in think .

4 I like or camping than personally hotels apartments rather .

5 go I rather on stay think at home tour than a package I'd .

6 alone on prefer to I'd travel with a balance than group .

7 would beach rather do go what trekking or you have a holiday ?

8 go to you where we this it's year up .

9 internal the choice than I'd hire a given car take flights sooner .

10 as for a soon I'd go for a just week as fortnight go .

2 Complete the dialogue with one appropriate word in each space.

A What do you 1 ________ then, stay in or eat out?

B I don't 2 ________ the idea of cooking much.

A No, bit too much like hard work for my 3 ________ . So where do you want to go?

B Hmm. What about that new Thai restaurant?

A Don't know. What's it 4 ________ ?

B Supposed to be quite good. Jackie went there last week.

A Well, maybe we 5 ________ try it, then.

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5 15 TOTAL 50