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Exam information

The Cambridge First Certificate Examination in English is made up of five papers, each testing a different area of ability in English. Each paper is worth 20% of the total mark. There are five grades. A, B and C are pass grades; D and E are fail grades.

Paper 1 Reading (1 hour)

The Reading paper has three parts. Each part tests a different reading skill or skills. There are 30 questions altogether. You write your answers on an answer sheet during the exam.

Part 1 Multiple-choice questions

Focus: Detail, opinion, gist, attitude, deducing meaning, text organisation features (exemplification, comparison, reference), tone, purpose and main idea

Task: There are eight four-option multiple-choice questions. You have to choose the correct option (A, B, C or D) based on the information in the text.

► **Exam focus** p.44

Part 2 Gapped text

Focus: Understanding text structure, cohesion and coherence

Task: You read a text from which seven sentences have been removed and placed in jumbled order after the text. You have to decide where they fit in the text. There is one extra sentence that you do not need to use.

► **Exam focus** p.148

Part 3 Multiple matching

Focus: Specific information, detail, opinion and attitude

Task: You read 15 questions or statements about a text which has been divided into sections, or several short texts. You have to decide which section or text contains the information relating to each question or statement.

► **Exam focus** p.24

Paper 2 Writing (1 hour 20 minutes)

The Writing paper is divided into two parts, and you have to complete one task from each part. Each answer carries equal marks, so you should not spend longer on one than another.

Part 1 is compulsory, and there is no choice of questions. You have to write a letter or email based on given information and prompts. It may be informal or semi-formal, and you have to write 120–150 words.

► Unit 1 p.16, Unit 2 p.28

Part 2 has four tasks to choose from. The first three options may include any three of the following:

- a letter or email ► Unit 11 p.140
- an article ► Unit 4 p.52
- a report ► Unit 6 p.78
- an essay ► Unit 7 p.90
- a story ► Unit 3 p.40
- a review ► Unit 5 p.64

The fourth option has a choice of two tasks based on one of five background reading texts. The task could be any one of the following: a letter, an article, a report, an essay or a review.

The background reading texts change regularly, so you should check the current regulations to find out what the texts are. For Part 2, you have to write 120–180 words. ► **Writing reference** p.206

Paper 3 Use of English (45 minutes)

There are four parts in the Use of English paper, with 42 questions altogether. You write your answers on an answer sheet during the exam. There is always an example at the beginning of each task to help you.

Part 1 Multiple-choice cloze

Focus: Vocabulary

Task: You read a text with 12 gaps. You choose the best word to fit each gap from a choice of four options (A, B, C or D). ► **Exam focus** p.36

Part 2 Open cloze

Focus: Grammar and vocabulary

Task: You read a text with 12 gaps. You have to think of the most appropriate word to fill each gap. You must use one word only. No options are provided.

► **Exam focus** p.83

Part 3 Word formation

Focus: Vocabulary

Task: You read a text with ten gaps. You are given the stems of the missing words in capitals at the end of the lines. You have to change the form of each word to fit the context. ► **Exam focus** p.110

Part 4 Key word transformations*Focus:* Grammar and vocabulary*Task:* There are eight items. You are given a sentence and a 'key word'. You have to complete a second, gapped sentence using the key word. The second sentence has a different grammatical structure but must have a similar meaning to the original.► **Exam focus** p.61**Paper 4 Listening** (approximately 40 minutes)

There are four parts in the Listening paper, with a total of 30 questions. You write your answers on the question paper and then you have five minutes at the end of the exam to transfer them to an answer sheet. In each part you will hear the text(s) twice. The texts may be monologues or exchanges between interacting speakers. There will be a variety of accents.

Part 1 Extracts with multiple-choice questions*Focus:* Each extract will have a different focus, which could be: main point, detail, purpose or location of speech, relationship between the speakers, attitude or opinion of the speakers*Task:* You hear eight short, unrelated extracts of about 30 seconds each. They may be monologues or conversations. You have to answer one three-option multiple-choice question (A, B or C) for each extract.► **Exam focus** p.88**Part 2 Sentence completion***Focus:* Specific information, detail, stated opinion*Task:* You hear a monologue or conversation lasting about three minutes. You complete ten sentences with words from the text. ► **Exam focus** p.98**Part 3 Multiple matching***Focus:* As for Part 1*Task:* You hear a series of five monologues or exchanges, lasting about 30 seconds each. The speaker/s in each extract are different, but the situations or topics are all related to each other. You have to match each speaker to one of six statements or questions (A–F). There is one extra option that you do not need to use.► **Exam focus** p.131**Part 4 Multiple-choice questions***Focus:* Specific information, opinion, attitude, gist, main idea*Task:* You hear a monologue or conversation which lasts about three minutes. There are seven questions. You have to choose the correct option (A, B or C).► **Exam focus** p.109**Paper 5 Speaking**

(approximately 14 minutes)

You take the Speaking test with a partner. There are two examiners. One is the 'interlocutor', who speaks to you, and the other is the 'assessor', who just listens. There are four different parts in the test.

Part 1 Interview (3 minutes)*Focus:* General interactional and social language*Task:* The interlocutor asks each of you questions about yourself, such as where you come from, what you do in your free time. ► **Exam focus** p.15**Part 2 Individual long turn** (4 minutes)*Focus:* Organising your ideas, comparing, describing, expressing opinions*Task:* The interlocutor gives you a pair of photographs to compare, and to give a personal reaction to. You speak by yourself for about a minute while your partner listens. Then the interlocutor asks your partner a question about what you have said. Only a short answer is expected. You then change roles. ► **Exam focus** p.77**Part 3 Collaborative task** (3 minutes)*Focus:* Interacting with your partner, exchanging ideas, expressing and justifying opinions, agreeing and/or disagreeing, suggesting, speculating, evaluating, reaching a decision through negotiation*Task:* You are given a task to discuss together, based on a set of pictures. You should try to reach a conclusion together, but there is no right or wrong answer to the task, and you don't have to agree with each other. It is the interaction between you that is important.► **Exam focus** p.125**Part 4 Discussion** (4 minutes)*Focus:* Expressing and justifying opinions, agreeing and disagreeing*Task:* The interlocutor asks you both general questions related to the topic of Part 3, and gives you the chance to give your opinions on other aspects of the same topic.► **Exam focus** p.125

UNIT

1

What's on?

Speaking 1

1 Look at the film stills and discuss the questions.

- 1 Can you name the films?
- 2 What kind of films are they? Choose from the words in the box.
- 3 What type of film do you like best? Why?

action animation/cartoon comedy horror
musical romance science fiction/fantasy
Western thriller

2 Think of the film you have seen most recently.

- 1 What was it called?
- 2 Who was in it?
- 3 Where was it set?
- 4 What was it about?
- 5 How many stars would you give it?
 * * * * * outstanding
 * * * * good
 * * * all right
 * * not very good
 * terrible
- 6 Why did you give the film this rating? Explain, using words and expressions from the boxes.

The plot was ... exciting realistic terrible
 The setting was ... frightening unusual
 The acting was ... boring sad funny
 excellent average

Example:

*I gave it three stars – I thought it was all right.
 The plot was quite exciting, but the setting wasn't
 very realistic, and the acting was only average.*

3 Imagine you are a film producer.
 Answer these questions and give your reasons.

- 1 What kind of film would you like to make?
- 2 Where will it be set?
- 3 Who will you choose to star in it?





Listening 1: sentence completion (Part 2)

1 You will hear a radio interview about a survey of popular films. First, read through the sentences below. What were the main areas covered by the survey? Can you suggest what any of the missing words might be?

Film survey

An Internet questionnaire was completed by
(1) people.

By far the most popular type of film was
(2)

There were two popular themes:
(3) and good versus evil.

As regards location, people liked
(4) places such as jungles.

The most popular setting in terms of time was the
(5)

The male stars chosen, like Robert de Niro, were
more (6) than the female stars.

Popular female stars had (7) as
well as glamour.

Titles of the most popular films often consisted of
(8)

The film titles often included the name of a place
or a (9)

Listeners now have to vote for the best films of
the (10)

2

1 Now listen and complete the sentences. Write a word or short phrase for each answer.

TIP! Complete the gaps with the exact words used in the recording – don't try to use your own words.

2 Listen again to check and complete your answers.

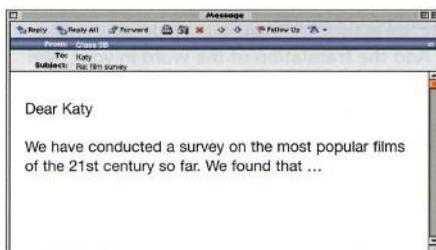
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1 Carry out a similar survey to find out what your class thinks are the best films of the 21st century so far. Work in groups. Ask and answer questions about:

- types of films (with examples)
- best plots (with examples)
- most popular settings (place and time)
- most popular actors (male and female)
- most popular titles.

2 Find out the results of the other groups.

3 Write an email that could be sent to the presenter of the radio programme summarising the findings of your class.



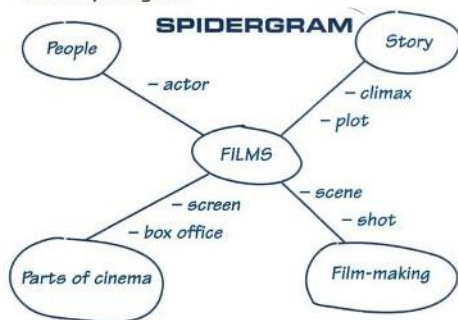
Vocabulary 1: recording vocabulary

1 Read the statements below. Which ones do you agree with?

- I like sitting right in the **front row** at the cinema.
- I prefer films that have a **happy ending**.
- I think the **special effects** in modern films are much better than in older ones.
- I admire film stars who do their own **stunts** instead of getting someone else to do them.
- I find films with lots of **flashbacks** very confusing – it's hard to follow the plot.
- I prefer films to plays because you can have **close-up shots** of the actors.
- I think Steven Spielberg is the greatest **director** alive today.

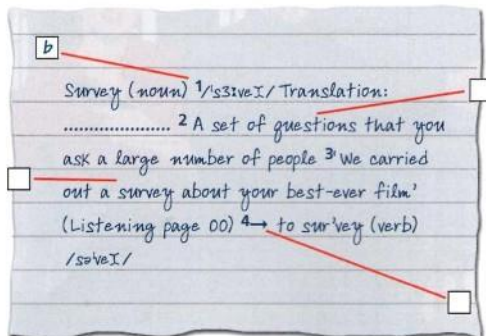
2 It will help you to remember new words if you review and record them after each lesson.

A spidergram is one way to record words related to the same topic. Look at the example below and add the highlighted words from Exercise 1. Then think of one more word to add to each part of the spidergram.



3 The following extract from a student's vocabulary notebook shows another way of recording vocabulary.

- Add the translation of the word in your own language.
- Which line points to
 - an example sentence?
 - the pronunciation?
 - related words?
 - the definition?



4 Discuss.

- What other ways of recording vocabulary have you used?
- Which have you found most effective?

5 Look back at the first two pages of the unit. Are there any other words you would like to record?

Grammar 1: revision of simple tenses

1

1 Some of the following sentences have mistakes in the use of the verb forms. Correct those you think are wrong, using present simple, past simple or present perfect forms. Use the highlighted time expressions to help you.

Example: All my life, I loved going to the cinema. Wrong. All my life, I've loved going to the cinema.

- I've met Carrie fifteen years ago.
- I usually sit in the back row when I go to the cinema with my friends.
- I've belonged to this club from 2001 to 2003.
- I've already seen that film – let's go to something different.
- He goes to the cinema at least twice every weekend. I haven't understood how he can do that!
- I saw the video of *The Godfather* six times so far.
- Have you ever been on television?
- Have you seen Steven Spielberg's latest film yet?
- When I was young, I've been to see my grandmother nearly every day.
- That's the best film I've seen for a long time.

- 2 Complete the table using the highlighted time expressions from Exercise 1.1.

Tense	Time expressions
present simple	always <i>usually</i>
present perfect	since <i>for</i>
past simple	

Watch Out! British and American English

- 1 I didn't have breakfast yet this morning.
2 I haven't had breakfast yet this morning.

The first sentence is acceptable in American English, but might sound strange to a British person. True or false?

► Grammar reference p.203 (19)

- 2 Complete the following pairs of sentences using words from the box. Each pair of sentences should have a similar meaning.

ago before ever for never since when

Example:

- a) Ever *since* I was six years old, I have been afraid of spiders.
b) I started being afraid of spiders *when* I was six years old.
- 1 a) My father last went on holiday ten years
b) It's been ten years my father last went on holiday.
- 2 a) I've had this car I passed my driving test.
b) I bought this car I passed my driving test.
- 3 a) I've known Steve four years.
b) I first met Steve four years
- 4 a) It's the first time I've been to an English-speaking country.
b) I've been to an English-speaking country before.
- 5 a) I've been friends with Jenny as long as I can remember.
b) I can't remember I started being friends with Jenny.
- 6 a) He's never appeared in a film
b) This is the first time he's appeared in a film.

- 3 Complete the following extracts using the verbs in brackets. Use the present simple, past simple or present perfect simple tenses.

AMERICAN ACTOR IS NEW LONDON THEATRE BOSS

Actor Kevin Spacey (1) (just/become) the new director of London's famous Old Vic theatre. He (2) (promise) to appear on stage himself and bring in big-name talent in his new role.

'I love making movies, but I (3) (always/love) the stage as well. This job is something that I (4) (think) about a lot and I am looking forward to the challenge,' he (5) (say).

Spacey, who (6) (win) Oscars for *The Usual Suspects* and *American Beauty*, (7) (fall) in love with the Old Vic after visiting it as a child.

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First Oscars for black actors

Actress Halle Berry (1) (become) the first black woman to win an Oscar for her part in the film *Monster's Ball*. She (2) (make) an emotional speech when she (3) (accept) the award at yesterday's Oscar ceremony in Hollywood. Berry (4) (also/appear) in the popular James Bond movie, *Die Another Day*. Another black actor, Denzel Washington, also (5) (win) the Oscar for best male actor for his role in *Training Day*.

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- 1 Make questions from these prompts.
How many can you answer?

- How many times / Brad Pitt / marry?
- Who / direct / *Titanic*?
- Which football team / win / World Cup / five times?
- In which country / *Lord of the Rings* / film?
- Mel Gibson / ever win / an Oscar?
- Can you name any musicals / win Oscars / last ten years?
- Which famous English footballer / call / child / Romeo?
- Who / usually present / evening news programme / television / your country?

- 2 Now ask another student your questions.
Which of you can answer most questions?

Reading: multiple matching (Part 3)

1 Look at the description below. Have you seen any television programmes like this?

Reality TV is a term for television shows based on a group of real people who are put in an unusual or dangerous situation, or given the chance to achieve an ambition. Their experiences are shown live on television as entertainment. Reality TV often takes the form of a game, in which the viewers vote for people to leave the show until there is only one left. This person is the winner and receives a prize.

2 You are going to read a magazine article about four ordinary people who have taken part in Reality TV programmes. Look through the article quickly and decide which person:

- 1 had to overcome a physical problem.
- 2 lived on an island.
- 3 won a singing competition.
- 4 used to be a builder.

Reality TV -

A Ron Copsey was one of a group of contestants who agreed to live for a year on a desert island, with cameras following their attempts to survive together. He left the island after five months, and later accused the producers of the show of misrepresenting him, claiming they had edited the film to make it look as if he was throwing a chair in the face of one of the women. 'I'm not an argumentative, aggressive, ¹nasty piece of work. It was shocking,' he told a journalist later. 'The producers led the public to believe that the other contestants were glad to ²see the back of me but it wasn't true.' After returning home from the island, Mr Copsey said he was unable to continue with his college course as other students wouldn't talk to him, and he had to take antidepressant pills. The television company has agreed to pay him £16,000 ³compensation.

B Craig Phillips was the winner of one of the first Reality TV programmes to be shown in England, called *Big Brother*. Craig was originally a builder, and comes from Liverpool. After the series ended he admitted: 'I don't know why I won - you'll have to ask all those people that voted for me.' Craig ⁴donated his £70,000 prize money to teenage friend Jo Harris, to help pay for a heart and lung operation in America. 'She is a unique young lady and it is wonderful to be in the position to help her,' he said at the time. Craig later had a five-album ⁵deal with a record company but he ⁶was dropped after his first single. However, he has continued to raise money for ⁷charities as well as appearing regularly on daytime television shows.

C Denise Leigh won joint first prize in a TV contest called *Operatunity*, in which ordinary people had the chance to be transformed into opera singers. But there is nothing ordinary about Denise. She is a blind woman of amazing determination who has succeeded ⁸against all the odds. She had always dreamed of a musical career, but this was prevented by the births of her children. Being a blind mother of three is a challenge. 'It's the hardest job in the world,' she says. 'Keeping them safe is definitely more worrying than anything that can happen to you on stage.' Now the children are all at school, she is free to



the road to success?

50 pursue her dreams, and after *Operatunity* she is better placed than she had ever hoped for. 'Now I have sung on stage at the London Coliseum I am a different person,' she said the morning after her *'triumph*. 'Winning the contest has changed my life.'

55 **D** Will Young shot to success when he won the TV competition *Pop Idol* out of over a thousand contenders, and was offered a contract with a major record company. He is modest about his success. 'I don't think it's me myself
60 they're voting for, it's the TV contestant, and in that context I feel very *'flattered* by it all,' he said. His first single, *Evergreen*, became the fastest-selling single of all time. It sold over a million copies in its first week. Will thinks that
65 being a pop idol isn't only a matter of having a good voice – there are generally other *'factors* involved. 'Performers over the ages have always given off a kind of energy. I think it's about a whole image – the look, the clothes, the music –
70 which puts a distance between you and other people.'

3 Look at the questions below. For each question, you have to choose one of the people A–D.

TIP! Before you start, highlight the key words in each question. Then read quickly through the texts for words or phrases with a similar meaning.

To help you, the 'parallel expressions' have been highlighted for the first six questions.

Which person

- 1 is doing something *they always wanted to do?*
- 2 *gave away the money* they won on the show?
- 3 *received money to make up for the harm* done by the programme?
- 4 *shared the first place* in the competition with another person?
- 5 *was immediately successful* in their career after the programme?
- 6 *does not understand* the reasons for their success?
- 7 says the programme gave an untrue picture of them?

- 8 found their personal relationships were badly affected by the programme?
- 9 has done well in spite of a physical problem?
- 10 had a musical career that turned out to be disappointing?
- 11 feels they are different from the general public?
- 12 finds family life more stressful than giving a public performance?
- 13 feels the other participants were sorry he/she left?
- 14 feels their success is not just due to personal qualities?
- 15 had not expected to be in such a good situation at this stage in life?

4 Discuss.

Thousands of people apply to go on these shows. Would you apply to go on a Reality TV programme of any sort? Why?/Why not?

5 Find the numbered words and phrases 1–11 in the text. Look at the context, then choose the correct meaning a) or b).

- 1 a) someone who is likely to cause trouble
b) something very unpleasant

CLUE: This is a colloquial expression. Look back at the subject of the sentence to find who or what it refers to.

- 2 a) meet me
b) see me leave

CLUE: Another colloquial expression. In which situation would you see someone's *back*?

- 3 a) payment for work
b) payment for something that went wrong

CLUE: Does the previous sentence refer to work or to a problem?

- 4 a) gave b) took away
- 5 a) contract b) present
- 6 a) fell down b) was no longer used
- 7 a) big companies b) voluntary organisations
- 8 a) easily b) in spite of difficulties
- 9 a) success b) failure
- 10 a) pleased b) worried
- 11 a) voices b) things

Grammar 2: present perfect simple and continuous

1 Look at the pairs of sentences below. What is the difference in meaning between a) and b) in each case?



Example:

- a) He's run the marathon for charity.
- b) He's been running the marathon for charity.
In a) he ran the marathon at some time in the past. In b) he has just finished running the marathon and you can still see the effects – he is out of breath.
- 1 a) He's appeared on a daytime television show.
- b) He's been appearing on daytime television shows.
- 2 a) They've lived on the island all their lives.
- b) They've been living on the island for the last six months.
- 3 a) I've sent 20 emails this morning.
- b) I've been sending emails all morning.
- 4 a) She's read *Lord of the Rings* and says it's very good.
- b) She's been reading *Lord of the Rings* and says it's very good.

Watch Out! stative and dynamic verbs

Which sentence is NOT possible? Why not?

- 1 I've been knowing him for years.
- 2 I've known him for years.

► Grammar reference p.203 (19.3–4)

2 Choose the best form of the verb in the following extract from a health and fitness magazine. Both forms may be possible in some cases.

Last month actress Stella Glass gave birth to her second child – yet now she is back on screen and looks more attractive than ever. Many people (1) *have wondered / have been wondering* about her secret and how she (2) *has got back / has been getting back* her near perfect figure so quickly. She claims that the secret is a mixture of diet and exercise. 'I (3) *have never smoked / have never been smoking* and I (4) *have gone / have been going* to the gym regularly for years. To lose weight I (5) *have had / have been having* five portions of fresh fruit and vegetables every day and I (6) *have eaten / have been eating* popcorn as it's low in calories. Recently I (7) *have also drunk / have also been drinking* a lot of mineral water. My appearance has always been important to me – I (8) *have always wanted / have always been wanting* to look my best.'

3 The following dialogues contain examples of the present perfect simple. Which of them should be changed to the present perfect continuous so the dialogues sound more natural?

Example:

been waiting

A: Where have you been? I've ~~waited~~ for ages.

B: It's not my fault. I've been stuck in a traffic jam for the last two hours.

1 A: Have you got these headaches regularly?

B: Yes – I've had three in the last week.

2 A: Where's Carrie? Have you seen her today?

B: Yes, she's worked in her office all day.

3 A: How long have you shared the flat with Lucy?

B: A month. But we've known one another for years.

4 A: Have you spoken to Mrs Craven yet about the meeting?

B: No. I've tried to contact her for ages, but she's never in when I phone.

5 A: Laurie has just gone to spend six months travelling in Canada.

B: Yes, I know. He's saved up to go there for years.

6 A: Haven't you finished that book yet? You've read it for ages.

B: I know. But I keep forgetting what's happened, then I have to go back to the beginning.

4 You bump into a friend who you haven't seen for six weeks. Role-play the conversation you have.

Student A look at page 187.

Student B look at page 188.

Begin like this:

A: Hi! I haven't seen you for ages.

B: No – what have you been doing?

A: I've just come back ...

Use of English: key word transformations (Part 4)

Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given. The task below only tests the grammar in this unit.

Example:

- 0 I can't remember the plot at all.

forgotten

I have forgotten what the plot is about.

- 1 I don't know who the winner of the competition is. **has**

I don't know who the competition.

- 2 I'm afraid I've lost the tickets. **find**

I'm afraid the tickets.

- 3 She planted some flowers in the garden, but they are nearly all dead now. **have**

The flowers she planted in the garden now.

- 4 I was talking to her mother a moment ago. **been**

I to her mother.

- 5 It's been three years since I started to work here. **working**

I three years.

- 6 It is Miranda's first visit to Scotland.

never

Miranda to Scotland before.

- 7 It's over a year since I last saw him.

seen

I over a year.

- 8 They don't know what the problem is. **found**

They what the problem is.

- 9 She hasn't got any money left.

run

She money.

- 10 Sue has just had her first child.

birth

Sue her first child.

Vocabulary 2: word formation

- 1 The following words come from the text on pages 10–11. Underline the suffix of each word. Which group of words are all a) nouns b) adverbs c) adjectives?

- 1 shocking different flattered
2 competition performer determination contestant
3 regularly generally

2

- 1 Complete boxes 1–10 in the following table with the correct forms of the words.

Noun	Verb	Adjective	Adverb
1	2	confusing/confused	confusingly
3	4	performing	
5	6	original	7
8	9	flattering/flattered	10

- 2 Now choose three more words from this unit and complete as many boxes as possible in the last three rows.

- 3 Complete these sentences using the correct form of the word in capitals.

- 1 The show was really **ENJOY**
2 The winner gave an excellent **PERFORM**
3 It was a big to me that I couldn't accept the invitation. **DISAPPOINT**
4 I have to do a lot of for my exam. **PREPARE**
5 The actress gave a long of all the problems she'd had to face. **EXPLAIN**
6 The volunteers had to live on a desert island as a test of **SURVIVE**
7 The winner gave a big to charity. **DONATE**
8 Many of the contestants have built on their fame and become very rich. **FINANCE**

- 4 Answer these questions. Explain your answers.

- 1 Which lesson do/did you do most preparation for at school?
2 Are there any rules and regulations in your school, college or workplace that you think are unnecessary?
3 Have you ever given a public performance?

Listening 2: extracts (Part 1)

You will hear people talking in six different situations. For questions 1–6, choose the best answer, A, B or C. You will hear each extract twice.

TIP! The information in the recording is not always given in the same order as the options.

- You hear a man talking about a film.
What does he say about the film?
 A The story is difficult to follow.
 B The film is better than the book.
 C The setting is unusual.
CLUE: You will hear his opinion about the setting first (C), then the story (A), then the comparison with the book (B).
- You overhear two people talking in the street.
What are they talking about?
 A a play at the theatre
 B a concert
 C a film on TV
CLUE: Listen for information about the setting and the ending.
- You hear an actress being interviewed on the radio. What is the actress doing?
 A giving an explanation
 B making a comparison
 C offering advice
CLUE: In this type of question, you have to think about the main point of what the speaker says.
- You turn on the radio in the middle of a programme.
What is the relationship between the speakers?
 A mother and son
 B boss and employee
 C teacher and pupil
CLUE: Listen carefully to what the woman says towards the end of the conversation.
- You hear a woman on a phone-in radio programme complaining about a problem.
Who is responsible for her problem?
 A some workmen
 B the local town council
 C a mobile phone company
CLUE: At the end, the woman says, 'That's not right'. What is she referring to?

- You overhear two people talking in a café.
What has the man just taken part in?

- A a competition on the radio
 B an oral examination
 C a job interview

CLUE: All three answers may involve answering questions and feeling nervous. Listen for additional information to give you the correct answer.

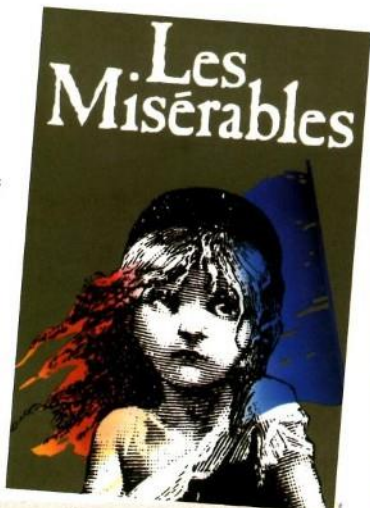
Vocabulary 3: entertainment

1 Complete these sentences with an appropriate word. You have been given the first part of each word and the number of letters.

- It's the first Shakespeare p____ I have seen in the t_____.
- There were a lot of critics from the newspapers at the theatre. I want to read their r_____ to see what they thought of it.
- The play was excellent and the au_____ app_____ very enthusiastically at the end.
- I thought I didn't like o_____, but then I saw a wonderful p_____ of Carmen and I changed my mind.
- There was a c_____ last week which included a new sym_____ by a young Italian com_____. It was almost s_____ o_____ so I was lucky to get a seat!
- It must be very difficult to con_____ an or_____; there are so many different in_____ being played by so many different mus_____!
- I enjoy po_____ m_____ as well, and I listen to different si_____ and gr_____. I've got a big collection of CDs.
- On Saturday evenings I like going to ni_____ cl_____ and di_____ with my friends.

2 What kind of entertainment do you enjoy most? Put these in order from 1–7 and discuss your preferences with a partner.

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> pop concerts | <input type="checkbox"/> cinema |
| <input type="checkbox"/> theatre | <input type="checkbox"/> comedy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> opera | <input type="checkbox"/> classical concerts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> television | |



3 Read this short review of a musical from an Internet site. Have you heard of this show? Would you like to see it? Why?/Why not?

I didn't expect to enjoy 'Les Misérables' because generally I'm not that keen on musicals, but I was given a ticket, so I went to see it.

The plot is quite complicated. It's set in 19th century France, and it's based on a story by the writer Victor Hugo. It's about a man called Jean Valjean, who is sent to prison for 19 years just for stealing a loaf of bread. When he gets out of prison, Jean tries to make a new life for himself, but he finds this very difficult as an ex-convict, so he breaks his parole. Eventually Inspector Javert finds him, and ... well, I won't reveal the ending!

The story was very moving and there were some wonderful songs. I thought that the main stars sang and danced brilliantly, and the costumes were superb. It's one of the best shows I've ever seen, and I'm very glad that I decided to go.

4 Now write a short review of a show, concert or play that you have seen recently. Follow the same order as the review above and remember to write about:

- what you saw
- what it was about
- what you thought of it and why.

Exam focus

Paper 5 Speaking: introduction (Part 1)

About the exam: Part 1 of the Speaking test lasts for three minutes. The interlocutor will ask you and the other candidate some questions about yourselves. These may be:

- the place where you live
- your family
- your work or studies
- what you do in your free time
- your future plans.

This part of the test gives the examiners their first impression of you, so it's important to answer the questions clearly, accurately and with enough detail.

DO speak clearly so the examiners can hear you.

DO try to make your answers interesting and personal.

DON'T give one-word responses, e.g. Yes or No. Add some details.

DON'T learn long speeches by heart before you do the exam. You probably won't give appropriate answers to the actual questions.

1

1 Each of the following answers has two mistakes in grammar or word order. Find the mistakes and correct them. Then match each answer to one of the topics above.

- I am having two brothers. One is older than me; he has twenty-one years old. The other is younger – he's just twelve. So I'm in the middle.
- I live in Milan. It's a very big city, with lots of traffic. Just now I stay in a hostel but I want have my own apartment one day.
- I like very much playing computer games and doing sport, especially swim.
- I have been studying English since five years, and I enjoy it very much. But I never been to England.
- In ten years' time I hope I'll be a doctor. I want travel abroad, and maybe I married.



2 Now listen and check your answers.



2 Listen to some students doing Part 1 of the exam. How good do you think their answers are? Choose A, B, C or D for each speaker.

- A** A good answer.
B Not good – makes a lot of mistakes.
C Not good – does not answer the question.
D Not good – does not say enough.

- | | | | |
|----------|-------|------------|-------|
| 1 Joanna | | 3 Katerina | |
| 2 Karl | | 4 Jorge | |

3 Work with a partner. You are going to practise asking and answering questions. Remember to add some detail to each of the answers.

Student A look at page 180.

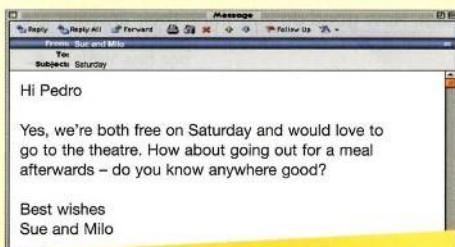
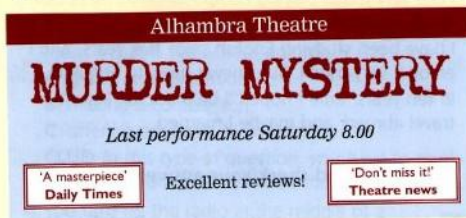
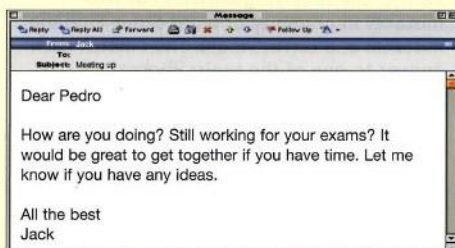
Student B look at page 184.

Writing: informal email (Part 1)

1 Look at the writing task below and answer the following questions.

- 1 Who are you writing to?
- 2 Why are you writing?
- 3 What tells you what you must put in your reply?
- 4 How can you begin and end the email?

You have been studying hard but now you want to go out to the theatre for the evening with some friends. Read the two emails and the advertisement. Then, using the information in your notes, write a reply to Jack's email. (120–150 words)



Reply to Jack

- thanks for his email
- tell him about play - when/what/reviews
- invite him
- explain about Sue + Milo - meal
- suggest restaurant (Gino's pizzas)

2

- 1 Read the sample answer below, and put the paragraphs in the correct order.
- 2 Look back at the task. Has the writer included all the information needed?
- 3 The writer has made four mistakes with verb forms, which are marked. Correct the mistakes.

- 1 Hi Jack
- 2 Hope to see you on Saturday.
- 3 Would you like to come along? I've emailed Sue and Milo yesterday to see if they can come, and they say they can, so it should be a good evening. They suggested to go for something to eat together after the show - I know you like Italian food so we could all go to Gino's pizzas. I never went before but everyone says it's very good.
- 4 Let me know if you're free and would like to come, then I'll book the tickets.
- 5 I work really long hours recently revising for my exams but on Saturday I'm planning to take a break and go to see 'Murder Mystery'. It's on at the Alhambra Theatre. The reviews are excellent - and it's the last night.
- 6 Thanks for your email. It was very good to hear from you again after all this time.
- 7 Best wishes
Pedro

3 Now write a similar email to a friend inviting him/her to go to either a concert or a film with you. Give details of the time and place, and say who else is coming and where you could go afterwards. Write 120–150 words.

4 When you have finished, check your work. Use the checklist in the Writing reference.

▶ Writing reference pp.206, 209

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1 Put the words in the right order to make questions.

- 1 long is since English started it studying how you ?
- 2 you have when last a did holiday ?
- 3 many have lived town years this you how in ?
- 4 book you long had how for have this ?
- 5 leave home did this you morning when ?
- 6 have films month seen how you this many ?

2 Ask and answer four of the questions above with a partner.

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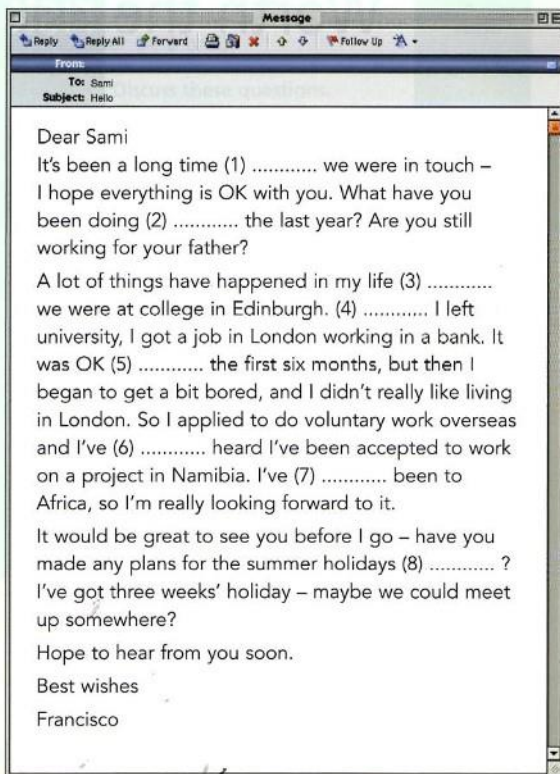
1 For 1–6 below, think of the word which is being defined. The words are all connected with the cinema or television.

- 1 the character that an actor plays in a play or film
- 2 the large white surface that pictures are shown on in the cinema
- 3 the place in a cinema where tickets are sold
- 4 the place or time where a film or television programme is shot
- 5 the story of a film or book
- 6 the technique of starting a story in the present, then moving to the past

2 Choose five more words connected with this topic from the unit and write a definition for each. Then see if your partner can guess what they are.

3 Choose the correct alternative in each of these sentences.

- 1 *Have you run / Have you been running?* You look hot.
- 2 *Did you ever go / Have you ever been to* Milan?
- 3 *I've had / I've been having* a TV in my bedroom ever since I was small.
- 4 *I have never seen / I never saw* an opera before.
- 5 *She has done / She has been doing* her homework for the last two hours.
- 6 *I have known / I have been knowing* him for three years.
- 7 Tom asked me for your email address, but *I haven't known / I didn't know* it.



4 Complete the email above using appropriate time expressions.

5

1 Complete the highlighted expressions with a suitable preposition.

- 1 I think everyone should have a chance to **vote** their favourite stars in the Oscars.
- 2 If I won a lot of money, I would **donate** at least half charity.
- 3 I like watching films **set** the future.
- 4 Being a film star isn't just a **matter** looking good.
- 5 Appearing **stage** is much more difficult than acting a film.
- 6 I wouldn't want to **take part** a Reality TV show.

2 Which sentences above do you agree with?

UNIT

2

Worth the risk?

Speaking 1

1 Look at the photo and discuss these questions.

- 1 The woman is 'free diving'. What do you think this involves?
- 2 Would you be prepared to try this? Why?/Why not?
- 3 What type of person do you think you need to be to do this?

2

1 Answer the following questions for yourself. Write:

always often occasionally never

How adventurous are you?

- 1 Do you enjoy taking risks?
- 2 Do you always leave things until the last minute?
- 3 Would you make sure you had another job before giving up your old one?
- 4 When you buy something new, do you usually read the guarantee?
- 5 Would you like to drive a fast car?
- 6 Do you take chances even when you think you may not succeed?
- 7 Do you think about what might go wrong before you try anything new?
- 8 Do you check a map before you set off on a journey to a new place?
- 9 If someone dares you to do something, do you accept the dare?
- 10 Would you find life boring if there was no danger anywhere?



2 Explain your answers to a partner. Which of you is more adventurous?

3 Discuss these questions.

- 1 Is it always a good thing to take risks?
- 2 Why do you think some people might not approve of risk-takers?

Listening: multiple-choice (Part 4)

1 The woman in the photo opposite is Tanya Streeter, who broke a world record for free diving on 17 August, 2002. You will hear an interview with her.

TIP! Before you listen, read through the first part of each question (the 'stem') and highlight the key words. Then read through the options (A–C).

To help you, the key words have been highlighted for the first two questions.

- Tanya says that when she was **very young**, she
 - was at ease in the water.
 - was encouraged to do sports.
 - overcame her fear of the sea.

☐ 1
- In the **free diving class**, Tanya found that, **compared with the men**,
 - she was less competitive.
 - she was much younger.
 - she was better at some things.

☐ 2
- Tanya says she wanted to set diving records because
 - she knew that she could do it.
 - she wanted her parents' approval.
 - she was encouraged by her parents.

☐ 3
- How does Tanya get back to the surface after a dive?
 - in stages
 - on a platform
 - very quickly

☐ 4
- When she is deep underwater, Tanya says that
 - the size of her body changes.
 - she can think very clearly.
 - her heart beats very quickly.

☐ 5
- Tanya says that if there was an emergency during a dive, she would
 - give up the dive immediately.
 - receive expert support.
 - depend on her own resources.

☐ 6
- When she broke the world record, Tanya felt pleased she had shown
 - how anyone can fulfil their ambition.
 - that women can equal men.
 - what the human race can achieve.

☐ 7



2 Listen to the interview and choose the best answer (A, B or C).

3 Discuss these questions.

- Do you think that what Tanya does is worth the risk she is taking? Why?/Why not?
- Describe to a partner the most dangerous and/or exciting thing you have ever done. Would your partner like to do the same thing?

Vocabulary 1: adjectives of feeling

1 Complete the adjectives in the following sentences by adding **-ed** or **-ing**.

Example: Tanya was amaz.... and thrill.... when she beat the world record.

- A lot of people are excit.... by the idea of doing dangerous sports.
- Top athletes must find all the media attention very flatter....
- I think I'd find hang gliding rather frighten....
- I'm really unfit! It's so depress....!
- I can't understand why some people are interest.... in trying to beat records.
- I thought the way the coach explained things was rather confus....
- People who attempt to beat records often feel very frustrat.... when they fail.
- My instructor was very encourag.... about my chances of winning.
- I was annoy.... with myself when I lost the game.
- Please stop whistling. It's really irritat....

► **Grammar reference p.191 (1)**

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1 How would you feel if:

- your friend gave you an unexpected present?
- you thought a stranger was following you?
- your brother or sister borrowed your CD player without asking you?

2 Write some more questions like the ones above and ask a partner.

Reading 1: multiple-choice questions

1 You are going to read a magazine article about an unusual way of travelling. Look at the photo and the title of the text.

- 1 What is the young man doing?
- 2 Why do you think he is doing it?
- 3 What do you think the title means?

2 Look through the text quickly to find the answers to these questions.

- 1 Who is the young man in the photo?
- 2 What is the importance of the cable to
a) the young man? b) the local schoolteacher?
c) the village where the man lives?

The cable racer

Robinson Diaz lives in a small cottage high in the Andes Mountains of South America. Diaz is a 'cable racer', and every morning he faces the difficult task of taking the local teacher to her school.

To do this, he first walks for an hour up to a place the locals call *Los Pinos* (the Pine Trees), right at the edge of the 120-metre deep *gorge* of the Negro valley. Here, one end of a thick metal cable has been fixed to a wooden post. The cable stretches right across the deep valley to the other side, a kilometre away.

A metal hook is fixed to the cable, with leather straps hanging from it. Diaz fastens the straps around his shoulders and waist, does a quick safety check and then, without hesitating, throws himself off the edge of the mountain. Attached to the cable by only the metal hook, he rapidly picks up speed and soon he is racing through the air. Crossing the valley by wire takes him 30 seconds, instead of the two hours it would take him to walk down through the *snake-infested* rain forest and climb up the steep muddy slopes on the other side.

As Diaz begins his trip, Diana Rios, a 23-year-old elementary teacher, is waiting on the other side of the gorge for the moment when he will come racing through the *mist* towards her at 160 kph. She will then return with him, hanging on to him as he goes back along a second cable. Diana had no idea when she took the teaching job that just getting to work in the village school would be so dangerous. 'At first I wanted to cry,' she says, *clutching* her books as the metal cable starts to *rattle* violently at Diaz's approach. 'But I soon got used to it.' She still prefers to go with Diaz, though, rather than making the frightening and hazardous crossing on her own.



For the inhabitants of *Los Pinos*, the wire cable is a lifeline. For more than 50 years, it has served the community as a form of transport to and from the rest of the world. Everything that comes arrives via the cable – bricks and wood for building, sacks of rice and corn. Puppies are held between the knees of young men like Diaz who act as 'cable-racers', and go flying over the gorge. Pregnant mothers, who must get to the nearest clinic, cross the wire during the darkness of the night, returning with their newborn babies. It is dangerous, but they have no choice.

This time Robinson Diaz makes a perfect landing on Diana's side of the gorge. For him, the dangers of his daily journey are *insignificant*. 'What I'm really scared of is snakes,' he says. 'This is nothing in comparison.' Then Diana straps herself into her harness and hooks herself up to the wire behind Diaz, holding on to him tightly. He turns, *flashes* her a smile, releases the brake and kicks away. Within seconds, teacher and cable-racer have disappeared back into the mist.

3 Read the text again and choose the answer (A, B, C or D) which you think fits best according to the text. There are some clues to help you.

TIP! You will find it easier to do this task if you read the stems first without reading all the options A–D. Then find the part of the text which the stem relates to, and see if you can find the answer yourself. After this, go back and check your own answer with all the options. The questions are always in the same order as the information in the text.

1 Robinson Diaz has a difficult task every morning because he has to

- A climb a long way up a mountain.
- B get to the edge of a valley.
- C help someone get to work.
- D walk through a dangerous area.

CLUE: What is his main task?

2 In the second paragraph, the writer suggests that Diaz is

- A confident about what he is doing.
- B unaware of the danger he faces.
- C neglectful of his own safety.
- D uncertain of what he is doing.

CLUE: Look for information about what Diaz does and how he does it.

3 Diana Rios found out how she would travel to work

- A when she was a student.
- B when she saw the cable.
- C after she had met Diaz.
- D after she took the job.

CLUE: Look for a time expression in the text.

4 What is Diana's opinion about the journey now?

- A She enjoys it.
- B She no longer finds it a problem.
- C It makes her feel very frightened.
- D It would be impossible without Diaz.

CLUE: Her opinion has changed – think about how she feels **now**.

5 The cable is important to the people of *Los Pinos* because

- A it allows contact with other communities.
- B it provides entertainment for the young people.
- C it enables the doctor to visit the village.
- D it gives the inhabitants the chance to sell their produce.

CLUE: Think about the main purpose of the cable.

6 What does Diaz say about using the cable?

- A He does not think there is any risk.
- B He is worried about the danger of snakes.
- C He is happy that he can help the teacher.
- D He does not find it as frightening as other things.

CLUE: You need to check what a pronoun in the last paragraph refers to.

4 Find the numbered words and phrases in the text.

1 Look at each one in context and then choose the best meaning a) or b).

- | | |
|----------------------|-------------------|
| 1 a) a deep river | b) a deep valley |
| 2 a) full of snakes | b) without snakes |
| 3 a) thick fog | b) light cloud |
| 4 a) holding tightly | b) touching |
| 5 a) break suddenly | b) shake noisily |
| 6 a) important | b) not important |
| 7 a) smiles quickly | b) smiles slowly |

2 Choose two other words from the text that you don't know and try to work out their general meaning from the context.

5 Look at the following pronouns in the text and choose what each one refers to.

- | | | |
|------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| 1 it (line 12) | a) the hook | b) the cable |
| 2 he (line 23) | a) Diaz | b) the teacher |
| 3 it (line 43) | a) the night | b) the crossing |
| 4 they (line 44) | a) the cable racers | b) the mothers |

6 Discuss these questions.

- 1 How do you travel to school or work every day?
- 2 How enjoyable do you find the journey? Does it involve any problems?
- 3 Have you ever had to use a dangerous or risky form of transport while travelling? When? Why?

Grammar 1: making comparisons

1

1 Each of the following sentences has a mistake with comparisons. Find the mistakes and correct them.

Example:

The Andes Mountains are among the ~~most high~~ ^{highest} in the world.

- Life in the country is not as busy than life in the city.
- Transport is more easier for people who live in cities.
- There are the most people living in the world today than ever before.
- Teachers today are less stricter than they were in the past.
- Antarctica is the less populated continent in the world.
- I think windsurfing is the more exciting than sailing.
- I am more good at sport than my brother.
- I would rather to travel by car than by train.

2 Compare your answers with a partner.

► Grammar reference p.193,197 (8.6)

2

1 Match the sentences so that Ben always agrees with Alex.

Alex:

- This rope doesn't seem nearly as strong as the old one we had. **a)**
- I suppose it was a lot cheaper.
- It's rather harder to hold on to though.
- I suppose it's no worse than the old one.
- Maybe the bottom of the mountain isn't quite as far as it looks.

Ben:

- Mmm, perhaps it's a bit nearer.
- Yes, it is slightly more difficult.
- No, I expect it's just as good.
- You're right, it was far less expensive.
- No, it's much thinner.

► Grammar reference p.194 (4.8)



2 Now underline the intensifiers in Ben's sentences and complete the tables.

a lot / /	more expensive
rather	less expensive
a bit /	cheaper
no	
.....	
almost / not quite	as expensive
(not) nearly	

3 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given.

Example: Football is the most exciting sport to play.

as

No other sport is as exciting to play as football.

- I've never seen such an amazing show. **the**
This is that I've ever seen.
- Sam isn't nearly as brave as Chloe. **lot**
Chloe is Sam.
- Last year the show wasn't quite as expensive as this year. **bit**
Last year the show was expensive than this year.
- I think playing tennis is a lot easier than golf. **far**
I think it's tennis than golf.
- Not many other cities are as large as Tokyo. **the**
Tokyo is one in the world.
- I prefer sightseeing to lying on the beach. **rather**
I'd on the beach.

4 Work with a partner. Choose one of the following topics. Think of five names, write them in a circle and compare them using the adjectives given and intensifiers from Exercise 3.

Famous people: well-known, tall, intelligent, wealthy, old, fit, talented

Places: busy, quiet, exciting, crowded, old, modern

Films: frightening, funny, thrilling, boring, innovative

Cars: fast, sporty, practical, expensive, economical

Example:

Nicole Kidman is much better known than J K Rowling or Tanya Streeter.

Vocabulary 2: word formation (negative prefixes)

1 Choose the correct alternative in each of the following sentences.

Example:

People who are *active* / *inactive* do not make good athletes.

- 1 You should *trust* / *distrust* anyone who says it's easy to have a career in sport.
- 2 Having skill and talent is *insufficient* / *sufficient* for a career in sport nowadays.
- 3 You need to be quite *unlucky* / *lucky* to succeed in such a competitive area.
- 4 Some people think that if you believe in yourself then it is *impossible* / *possible* to fail.
- 5 Because you are pushing your body so hard, a career in sport can actually be quite *healthy* / *unhealthy*, so you need to look after yourself.
- 6 Please don't *misunderstand* / *understand* me – I think it's a wonderful career!

2 Complete these sentences using the correct form of the word in capitals. Add a negative prefix where necessary. There are three sentences where you don't need to change the word.

- 1 Many people feel when they move to a new town and don't know anyone. **SECURE**
- 2 I think it's how brave she is. **CREDIBLE**
- 3 Anything is if you have a positive mental attitude. **POSSIBLE**
- 4 She spoke very quickly, so it's possible I what she said. **UNDERSTAND**
- 5 Most people are of learning several languages given the chance. **CAPABLE**
- 6 Steve was still even though he had hit his head as he fell. **CONSCIOUS**
- 7 The new player was very – he had never played at that level before. **EXPERIENCE**
- 8 I wanted to learn scuba diving, but there were no instructors available. **FORTUNATE**

3 Complete these sentences. Give true information.

- 1 I think it's incredible that ...
- 2 I tend to distrust people who ...
- 3 I'm incapable of ...
- 4 I think it's unhealthy to ...
- 5 It's impossible for me to ...

Use of English: word formation (Part 3)

1 Look at the title of the text below. What do you think the answer to the question might be?

2 Read the text through quickly to see if you were right.

3 Look at each sentence and think about the gap.

- 1 What part of speech is needed – noun, verb, adjective or adverb?
- 2 If the word is a noun, should it be singular or plural? Do you need to add a negative suffix?
- 3 If it is a verb, what ending does it need?

Example: 0 – adjective

4 Use the word given in capitals below the text to form a word that fits in the gap in that line. There is an example at the beginning (0).

WHY DO PEOPLE TAKE RISKS?

Why are some people risk-takers? What makes them take part in (0) *dangerous* or even life-threatening activities? There are different (1) for this. Car racers love the (2) of speed, while climbers get their thrills from (3) the challenge of high mountains. Millions of years ago, when people faced danger daily, risk-taking was essential for (4) Although living in today's world is (5) than it was in those days, perhaps that (6) instinct still remains. However, taking risks can become a very (7) obsession. Some people can even become addicted to danger, and are unable to stop looking for it. It is also (8) that the majority of risk-takers seem to be men. Is this because men have more (9) ? Or do women think twice about taking risks because they are more (10) ?

0 DANGER

1 EXPLAIN

2 EXCITE

3 FACE

4 SURVIVE

5 EASE

6 BASE

7 HEALTH

8 INTEREST

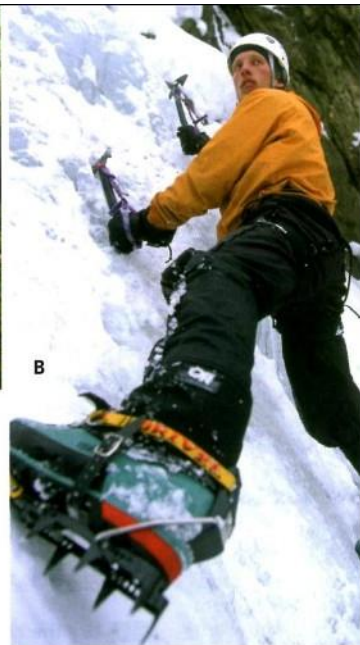
9 CURIOUS

10 SENSE

5 Do you think it is true that men take more risks than women? Give examples.



A



B



C

Exam focus

Paper 1 Reading: multiple matching (Part 3)

About the exam: In Paper 1, Part 3, you read several short texts, or one longer text divided into sections. The questions require you to locate specific information in the text. The answers can come from any part of the text; they do not follow the same order as the questions. There may be more than one answer to some questions.

Procedure

- 1 Read the title of the text and any subheadings, and skim the text quickly. This will give you an idea of what the text is about. Don't read the whole text yet.
- 2 Read the questions carefully and underline key words.
- 3 Look through each section of the text to find the information. You don't need to read the text in detail. Look for words or expressions which mean the same as the words in the question. Underline possible answers in pencil. Be careful – there may be similar information in different sections.
- 4 Leave any questions that you are not sure of, and go back to them at the end. You should always choose an answer, as you will not lose any marks in the exam for a wrong answer.
- 5 When you have finished, transfer your answers to the answer sheet.

1 You are going to read a magazine article in which five people talk about their interest in outdoor activities. Look at the photos.

- 1 What outdoor activity does each photo show?
- 2 Look through the whole article quickly and match the photos to the appropriate texts.

2 For questions 1–15, choose from the people A–E. Some of the people may be chosen more than once. When more than one answer is required, these may be given in any order.

Which person

- | | | |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|
| is interested in protecting the environment? | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| enjoyed being taught how to do their activity? | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| found out about their activity from another family member? | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| was suddenly asked to do something new? | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| says that public interest in their activity is growing? | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| says that their activity has formed their character? | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| mentions an activity made more dangerous by the weather? | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| says they are different from most other people doing the activity? | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| likes the way people of different abilities can take part together? | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| says it has become easier for others to take up their activity? | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| wants to be better than other competitors? | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| does their activity less often than they used to? | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |

The Great Outdoors

A Anna Collins

My twin sister, Lucy, and I have an identical interest in BMX racing. We got into riding competitions by accident really, when Lucy entered a cross-country cycle race and came second. She came home full of the thrill of it all, and started going regularly. I was bored staying at home while she was getting all the excitement, so I decided to take it up too. It didn't take long before I found the speed and element of danger it involved as exciting as she did. There are only about twenty girls who race in the UK compared to over 300 boys, but we like being treated the same as the boys. We're not stupid, but we do like taking risks – and we both want to be BMX champions one day!

B Jenny McCormack

In adventure racing, you're in a team covering vast distances out in the wild, doing different things – swimming, canoeing, running and so on. I had a very lucky introduction to it – I was a last-minute replacement for someone in a team going to Nepal. I'd never been in an adventure race before, but I'd lived in Nepal for two years and done a lot of mountain climbing there as well as mountain biking and white water rafting. In the race, we covered 900 km and the winning team finished in just under five days. Our team did it in seven, which wasn't bad, although of course it would have been great to come first. What I love about adventure racing is that you often compete in exotic places that you might never get the chance to visit otherwise. I also love the fact that it is a very friendly world – even the top athletes mix with the beginners.

C David Bellamy

My lifelong addiction to walking began when I was a child. I used to meet up with my friends and go on long walks. I remember standing in the country one day with everything covered in frost. Then the sun suddenly came out and all the frost melted off the trees in a matter of seconds. It was the sort of thing you'd never see from a motor car. That kind of experience made me the person I am. I still walk whenever I can, although I'm often too busy for day-long walks now. My main concern now is encouraging people to take greater care of the world's most important and popular sites of natural beauty.

D Laura Jeans

My dad and I wanted to do something different one weekend so we decided to try hang gliding, and my first lesson was brilliant! The more I did, the more I enjoyed it and I soon forgot to be scared. I started by taking off from small hills but now I can go as high as 100 metres and I'm getting more adventurous and confident all the time. It's not as dangerous as people think and I've never hurt myself doing it. My friends think I'm crazy but I love the sense of freedom I get when I'm gliding up there in the air. Unfortunately, it isn't great for meeting people of my own age as most people I glide with are older than me, so I wouldn't recommend it for anyone who wants to find a boyfriend!

E Peter Beaumont

My brother had started mountain climbing and when I heard about it from him it seemed to me that it was something I simply had to do. So he arranged to take me when he next went climbing locally. It was raining, so we tried climbing in the rain, slipping about on wet, polished stone. It was hardly the best start, but I loved it. When the winter came, we went to the mountains in North Wales to try climbing on ice. I climbed by instinct, just picking it up as I went along, but these days most people start safely indoors, and learn the basics there. You'll find a lot of sports centres nowadays have indoor climbing walls so newcomers can get a feel for the sport and build up their confidence before they tackle a real mountain. As a result, climbing is becoming an increasingly popular activity – but it remains one of the most dramatic sports on the planet.

3 Discuss these questions.

- Which person do you think seems to enjoy their activity the most?
- Which of the activities would you prefer to do? Why?
- Which would you like to do least? Why?

Grammar 2: articles

1 Some of the following sentences have mistakes with articles. Find and correct the mistakes.

- I've never crossed the Atlantic Ocean in a ship.
- I didn't go out yesterday because it was a terrible weather.
- When he grows up, he wants to be footballer.
- I can't get out because a front door's locked.
- The London Marathon takes place every year near River Thames.
- It's over 50 years since Hillary and Tensing climbed the Mount Everest.
- I live at the home with my parents but I'm going to get my own place soon.
- It happened by an accident – I didn't mean to do it.
- We were almost home when the sun finally came out.
- One day I'd really like to go mountain climbing in the Nepal.

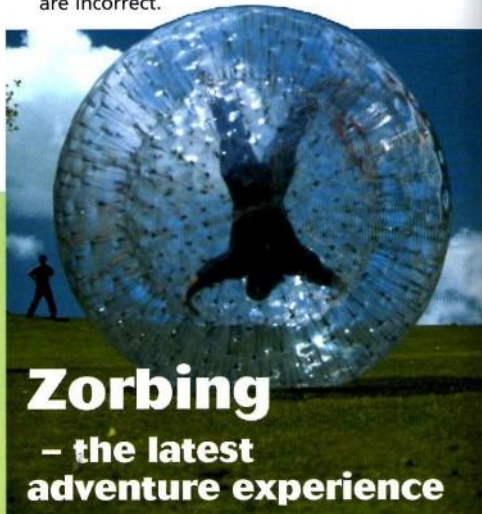
▶ Grammar reference p.192 (3)

2 Complete the following sentences with *a*, *an*, *the* or *(-)* when no article is needed.

- It is possible that whale might become extinct in the future.
- People say that you always meet someone you know in the middle of Times Square in New York.
- best way of carrying things when you're on walking holiday is in a rucksack.
- Belgium is famous for its chocolate.
- Eating bananas is a good way of getting energy quickly.
- Some people wish that mobile phone had never been invented.
- Why do you think Spanish are so good at football?
- It is possible to go sailing on Lake Garda in the summer.
- highest wind speeds officially recorded reached 370 kph.
- Some of the most important scientific discoveries were made by chance.

3

- 1 Here is some information about a new sport. Look at the highlighted sections and make any necessary corrections with articles (*a/an/the* or zero article). Not all the highlighted sections are incorrect.



Zorbing

– the latest adventure experience

A zorb is (1) **hollow plastic ball**, about three metres in height. You climb into the ball and then roll down (2) **the hill** inside it. (3) **A first zorb** was built by (4) **an organisation** called (5) **A Dangerous Sports Club**. The idea was developed in (6) **the New Zealand** in (7) **late 1990s**, and is now spreading rapidly throughout (8) **world**.

There are two different types of zorb, a dry zorb and a wet zorb. With (9) **the dry zorb**, you are strapped into (10) **the harness** inside the ball. The zorb can reach speeds of 50 to 60 kph. The wet zorb is totally different. With this one, you are not strapped in and you are encouraged to stand up and try to run as (11) **a ball** rolls down the hill. (12) **The challenge** is to remain upright all the way to (13) **bottom**. This sounds easy, so to make things (14) **a little harder**, they throw some warm soapy water inside, so things get very slippery. People say it feels a bit like being in (15) **washing machine**!

- 2 Imagine that you have tried either the wet zorb or the dry zorb. Write a short email to a friend telling them what it was like and how you felt.



Speaking 2: comparing (Part 2)

About the exam: In Paper 5, Part 2, you speak on your own for about a minute. You have to compare two photographs, and answer a further question about them. For this part, you need to use the language of comparison, and to link contrasting ideas together.

1 Look at the two photos. How are they similar? Choose a) or b).

- a) Both photos show people trying to do something difficult.
- b) The photos show people on the stage and in the air.

2

1 Read these sentences comparing the photos, and underline the comparative structures.

- 1 The man looks much older than the woman.
- 2 There are fewer people in the first photo.
- 3 The woman's clothes are more brightly-coloured than the man's.
- 4 The man looks more nervous than the woman.
- 5 The man is taking a bigger physical risk.
- 6 The man seems to be enjoying himself more than the woman.

2 Some of the sentences give incorrect information about the photos. Find them and correct them.

Example: The man looks much ^{younger} ~~older~~ than the woman.

TIP! When you compare the photos, remember to describe both similarities and differences.

3

1 Choose the correct linking expression in each of the following sentences.

- 1 *While / On the other hand* the first photo shows a man who's about to perform in public, the woman in the other photo is on her own.
- 2 The man is inside *but / also* the woman is out in the open air.
- 3 In the first photo, the man looks quite nervous, *whereas / although* in the other one the woman looks quite relaxed.
- 4 That's funny because the woman is taking a risk *in addition / while* the man is not in danger.
- 5 I think the woman has practised a lot and is an expert *and as well as this / but on the other hand* the man might be doing this for the first time.



2 Listen and check your answers.



3 Listen again and mark the stressed words. Practise saying the sentences with the same stress and intonation.

4

- 1** Compare the photos, using ideas from Exercises 1–3. Try to keep talking for about 40 seconds.
- 2** Briefly say which activity you think is the most difficult, and why (about 20 seconds).

5

Work with a partner.

Student A look at photo A above and at photo C on page 180.

Student B look at photo B above and at photo D on page 180.

The photos show people trying to do something difficult. Take turns to compare your photos and say which activity you think is the easiest to do.

Writing: letter or email (semi-formal) (Part 1)

About the exam: Part 1 of Paper 2 is compulsory. You have to write a letter or email using information supplied. It may be semi-formal or informal.

- DO** read the question carefully.
- DO** include all the necessary information.
- DO** use an appropriate style for the reader.
- DO** remember to use paragraphs.

1 Read the task below. Are these statements true or false?

- 1 You are writing to the competition organiser.
- 2 You have to choose one afternoon activity.
- 3 You have to write about 100 words.
- 4 You should write your email in an informal style.

You recently entered a competition and you have just received this email from the organiser of the competition. Read the email and the notes you have made. Then write an email replying to Tom Spiller, using all your notes.

Congratulations! You have won first prize in our competition – two weeks on the English Adventure Course in Australia! This includes your air ticket and all expenses. To help us make the arrangements for your trip, please give us the following information:

We have courses in August and September. Which month is better for you? August (say why)

You will have English classes in the morning. You can join a grammar and vocabulary class, or a speaking and listening class.

Which would you prefer? say which and why

There is a choice of activities in the afternoon. Please choose two from the list and tell us why you would like to do them.

- making a radio programme
- making a class website
- learning to play a musical instrument
- doing a scuba diving course
- visiting an Australian secondary school

tell them!

Please let us know if you need any further information.

Best wishes

accommodation? clothes?

Tom Spiller
Competition organiser

Write an email (120–150 words). You must use grammatically correct sentences with accurate spelling and punctuation in a style appropriate for the situation.

2 Your email could have five paragraphs. Number the following paragraph outlines in the best order.

- Paragraph ... preferences for morning classes and afternoon activities
- Paragraph ... closing remark
- Paragraph ... request for further information
- Paragraph ... thanks for letter and general remark
- Paragraph ... which month you want to travel

3 In your email, you have to expand the notes in the task into sentences and add your own ideas. Complete the following sentences.

- 1 I would like to do the course in August because ...
- 2 In the morning, I would like to join a grammar and vocabulary class because ...
- 3 In the afternoon, I would like to try ... because ...
- 4 I would also be interested in trying ... because ...
- 5 Could you tell me what type of ... is provided and what kind of ... I should bring with me?

4 Write your email. The first paragraph and closing remark have been done for you.

TIP! Mr or Mrs are always followed by a surname – e.g. a semi-formal letter to Peter Smith would begin *Dear Mr Smith* NOT *Dear Mr Peter* or *Dear Mr Peter Smith*.

Dear Mr Spiller

Thank you very much for your email informing me that I have won first prize in the competition. I am looking forward to going to Australia and attending the course.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Best wishes

5 When you have finished, check your work.

▶ Writing reference pp.206–207

1

- 1 Choose two adjectives from the box below to describe your feelings about each of these sports. Don't use any adjective more than once.

cycling / football / free diving / windsurfing / walking

boring challenging dangerous difficult easy
enjoyable exciting frightening frustrating
healthy relaxing risky thrilling tiring unsafe

- 2 Tell your partner the adjectives you have chosen. Can he/she guess the sports?

Example: *It's difficult and dangerous.*

2

- 1 Decide what the missing word is in each of the following sentences.

- I don't think mountain climbing is dangerous as diving.
- Deep sea diving is most dangerous sport I've ever done.
- Hang gliding is lot more popular than fishing.
- Footballers are not tall as basketball players.
- Most people I know are more interested in sport I am.
- I rather walk in the mountains than lie on the beach.

- 2 Do you agree or disagree with the sentences above?

- 3 Choose the best alternative to complete the following sentences.

- It's not a good idea to unnecessary risks when you are doing dangerous sports.
A make **B** have **C** take **D** give
- When Irene was injured, Janet was chosen as a last-minute for the hockey team.
A preference **B** change **C** alternative **D** replacement
- The Boston Marathon every year.
A gets on **B** takes place **C** goes through **D** takes part
- A prize of \$25,000 is offered to whoever the one-hour cycling record of 90 kilometres.
A breaks **B** tears **C** rips **D** splits
- If someone wants to do something dangerous, I always advise them to think!
A once **B** twice **C** often **D** double

- 6 I cycling by accident, but once I had started, I loved it.

A got by **B** got over **C** got through **D** got into

- 7 You can get a much better for a new town if you explore it on foot.

A way **B** understanding **C** knowledge **D** feel

- 8 When you're riding on the back of a motorbike, you need to tightly.

A stick down **B** hang on **C** hold up **D** sit up

- 4 Correct the mistakes with the use of articles in the following sentences.

- A next bus to a country doesn't leave for six more hours.
- I met my English teacher in Andes Mountains.
- Best way of carrying your things is in the rucksack.
- I'm planning to visit the Nepal in a June.
- He said that he wanted to do a course in the diving.
- I think that a activity like mountain biking is healthy and fun.
- Why do you think Italians are so good at the football?
- Some people are afraid of taking the risks in life.

- 5 Complete the following sentences, using the correct form of the word in capitals.

- The English footballer David Beckham became famous for his goal-kicking **ABLE**
- The record of 47 hours for watching TV without stopping was set last year and is still **BREAK**
- The David Coulthard victory over Michael Schumacher in the Australian Grand Prix was **EXPECT**
- That bridge looks rather ; I don't think we should drive the car across. **SAFE**
- I found the drive over the mountains very **FRIGHT**
- Although I was in the competition, I was still glad I'd taken part. **SUCCESS**
- I thought it would be for me to climb that mountain, but somehow I managed it. **POSSIBLE**
- People say that you need to take regular exercise in order to be **HEALTH**
- I can swim, but I don't have much in the water. **CONFIDENT**
- I'm really rather - I'm happiest just staying at home with a good book. **ADVENTURE**

- 6 Write a paragraph about a sport that you would like to be good at, explaining why.

UNIT 3

Fact or fiction?

Reading: gapped text (Part 2)

1 You are going to read an extract from a story.

1 Look at the picture and the title of the text and discuss these questions.

- 1 Who is the young man?
- 2 Where is he?
- 3 How did he get there?

2 Think of some more questions of your own and suggest possible answers.

2 Read through the main part of the text. Does it answer your questions in Exercise 1?

3 What sort of story do you think the extract comes from?

- a) a thriller
- b) a science fiction story
- c) a travel story

4 Seven sentences have been removed from the text. You have to choose from the sentences A–H the one which best fits each gap (1–7).

TIP! To do this type of task, you often need to check links between pronouns (e.g. *some*, *this*, *she*) and nouns.

- 1** Look at the last sentence in the first paragraph. Which of the three highlighted nouns in this paragraph does *its* refer to?
- 2** Do the task. There is one extra sentence which you do not need to use. To help you, key words in the sentences have been highlighted. As you do the task, check what these words refer to.
- 3** When you have finished, read the whole text again with your answers to check it makes sense.

Strange landings

The force of his landing made Julian gasp. He lay stunned and ¹*disoriented* for a long moment, then rose ²*unsteadily* to his feet. 'This is not at all right,' he thought. There was no sign of the lecture room, the college, the whole part of North London that he had just been in. In fact, there was no feature he could recognise at all in the *landscape* before him. Even *its* shape was wrong.

He remained perfectly still for a moment, gazing around. His surroundings seemed strange, almost dreamlike. Then he turned in a slow circle, trying to catch a glimpse of anything familiar. ¹ In the distance ahead of him, the land rose up steeply towards something that made a straight horizontal line. A road, perhaps? He decided that, dream or not, there was no point in staying where he was. He would walk to the top of the hill.

He picked up the bag of books he had dropped when he hit the ground and started to make his way through the tall grass. ² Halfway up, he paused to take his jacket off. In London it had been winter, but here it felt like May or June. He looked behind him. Here and there were other lone figures moving about, leaving ³*trails* of flattened grass like his own behind them as they walked. 'What's happening?' Julian wondered. 'It looks as if we all just dropped out of somewhere. But never mind right now. Just get up the hill, and take it from there.'

He finally reached the top of the slope, and pulling himself up the last few feet, found that he had been right. ³ It stretched straight before him, leading as far as he could see into the distance. There was no sign of any traffic.



He looked back again at the other people
 4 scattered through the meadow. 4 Then 35
 just ahead of him, a girl climbed onto the
 roadway, wearing shorts and a sleeveless T-shirt.
 She smiled at him and said: 'Excuse me, but are
 you from around here? I was wondering if you
 would direct me ...' Her words trailed off as he
 shook his head. 40

'Sorry. I came from out there, too.' He
 pointed at the field behind her. 5 'Where
 did they all come from?' she murmured softly.
 Julian realised that she had an American
 accent. He shrugged. 'No idea. I know as much
 as you. I was just coming out of a lecture. I
 tripped over something and landed here.'
 'I was out jogging. I slipped and fell.'

6 'Where exactly were you?' he 50
 asked.
 'In Irvine. Just outside Los Angeles,' she said.
 'I was in London. It was snowing.'
 'In August?'
 'No. January. You were in August?' He thought 55
 about this. 'What year?'
 '1999. You?'
 '2010.'

She stared at him, then looked away. 'It must
 be a dream,' she said. 'Maybe I hit my head
 when I fell. I expect I'll wake up in a minute
 with a splitting headache.' 7 He didn't
 know how or why they were here, but the
 reality was starting to sink in. 60

- A** They looked at each other and he pointed at their different clothes, his thick jacket, her T-shirt and shorts.
- B** Most were moving towards the road, but some were wandering about in seemingly random directions.
- C** But Julian shook his head, knowing that this was not the explanation.
- D** He could not see where it was coming from.
- E** She turned, and seemed to realise the situation for the first time as she saw the other people.
- F** He was standing on a road – a flat, black surface with the familiar white lines down the middle.
- G** It reached almost to his shoulders and left seeds sticking to his clothes.
- H** But there was nothing – only a seemingly endless field of grass, tall, yellowing and waving gently in the warm breeze.



5 Listen to the story and check your answers.

6 Discuss these questions.

- What do you think is at the end of the road?
- How do you think the story continues? Will Julian and the girl return to their own times and places?

7 Find the numbered words 1–5 in the text. With a partner, try to work out their meaning. Think about:

- the word class (noun, verb, adjective, etc.)
- the form: is the word formed from one you know?
- clues from the context.

Check your ideas with a dictionary.

Vocabulary 1: using a dictionary

About the exam: Papers 2, 3 and 5 test your active knowledge of vocabulary. To expand your vocabulary during your course, it's a good idea to record and learn any useful new words you meet in Reading, Listening and Paper 3 texts. Use a dictionary such as the *Longman Active Study Dictionary* or the *Longman Exams Dictionary* to help you understand the meaning and grammar of the new vocabulary.

1 Paper 3, Part 1 may test your knowledge of words with similar meanings. Read these sentences from the text on pages 30–31. The words in **bold** all refer to different ways of looking.

- He remained perfectly still for a moment, **gazing** around.
- He turned in a slow circle, trying to **catch a glimpse** of anything familiar.
- She **stared** at him, then looked away.

Now look at the entries for these words. Decide whether statements 1–8 below are true (T) or false (F).

gaze /geɪz/ v [I] to look at someone or something for a long time: + **at/into** etc She sat *gazing out of the window*. – **gaze** n [singular] Judith tried to avoid his gaze.

glimpse¹ /ɡlɪmp/ n [C] 1 when you see someone or something very quickly for a short time: **get/catch a glimpse of** Dad only caught a glimpse of the guy who stole our car. 2 a short experience of something that helps you to understand it: a glimpse into the future

glimpse² v [T] to see someone or something very quickly for a short time: For a second I glimpsed her face, then she was gone.

stare /steə/ v [I] to look at someone or something for a long time without moving your eyes: + **at** Stop staring at me! – **stare** n [C] She gave him a long hard stare.

- 1 Glimpse, gaze and stare can all be used as either nouns or verbs. **T**
- 2 The noun forms of all three words are countable.
- 3 The vowel *a* is pronounced the same in gaze and stare.
- 4 The *p* in glimpse is silent.
- 5 The verbs gaze and stare can both be followed by the preposition *at*.

- 6 Gaze and stare mean exactly the same thing.
- 7 The noun *glimpse* is often used with the verbs *get* or *catch*.
- 8 You can have an object after the verbs *stare* and *gaze*.

2 The following sentences have mistakes in the use of vocabulary. Find the mistakes and explain why each is wrong, using the dictionary extracts above to help you. Then correct the sentences.

Example: The hunter glimpsed at the tiger in the long grass.

Wrong – we use an object after 'glimpse', not a preposition.

It should be 'The hunter glimpsed the tiger in the long grass.'

- 1 I saw a glimpse of them as they escaped.
- 2 I stared her for a long time.
- 3 She gave him a quick gaze.
- 4 I made her a stare and she looked away.
- 5 He was unaware of her gazes.
- 6 Why does that man keep staring at me?

3 Paper 3, Part 3 tests vocabulary as well as grammar. One area tested is phrasal verbs. The *Longman Exams Dictionary* gives you examples of sentences which show the meanings of phrasal verbs in context.

look after sb/sth phr v especially BrE
1 to take care of someone by helping them, giving them what they need, or keeping them safe **SYN take care of:** Don't worry I'll look after the kids tomorrow. | Susan looked

1 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given. All the sentences require a phrasal verb with *look*.

- 1 The authorities are investigating the cause of the fire. **into**
The authorities are the cause of the fire.
- 2 I just can't wait to go on holiday! **forward**
I'm really on holiday.

- 3 If you don't know the word, check it in a dictionary. **it**
If you don't know the word, in a dictionary.
- 4 He had a lot of respect for his grandfather. **to**
He really his grandfather.
- 5 You should keep your eyes open for Steve at the dance. **out**
You should Steve at the dance.
- 6 Keith thinks he is much better than everyone else. **down**
Keith everyone else.

2 Check your answers in your dictionary.

Grammar 1: like, as, as if/though

1 Choose the correct alternative in each of these sentences.

- You look just *like* / *as* your brother.
- What's* / *How's* the food like? Is it OK?
- That man *seems like* / *seems* very familiar – I wonder if I've met him before.
- You should do *as* / *like* your parents say.
- My cousin started *like* / *as* a secretary, and now she's the manager.
- That sounds *as* / *like* the train coming now.
- You look *as though* / *like* you're worried.
- A: Do you feel *like* / *as* going for a swim?
B: No, it looks *like* / *as if* it's going to rain.
- Let's meet at 7 o'clock, *like* / *as* we agreed.
- I've always regarded Sue *as* / *like* my best friend.
- Let's do something fun, *as if* / *like* throwing a party.

► Grammar reference p.205 (20.1-3)

2 Make questions for the following answers using *like* or *as*.

Example: *What's the weather going to be like tomorrow?*

The forecast said it's going to be hot and sunny.

- My mother's very funny, but my father is a bit strict.
- No, he's got dark hair, but I'm fair-haired.
- Yes, why not, but I'm not very good at dancing!
- It's quite small. There isn't much to do in the evenings. But the people are friendly.
- Yes, I do. The best thing about a pool attendant's job is that you meet lots of people.

3

1 Look at the picture and complete the text using *like/as/as if/as though*.



There's a man standing next to an insect which is almost as big (1) he is. The man has one eye which looks (2) an insect's. Maybe he uses it (3) a sort of magnifying glass to improve his vision. We can only see his right hand – it's a mechanical hand, rather (4) a robot's hand. It seems (5) the insect may be under his power. Or maybe the insect is acting (6) his protector or helper. In the background there are curved black lines. They look a bit (7) the lines on a record or CD. Further away there are some buildings – it looks (8) there's a big city there.

2 Do you agree with the description of the picture?

4 Work with a partner.

- Student A** look at the picture on page 187.
Student B look at the picture on page 189.


Describe your picture to your partner. Use expressions from Exercises 1 and 2.

- Look at each other's pictures. Were they the same as you imagined them from your partner's description? If not, how were they different?

Listening 1: multiple matching (Part 3)

1 Discuss these questions.

- What kind of things do you like to read?
- What was the last thing you read for pleasure?

-  **2** You will hear five people talking about what they read. You have to choose one statement that matches what each speaker says. To practise this, read the statements A and B below and listen to what the first speaker says. You will hear the extract twice.

- Which statement, A or B, accurately reflects what the speaker says?
- Which phrases in the extract tell you?

- A** I try not to be put off by books that seem hard to read.
B I think that some of what I read is a waste of time.



3

- 1** Read through the statements below and listen to the whole recording. Choose from the list A-F what each speaker says. Use the letters only once. There is one extra letter which you do not need to use.

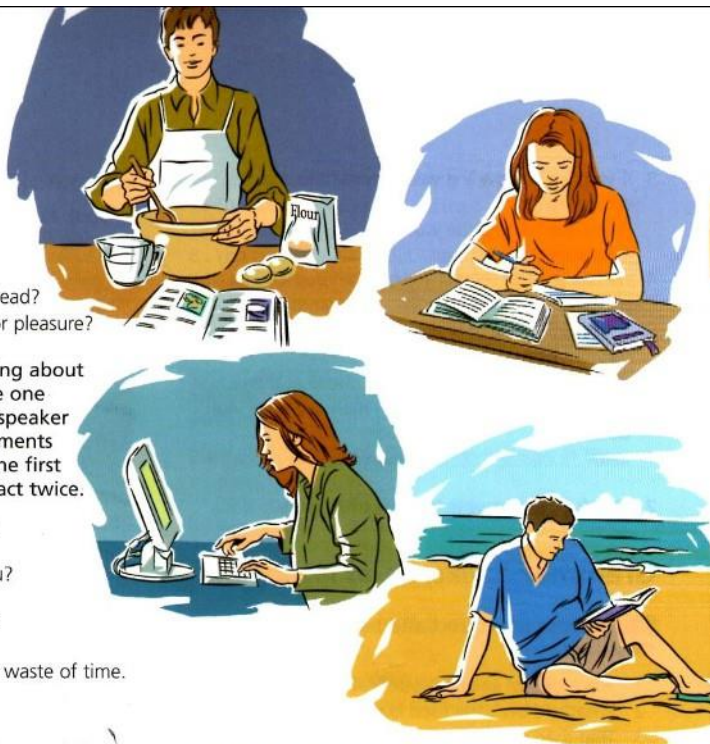
TIP! The statements are not in the same order as the information you hear. As you listen, you need to check all six statements.

- A** I am prepared to try reading books that seem difficult.
B I think that some of what I read is a waste of time.
C I like reading books that are part of a series.
D I find that reading is a way of relaxing.
E I enjoy reading books that have been made into films.
F I choose books connected with the career I want to follow.

- Speaker 1 ☐ **1**
 Speaker 2 ☐ **2**
 Speaker 3 ☐ **3**
 Speaker 4 ☐ **4**
 Speaker 5 ☐ **5**

- 2** Listen again to check your answers.

- 4** Which speakers' views do you agree with?




Speaking: asking for and reacting to opinions (Parts 3 and 4)


- 1** Look at the pictures above, which show people reading in various situations. Think about:

- what each person is reading and why
- how useful or important it is to be able to read in these situations.

2

-  **1** Listen to two students discussing two of the pictures.

- Which two pictures do they talk about?
- How do they answer question 2 in Exercise 1?

-  **2** Listen again. Tick the phrases the students use to interact with each other.

That's right. What do you think?
 I'm not sure. Yes, I agree ... Sure, but ...
 But on the other hand ... I suppose so.
 Right. Well, yes, but ... Don't you think so?
 And another advantage is that ... OK, but ...
 Yes, and as well as that ... Yes, that's true.

- 3** Practise saying the phrases with the same intonation as the recording.



- 2 Make a table like this one with words in Exercise 1.1.

Adjective	Adverb	Adverbial phrase
quick	quickly	—
hard	hard	—
silly	—	in a silly way

3 Work with a partner. First, talk to each other about how useful or important reading is in each of the situations in the pictures. Then decide which type of reading is most important for you. Try to keep talking for about three minutes. Remember to listen and react to each other.

4 Discuss the following questions, which extend the topic you have discussed in Exercise 3. Try to use some of the phrases from Exercise 2.

- Do you often read articles or emails on a computer?
- Do you use the Internet to find information for your studies or work?
- How far do you think television and the Internet have changed people's reading habits?
- Do you think that people will still read books in thirty years' time? Why?/Why not?

Grammar 2: adverbs

1

1 Read these sentences. Underline the adverbs/adverbial phrases and circle the adjectives.

Example: I read the book quickly because it was so interesting.

- The exam was harder than we expected. I did badly, but my brother did worse.
- If you want to do well and get good grades, you'll have to study more.
- Please don't drive so fast on this dangerous road.
- Why was he behaving in that silly, unfriendly way?
- Stand still and look straight at the camera.
- She works harder than anyone I know.
- If you order a new book over the Internet, they send you a receipt automatically.
- We'll have to make an early start if we want to get there by lunchtime. We don't want to arrive late.

► Grammar reference p.191 (2.1)

2 Choose the correct form of the adverb in each pair of sentences.

- No matter how *hard* / *hardly* she tried, she couldn't find the answer.
 - She had *hard* / *hardly* noticed him in the crowd until he came up to her.
- I haven't seen you *late* / *lately* – have you been ill?
 - I have to work *late* / *lately* tonight so I won't be able to go out with you.
- His teacher speaks very *high* / *highly* of his abilities.
 - He kicked the ball *high* / *highly* up into the air.
- I didn't pay for the concert – I managed to get in *free* / *freely*.
 - Wear loose, comfortable clothes for yoga so that you can move *free* / *freely*.

► Grammar reference p.191 (2.1)

3 Put the adverb in brackets in the best place in each sentence.

Example: ^{always} I buy something to read if I'm going on a journey. (*always*)

- Does she get the bus to college? (*usually*)
- He's not late. (*often*)
- She's been happy there. (*never*)
- You'd better go to the house. (*straight*)
- I'll be seeing her tomorrow. (*certainly*)
- I didn't make it on time. (*nearly*)
- She's missed her flight. (*perhaps*)
- I managed to get his number from Judy. (*luckily*)
- You are right. (*probably*)
- I'm not free next weekend. (*definitely*)

► Grammar reference p.191 (2.4–5)

Exam focus**Paper 3 Use of English:
multiple-choice cloze
(Part 1)**

About the exam: Paper 3, Part 1 tests your knowledge of vocabulary, including words with similar meanings, collocations, fixed phrases, phrasal verbs and prepositions.

Procedure

- 1 Read the title and then read through the whole text to find out what it's about. Don't try to fill in any of the gaps yet.
- 2 Read the text again, stopping at each gap. Try to think of the missing word before looking at the options.
- 3 Choose the best option. If you're not sure, read the whole sentence again and check the words on each side of the gap. Is it a collocation or a fixed phrase?
- 4 Finally, read through the complete text again to check your choices make sense.
- 5 Transfer your answers to the answer sheet.

DON'T choose more than one option for any one question.
DON'T leave any answers blank. If you're still not sure when you read the whole text for the last time, then guess.

1 The following text is about two coincidences. Read the text through quickly. What were the two coincidences?

2 For questions 1–12, read the text below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

Example:

0 A late B back C end D final

0	A	B	C	D
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Coincidence – or fate?

In the (0) A 1800s, French astronomer Camille Flammarion was writing an important book about the Earth's atmosphere. The book (1) D many aspects of the topic, (2) A the climate. One day, as Flammarion was sitting near the open window of his study working on the (3) C about the weather, a sudden gust of wind blew in, lifted the pages he had just written off his desk, and carried them through the window and out of (4) A. Flammarion was upset about losing his work, and (5) C this was an age without computers, he had no (6) D of what he had written. (7) B he knew that he would have to rewrite the missing pages, he decided to leave it for a few days while he calmed (8) A. Several days passed, and he was about to start work when to his amazement he received a manuscript of his book from his publisher – including the lost pages. He was completely (9) C to understand this. He called on his publisher and (10) A what had happened. By (11) D, a delivery boy working for the same publisher had been passing his house just as the wind carried the pages out of the window. The boy had simply picked (12) B all the scattered pages from the street and taken them to the publisher.

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|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 1 A dealt | B handled | C crossed | D covered |
| 2 A including | B also | C additionally | D moreover |
| 3 A plot | B subject | C chapter | D story |
| 4 A sight | B glance | C look | D vision |
| 5 A due to | B through | C as | D on account of |
| 6 A imitation | B replica | C pattern | D record |
| 7 A Owing to | B Although | C However | D Even |
| 8 A down | B out | C in | D off |
| 9 A on the way | B out of touch | C at a loss | D in the end |
| 10 A found out | B got over | C gave in | D made up |
| 11 A fate | B fortune | C opportunity | D chance |
| 12 A on | B up | C at | D from |

3 Do you believe in coincidence or fate? Tell a partner about a time when something happened to you that seemed to be a big coincidence at the time.



Listening 2: multiple-choice questions (Part 4)

1 You will hear two friends, Anna and Brendon, talking about coincidences. First, read through the questions in Exercise 2 (not the options) and match each story to one of the pictures above.

TIP! Before you listen, look through the questions or sentence openings only, not the options. These will give you a general idea of what the recording is about. Then read through the options.

2 Read through the options for each question. Then listen and choose the best answer, A, B or C.

- Why did Anna's Aunt Carrie go to Paris?
 - for a special holiday
 - to do some shopping
 - to meet her husband
- How did Aunt Carrie feel about the book she found?
 - surprised someone had put her name in it
 - curious about how it had got to Paris
 - confused because she had one the same at home

- In Brendon's story, what was special about the music he chose to play?
 - It was written for trumpet only.
 - It was by a little-known composer.
 - It was very difficult to play.
- How was Brendon feeling when he arrived at the concert hall?
 - nervous about the competition
 - stressed because he'd been delayed
 - ill because the journey had been uncomfortable
- Where did Brendon find a copy of the music he needed?
 - in a waste paper basket
 - in another bag
 - in a cupboard
- In the story about the baby, Anna is unsure
 - how the baby was saved.
 - where the baby fell from.
 - whether the baby was hurt or not.
- Brendon thinks that the second time the baby fell, Mr Figlock was lucky because
 - he didn't drop the baby.
 - he was ready to catch the baby.
 - he wasn't hurt by the baby.



- 3** Listen again and check your answers. *X up to here 20/*
- 4** Think about the task you have just done.

- Were the questions in the same order as the information on the recording?
- Were the options (A, B, C) in the same order as the related information on the recording?
- What should you do if you don't hear the answer to a question?
 - Keep looking at that question in case it comes later.
 - Look at the next question.

5 Discuss these questions.

- Which of the stories you have just heard do you think is most/least believable?
- Have you heard any other stories of strange coincidences like this?

Vocabulary 2: modifiers/ intensifiers

1 Adverbs are often used to intensify the meaning of adjectives. In each of the following sentences, two adverbs are possible and one is incorrect. Cross out the incorrect adverb.

Example: I've just heard *an absolutely / a very / a really* amazing story.

- We had a *very / an extremely / an absolutely* narrow escape.
- The film of *Wuthering Heights* was *absolutely / quite / fairly* good, but the book was better.
- It must be *pretty / utterly / fairly* hard to write a book.
- I think time travel is *extremely / absolutely / completely* impossible.
- The special effects in the film were *totally / utterly / terribly* amazing.
- I went to a concert last weekend. I found it a *bit / rather / completely* boring but my friend enjoyed it.
- Your English is *absolutely / fairly / just* fantastic! You must have lived in an English-speaking country.
- The match on TV this afternoon was *incredibly / very / totally* good.

► Grammar reference p.201 (15)

2

- 1** Respond to the following statements using an intensifier from the box and the adjective in brackets. Put the stress on the important words, as in the example.

extremely absolutely totally really utterly

Example: I thought the film was quite good. (*brilliant*)
Did you? I thought it was **absolutely brilliant!**

- I thought the book was all right. (*wonderful*)
- I thought the grammar was fairly easy. (*difficult*)
- David said the film was quite good. (*superb*)
- I think it's pretty cool outside today. (*freezing*)
- I think John's ideas are absolutely right. (*wrong*)
- She said the concert was quite impressive. (*great*)



- 2** Listen and compare your answers.

3 Which of the following things would you find:

- really easy?
- rather difficult?
- totally impossible?

Example: raising one eyebrow

I can raise one eyebrow – it's really easy. Look!

- standing on one leg with your eyes closed
- walking on your hands
- separating the white of an egg from the yolk
- counting from 20 to 1 backwards in English
- reading a whole book in one day (in your own language)
- having a telephone conversation in English



4

- Think about a really good time you had recently with your friends or family. Make a note of some key points, for example where you went, what you did, and why it was so good.
- Tell a partner about it. Be very enthusiastic, and use some of the intensifiers and adjectives from Exercises 1 and 2.

Example:

Last month, I went away for the weekend with my friends. We had a really fantastic time ...

Grammar 3: narrative tenses

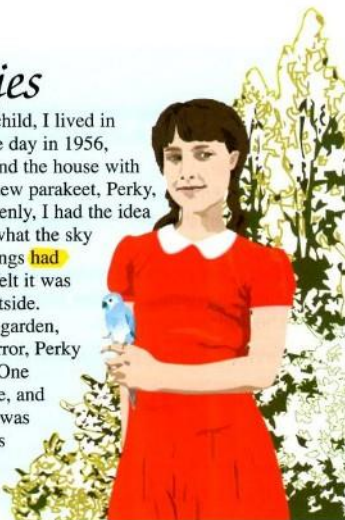
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- 1** Read the first paragraph of the following story and answer these questions.

- When and where does the story begin?
- What was the writer doing when she decided to take Perky outside?
- Why didn't she think Perky would fly away?
- What happened when the writer got outside with Perky?

Blue Skies

When I was a child, I lived in Arizona. One day in 1956, I was walking around the house with my sister Kathy's new parakeet, Perky, on my finger. Suddenly, I had the idea of showing Perky what the sky looked like. His wings had been clipped, so I felt it was safe to take him outside. I took him into the garden, and then, to my horror, Perky suddenly flew off. One minute he was there, and the next minute he was gone, clipped wings and all.



2 Look at the highlighted verbs in the text above.

- 1 What tense are they in?
- 2 Which tense form
- a) refers to something that had already happened to the bird before this story began?
- b) sets the scene for the story?

► Grammar reference p.204 (19.6-7)

2

- 1 Read the next part of the story. Did the writer find the parrot again?

Kathy managed to forgive me, and told me that Perky had certainly found a new home, but I did not believe her. For a long time, I was inconsolable. Time passed, however, and eventually my guilt lessened and we all grew up.

2 Discuss these questions.

- 1 Does the paragraph describe a short or long period of time?
- 2 What tense are the highlighted verbs? Do they describe events in the same order they happened, or a different order?
- 3 Find one more verb and underline it. What tense is it? What time does it refer to?
 - a) before the beginning of the story
 - b) before the other events described in this paragraph

► Grammar reference p.204 (19.5,19.7)

3

- 1 Read the end of the story, and complete the text with the verbs in brackets in the correct form: past simple, past continuous or past perfect. Don't use the past perfect unless it is absolutely necessary to make the order of events clear.

Many years later I was living with my own family in a different city. My husband and I had become very friendly with another family who had children of the same age as ours. One summer evening, we (1) sat (sit) together in the garden telling stories about pets we (2) had (have) in the past. Then Barry, the father of the other family, (3) announced (announce) that the Greatest Pet of All Time was his blue parakeet, Sweetie Pie.

'The best thing about Sweetie Pie,' he (4) explained (explain), 'was the way we got him. One day, when I was about eight, I (5) was standing (stand) outside my house. Then, out of a clear blue sky, a little blue parakeet just (6) flew (fly) down and (7) landed (land) on my finger.'

I was astounded. When I was finally able to speak, we (8) examined (examine) the evidence. The dates and the locations and the description of the bird all (9) matched (match) up. Apparently forty years before we had actually met, our two families (10) were (be) linked by Perky.

That night I (11) phoned (phone) my sister and said to her, 'You were right! Perky did find a new home!'

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2 Answer these questions.

- 1 What were the two families doing in the garden?
- 2 How had Barry found Sweetie Pie?
- 3 How did they know that Sweetie Pie was the same bird as Perky?

4

- 1 Work with a partner. Look at the picture on page 188. Make up a story to explain the events that led up to the situation shown in the picture.
- 2 Compare your story with the class.

Writing: story (Part 2)

About the exam: In Paper 2 of the exam you may be asked to write a short story. You may be given the first or last sentence.

A story should have:

- a good plot, with a dramatic, funny or unexpected ending
- linking words and time markers to show the order of events
- correct use of narrative tenses.

1 Complete the story below using sequencing expressions from the box. There are two expressions you do not need to use.

after as soon as at first before
after a while eventually finally later
secondly then while

I waited outside the house, feeling very nervous.
(1); a red car drew up in front of the house. (2) no one got out, but
(3) the driver's door opened and a woman stepped out onto the road. (4)
I saw her, I remembered her. She had been in the restaurant where I had last seen James three months (5)

The woman walked up to the front door of the house, making no attempt to hide. I thought about following her, but I decided that it would be better not to confront her. (6) she had gone into the house nothing happened for a few minutes, then I heard a shot and someone screamed.

I got out my mobile and phoned the police.
(7) I was waiting for them to arrive, I watched the house, but no one entered or left it.
(8) the police arrived and went into the house. They searched all over and (9) found James tied up in the cellar, alive and well. There was no trace of the woman.

2 A story should have three or four paragraphs and include the following four stages.

- ☐ background information
- ☐ first events and/or a problem
- ☐ final outcome
- ☐ later actions or results

Read the story again and number the stages in order.

3 Read the task below. Think of some ideas for the story. Ask and answer questions like these.

- | | |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Who is Emma? | 3 Where is she? |
| 2 What can she see? | 4 What did she do? |

You have been asked to write a story for your student magazine. The story must begin with the following words.

Emma could not believe what she saw in front of her.

4
1 Read the first part of a student's story below. Which of the four stages from Exercise 2 are included here?

Emma could not believe what she saw in front of her. She had been sitting in the classroom for the last two hours, not thinking about anything except finishing her history exam. Then suddenly, feeling that something in her surroundings was not right, she had raised her eyes from the exam paper. The classroom had completely disappeared ...

- 2** Discuss how the story could continue.
3 Which of these would be the best ending for the story? Why?

A

Emma left the classroom with her friends, went home and told her mother about the day.

B

Emma knew that after what she had been through, her life would never be the same again.

C

Two weeks later, Emma heard that she had passed her history exam and she felt very pleased with herself.

5 Now write your own story beginning with the same sentence. You should write between 120–180 words.

6 When you have finished, check your work.

Writing reference pp.206, 208, 215

1 Answer the following questions using a word you have learned in Unit 3.

- 1 What verb means to *see someone or something very quickly*?
- 2 Which phrasal verb means to *continue to do something*?
- 3 What is the noun from *nervous*?
- 4 What is the adverb that means *not in a steady way*?
- 5 What adjective beginning with *s* is used to describe a headache that is very bad?
- 6 What verb has the same meaning as *to look into the cause of something*?
- 7 What verb is used in the phrase *to ... someone a stare*?
- 8 What verb means *to fall over something*?

2 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using no more than five words, including the word given.

- 1 I found an old photograph of my sister the other day.
across
The other day an old photograph of my sister.
- 2 There's no point in going to Pete's house – he won't be in.
waste
It's going to Pete's house – he won't be in.
- 3 I couldn't see the car anywhere.
sign
There was the car.
- 4 It's very noisy – what's happening in here?
on
It's very noisy – what's in here?
- 5 I never discovered who had written the book.
out
I never who had written the book.
- 6 Mrs Stevens went up the path to the front door of the house.
made
Mrs Stevens up the path to the front door of the house.

3

1 Complete the following text. You have been given the first letter of each word.

A dictionary will give you information about how to write a word down – the (1) *s* – and how to say it – the (2) *p* It tells you whether the word is a (3) *n* , a (4) *v* or an adjective, and may also give you information about common (5) *p* that the word appears in. And, of course, it also tells you what the word (6) *m*

2 Look back through Unit 3 and choose three words that you didn't know before. Look them up in a dictionary and find out the information above.

4 Each of the following sentences has a mistake with grammar or vocabulary. Find the mistakes and correct them.

- 1 My brother has the same colour hair like me.
- 2 You look like unhappy – what's the matter?
- 3 How's the weather like where you are? Is it raining?
- 4 That outfit suits you – you look as a model or a film star!
- 5 I'm studying very hardly for the exams.
- 6 She spoke to him friendliily, and he felt better at once.
- 7 It was very freezing on the mountain top.
- 8 Your exam result was absolutely good.

5 Replace the incorrect linking expression in *italics* with a correct one.

- 1 He felt much better *while* he had solved the problem.
- 2 The weeks went by and *as soon as* I started to feel better.
- 3 He put down his suitcase for a minute and *secondly* he picked it up again and walked on.
- 4 *While* I phoned my sister, she was having a shower.
- 5 *Eventually* you get there, please phone and let me know.
- 6 I used my dictionary a lot *later* but now I try to guess what the words mean.
- 7 *At last* I got home, I found my friends had arrived.
- 8 *During* you were sleeping, something really exciting happened.

UNIT

4

Food for thought

Vocabulary 1: food

1 How much do you know about the food you eat? Match the sentence halves.

- 1 Milk and cheese f)
- 2 Potatoes, carrots and beetroot
- 3 Cheese, butter and oil
- 4 Fresh fruit and vegetables
- 5 Eggs and red meat
- 6 Rice, potatoes and bread
- 7 Nuts and dried beans
- 8 Proteins, fats and carbohydrates

- a) are rich in vitamin C.
- b) are high in cholesterol.
- c) are root vegetables.
- d) are good sources of protein for vegetarians.
- e) are all high in carbohydrates.
- f) are dairy products.
- g) are needed in a balanced diet.
- h) have a high proportion of fat.

2

1 Match the people to the speech bubbles.

I mostly eat fruit and raw vegetables. I don't touch meat or dairy products, and I only drink water – and champagne.

I eat lots of protein and carbohydrates to give me the strength and energy I need.



2 What sort of food should the following people eat? What should they avoid? Why?

- a) a pregnant woman
- b) an Arctic explorer
- c) someone with a cold
- d) a model

3 Is there any sort of food you don't like much, but eat because it is good for you?

Listening: sentence completion (Part 2)



1 Look at the photos and discuss these questions.

- 1 What job do you think the man does?
- 2 What can you guess about his lifestyle?

2 You will hear part of a radio programme about a young man who has become a celebrity because of his job.

- 1** First, look through the following gapped sentences to get a general idea of what the programme is about. What topics do you think will be discussed?

The well-known chef, Jamie Oliver, was brought up in **(1)** in the country.

Jamie started to help prepare meals at the age of **(2)**

In London, Jamie met his future wife, Jools, who was working as a **(3)**

Jamie appeared briefly in a **(4)** about The River Café in London where he was working.

The recipes in Jamie's first TV series were **(5)** but used good ingredients.

Jamie's food was popular because it matched the **(6)** of his trendy young audience.

Both Jamie's TV series and his **(7)** were very successful.

Jamie helped to prepare the food for the guests at his **(8)**

Jamie then opened his own restaurant and trained **(9)** and inexperienced teenagers.

Apart from cooking, Jamie enjoys playing the **(10)** in a band with his old schoolfriends.

- 2** Now look at the gaps in each sentence. Which gap(s) could be filled by:

- a number?
- a noun describing a place?
- a noun describing a job?
- an adjective describing food?
- the name of a musical instrument?

3

- 1** Listen and complete the sentences, using a word or short phrase.

- 2** Listen again to check and complete your answers.

TIP! You should write no more than 1–3 words for each answer. Write exactly what you hear: don't change the word/s in any way.

- 4** Discuss these questions.

- Do you enjoy cooking? What can you cook?
- Are cookery programmes popular in your country? With what age groups?
- What types of foreign food are popular in your country? What types do you like best?
- In many countries, the way people eat is changing. Why do you think this is happening? Is this true in your country?

Vocabulary 2: prepositions

- 1** Complete the following sentences using the correct preposition.

for to in on as of

- Jamie Oliver was responsible training a group of young teenagers.
- He's particularly interested helping disadvantaged young people.
- Jamie has made many appearances TV.
- He's still very close his parents and childhood friends.
- I don't know if I'd like to train a chef.
- Work the catering industry is hard and involves long hours.
- Success depends luck as well as talent.
- You need a talent cooking and a real interest good food.
- The idea of running a coffee bar or café quite appeals me.
- It would be hard work, but I'm not afraid that.

- 2** Tell a partner about:

- an activity that you
 - have a talent for
 - have lost interest in
 - doesn't appeal to you
 - never find time for.
- a job or profession that you would like to work in.
- someone you
 - are close to
 - are dependent on.
- something that you
 - are afraid of doing
 - are responsible for
 - takes up a lot of your time.
- a TV programme you would like to appear on.

Exam focus

Paper 1 Reading: multiple-choice questions (Part 1)

About the exam: In Paper 1, Part 1, you read a text and then answer eight four-option multiple-choice questions. These questions may test the main ideas, details, or the writer's opinion. For each question, you choose the correct answer, A, B, C or D.

Procedure

- 1 Read the introduction to the task. It will tell you where the text comes from and may say something about the main topic.
- 2 Read the title of the text and any subheading, and skim the text quickly. This will give you a general idea of what it is about.

- 3 Look at each stem but NOT the options and mark the part of the text it relates to.
- 4 Now read the text carefully. When you reach a part you have marked, look at the stem **and** the options, and decide on the correct answer. Make sure you have checked ALL the options before you make your decision.
- 5 Mark your answer on the question paper.
- 6 When you have completed all the questions, transfer your answers to the answer sheet.

1 You are going to read a magazine article about a man who studies the eating of insects. Follow step 2 of the suggested procedure.

- 1 Why does Peter think eating insects is a good thing?
- 2 How does his wife feel about it?

Tickle your taste buds

Peter Menzel thinks we are ignoring a tasty and nutritious source of food – insects.

First, take 30 to 40 live scorpions. Stir-fry in hot oil for 20 seconds. Add pork, ginger, salt and pepper. Cook gently for 40 minutes ... Not your average take-away, but a traditional dish in some parts of the world and one of the unusual recipes collected by photographer Peter Menzel and his wife, Faith, during a nine-year study of entomophagy, the eating of insects, which has taken them all over the globe.

'I remember as a child hearing a radio programme about people eating live grasshoppers,' says Peter, talking from their home in California. 'At the time I thought it was just unbelievable that people could actually eat things like that. But then I came across a magazine called the *Food Insect Newsletter* and I just became fascinated with insect eating and decided to find out more about it.'

He vividly remembers the first time he actually ate insects himself. 'It was in a village in a very remote region. There were all these people on top of a mountain who were hunting stink bugs. I walked up to a group of women who were mashing them up ready to cook them – but some of the women were eating them live, and they offered me one. I knew that I couldn't refuse, or they would have been terribly offended. But it was revolting. First it tried to crawl across my tongue and out of my mouth, so I had to crunch down on it so it didn't get

away, and it exploded. The taste made me feel sick but there were all these people watching me so I had to swallow it.'

After that it got easier and Peter gradually became a

- line 29
30 connoisseur. One dish he recommends from personal experience is roast tarantula spider. 'It's the world's largest spider, it's bigger than your hand. You roast it, and it has juicy white meat inside, like a crab. And there's actually very little difference between them,
35 except one of them lives in water and one on land.'



2 Look at the questions and follow steps 3–5 of the suggested procedure. Choose the answer (A, B, C or D) which you think fits best according to the text.

- 1 Peter and Faith have travelled round the world in order to
 - A do research into people's eating habits.
 - B learn how to cook scorpions.
 - C take photographs of unusual insects.
 - D write a book of traditional recipes.
- 2 When Peter read about insect eating, he decided the idea sounded
 - A shocking.
 - B strange.
 - C interesting.
 - D unpleasant.

His wife, Faith, is still far from happy about insect eating. 'I'm the reluctant bug-eater here,' she says. 'I know it makes sense in environmental terms, but I just don't like the thought of it. I suppose here in the USA we've stopped thinking about where our food actually comes from – we just go along to the supermarket and buy something in a packet.'

'People have asked me why I do this,' says Peter. 'Well, the food we eat is a very basic part of our culture, and when we share others' food I think we gain more understanding of their culture. But as well as that, it helps us to examine our own attitudes towards what we eat. In fact, many species of insects are lower in fat, and higher in protein than beef or chicken. And raising insects is environmentally friendly – you don't need to destroy any wildlife habitat to do it.'

So what's on the menu for lunch today for Peter and Faith? 'Well, I've got a couple of kilos of dried worms,' says Peter. 'We could make a nice little casserole with spices and onions.' 'Oh no,' says Faith, interrupting. 'I'll tell you exactly what we're having. We're going to have a very nice pasta with sun-dried tomatoes and a fresh salad – and no bugs in it.'



Adapted from *THE INDEPENDENT*

stink bug: an insect which gives off a strong and unpleasant smell

- 3 Why did Peter accept a stink bug from the women on the mountain?
 - A He did not want to be impolite.
 - B He did not realise they wanted him to eat it.
 - C He thought it had been cooked.
 - D He did not know what it was.
- 4 Peter bit into the stink bug because he wanted to
 - A stop it stinging him.
 - B prevent it from escaping.
 - C swallow it.
 - D taste it.
- 5 What does 'it' refer to in line 29?
 - A biting stink bugs
 - B enjoying stink bugs
 - C eating insects
 - D cooking insects
- 6 Peter says that the tarantula spider is
 - A similar in taste to a type of seafood.
 - B the most delicious insect he has eaten.
 - C not very different in taste from other types of insect.
 - D only good to eat if it is carefully cooked.
- 7 Faith says that although she isn't enthusiastic about eating insects, she
 - A is prepared to try anything to protect the environment.
 - B is aware that there are good reasons for eating them.
 - C will eat them if she knows where they come from.
 - D would buy them if she saw them in the supermarket.
- 8 Peter says that one advantage of his work is that he has
 - A become more aware of environmental problems.
 - B learned more about what makes food healthy.
 - C discovered new sources of food.
 - D found out about other ways of life.

3 Which of the following statements do you agree or disagree with? Give reasons and examples.

- 1 I would definitely eat insects if I was very hungry.
- 2 People have a lot of unreasonable prejudices about food.
- 3 If we thought about where some of our food came from, we might not want to eat it.

Grammar 1: countable and uncountable nouns

1 Put the nouns below into four groups:

a) countable b) uncountable c) countable or uncountable d) always plural

accommodation advice aerobics book
chocolate clothes food fruit
information knife luggage maths
meal news plate police
potato progress scissors series
spider traffic transport trousers

2 Read the following pairs of sentences.

Which of the highlighted nouns are countable and which are uncountable? What is the meaning in each case?

- 1 a) I've got a **stone** in my shoe – I'll have to stop.
b) Our house is built of local **stone**.
- 2 a) She's had her **hair** dyed bright pink.
b) Look! I've found a **hair** in my coffee.
- 3 a) I don't really like living in the **country**.
b) I'd like to try living in another **country**.
- 4 a) There's not much **space** in the boot.
b) There's a **space** between those two cars to park.
- 5 a) I forgot to buy a **paper** today – I'll have to watch the news on TV.
b) Have you got any **paper** to write on?
- 6 a) Spinach is full of **iron**.
b) Have you got an **iron** so I can iron my shirt?

3 Find the mistakes in the following sentences and correct them.

- 1 Please leave your luggages at Reception.
- 2 This scissor isn't very sharp.
- 3 The police has been informed about the break-in.
- 4 Maths are my least favourite subject.
- 5 The trouser I bought last week doesn't fit.
- 6 Can you give me some informations about train times?
- 7 The news about the election aren't very good.
- 8 I need an advice about how to cook rice.
- 9 Traffics in the city have increased a lot.
- 10 They made several series of *Friends* but the very first series were the best.

► Grammar reference p.195

4 Complete the table below using the highlighted expressions of quantity in these sentences.

- 1 I didn't do **much** homework last night.
- 2 I have **lots of** aunts and uncles.
- 3 **No** members of my family are teachers.
- 4 I drink **very little** coffee.
- 5 I have **hardly** seen **any** films this year.
- 6 I did **some** shopping last week.
- 7 I have **a little** money in my pocket.

+ uncountable nouns

+ plural countable nouns

a lot of/lots of/much

a lot of/...../many

.....

a few

.....

some

.....

not many

.....

very few

hardly any

.....

not any/no

not any/.....

► Grammar reference p.196 (6.7)

5

- 1 Tick any sentences in Exercise 4.1 that are true for you. If a sentence is not true, make it true by using another expression from the table.
- 2 Compare your answers with a partner. Stress any information that you change.

Example: Number one isn't true for me – I did **a lot** of homework last night. How about you?

Watch Out! few and little

Match the sentence halves.

- 1 He knew very few people in the room
He knew a few people in the room
a) so he felt all right. b) so he felt a bit nervous.
- 2 We've got very little money left
I've got a little money left
c) so let's have a meal. d) so we can't afford a meal.

What is the difference in meaning between *few/a few* and *little/a little*?

Use of English: open cloze (Part 2)

1 Discuss these questions.

- How many people in the class have a bottle of water with them now?
- Why do people buy bottled water?

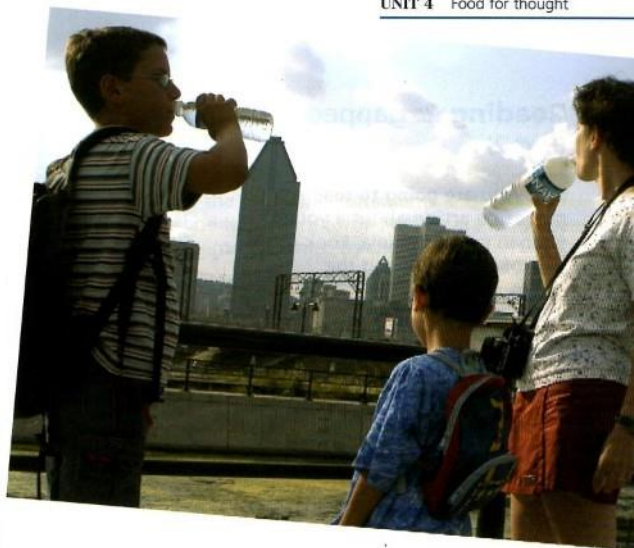
2 Read the title and the text below to get a general idea of what it is about. How does it answer question 2 above?

DESIGNER WATER – The New Accessory

Many tourists nowadays walk around carrying plastic bottles (0) ...*of*... water, even in cities. The bottles seem to (1) become an important fashion accessory, and not just for tourists. Nowadays everyone seems to carry a bottle of water with (2) wherever they go. This fashion for being seen with bottled water, sometimes called 'designer water', (3) led to a massive increase (4) sales over the past few years. There are now (5) many different brand names available in the shops that it is hard to choose.

But (6) do some people prefer their water from a bottle rather than a tap? To start with, water forms (7) vital part of a healthy lifestyle. We are now advised to drink two litres of water daily, as (8) as eating large quantities of fruit and vegetables. In addition (9) this, designer water offers the promise of purity. (10) is advertised as clean and natural, while tap water may be viewed (11) suspicion.

But is there really any difference between bottled and tap water? Surprisingly, in (12) USA it was found that bottled water was not always as pure as most ordinary tap water.



3 You have to complete the gaps in the text with one word. The words are usually grammatical. First, look at the following sets of words and match them with the grammatical labels a)–h) below.

Example: Group 1 are all expressions of quantity.

- any few little many no some*
- a an one the*
- it them they you*
- what where which who why*
- as less more than*
- anyone anything everything everywhere whatever whoever*
- am is are was were has have had being having*
- at for from in with of on to with*

- articles/numbers
- auxiliary verbs
- comparatives
- expressions of quantity
- indefinite pronouns
- personal pronouns
- prepositions
- relative pronouns/question words

4 Read the text again and think of the word which best fits each gap. Use only **one** word in each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0). You will find most of the words you need in Exercise 3.

TIP! You will find it easier to do an open cloze if you think about what type of word is missing.

Reading 2: gapped text (Part 2)

1 You are going to read a magazine article about a young woman called Daniela. Look at the title of the article and the photograph.

- Where do you think Daniela is?
- Why is she there?
- How do you think she is feeling?

2 Now read the main part of the article to check your ideas.

3 Seven sentences have been removed from the article. Choose from the sentences A–H the one which best fits each gap (1–7). There is one extra sentence which you do not need to use.

TIP! Read each paragraph carefully and try to predict what is missing in the gap. Look for topic and lexical links in the extracted sentences.

- Look at gap 1. Then look through the sentences in the box. The highlighted phrases may:
 - summarise information that has already been mentioned in the text **or**
 - be linked to the topic of the paragraph they come from.

Which sentence fits gap 1?

- Do the rest of the task, using the highlighted words to help you.

I can't go out

Two years ago, when I was 17, I started feeling dizzy all the time and getting red spots all over my body. My doctor didn't know what was causing them, so I went to see another, then another. Finally I saw a specialist, who explained that I was severely allergic to many of the chemicals found in everyday things like clothes, food and make-up. The only treatment was to cut these chemicals out of my life completely.

To do this, the specialist said I had to live in isolation in a special room until I got better. **1** My parents converted a small room for me at the top of our house, and I moved in straightaway.

The room is very plain – I can't even have paint on the walls because the chemicals in it are too dangerous for me. I sleep on two blankets made of special material which **2** hasn't been treated with chemicals – I can't use a mattress or a proper bed.

I have to be careful about what I eat too. My diet now consists of cereal, cabbage and beetroot, all cooked for an hour to make sure they don't contain any harmful substances. The only thing I can drink is spring water. **3** I really miss things like pizza and pasta and chocolate.

There's not really a lot I can do to pass the time. I can't have a TV or a computer, or a radio. **4** I'm not supposed to use the telephone for the same reason, but that's one rule I do break. I wrap the phone in a thick towel so I'm not directly in contact with it, then I call my old school friends once a day for a chat. That way I can keep in touch with the outside world, the latest news, music and fashions.

5 But I do miss having someone I can hug and be close to.

I can have visitors, but it's a very complicated process. Anyone who visits me has to make sure that for three days before they come, they don't use any soap, shampoo, or perfume. When they get to my house, they have to put on special clothes made out of material that hasn't been treated with chemicals. **6**

I've been living like this for two years now. Sometimes it makes me feel depressed, but I just try to think about the future and living a normal life one day. Fortunately I finished my school examinations before I got ill. **7** I'd also like a husband and children. But first I have to get better – and I'm determined I'm going to!



- A I talk to my ex-boyfriend too, and we're still really good friends even though our relationship had to change when I moved into isolation.
- B This means that if I get better I can **have a career** one day, maybe as a teacher.
- C **The floor** is covered with special tiles made of stone, which is one of the few materials my body can tolerate.
- D I'm allergic to the plastic in **electronic equipment** like this, and even to the ink in books.
- E I was horrified by **the news**, but I realised I loved life too much to give up.
- F As well as this, I've always been **interested in** fashion; before I got ill, I even did some modelling.
- G And even after all **these precautions** they can't stay for more than an hour because I start to get allergic to them if they're near me for too long.
- H If I have **anything else**, I get terrible stomach cramps.

4 What would you miss most if you were in Daniela's situation?

5 Imagine that a cure has been found for Daniela and she is able to leave her room. Make a plan for her first day out in the normal world. Think about:

- where you would take her
- the sort of food you would have
- what you would do together.

Grammar 2: future forms

1

- 1 Look at the following statements and underline the future forms. Which are made by the patient and which by the doctor?



Example: 1 – patient

- 1 By the end of this week, I'll have been in hospital for a month.
- 2 I'm going to get better – I'm determined!
- 3 I think this new type of treatment will cure you.
- 4 They told me about a new type of treatment. Immediately I said, 'I'll try it!'
- 5 I begin my treatment next Monday.
- 6 I think the treatment's going to work – you're looking better already.
- 7 I'm leaving hospital tomorrow.
- 8 I hope that by this time next year, I'll be living a completely normal life.

- 2 When do we use the different future forms?

► Grammar reference p.204 (19.8)

2 In each of the following sentences one future form is possible and one is not. Cross out the incorrect form.

- 1 This time next week ~~we'll just be arriving~~ / ~~we'll just arrive~~ in America!
- 2 Be careful or that glass ~~will break~~ / ~~is breaking~~.
- 3 ~~I'm going to apply~~ / ~~I will apply~~ for an evening job as a waitress.
- 4 As you can see from the satellite pictures, ~~it will rain~~ / ~~it is raining~~ in all parts of the country later this afternoon.
- 5 OK, well if you're getting a pizza, ~~I'll have~~ / ~~I'll be having~~ one too.
- 6 When ~~are you finishing~~ / ~~will you have finished~~ on the computer? I want to use it.



3 Complete the following dialogues using only the future forms given in brackets. Then listen to check your answers.

1 (present continuous/will)

A: (1) (you/go) to the meeting in London tomorrow too?

B: Yes. How are you getting there?

A: By car. I (2) (give) you a lift, if you like. I (3) (leave) quite early though – at eight o'clock. Is that OK?

B: Yes, that's great. Thanks very much. I

(4) (be) ready.

2 (going to/present simple)

A: What (1) (you/do) for your birthday? It (2) (be) a week this Saturday, isn't it?

B: Yes. Jack (3) (be) due back from L.A. that day – his plane (4) (land) at 6.00 p.m. so we (5) (not/have) a party, just a quiet meal together.

3 (future perfect/future continuous)

A: We need to talk tomorrow – but I (1) (not go) into the office at all. You'll have to call me on my mobile.

B: OK. How about twelve o'clock?

A: Let's see – I (2) (do) my factory tour by then but after that there's a meeting. I don't think (3) (finish) by 12. Better make it one o'clock.

B: (4) (you/not have) lunch then?

A: Probably, but it doesn't matter.

4

1 Draw five bubbles like the one below. In each bubble, write notes on one of the following.

- something you're definitely going to do some time this week
- something you're doing tonight
- something you'll probably have done by this time next year
- what you'll probably be doing this time tomorrow

Example:

learned to drive

2 Work with a partner. Try to guess what the notes in your partner's bubbles refer to.

Example:

A: I think you'll probably have learned to drive by this time next year?

B: Right.

Vocabulary 3: body and health

1 Add one letter to the beginning and end of each word below to make a part of the body.

- 1 ..hroa..
- 2 ..nkl..
- 3 ..ris..
- 4 ..hee..
- 5 ..tomac..
- 6 ..hig..
- 7 ..ear..
- 8 ..hum..
- 9 ..inge..
- 10 ..ne..
- 11 ..lbo..
- 12 ..orehea..
- 13 ..out..
- 14 ..yebro..
- 15 ..houlde..



2 Which of the parts of the body below can you:

- | | |
|---------|-----------|
| 1 bend | 5 nod |
| 2 cross | 6 clench |
| 3 raise | 7 stretch |
| 4 shrug | |

arms back eyebrows feet hands head legs
shoulders teeth fist

Example: You can bend your arms and your legs.

3 Which movement would you make in these situations?

- 1 when you wake up
- 2 when you're tired
- 3 when you're doing exercise
- 4 when you're angry
- 5 when someone's trying to shoot you
- 6 when you agree with someone
- 7 when you don't care
- 8 after you sit down
- 9 when you're gardening
- 10 when you don't believe something

Example: When I wake up, I open my eyes and stretch my arms.

4 Complete the following idioms with the correct part of the body. Discuss their meanings with a partner.

- 1 I didn't say that at all – *you're putting words in my*!
- 2 He always tries to do the best for others – *his* *is in the right place.*
- 3 I prefer chocolate and biscuits to fruit – *I've got a really sweet*
- 4 He gave up work last year so he has plenty of *time on his*
- 5 You should work harder – you really need to *put your* *into it!*

5 Choose the correct alternative in each set. Only one is correct.

- 1 The doctor gave me a *receipt / prescription / recipe* for some painkillers.
- 2 There were a lot of people waiting in the doctor's *surgery / ward / pharmacy.*
- 3 It's quite a deep cut, but if you keep it clean it should *heal / recover / cure* quickly.
- 4 You feel quite hot – I think I need to take your *fever / heat / temperature.*
- 5 If you go on holiday abroad, you may need to have some *injections / needles / incisions* before you go.
- 6 When you catch a cold, you often have a very *rough / sore / injured* throat.
- 7 I did a lot of exercise and afterwards I had a *hurt / pain / sore* in my leg.
- 8 If you exercise without warming up first, you can *damage / wound / hurt* yourself.
- 9 If you keep fit, then you can get *over / by / out* illness more quickly.
- 10 Fortunately, I didn't break any bones when I fell, but I was badly *banged / damaged / bruised.*

6 Discuss with a partner.

- 1 When was the last time you were ill or had an accident? What happened? How did you feel? How long did it take you to recover?
- 2 Think of a person you know who is very fit and healthy for their age. How do they manage to stay that way?

Speaking: advantages and disadvantages (Parts 3 and 4)

1

1 Someone has suggested that a coffee machine should be installed in your classroom. Listen to some students discussing the suggestion and complete the sentences.

- 1 I think it's a I like coffee.
- 2 But one is the cost. Coffee machines are expensive, aren't they?
- 3 And think about the mess, with paper cups everywhere. That might be a
- 4 But coffee wakes you up. So being able to get a coffee when you are tired is a big
- 5 And another is that it will make the classroom feel more sociable.
- 6 I think the main is that it would encourage people to drink too much coffee. That isn't good for you.

2 Now complete the table using the words you wrote.

Positive	Negative
<i>a good idea</i>
.....
.....
.....

3 What is your opinion?

2 Work with a partner. Look at page 181 and do the Speaking task.

3 Compare your decision with the class. How many students chose the same idea?

4 Discuss the following questions, which extend the topic you discussed in Exercise 2.

- 1 Do you enjoy keeping fit? Why?/Why not?
- 2 What do you think is the best way to keep fit?
- 3 Do you think that people have become too lazy nowadays?
- 4 Do you think we rely too much on cars? What are the advantages and disadvantages of this?
- 5 How much do you think your health depends on the food you eat?

Writing: article (Part 2)

About the exam: In Paper 2, you may be asked to write an article. You will always be given information about who the article is for. This is important because it tells you what style of writing to use.

A good article should have:

- a title. You have to make this up. It should be interesting and catch the reader's attention. Do NOT just copy out the task.
- an introductory paragraph linked to the title. This should make the reader interested in the topic. One way to do this is to begin with a question.
- one (or two) central paragraph/s that develop your main points.
- a final paragraph that summarises the main points and gives your opinion.

1 Look at the writing task below. The key words have been underlined for you. Answer the following questions.

- Who will be reading your article?
a) older people b) doctors c) younger people
- What style would be most suitable?
a) very formal b) neutral c) informal

You have seen the following advertisement in a young people's magazine.

*The young people of today
are likely to live
longer and be healthier
than any other generation.*

Why do you think that is?

Write us an article answering this question.
The best article will be published next month.

Write your article in 120–180 words.

2 Read the first and last paragraphs of one student's article below. Then choose the best title from this list and write it above the first paragraph.

- A Young people today
B Healthier than ever before!
C How to be healthy

Why do the older generation complain that we young people eat the wrong food, take no exercise, and don't look after our bodies? In fact, nothing could be further from the truth.

Better education, more nourishing food, more intensive and varied exercise, medical advances – no wonder we're going to be the healthiest generation ever!

3

1 The last paragraph above summarises what the writer has discussed in the previous paragraph. The writer gives four reasons why young people are healthy. Write them here:

-
-
-
-

2 Why do these four things make people healthy? Discuss your ideas and make notes.

Example:

- 1 better education – learn how body works in
Biology lessons – can help us avoid illness

4 Now write the whole article, using the first and last paragraphs given. Your middle paragraph or paragraphs should have 70–120 words.

5 When you have finished, check your work.

▶ Writing reference pp.206, 211

1 Complete the text below using words from the box in the correct form. Use each word once only. There are two extra words you do not need to use.

experts transport information product
progress research traffic produce
climate health book

Where does our food come from?

Nowadays you can buy tropical fruit like lychees and mangoes all over the world. Many recipe (1) give useful (2) on how to prepare and serve it. However, imported (3) is much more expensive than locally grown food due to the high cost of air (4) Now scientists are carrying out (5) to see if they can genetically modify tropical fruit so that it can grow in cooler (6) They have already made (7) towards achieving this. But some (8) think that genetically modified food could be dangerous to our (9)

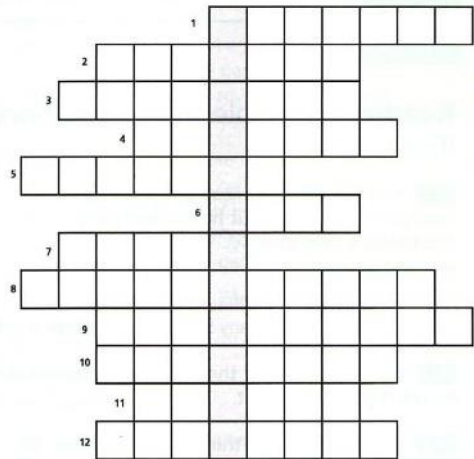
2 Write a list of five of your favourite foods. Then compare your list with a partner and discuss these questions.

- How many of these foods are grown or produced in your own country? Do you know which part of the country they come from?
- How many of these foods are imported? Do you know which countries they come from?

3 Each of the following sentences has one mistake. Correct the mistake by adding a word, taking a word away or changing a word.

- I don't like riding my bike when there is too much of heavy traffic.
- When I finish college, I going to apply for a job in a hospital.
- I be graduating this time next year.
- There were lot of insects in the garden.
- That was good advices you gave me about how to cook vegetables.
- I'm meeting to my friend for lunch on Saturday.
- They will had arrived in Australia by midday tomorrow.
- Not many of people know the answer to that question.
- By the end of next year I have completed my medical course.
- We've got hardly any of food left.

4 Complete the word tree.



CLUE

This is found in bread, pasta and rice. It gives you energy.

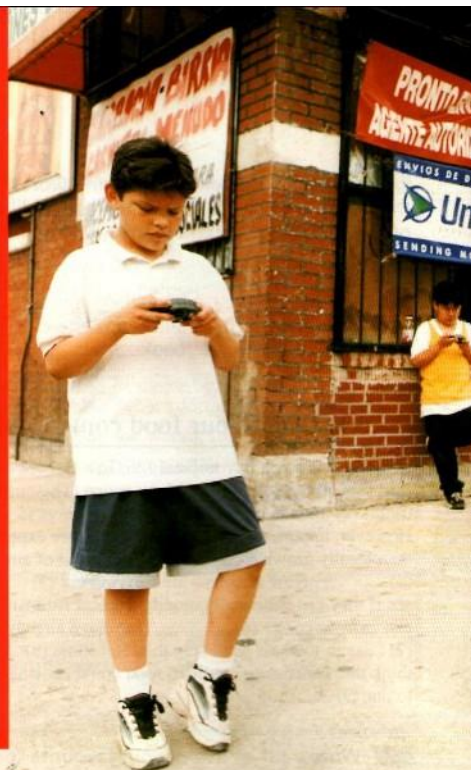
- This is the process of preparing food using heat.
- Citrus fruits like oranges and lemons are good sources of C.
- Some people are to the chemicals in our environment.
- This is the natural environment where an animal or a plant lives.
- You should chew your food thoroughly before you
- Foods that are in cholesterol are bad for the heart.
- Milk and cheese are examples of products.
- The main of jam are fruit and sugar.
- Insects are a highly source of food.
- As a result of medical, many diseases are now curable.
- This vegetable is used to make chips and crisps.
- If you want to work in the industry, you have to be ready to put in very long hours.

UNIT 5

Material world

Reading: multiple-choice questions (Part 1)

- 1 You are going to read an extract from a newspaper article about how a company marketed a new product. First, read the title and introduction.
- 1 What do you think *alpha pups* are?
- 2 Why might the company be interested in *alpha pups*?
- 2 Now read quickly through the whole article to see if you were right.
- 3 Discuss what you think is the best way to approach the task type in Exercise 4. If necessary, look back at the suggested procedure on page 44.



HERE COME THE ALPHA PUPS

A company develops a video game about an alien virus. How do they make kids want it? The answer is easy: they give it to the coolest kids they can find.

Leading toy company Hasbro spent several years developing a new video game about an alien virus. The obvious way to market a game of this type would be to organise a huge advertising campaign. But Hasbro thought of another possibility: to give free copies of the game to the coolest kids they could find, and let them do the marketing instead.

So Hasbro's market researchers went into playgrounds across Chicago looking for what they call 'alpha pups', the young boys who set the trends in fashion among others of their age. They went up to boys between the ages of eight and thirteen and asked them all the same question: 'Who's the coolest kid you know?' They didn't bother to ask the girls, who seem to define coolness in a different way from the boys.

When the researchers were given a name, they would look for that boy and put the same question to him. Their goal was to go up the 'ladder of coolness', asking the same question again and again until

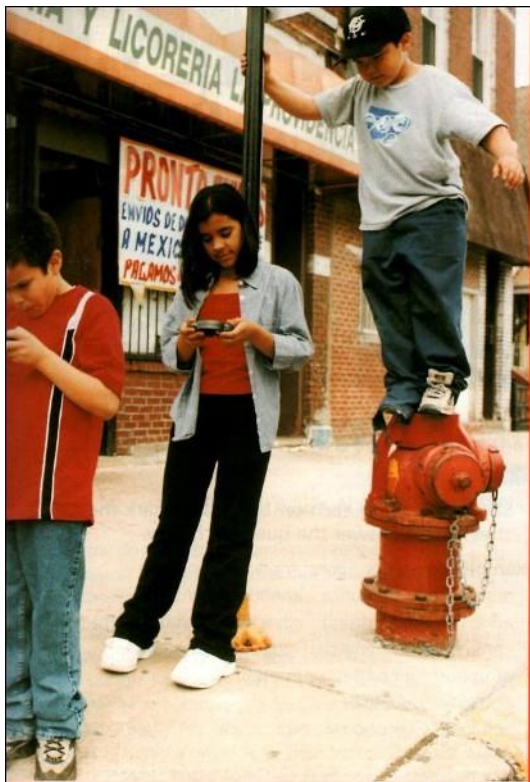
someone finally answered, 'Me'. They then had an alpha pup – the coolest kid in the school. line 20

In a very short time, the researchers had questioned students in most of the schools in the city and identified the alpha pups among them. They then made them an offer that sounded too good to be true – the firm would pay them \$30 to learn to play a new video game.

One of the alpha pups they chose was Angel Franco, an enthusiastic player of video games. He was invited to the Hasbro office building near the town centre, where he and several others were taken into a special conference room. Unknown to any of the boys, market researchers from Hasbro were sitting behind a one-way mirror in the next room, secretly watching their reactions.

The leader of the session, a casually dressed young man called Nino, introduced the game, explaining, 'We chose you because you're the coolest, funniest guys in your school. Raise your hands if you're cool.' Every hand shot up. Then Nino revealed what was special about the game – a radio transmitter which allowed a player to compete against any other player within 10 metres.

'Let's say you're at school waiting to go into class, and your friend has one,' Nino said. 'You could be in one room and he could be in another room and you could be battling ... and no one else would know you were playing one another.'



The boys were immediately enthusiastic.

'This game is great!'

'This is the best game ever!'

- 50 The adults behind the mirror were excited too.
'Get the name of the kid who said it's the best game ever,' one publicist said to another.

After they had learned to play the game, Nino gave each alpha pup a backpack containing the radio unit and ten copies of the game to pass on to his friends. Angel took four copies of the game into school the next day, and when he took them out in the cafeteria and handed them out to his friends, they – and the other less fortunate students – were immediately impressed. They started playing straightaway without looking at the instructions – the classic boys' approach to video games and computers.

65 The manufacturers said the game was not meant to be used at school, but unofficially, everyone knew better. Within a few weeks it was being played on the school bus, in the halls, and in class in 900 of the 1,400 schools in Chicago.

70 In the meantime, the search for the next great game begins at Hasbro with a brainstorming session in which designers and marketers sit around a table and say repeatedly, 'Wouldn't it be cool if ...'

4 Choose the answer (A, B, C or D) which you think fits best according to the text.

- 1 After developing a new video game, Hasbro needed to decide
 - A when the game should be put on the market.
 - B what sort of people the game would attract.
 - C who should design the advertising campaign.
 - D how they could interest young people in the game.
- 2 The Hasbro researchers were looking for boys who
 - A were born or living in a certain area.
 - B were successful in school lessons.
 - C were admired by their fellow students.
 - D were known by a lot of people.
- 3 'They' in line 20 refers to
 - A the alpha pups.
 - B the schools.
 - C the researchers.
 - D the students.
- 4 When they went to the Hasbro building, the boys
 - A were invited to meet the researchers.
 - B were not told they were being observed.
 - C were asked to choose someone as their leader.
 - D were not all allowed to play the game.
- 5 The boys were enthusiastic about the new game because they could
 - A play it at the same time as their friends.
 - B play against an opponent who was somewhere else.
 - C play and listen to the radio at the same time.
 - D attack an opponent unexpectedly.
- 6 The boys were provided with copies of the game
 - A so that they could involve other boys.
 - B to thank them for coming to the session.
 - C so that they could give them to their schools.
 - D to check that the instructions were clear.
- 7 The phrase 'everyone knew better' (lines 65–66) suggests everyone was aware that
 - A children would play the game in school.
 - B the game had an educational purpose.
 - C the game would be accepted by schools.
 - D children would miss school to play the game.
- 8 Overall, the writer suggests that the project involving the alpha pups
 - A developed in an unexpected way.
 - B depended on the interest of just one student.
 - C resulted in the spread of illegal copies of the game.
 - D was a very successful marketing exercise.

5 What do you think are the advantages and disadvantages of this method of marketing a) for Angel and his friends b) for the company?



Speaking 1: advertising

1 Look at the pictures above. What different methods of advertising do they show? Which do you think is the most effective?

2 Discuss these questions.

- How do you usually learn about new products and services?
- What is your favourite advert at the moment? Why do you like it?
- Can you think of an advert that you don't like?
- Do you think direct marketing of products to children is acceptable?
- Have you ever bought anything just because you saw an advert for it? Were you pleased with it or not?

2

1 Say the words in each set aloud and mark the stress. Then answer the question below.

Example: consumer consumption consume

- announcer announce announcement
- advertiser advertising advertise advertisement
- commerce commercial commercialisation
- promoter promote promotion
- publicity publicize
- economics economy economical

In which sets of words does the stressed syllable change?



2 Listen and check your answers.

Vocabulary 1: consumer society

1 Choose the correct alternative in each of the following sentences.

- More and more people live in a *customer* / *consumer* society.
- The streets of our cities are full of *advertisements* / *propaganda*.
- Television programmes are regularly interrupted by *commercials* / *announcements*.
- In some fashion magazines there is more *publicity* / *advertising* than there are articles.
- A large company either has its own *marketing* / *selling* department or uses an advertising agency / office.
- The *launch* / *take off* of an advertising campaign / attack for a new luxury product is often accompanied by massive *fame* / *publicity*.
- Big stores often have special *promotions* / *publicity* or offer big *discounts* / *rebates* on certain products.
- Products with well-known *logos* / *brands* are very popular.

3 Complete the following sentences using words from Exercises 1 and 2 in the correct form.

- The C..... of ready-prepared meals has increased dramatically in the UK.
- Companies are always looking for new m..... for their products.
- Large department stores often give away free samples when they are p..... a new range of make-up or toiletries.
- The government has l..... a massive publicity c..... against smoking.
- It is not permitted to a..... cigarettes on TV.
- Many well-known celebrities have c..... against experiments on animals.

4 Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of the consumer society.

Example: One advantage is that there is plenty of choice – for example, you can buy 20 different types of coffee in the shops.

Use of English 1: multiple-choice cloze (Part 1)

1 Read the text below quickly. Don't try to fill in the gaps yet. Is the text describing:

- a) the dangers of brand names?
- b) the good points about brand names?
- c) both the dangers and the good points?

2 Read the text carefully and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

ARE BRAND NAMES WORTH IT?

How do famous companies get people to spend a (0) on brand names? To find the answer, just observe children in any school playground.

Hannah is a (1) nine-year-old student at an English primary school. She's not quite sure what a brand actually is, but she's sure of what she wants. As part of a new sales (2), all the students in her class have been given a free bag with the Nike (3) on it. Hannah hasn't really (4) the connection yet, or asked for Nike trainers, but it's only a question of time before she does. But is it right that companies should (5) such young children for their promotional activities?

Brand names seem to have (6) over us because they allow us to (7) with a particular group of people. A brand name has a certain (8) It suggests that we're able to afford this product – and most of us like to (9) off what we can afford. Some people also believe that brand names provide a (10) of quality. So a brand has to provide this quality, (11) people will eventually stop buying it.

So only time will (12) whether it's really worthwhile paying extra money for a brand name. Meanwhile, Hannah is delighted with her free Nike bag.

- | | | | |
|----------------|--------------|------------|--------------|
| 0 A fortune | B treasure | C deal | D load |
| 1 A similar | B typical | C uniform | D regular |
| 2 A battle | B campaign | C attack | D propaganda |
| 3 A diagram | B mark | C picture | D logo |
| 4 A made | B taken | C done | D put |
| 5 A target | B aim | C focus | D point |
| 6 A rule | B meaning | C power | D force |
| 7 A identify | B indicate | C sign | D point |
| 8 A invention | B impression | C portrait | D image |
| 9 A present | B show | C carry | D wear |
| 10 A guarantee | B bond | C security | D receipt |
| 11 A since | B or | C but | D however |
| 12 A say | B speak | C tell | D state |

Listening 1: radio adverts

1 You will hear three radio adverts. Listen and tick which of these products each one is advertising.

- | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------|
| a) shampoo and conditioner | c) make-up |
| b) penknife | d) digital camera |
| | e) digital radio |

2 Listen again and tick the things that are mentioned for each product.

	1	2	3
Who could use it			
What it can do			
Effect of the product			
Size			
Convenience			
Price			

3 Which advert did you think was the most effective? Which one would influence you the most? Why?

4 Listen again and tick the phrases used to persuade people to buy the products.

You'll never again be without something to ...
It's the best one ever!
You'll wonder how you ever managed without it.
Take advantage of our special discount.
You've never seen anything like it!
This offer won't last long.
Why wait for that perfect appearance?
You won't regret it.
A price that suits your pocket.
Pop in to see our wide selection.

Vocabulary 2: describing objects

1

1 Match the adjectives and adverbs on the left with the nouns on the right to make collocations. There may be more than one possible combination.

- | | |
|-----------------|---------------|
| 1 incredibly | a) control |
| 2 wide | b) compact |
| 3 special | c) sample |
| 4 total | d) selection |
| 5 revolutionary | e) discount |
| 6 amazing | f) appearance |
| 7 perfect | g) price |
| 8 free | h) product |

2 Now complete the following sentences using the collocations.

- It's light, and fits easily in your pocket.
- Pop in and see our of handy penknives today.
- Take advantage of our – it's 10% off today.
- You'll have over unruly hair from now on.
- We're giving away a of this revolutionary product for you to try.
- We can offer you a digital radio at the of only £50.

2

1 Complete the highlighted phrases with the correct preposition or particle.

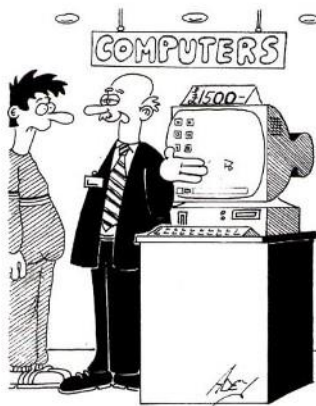
- It's perfect a businessman or businesswoman.
- It's very convenient people who want a meal quickly.
- It comes handy people going on a picnic.
- It would be ideal a special birthday gift for a friend.
- It's useful students who have to do a lot of coursework in different places.
- It's designed make life easier for people who lead busy lives.
- It's just what you need help you to learn English.

2 Work with a partner. Which of the following items could the sentences above be describing?

- | | |
|-----------------------|----------------------|
| a) a briefcase | d) a microwave |
| b) a penknife | e) a dishwasher |
| c) a pair of earrings | f) a laptop computer |

Speaking 2: product presentation

1 Discuss what skills and qualities you need to be an effective sales person.



“...And another amazing feature of this model - it'll beep on the 27th of each month to tell you your payment's due.”

2 Work with a partner. You are going to prepare a short advertisement for the radio.

1 Choose an object to sell and prepare a two-minute presentation. Think about:

- the advantages of the product
- the appearance
- what it can do
- how you can persuade people to buy it.

Look back at Listening 1 and Vocabulary 2 for ideas.

2 Give your presentation to the class. Which presentations were most effective in selling the product?

Grammar 1: indirect speech

1

1 Read Conversation 1. Then complete Conversation 2 below using indirect speech.

1

- A: I like your trainers, Kate. Are they new?
 B: Yes, they are. I only bought them last week.
 A: Where did you get them?
 B: I saw them advertised on TV, then I found them in that new shop, Drum, in town.
 A: I want to get a pair for myself. Where's the shop?
 B: It's not far from the bus station. I'm going into town tomorrow afternoon. I'll take you there if you like.
 A: I can't tomorrow, I've got something on.
 B: OK, what about the weekend instead?
 A: That'd be great. Thanks.

2

- B: I'm going shopping with Jack on Saturday.
 C: Oh yes? How come?
 B: Well, he said (1) *he liked* my new trainers and wanted to know where I (2) them. I told him that I (3) them advertised on TV and then (4) them in that new shop, Drum, in town. He said (5) to get a pair too and (6) me (7) the shop (8) I told (9) into town the (10) afternoon and said I (11) him there. But he said (12) go then, so I suggested the weekend instead and he said yes!

2 Compare your answers with a partner. What sort of changes did you have to make to the original words?

► Grammar reference p.199 (12.1-3)

2 Find and correct the mistakes in the following indirect statements and questions.

Example: Tom wanted to know when ~~we were~~ ^{we were} going to arrive.

- Jane asked her mother could she borrow the car.
- Nobody told us why had the manager left.
- I asked whether she buys the jacket she wanted or not.
- I asked to my friend to come to the cinema.
- Can you tell me where is the library?

- Has anyone found out how much does it cost?
- Tim said he would meet me the previous day.
- John said he has seen the film last week.
- I told to him that I would be late.

3 Match the direct speech in 1-8 to sentences a)-h) below. Then complete each sentence using indirect speech.

- 'Could you open your suitcase, please?'
 - 'Don't worry - it'll be fine.'
 - 'Will you please slow down?'
 - 'There're some good shops in the town centre.'
 - 'How much does this cost?'
 - 'Hurry up!'
 - 'John, would you give me a hand, please?'
 - 'I don't have time.'
- Karen was going to miss the bus, so I told *her to hurry up*.
 - The box was too heavy for me to carry, so I asked
 - When I went through customs at the airport, the officials told
 - Stephen wanted to buy some new shoes, so I told
 - Laura was very worried about her test, but I said
 - I wanted to buy the camera, so I asked
 - He didn't want to go to the meeting, so he said
 - Peter was talking too fast, so I asked

4

1 Look at the picture.

- Why did the man buy JollyGel?
- How true were the claims in the advert?



- Have you ever bought anything that you regretted? Who or what made you buy it?



Listening 2: multiple matching (Part 3)

1 Choose one of the following statements and complete it, giving two reasons.

- a) I really enjoy shopping because ... and ...
b) I don't like shopping because ... and ...



2 You will hear five people talking about the shops and other facilities in a small town. Choose from the list A–F what each speaker says. Use the letters only once. There is one extra letter which you do not need to use.

TIP! When you listen the first time, mark any possible answers in pencil. Listen the second time to confirm your ideas.

- A The shop buildings are very picturesque.
B The shops are rather expensive.
C There are some good specialist shops.
D There is a good choice of cafés and snack bars.
E The town has been spoiled by tourism.
F There is a limited range of things to buy.

- Speaker 1 ☐ 1
Speaker 2 ☐ 2
Speaker 3 ☐ 3
Speaker 4 ☐ 4
Speaker 5 ☐ 5

3 How true is each statement in Exercise 2 about your town or city? Think of examples to support or oppose each statement.

Example: *Some of the shop buildings are really attractive in our town. For example, I really like the old shops round the main square.*

Grammar 2: reporting verbs

1

1 One of the options A, B or C in the following sentences is not possible. Cross out the incorrect word and explain why it is wrong.

Example:

My uncle to buy me a CD for my birthday.
A agreed B promised C ~~suggested~~
'Suggest' cannot be followed by the infinitive form.

- 1 He her to buy the red jacket.
A told B advised C offered
2 The shop assistant that I should try a smaller size.
A told B recommended C suggested
3 Maria us to stay to dinner.
A invited B demanded C persuaded
4 I complained about the service and they to give me a refund.
A offered B advised C agreed
5 Did the man taking the money?
A remind B admit C deny
6 I think Robert that he was in the wrong.
A realised B accepted C accused
7 I him for breaking the glass.
A apologised B forgave C blamed
8 Peter us that he wouldn't be late!
A promised B told C explained

2 Put the verbs above into the table. Some verbs may go in more than one place.

verb + infinitive	verb + object + infinitive
verb + that	verb + object + that
verb + -ing	verb + object + preposition + -ing

Watch Out! suggest

Which pattern is NOT possible? Cross it out.

- He suggested a) paying her £20.
b) that they paid her £20.
c) that they should pay her £20.
d) them to pay her £20.

► Grammar reference p.199 (12.4–7)

2 Rewrite the following sentences using the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Make any other necessary changes.

Example: 'You should go to the fish restaurant on the High Street – it's really good,' she said. (*recommend*)
She recommended (going to) the fish restaurant on the High Street.

- 1 'I won't go,' I said. (*refuse*)
- 2 'Don't forget to buy some bread on the way home, Jake,' he said. (*remind*)
- 3 'Well done Kerry, you passed your exam!' said Mum. (*congratulate*)
- 4 'I'm sorry I forgot your birthday, Sally,' Clare said. (*apologise*)
- 5 'Don't sit on that chair, Mary. It's broken!' I said. (*warn*)
- 6 'Maybe we could meet at the beach?' said Brad. (*suggest*)
- 7 'I'll give you a parking ticket if you don't move the car,' she said. (*threaten*)
- 8 'Would you like to come round for dinner on Saturday?' she asked me. (*invite*)

3

- 1 Recently you wanted to buy a new game. Summarise and report what the sales assistant said to you in each shop. Use indirect speech and some of the verbs in Exercises 1 and 2.

Example:

Right On: 'We don't have any games in stock at the moment. Why don't you try Wilkinson's down the street?'

In Right On they told me they didn't have any games in stock and suggested that I try Wilkinson's.

- 1 *Wilkinson's:* 'We've just sold our last copy. I'm very sorry. It's very popular, you see. But you might find one in GamesRUs, as it's a bigger shop.'
(tell/apologise/explain/say)
- 2 *GamesRUs:* 'We're out of stock, but they're on order and we'll be getting some more in next week. I'll give you a ring when they come in, if you give me your name and a contact number.'
- 3 *VHM:* 'I'm not sure if we have any left. If you take a seat, I'll go and look in the stockroom for you ... You're in luck. I've got one copy left! Do you want it?'
- 2 Have you had any similar experiences when you wanted to buy something?

Exam focus

Paper 3 Use of English: key word transformations (Part 4)

About the exam: In Paper 3, Part 4, you are given a sentence and asked to complete a second one using a 'key word'. The meaning of the second sentence must be similar to the first. This task tests a range of grammatical structures as well as vocabulary. Each item will probably be testing two things.

Procedure

- 1 Read the first sentence and look at the key word. Identify what the sentence is testing and work out possible answers.
- 2 When you are sure of the answer, write the missing words.
- 3 Check that you have not:
 - changed the key word
 - changed the meaning of the sentence
 - written more than five words. Contractions (e.g. *don't*) count as two words.
 - made any other unnecessary changes, e.g. to tenses
 - made any spelling mistakes
- 4 Transfer your answers onto the answer sheet. Check the number of the question carefully to make sure that you write your answer in the right place.

For questions 1–8, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do **not** change the word given. You must use **between two and five** words, including the word given. Here is an example (0).

Example:

- 0 'Who borrowed my book, Mary?' asked Andrew
had
 Andrew asked Mary who had borrowed his book.
- 1 It was Susie's first visit to London. **never**
 Susie to London before.
- 2 Chloe spent her childhood in the country with her grandparents. **brought**
 Chloe her grandparents in the country.
- 3 I'd like to go to India. **appeals**
 The idea of me.
- 4 'Do you want to have a drink, Peter?' asked Jane.
like
 Jane asked Peter have a drink.

- 5 They said they had found the directions he gave very confusing. **been**
They said they his directions.
- 6 There were students from ten different countries in the class. **up**
The class students from ten different countries.
- 7 Melissa has not appeared on television much recently. **made**
Melissa has on television recently.
- 8 You need both luck and talent to succeed. **well**
Success depends as talent.

Vocabulary 3: shopping and leisure facilities

1

- 1 Choose two of the words in brackets to complete the sentences.
- 1 I like shopping in the summer when there are good on everything! (*sales / bargains / reductions*)
- 2 Whenever you buy anything you should always keep the in case you want to it later. (*exchange / receipt / prescription*)
- 3 I never seem to be able to find a although my friend seems to get a on everything and never pays full price! (*discount / bargain / refund*)
- 4 Some people always pay when they go shopping, but I prefer to pay because I don't like carrying too much money. (*on credit / by cheque / in cash*)
- 5 I go shopping once a week – it's easier to that way so it's more (*economical / economic / budget*)
- 6 I hate waiting in a long at the in the supermarket. (*till / checkout / queue*)
- 2 Ask a partner these questions.
- 1 Do you like shopping in the sales?
- 2 Have you ever taken something back to the shop and exchanged it or asked for a credit note?
- 3 Are you good at finding bargains?
- 3 Now make more questions for Exercise 1.1, sentences 4, 5 and 6, and ask your partner.

2

- 1 Match the following descriptions to the leisure facilities below.

1 Large modern building with outdoor floodlit area, fitness room and snooker room. Wheelchair access to all areas.

2 Open 24-hours a day for a wide range of activities including skating lessons, ice hockey, public and disco skating sessions.

3 Includes displays of local history, archaeology, architecture and the environment.

4 A collection of books, videos, DVDs and CD Roms which can be borrowed by the general public. Reference and information services are also available.

5 Exhibitions by local painters and local contemporary craft, as well as a permanent display of British and international paintings.

6 An ongoing programme of day and evening classes including computer skills, dressmaking, First Aid and foreign languages.

- a) art gallery d) museum
b) ice rink e) sports centre
c) library f) Further Education college

- 2 Which of the facilities above does your town have? What other facilities are available?

3 Where would you go in your town or city:

- 1 to buy the trendiest clothes?
- 2 to buy the cheapest household goods?
- 3 to buy a really unusual present?
- 4 to listen to great music or dance till 2 a.m.?
- 5 to go for a relaxing walk?
- 6 to meet your friends for coffee?
- 7 to enrol for an evening class in pottery?
- 8 to get some serious exercise?

Speaking 3: expressing uncertainty (Part 2)

- 1 Match the words to the correct photos.

checkout fitting room cashier
shelves trolley shopping bag
rail special offers bargains
assistant department store
advertisements

- 2 Work with a partner.
Find two similarities and three differences between the photos.

Example: Both photos show people shopping. The first photo is in a supermarket, but the second photo is in a department store.



- 3 Listen to another student talking about the same photos. He is not always sure about what is happening in the pictures. Tick the phrases he uses.

I'm not sure, but (it/they) might be ...
It's not very clear, but probably/
I think ...
(It) could be ...
Maybe ...
Perhaps ...
It looks as if ...
It seems as though ...
They seem to be -ing ...

4

- 1 Take it in turns with your partner to compare photos A and B. Try to keep talking for about 40 seconds.
- 2 Say which type of shopping seems to be the most enjoyable for the shoppers (about 20 seconds).



- 5 Work with another partner.

Student A look at photos C and D on page 182, which show different kinds of advertising. Compare the pictures and say in which place the advertising is probably most effective.

Student B look at photos E and F on page 182, which show people doing leisure activities. Compare the pictures and say which activity seems to be the most enjoyable.

Writing: a review (Part 2)**1**

- 1 What kind of things do people review? Think of as many as you can, and add them to the list below.

- books
- hotels
-
-
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- 2 What is the purpose of a review? Choose one.

A review is written to

- a) give factual information.
- b) help the reader to make a choice.
- c) persuade the reader to buy something.

- 3 How should a review be written? Choose three.

A review should

- a) use interesting vocabulary.
- b) use bullet points and headings.
- c) try to catch the reader's interest.
- d) be clearly organised.
- e) use a semi-formal style.

- 4 When you write a review you usually need to do the following three things. Number them in order.

- ☐ Give details of what you are reviewing.
- ☐ Give your own opinion of what you are reviewing.
- ☐ Say what you are reviewing.

2

- 1 Read the task and answer these questions.

- 1 What do you have to review?
- 2 What is the purpose of the review?
- 3 Who will read your review?
- 4 What style will you use for your review?

You recently saw this notice on your college noticeboard.



Write your review (120–180 words).

- 2 Work with a partner. Think about:

- which website you want to describe
- what information it gives
- how it is presented (e.g. home page, links, pictures, graphics)
- three reasons why you like it.

3

- 1 Choose the best introduction for your review. What did you not like about the other two introductions?

- a) I hate most websites for lots of reasons, but I think this one is miles better than the others.
- b) One of the best websites I know is the one for the Sports Centre I belong to.
- c) I love the Midnight Club website. It's so easy to use, it's colourful and it's got good music – and I'd recommend that you look at it.

- 2 Which is the best ending for the review?

- a) So overall I think that this is an excellent site, with lots of good ideas that we could use on our school website.
- b) I strongly recommend that you make a website for the school.
- c) What I think is – it's great!

- 4 Now write your own answer to the task, using the beginning and ending you have chosen. When you have finished, check that your review is clearly organised and has a good range of vocabulary.

UNITS 1 – 5 Progress test

1 There is a mistake with vocabulary in each of the following sentences. Find the mistakes and correct them.

- The film *Star Wars* has a combine of two themes.
- I thought that *Moulin Rouge* had a very sad finishing.
- The film ends with a close shot of the hero.
- The actress Gwyneth Paltrow made a very emotion speech when she won her Oscar.
- I was very irritating by what he said.
- The Olympic Games have place every four years.
- He just made a glimpse of the tiger in the long grass.
- It is impossible to me to buy that car.
- The reality of the situation was starting to fall in.
- Eggs are known to be high with cholesterol.
- Would you rather feed out in a restaurant?
- The taste of the insect was absolutely revolted.
- I had to eat the insect living.
- You must have used a fortune buying that car!
- The shop has a broad selection of electrical goods.

2 Decide what word is missing in each of the following sentences and write it in the correct place.

- He known her since he was a child.
- How many times you phone your sister every day?
- I had this car since I was eighteen.
- Have you running? You look hot.
- My sister is lot better at Maths than I am.
- This ride isn't exciting as the one we went on in Disneyland.
- Tom is not taller than I am – only about one centimetre.
- I'm going to Canary Islands for my summer holiday.
- My father drives slowly than my brother does.
- He already finished the work when the teacher returned.
- I usually just have piece of toast for breakfast.
- I'm watching very interesting series about dinosaurs on TV.
- The police told me go away.
- Brad asked Vicky she wanted a drink or not.
- They advised me not worry as everything would be all right.

3 Look at the following pairs of sentences. Decide if the sentences in each pair have a) the same meaning or b) different meanings. Underline the parts of the sentences that have different meanings.

- In the most successful films you get a combination of two types of plot.
The most successful films combine two types of plot.
- I bought these trainers when I joined the gym.
I've had these trainers ever since I joined the gym.
- I took to free diving immediately.
I gave up free diving straightaway.
- She didn't feel very secure as a child.
As a child, she felt rather insecure.
- I had no idea that I'd have to cross the valley by cable.
I knew that I wouldn't have to cross the valley by cable.
- The journey was a bit longer than I'd expected.
I had expected the journey to be a bit longer than it was.
- My main concern is to develop awareness of the environment.
I am mainly concerned with developing environmental awareness.
- Hang gliding is less risky than people think.
Hang gliding isn't as safe as people think.
- It looks as if they're having a party.
They're looking forward to having the party.
- She gazed at the view through the open window.
She glimpsed the view through the open window.
- Jamie's career really took off after he'd made the TV show.
Making the TV show destroyed Jamie's career.
- Their study of insects has taken them all over the globe.
They have travelled all over the world studying insects.
- Daniela has a severe allergy to many common substances.
Daniela is slightly allergic to many common substances.
- The boys said they thought the game was great.
According to the boys, it was a great game.
- They said the sale would start at nine o'clock.
'The sale started at nine o'clock,' they said.

Use of English: multiple-choice cloze (Part 1)

4 For questions 1–12, read the text below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

MY FIRST FLIGHT

My heart was (0) fast as I stood at the edge of the cliff with my hang glider for the first time. I looked straight ahead to where the (1) disappeared in front of me, and (2) that there was nothing between me and the valley lying (3) below. My flying instructor went (4) the instructions once more, but I was not listening. The idea of jumping off this cliff suddenly seemed totally (5) !

I hesitated for a moment. But I had to do it. I (6) a deep breath and began to move forwards. After only five steps I was lifted up into the air by the wind. I gasped as I flew over the (7) of the cliff. Excitement surged through me, and I (8) to laugh. I was excited and afraid at the same time, and I loved it. I (9) the control bar tightly, as if that was the only thing (10) me falling as I hung hundreds of metres above the valley spread out below.

All too soon I was over the landing field, and I had to (11) hard on getting down safely. When I finally landed, I was triumphant. I had flown like a bird, and I would never be the (12) person again.

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|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| 0 A running | B beating | C moving | D rushing |
| 1 A floor | B ground | C base | D bottom |
| 2 A reviewed | B reminded | C reconsidered | D realised |
| 3 A long | B far | C further | D away |
| 4 A over | B out | C by | D in |
| 5 A indecisive | B unrepeatable | C unreasonable | D insensitive |
| 6 A had | B took | C caught | D got |
| 7 A bit | B section | C border | D edge |
| 8 A burst | B started | C set | D felt |
| 9 A held | B carried | C touched | D reached |
| 10 A closing | B keeping | C stopping | D making |
| 11 A attend | B consider | C concentrate | D apply |
| 12 A equal | B same | C similar | D typical |

Use of English: open cloze (Part 2)

5 For questions 13–24, read the text below and think of the word which best fits each gap. Use only one word in each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

TEA BAGS

These days, in millions of homes around the world, people make cups of tea (0) tea bags. But (13) first thought of putting tea leaves into small bags? It was an American, in 1919. At (14) time, the bags were mainly used by tea companies to allow customers to try the tea before buying it. But the idea of the tea bag took (15) , and by 1935 most were being bought for use (16) home.

It wasn't long (17) tea bags started to become popular in countries outside America. But they were not an immediate success everywhere. In Britain, for (18) , people held very strong views on how to make a good cup of tea. There was a strict procedure which involved warming the teapot, putting one spoonful of tea for each person into the pot and then filling (19) with boiling water. The pot was then left (20) five minutes before the tea was poured into cups, and milk and sugar were added last.

However, (21) this tradition, nowadays things (22) changed. Modern people lead busy lives, and making the perfect cup of tea properly is (23) important than making it easily and conveniently. These days, over 75% of the cups of tea drunk in Britain (24) made with tea bags.

Use of English: word formation (Part 3)

6 For questions 25–34, read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of some of the lines to form a word that fits the gap in the same line. There is an example at the beginning (0).

Space – fiction and fact

In science fiction, space is often described as a silent, empty place but in (0) *reality*, things are very different. In fact, all of the (25) that is used to keep a space station functioning can be so (26) that the astronauts working there cannot communicate with one another (27) – they have to shout. The high levels of sound may affect their work, and can sometimes even mean that they are (28) to sleep. In addition, they may face other problems in space. Scientists have (29) over 70,000 items of rubbish left by former astronauts that still remain in orbit around the earth. Most of these are smaller than a tennis ball, but they still (30) the safety of (31) in space. Even a small piece of metal floating in space could cause a (32) disaster if it hit a manned spacecraft. Although astronauts do (33) try to bring most of their rubbish home, they don't always manage it. And they don't just leave their rubbish floating in space either. There is even a (34) camera among the litter left behind on the Moon.

REAL
EQUIP
NOISE
EASY

ABLE

IDENTITY

THREAT
EXPLORE
CATASTROPHE

GENERAL

BREAK

Use of English: key word transformations (Part 4)

7 For questions 35–42, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. **Do not change the word given.** You must use between **two** and **five** words, including the word given. Here is an example.

Example:

- 0** You must do exactly as I tell you. **carry**
You must *carry out my* instructions exactly.
- 35** There are hardly any copies of the book left in the shop. **very**
There are of the book left in the shop.
- 36** I only ate a little at lunch, so I'm hungry now. **to**
I didn't at lunch, so I'm hungry now.

- 37** Don swims better than Carlos. **well**
Carlos as Don.
- 38** They don't know what caused the problem yet. **discovered**
They of the problem yet.
- 39** He said that the accident was my fault. **blamed**
He the accident.
- 40** It's three years since we worked together. **not**
We three years.
- 41** 'I'll come with you tomorrow,' said Jaime. **promised**
Jaime the next day.
- 42** I prefer watching football to playing it. **rather**
I play it.

UNIT

6 It's your call



Vocabulary 1: technology

1 Put the following words into the correct category below. Some words may go in more than one category. Can you add any more words?

battery cable CD cursor email
engaged tone file film focus handset
hard drive keyboard keypad line monitor
mouse negative plug ring tone screen
scanner text message zoom lens

Computer

Camera

Telephone

battery

battery

2

1 Complete the sentences using words from Exercise 1. You will need to make some words plural.

- 1 Do you keep the *negatives* of your photographs so you can get copies made if you want to?
- 2 How often do you have to recharge the in your mobile phone?
- 3 How many fingers do you use when you type on a computer?
- 4 Does your camera have a which allows you to take close-ups?
- 5 Is the on a computer screen a flashing line or an arrow?
- 6 Do you use a to save photographs and other documents onto your computer?
- 7 What kind of have you got on your mobile phone?
- 8 Have you ever had a problem when you sent a to be developed (e.g. the shop lost it)?
- 9 Do you get a headache if you look at a computer for a long time?
- 10 Which finger do you use when you press the numbers on a telephone ?

2 Now discuss the answers to the questions with a partner.

Example: *I don't need to keep the negatives any more because I have a digital camera.*

3 Discuss.

What benefits have the camera, the phone and the computer brought to everyday life?

Listening 1: multiple matching (Part 3)

1 Look at the photos.

- 1 What is happening in each one?
- 2 How do you think the people are feeling?



2 You will hear five people talking about photography and the media.



1 Choose from the list A–F which opinion each speaker expresses. Use the letters only once. There is one extra letter which you do not need to use.

- A Modern developments in photography may affect the privacy of ordinary people.
- B Photographs don't always reflect the truth.
- C Modern technology means ordinary people can compete with professional journalists.
- D Media attention is justifiable in certain situations.
- E Technology helps me to take more natural photographs.
- F I was upset when pictures were taken of me without my agreement.

- Speaker 1 ☐ **1**
- Speaker 2 ☐ **2**
- Speaker 3 ☐ **3**
- Speaker 4 ☐ **4**
- Speaker 5 ☐ **5**



2 Listen again to confirm your ideas.

3 Match the highlighted phrases to their meanings below. You heard all these phrases in the recording.

- 1 they'd **kill or be killed** f)
- 2 filming **on location**
- 3 **the whole face of** news reporting
- 4 a **breaking** news story
- 5 the **celebrity promotion machine**
- 6 they'll **do the rounds of**
- 7 they've all been **touched up**

- a) altered and made to look better
- b) organised publicity for famous people
- c) information that is just beginning to arrive
- d) go to several different places in succession
- e) out of the studio
- f) risk danger and cause danger to others
- g) the way something appears to people

4 Do you agree with the following statements? Why?/Why not?

- The camera never lies.
- Celebrities shouldn't expect to have privacy.

Use of English 1: word formation (Part 3)

1 Read the title and the text below. Does the writer want to be famous or not?

2 Use the word given in capitals below the text to form a word that fits in the gap in each line. There is an example at the beginning (0).

TIP! Remember to check if nouns need a negative prefix and/or a plural ending.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE FAMOUS?

Most people find the idea of fame (0) *attractive*. But would you (1) want to be famous? The people who dream of fame don't always realise just how many (2) there are for those who spend their lives in the public eye. They see the (3) things about being a star, and the (4) benefits that fame brings, but they ignore the problems that go along with it.

Famous people have (5) around them wherever they go, pointing cameras in their faces. They may have to put up with (6) writing things about them in the newspapers that are (7) untrue. With this kind of pressure, some celebrities don't find it easy to keep up (8) with friends, and they may even regret making the (9) to seek fame. It's certainly true that once you've become well-known you can't go back to an ordinary life. So is fame actually worth it? It's a (10) choice, but I know that I would hate it.

- 0 ATTRACT
- 1 ACTUAL
- 2 ADVANTAGE
- 3 ENJOY
- 4 FINANCE
- 5 PHOTOGRAPH
- 6 JOURNAL
- 7 COMPLETE
- 8 RELATE
- 9 DECIDE
- 10 PERSON

3 Would you like to be famous, even just for a short time? Discuss what might be good and bad about it.

Grammar 1: certainty and possibility

Present

1 Underline the modal verbs in the following sentences, and match them with the descriptions below.

- Look at this photo I took – I think I might be able to sell it to the newspapers.
- She must be very pleased with the wedding photos – they've come out really well.
- The President may be giving a press conference later today.
- I suppose the reports could be true, but I doubt it.
- That can't be Nicole Kidman, can it? She looks completely different.

- It's certainly true.
- It's certainly not true.
- It's quite likely to be true.
- It's possible that it's true.

► Grammar reference p.200 (14.2–3)

2 Complete the sentences with *must*, *may*, *might*, *could* or *can't* and a suitable verb from the box in the correct form. Use each main verb only once.

come be explain stay feel find
remember tell be able to

Example: She could be telling the truth – it's hard to say.

- Simone says she to the party, but she's not sure.
- I'm afraid I can't help, but maybe my brother the answer to you.
- My grandparents with us next week – they'll let us know by Friday.
- You Carrie, surely? She used to be in our class.
- You serious – you're not really going to leave, are you?
- I finish the report by Friday – I'll do my best.

- She nervous, having to give a presentation to so many people.
- You this book useful for your essay.

3

1 Match each of the following statements with the best response below.

- I've won first prize! **e)**
 - Is it just me, or is it hot in here?
 - I wonder if I can get a cheap flight to New York.
 - I find heavy metal music quite relaxing.
 - I think a lot of telephone calls are unnecessary.
 - I feel like going to the cinema.
 - I can't use my new computer because they didn't install the software.
 - I don't know much about computers.
- You could try looking on the Internet.
 - You must be in a minority these days.
 - You may have a point there.
 - You might be coming down with something.
 - Well done! You must be thrilled.
 - You may be able to do it on your own, you know.
 - You must be joking! Really?
 - There may be something good on at the Odeon.



2 Listen and check your answers.

3 With a partner, practise the mini-dialogues using appropriate intonation.

Past

4 Choose the best alternatives in the following sentences.

- The photographer *must* / *can't* have touched up that photo – she looks a lot older than that really.
- He *might* / *can't* have meant to upset you when he said that – he's a very kind man.
- To take that photo, the reporter *couldn't* / *must* have been hiding in the garden – or maybe he was even inside the house.
- I don't think I *could* / *might* have done what Mother Teresa did – she was a very brave person.
- He *could* / *must* have been mad to climb the tower without safety equipment.
- 'I wonder where they are?' 'They *may* / *can't* have got lost.'

► Grammar reference p.200 (14.2–3)

5 Correct the mistakes in the following sentences.

- 1 Bruce can't has been chosen for the job – he doesn't have the right experience.
- 2 This photograph is very dark – it couldn't have being taken outside.
- 3 Be careful what you say to him – he can't to be trusted to keep a secret.
- 4 The police might have watching the house.
- 5 He can't see that she was there, or he'd have spoken to her.
- 6 She may have want to come to the film – why don't you ask her?
- 7 It wasn't a good idea to phone at midnight. I might be asleep.
- 8 They may been intending to leave the country.
- 9 You can't still doing your homework!

6 Read this extract from Dave's CV. Dave does not say what he was doing from 2002–2004. How do you think he became Editor of *Hi! Magazine*?

Example: *He might have met someone famous.*

CURRICULUM VITAE

1996 – 1999	Bingly College: Diploma course in Journalism and Photography
1999 – 2002	Reporter/photographer on Crawley Evening News (salary £12,000)
2004 – present	Editor of <i>Hi! Magazine</i> (salary £100,000)

Listening 2: song



1 You are going to hear a song called *We are the Champions*. As you listen, think about this question:

What sort of champion do you imagine the singer might be?

2 Look at the words of the song and complete the collocations using words from the box.

calls crime cruise done fortune
made race share taken time

I've paid my dues
Time after (1)
I've (2) my sentence
But committed no (3)
And bad mistakes
I've (4) a few
I've had my (5) of sand kicked in my face
But I've come through

Chorus

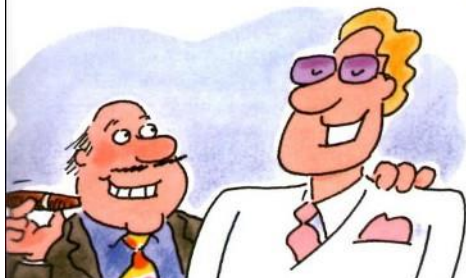
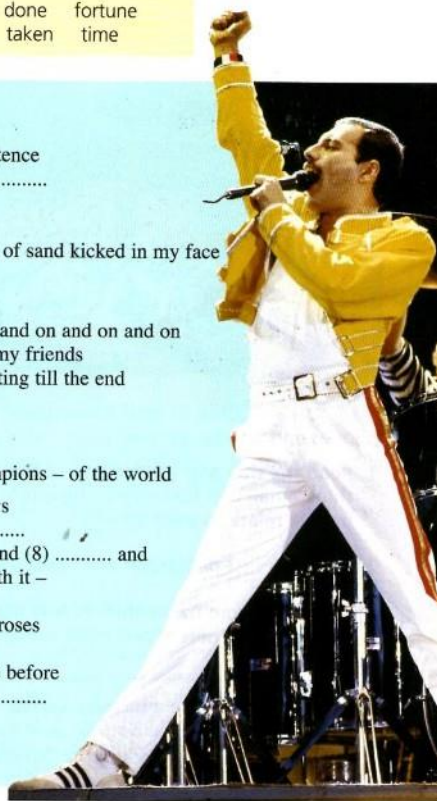
And we mean to go on and on and on and on
We are the champions my friends
And we'll keep on fighting till the end
We are the champions
We are the champions
No time for losers
'Cause we are the champions – of the world

I've (6) my bows
And my curtain (7)
You brought me fame and (8) and
everything that goes with it –
I thank you all –
But it's been no bed of roses
No pleasure (9)
I consider it a challenge before
the whole human (10)
That I'd never lose.

Chorus

3 Discuss the following questions about the song.

- 1 What phrases from the song tell us that the singer had a difficult time in the past?
- 2 The singer says 'I've made mistakes'. What sort of mistakes might he have made?
- 3 Who do you think the singer means by *you* in the third verse?
a) friends and family b) the public c) the media
- 4 How does the singer feel about the people who have brought him fame?



Reading: gapped text (Part 2)

1 Discuss the following questions.

- Do you have a mobile phone? If so, how long have you had it? How important is it to you?
- Do you send and receive text messages? How often? What are they usually about?
- What do these messages mean?
a) C U L8R b) r u OK? c) Thx 4 yr msg
Check your answers below.
- What abbreviations do you use in your own language?



2 You are going to read a newspaper article about mobile phones and email.

- Read the title and subheading of the article. How do you think email and text messaging might be 'changing the way people relate to each other'?

- Read the first paragraph and compare your ideas.

- Choose from the sentences A–H the one which best fits each gap (1–7). There is one extra sentence which you do not need to use.

- A She can send them a message saying 'Hi, thinking of you,' much more easily than sitting down to write a long letter.
- B For example, they might write "tomoro" for "tomorrow," she says.
- C This flexibility when making social arrangements means she no longer has to plan ahead, she says.
- D But no one ever did before text messaging really started taking off.
- E In these situations, she says, it is better to communicate face to face.
- F Through such additions, she says, they have the chance to present themselves to others in the way that they want to.
- G But in fact, the rapid expansion of electronic communication in the 21st century has had the opposite effect.
- H She finds that she feels less nervous that way.

4 Discuss these questions.

- The article mentions several advantages of mobile phones and emails. Can you think of any more?
- Do you agree with Annabelle that text messaging is encouraging bad habits of spelling and grammar? What other problems are there?

5

- Match the numbered words and phrases in the text to the following meanings.

- stay in contact
- a group of people or things that are connected in some way
- someone you know indirectly
- between only two people
- looking directly at someone

- Underline three more phrases in the text (e.g. phrasal verbs and collocations) that you would like to remember and use.

a) See you later.
b) Are you OK?
c) Thanks for your message.

Now we're getting the message

Text messaging and email are changing the way people relate to one another.

Sara Gaines reports

When computers first started to be used on a wide scale, some people predicted that we would spend so long staring at computer screens that we would end up forgetting how to talk to one another. 1 Rather than retreating into themselves, people are using new technology, in particular email and text messaging, to find more and more ways to expand their ¹network of friends.

Alice Thompson, 23, is known as the Text Queen to her friends because she sends out so many messages. 'When we go out, my friends and I text other friends saying, "We're in this club and it's really good. Come and meet us."' 2

Instead decisions can be made on the spot, and friends can be gathered together at a moment's notice.

Alice has found text messaging has other advantages too. 'If there is a guy I like, I find it easier to send text messages initially rather than phone him up,' she says.

3 'There is one guy, ²a friend of a friend, who I don't know that well, but we've started to text message each other and that's how we communicate. I would never have phoned him up but this way it feels OK.'

Text messaging and email also help Alice ³keep in touch with old schoolmates she would probably have lost contact with otherwise.



4 And she finds it's a great tool for relieving boredom in the office where she works, by sharing secret messages and passing on jokes.

It seems these forms of communication have filled a gap, offering something that ⁴face-to-face conversation does not.

Professor Pam Briggs, a psychologist at the University of Northumbria, believes that people enjoy sending text messages and emails because they can take their time planning their message, and they can be a bit more playful, inserting jokes, pictures and bits of video clips. 5

The fact that text messages are so quick and easy is a big part of the attraction. Many people also find text messaging more informal than making a phone call or writing a letter, and therefore simpler to use. Annabelle Rose,

who teaches at a London sixth form college, encourages her students to text her when they have queries. 'They don't find it so difficult to keep in touch that way,' she says. 'I think they feel that a phone call might be more of an interruption. I've always given my number out to students and told them to call me if they have any problems. 6

So is it all good? Annabelle has identified one negative result of text messaging. 'My students have developed their own way of writing as well, which can cause a few difficulties as they have started using these abbreviations in their normal writing.

7 'But they are never rude. If I text them back answering their queries they always send another message saying "Thx", even though it's not really necessary.'



Grammar 2: passives (1)

1

- 1 When did the events below happen? Write the correct year in each gap.

1992 1876 1971 1844 1975 1895

- The first telegram was delivered in; today, telegrams have been replaced by email.
 - The first phone call was made in, and phone calls are still being made every day across the world – but today the majority are made by mobile phone.
 - The first words transmitted by wireless could be heard in – and who knows – maybe transmissions will be received from other planets in the future!
 - The first personal computer was launched in and once they had been developed, they changed the way we work.
 - Millions of email messages are now sent and received every day, but the first one was sent in
 - Millions of text messages have also been sent since the first one in
- 2 Underline the passive verbs in the sentences above.

- 2 Choose the correct alternative in each of the following sentences.

- Students *are / are being* allowed to use the computers in the library as often as they want.
- Employers regularly monitor the emails that *are / have been* sent by their employees.
- I hope that the new building *is being / will be* finished next year.
- How long did it take for the film *The Matrix* to *be / being* made?

- As we walked down the road, we realised we *have been / were being* followed.
- That homework *should have been / should be* finished by the end of last week.
- They say mobile phone bills *are going to be / have been* cut by 5% very soon.
- We didn't realise he'd *given / been given* a promotion.

► Grammar reference p. 202 (17)

3

- 1 Read the following advert. What is special about the ICEBOX?

KITCHEN COOL

Slaving in the kitchen will never be the same again, thanks to the ICEBOX, an Internet-enabled entertainment centre that fits under your kitchen cupboard.

Flip open its colour LCD monitor and you'll be able to send emails to your friends or surf the web using the touch-sensitive screen. You can also use the ICEBOX to watch TV and DVDs and listen to CDs and the radio. ICEBOX comes with a wireless keyboard, which is washable to deal with those inevitable kitchen spills.

ICEBOX has opened up huge possibilities – you'll find it hard to catch up if you don't have one!

- 2 The following report gives the same information as the advert above, but the language is more formal. Complete the text using passive forms of the verbs in brackets.

Makers of the iCEBOX claim that working in the kitchen will be much more enjoyable once this new device (1) (*install*) there.

The iCEBOX is an Internet-enabled entertainment centre that (2) (*may/fit*) under a kitchen cupboard. The device (3) (*conceal*) at first but when the colour LCD monitor (4) (*flip open*), it reveals a touch-sensitive screen, allowing the user to send emails or surf the web. The iCEBOX (5) (*could/also/use*) to watch TV and DVDs or listen to CDs and the radio.

The iCEBOX (6) (*accompany*) by a wireless keyboard, which is washable so that any kitchen spills (7) (*can/deal with*) easily.

The makers claim that anyone who does not have an iCEBOX (8) (*will/leave behind*).

4

- 1 Complete the responses using the verbs in brackets in the correct form. Then listen to check.
- 1 A: I want to learn French.
B: Why? Spanish (*speak*) by a lot more people.
- 2 A: What's Ken planning to do when he finishes his course?
B: Well, I think he (*offer*) a job with a telesales company.
- 3 A: I've got backache. I think I need to see a specialist.
B: Can't it (*treat*) by your ordinary doctor?
- 4 A: I think that Marlowe wrote *Hamlet*.
B: Oh no – I'm sure it (*write*) by Shakespeare.
- 5 A: That building looks really dangerous.
B: Yes – it'll (*have to/pull down*) soon.
- 6 A: I think that bad weather causes a lot of accidents.
B: Well, I think more (*cause*) by dangerous driving.
- 7 A: Did you go to the party on Saturday?
B: No, I (*invite*).
- 2 Answer these questions using a passive form.
- 1 Why is it useful to learn English?
- 2 Was it Renée Zellweger who played the part of Rose in *Titanic*?
- 3 What do you think causes accidents on the roads?
- 4 What's your favourite book and who wrote it?

Use of English 2: open cloze

(Part 2)

1 Look at the title of the text and the photo.

- 1 What do you think happened to Dave Mill?
- 2 What part do you think the mobile phone might have played in the story?

2 Read the text to see if you were right.

- 3 Read the text again and think of the word which best fits each gap. Use only one word in each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

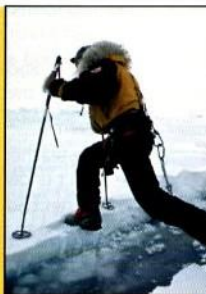
All thanks to the mobile phone

Dave Mill owes his life (0) *to* his mobile phone. He was trying to make history by walking to the North Pole alone, without any help or support. But after 50 days of extremely bad weather, during (1) the temperature dropped (2) low as minus 30°C, Dave (3) forced to abandon his attempt.

He had completed 185 miles of the 375-mile journey and had suffered several mishaps. He had broken his sunglasses, (4) followed by polar bears and fallen into freezing water twice. Then, after (5) the decision to give up, he had some more bad luck and found (6) stranded on a floating piece of ice that was slowly melting.

The weather was too bad for any rescue attempt to (7) made. Dave waited (8) three days, hoping that conditions would improve. But the rescue planes could not land because dense fog prevented (9) from seeing the surface of the ice.

Then he remembered his mobile phone. He marked out a runway on the ice and (10) a photograph with his digital camera. Then he used his phone to email (11) to the waiting air rescue team. Using the photograph to guide him, the pilot was able to land in (12) of the weather, and Dave was lifted off the ice to safety.



4 Discuss these questions.

- 1 Do you think that people should try to undertake this kind of expedition? Why?/Why not?
- 2 Can you give any other examples of people whose lives have been saved by technology?

Vocabulary 2: communicating with others

1

- 1 Complete the sets of sentences using a verb from the box in the correct form. Which verb fits all the sentences in each set?

say speak talk tell

- 1 a) I've never a lie in my life.
b) I don't believe in tales.
c) You should always the truth, no matter how much it hurts.
d) I'm good at jokes.
- 2 a) I don't a word of German, but I'd like to learn.
b) My teacher sometimes so quickly that I can't understand a word he says.
c) If I get bad service in a shop, I always ask to to the manager.
d) I like people who aren't afraid to their mind.
- 3 a) I to my friend on the phone every day.
b) I enjoy politics with my friends.
c) My boy/girlfriend and I have about getting married.
- 4 a) I'm always things I shouldn't.
b) Everyone I would be a good manager.
c) I can't I enjoy learning English.

- 2 Read the sentences again, and say which are true for you. Explain your answers.

- 2 Complete the following dialogues with an appropriate preposition.

- 1 A: I'm so sorry you're leaving.
B: Me too – but we'll keep touch.
- 2 A: I'm calling to check on my pizza order – it hasn't been delivered yet.
B: I'm sorry – did you order phone or person?
- 3 A: Can I contact you email?
B: Yes, of course – I'll give you my email address.
- 4 A: Steven's missed a lot of classes lately.
B: Has he? Maybe we should have a word him.

- 5 A: How did you two get to know one another?
B: Actually, we met a friend.
- 6 A: Have you known each other long?
B: Yes, we've been going out one another for a year.

- 3 Work with a partner. Look at the highlighted phrases in the following sentences, and decide what they mean. Then write four short dialogues, ending with the sentence given.

- 1 OK, I'll send them **by post**.
- 2 Could you put that **in writing**, please?
- 3 No, I found out about it **by word of mouth**.
- 4 You can get more details **on their website**.
- 5 It's **in the post**.

Example:

- A: I'll email you the details, shall I?
B: I don't have email.
A: OK, I'll send them **by post**.

- 4 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given.

- 1 I asked if I could talk to Sophie.
word
I asked if I could Sophie.
- 2 I've got to present the project to the Board of Directors tomorrow.
presentation
I've got to about the project to the Board of Directors tomorrow.
- 3 We were able to find a solution to the problem that we could both accept.
compromise
We were able over the problem.
- 4 I wasn't ready for the test because I hadn't done enough work.
preparation
I hadn't for the test.
- 5 I really enjoy meeting friends and talking to them over coffee.
chat
I really enjoy meeting friends and them over coffee.
- 6 I think we should talk about this with the boss.
discussion
I think we should this with the boss.

Exam focus

Paper 5 Speaking: long turn (Part 2)

About the exam: In Part 2 of the Speaking test, you speak on your own for about a minute. The interlocutor gives you two photographs on the same topic. He tells you the topic and what to talk about. The task has two parts: you have to compare the photos and give a personal reaction to them.

The other candidate is then asked a question related to the topic and has to give a short answer (about 20 seconds).

Then you change roles.

Procedure

- 1 Listen carefully to the instructions, especially the second part. Ask the interlocutor to repeat the instructions if you are not sure what to do.
- 2 First, describe the main thing the two photos have in common and the main difference, and then describe more similarities and differences (about 40 seconds).
- 3 Leave yourself enough time for the second part of the task (about 20 seconds).
- 4 If you have some time left, relate the photos to your own experience.
- 5 While the other candidate is speaking, look at their photos and listen carefully, but don't say anything. When he/she has finished, be ready to answer the interlocutor's question.

- 1 Look at photos A and B. What is the main thing they have in common?

- 2 You will hear two candidates doing a Part 2 Listening task.

- 1 First, listen to the interlocutor's instructions. What does he tell Candidate A to do?

- 2 Now listen to the two candidates doing the task.

- 1 Does the first candidate follow the interlocutor's instructions?
- 2 Does she do both parts of the task?
- 3 Does the second candidate answer the question correctly?

- 3 Work in groups of three. You are going to role-play Part 2 of the exam.

Student A: You are the interlocutor. Look at the instructions on page 182 and tell the two candidates what to do.

Students B and C: You are the candidates.

Student B look at photos C and D on page 184.

Student C look at photos E and F on page 186.

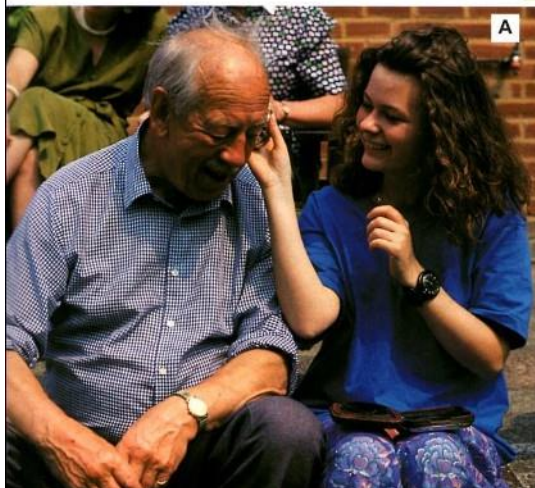
- 4 When you have finished, discuss the task together.

Student A

- 1 Did the candidates do both parts of the task?
- 2 Did they manage to keep talking for one minute?
- 3 What were the good points about their talk?

Students B and C

- 1 What do you think you did well?
- 2 What did you find more difficult?



Writing: report (Part 2)

About the exam: In Part 2 of Paper 2, you may be asked to write a report. When writing a report:

- you should use formal English
- you should give your report a title
- you should have an introduction giving the background to your report
- you can use headings and numbered points
- you may include recommendations at the end.

DON'T begin and end like a letter.

1

- 1 Read the following report, which was written by a teacher for the Head of a Language School. Does the teacher think that mobile phones are a good thing or a bad thing?

USE OF MOBILE PHONES IN CLASS

INTRODUCTION

This report describes problems caused by the use of mobile phones by students, and makes recommendations concerning their use in the school. The information comes from interviews with class teachers and administrative staff.

PROBLEMS

- 1 There is a rule that students should turn off their phones during lesson time. However, many students either forget or disobey this rule. Their phones often ring during class time and this interrupts the class and disturbs other students.
- 2 Some younger students use their phones to send text messages or play games during class.
- 3 We have had many complaints from parents and students that mobile phones have been lost or stolen in the school.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Because of these problems, we recommend that no student should be allowed to bring a mobile phone to school. There are several public phones in the school, which students can use if necessary. These should be regularly checked to ensure they are in good working order.

- 2 Answer these questions about the report.

- 1 In the introduction, the writer summarises what the report is about. What else does it mention?
- 2 What recommendations does the writer make at the end? What modal verbs are used?

2

- 1 Think of some reasons why students might want or need to bring their mobile phones to school. Make a list.

Example:

Students might need to phone home if they have transport problems.

- 2 Think of some ways in which the problems described in the teacher's report could be solved. Make a list.

Example:

Students should check that phones are switched off before classes start.

3

- 1 Read this task and underline key words.

You are a student at a language school. Teachers have complained about the use of mobile phones by students in class. As a result, the Director of the school wants to ban them completely.

Write a report for the Director, explaining why mobile phones are necessary for students and recommending ways in which their use could be controlled.

Write your report in 120–180 words.

- 2 This report should have three sections. Plan the main points you will make in the second and third sections.

- 4 Now write your report. The introduction has been started for you. Then check your work.

Introduction

This report explains why mobile phones are important for students, and makes recommendations about their use in the school. The information comes from ...

▶ Writing reference pp. 206, 210

1

1 Complete the following sentences, using the correct form of the word in capitals.

- Peter thinks that a lot of about the future may be wrong. **PREDICT**
- Janet says that text messages have made between friends easier. **COMMUNICATE**
- Maria feels that people have too many telephone on personal matters in public. **CONVERSE**
- Ron told me that one of the of text messaging is its cheapness. **ATTRACT**
- Sarah explains that text messages use to save time and space. **ABBREVIATE**
- Jose complains that a phone call can be an if you are working. **INTERRUPT**

2 Which of the people above do you think want to a) save money? b) work hard? c) make more friends?

2 What do you think these text messages mean? Say them aloud, then write them as complete sentences.

1 I WAN 2 CU 2DAY!

2 TALK 2U L8R

3 LUV U

4 CAN U WB 4 ME?

5 TXT ME B4 U GO

3 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using no more than five words, including the word given.

- They advertised the mobile phone so intensively that it was an immediate success.
was
Because it, the mobile phone was an immediate success.
- The technician solved the computer problem quickly.
dealt
The computer problem the technician.

3 Someone must have seen him there!

been

He there by someone!

4 Their normal business was continued after a short break.

on

After a short break, they their normal business.

5 She may contact him by phone this afternoon.

that

It she will contact him by phone this afternoon.

6 There's no chance that Peter was in the house at the time.

have

Peter in the house at the time.

4 Respond to the following statements, using *may, might, can't, must (have) + verb*.

Examples: I can hear the front door bell ringing.

It might be the postman.

Your friend must have come to see you.

- Lucy hasn't written to me for ages – I'm quite worried about her.
- I've got a splitting headache and I keep going hot and cold.
- I've just heard that Peter failed his entrance exam. He was top of the class!
- Have you seen my keys? I can't find them anywhere.
- My mobile phone has stopped working.

5 Choose the correct alternative in each of these sentences.

- I made the order *with / by* phone.
- In / On* his letter, he told me he missed me.
- Can I contact you *by / on* email?
- He's constantly *at / on* the move.
- All *by / in* all, it was an enjoyable experience.
- Could I have a quick word *to / with* you?
- If you're worried, we can talk it *over / about* tomorrow.
- We arrived at the station just *in / with* time.
- I found it *from / on* the Internet.
- You have to speak to him *in / on* person – you can't phone.

UNIT

7

Back to the future

Listening 1: multiple-choice questions (Part 4)

1 For a television series, a group of volunteers spent seven weeks living as people did in the Iron Age, around 2,500 years ago. Look at the photos, which were taken during the experiment. Think of as many differences as you can between life in the Iron Age and now.

2 You will hear an interview with two people who took part in the experiment. First read through the questions to get a general idea of what will be discussed in the interview, and highlight key words in the question.

1 Janet says that the **main aim** of the Iron Age project was

- A to discover how Iron Age people managed to survive.
- B to see if people of the 21st century could live in Iron Age conditions.
- C to find which person on the project could stay the longest.

2 One thing Janet never got used to on the project was

- A the food.
- B the cold.
- C the dark.

3 Daniel thinks that Iron Age people ate

- A an insufficient amount of food.
- B snacks as well as big meals.
- C only one big meal a day.

4 Janet says that while they were working, the people on the project did not

- A find it easy to follow a routine.
- B have enough time to do everything.
- C worry about what they were wearing.

5 Daniel says that in the evenings, the participants

- A sometimes missed having TV and radio.
- B talked about the day's problems.
- C made their own entertainment.

6 How did Janet feel about colour while she was taking part in the project?

- A She appreciated small differences in colour.
- B She missed having bright colours around her.
- C She liked seeing how colours changed during the day.

7 What did Janet realise when she took a hot bath at the end of the project?

- A that the project was really over
- B that she preferred living in the modern world
- C that the project had been a wonderful experience

1 Listen and choose the best answer, A, B or C. Then compare your answers with a partner.

2 Listen again to check.

3 Discuss the following questions.

- 1 If you took part in a project like this, what would be the hardest part of the experience for you?
- 2 What would you probably miss most when you returned to modern life?

5 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. You heard the second sentence in the recording.

- 1 Five people left before the end of the project. **dropped**
Five people before the end of the project.
- 2 Nobody cared about their appearance. **matter**
It you looked like.
- 3 Nobody else could do it for us. **had**
We all for ourselves.
- 4 I'll always remember how it was. **never**
I'll it was like.





Vocabulary 1: general nouns

1 Match the following sentence halves.

- If I lived in the past, I'd miss luxuries *d)*
- In the past people didn't have any modern facilities
- Cold and hunger
- They used weapons
- The only types of materials used for clothing
- Hunting, farming and cooking
- Of course, there were no televisions or computers
- But life in those days had many advantages too,

- were often big problems for them.
- were skills needed by everyone to survive.
- or any other types of electrical equipment.
- like cakes and chocolate.
- such as lack of pollution and closeness to nature.
- like central heating or hot showers.
- were wool and leather.
- such as swords and spears.

2 Each sentence in Exercise 1 contains a noun with a general meaning, and two or more examples. Find them and make a list.

Example:

- 1 luxuries – cakes, chocolate

3

1 Match the general nouns from Exercise 2 to one of the following stress patterns.

one syllable	two syllables	three syllables	three syllables	four syllables
o	o o	o o o	o o o	o o o o
		<i>luxuries</i>		

4 Complete the statements using words from the box.

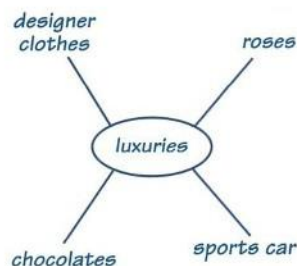
creatures disasters equipment
facilities inventions vehicles
subjects cosmetics

- Our school has excellent *facilities*, including a library and cafeteria.
- They shouldn't keep such as lions and monkeys in zoos.
- I think modern like television have done more harm than good.
- Natural like earthquakes cannot always be predicted or controlled.
- such as face creams and lipstick should not be tested on animals.
- Do you think like politics and religion should be discussed in schools?
- It is essential to reduce the number of in our cities, especially private cars.
- Hospitals need up-to-date such as scanners and ultrasound.

5 Choose three of these words, and make a spidergram for each one.

luxuries vehicles leisure facilities
inventions consumer goods
fabrics insects

Example:



- 2 Listen and check your answers. Practise saying the words.

Grammar 1: relative clauses

1

1 Complete the following sentences, using a relative pronoun (*who*, *which*, *that*, etc.).

- Janet and Daniel are ordinary people took part in a history project for television.
- They said it was an experience they would never forget.
- I'd like to go back to a time in history there was no pollution.
- A lot of tourists visit the local museum, there are displays of prehistoric pottery and tools.
- I've visited the site of the battle of Tewkesbury, was an amazing experience.
- Leonardo da Vinci was an inventor who inventions prepared the way for modern science.
- should we give the award for 'most stylish'?
- To should we give the award? (formal style)

2 Answer these questions.

- In which of the sentences above are two different relative pronouns possible?
- In which sentence can the relative pronoun be omitted?
- In which sentence does a relative pronoun refer to a whole phrase rather than to the preceding noun?

Watch Out! *which*, *that*

Which sentence is NOT possible? Why not?

- The car, which he owns, is a red Fiat.
- The car, that he owns, is a red Fiat.
- The car which he owns is a red Fiat.
- The car that he owns is a red Fiat.

▶ Grammar reference p. 202 (18)

2 Each of the following sentences has a mistake in the relative clause. Find the mistakes and correct them. Don't change the punctuation of the sentences.

- The thing which I value it the most is my grandmother's necklace.
- He explained all what his father had told him to do.
- That's the house where I used to live in.
- Whose does this book belong to?

- I can do everything what you can.
- I want to go to Wales, where my grandfather was born there.
- Students which want to go on the trip should sign up now.
- Anyone who he wants to return by bus must pay £5.00.
- Alison is someone whom I think would do the job well.
- The girl, that I'd seen before in the restaurant, was dressed in black.

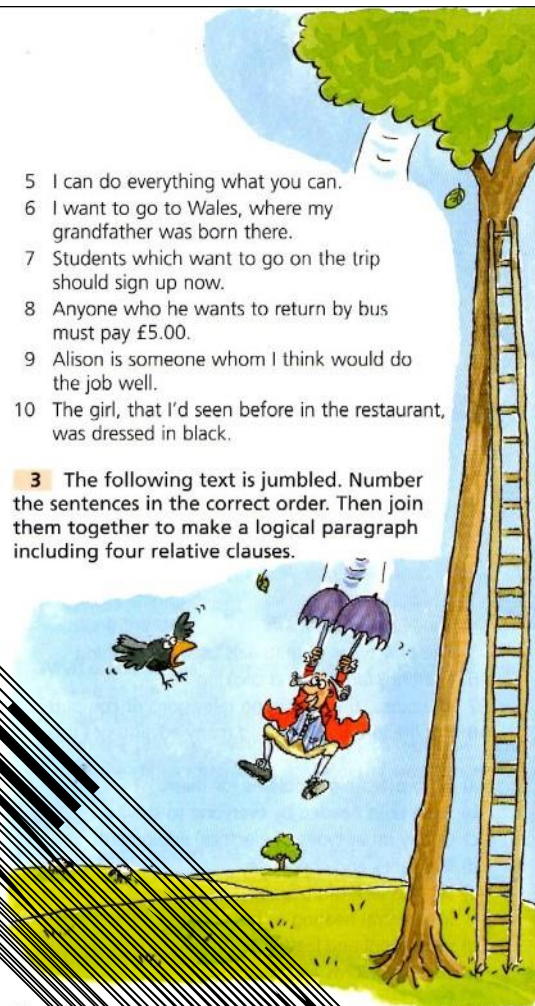
3 The following text is jumbled. Number the sentences in the correct order. Then join them together to make a logical paragraph including four relative clauses.

The history of the parachute

- 1 A parachute is a piece of equipment used to slow your fall when jumping from a great height.
- 2 Berry jumped from a flying plane in 1912.
- 3 The parachutes were made from strong cotton cloth.
- 4 Lenormand jumped from a very tall tree carrying two umbrellas in 1783.
- 5 The first person to jump from a flying airplane (and survive the fall) was Captain Albert Berry.
- 6 Later in the 18th century, some adventurous people jumped from hot-air balloons using primitive parachutes.
- 7 The idea was first demonstrated by a Frenchman called Lenormand.

Example:

A parachute is a piece of equipment which is used to slow your fall when jumping from a great height.



4 Guess the word.

Student A look at page 187.

Student B look at page 188.

You each have a list of words. Take turns to explain the meaning of each word without using the word itself. Your partner must guess what the item is. Begin with phrases like this:

This is a thing/an object/a device which/that ...

This is a person who ...

This is a place where ...

Example:

A: *This is a thing that a teacher uses for writing on the board.*B: *A board marker?*A: *Yes.*

Exam focus

Paper 3 Use of English: open cloze (Part 2)

About the exam: In Paper 3, Part 2, you read a text with 12 gaps. You have to complete each gap with one word. The words you need are grammar words (pronouns, articles, prepositions, auxiliary verbs, etc.).

Procedure

- 1 Read the title and then read through the whole text to find out what it's about. Don't fill in any gaps yet.
- 2 Read the text again sentence by sentence and write in the missing words in pencil. Look at the whole sentence and especially at the words before and after the gap. Think about what part of speech the missing word is.
- 3 When you have finished, read through the text again to check your answers make sense.
- 4 In the exam, you transfer your answers to the answer sheet. Be careful to write each one next to the correct number.

DO make sure you spell the words correctly.

DON'T write more than one word in each gap.

For questions 1–12, read the text below and think of the word which best fits each gap. Use only one word in each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

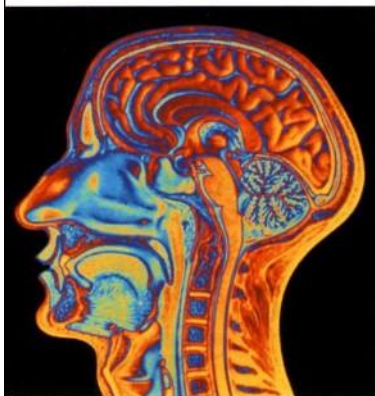
Example: 0 was

THE OLDEST POSTCARD IN THE WORLD

The world's oldest picture postcard (0) *was* sold yesterday to a European businessman. The card, which sold for more (1) *£31,000*, was dated 1840. It was addressed to a man called Theodore Hooke, (2) *lived in Fulham, London.* Theodore Hooke was a novelist and playwright and was well known (3) *the time for his sense* (4) *humour.* The picture on the card is a cartoon showing a group of post office workers with pens in (5) *hands* sitting round an enormous inkwell. It was printed in black and white, but had been coloured in (6) *hand.* Experts think that Hooke may have posted the card to himself for his own amusement.

The card was discovered last year by Edward Proud, a historian who specialises in the history of the postal service. Up to (7) *it had been thought that* (8) *postcard was either an Austrian, German or American invention and that the first one was sent during the 1860s.* However, the discovery of Hooke's card has proved that postcards were (9) *fact invented at least twenty years earlier than* (10) *'We know that Hooke claimed to* (11) *invented the picture postcard,' said Mr Proud, 'and this discovery suggests that his claim could well* (12) *true.'*





Reading: multiple matching (Part 3)

1 You are going to read an article about what some highly respected scientists think could happen in the future. First, discuss what you think is the best way to approach this task type. If necessary, look back at the suggested procedure in Unit 2, page 24.

2 Look at the title of the article, and the headings.

- 1 Have you heard of any of these people?
- 2 What sort of work do you think each job involves?
- 3 Can you predict any of the developments they might mention?

3 Look at the first question, and at the underlined sentence in text B that it refers to.

- 1 Which phrase in the sentence relates to *modern scientific equipment*?
- 2 Which word means *very small*?

4 For questions 1–15, choose from the people A–E. The people may be chosen more than once. When more than one answer is required, these may be given in any order. There is an example at the beginning.

TIP! If you can't find an answer, leave it and come back to it later. You may spot the parallel phrase while you're reading for a different question.

Which person mentions that

modern scientific equipment can help us see very small things?

1 B

the distribution of wealth among the world's population is unfair?

2

scientists need to get experience of different ways of living?

3

the mass media can help people to learn about science?

4 5

some living creatures experience very exciting events?

6

the increase in the world's population could be a problem?

7 8

people may be unsure of the value of some scientific advances?

9

investment in scientific research should be regarded as a priority?

10

children need to be taught science in an interesting way?

11

scientists need to find better ways of dealing with illness?

12 13

research could affect people's view of what the future holds?

14

progress may not need advanced technology?

15

5 Compare your answers. What parallel phrases in the article helped you find them?

Where is science going?

We asked five well-known scientists to give us their views on some of the most exciting scientific developments we could see in the next few years

A Susan Greenfield, brain scientist

We're going to see a way of linking information technology with brain research. Already scientists have managed to place an electrode in the brain of a paralysed man who was unable to move any part of his body. This allowed him to use the electrical activity of his brain to move the cursor on a computer screen. This sort of research could have enormous value for people with brain damage and it's important that we continue to look for ways to help patients with conditions like this. However, one thing that worries me is that scientists don't use their imaginations enough. So I'm involved in a project in which young scientists are sent out into the developing world to help people in rural areas. I hope they'll come back more aware of other cultures, and more imaginative and creative about the way they do science.

B Sir David Attenborough, wildlife broadcaster

Natural history film-making has always been very much affected by technology. With the latest technical advances we can take a close-up film of something as minute as the eye of a fly. This means we'll be able to make incredible films about insects like spiders and scorpions which actually have very dramatic lives. And I think these documentaries will change people's opinions of nature programmes and show them that they're not just dry, educational stuff. If you can get people to watch cartoon programmes like *The Simpsons* on TV, you ought to be able to get them to watch films about scorpions too. As far as the future in general is concerned, I think the biggest change on the way is that there will be too many people around. There will be less and less of the emptiness, the wilderness, left in the world.

C Sir Patrick Moore, astronomer

The most important thing in the field of space research will be to find out whether there is life on Mars. If we knew that we were not the only intelligent beings, then it would have enormous implications for our future and how we look at it – our whole philosophy in fact. Personally, I think that there is life on other planets. Why should we be unique? But whether or not we'll find this out all depends on money, and if we go on wasting our money on wars instead of using it for this type of research then of course we won't get anywhere. I also think that in the future we should spend far more than we do now on medical research, especially when the number of people in the world is rising at such a rapid rate. After all, one of the worst dangers we face is disease and we need to understand how to cure it.

D Lord Robert Winston, fertility doctor

I'm excited by the idea of extending women's reproductive life. I don't want to see women of 60 having babies. But women are now healthier, fitter and more able to have babies at 45 or 50 than they've ever been. However, there is a lot of public suspicion of developments like this, and many people question

whether we should be doing this sort of work. I think a lot of the problem is ignorance, and what we should be doing is making science in schools relevant so that students don't think of it as a boring subject. And I think there should be recognition that things like television programmes where you have 5 million viewers – I've never had less than 5 million viewers for any programme – are very influential as well.

E Trevor Baylis, inventor of the wind-up radio

I believe that we'll have to go back to go forwards. We have to stop depending on electricity for everything and look instead at other sources of power. For example, the wind-up radio I invented just works by clockwork, without needing batteries or anything, and we now have torches and lights powered like this as well. In general, I think greed is one of the biggest problems that we have to face up to. It's wrong that some people make billions and billions of pounds when there are other people in the world who can't even afford to buy a packet of cornflakes. We have to do something about it.

6 Discuss these questions.

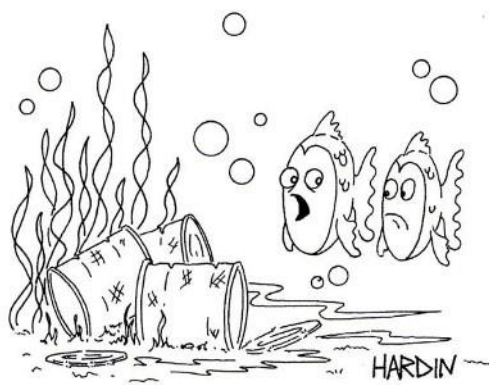
- 1 Which scientist in the text do you think is involved in the most useful or important work?
- 2 Do you think any of the work described is not useful – or could even be dangerous?

7

- 1 Complete the following sentences with the correct preposition and highlight the whole phrase in each case.

- 1 What's your opinion nature programmes on TV? Are they dry and educational or exciting?
- 2 It's important to make people more aware environmental problems general.
- 3 Big changes are the way. For example, women may be able to have babies when they are over 50.
- 4 The greatest discovery in the field space research could be finding there is life Mars.
- 5 Recent developments in our understanding of the brain could have enormous implications our future.
- 6 We are too dependent electricity nowadays.
- 7 We are wasting our money wars when we should be using it medical research.
- 8 It's a good idea to get young people involved projects in other countries.

- 2 Discuss the ideas above. What's your opinion?



"If you put your ear to them you can hear the land."

Grammar 2: conditionals (1)

1

1 Complete sentence b) in each pair so that it has a similar meaning to sentence a).

- 1 a) It's likely there is life on other planets. If so, we are not alone.
b) If there life on other planets, we not alone.
- 2 a) The world's population will probably continue to increase. If so, we will need more food.
b) If the world's population to increase, we more food.
- 3 a) Other intelligent beings might inhabit the universe. If so, they would be very different from us.
b) If other intelligent beings the universe, they very different from us.
- 4 a) There aren't many TV programmes about science, so people don't know much about it.
b) If there more TV programmes about science, people more about it.
- 5 a) We shouldn't have spent so much money on space research. Instead, we could have solved many other serious problems.
b) If we less on space research, we many other serious problems.

2 Complete the following information about conditional sentences.

- 1 General truth: *if* + present +
- 2 a) Possible/likely in the present or future:
if + present +
b) Unlikely or contrary to present fact:
if + past simple +
- 3 Contrary to fact in the past:
if + past perfect +

► Grammar reference p.194 (5)

2 There is a mistake with the verb in the second part of each sentence. Correct the mistakes so the second part follows on correctly from the first part.

- 1 He will pass his driving test *if he will practise*.
- 2 You can borrow the car tonight *if you would take good care of it*.
- 3 I wouldn't have made so much food *if I knew they weren't coming*.
- 4 If you buy two, you got a third one free.
- 5 I would have done better *if I worked harder*.
- 6 If I had the right tools, I can fix the flat tyre myself.
- 7 If you'd told me Susan was going to be there, I would never go to the party.
- 8 If I lived in that house, I will get smoke alarms put in straightaway.

3 Here is a list of developments that could happen in the next few years. Say what you think will or might happen as a result.

- 1 All phones will have a video component.
- 2 Colonies will be established on Mars.
- 3 Protein and vitamin pills will replace the food we eat today.
- 4 Everyone will speak the same language.

Example:

If all phones have a video component, we will be able to see the person we are talking to. That may not always be a good idea because ...

4 Think of five things you take for granted in your everyday life. Say how and why you use them. How would your life be different without them?

Example:

I drive to work by car every day. If I didn't have a car, I would have to go by bus.

5 Complete the text below using the correct form of a verb from the box. Use each verb once only.

go have not have take not want

Medicine then and now

Nowadays, if you (1) a headache, you can (2) a painkiller like aspirin and it goes away. If you were suffering from something more serious and needed an operation, you could

(3) to hospital and have it done under anaesthetic. But if you'd been born five hundred years ago, you (4) any of the medicines we take for granted today, and you certainly (5) to have any sort of surgery as there were no anaesthetics.

6 Think of five ways your life would have been different if you had lived 100 years ago.

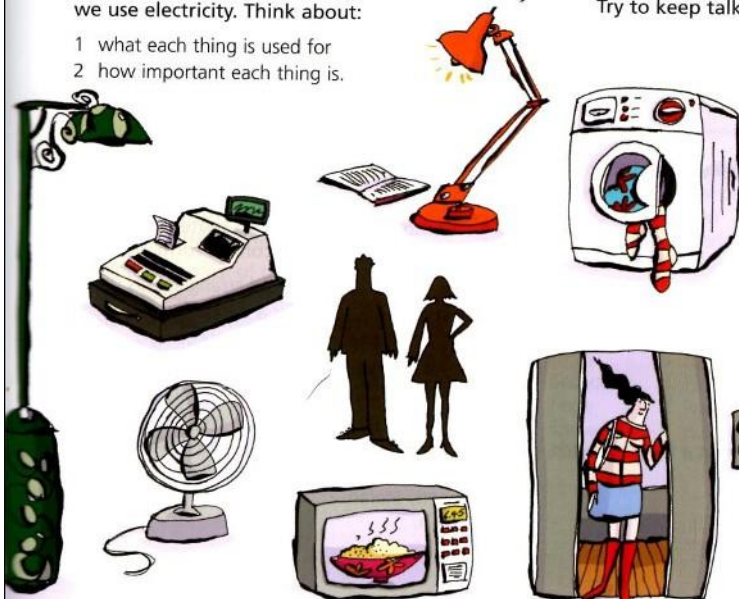
Example:

If I'd lived 100 years ago, I probably would not have been able to go to university.

Speaking: ranking; discussion (Parts 3 and 4)

1 Look at the pictures, which show some ways we use electricity. Think about:

- 1 what each thing is used for
- 2 how important each thing is.



2

1 Now listen to two students discussing which of the uses of electricity they think are the most important. Complete the conversation.

A: OK, where (1)

B: Well, I think lifts are very important, (2)

A: Yes, if we didn't have them, we wouldn't be able to build tall buildings. So I think that (3) And street lights are important too – I hate walking around in the dark!

B: Yes, (4) But we (5) without street lights, couldn't we? I mean, cars have their own headlights.

A: Yes, I think (6) And (7) microwave cookers? (8) they're not very important?

B: I (9) not. Even if we didn't have them, we could still cook our food in the stove. Some stoves use electricity, though.

A: (10) What do you think is the least important thing?

2 Practise the conversation with a partner. Try to use similar intonation to the recording.

3 Work with another partner. Imagine you have been asked to suggest ways in which people can save electricity. Put the things in the pictures in order of importance so as to save electricity. Try to keep talking for about three minutes.

4 Discuss some of the following questions, which are related to the topic you discussed in Exercise 3. Try to keep talking for about four minutes.

- 1 What would you miss most if there was no electricity?
- 2 In what ways do people waste electricity?
- 3 In what ways do you think life today is easier than it was in the past?
- 4 If you could travel back in time, which period in your country's history would you like to see? Why?
- 5 Do you think that in the future the world will be a better place than it is today?

Exam focus

Paper 4 Listening: extracts (Part 1)

About the exam: In Paper 4, Part 1, you hear eight short unrelated extracts with people talking in different situations. You answer one question about each extract by choosing from three options. Each extract is repeated immediately.

Procedure

- 1 Read the questions and the options before you listen. Underline any key words e.g. *who*, *what*, *why*, *how* and any topic words (e.g. *museums* in Question 1 below).
- 2 The first time you listen, you will hear the question and then the extract. Mark the answer you think is best.
- 3 The second time, listen to check your answer. Always put something – you don't lose marks for a wrong answer.
- 4 In the exam, you transfer your answers to the answer sheet at the end of the test.



You will hear people talking in eight different situations. For questions 1–8, choose the best answer, A, B or C. You will hear each extract twice.

- 1 You hear a woman talking about museums in New Zealand. Why did she like looking at the textbooks?
A because there was someone to explain about them
B because they had a personal appeal
C because she learned about education in the past
- 2 You hear the presenter of a radio programme. What sort of programme is it?
A a science programme
B a history programme
C a discussion programme
- 3 In an art gallery, you overhear this conversation. What does the man want to do?
A come back the next day
B have a guided tour
C go to another part of the gallery
- 4 You hear a woman talking on the radio about her career ambitions. What does she want to be?
A a writer
B an archaeologist
C an artist
- 5 You overhear two people talking about a football match. How does the woman feel?
A uninterested
B disappointed
C angry

- 6 You overhear a man talking to a friend about his new job. What good thing about the job does he mention?

A the pay
B the travelling
C the amount of work

- 7 You hear the weather forecast on the radio. What will the weather be like tonight?

A cold
B windy
C cloudy

- 8 You switch on the radio and hear part of a radio play. Where does the conversation take place?

A in an airport
B in a bus station
C in a train station

Vocabulary 2: collocations

The *Longman Exams Dictionary* shows you common phrases and collocations.

im-pres-sion [+ frequency, pron, part of speech]

1 [CU] the opinion or feeling you have about someone or something because of the way they seem: **make an impression (on sb)** = make someone admire or remember you: *It was their first meeting and Richard was determined to make an impression.*

jus-tice [+ frequency, pron, part of speech]

4 **do justice to sb/sth** also **do sb/sth justice** to treat or represent someone or something as good, beautiful etc in a way that is as good as they deserve: *The photo doesn't do her justice.* | *No words can do justice to the experience.*

- 1 Complete the following sentences using either **make** or **do** in the correct form.

- 1 Have you the travel arrangements yet?
- 2 What do you for a living?
- 3 We a lot of business with Japan.
- 4 It's not easy to a living from writing.
- 5 'Please sure you're on time.' 'I'll my best.'
- 6 My brother is always fun of my clothes.
- 7 I am writing to a complaint.
- 8 Recently Stefan a big effort to improve his English.



2

- 1 In the following sentences, cross out the adjective which does NOT collocate with the noun.

Example:

Being on the project was a *valuable* / *wonderful* / *pretty* experience for me.

- 1 I can't afford *spare* / *unnecessary* / *expensive* luxuries.
- 2 The website advertises a range of *musical* / *scientific* / *cooking* instruments.
- 3 In the last 100 years we have seen many *historical* / *technical* / *scientific* advances.
- 4 Some *recent* / *latest* / *modern* developments have had both good and bad effects.
- 5 Conditions on the roads are *good* / *sunny* / *excellent* today.
- 6 The nurse said the patient was making *good* / *satisfactory* / *swift* progress.

- 2 Match the adjectives you crossed out with these sets of nouns.

- a) book / classes / lessons
- b) day / weather / personality
- c) reply / runner
- d) pair of shoes / set of keys / room / tyre
- e) novel / film / research
- f) news / CD / gossip

- 3 Work with a partner. Ask and answer the following questions.

- 1 Who does most of the housework in your family? What do you do?
- 2 Have you ever made a complaint? What about? What happened?
- 3 Which is your favourite musical instrument? Why?
- 4 What expensive luxury would you buy if you had lots of money?
- 5 Do you enjoy listening to gossip?

Use of English 2: multiple-choice cloze (Part 1)

- 1 Read the text below quickly. Don't try to fill in the gaps yet. What is special about this library?

- 2 Now read the text carefully and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

A FAMOUS LIBRARY

The most famous library of all time was (0) by Alexander the Great over 2,300 years ago, in Alexandria. It was (1) at the crossroads of Europe, Africa and Asia, and was the perfect location for a centre of learning. The library was (2) to have around 700,000 books, and at the time people thought it contained 'all the knowledge in the world'. Copies of these books were (3) there, and these were then distributed around countries in the ancient world. But then the library was (4) by fire. Thousands of works of philosophy, science and literature were lost, and it took centuries to recover them.

Now a new, modern library has been built in Alexandria, at a (5) of £120m. It has a vast reading area seating 2,000 people, and (6) in the library for eight million books. The (7) of the building is spectacular, with amazing use of light and space. There is a huge circular roof which slopes at a special angle. This means that it can (8) light from the sun into the museum. (9) of sunlight shine through green and blue glass onto the desks and bookshelves below, and letters from every known alphabet are carved on the walls. People in Alexandria (10) that the library will once again be a (11) where scholars from all over the world come to study and (12) research.

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|----------------|-------------|--------------|---------------|
| 0 A originated | B founded | C instituted | D based |
| 1 A situated | B stationed | C installed | D inserted |
| 2 A stated | B told | C spoken | D said |
| 3 A got | B made | C formed | D achieved |
| 4 A broken | B injured | C destroyed | D hurt |
| 5 A price | B cost | C worth | D charge |
| 6 A room | B place | C volume | D extent |
| 7 A model | B creation | C invention | D design |
| 8 A show | B mirror | C reflect | D demonstrate |
| 9 A Sections | B Pieces | C Rays | D Slices |
| 10 A hope | B want | C aim | D target |
| 11 A scene | B place | C position | D part |
| 12 A follow | B have | C accept | D do |

Writing: essay (Part 2)

About the exam: In the exam, you may have to write an essay in which you present an argument. One way to do this is to present both sides of the argument, and then say which one you agree with.

1 Read the task below. Do you have to write about:

- a) whether museums charge too much for entrance?
- b) whether museums are important in modern life?

Your class has been discussing what part museums play in life today. Your teacher has now asked you to write an essay giving your opinion on the following statement:

Museums are a waste of money.

Write your **essay** in **120–180 words**.

2 Work with a partner.

1 Think of as many ideas as possible either in support of museums or against museums. Use the ideas below to help you.

- cost
- national importance
- interest
- education
- tourism
- research

2 Choose three of your best ideas for each side of the argument and note them down.

Reasons for keeping museums	Reasons against keeping museums

3 When you write an essay like this, you can use four paragraphs.

- Paragraph 1: a statement of the topic
- Paragraph 2: two or three ideas supporting one side of the argument
- Paragraph 3: two or three ideas supporting the other side of the argument
- Paragraph 4: a conclusion giving your own opinion

TIP! Before you begin writing, decide on your own opinion. Put the ideas you agree with in paragraph 3, so they support your conclusion.

1 Look at the four paragraph openings below, which come from one student's essay on this topic. Match them to each paragraph above.

A

To sum up, it seems to me that ...

B

Some people claim that museums use up money which would be better spent on other things.

C

However, other people believe that if we understand how things happened in the past ...

D

How important are museums to people living in the 21st century?

2 Is this student writing for or against museums?

4 In an essay, it is important to link your ideas.

1 Which of the highlighted linking expressions in Exercise 3

- a) introduces a contrasting idea?
- b) introduces a conclusion?

2 Choose the correct alternatives in these sentences.

- 1 Most people think museums are boring and *because of* / *in spite of* this they seldom go.
- 2 Museums tell us about our history and *in addition* / *therefore* people should be encouraged to visit them.
- 3 *Despite the fact that* / *Because* museums attract tourists, they should be maintained, *even though* / *on the other hand* this costs a lot of money.

5 Now write your essay, using your ideas in Exercise 2. You can use the paragraph openings above to help you if you want to.

6 When you have finished, check your work.

▶ Writing reference pp.206, 213, 215

1 Complete the following text using relative pronouns.

Who invented toothpaste?

Toothpaste is an invention (1) doesn't seem to have a definite inventor or date. Something like it was known in ancient Egypt, (2) people used a paste made of a mixture of ash and powered egg shell, (3) they rubbed on their teeth with their fingers.

In 1873 the Colgate Company – the same one (4) makes toothpaste today – introduced Colgate Dental cream, (5) smelled and tasted much nicer than anything else used until then. Soon after this, people began to use toothbrushes instead of sticks or fingers, (6) made cleaning teeth much easier.

However, most Americans didn't brush their teeth regularly until the 1940s, (7) American soldiers (8) had spent several years in Europe and learned the habit there, went home after the Second World War.

2 Complete these sentences, giving true information.

- 1 If I could go anywhere in the world, ...
- 2 In ten years' time, if all goes well, I ...
- 3 I ... if I'd lived two thousand years ago.
- 4 If I was showing a visitor from abroad round my town, I ...
- 5 I ... if I have music playing while I'm studying.
- 6 If I had more free time, I ...
- 7 If I had been able to choose what time to be born in, I ...
- 8 If I was offered the chance to live for 500 years, I ...

3 Complete the following sentences with an appropriate linking word.

- 1 I believe that space exploration is a waste of money I don't think it should be banned completely.
- 2 Life in the past may have been simpler., it was probably more dangerous in many ways.
- 3 The number of people who read books regularly is declining. this, I believe we will always need libraries.

- 4 The most exciting scientific discoveries may come about research into the brain.
- 5 Many experiments on animals seem unnecessary to me and I think they should be banned.
- 6 There may be life on Mars. If there is, , it might be hard to recognise.

4 Use the words given in capitals below the text to form a word that fits in the gap in each line. There is an example at the beginning (0).

THE ORIGIN OF THE POTATO CRISP

The potato crisp was the (0) *invention* of George Crum, in 1853. He worked as a chef at a popular resort in the USA. One day a (1) decided that he didn't like the (2) of his fried potatoes, and sent them back to the kitchen. Crum made some more, but the man (3) these as well, making the same (4) Crum got angry and, hoping to annoy the man, he made a third batch which were much (5) and could not be eaten with a fork. To his (6) , the man loved them – and so potato crisps were invented. Since then, their (7) has increased (8) , and they are eaten all over the world. But George Crum was (9) at the time that his invention would cause great (10) in the future between the Americans (who call them *chips*) and the British (who call them *crisps*).

0 INVENT

1 CUSTOM

2 THICK

3 TURN

4 COMPLAIN

5 THIN

6 AMAZE

7 POPULAR

8 DRAMA

9 AWARE

10 CONFUSE

UNIT

8 We are family

Reading: multiple-choice questions (Part 1)

1 Look at the photos. What do you think the relationship between the people could be? Then read the title and subheading to check your ideas.

2 You are going to read an article. For questions 1–8, choose the answer (A, B, C or D) which you think fits best according to the text.

- 1 In Stanley Milgram's experiment, one hundred people had to
 - A exchange a parcel with someone else.
 - B pass on a parcel to someone they knew.
 - C find out who had sent them a parcel.
 - D send a parcel to six different people.
- 2 What does 'it' in line 17 refer to?
 - A the idea
 - B the parcel
 - C the Internet game
 - D the world
- 3 Why does the belief that it's a small world make us feel safer?
 - A It is an assumption shared by friends and strangers.
 - B It is supported by the work of scientists.
 - C It suggests we are connected to other people.
 - D It helps to create new friendships.
- 4 The writer chose to look for Purev-Ochir because
 - A he would be difficult to find.
 - B he had connections with the media.
 - C he was in a place where she had connections.
 - D he was recommended to her.



Steppe by steppe

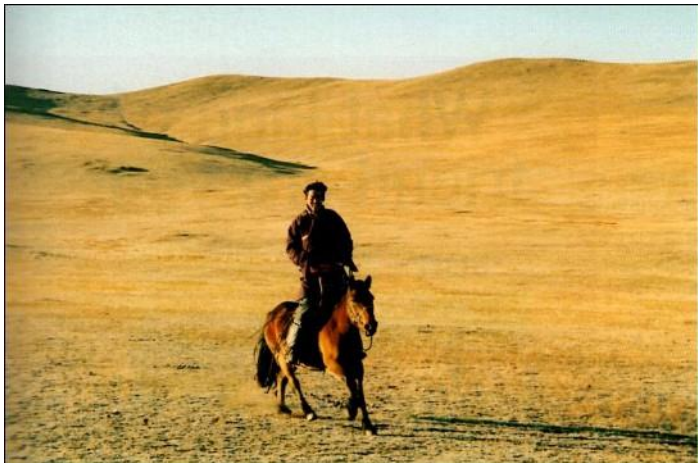
Lucy Leveugle travelled round the world to put a theory to the test. Could she get in touch with this Mongolian herdsman by following a chain of just six different people?

What if everyone around the world was somehow connected to everyone else? There's a theory called *six degrees of separation* that says you can make contact with anyone in the world by following a chain of acquaintances. Someone you know knows someone, who knows someone else, and so on – and in six of these steps, you can reach anyone.

This idea is based on an experiment carried out in 1967 by an American psychologist called Stanley Milgram. He sent parcels to 100 people in different states of the USA. Each person had to try to get their parcel to someone else in another part of the country. However, the address of the person to whom the parcel was destined was not given – only their name and a few personal details. Milgram found that, on average, each parcel was passed on from one acquaintance to another just six times before reaching its final destination.

Since then, the idea has taken off. There's a play, a film and even an Internet game based on it. Although the experiment has never been repeated on a large scientific scale, it has become commonplace to assume that it really is a small world. And this makes us feel safer. After all, when you meet a friend of a friend, you tend to trust them more than you would a stranger – because you know that you have something in common: you are already linked together.

I decided to test out Milgram's theory on a world stage; to find out how many steps it would really take to reach someone on the other side of the planet. I decided on Outer Mongolia for my target, because I had never met anyone from there. I advertised in Mongolian newspapers, asking for volunteers to be filmed in a documentary, and from the replies I chose Purev-Ochir Gungaa, a nomadic herdsman in the middle of the Mongolian Steppes. I felt that if I could get to him, then I could get to anyone.



So my journey to reach him began. I set myself guidelines based on the original 60s experiment. I could only contact someone who I already knew on a first-name basis. That person had to pass me on to someone they knew personally, and so on. I wasn't allowed to use the Internet or any other public resource.

For my first step, I chose my school friend Francis, as I knew he had travelled in Russia. Francis passed me on to his sister, a magazine editor, who sent me to her environmentalist friend Rolf in Geneva. And then, unbelievably, Rolf was able to send me straight to someone he knew in Mongolia. I had reached Mongolia in four steps – so perhaps I really would make it to my herdsman in six.

I met my fourth link, a high-ranking civil servant, in Ulan Bator, the Mongolian capital. But language difficulties got in the way, and I began to think I wasn't going to achieve my goal in six steps – if at all. However, I went on trying, and was passed on to two more officials, then a businessman who lived several hundred miles away from Ulan Bator. I was getting close. My eighth step was Oyuntuya, who was a teacher in a tiny village – but more importantly, she was my herdsman's mother.

When I finally found Purev-Ochir I was amazed that it had not taken me much longer. The 24-year-old lived in a traditional tent in the middle of the desolate, empty Mongolian Steppes with his relatives and more than 600 horses, cows, sheep and goats. I was the first foreigner that he had met.

Our lives were totally different. While I am a real city girl, never without my mobile or my make-up, Purev-Ochir rode across Mongolia with his herd. But he wasn't particularly impressed by my arrival, and when I explained the theory he just laughed, and went back to looking after his animals.

Yet amazingly a chain of only eight different people connected Purev-Ochir and me. Although I didn't actually **make it** in six steps, my experience still shows that we can take shortcuts through large social networks and that it really is a small world.

- 5 For her first step, the writer had to find someone who

A had a direct connection with Mongolia.
B was in Milgram's original experiment.
C was unavailable on the Internet.
D was already known to her.

- 6 The writer was afraid she would never find Purev-Ochir when

A she first met Rolf in Geneva.
B she met a government official in Mongolia.
C she saw Purev-Ochir's tent.
D she arrived in Ulan Bator.

- 7 When he first met the writer, Purev-Ochir was

A uninterested in her story.
B shocked by her appearance.
C unhappy about being filmed.
D annoyed by the problems she caused.

- 8 What does 'make it' mean in line 64?

A decide
B travel
C move
D succeed

- 3 Compare your answers with a partner. In which part of the text did you find each answer?

- 4 Who would you choose to look for in order to test this theory?

Speaking 1: quiz

1 What type of relationship is each person talking about?

acquaintance best friend colleague
relative stranger

- 1 We work together.
- 2 I've met her once or twice.
- 3 I've no idea who he is.
- 4 I see her at family get-togethers.
- 5 I can tell him everything.

2 Do the quiz with a partner.

3 Check your results on page 189.
Do you agree with the descriptions given?

What kind of friend are you?

Start ▶

Staying with friends

Do you prefer meeting new people or staying with the friends you know?

Meeting new people

Are you happy to go to a party by yourself?

Yes

No

In a boy/girlfriend, are looks ever more important than personality?

Yes, sometimes

No, never

Do you think it's up to you to make people around you feel at ease?

Yes

No

When you go out, do you usually go to the same place every time?

Yes

No

Do you like to follow the latest fashions?

Yes

No

Years and years

A few months

How long have you known most of the people you are going round with at present?

When you're with your friends do you prefer to listen or talk?

Listen

Not sure

Yes

Do your friends often ask you for advice?

No

A

B

Are you good at telling stories and jokes?

Yes

No

Yes

No

Do you love chatting on the phone?

C



Grammar 1: gerunds and infinitives

1 Work in pairs or groups.

Group A complete the letter on page 189 using the verbs in brackets in the correct form.

Group B complete the following letter using the verbs in brackets in the correct form.

Dear Aggie

When I first met Marc we got on really well – and he seemed
(1) (enjoy) my company. We liked
(2) (do) the same things and we were both keen
on (3) (go) to football together. He was my
best friend at that time, and I dropped my other friends
(4) (spend) more time with him. He hasn't
changed, but I have. Now I can't bear (5) (hear)
the same jokes every time we go out, and I hate having
(6) (watch) football on TV all weekend.

I know he'll be upset – but nothing can (7)
(make) me (8) (change) my mind – I miss
(9) (see) my other friends and I'd rather not.
just (10) (stay) with him all the time. I've tried
(11) (tell) him, but I can't – I'm afraid of
(12) (hurt) him. What can I do?

Stephanie

► Grammar reference p.196 (8)

2 Work in new pairs, one from Group A and one from Group B.

- 1 Tell your partner what is in your letter.
- 2 Decide what advice to give the writer of each letter.

Watch Out! make/let/allow

- 1 What happens when you use *make* in the passive?
a) The teacher made us do the exercise again.
b) We were made to do the exercise again.
- 2 Which sentence is NOT possible? Correct it.
a) My parents don't let me stay out late.
b) I am not let to stay out late.

► Grammar reference p.197 (8.7)

3 Match the sentence halves and explain the difference in meaning.

- 1 I'd like to meet her
I like meeting her
a) on Saturday mornings, because we go shopping together.
b) at 9.30 tomorrow morning.
- 2 I stopped to talk to Rose
I stopped talking to Rose
a) because I realised I couldn't trust her.
b) when I bumped into her on the street.
- 3 I remembered to phone Jack
I remembered phoning Jack
a) and he was very pleased.
b) although I didn't make a note of the exact time.
- 4 He tried to write his essay in half an hour
He tried writing his essay in half an hour
a) but he couldn't do it.
b) and he got a bad mark for it.
- 5 I regret to tell you that
I really regret
a) encouraging my brother to apply for the job.
b) your application has been unsuccessful.

4 Rewrite the following sentences using the verbs in brackets in the correct form. Add a preposition where necessary.

Example: We've thought about whether we should move house. (*consider*)

We've considered moving house.

- 1 She interrupts me all the time – it's really annoying. (*keep*)
- 2 She wants to invite all the family to the party. (*insist*)
- 3 The man claimed he was a government official. (*pretend*)
- 4 She hoped that he would explain everything to her. (*want*)
- 5 I think it's great when I don't have to get up early on holiday! (*enjoy/not*)
- 6 I shouldn't have written the letter. (*regret*)
- 7 Even though I was late, the examiner allowed me to take the exam. (*let*)
- 8 I hate being dependent on other people. (*rely*)

5 Ask and answer the following questions.

- 1 What are you thinking of doing this weekend?
- 2 Have you ever considered working abroad?
- 3 Is there anything you can't stand doing?
- 4 Have you ever done something you regretted or regretted not doing something?
- 5 Have you ever tried surfing? Would you like to?

Vocabulary 1: adjective suffixes

1

1 Match each group of words to the correct adjective suffix. The suffix must fit all three words in the group. What spelling changes do you have to make when you add the suffix?

- | | |
|---------------------------|----------|
| 1 depend, love, wash | a) -ly |
| 2 truth, hope, harm | b) -ive |
| 3 act, create, support | c) -ful |
| 4 nerve, fury, fame | d) -al |
| 5 nature, nation, culture | e) -y |
| 6 friend, coward, heaven | f) -able |
| 7 fun, wealth, health | g) -ous |

2 Which adjectives can you make negative using *un-*, *in-* or *-less*?

Example: lovable – *unlovable*

2 Complete the following sentences using the correct form of the words given. Be careful! You will need make some of the adjectives negative.

Example:

At first I thought Tracey was *unfriendly* but then I realised she was just shy. **FRIEND**

- Mario's friendship is really to me – I'd miss him a lot if he left. **VALUE**
- Couples often break up if one of them becomes very **FAME**
- The whole situation seemed until you came along to help. **HOPE**
- My parents are very of me, and encourage me to try new things. **SUPPORT**
- It's very to go without breakfast. **HEALTH**
- Tom is such an person – he's always running around doing something. **ACT**

3 Think about the people you know. Who:

- is always supportive of you, whatever you do?
- would you talk to if you felt nervous or worried about something?
- is friendly to everyone?
- might be famous one day?
- is very active in sports and games?

Write the names in a circle in jumbled order and show your partner. Can your partner match the names to the descriptions?

Example:



A: I think your grandmother is always supportive of you.
B: Right!

Use of English 1: word formation (Part 3)

1 Read the title and the text below quickly. Which two of the following topics does it discuss?

- making friends
- why friends quarrel
- what keeps friends together

2 Use the word given in capitals below the text to form a word that fits in the space in each line. There is an example at the beginning (0).

FRIENDS

Everyone wants to have friends, but building up new (0) *relationships* is not always easy. A few people are born with outgoing (1); they have a (2) ability to make new friends wherever they go. But not many people are (3) at ease in a room full of strangers. Most of us feel (4) when we meet new people, and this can occasionally make us appear (5), when in fact we are just shy. In any case, the (6) of new friendships is a gradual process – it doesn't just happen overnight. Long-standing friendships (7) have several things in common. The friends enjoy the same sorts of (8), and share similar beliefs and values, they are (9) to one another, and they are also (10) of one another when they have problems.

0 RELATION

- | | |
|------------|------------|
| 1 PERSON | 6 DEVELOP |
| 2 NATURE | 7 GENERAL |
| 3 COMPLETE | 8 ACTIVE |
| 4 NERVE | 9 TRUTH |
| 5 FRIEND | 10 SUPPORT |

3 The text mentions four qualities of a successful friendship. What are they? Which one do you think is most important?

Vocabulary 2: relationships

1

- 1 Some of the following definitions are incorrect. Find them and correct them.

Example:

Your **mother-in-law** is the mother of your friend.
Wrong – she's the mother of your husband or wife.

- Your **nephew** could be either your brother's son or your sister's daughter.
- Your **great-grandmother** is your mother's mother's mother.
- Your **aunt** could be your mother's sister or your father's brother.
- Your **cousins** can be either male or female.
- Your **stepbrother** shares one parent with you, but not both.
- Your **great-uncle** is the father of one of your grandparents.
- Your **niece** is your brother's or sister's daughter.
- Your **brother-in-law** is the husband of your brother.
- Your **grandson** could be the son of your son or daughter.

- 2 Say how many of the relatives above you have.

Example: *I don't have a mother-in-law because I'm not married. But I have three cousins.*

2

- 1 Match the adjectives in the box to the following descriptions.

stubborn modest ~~optimistic~~ reliable
 sensible sympathetic sociable thoughtful
 talkative generous ambitious

Example:

My brother always looks on the bright side of life. *He's optimistic.*

- My cousin Maria will never let you down.
- My younger sister is the kind of person who makes a party go with a swing!
- Mark is determined to be a success in life.
- John always leaves a big tip for the waiter.
- When Pietro starts on his favourite topic, I just can't shut him up.
- Carla never boasts about her achievements.
- My aunt is the right person to go to if you feel depressed.

- My nephew doesn't let his heart rule his head.
- My older sister is always thinking of things she can do to make other people feel good.
- Arek is so sure he's right, it's hard to get him to change his mind about something.

- 2 Work with a partner and think of the opposite of each adjective above. Use your dictionary if necessary.

- 3 Describe the different members of your family to your partner. Give examples of their behaviour. Compare yourself with them.

3

- 1 Complete the following text using words or phrases from the box. There are two extra words or phrases you won't need.

bridegroom ceremony honeymoon
 got married bride got engaged wedding
 bridesmaids reception

Jenny met Rob at work and they soon started going out. After a few months they (1), and the following year they (2) They had a lovely big (3) and invited all their friends and family. Jenny's nieces were the (4) The (5) was held in their local church, followed by a (6) at a hotel with dinner and a band. Afterwards they set off on a romantic (7) in Italy.

- 2 Discuss these questions.

- Is the relationship described above typical for your country or not?
- How popular is marriage in your country?
- Do you think that marriage is outdated nowadays?
- What do you think is the best age to get married?



Exam focus**Paper 4 Listening: sentence completion (Part 2)**

About the exam: In Paper 4, Part 2, you hear one or more speakers. You have to complete sentences with a word or words from the recording. The information on the page is in the same order as what you hear. You hear the recording twice.

Procedure

- 1 Read the sentences before you listen. Underline key words and think about what sort of information is missing. Remember that the words in the sentences may not be exactly the same as those used in the recording (e.g. *choose* in question 1).
- 2 The first time you listen, fill in as many gaps as you can, using approximately 1–3 words. You don't need to change these words in any way.
- 3 If you can't fill a gap, look ahead to the next one.
- 4 The second time you listen, check and complete your answers. Always put something – you don't lose marks for a wrong answer.
- 5 In the exam, you are given time to transfer your answers to the answer sheet at the end of the test. Be careful not to make mistakes when you do this (e.g. with singular/plural).



- 1** You will hear part of a radio talk about how to organise a wedding. For questions 1–10, complete the sentences.

Wedding advice

One year ahead, choose the (1) for the wedding, and select the best man and bridesmaids.

Decide on locations for the wedding (2) and reception, and make the bookings.

Make a (3) and send out the invitations.

Six months ahead, choose the bride's and bridesmaids' dresses and select the (4) according to the time of year.

Choose the (5) for the reception, according to your budget.

Organise accommodation for guests and finalise arrangements for the (6)

Three months ahead, you may need to check that your (7) is valid.

At this stage, you should also organise the (8)

Think about the (9) (e.g. by the bridegroom and possibly by the bride).

Finally, remember that the day should be a (10) one!

**2 Discuss these questions.**

- 1 How much of the advice given above would apply to weddings in your country?
- 2 Is it better to spend a lot on a big wedding ceremony or save the money for the future?
- 3 Why do some people want to have a big expensive ceremony?
- 4 Tell a partner about the last wedding you went to. Who was there? What was it like?
- 5 What other celebrations are important for families? Describe the last one your family had.

Grammar 2: expressing hypothetical meanings

1 Read Cris's story. Then match each sentence 1–8 to one of his wishes a)–h) below.



- 1 I think I'm in love with Eleanor. **g)**
- 2 She's going out with Carlo.
- 3 He's the captain of the basketball team.
- 4 He's very rich and he drives a silver BMW.
- 5 Eleanor's eyes light up when she sees him driving it.
- 6 I heard there was a big party yesterday for the basketball team and Eleanor was there.
- 7 They say Carlo drove another girl home from the party and Eleanor was crying.
- 8 But I know she'll never leave Carlo, even though he'll never make her happy.

- a) I wish she would look at **me** like that.
- b) I wish I'd been invited.
- c) I wish I'd had a clean tissue to dry her tears.
- d) I wish I had lots of money and a big car.
- e) I wish she was going out with me instead.
- f) I wish I could get picked for the team too.
- g) I wish she'd never met him. I could make her much happier.
- h) I wish I wasn't – I don't have a chance with her.

2 Underline the verb forms after *I wish* in a)–h). Which ones refer to:

- the present or future?
- the past?

Watch Out! *wish* and *would*

Decide which sentence in each pair is NOT possible. Then match the correct sentences to the explanations below.

- 1 a) I wish I would have a big car.
b) I wish I had a big car.
- 2 a) I wish she would go out with me.
b) I wish she went out with me.

- A We use *wish* + past simple when we want our own situation to be different.
- B We only use *wish* + *would* when we are referring to another person.

Grammar reference p.198 (11.1–2)

2 Choose the correct alternative in each of the following sentences.

- 1 I wish I *hadn't lost* / *didn't lose* my favourite scarf.
- 2 I really wish my sister *would stop* / *stopped* smoking so much.
- 3 I wish I *would* / *could* dance as well as my friend.
- 4 If only I *didn't have* / *don't have* to take exams next month!
- 5 I wish I *can* / *could* get a job abroad.
- 6 I wish I *wasn't* / *wouldn't be* so bad at sport!
- 7 If only a millionaire *will* / *would* fall in love with me.
- 8 I wished the concert *would be* / *was over* – it was awful.

3

1 Complete the following wishes for yourself.

- 1 I wish I could ...
- 2 I wish I'd never ...
- 3 If only my parents would ... , but they won't.
- 4 If only I had ...
- 5 I wish I was ...

2 Now explain your wishes to a partner.

Examples:

I wish I could sing well. If I had a good voice, I could become an opera singer.

I wish I'd never gone out with Sam. If I'd gone out with Peter instead, I would have enjoyed myself much more.

4 The following expressions are also followed by past tense forms to show hypothetical meaning.

1 Choose the best meaning for each expression from the alternatives given.

- 1 It's time we went home.
 - a) They have already gone home.
 - b) They haven't gone home yet.
- 2 I'd rather you left.
 - a) I am pleased that you left.
 - b) I would like you to leave.
- 3 Suppose I read your email! You'd be in trouble then!
 - a) He is thinking about reading the email.
 - b) He has read the email.

2 What is the difference in meaning between the sentences in these pairs?

- 1 a) You talk as if you know all about it.
b) You talk as if you knew all about it.
- 2 a) What if we can't find the answer?
b) What if I couldn't speak English?

► Grammar reference p.198 (11.3-6)

5 Complete the following sentences in a logical way.

- 1 Isn't it time? It's already nine o'clock.
- 2 Suppose – wouldn't that be great?
- 3 I think I'd rather than just sit here on my own.
- 4 You look as if Shall we find something to eat?
- 5 Would you rather we or?
- 6 It's high time you You can't afford to fail this exam.
- 7 Suppose I – would that help you?



The Backstreet Boys

Listening 2: song

1

1 Match the sentence halves to make the first verse of the song *Drowning*.

- 1 Don't pretend you're sorry
- 2 You know you got the power
- 3 Girl you leave me breathless but it's okay 'cause
- 4 Now hear me say I can't imagine life
- 5 Even forever don't seem

- a) you are my survival
- b) to make me weak inside
- c) without your love
- d) like long enough
- e) I know you're not

2 Now suggest a possible order for the lines of the chorus.

- ☐ Baby I can't help it, you keep me drowning in your love
- ☐ Baby I can't help it, you keep me drowning in your love
- ☐ 'Cause every time I breathe, I take you in and my heart beats again
- ☐ Every time I try to rise above, I'm swept away by love



2 Listen to the first part of the song to check your answers.



3 Listen to the whole song. What is it about? Choose two answers from the list.

- a) The singer feels totally dependent on the girl.
- b) The singer wants to escape from the girl's control.
- c) The girl gives him a reason to live.
- d) The singer wants to leave the girl for someone else.
- e) The girl has left the singer and he wants her back.

Speaking 2: how to keep talking/adding ideas (Parts 3 and 4)

1 Work with a partner and do the Part 3 speaking task below. Use the following questions to help you. You should talk for about three minutes.

- What would each activity involve?
- How would it help you to meet people?
- What sort of people would you meet?
- Do you think you'd like these people? Why?/Why not?
- How much do you think you would enjoy the activity?

‘I'd like you to imagine that a town council wants to create opportunities for local people of different ages to meet one another socially. Here are some ideas they are considering. Talk to each other about how effective each one might be. Then decide which two would be best.’

2 Compare your ideas with the class.



3 In the exam, you must try to keep talking for the full three minutes. Listen to two students. How do they keep the conversation going when they have discussed all the pictures and still have time left?

- They go back to the first topic again.
- They think of different activities they could do besides the ones in the pictures.
- They think of the things that their two favourite activities have in common.

4 In Part 4 of the Speaking test, the interlocutor asks you to discuss some questions which extend the topic you discussed in Part 3.

1 Look at the following question and think of three things that you could discuss in the answer.

- Who do you rely on more – friends or family?



2 Now listen to two students doing the task. Are their ideas the same as yours, or different?



3 Listen again. Tick the phrases the students use to introduce a new idea.

... another thing is that ...
... as well as that ...
... and in addition to that ...
... and also I suppose ...

5 Discuss some of the following questions with a partner. Keep talking for about four minutes.

- How and where do people in your town meet one another socially?
- Who do you rely on more – friends or family?
- Who do you confide in more – friends or family?
- What sorts of things do you enjoy doing with your family, and what sorts of things do you like doing with your friends?
- What do you enjoy doing in a large group, and what do you enjoy doing on your own?



Writing: article (Part 2)

1 Read the task below and underline key words.

You see the following notice in an international magazine.

Family celebrations

Families around the world all have their own ways of celebrating special occasions. Write us an article about one family celebration that you have particularly enjoyed recently, explaining the reason for the celebration and describing what made it so enjoyable.

The best articles will be published and the writers will receive £500 each.

Write your article in 120–180 words.

2 Read these statements and decide if they are true or false.

- 1 This article should be based on your own experiences.
- 2 You should use subheadings and numbered points.
- 3 You should use a neutral style as it is for an international magazine.
- 4 You have to describe two different things about the celebration.
- 5 You need to make recommendations about what should be done.
- 6 You should include some description.
- 7 You should begin *Dear Sir or Madam*.
- 8 You should have an interesting title.

▶ Writing reference p.211

3

1 Decide what celebration you will write about. You could choose one of the following:

- a wedding • a birthday • the birth of a baby
- a religious celebration • a national celebration

2 Now plan the details you will include in your article. Remember your article should have three sections:

- first paragraph which introduces the topic
- main part of the article with supporting detail
- ending.

Example:

Para 1 - woke up - special day - sister's wedding!
- background information (how the couple met, etc.)
Para 2 - last-minute preparations
- ceremony
- party
Para 3 - end of the celebrations - how I felt

4

1 Here are some titles that other students gave their articles for this task. Which two do you think are the best titles? Why? What is wrong with the others?

- a) A family celebration
- b) A wonderful wedding in New York
- c) A family celebration that I enjoyed
- d) Family reunion - 21st century style

2 Think of an interesting title for your own article. Don't just repeat the words of the question in your title.

5 Look at three opening paragraphs and answer the questions.

- 1 What sort of celebration is each person writing about?
- 2 Why are they all good openings to an article?

A *What's the first thing that comes into my mind when I think of Christmas?*

B *Any French child knows that the 14th of July is a very special date for our country. Why?*

C *Why was last year special for me and my family? Because that year, we celebrated a new arrival in our family.*

6 Write your article, using three or four paragraphs. Remember to read through the task again carefully and include all the information needed.

7 When you have finished, check your work.

▶ Writing reference pp.206, 211

1 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using no more than five words, including the word given.

- 1 You must remember your camera.
bring
Don't your camera.
- 2 The officials allowed us to take photographs in the museum.
let
The officials photographs in the museum.
- 3 I'd like to buy a mountain bike.
interested
I'm a mountain bike.
- 4 Susie and I are very good friends.
on
Susie and I with one another.
- 5 Jack feels bad about not writing to his friend earlier.
wishes
Jack his friend earlier.
- 6 I think you should go home now.
time
I think home.
- 7 I wish I could speak Spanish.
being
I regret speak Spanish.
- 8 I wish I was still in contact with my old school friends.
touch
I wish I had with my old school friends.
- 9 You ought to buy some new shoes.
high
It is some new shoes.

2 Read the text below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

FRIENDSREUNITED.CO.UK

Have you ever looked (0) what happened to your old friends? *Friends Reunited* is a website which puts old school and college friends back in (1) with one another. It was (2) by a husband and wife team when the wife, Julie Pankhurst, decided she wanted to track (3) some of her own school friends. The website now has over five million (4) and is one of the most popular websites in the UK. You pay a small (5) to join, and then add your name and email address to a list. This list is (6) by school and year, so it is easy to find people.

Thousands of reunions have now (7) place across the UK, and the idea has spread to many other countries. So if you join *Friends Reunited*, you can find the person who was your (8) friend when you were eight, even if he or she's now living on the other side of the world. There may even be some surprises (9) for you! You might (10) that the quiet boy who everyone used to (11) in school has now become a professor of Physics, and the tall shy girl has now become a top fashion model with her picture in *Vogue* magazine. Or, (12) , you might find that no one you knew has changed much at all!

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|----------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------------|
| 0 A out of | B into | C up to | D about |
| 1 A connection | B association | C meeting | D touch |
| 2 A set up | B made out | C put on | D got off |
| 3 A out | B down | C for | D in |
| 4 A players | B holders | C users | D consumers |
| 5 A price | B fee | C fare | D expense |
| 6 A organised | B demonstrated | C managed | D controlled |
| 7 A made | B given | C taken | D done |
| 8 A excellent | B perfect | C superb | D best |
| 9 A in store | B on order | C in place | D en route |
| 10 A invent | B discover | C investigate | D identify |
| 11 A smile | B laugh | C joke | D tease |
| 12 A in effect | B in particular | C on the whole | D on the other hand |

UNIT 9 A new look

Reading: gapped text (Part 2)

- 1 Look at the photos. What do you think is the connection between the people?
 - 2 Read the title, the subheading and the main part of the text to check your ideas in Exercise 1.
 - 3 Seven sentences have been removed from the article. Choose from the sentences A–H the one which best fits each gap (1–7). There is one extra sentence which you do not need to use.
- 1 Read the first and second paragraphs of the article carefully. Look at the highlighted phrases and decide what sort of information might fit in the gap. Then look through options A–H and choose the best one. Decide how it relates to the highlighted phrases.
 - 2 Look at the rest of the gaps and decide what could fit into each gap. Highlight phrases in the text that help you to decide. Remember to look after the gap as well as before it.
 - 3 Now do the task, using the phrases you have highlighted to help you.

- A It's true I had originally chosen to live my life like that, but then I also chose to do something about it.
- B Together, the three of them planned a new face for Miles that would make him feel more acceptable to society.
- C It's hard to say exactly what he looks like after all this.
- D We've talked about having a relationship, but we've never even kissed.
- E Well, actually he didn't.
- F Even when he smiles his eyes don't change, and his teeth gleam at you, ruler-like in their straightness.
- G Because of these concerns, Miles has no plans to have surgery on any other part of his body.
- H But that sort of thing happens to me all the time now.

Making a new man of himself



Inspired by the doll-like looks of Cindy Jackson, known as the 'Queen of Plastic Surgery' because of the amount of surgery she has had, Miles Kendall has spent £40,000 turning himself into a real-life boy doll.

'Sorry I'm not looking my best. I had a late night – I didn't get to bed until 5.00 am,' laughs Miles Kendall at the beginning of our interview. He needn't apologise because it's impossible to tell whether he's had a late night or not. In fact, it's not easy to work out anything at all from his face. For Miles Kendall, who says he will be '35 this July', facial expressions are few and far between.

His status as a celebrity is due to the fact that he has had plastic surgery, and lots of it. Thanks to the encouragement of his good friend, the plastic surgery queen Cindy Jackson, he has spent £40,000 sculpting and reshaping his face. (1) At first sight he strikes you as a pleasantly good-looking chap, but at the same time there's something not quite right about his appearance.



20 Maybe this impression is due to the fact that his new face is curiously immovable. (2) His surgeon has given him Brad Pitt's nose, George Clooney's lips and Russell Crowe's chin, 25 but the overall effect has been to transform him into a rather shark-like ex boy-band member.

Miles' self-transformation began when he saw Cindy talking about her 30 experiences of plastic surgery on television. 'I looked at her and thought, "Why can't my life be like hers: glamorous and full of celebrity parties and things?" So I emailed her and told 35 her, "I want to be a male version of you." She replied to me, and we got to know one another a bit.' When Cindy was convinced that he really meant it, and that it wasn't just a crazy idea on his part, 40 she took him to meet her plastic surgeon. (3)

Miles then underwent a series of operations to make this dream a reality. 'Look at this,' he says, showing me 45 a photograph of his face before the operations. 'See! That's what I looked like before – I looked awful.' (4) He appeared to be unhappier, certainly, and perhaps slightly 50 more stressed – but he wasn't particularly unattractive.

'I don't think I'm incredibly handsome now,' he says, 'but I do think I'm above-average looking. I'm the same 55 person underneath, but the way people treat me now is completely different. I

went to a business lunch the other day and people turned to look at me, and a couple of women even came up to me and said "Oh God, you're gorgeous." I've been so unused to being attractive that it's a bit strange. (5) Society treats good-looking people much better, and I've basically done it to be 65 treated better.'

His life, says Miles, has altered immeasurably. Whereas in his former life he used to be a computer programmer, he has now taken on a new venture – he runs a bar called Bar Miles. Cindy Jackson was guest of honour at the opening. 'She's great,' he says enthusiastically. 'I'm really, really happy because running a bar was my life's 75 ambition. And my social life is fantastic because Cindy's introduced me to all these celebrities. Before, I was totally bored the whole time. I never did anything but work. I didn't have 80 any friends and I never went out. (6) And I couldn't have changed my life or had what I've got now if I hadn't changed my looks.'

Perhaps surprisingly, Miles and 85 Cindy have never been romantically involved. 'I'm not really her type as she's into older men. (7) If things had been different, I'd have loved to, of course. But anyway she's a great 90 friend and really beautiful inside as well as out.' He flashes me a final, dazzling smile. 'People think we're shallow, but really, we're not,' he says.

4 Complete the following sentences using the word given in capitals in the correct form.

1 Miles Kendall has spent £40,000 sculpting and his face.

SHAPE

2 The writer of the article thinks Miles is good-looking. **PLEASE**

3 However, he finds something slightly odd about Miles'

APPEAR

4 Because of the surgery he has undergone, it's difficult for Miles to show any expressions. **FACE**

5 Nevertheless, Miles feels more to society as a result of his transformation.

ACCEPT

6 He has received a lot of help and from Cindy Jackson.

ENCOURAGE

7 He talks about her

ENTHUSIASTIC

8 , Miles and Cindy do not have a romantic relationship, however. **SURPRISE**

5 Discuss these questions.

- 1 Why did Miles decide to have plastic surgery? Do you think it was a good reason?
- 2 Would you ever think about changing your appearance? Why?/Why not?

Grammar 1: present and past habit

1

1 Choose the correct alternatives in the following sentences. In some sentences, both verb forms are possible.

- When I was young, I *lived / used to live* in the country.
- We didn't have a car so we *would walk / used to walk* everywhere.
- My parents *never used to let / were never letting* us go out on our own in the evening.
- In those days, children *used to be / would be* brought up more strictly.
- We all *had / used to have* special jobs to do in the house, like washing-up.
- Because of this, we *weren't having / didn't have* much free time.
- We *didn't use to have / wouldn't have* televisions in our bedrooms, like children do today.
- Nowadays my grandchildren *are taken / will be taken* everywhere by car.
- These days, children *are always complaining / would always complain* about being bored.
- But I think they *are having / have* a much easier time than I did as a child.

2 Compare your answers with a partner and discuss these questions.

- Which three forms can be used to express habit in the past?
- Which two forms can be used to express habit in the present?
- Why are *would* and *used to* both possible in sentence 2, but not in sentence 7?

► Grammar reference p.197 (9)

3 Do you agree with what the writer says in sentences 9 and 10 above?

Watch Out! *used to/be used to/get used to*

What's the difference in meaning?

- I'm *used to* this hairstyle.
- I'm *getting used to* this hairstyle.
- I *used to have* a different hairstyle.

2 Find and correct the mistakes in the following sentences.

Example: I'm not used to ^{getting up} ~~get up~~ at 6.30 a.m.
I usually get up at 8.00.

- Maths was use to be my favourite subject.
- Did you used to live in London?
- I'm sure I will soon be get used to living here.
- My brother is getting used his new job.
- He is get the bus to the office at 8 o'clock every morning.
- My grandfather would to walk 10 kilometres to school every day.
- I would enjoy playing on the beach when I was young.
- Alison is always try to look different from her friends.

3 Choose three different years in your past, for example, when you were 5, 12 and 15 years old. Write sentences to describe the things that were true then, but are not true now.

Example: When I was 12, I *used to ride* my bike to school, but I *don't do* that now.

4 Think back to the day you started at your present school, college or job. Describe the things that you have got used to since then, or that you can't get used to.

Examples:

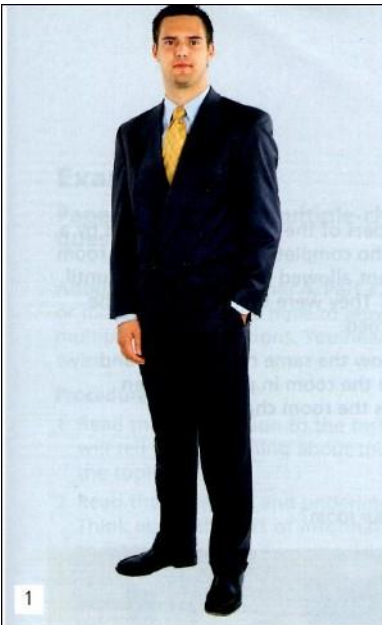
I've got used to the long journey.
I can't get used to all the paperwork.

5 Imagine that you are going to do one of the following. What will you have to get used to? What will you find easy or difficult to get used to?

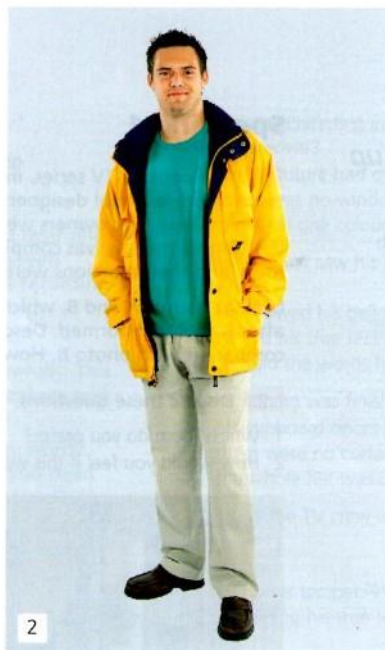
- live in another country
- move to a new town
- share a flat with a friend
- stop using your car

Examples: (*living in Australia*)

I'll have to get used to speaking English.
I'll find it difficult to get used to being so far away from my family.



1



2

Vocabulary 1: fashion

1

1 Look at the photos of Stuart. Read through the descriptions below, ignoring the gaps, and match them to the correct photo.

2 Complete each description using words from the boxes.

A

'This is the sort of outfit I expect an employee to wear. The suit is (1) grey (2) It's a (3) cut, so it won't date. The shirt is (4) blue (5) , and the tie is (6) , striped yellow and blue. And black (7) (8) shoes, of course.'

classic cotton dark slip-on leather pale silk wool

B

'I think Stuart can wear (1) colours. I think this green (2) sweater really suits him – it (3) his eyes. And the jacket's very practical, it's (4) , and a nice unusual colour. It (5) good with these (6) trousers and (7) (8) shoes.'

beige bright brown looks matches casual
round-neck waterproof

3 Discuss these questions.

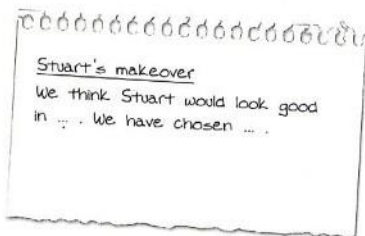
- Which look is a) formal and professional? b) smart but casual?
- How fashionable is each outfit?
- Who do you think is speaking in each description, A and B?

2 Work with a partner.

1 Plan a new outfit for Stuart. Think about:

- the general look and image (e.g. formal, smart-casual, casual)
- what items of clothing Stuart would look good in
- the colour, material and design.

2 Write a short description of the outfit you think would suit him.



3 Discuss the following questions.

- What sort of clothes do you like wearing for school/for work/at home?
- What is your favourite item of clothing? When and where did you get it? Why do you like it?
- Have you ever bought an item of clothing that you have never worn? Why did you buy it? Why haven't you worn it?
- How has fashion changed in the last five years? Do you like to keep up with the latest fashions?
- Is there any type of modern fashion that you would never wear?

Vocabulary 2:

phrasal verbs with up

1

1 Match each phrasal verb with the best ending.

- 1 I wrapped up j)
 - 2 I closed up
 - 3 I finished up
 - 4 I tidied up
 - 5 I zipped up
 - 6 I sewed up
 - 7 I gathered up
 - 8 I washed up
 - 9 I drank up
 - 10 I saved up
- a) all the sandwiches but I was still hungry.
 - b) the shop and went home.
 - c) my books and left the library.
 - d) my jacket to keep the wind out.
 - e) the hole in my jeans.
 - f) all the dirty dishes.
 - g) enough money to buy a car.
 - h) my orange juice.
 - i) the whole house.
 - j) Jane's birthday present.

2 What do all the phrasal verbs above have in common?

- a) They are all to do with upwards movement.
- b) They are all to do with completing something.

2 Think of some phrasal verbs to do with upwards movement.

Example:

pick up – I picked up my suitcase.

Speaking 1

1 In a popular TV series, members of the public were visited by a team of professional designers, who completely transformed a room in their home. The owners were not allowed to see the results until the transformation was complete. They were then taken into the room and their reactions were filmed.

Look at Photos A and B, which show the same room before and after it was transformed. Describe the room in photo A. Then compare it with photo B. How has the room changed?

2 Discuss these questions.

- 1 Which room do you prefer?
- 2 How would you feel if this was your room?



Exam focus

Paper 4 Listening: multiple-choice questions (Part 4)

About the exam: In Paper 4, Part 4, you hear one or more speakers. You have to answer seven multiple-choice questions. You hear the recording twice.

Procedure

- 1 Read the introduction to the task carefully. This will tell you something about the speakers and the topic.
- 2 Read the questions and underline key words. Think about the sort of information you need to listen for.
- 3 The first time you hear the recording, listen for words and phrases with a similar meaning to the key words and mark the answers you are sure of.
- 4 The second time you listen, check and complete your answers.
- 5 In the exam, you are given time to transfer your answers to the answer sheet at the end of the test.

1 You will hear an interview in which Phil Bradshaw talks about his experiences on a TV programme. For questions 1–7, choose the best answer, A, B or C.

- 1 Phil agreed to take part in the programme because he wanted
 - A to appear on TV.
 - B to help his friend.
 - C to get free advice.
- 2 During the makeover, Phil wanted his desk lamp to be
 - A mended.
 - B given away.
 - C left as it was.
- 3 Phil told the designers he wanted
 - A a more up-to-date computer.
 - B room to store his possessions.
 - C a completely new image.

- 4 What was Phil's first impression of his room after the makeover?
 - A The furniture had disappeared.
 - B There was no window.
 - C It was all one colour.
- 5 When he first saw his made-over room, how did Phil react?
 - A He showed his delight.
 - B He hid his true feelings.
 - C He said the words he'd prepared.
- 6 After filming was finished, Phil found
 - A his cupboard doors had been removed.
 - B there were no curtains.
 - C the whole flat was untidy.
- 7 Phil says the TV crew would have been prepared to film him
 - A crying.
 - B losing his temper.
 - C explaining his true feelings.

2 Read these extracts from the recording. Can you remember what each of the underlined words refers to?

- 1 It sounded like a great idea, but in fact it wasn't all plain sailing.
- 2 My grandmother had given it to me.
- 3 ... they'd definitely seen better days. So I thought that with any luck they might get me some new ones.
- 4 We had a quick chat just a few days before they started filming.
- 5 It's not exactly my favourite colour in the first place.
- 6 They'd had the television crew in there for three days.
- 7 I'm sure they'd have been quite prepared to show that on film.
- 8 And that's the only good thing that came out of it really.

3 Think about the place where you live. Which room would you choose for a makeover? What instructions would you give the TV team?

Vocabulary 3: things in the home

1

- 1 Where might you find the following items of furniture? Put them into the best category in the table below. Some may go in more than one category.

Study-bedroom	Classroom	Office
blinds bookshelves a carpet a coffee table a sofa a computer a cupboard curtains easy chairs a filing cabinet a wardrobe pictures cushions a photocopier upholstered chairs a water cooler an electric fan a rug a hot drinks vending machine a reading light		

- 2 Can you add more items to the table?
- 3 Which items do you have in your own room? Which would you like to have?

2

- 1 Choose words from the box that apply best to your own room. Then describe your room to a partner, explaining why you have chosen the words.

tidy cluttered messy organised comfortable cramped neat relaxing

Example: *My room is messy because I never put my clothes away.*

- 2 If you could change one thing in your room, what would it be?

- 3 Work with a partner. Plan a makeover for your partner's room. You don't have much money to spend, so you have to set priorities. Think about these points:

- What things will you keep? What will you replace?
- What style of decoration will you choose? For example, will you go for a theme like oriental/futuristic/traditional?
- What colours will you choose for the walls, curtains and floor covering?

Exam focus

Paper 3 Use of English: word formation (Part 3)

About the exam: In Paper 3, Part 3, you read a text with ten gaps. At the end of some lines, there is a word in capital letters. You have to change the form of this word into the correct part of speech to fill the gap in the same line.

Procedure

- 1 Read the title and the whole text to get an idea of what it is about. This makes it easier to decide the form of the missing word.
- 2 Read the text again, stopping at each gap. Think about the meaning and grammar of the whole sentence and decide if the word needs to be positive or negative, singular or plural.
- 3 Fill in the space with the word in the appropriate form.
- 4 When you have finished, read the text again and make sure your answers make sense.
- 5 Transfer your answers onto the answer sheet.

DO make sure you spell the words correctly.

- 1 Do the exam task on page 111.

- 2 Now discuss these questions.

- 1 Do you/Have you had to share a room with anyone else? What are/were the advantages and disadvantages of this?
- 2 Are you easily annoyed by other people's noise?
- 3 What kind of room do you like to work in?
- 4 Do you enjoy being alone? When?



For questions 1–10, read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of some of the lines to form a word that fits in the gap in the same line. There is an example at the beginning (0).

Example: 0 *complaints*

SHARING SPACE

Office workers often make (0) *complaints* about their working environment, but these vary according to the type of office they work in. For those in open-plan offices, lack of (1) is often a major problem. Because people sit close together, it is almost (2) to make a telephone call without being overheard. This may be a problem when (3) information is being discussed. It may also be difficult to concentrate when the person next to you is on the phone. One (4) may be to divide an open-plan office into smaller units. However, this can sometimes lead to a feeling of (5) among office workers who resent being separated from their colleagues.

An (6) approach is needed to deal with these problems. Some companies allow people to choose where they work in the building (7) to what they are doing. So they may go to a coffee bar or meeting room for sociable and (8) activities, or to a private room when they want to work quietly on their own. This system results in the (9) of individual desks, as these are no longer required. Instead they are (10) by different kinds of work stations in the various work areas.

COMPLAIN

PRIVATE
POSSIBLE
CONFIDENCE

SOLVE

ISOLATE

ALTERNATE

ACCORD
NOISEAPPEAR
PLACE

Grammar 2: participle clauses

1

- 1 Read the first part of a description of someone's home. Compare the highlighted phrases with the relative clauses below.

I used to love visiting my grandfather's house. It had a blue front door, which opened into a large hall. A picture of my grandmother, painted in 1930, hung on the wall and there was a thick blue rug covering the floor.

- ... which was painted in 1930.
- ... which covered the floor.

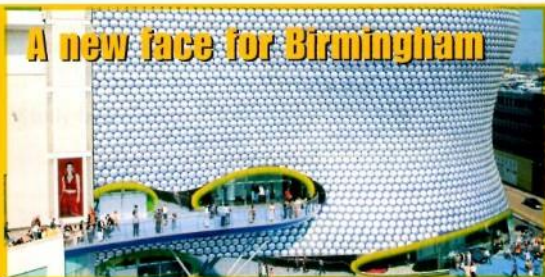
- 2 The highlighted phrases are reduced relative clauses with a present or past participle. Which type of participle has an active meaning and which has a passive meaning?

- 2 Read the rest of the description and rewrite the highlighted clauses without using a relative pronoun. Make any necessary changes.

Off the hall, there was a corridor (1) which led into different rooms. In the living room there used to be a huge chandelier (2) which hung from the ceiling. Around the walls there were bookcases full of interesting books (3) which had been collected by my grandfather.

A flight of wooden stairs led from the hall up to the first floor. Upstairs there were four bedrooms, (4) which were all decorated in different colours. In the main bedroom was a huge painted wooden chest (5) which contained my grandmother's linen. The house also had a wonderful garden (6) which stretched down to a stream at the bottom.

3 Read the following description of Birmingham, the UK's second city. Then complete the text using the present or past participle forms of the verbs in brackets.



Once considered to be the last place anyone would want to live, the city of Birmingham has been given a new look. Birmingham, once (1) (*think of*) as dirty and unglamorous, has suddenly become a cool place to be. Architecture is at the heart of the revolution. The city, once (2) (*despise*) for its ugly concrete buildings, has undergone a major facelift at a cost of billions of pounds.

Everywhere you look, there are new shopping malls (3) (*compete*) to attract shoppers (4) (*look for*) high-quality designer goods. The hugely unpopular Bull Ring, a grey shopping centre (5) (*build*) in the 1960s, has been knocked down and completely rebuilt. Birmingham's canals, once (6) (*hide*) away among decaying factories and (7) (*trear*) as rubbish tips, are now surrounded by modern offices, apartments, terrace bars and eateries. Young people come here in their hundreds every evening to see and be seen. In the east of the city, formerly (8) (*consider*) one of the poorest areas, an old custard factory has been converted into a lively complex of studios, galleries and café-bars.

For anyone (9) (*consider*) a move to a new town, Birmingham is well worth a look.

4 Complete these sentences, giving true information.

- One of my town's oldest buildings is , located ...
- The liveliest area is , offering young people the chance to ...
- A typical dish of our region is , made from and served with ...
- One of the most famous people of my country was , born in and celebrated because ...

5 Discuss how the place where you live has changed in the last five years. Is it better or worse than it used to be?

Use of English 3: key word transformations (Part 4)

Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given. Here is an example (0).

Example:

0 He said he regretted writing to her.

only

He said: 'If only I had not written to her!'

1 His last film, starring Julia Roberts, was his best.

which

His last film, Julia Roberts, was his best.

2 When I was a child, I walked to school every day.

used

When I was a child, to school every day.

3 If John was coming, he'd be here by now.

looks

It John isn't coming.

4 It was a more difficult job than they had anticipated.

easy

The job they had anticipated.

5 'Don't touch the wet paint Eddie,' said Kate.

warned

Kate the wet paint.

6 The last time I went surfing was ten years ago.

for

I ten years.

7 It was unfair that Eva was fired.

deserve

Eva fired.

8 Which part of the book interested you most?

the

Which was part of the book?

Speaking 2: stressing key information (Part 2)

1 Look at photos A and B and read this task. Then answer the questions below.

Both these photographs show people making changes to a place. I'd like you to compare the photos, and say why you think the people might want to change these places.

- What two parts does the task have?
- In what order will you say the following things?
 - ☐ why people might want to change the places
 - ☐ what is similar
 - ☐ what is different

2

1 Complete these sentences comparing the photos, using words from the box.

nervous in good condition amateurs
confident professional decorating
private being rebuilt

- In the first photo, we can see the outside of a large building, but the other photo shows a room in a house.
- The large building looks as if it's but the house seems to be
- The people working on the large building are builders, but the people in the house are probably
- The couple are doing their own but the builders are working for someone else.
- The man could be rather, but the builders are about what they are doing.



- Mark the words you think should be stressed. Then listen to see if you were right.
- Practise saying the sentences and stressing the contrasting information.



3 Work with a partner.

Student A: Do the task in Exercise 1. Try to keep talking for about a minute, and use some of the language in Exercise 2.

Student B: Listen to your partner. When he/she has finished, answer this question (about 20 seconds).

Which place do you think will show the greatest improvement?

4 Now turn to photos C and D on page 185 and change roles.

Student B: Both these photos show people changing the way they look. Compare the photos and say how you think these people are feeling.

Student A: Listen to your partner. When he/she has finished, answer this question (about 20 seconds).

Do you like dressing up for special occasions?

Writing: report (Part 2)**1**

1 Correct the following statements about reports.

- 1 You should begin *Dear Sir or Madam*.
- 2 You should use informal language.
- 3 You should give your own opinion at the beginning.
- 4 You should not use headings.
- 5 You should try to use interesting vocabulary.

▶ Writing reference p. 210

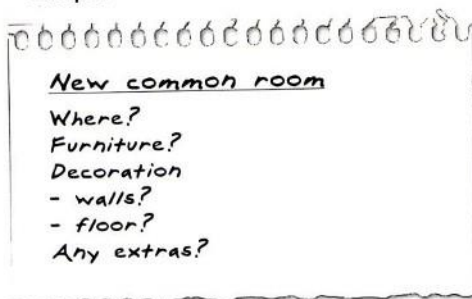
2 Look at the task below and underline key words. How many things do you have to do in this report?

The director of the place where you study English wants to set up a new common room for students to use when they are not in class. You have been asked to write a report saying which room in the school should be chosen for the common room, and making suggestions for how it could be made comfortable and attractive.

Write your **report** in 120–180 words.

2 Work with a partner. Brainstorm ideas for the report and complete the notes below.

Example:



New common room

Where?

Furniture?

Decoration

- walls?

- floor?

Any extras?

3 Choose four section headings from the ideas below, and decide on the best order for your report. (All the headings are possible – choose the ones you prefer.)

Changes needed

Furniture and decoration

Suggested room

Introduction

Final recommendation

Location of the common room

4

1 Read the following sentences and decide which section of your report they should go in.

It seems to me that the best place for the common room would be ... because ...

I suggest that there should be ... as this would ...

There could also be ... so that ...

In my view, it would be best to make these changes quickly, because then ...

This report is to ...

2 Complete the sentences above, using your ideas from Exercise 2.

Example:

Introduction

This report is to recommend a room in the school for a student common room.

5 Now write your report, making your suggestions and giving reasons.

TIP! Don't worry if your answer is slightly longer than the word limit, but be careful. If you write a very long answer in the exam, you may not have time to check it properly.

6 When you have finished, check your work.

▶ Writing reference pp.206, 210

1 How many types of clothing can you think of for each of the following descriptions?

- 1 something that you wear on your feet
- 2 something that's got sleeves
- 3 something that you wear for sport
- 4 something that's usually made of wool
- 5 something formal
- 6 something for your head
- 7 something that's more often worn by women than men
- 8 something that you never wear

2 There is a mistake with vocabulary in each of the following sentences. Find the mistakes and correct them.

- 1 I did a really late night – I didn't get to bed until after four o'clock.
- 2 When I first met Jake, he struck me like a rather shallow person.
- 3 Then I got knowing him and my opinion changed.
- 4 My society life has been fantastic since I met Corinna.
- 5 It's a problem, but I'm sure I can make something about it.
- 6 I can't work up the answer to this maths problem – can you help?
- 7 That colour really fits you – it goes with your eyes.
- 8 I'm not very interested in keeping on with the latest fashions – I just wear what I like.
- 9 The trouble with my flat is that there isn't much store space.
- 10 When I saw what the decorators had done to my room, I just burst into crying.

3 Think back to ten years ago and answer the following questions.

- 1 Where were you living at that time?
- 2 What did you like most about your home?
- 3 Which room did you use to spend most time in?
- 4 Which other members of your family did you use to visit? Which visits did you enjoy the most? Why?
- 5 Did you ever use to stay with other relatives or friends without your parents? What did you do on these visits?
- 6 Is it a good thing for children to get used to spending time away from their parents?
- 7 What was your town centre like ten years ago? Did you use to go there often?
- 8 Do you still like going there? What do you do there now that you didn't use to do?

4 Write a few sentences about a place you know in your local area, saying what it used to be like and what it's like now. Then read your sentences out to the rest of your class and see if they can guess the place that you are describing.

5 Read the text below and think of the word which best fits each space. Use only one word in each space. There is an example at the beginning (0).

THE MEANING OF COLOUR

We may choose (0) *to* wear particular colours just because of personal preference or fashion. However, particular colours (1) always had special meanings or uses. Black, for instance, is generally thought (2) as suitable for serious occasions and in the West it is traditional for funerals. This is (3) the case in China, however, (4) white is worn at funerals.

Some colours may be chosen for practical reasons. Road workers, who need to (5) easily seen, often wear jackets (6) bright yellow or orange stripes (7) are clearly visible to drivers. Green is generally regarded as (8) calming colour, and so it is often used in places (9) doctors' waiting rooms. Blue is many people's favourite colour, and there may be a connection (10) this and the popularity of blue jeans. Blue also symbolizes loyalty and for (11) reason fashion consultants recommend wearing blue clothes to job interviews.

So the next time you buy something to wear in your favourite colour, stop and think. (12) does it say about you?

UNIT 10 Use your brain

Listening: sentence completion (Part 2)

1

1 Do you have a good memory? Which of the following do you find easiest/hardest to remember?

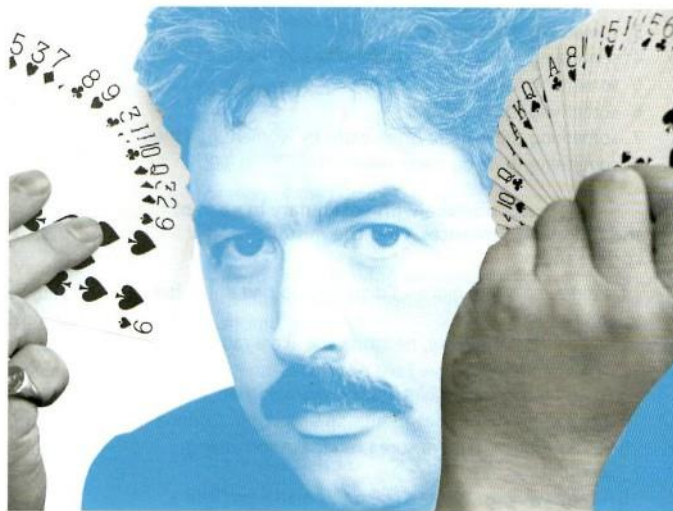
- telephone numbers
- people's names
- shopping lists
- things you have to do
- new English words

2 What do you do to help yourself remember these things? Explain your ideas.

Example: *When I have to remember something, I draw a star on my hand in pen or biro. Then when I see it, I remember I have to do something.*

2 You will hear part of a radio programme about a man called Dominic O'Brien, who has an amazing memory. First, read through the gapped sentences opposite to get a general idea of what the programme is about. Answer these questions.

- 1 Do you think that Dominic has always had a good memory?
- 2 How do you think he remembers things?
- 3 How does he now help others?



As a schoolboy, Dominic had problems **seeing** (1) clearly.

Dominic's teachers **thought he was a** (2) student.

Dominic **did not manage to complete** his education at (3)

After **watching** someone on (4), Dominic worked out a way of training his memory.

Dominic **can now remember** a sequence of nearly (5) cards.

Dominic remembers each card by thinking of it as the (6) of someone famous.

Dominic makes up a story about a (7) to help him memorise the order of the cards.

Because of Dominic's skill with cards, he is not allowed to go into (8) any more.

Dominic now runs courses for people such as (9) who want to improve their performance.

Dominic thinks his memory will improve as his (10) increases.

3 Look at sentences 1–5 again and match them to the following extracts from the recording. Use the highlighted words to help you.

- Then one day by chance he saw **4**
- he dropped out before finishing the course
- He had reading problems – when he tried to look at
- his teachers regarded him as
- soon he could memorise all the cards

TIP! The gapped sentences summarise and paraphrase the information you hear in the recording. Listen for the same ideas expressed in a slightly different way.

4 Listen and complete sentences 1–10 with a word or phrase. Remember: don't change the words you hear. Then listen a second time to check and complete your answers.

5 Test your powers of memory.

- Look at the sequence of playing cards below for 30 seconds. Then close your book and try to remember what the cards were, and what order they were in.
- Compare what you remember with a partner. Then look at the book again to check.
 - How many cards did you remember?
 - Did you remember them in the right sequence?

Did you know?

The world record for memorising one pack of playing cards in jumbled order is 34 seconds!

Grammar 1: obligation, necessity and permission

1 Rewrite the following sentences without changing the meaning, using (*don't*) *have to*, *had to*, *can*, *can't* or *could*.

Example:

To remember things, it's necessary to review them several times.

To remember things, *you have to* review them several times.

- Is it necessary to pay to go in?
Do you pay to go in?
- They said it wasn't necessary for me to take the exam.
They said take the exam.
- We asked if it was possible for us to take the exam another day.
We asked take the exam another day.
- You're not allowed to use a dictionary in the exam.
You use a dictionary in the exam.
- Staff are not obliged to wear a uniform.
Staff wear a uniform.
- Guests are permitted to use the swimming pool free of charge.
Guests use the swimming pool free of charge.
- I was forced to wait an hour for the bus.
I wait an hour for the bus.



2 Discuss the following questions with a partner.

- Which sentence is the odd one out? Why?
 - You aren't allowed to wait here.
 - You can't wait here.
 - You don't have to wait here.
- Which of the sentences below expresses:
 - something the speaker has been told to do?
 - something the speaker recommends?
 - something the speaker wants to do soon?
 - You must see that new film at the Odeon.
 - I have to take my holiday by the end of May.
 - I really must buy some new shoes – these are worn out.
- Which sentence is the odd one out? Why?
 - You don't need to go yet.
 - You needn't go yet.
 - You don't have to go yet.
 - You mustn't go yet.
- How can you rewrite these sentences with *should*?
 - You are supposed to speak English in class.
 - You aren't supposed to speak your own language in class.
- Which sentence is not possible?
 - You shouldn't have done that – it was wrong.
 - You mustn't have done that – it was wrong.
- Did they actually pay?
 - They didn't need to pay.
 - They needn't have paid.
 - They shouldn't have paid.

► Grammar reference p.201 (14.4–7)

3 Work with a partner. Choose one of the following and say what is necessary or not necessary to become very good at it. Use appropriate forms of *have to*, *must* or *need*.

- play basketball/chess/computer games
- speak another language
- ride a bike
- be an actor

4 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. You must use between two and five words.

- You can't use a mobile phone in here.
allowed
You use a mobile phone in here.
- It wasn't necessary for you to bring all those books.
need
You brought all those books.
- You should park on the other side of the road.
supposed
You on this side of the road.
- The library was built too far away from the town centre.
should
They the library nearer the town centre.
- These exercises should be continued for six weeks.
must
You on doing these exercises for six weeks.
- It was wrong of you to give him my address.
let
You know my address.

5 Complete these sentences giving true information.

- This week I absolutely must ...
- At home I'm supposed to ... but I don't always do it.
- I'm glad I don't need to ... today.
- My parents say when they were young they had to ... and they couldn't ...
- I really shouldn't ... but ...
- I think I should have ...



Use of English: open cloze (Part 2)

- 1** How much sleep do you think different animals need? Match the animals to the hours spent sleeping every day.

Hours spent sleeping

2 3 4 10 12 16 18

Chimpanzee Giraffe Tiger Cat
African elephant Python Sheep

- 2** How much sleep do you think a person needs? Does this change with age? Can you guess the world record for the longest period that a person has gone without sleep?

3

- 1** Read the text below quickly. What does it say about sleep?

- It is important to have eight hours sleep a night.
- Lack of sleep can affect children's physical development.
- Sleep is linked to our mental processes.

Sleep – why bother?

The Emperor Napoleon got by on four hours sleep a night, and the scientist Thomas Edison claimed it was (0) waste of time. So why (1) we need to sleep? The answer (2) that no one knows. Some believe that sleep gives the body a chance to recover (3) the day's activities, but in reality, the energy saved by sleeping for eight hours is minimal – about (4) same as that obtained from eating a piece of toast.

One way to understand the role of sleep is to look at (5) happens if we don't get it. Lack of sleep has serious effects (6) our brain's ability to function. After one night without sleep, concentration becomes difficult. If sleeplessness continues, the part of the brain (7) controls language, memory, planning and our sense of time is affected. In (8) words, it seems we must all sleep in (9) to maintain normal levels of skills (10) speaking. But (11) we spend a third of our lives sleeping, it seems that (12) is no set amount of time that everyone needs to sleep each night. The only definite fact is that none of us can manage without it.

- 2** Read the text again and think of the word which best fits each gap. Use only one word in each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

- 4** Read the complete text again to check your answers. According to the writer, what is the first effect of going without sleep?

- 5** How much sleep do you need?
How easy is it for you to get enough sleep?
How do you feel if you don't get enough sleep?

Vocabulary 1: expressions with *mind*

- 1** Match the statements or questions 1–8 to the responses a)–h).

- I just can't decide what to wear. *g*
- Are you going to apply for the job?
- I'm going to walk to the North Pole.
- Is something worrying you?
- Can I have fish?
- What does *telepathy* mean?
- I'm really nervous about my interview next week.
- I'm sure I'm going to fail my exams.

- You must be out of your mind!
- I thought you wanted chicken – have you changed your mind?
- Let's go to a movie – that'll take your mind off things.
- Is it to do with reading other people's minds?
- Oh, no. The idea never crossed my mind.
- You'll pass if you put your mind to it.
- Come on – make up your mind!
- Yes, I've got a lot on my mind at present.

- 2** Ask and answer these questions with a partner.

- Do you find it hard to make up your mind when there's a choice?
- Have you ever changed your mind about an important decision?
- What do you do to take your mind off your work or studies?
- Have you ever done anything that made your friends think you were out of your mind?
- Would it be a good thing or a bad thing if we could read other people's minds?



Reading 1: multiple-choice questions (Part 1)

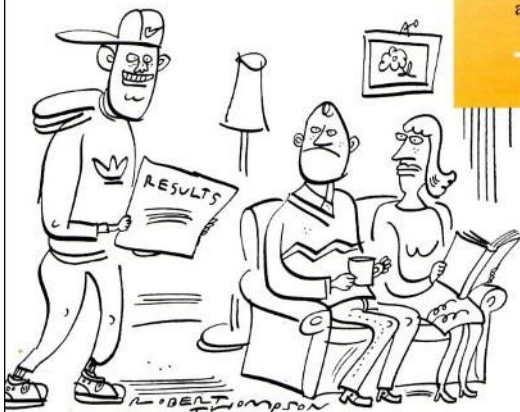
1 You are going to read an article about intelligence. First, discuss this question.

Is an intelligent person someone who:

- has a good memory?
- knows a lot of facts?
- is good at passing exams?
- understands new ideas quickly?
- is good at crosswords?
- gets on well with people?
- has a successful career?
- is imaginative and creative?
- knows how to get what they want?

2 Read the title and the first paragraph of the article. According to this article, what has playing computer games to do with intelligence?

3 Now read the whole article. Choose the answer (A, B, C or D) which you think fits best according to the text. Look back at the suggested procedure in Unit 4, page 44 if necessary.



"Mum, Dad, good news!
My IQ test proved negative."



KEEP PLAYING THAT

There used to be a general feeling that computer games were bad for you, and books were good. Now people are not so sure. Researchers have found that computer games, television and the Internet have become key factors in boosting children's IQs up to levels never reached by past generations.

The idea that intelligence can be measured was first suggested about a century ago, but at that time it was hard to find tests that gave useful results. Over the past two decades, however, tests have become more subtle and complex and researchers have found that IQ scores can give a good indication of what children's future exam results will be. Some experts have even claimed that IQ scores can accurately predict what level of income and status young people will achieve in adult life.

Why are today's youngsters doing so much better than their grandparents? Of course, better nutrition, higher standards of living and improved education all play their part in raising general levels of intelligence. But there seems to be more to it than that. Scientists are attributing the change in intelligence levels to the complexity of modern life.

In today's fast-moving world, young people are required to interact constantly with electronic gadgets and equipment. Research has shown that they are constantly exposed to an increasingly complex and visual world – a world far more stimulating than previous generations lived in. This is developing youngsters' brains in ways that older generations never experienced. Computers are one of the major sources of stimulation, and activities such as playing games and using the Internet seem to be particularly important.

There are still some things that remain unexplained, however. For example, the increase in children's IQ scores varies according to the type of intelligence being tested. It appears that nowadays people are better at abstract thinking than their ancestors were – but their verbal and mathematical abilities have

- 1 In the first paragraph, the writer says that computer games
 - A have got much better recently.
 - B are not as good for children as reading.
 - C can improve the intelligence of young people.
 - D are now used in many different ways by children.
- 2 According to the writer, in the last twenty years IQ tests have become
 - A a substitute for examinations.
 - B more difficult than they were in the past.
 - C a way of increasing young people's income.
 - D more reliable than they used to be.

COMPUTER GAME?

remained the same as those of previous generations. No one knows why this is the case. Nevertheless, during the last few years there has certainly been a general upward trend, and it has been found that the present generation have IQs about 15 points above their parents.

Although this is clearly good news, the surging popularity of computer gaming and other activities has caused concern in some quarters, for two reasons. Firstly, there have been claims that the high levels of violence in the games could encourage children to be aggressive. There have also been fears that children could become addicted to the games, and so be unable to stop playing them. But a recent study found no reliable evidence to prove that computer games contribute to long-term violence or anti-social behaviour.

Indeed, it has been claimed that, in moderation, computer gaming is positively good for youngsters. It requires positive qualities such as perseverance, fast thinking and rapid learning. However, it seems that improvements in IQ may not last very long without continuing stimulation. The brain seems to be like a muscle and requires repeated and vigorous exercise to stay fit and healthy. When it comes to IQ, it's a case of 'Use it or lose it'.

Others argue that computers have only limited value. They fear that young people who spend too much time playing computer games alone will never learn to think independently. They claim that the danger with a computer is that doing repetitive tasks can actually reduce intelligence. In the end, computer games are no substitute for real-life experience and for imagination.



- 3 'It' in line 17 refers to
 A the use of tests.
 B the effect of education.
 C the increase in intelligence.
 D the improvement in food standards.
- 4 What does the writer say about young people and electronic equipment nowadays?
 A They sometimes find the equipment confusing.
 B The equipment makes things too easy for them.
 C The equipment is an important part of their daily lives.
 D They depend on the equipment for their entertainment.

- 5 According to the writer, what remains unexplained about children's intelligence?
 A why levels of some types of intelligence have remained unchanged
 B why there has been such a rapid rise in general intelligence
 C how children can develop their verbal and mathematical skills
 D how the improvement in intelligence levels can be continued
- 6 Research indicates that violence in computer games
 A can sometimes be addictive for children.
 B may lead to aggressive behaviour in children.
 C can make some children nervous or afraid.
 D may have little effect on children.
- 7 What does 'Use it or lose it' mean in line 57?
 A If you don't use your IQ, you'll become less healthy.
 B If you don't use your computer, it may be taken away.
 C If you don't use your brain, your intelligence will decrease.
 D If you don't use your muscles, you'll get unfit.
- 8 Some people say that playing computer games may affect young people's ability to
 A make decisions on their own.
 B tell original stories.
 C find work which satisfies them.
 D develop physical skills.

4 Complete each sentence using the correct form of the word in capitals.

- 1 The of modern life can be stressful as well as stimulating. **COMPLEX**
- 2 The of computer games is likely to increase among older people. **POPULAR**
- 3 Violent computer games can make the people who play them very **AGGRESSION**
- 4 Computer games do not really stimulate people's **IMAGINE**
- 5 Fears that playing computer games can make you less intelligent are **GROUND**
- 5 If you would like to try some IQ puzzles to test your mental agility, turn to page 190.

Grammar 2: *it is, there is*

1

- 1 There are seven mistakes in the use of *it* and *there* in the following sentences. Find the mistakes and correct them.

There

Example: ~~It~~ used to be a feeling that computers were bad for you.

- There's going to be really hot tomorrow.
- It's no need to hurry.
- It's a pity that you can't come.
- It once used to be a river here.
- There was very crowded in the market.
- It is said that fish is good for the brain.
- It's no point in getting upset.
- It's a long way to the town centre.
- It is no charge for admission.
- There's not worth worrying about.

- 2 Now complete the rules with *it* or *there*.

- A We use to begin a sentence describing whether or not something exists. This is often followed by an indefinite noun (e.g. *a river*).
- B We use to begin a sentence giving information about time, weather and distance.
- C We use as the subject of a sentence to refer forwards to a clause with *that*, an infinitive or an *-ing* form.

► Grammar reference p.200

2

- Complete the descriptions of three different games using *it* or *there*.
- Then decide what game is being described. Use the jumbled letters in the box to help you.

A

This is a board game for two players. (1) is believed to have come from India originally. (2) is a board with 64 squares, and each player has 16 pieces, or 'men', to play with. (3) is said to be one of the most complicated games in the world. Nowadays (4) is possible to play the game against a computer.

B

This is a quick game and (1) is easy to play because (2) is no special equipment. (3) is played with two people, who use their hands to represent objects. (4) are three choices of object. The players have to make a movement with their hands simultaneously, and (5) is a system to decide who wins each time.

C

(1) is one in most daily newspapers, and many people are addicted to this game. (2) is a word game, in which you write the answer to questions in a pattern of numbered boxes. Sometimes (3) is a prize for the first person to send in the correct answers. (4) is claimed that this game keeps your brain active and helps to improve your vocabulary.

- DSROSROCW ZULEZP
- SHESC
- PPARE, SCSISROS, TSNOE

- 3 Discuss these questions.

- What kind of board games do you enjoy playing?
- What word games do you know?
- Which games are you best at?

- 4 Write a short description of another game or puzzle, without giving the name. Then give it to another student and ask him/her to guess what the game is.



Vocabulary 2: education

1 Read the following text and choose the correct alternative in each sentence.

I really enjoyed my first experience of school. I went to the local (1) *primary / nursing* school where the (2) *classes / lessons* were small and the (3) *professors / teachers* were kind and friendly. At eleven I went to a secondary school and although I didn't enjoy studying all the (4) *subjects / topics* I did like learning languages and I loved learning to play the guitar. I got especially good (5) *points / marks* in music! My older brother tried to (6) *teach / learn* me everything I didn't understand in Maths, and he spent a lot of time (7) *revising / reviewing* with me before I (8) *took / made* my exams. It was due to his help that I (9) *succeeded / passed* my final exams and I didn't have to (10) *retake / remake* them. Now I'm at university and I'm enjoying the (11) *course / study* very much. I'm (12) *following / studying* Sociology.

2 Think about your own experiences of education, either now or in the past, and discuss these topics:

- similarities with or differences from the description in Exercise 1
- your most/least favourite subjects
- your experiences of examinations
- how much you enjoyed/are enjoying your education

3

1 Read the following extracts from a college handbook. The words in *italics* are in the wrong place. Decide where they should go.

Archaeology

This is one of the most popular degree (1) *lectures* at the university. The three-year course is made up of a variety of short (2) *field trips*, covering different subject areas. There are formal (3) *courses* as well as group (4) *examinations*, and the course also includes (5) *modules* for practical research away from the university. There are practical and theoretical (6) *seminars* taken at the end of the final year that students must pass.

Graphic Design

This is a rapidly growing course with a very (1) *projects* approach. After the first two years of (2) *placement* taught in the university, students do a year's (3) *coursework* working with a company before returning to the university for the final year. Students will need to have their own computer for this course, as some of the work involves doing special (4) *continuous assessment* which need to be submitted electronically. A system of (5) *practical* is used and there are no final examinations.

2 Which of the two courses above would you prefer to take? Why?

4

1 Read the following sentences and match the highlighted phrasal verbs to their meanings.

- 1 I can't **work** these figures **out** in my head! *e)*
- 2 I was so nervous that I couldn't **take in** what he was saying.
- 3 He **catches on** to new ideas very quickly.
- 4 He's good at **getting** complex ideas **across**.
- 5 She couldn't **get down to** her homework.
- 6 She **picks up** languages very easily.

- a) begin to understand
- b) concentrate on something
- c) explain something to someone
- d) learn something without trying
- e) calculate something
- f) understand something you listen to or read

2 Work with a partner and ask each other questions using the verbs above.

Example: *Can you work out Maths problems in your head?*

5 What do you think is the main purpose of going to school? Is it:

- to learn facts?
- to pass exams?
- to learn how to get on with other people and develop social skills?
- to learn skills that help with real life?

Grammar 3: structures with *get* and *got*

1 What do you do in order to put off studying? Think of three things.

Example: *I go and get a cup of coffee.*

Now read the notes below, which were made by a student called Oliver. Are any of the things mentioned the same as yours?



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Latest post

How to put off studying

7.30 p.m.

I've got to hand that assignment in tomorrow. Better go up to my room and start it now.

7.45 p.m.

My room's a mess. I can't possibly get down to any serious work until I've tidied it up. It'll only take me ten minutes.

8.30 p.m.

Right. Everything's straight, but I'm thirsty. I need to get a drink – I don't want to get dehydrated.

9.00 p.m.

Now all I have to do is switch on my computer and start the assignment. I'll just check my emails.

9.01 p.m.

Great – an email from Ben! It's ages since I heard from him. He's just got accepted to do a course in the USA, in Arizona. Now where's Arizona exactly? I ought to know. I'll just check on the Internet.

9.45 p.m.

I never knew the Grand Canyon was in Arizona. It looks fantastic. I wonder how much it would cost to get to Arizona from here. Let's have a look at some cheap flights.

10.30 p.m.

I haven't got enough money for any of those flights. Anyway, I've got to reply to Ben now.

11.00 p.m.

Right, done that. Now I can start – but I don't want to get hungry or I won't be able to concentrate. I'll just get a quick snack – and I can watch the end of that programme on TV while I'm eating it.

12.00

Back to the computer. Now where did I save the instructions for the assignment? Oh ... on the computer at college, not this computer. I can't really begin if I haven't got the instructions. And I'm feeling awfully tired. I'll go to bed then get up really early and go into college. I can probably write the assignment before the first lesson ... can't I?

2

- 1 Oliver's notes have eight highlighted phrases which all contain the words *get* or *got*. Complete the table below by adding the missing words to the first column, and completing the list of examples from the notes.

Structure	Meaning	Example
1 <i>have got</i> + noun	possession	I haven't got the instructions.
2 <i>get</i> + noun	obtain, receive, fetch
3 <i>have got to</i> +	obligation
4 <i>get</i> +	become	I don't want to get hungry.
5 <i>get</i> + past participle	passive
6 <i>get</i> +	movement	to get to Arizona from here

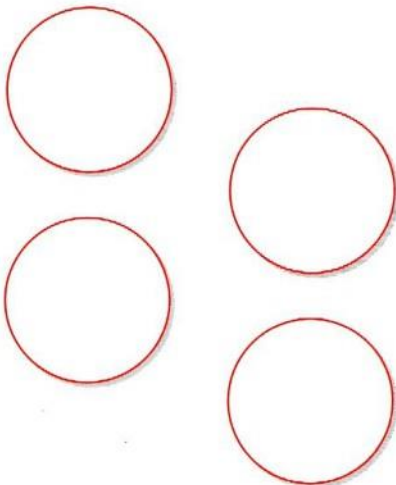
- 2 Now find four more phrases with *get* in Oliver's notes and match each to one of the structures in the table above.
- 3 Look back at Oliver's notes and find a phrasal verb with *get* which sums up what Oliver needs to do.

3

- 1 Read these questions. Write two more questions with *get*.

- When did you last get your hair cut?
- How long does it take you to get dressed in the morning?
- What have you got to do this week?
- How long does it take you to get to the middle of town from your home?
- How many CDs have you got?
- Where's the nearest place to your classroom where you can get a drink of water?
- How many cousins have you got?
-
-

- 2 Write short (true) answers to four of the questions in the circles below.



- 3 Now look at your partner's answers and try to guess what information each one relates to.

Example:

You: *Have you got 21 CDs?*
 Your partner: *No.*
 You: *OK. So have you got 21 cousins?*
 Your partner: *Yes!*

- 4 What advice would you give Oliver on how to be a better student? What are the five most important characteristics that make a good student?

Exam focus

Paper 5 Speaking: collaborative task/discussion (Parts 3 and 4)

About the exam: In Part 3 of the Speaking test, you and your partner discuss a situation or task outlined by the interlocutor. You are given some pictures to base your discussion on. In Part 4, you and your partner discuss questions which extend the topic of Part 3.

Procedure

- 1 Listen carefully to the instructions for Part 3. If you don't understand exactly what you have to do, ask the interlocutor to repeat them.
- 2 Discuss the visuals with your partner, and finally come to a conclusion together. You have to talk for three minutes, so you need to discuss at least some in detail. You don't have to agree.
- 3 In Part 4, try to initiate discussion as well as answering the interlocutor's questions.

DO respond to what your partner says and ask him/her questions.

DON'T try to dominate or interrupt your partner in an abrupt way.



1 You will hear two students doing a Part 3 task.

- 1 Look at the pictures on page 186 and listen to the interlocutor's instructions. What two things do the students have to do?
- 2 Now listen to the students, Agna and Martin, doing part of the task. Which student:
 - 1 interacted well with his/her partner?
 - 2 had the best range of vocabulary and grammar?

2 Work in groups of three.

1 You are going to role-play Parts 3 and 4.

Student A: You are the interlocutor. Turn to page 184 and tell the candidates what to do.

Students B and C: You are the candidates. Turn to page 186 and follow the interlocutor's instructions.

2 When you have finished, form new groups and change roles.

3 Now discuss the activity. How well did the candidates follow the suggested procedure?

Writing: article

1 Read this task and underline key words. Then answer the questions below.

Your college magazine is producing a special edition on education. Students have been asked to write articles on the following topic:

How do you learn best? Tell us about your favourite ways of studying, and the things that help you to learn.

Write your article in 120–180 words.

- 1 Who are you writing this article for?
- 2 What style should you use?
- 3 How many things do you have to write about?
- 4 Are you giving general facts or personal information?

2 Plan your article. You can look back at Unit 8 page 102 for help with planning.

3 Look at the sentences that students have written. Find and correct the mistakes.

- 1 I find that it helps a lot to vary a way that I study because then I no get boring.
- 2 I prefer to study with other peoples, rather than to studying alone, because it's more motivating.
- 3 When we are discuss ideas together, they are easier to remember but I always need to write them down.
- 4 If I am study something difficult, I like to have music playing as it helps me to feel relax.
- 5 We aren't need to write our compositions on computer, but if I do this I find it easier to see my mistake and correct to them.

4 Now write your article. When you have finished, check your work.

Writing reference pp. 206, 211

UNITS 6 – 10 Progress test

1 There is a mistake with vocabulary in each of the following sentences. Find the mistakes and correct them.

- 1 The battery of my mobile phone needs refilling.
- 2 The two stars were upset at being snapped by journalism during their honeymoon.
- 3 I need to do an urgent phone call.
- 4 She claims she never says lies.
- 5 You shouldn't speak bad things about people in your family.
- 6 It doesn't matter how you look like here.
- 7 Several people dropped out the project before the end.
- 8 The shop sells microwaves, toasters and other types of kitchen equipments.
- 9 The school has excellent facility, including a swimming pool and computer centre.
- 10 The design of the new library is spectacle.
- 11 Lucy carried an interesting experiment.
- 12 My grandmother was always very supporting of me, and helped me a lot.
- 13 I don't feel confidence about making a speech.
- 14 I can't make my mind what to wear tonight.
- 15 Scientists can be rather unaccurate in their predictions.

2 There is one mistake in each of the following sentences. This may be an incorrect word, an extra word, or a word missing. Find each mistake and correct it.

- 1 That must be photograph of my grandmother when she was young.
- 2 You could try with looking on the Internet.
- 3 Ben might been abroad in 2006.
- 4 Once personal computers had been developed, their use it spread quickly.
- 5 It's likely that you will offered the job if your qualifications are satisfactory.
- 6 I've found the book that you left it at school.
- 7 The town where I used to live in hasn't changed much.
- 8 If I having a headache, I take an aspirin.
- 9 We'd get there more quickly if she take the car.
- 10 You won't make me to change my mind.
- 11 It's high time Benjy having his dinner.
- 12 When we were little, we were used to go to bed very early.
- 13 I have two brothers, who are both older me.
- 14 Surely you needn't going yet?
- 15 You need to checking his work carefully.

3 Look at the following pairs of sentences. Decide if the sentences in each pair have a) the same meaning or b) different meanings. Underline the parts of the sentences that have different meanings.

- 1 That photograph has been touched up a bit.
That photograph has been slightly enlarged.
- 2 You can't be serious!
You don't have to be serious!
- 3 How long did it take to write the book?
How long did it take for the book to be written?
- 4 This sort of research could have enormous value for some people.
Some people could benefit greatly from this type of research.
- 5 If the bus was cancelled, we could get the train.
When the bus was cancelled, we would get the train.
- 6 They don't let the children go out on their own.
The children aren't allowed to go out on their own.
- 7 I'd like to go sailing every day.
I like going sailing every day.
- 8 He tried to record the lecture.
He tried recording the lecture.
- 9 Colin is my sister's son.
Colin is my uncle.
- 10 I feel very bad about having argued with him.
I really wish I hadn't argued with him.
- 11 Miles received a lot of encouragement from Cindy.
Miles encouraged Cindy a lot.
- 12 In the past, when people had to travel long distances, they would often walk.
People in the past often used to walk when they had to travel long distances.
- 13 They didn't notice the sign saying that it was a private path.
There was a sign that said the path was private, but they didn't see it.
- 14 Those jeans really fit you.
Those jeans really suit you.
- 15 She had a lot of difficulty making up her mind about what to do.
She found it very difficult to decide what to do.

Use of English: multiple choice cloze (Part 1)

4 For questions 1–12, read the text below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

A MODERN ROMANCE

I 'met' Christie early one Friday evening in an Internet (0) room. She was American, and I was completely (1) by her. We began emailing each other immediately. The first few days of our correspondence were wonderful, and although it felt (2) we already knew each other, there were still lots of things to (3)

As the days became weeks, I realised I was (4) in love with her. Soon we found that we were spending a fortune on phone bills, and so we decided that we had to meet. She was at college and couldn't (5) to come to England, so I flew out to New York. It was incredibly romantic. As I walked into the Arrivals Building at Kennedy Airport our eyes (6) , and even though we had never exchanged photographs we immediately (7) each other.

We just talked and talked for a week. Our relationship felt perfect, but we both knew that if it was going to (8) , one of us would need to (9) the idea of moving to the other (10) of the world. In the end, we tearfully decided that it was not possible, and we (11) We still write and talk on the phone from time to time, and I think (12) Christie as one of my dearest friends.

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|-----------------|--------------|------------|-------------|
| 0 A talk | B chat | C speak | D tell |
| 1 A secured | B caught | C held | D charmed |
| 2 A as though | B in case | C if only | D such that |
| 3 A make out | B look in | C find out | D take on |
| 4 A dropping | B falling | C going | D slipping |
| 5 A afford | B spare | C spend | D account |
| 6 A met | B touched | C joined | D contacted |
| 7 A recollected | B recognised | C revealed | D recalled |
| 8 A operate | B run | C work | D perform |
| 9 A accept | B receive | C take | D agree |
| 10 A surface | B section | C part | D side |
| 11 A broke up | B cut down | C put off | D went out |
| 12 A on | B to | C of | D for |

Use of English: open cloze (Part 2)

5 For questions 13–24, read the text below and think of the word which best fits each gap. Use only one word in each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

SAFE AT HOME

Most people are concerned about (0) *what* their houses look like – but maybe they should be more worried about how safe they are. Every year, over two million people in England injure (13) at home.

Injuries are often caused (14) falls on the staircase. But every room in the house has (15) own special dangers. Accidents may happen in bedrooms if people climb up (16) reach a high shelf, or fall over things on the floor. Shoes, (17) particular, seem to cause a lot of injuries. In the bathroom, faulty electrical wiring or a tube of toothpaste left lying on the floor could cause you or (18) else in your family to end (19) in hospital. Your living room may seem a safe place, but last year more (20) 35,000 people needed hospital treatment after accidents involving chairs and sofas. Toys also cause injuries not (21) to children but to all age groups. However, (22) most dangerous place in the house seems to be the kitchen, with its sharp knives and hot liquids.

Even outside the house (23) are dangers. In the garden you may be bitten by insects or fall from a ladder. Garden equipment such (24) spades can be especially dangerous. But nearly all these accidents can be avoided with just a little care.

Use of English: word formation (Part 3)

6 For questions 25–34, read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of some of the lines to form a word that fits the gap in the same line. There is an example at the beginning (0).

HOW TO BOOST YOUR BRAIN POWER

Many people would like to know how to improve their (0) *Intelligence*. There are several (25) things you can do in order to achieve this. Try to eat more fish, especially oily fish such as sardines. Scientists believe that this will help you to remember things more (26) Some people also believe that eating vegetables will keep your brain cells (27) It's important to make sure you get enough exercise, and enough sleep. You could also take up something (28) , such as painting or drawing, as things like this develop the (29) power of your brain. No matter what your age, it's important to keep on using your brain, and to look for (30) which will stimulate it. If you're not sure how to do this, you could give some (31) to joining an evening class. You could learn how to improve your computer skills, or learn a new language. If you do decide to do this, try to use new and (32) ways of recording the vocabulary from your lessons, to help you to (33) the new words and expressions that you meet, so that you can remember them without any (34) when you need them.

INTELLIGENT
PRACTICE

EASY
HEALTH

ART
CREATE
ACT
THINK

USUAL
MEMORY

DIFFICULT

Use of English: key word transformations (Part 4)

7 For questions 35–42, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given. Here is an example (0).

Example:

- 0 You must do exactly as I tell you.
carry
You must *carry out my* instructions exactly.

- 35 You should make an effort to stop smoking.
up
You should try smoking.
36 Edward has the ability to succeed in his exams.
capable
Edward in his exams.
37 I would really like to be able to play the piano.
wish
I play the piano.

- 38 The number of people studying information technology has increased sharply.

rise

There has the number of people studying information technology.

- 39 You answered all the questions so I'm sure you passed the exam.

must

You answered all the questions so the exam.

- 40 Writing a letter is not necessary in this case.

need

You write a letter in this case.

- 41 I hated my new school at first, though now it's not so bad.

getting

I hated my new school at first, though I now.

- 42 It was Julia who wore that dress.

by

That dress Julia.

UNIT 11 Hard at work

Speaking 1

1 The quiz below aims to help people decide what sort of work might be suitable for them. Do the quiz with a partner.

2

1 Work out your score.

A = 5 marks

B = 10 marks

C = 15 marks

2 Now look at page 190. Do you agree with the results?

3 Decide with your partner which of the jobs below would be best for you. Think about:

- what the job involves
- what qualities are needed for the job.

architect director
doctor fire fighter
illustrator interior designer
nurse vet politician
Press Officer actor
Public Relations (PR)
sales assistant sports coach
writer marketing executive
magazine editor teacher

PERSONALITY QUIZ

★ Are you a 'people person'? ★

- 1** You have just joined a Keep Fit class. Do you:
 - A stand at the back and avoid everyone's gaze?
 - B stand in the middle and say hello to the person next to you?
 - C join the big group at the front and start chatting?
- 2** You've been invited to a party but your best friend can't go. Do you:
 - A stay at home? There's no way you're going without them.
 - B call the person down the street who you've been meaning to make friends with and ask if they want to go with you?
 - C go to the party on your own - it'll be fun meeting new people!

★ Are you a leader or a team player? ★

- 3** You've been asked to look after your six younger cousins. Do you:
 - A refuse?
 - B agree unwillingly and send them to bed immediately so you can watch a video?
 - C arrive early with a pile of toys and games to play with them?
- 4** You are working in a coffee bar on Saturdays and the manager is off sick. Do you:
 - A wait for one of the others to tell you what to do?
 - B make a list of the jobs to be done and share them out fairly between you?
 - C tell the others to do the work while you think up new ways to improve business?

★ How do you feel about change? ★

- 5** You and your friends are planning a holiday. What's your idea of fun?
 - A camping out in a local camping area
 - B two weeks by the sea with lots of nightlife
 - C a round-the-world ticket for three months
- 6** Which of the following phrases best describes you?
 - A You love just being at home.
 - B You want to try new things but thinking about it can be a bit scary.
 - C You're hungry for adventure. You're not afraid to try anything!

★ What motivates you? ★

- 7** Which of these things would you find the most satisfying?
 - A shopping for designer clothes
 - B a bike ride on a sunny day
 - C painting a mural on your bedroom wall



Exam focus

Paper 4 Listening: multiple matching (Part 3)

About the exam: In Paper 4, Part 3, you hear five short related extracts. They may be about the same situation or about the same topic. You have to match five sentences or phrases to the extracts. There is an extra sentence which does not match any of the extracts. You hear all the extracts twice.

Procedure

- 1 Read the rubric, which tells you the general topic of the extracts. You will also hear the rubric in the recording.
- 2 Read the sentences or phrases and underline key words.
- 3 When you hear the extracts the first time, listen for phrases with a similar meaning to the key words. Remember that the actual words in the recording will probably be different.
- 4 When you listen the second time, check your answers and match any items you didn't get the first time.

TIP! If you change one of your answers the second time you listen, remember that this may affect your other answers as well.

1 You will hear five people talking about what it's like to live and work in a big city.

- 1** Choose from the list A–F what each speaker says about his or her job. Use the letters only once. There is one extra letter which you do not need to use.

- A It's easy to travel around the city I live in.
- B People in my job can get free entertainment.
- C Living in the middle of the city is convenient for me.
- D I wish I could meet a bigger variety of people.
- E I feel safe in the city at night.
- F I don't manage to save any money.

- Speaker 1 ☐ 1
- Speaker 2 ☐ 2
- Speaker 3 ☐ 3
- Speaker 4 ☐ 4
- Speaker 5 ☐ 5

- 2** Listen again to check.



2 You heard the following statements (1–7) in the recording. With a partner, take turns to read a statement aloud and choose the best response from a)–g) below.

- 1 My flat's only five minutes' walk from the office.
 - 2 I still get a real buzz out of my job.
 - 3 Another perk is the travel.
 - 4 I have to commute to work every day.
 - 5 I'm under a lot of pressure at work.
 - 6 I meet people from all walks of life.
 - 7 It's a 24-hour-a-day city.
- a) I'd love to go to different places as part of my job.
 - b) You must find it really interesting talking to them.
 - c) So you don't have to spend anything on transport.
 - d) Maybe you should look for an easier job.
 - e) So there's always something to do.
 - f) So you haven't started to get bored with it?
 - g) You must be tired out before you even start!

3

1 Choose two of the people from the recording and complete the notes.

City:

Job:

Big Plus:

Big Minus:

2 Compare your notes. Who do you think has the best and worst job and lifestyle?

4 Discuss these questions.

- 1 Would you be interested in doing any of the jobs described in the recording?
- 2 Would you go to another city or country to work? Why?/Why not?

Vocabulary 1: employment

1

- 1 Read the advice on how to find a job in the UK and put the sentences in the correct order.

HOW TO FIND A JOB

- ☐ You should enclose an up-to-date Curriculum Vitae (resumé) with your letter.
- ☐ If you decide you want to apply, write a letter of application or phone for an application form.
- ☒ Look at jobs advertised in the newspaper, your local Job Centre or on the Internet.
- ☐ Once you get an interview it's up to you!
- ☐ Make sure it includes details of your qualifications, any previous work experience and the names of two referees.
- ☐ Send off your letter or application form and wait to see if you are invited for an interview.

- 2 Discuss these questions.

- Do you apply for jobs in the same way in your country? What differences are there?
- What kind of things can you do to make a good impression at a job interview? What things should you avoid doing?
- Describe an interview you have attended. Were you successful?

- 2 What do you look for in a job? Read the list and add more ideas of your own. Then rank the ideas in order of importance for you.

- ☐ location
- ☐ opportunities to travel
- ☐ flexible working hours
- ☐ long holidays
- ☐ benefits (e.g. free travel)
- ☐ good salary
- ☐ good prospects for promotion

- 3 Discuss the following questions.

- What do you think is a good weekly wage or annual salary in your country?
- What are the *best paid* jobs in your country? Do you think it's right that they are so highly paid?
- For what reasons can people *get the sack* or be *made redundant*?
- What would make you *resign* from a job?
- What *benefits* can people get from the government if they are *unemployed* in your country?

- At what age do men and women *retire* in your country? Do they get a *state pension*?
- Do you think most people look forward to retiring? What are the advantages and disadvantages of being a *pensioner*?

Grammar 1: ability and possibility

- 1 Look at the first part of an extract from an online magazine. What is the discussion topic?



You said it!



Opinions about Working Students

People disagree on this topic. What do you think about students working part-time when they are at high school or college? Here's what some readers have said.

I support the idea that students can work, but not that they should work. It should be up to them.

**Rudy Chen,
Taiwan**

There is no denying that working while they are still in school provides students with a chance to learn something that they can't get from formal schooling, like social experience.

Andrew le, Taiwan

You can't do two things at the same time – or if you are able to, you won't have a good quality of life.

**Fernando Ant. Vega
Guillen, Costa Rica**

Students have to study hard to enter the college or university that they want to attend. If they work after school, they may not be able to concentrate on their studies.

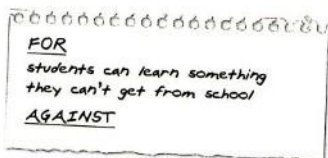
Daeho-Choi, Korea

For economic reasons, many parents can't support their children at university or college. So by working part-time students can help their parents with their burden. At the same time they can learn to be independent, which will help them in the future.

Ahmad Faiz, Malaysia

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- 1 Now read the comments. Who is in favour of students working part-time? Who is against? What reasons do they give? Make notes.



- 2 Who do you agree with?

3

- 1 Complete the text below using four of the phrases given.

can shouldn't be able to have to be able to
have been able to should be able to can't

*I honestly think that if teenagers
(1) handle working part-time
and attending school, then they
(2) make that choice
themselves. Parents (3)
provide for their kids all their life, so in order
for teens to feel responsible, they
(4) provide for themselves.*

- 2 Write a similar paragraph giving your opinion in 30–50 words.

- 4 Choose the correct alternatives in these sentences. Both alternatives may be possible.

- 1 I *don't know how to* / *can't* type, but it would be useful if I *can* / *could*.
- 2 If I don't get a job soon, I *can't* / *won't be able to* pay the rent.
- 3 I *could swim* / *was able to swim* by the time I was three.
- 4 My sister's *succeeded in getting* / *managed to get* a job with an international company.
- 5 Our final assignment was hard, but I *managed to* / *could* hand it in last week.
- 6 I'm sorry I *couldn't* / *wasn't able to* come to your party.
- 7 I *could become* / *could have become* a professional football player but I went to college instead.

- 8 I *couldn't have helped* / *can't have helped* you even if I'd wanted to.
- 9 It *is able to* / *can* rain in August, though it doesn't happen often.
- 10 My old boss *could* / *managed to* be very bad-tempered.

► Grammar reference p.200 (14.1)

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- 1 Look at this list of skills. Say if you can do these things, when you learned how to do them, how well you can do them now and how useful they are. If you can't do them, say if you'd like to be able to, and how they would be useful.
- cook
 - touch type
 - swim
 - speak another language

- 2 Do you think everyone should learn these skills? Why?/Why not? Are there any other skills you think everyone should learn?

- 6 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words.

- 1 At school, Jane was the best swimmer in her class.
swim
At school, Jane anyone else in her class.
- 2 Do you think you will manage to find the way?
able
Do you think find the way?
- 3 You didn't help me, even though you had the chance.
have
You but you didn't.
- 4 I wish my spoken English was better.
speak
I wish English better.
- 5 I thought I would get the job, but someone else got it instead.
succeed
I the job.
- 6 Peter was often quite unpredictable.
be
Peter quite unpredictable.
- 7 I knew how to drive by the time I was 17.
to
I by the time I was 17.
- 8 Unfortunately, I missed the train.
manage
Unfortunately, I did not the train.

Reading: multiple matching (Part 3)

1 You are going to read an article from the Internet about four successful women in New York. Before you read, look at the title and subheadings, and read through the article quickly.

In addition to their success in business, what two other things do the women all have in common?

2 For questions 1–15, choose from the people (A–D). The people may be chosen more than once.

Which woman

- 1 wanted to work independently to put her schemes into practice?
- 2 now has businesses all over the world?
- 3 did a special course in order to help her in her business?
- 4 had to find out everything about the work she chose?
- 5 settled in the USA because of someone she met there?
- 6 says it is important not to give up?
- 7 has a business which is continuing to show financial growth?
- 8 gives talks to others about her specialisation?
- 9 hopes her family will take over her work one day?
- 10 had a complete change of career late in life?
- 11 believes in good customer relations?
- 12 supports people from her own country who have just arrived in the USA?
- 13 wanted to teach the people of the USA about her own region?
- 14 did not immediately make a profit?
- 15 is looked up to by the people who work for her?

3 Which woman do you think has achieved the most impressive results? Which of these types of work would you like to be involved in?

Taking a bite at the Big Apple

Four women entrepreneurs who have found success in New York

A Misa Chang CHAIRPERSON

Empire Szechuan Gourmet Restaurant Chain

When Misa Chang opened her first restaurant in New York with \$5,000, almost 23 years ago, she had six tables and a handful of employees. Today, her empire spans the globe and includes 12 Empire Szechuan Gourmet restaurants and over 1,000 employees. Misa emigrated from Taiwan in the 1970s with her student husband. In 1976, she started a small restaurant near her home to supplement the family's income. To gain a greater share of the business, she kept the restaurant open later than her competitors and soon earned a reputation for serving good food. In 1979, the *New York Times* gave her restaurant a rave review and her business took off. An inspiring and vivacious woman, her original associates and colleagues are still with her. Her motherly ways have earned the respect of all her employees, who call her 'Mama'. When asked what advice she would give to entrepreneurs, Misa stated 'Be nice to people and that gives you good luck. I have so many good friends because of my many customers. When they come in the restaurant, that is my happy hour.'

B Shin Choi PRESIDENT & DESIGNER

Shin Choi/Coleridge & Co., Inc.

Shin Choi emigrated to the US in 1979 after graduating from university in Korea. She thought that the garment industry would offer her opportunities, and she soon found a job in a New York clothing manufacturers, where she learned the business from the ground up. Although she loved her job there, she saw a need for beautiful well-made clothing at affordable prices and felt she had to go off on her own to implement her ideas. So at the age of 32, Shin obtained a loan from her family to set up her own business, naming her company Coleridge & Co. The first season, her entire line sold straightaway. However, despite sales of \$1 million, the company lost money. It took two years for her to reverse that trend, but little by little her name became associated with fine clothing and for the last 5 years, her revenue has grown more than 10% each year. Shin's advice for entrepreneurs is 'Go for it. It is not easy, but your hard work will produce rewarding results.'



C Elma V. Santander PRESIDENT
Santander Enterprises Corp

Elma Santander, a graduate of the Philippine Women's University in Manila, dreamed of living in Europe. On a visit to New York in 1974, she fell in love – with the City and with a man who would soon be her husband – and settled in the United States. She decided that since her husband was in the food business, she would open a bakery, and attended a culinary school to study baking. She soon started selling a whole array of Filipino breads and cakes. With an ever-increasing Filipino community in New Jersey, she has expanded her business, selling her bakery products to other stores. She now employs 40 people and has provided invaluable training to new immigrants from the Philippines. She and her husband Roger have also been training their children to continue their businesses. When asked what advice she would give to entrepreneurial women, she stated that 'hard work and patience will bring you to success.'

D Julie Sahni TEACHER, FOOD HISTORIAN AND
CULINARY AUTHOR/JOURNALIST

Some 32 years ago, Julie Sahni came to New York City from India to study Architecture. After obtaining her master's degree, she was an architect and city planner for 10 years and during that time, she started taking cooking classes to become a better hostess. She realised that she had found her niche in food and wanted to pursue her dream. In 1979, only months away from getting her pension, Julia quit her City job to follow her passion. In 1980, she published the first of five cookbooks, *Classic Indian Cooking*. Her books have received numerous awards and she has become known as a culinary authority. She frequently lectures on food and uses food as a vehicle to bridge the gap between Asian cultures and the West. She has also been a food consultant for Time-Life Books and *Joy of Cooking*. When asked for her advice to others, she stated 'Remember, if there is a problem, there has to be a solution. Therefore, never accept no for an answer.'

Grammar 2: mixed conditionals

1 Read the following sentences. Which parts of the sentence refer to the past time and which to the present time?

- If Shin Choi hadn't got a loan from her family *past*
.....
 - she might still be working for another company. (a)
 - she wouldn't be President of her own company. (b)
 - she wouldn't have been able to set up on her own. (c)
- If Julie Sahni wasn't so passionate about food (d)
 - she wouldn't have given up her other job. (e)
 - she might not have become so well known. (f)
 - her life now might be very different. (g)

2

1 Choose the correct ending for each sentence.

- If she only started the job last year,
- If I needed money,
- If they haven't spent all their money,
- If you don't want to be paid by cheque,
- If we hadn't spent all that money last year,
- If she's going to invest in that company,
- If she hadn't given us all that extra work,

- they'll be able to get a taxi home.
- we'd be able to go on holiday now.
- she probably isn't earning much.
- you should have told us earlier.
- we'd have finished by the end of this week.
- he was always ready to lend me some.
- she needs to check they're making a profit.

2 Now decide which time (past, present or future) each part of the sentence refers to.

3

1 Complete the following sentences using the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

Example:

- If I had trained (train) as a nurse,
I could be working (work) in a hospital instead of
an office now.

- If I (not/spend) so much money on clothes last month, I (be able to) go on holiday.
- I (be) much fitter if I (join) that Keep Fit class Ann told me about.
- If I (be) more ambitious, I (rise) to Managing Director of the company by now.
- If I (not/be) so shy, I (ask) Chris out for a date last weekend.

- Think of your own life. How would things be different now if the past had been different?

Conjunctions (alternatives to *if*)

- Choose the correct conjunction in each of the following sentences.

- You won't get promotion *provided that* / *unless* you work hard.
- I'll pay for the meal *as long as* / *even if* I have enough cash on me.
- Always keep your money in a money belt *if* / *in case* it gets stolen
- I'll lend you the money *on condition that* / *even if* you pay me back in a month.
- It's going to be a great day out, *unless* / *providing* it doesn't rain.
- I'm pleased I got an interview, *even if* / *as long as* I don't get the job.

► Grammar reference p.194 (5.1)

- Complete the sentences using an appropriate conjunction from Exercise 4 and the correct form of the verbs in brackets. There may be more than one possibility.

- I told him I wouldn't go with him he (pay for) the tickets.
- I'll tell you a secret you (promise) not to tell anyone else.
- I decided I was going to go abroad I (have to) borrow the money.
- It's a good idea to leave a key with your neighbour you (lock) yourself out.
- He agreed to take on the extra work, but only his salary (raise)
- It's a good idea to take some cash with you the local shopkeepers (not/accept) credit cards.

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- Can you unjumble these tips?

- Don't invest in shares unless you get robbed.
- Never wear jeans to an interview if you are prepared to take risks.
- Don't carry lots of cash around with you in case you trust them completely.
- Never let anyone know your cashpoint PIN even if you want the job.

- Have you got any more useful tips?

Vocabulary 2: numbers and money

1

- Look at these examples from the text on pages 134 and 135. Say the numbers aloud.

\$5,000 in the 1970s
more than 10% sales of \$1 million

- Match the numbers to the descriptions on the right.

- | | |
|------------------|------------------------|
| 1 10% | a) a date |
| 2 €15,000 | b) a fraction |
| 3 01783 64 57 38 | c) a time |
| 4 45 kg | d) a sum of money |
| 5 25° C | e) a speed |
| 6 34 kph | f) a weight |
| 7 2¾ | g) an amount of liquid |
| 8 0.75 | h) a telephone number |
| 9 25 m | i) a temperature |
| 10 23.12.05 | j) a percentage |
| 11 2 L | k) a decimal |
| 12 6.00 a.m. | l) a distance |



- Say the numbers above. Then listen to check.



- Listen to six extracts and write down only the numbers you hear, together with the correct symbols.

Example: 10 kg

2

- 1 Read the following information and complete the text using words and phrases from the box.

current cash points cheques commission
credit card debit card deposit interest
foreign currency overdraft savings
statement travellers cheques



Our NOW current account offers students a range of special benefits.

- You will have a (1) which you can use to pay bills or to withdraw money from our (2) at any time of the day or night.
- You can also apply for our (3) which means you can buy now, and pay up to 56 days later.
- We'll send you a (4) every month telling you how much money you've got in your account – or you can use our Internet banking service to view this online.
- We know that students are often short of money, so we offer you an (5) of up to £1,500 free of charge.
- Intending to travel abroad? We offer you (6) and (7) – and you don't even have to pay (8) charges.
- You can use any high street bank or post office to cash your (9) and pay money into your (10) account.



Saving up for something special?

With a (11) of only £250, you can open a (12) account and watch your money grow. (13) rates are at present 2–3% but these may vary – enquire at your local branch for details.

2 Discuss these questions.

- 1 Do you have a bank account? Which of the above facilities does it offer?
- 2 Are you satisfied with its services?

3 Which is the odd one out? Cross it out.

- 1 You can pay by *cheque* / *credit card* / *receipt*.
- 2 Waiter, could I have the *check* / *tip* / *bill*, please?
- 3 You can *gain* / *get* / *win* a lot of useful experience working abroad.

- 4 How much money do you expect to *gain* / *make* / *earn* in this job?
- 5 The *worth* / *price* / *value* of gold continues to rise.
- 6 I need to *ask for* / *take out* / *withdraw* a bank loan to *pay off* / *pay for* / *repay* my debts.
- 7 You can *change* / *convert* / *cash* your foreign currency here.
- 8 I'm afraid we can't *receive* / *accept* / *take* dollars, only local currency.

4 Complete the sentences with the correct preposition.

- 1 You shouldn't waste your money expensive holidays.
- 2 Banks don't like lending money small businesses.
- 3 You can change your euros dollars at any *Bureau de Change*.
- 4 It's a good idea to invest money stocks and shares.
- 5 Banks charge high interest rates when you borrow money them.
- 6 Why not leave some money charity in your will?

5 Read the following statements. Say if you agree/disagree on a scale of 1–5 (5 = strongly agree, 1 = strongly disagree).

- 1 Money is too important to people nowadays.
- 2 Everyone should give 5% of their income to charity.
- 3 You should never borrow or lend money.
- 4 Money should be saved not spent.
- 5 Credit cards should be banned.



Listening 2: multiple-choice questions (Part 4)

1 Think of three things that would make you happier than you are now. Then compare with a partner. Are your ideas similar or different?

2 You will hear a radio interview with a psychologist, Ed Stevens, who is researching what makes people happy.

1 Before you listen, read through the questions below and underline key words.



2 Now listen and choose the best answer, A, B or C. Then listen again to check your answers.

1 Ed says that rich people

- A are not as happy as people who have less money.
- B generally want to be richer than they are already.
- C do not become much happier with even more money.

2 Ed claims that, compared to cooler countries, in some hot countries

- A the culture is more interesting.
- B the people are more positive.
- C there are fewer problems to worry about.

3 Ed says that in many cultures, having a good time is less important than

- A getting things you really want.
- B having a satisfying job.
- C having good health.

4 Ed suggests that in certain situations, feeling happy might make it difficult to

- A see danger coming.
- B cope with danger when you meet it.
- C recognise people who may be a danger to you.

5 According to Ed, the word 'happy'

- A has the same meaning in all cultures.
- B does not always have an exact translation.
- C is an easy word in some languages.

6 Ed suggests that one key to lasting happiness is

- A being a parent.
- B having a good marriage.
- C maintaining a positive attitude.

7 What advice does Ed give to listeners at the end of the interview?

- A Accept the level of happiness you have.
- B Try to be happier than you are.
- C Aim to help others to be happy.

3 Look back at the answers. Did anything you hear surprise you? How far do you agree with what Ed Stevens says?

Use of English: open cloze (Part 2)

Read the text below and think of the word which best fits each gap. Use only one word in each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

A PRECIOUS METAL

Throughout history, people have searched for gold. (0) *But*... this precious metal has not always been associated (1) happiness. For example, (2) the 1840s, thousands of people died in the USA looking for gold.

So why is gold so desirable? (3) from its market value, it has many different uses. Unlike other metals, it won't discolour and it can be shaped easily into beautiful jewellery. It also has some (4) practical uses than this. Televisions and video players have gold components inside, and it is even used in the instruments (5) enable astronauts to travel (6) space. And, of course, it can be used almost anywhere (7) of money.

For these reasons, gold remains (8) desirable now as it ever was. Even though gold prices have declined in recent years, the desire to find gold remains strong. But now the focus has changed and (9) huge leisure industry has developed around it. In the USA, for example, (10) men fought over gold more than a century (11) families can now spend a happy and enjoyable day searching for the precious metal. It seems that for most people, gold still has (12) power to excite and thrill.

Exam focus

Paper 5 Speaking: a complete test

About the exam: In the exam, the person you will talk to is called the interlocutor. There will also be another examiner, who will just listen to you.

DO speak clearly so that the interlocutor and the examiner can both hear you easily.

1 You are going to do a complete Paper 5 Speaking test. First, look at the areas on which you will be assessed in the exam. Which do you think are your strong points, and which are weak areas?

- grammar and vocabulary
- pronunciation
- how you organise what you say to make your points clear
- how you interact with your partner and react to what he/she says



2 Now listen to two candidates doing the Speaking test. Give them a grade for each category listed in Exercise 1:

poor / satisfactory / good

The photos for Part 2 appear below and the pictures for Part 3 appear on page 183.

3 Now work in groups of four and role-play the test using the same photos and pictures.

Student A: You are the interlocutor. Look at page 180 and tell the candidates what to do.

Student B: You are the examiner. Listen carefully to the two candidates and think about the different categories in Exercise 1. At the end, you can give each candidate feedback on their strong and weak points.

Students C and D: You are both candidates.

4 Now change roles so that Students A and B become the candidates.

Student C: You are the interlocutor. Look at page 185 and tell the candidates what to do.

Student D: You are the examiner. Listen carefully to the two candidates so you can give them feedback at the end.



B



C



D



Writing: letter of application

- 1 Look at the writing task and answer the questions below.

You see the following job advertisement in an international magazine.



International Adventure Course



Do you speak English?

We are looking for people to work on an international adventure course in Canada helping to organise sports and social activities for young people aged 9–12.

You must be available for at least 4 weeks between July–September.

To apply, write telling us about yourself and saying why you think you would be suitable for the job.

Write your **letter of application** in **120–180** words.

- What does the job involve?
- The task includes two parts. What are they?
- The following things might all make an applicant a suitable person for the job. Which of them do you think would be **essential**? Tick them. What else would be essential?
 - able to speak English
 - interested in sports
 - experience of working with young people
 - interested in travel
 - enjoys being with people
 - comes from a big family
 - can sing and play the guitar
 - first aid qualification
 - clean driving licence

TIP! In the exam, you don't have to give true information.

- 2 Read the following letter. Do you think it's a good letter of application for the job advertised? Why?/Why not?

Dear Sir or Madam

I write about your advertisement in the newspaper for the International Adventure Course.

I'm the oldest of a family of five children and I've got lots of young cousins.

I'd really enjoy the chance to use my English in Canada and to work in the international environment.

I'm available between July 13 and September 20. I'm eighteen years old and live in Spain.

I just finished my secondary education and in October I'll be starting a university course in Business Administration. I've already studied English for six years.

I hope you'll write soon.

Yours faithfully

Antonia

(98 words)

- 3 Read the letter again and answer these questions.

- Does the letter begin and end appropriately? ✓
- Does it include all the necessary information? ✗
- Is the information organised into logical paragraphs?
- Is the style appropriate?
- Are there appropriate fixed phrases for a letter of application?
- Is the spelling and punctuation accurate?
- Is the grammar accurate?
- Does it have the correct number of words?
- Would the reader want to give Antonia an interview?

- 4 Work with a partner. Compare and explain your answers.

Example:

1 The letter begins 'Dear Sir or Madam' and ends 'Yours faithfully'. That's correct because we don't know who we're writing to.

► **Writing reference p.212**

- 5 Plan your own letter of application.

- How many paragraphs will you write?
- What information will go in each paragraph?

- 6 Write your letter in an appropriate formal style.

- 7 When you have finished, check your letter, using the points in Exercise 3.

1 There is a grammar mistake in each of the following sentences. Find the mistakes and correct them.

- They could buy the computer if they'd had enough money.
- I can't speak Spanish, but it would be useful if I managed to.
- I was late for the train, but fortunately I could just catch it.
- The weather is able to be bad in July and August.
- If I hadn't bought that expensive hi-fi system, I will have enough money to go on holiday now.
- You won't be promoted if you can convince the boss you deserve it.
- It's going to be a good holiday, providing that it rains.
- Even although he didn't like the present, he shouldn't have been so rude.
- I am fitter if I didn't eat so much chocolate.
- Bring some comfortable shoes provided that we have to do a lot of walking.

2 Complete these sentences giving true information. Then compare your answers with a partner.

- I'll probably ... this weekend, providing ...
- I always ... on Saturdays, unless ...
- When I was younger, I felt frightened if ...
- I never minded ... even if ...
- I think it would be useful if I could ...
- I would love to work in ... as long as ...

3 Choose the best alternative to complete the following sentences.

- It's time those children were to bed.
A made B had C gone D sent
- The old man's money was shared between his six children.
A away B out C up D on
- The theft was discovered when the authorities out a spot check.
A carried B found C counted D worked
- You needn't include of your primary education on a job application form.
A facts B details C points D items
- I'm hoping to apply a job with an international company.
A on B to C with D for

6 The job offers a number of such as free travel and medical care.

A prospects B qualifications C benefits D experiences

7 The total bill for the repairs to the house to more than €10,000.

A added B amounted C became D totalled

8 It's believed that he owes the bank a considerable of money.

A sum B number C lot D value

4 Use the words given in capitals below the text to form a word that fits in the gap in some of the lines. There is an example at the beginning (0).

THE WORST JOB I'VE EVER DONE

When I was a (0) *student* I once got a job in a factory that made car batteries. I hated it from the first moment! The smell inside the factory was (1) and the machinery made so much noise that it was (2), so workers had to wear ear-plugs all the time to comply with safety (3) They were very (4) and I couldn't listen to music. On top of that, my job was terribly (5) I had to check that all the batteries had the company logo (6) stamped on them. I stared at the batteries so hard that after a while I couldn't see any (7) between them – they all looked the same, and my (8) started creating images of logos that weren't there. After four hours, I made a (9) I stood up, removed my ear-plugs and walked out, never to return. It was an absolutely (10) place to work in, and I never regretted giving up the job.

0 STUDY

1 DISGUST

2 DANGER

3 REGULATE

4 COMFORT

5 BORE

6 CLEAR

7 DIFFER

8 IMAGINE

9 DECIDE

10 POSSIBLE

UNIT 12 Strange but true

Reading 1

1 You are going to read an extract from the novel *Rebecca*. Look at the still from the film of the novel. Discuss where the people are and what they are doing.

2 Now read the extract to check your ideas. Then answer these questions.

- 1 Who is Maxim?
- 2 Who is the story told by?
- 3 Who is Rebecca?
- 4 What is the inquest trying to establish?

3 Read the text again and answer the following questions.

- 1 How does the narrator feel before she goes to the inquest? How do you know?
- 2 What has happened just before Maxim's wife goes into the courtroom?
- 3 How does the Coroner first suggest that Rebecca died?
- 4 What new evidence does James Tabb then give about the boat?
- 5 Who does the Coroner think might have been involved in Rebecca's death? How do you know?
- 6 How does Maxim's wife feel at the end? Why do you think she feels like this?

4 Discuss these questions

- 1 Do you think that Maxim murdered his wife?
- 2 What do you think might happen at the end of the book? (Turn to page 188 to check your ideas.)



The inquest was on the Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock. The weather had not broken yet. It was still hot, oppressive. The air was full of thunder, and there was rain behind the white, dull sky but it did not fall.

Lunch was a hurried, nervous meal. I did not want anything to eat. I could not swallow. None of us talked very much. It was a relief when the meal was over and I heard Maxim go out onto the drive and start the car. He seemed quite calm, but my hands were very cold, my heart beating in a funny, jerky way. When we arrived at the court, Frank and Maxim left me in the car and went in.

After a while I got out and started to pace up and down, and found myself outside the building where the inquest was being held. A policeman appeared.

'Excuse me, Madam,' he said, 'aren't you Mrs de Winter? Mr de Winter has just given his evidence. There's only one more to speak, Mr Tabb the boatman.'

'Then it's nearly over,' I said.

'I expect so, Madam,' he replied. Then he said on a sudden thought, 'Would you like to hear the remaining evidence? There is a seat there, just inside the door. If you slip in now, no one will notice you.'

'Yes,' I said. 'Yes, I think I will.'

The policeman opened a door at the end of the passage. I crept in and sat down. The room was smaller than I had imagined, rather hot and stuffy.

James Tabb was standing up, answering the Coroner's questions.

'Was the boat sea-worthy?'

'It was when I fixed it up in April last year.'

'Has the boat ever been known to capsize before?'

'No, sir, never.'

'I suppose great care was needed to handle the boat?'

'Well, sir, everyone has to be careful, sailing a boat. But this one was strong and well-built and Mrs de Winter had sailed her in worse weather than that night. I couldn't understand it sinking on a calm night like that.'

'We would not suggest that you were to blame. It seems that Mrs Rebecca de Winter was careless for a moment, the boat capsized, and she lost her life.'

'Excuse me, sir, but there's more to it than that. I'd like to make a further statement. After the accident last year, some people said I had let Mrs de Winter use a damaged boat. It was very unfair, but the boat had sunk and there was nothing I could say to defend myself. Well, I went to examine it yesterday to satisfy myself that the work I had done was perfectly good. And it was.'

Tabb paused. 'But what I want to know is this. Who made the holes in the boat?'



I did not look at him. I looked at the floor. It was much too hot. Why didn't they open a window? We should all be suffocated if we sat here with the air like this. Why did the silence last so long?

'What do you mean? What holes?' The coroner's voice sounded very far away.

'There were three of them. Made with something sharp. Open to the sea. With those holes, it wouldn't take more than ten minutes for a small boat to sink. It's my opinion that the boat was sunk on purpose.'

I had to get out. There was no air in the place, and the person next to me was pressing close, close... Maxim was standing up now but I must not look at him. The heat was coming up from the floor, rising in slow waves.

'Mr de Winter, you heard the statement from James Tabb. Do you know anything of these holes?'

'Nothing whatsoever.'

'It's the first time you've heard them mentioned?'

'Yes.'

'The boat was kept at the private harbour and any stranger trying to damage it would be seen?'

'Yes.'

'James Tabb has told us that a boat with those holes hammered in it probably could not float for more than ten minutes. So it could not have been damaged before Mrs de Winter took it out, or it would have sunk in the harbour before reaching the open sea.'

Maxim nodded.

'Therefore whoever took the boat out that night made the holes. You told us before that when the boat was found, the door and windows were fixed shut and your wife's body was slumped on the floor. Now we are given the information that there were holes in the boat made deliberately – does this not strike you as strange?'

Maxim nodded again.

'I must ask you a very personal question. Were you and your first wife happy?'

It was so hot, no open window, the door was further away than I had thought, and suddenly everything went dark.

Adapted from REBECCA by Daphne Du Maurier
inquest: official inquiry into the causes of someone's death

coroner: someone whose job is to find out the causes of sudden or accidental deaths

Writing 1: making your writing more interesting

1 In the text describing the inquest into Rebecca's death, the writer has used words and phrases connected with heat and difficulty in breathing to make us aware of how nervous Mrs de Winter is. Find these words in the text:

- 1 two adjectives describing the weather (section 1)
- 2 two adjectives describing the sky (1)
- 3 two adjectives describing the atmosphere in the courtroom (4)
- 4 a verb meaning *die through lack of air* (7)

2 The writer also uses other words and expressions to make the story more exciting and dramatic.

1 Find verbs in the text that mean:

- 1 walk nervously in one direction then back again (3)
- 2 entered the room quietly without being seen (4)
- 3 stopped for a moment (6)
- 4 made using a lot of force (8)
- 5 bent forwards (9)
- 6 make you suddenly realise something (9)

2 What do these phrases describe in the text?

- 1 *hurried and nervous*
- 2 *beating in a funny, jerky way*
- 3 *strong and well-built*
- 4 *made with something sharp*
- 5 *fixed shut*

3

1 The verbs in the box have a general meaning. Match each one to a group of verbs below.

breathe eat hit think ~~walk~~ look

- 1 creep/pace/stroll walk
- 2 swallow/bite/chew
- 3 imagine/wonder/believe
- 4 hammer/knock/bang
- 5 suffocate/pant/gasp
- 6 peer/glance/stare

2 How are the meanings of the verbs in each group different? When could you use them? Use your dictionary to help you.

- 4 Look at the next part of the story. Discuss more interesting and dramatic ways of expressing the ideas. Then rewrite the extract.

Maxim asked Frank to take me back home. Frank drove quickly. For the first time since I had known him, he didn't say anything. That meant that he was anxious. Usually he was a careful driver, stopping at every crossroads, blowing his horn at every corner. When we got to the house, he left me at the front door and drove away, saying that Maxim might need him. I went upstairs and lay down. I thought about what people might say. 'Why should he get off? He killed his wife. He will have to hang for it.'

Example:

Maxim begged Frank to take me back home immediately.

Vocabulary 1: crime and punishment

- 1 Work in three groups, A, B and C. In your groups, put the words below into the correct category.

the accused/defendant arsonist (release on) bail
blackmailer burglar capital punishment
community service defence corporal punishment
find innocent/guilty fine forger hijacker
inquiry judge jury kidnapper lawyer
mugger murderer pickpocket prison sentence
(put on) probation prosecution shoplifter
smuggler suspended sentence thief trial
verdict witness

Criminals

Law courts

Sentences and punishments

- 2 Each group should choose one category and check that they know the meaning and pronunciation of the words, using a dictionary where necessary.

- 2 Now get into new groups of three, with one student from each group A, B and C. Work together to correct the mistakes in these sentences. When you are speaking, put the stress on the corrected information.

Example:

A: A forger takes people prisoner and asks their family for money to let them go.

B: No – a kidnapper takes people prisoner. A forger makes copies of things in order to deceive people.

- A mugger steals things from people's pockets in public places.
- An arsonist goes into people's houses and steals things.
- A hijacker takes things from shops without paying for them.
- A blackmailer takes goods into a country without paying tax on them.
- The judge pleads guilty or not guilty at the beginning of a trial.
- The lawyer for the defence tries to prove the defendant is guilty.
- The prosecution lawyer gives evidence about what they have seen.
- If the defendant is found guilty, the jury passes sentence.
- If you pay the court a sum of money, you can be given a suspended sentence until your trial.
- If it is your first offence, you will probably be sentenced to capital punishment.

- 3 Read the following text and choose the correct alternative in each pair.

Last year my house was broken into and (1) *robbed* / *stolen*. I immediately informed the police. A police officer came to the house and asked me to make a list of what had been (2) *robbed* / *stolen*. I told him my neighbours had seen someone suspicious at the time of the (3) *forgery* / *burglary*, so they had to go to the police station and (4) *make* / *do* a statement. About a month later the police contacted me to say they had arrested a (5) *defendant* / *suspect*. When the case came to court, I went to (6) *give* / *tell* evidence. Of course, the man (7) *admitted* / *pleaded* not guilty. The (8) *jury* / *lawyer* decided there was not enough proof to (9) *try* / *convict* him, and he was (10) *let off* / *let go*.

Speaking

1 Discuss these questions.

- 1 What kinds of crimes are the most dangerous?
- 2 When should a judge send someone to prison?
- 3 What does the saying *The punishment should fit the crime* mean?

2 Work in groups. Decide what punishment, if any, would be appropriate in the following cases.

- 1 The children of an English woman, Mrs Amos, regularly played truant from school.
- 2 David Smith, 34, of New Jersey, created the Melissa computer virus – the first major virus spread by email. The virus caused more than US\$80 m in damage.
- 3 Army Major Charles Ingram went on a TV quiz programme called *Who wants to be a millionaire?* He arranged for his wife and a friend to cough during the quiz to help him get the correct answers. He won a million pounds.
- 4 Twelve young men were involved in fights and damage to property in the centre of Coventry after a football match.
- 5 20-year-old Richard Ure, driving on his own, took part in a high-speed car chase with another car containing four teenagers. The teenagers' car crashed, and all four were killed. Richard survived.

3 Now turn to page 188 to find out what the actual punishments were. Were your ideas similar or different?

Listening 1: sentence completion (Part 2)

1 You will hear part of a radio programme about some people who tried to get compensation for injuries. First, read through the gapped sentences below and answer these questions.

- 1 How many people are mentioned?
- 2 What do the sentences tell you about each person?
- 3 What sort of information is missing?

An 81-year-old woman called Stella Liebeck bought

(1) from a take-away.

Stella burned her (2) and claimed this was the fault of the take-away company.

There is now a (3) based on Stella's case, to find amazing stories about people who claim compensation.

Terrence Dickson was a burglar who got stuck in a

(4) after breaking into a house.

Terrence lived on Pepsi and (5) for eight days, and claimed compensation for mental suffering.

Kathleen Robinson claimed compensation when she fell over her

(6) and injured her ankle.

Kara Walton lost two (7) when she fell out of a window, and claimed compensation.

Kara was trying to leave a (8) without paying for her drinks.

Mr Merv Grazinski bought a vehicle called a (9)

Mr Grazinski got up to make a cup of tea while travelling at (10) mph and claimed compensation for the resulting accident.



2 Now listen and complete the sentences with a word or short phrase. Then listen again to check and complete your answers.

3 Discuss these questions.

- 1 Which case do you think is most surprising?
- 2 Which of the people you have just heard about do you think deserved to be paid compensation?
- 3 Are there any cases in the news now where ordinary people or celebrities are trying to get compensation for things that have happened to them?



Grammar 1: passives (2)**1**

- 1 Look at the first sentence in each pair and highlight the passive verb forms. Then complete the second sentence, which is active.

Example:

- a) The stolen goods **were handed over** to the police by the thief.
b) The thief **handed over** the stolen goods to the police.
- 1 a) He was given the information he needed.
b) They him the information he needed.
- 2 a) My little sister likes being read stories.
b) My little sister likes it when I her stories.
- 3 a) I'm tired of being told what to.
b) I'm tired of people me what to do.
- 4 a) Johnson was proud to have been promoted.
b) Johnson was proud that they had him.
- 5 a) I was made to feel like part of the family.
b) They me feel like part of the family.
- 6 a) The suspect was seen to enter the house.
b) People the suspect enter the house.

- 2 Look at the passive forms you have highlighted. Find examples of:

- verb + -ing form (gerund) 2,
- verb + perfect infinitive

- 3 What do you notice about the infinitive form in sentence pairs 5 and 6?

► Grammar reference p.202 (17)

- 2** Change the following sentences from active to passive, using structures from Exercise 1. Omit the agent when it is not necessary.

- 1 I hope the coach will choose me to play on the team. (present infinitive)
2 I don't like it when the teacher gives us a lot of homework. (-ing form)
3 The court awarded \$1 m to the defendant.
4 I can't remember my father ever punishing me.
5 Several witnesses heard him shout for help.
6 I hope my parents will let me study abroad.
7 I was not very pleased that they had ordered me to do jury duty.

- 3** The following sentences tell the story of a man calling himself Count St Germain, who lived in Europe in the 18th century. Match the sentence halves to find out more about him.

- 1 It is not known where c)
2 He was said to be
3 It was believed that he knew
4 It was also claimed that
5 At various times he was recorded
6 He is believed to have died
7 His ghost is said to have
a) as having been seen in Europe, Persia, India and West Africa.
b) appeared to Queen Marie Antoinette in 1788, predicting the outbreak of the French Revolution.
c) 'Count' St Germain originally came from.
d) in Germany in 1784 and to have been buried there.
e) the secret of how to turn any metal into gold.
f) enormously wealthy.
g) he had discovered the secret of eternal youth.

► Grammar reference p.202 (17.2)

- 4** Complete the news report using the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

Mystery animal threat to farmers

Several sightings of a large cat-like animal (1) (report) recently. Several attacks on farm animals in the last few weeks (2) (believe) to be the work of the mystery creature. It (3) (suggest)

that it could be a panther or a leopard. The animal (4) (think) to be dangerous, and members of the public (5) (advise) to inform the authorities immediately if they see anything suspicious.

- 5** Choose one of the following headlines and write a short newspaper report. Include some of the expressions in the box.

Mystery of burglary still unsolved**ESCAPED SNAKE TERRORISES NEIGHBOURHOOD****WITNESSES CLAIM LIGHTS 'COULD HAVE BEEN UFOS'**

described being awakened by thought to have caused
reported to have been seen said to have escaped
known to be dangerous members of the public are asked

Listening 2: song


1 How much do you know about the film *Men in Black*?

1 How many of these questions can you answer?

- 1 Which actors play the two main parts?
- 2 What is the job of the characters they play?
- 3 Why do they wear sunglasses?
- 4 What happens to them at the end of the film?

2 Now turn to page 187 to check.

2 Complete the song lyrics by adding the words from the boxes.

 **3** Now listen and check your answers.

4 What two things do the Men in Black ask ordinary people to do?

- a) try to forget any strange things they see
- b) try to find out who the Men in Black are
- c) trust the Men in Black to defend them against extra-terrestrial danger

5 Who do you think should be responsible for preventing crime?

- the police
- ordinary citizens
- special task forces

Here come the Men in Black



It's the M.I.B.'s, uh,
here come the M.I.B.'s.
Here come the Men in Black.
They won't let you remember.

The good guys (1) in black. Remember that
just in case we're ever face to face and (2) contact.
The title held by me – M.I.B.
means what you think you (3) , you did
not (4)
So don't blink because what was there
is now (5) , black suit with the black Ray Ban's on.

saw
see
dress
gone
make

Walk in (6) , move in (7) ,
Guard against extra-terrestrial violence.
But yo, we ain't on no government (8)
We straight don't exist, no names and no (9)
Saw something strange, watch your (10) ,
'cause you never quite know where the M.I.B.'s is at.

silence
fingerprints
back
shadow
list

Chorus

Here come the Men in Black
The galaxy defenders
Right on, right on
Here come the Men in Black
They won't let you remember.

From the deepest of the darkest of night,
on the horizon, bright light (11) sight tight.
Cameras (12) , on the impending doom
But then like BOOM black suits (13) the room up
With the quickness (14) with the witnesses
Hypnotizer, neuralizer
Vivid memories (15) to fantasies.
Ain't no M.I.B.'s, can I please
do what we say that's the way we kick it.
Ya know what I mean? I see my noisy cricket get wicked on ya.

fill
turn
enters
zoom
talk

We're your first, last and (16) line of defence
against the (17) scum of the universe.
So don't fear us, cheer us.
If you ever get (18) us, don't jeer us, we're the
(19) M.I.B.'s, freezin up all the flack.
(What's that stand for?) Men in Black.

worst
fearless
near
only

Chorus

Exam focus**Paper 1 Reading: gapped text (Part 2)**

About the exam: In Paper 1, Part 2, you read a text from which sentences have been removed and placed in jumbled order after the text. You have to decide where the sentences fit. This part tests your understanding of text structure.

Procedure

- 1 Look at the title and subheading (if there is one) and think about the topic.
- 2 Read the base text carefully to make sure you understand what it is about.
- 3 Try to predict what kind of information is needed in each gap.
- 4 Look through all the sentences and choose the one that fits each gap best. Look for clues such as topic links and reference words.
- 5 If you are not sure about an answer, leave it and go back to it later.
- 6 When you have finished, read through the completed text to check that it makes sense. Make sure you have filled all the gaps and have not used any sentence more than once.
- 7 Transfer your answers to the answer sheet.

1 You are going to read an article about the origins of cities. Seven sentences have been removed from the article. Choose from the sentences A–H the one which best fits each gap (1–7). There is one extra sentence which you do not need to use.

2 According to the last paragraph of the text, *Human civilisation was not born in bloodshed and battle*. Look back through the text and find evidence for this conclusion.

Example: *Instead of weapons they found jewellery ...*

3 Discuss these questions.

- 1 Do you know anything about the origins of the town or city where you live?
- 2 Are there any ruins or archaeological sites near the place where you live? Are they important? Why?

THE LOST CITY

The origins of city life are a mystery.
Did civilisation arise out of violence?
Or is there a more peaceful reason why
people chose to live in large communities?

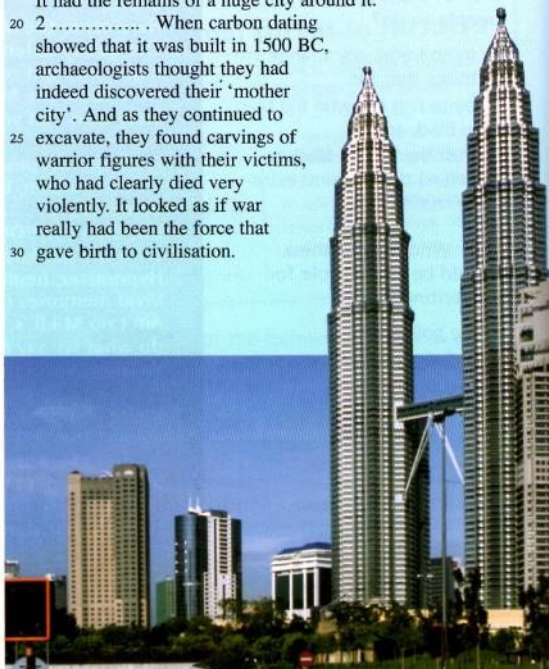
Today's modern city is a symbol of human civilisation. But the origins of cities have long been a mystery to scientists. For more than a hundred thousand years, human beings either wandered the world in small family groups, or lived in tiny villages. And then, suddenly, all this changed. All over the world, in Egypt, Mesopotamia, China, India, Central America and Peru, people started to build cities.

What made people give up the simple life for the city?

- 10 One theory was that it was something terrifying – warfare. 1 And those who organised their citizens to protect and defend themselves in this way emerged as powerful leaders – pharaohs and kings. It seemed that city life was born out of fear.

- 15 But to prove this theory, archaeologists needed to find a 'mother city': the very first big city to appear in the world. After years of searching, they discovered an enormous pyramid in the Casma Valley, in the Peruvian desert. It had the remains of a huge city around it.

- 20 2 When carbon dating showed that it was built in 1500 BC, archaeologists thought they had indeed discovered their 'mother city'. And as they continued to 25 excavate, they found carvings of warrior figures with their victims, who had clearly died very violently. It looked as if war really had been the force that 30 gave birth to civilisation.



OF CARAL

But then an archaeologist called Dr Ruth Shady from the University of San Marcos in Lima heard of some mysterious unexplained mounds further out in the desert. 3 'I was totally overwhelmed by the discovery,' she said. 'This place is somewhere between the seat of the gods and the home of man.' 35 It was the lost city of Caral.

Ruth went back with a team of archaeologists. They looked for pottery, but found none. They looked for metal tools, but the only ones they found were made of stone. Caral seemed to be much older than they'd expected. They dug down inside the pyramids. 4 Eventually, they found plant remains which they were able to get carbon dated. The results showed that Caral was built in 2600 BC. They had found the true 'mother city'. 40

But why had the city of Caral been built? They could not find any evidence of warfare. There were no weapons, or carvings of warriors. Instead, Ruth and her team found decorated musical instruments, fragments of a fruit used as body paint, and necklaces made from shells. 5 But such things did not occur naturally in that region – so how had they got there? 45

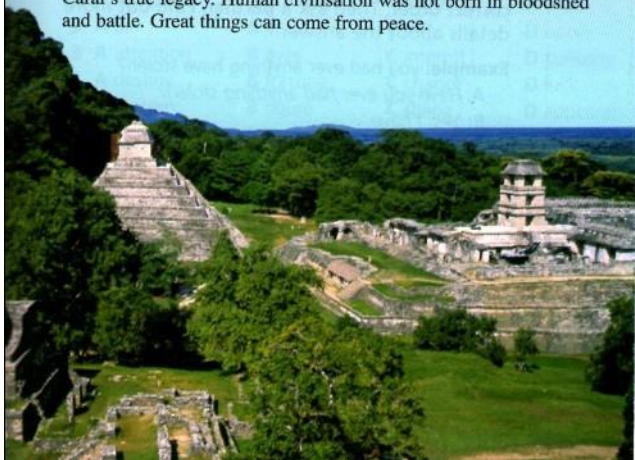
The mystery deepened. 6 Goods seemed to have been coming into Caral from all over Peru. And Ruth also realised that around the city there must once have been rivers watering fields used for cultivation. They found cotton seeds near the city, and they discovered a cotton fishing net on the coast dating from the same time. So, Ruth concluded, the people of Caral must have made nets for the fishermen on the coast, who sent fish as payment. More food meant more people could live at Caral and thus it became a booming trading centre. 50 55

So the driving force that led to the birth of civilisation five thousand years ago was not warfare. 7 And this peaceful existence continued for almost a thousand years, an achievement unmatched in the modern world. Perhaps that is Caral's true legacy. Human civilisation was not born in bloodshed and battle. Great things can come from peace. 60

- A Gradually, as their excavations continued, they uncovered paint not seen for thousands of years, and a series of staircases.
- B Instead, this city of pyramids was built on riches gained through trade.
- C This forced groups of villages to huddle together for their own protection.
- D However, when they dug deeper, they found nothing to support this theory.
- E They found piles of bones from sardines and anchovies which could only have come from the coast.
- F She set off alone to find them and found the remains of six pyramids, arranged around a central plaza.
- G These objects showed that this was a society where people knew how to have fun.
- H Excavations revealed simple pottery and crude art, suggesting that the city was very old indeed.

4 Complete the missing words. You have been given the correct number of letters.

Today's modern city is considered to be a s y m b o l of human civilisation. Archaeologists have spent years investigating the (1) o _ _ _ _ _ s of city life, believing that it may have been founded on violence. Then Dr Ruth Shady found the (2) r _ _ _ _ _ s of a huge city in Peru. After detailed investigations, she found no (3) e _ _ _ _ _ of warfare there. Ruth concluded that the reason for the (4) b _ _ _ _ of civilisation was not warfare, but trade. The (5) p _ _ _ _ of this theory was there in the ruins.



Vocabulary 2: nouns linked by of**1****1** Cross out the word which does not belong.**Example:** a team of archaeologists / ~~computers~~ / players

- 1 a flock of sheep / papers / birds
- 2 a herd of cowboys / cattle / horses
- 3 a gang of thieves / dogs / boys
- 4 a panel of experts / speakers / apes
- 5 a pack of cards / lies / parcels
- 6 a bunch of stones / flowers / grapes
- 7 a collection of stamps / information / short stories

2 Complete the sentences using words from Exercise 1.1.

- 1 He's got a large of from all over the world.
- 2 I don't believe a word she says – it's all a of
- 3 A of attacked the train and got away with \$1 m.
- 4 A of has been invited to discuss the problem.
- 5 It's polite to take a of when you are invited for a meal.

2**1** Choose an item from the box that goes with both nouns.

a bar ~~a block~~ a fragment an item a piece
a pile a row

Example: a block of flats/marble

- 1 of bones/books
- 2 of desks/houses
- 3 of news/paper
- 4 of soap/chocolate
- 5 of pottery/bone
- 6 of clothing/furniture

2 Correct the mistakes.

- 1 I finished off a whole piece of chocolate by myself.
- 2 I live in a row of flats.
- 3 For the examination, students' desks must be arranged in piles.
- 4 I don't have a single fragment of clothing to wear to the party.
- 5 A big row of papers lay on my desk.
- 6 Here's an interesting block of news.

Grammar 2: have/get something done**1** Complete the following sentences using the correct form of a verb from the box.

check	frame	make	photocopy
paint	take	tell	video

- 1 I need to get these papers in case they get lost.
- 2 We've just had the house
- 3 I'm going to have my fortune
- 4 She's having her wedding dress for her.
- 5 We're going to have the wedding ceremony
- 6 I think you ought to get your blood pressure
- 7 I want to get this picture so I can hang it up.
- 8 The dentist says I'll have to have the tooth out.

2 Respond to the statements below with advice using *have/get something done* and a suitable verb.**Example:**

A: I need another house key – I keep leaving mine behind.

B: You'd better get another one made.

- 1 My hair's too long.
- 2 Someone's broken the window!
- 3 I've finished the film in my camera.
- 4 I've got a mark on my new jacket.
- 5 My car is making a funny noise.
- 6 I want a special photograph of my graduation.

3 Put the words in the questions into the correct order. Then ask a partner. Find out more details about the answer.**Example:** you had ever anything have stolen?

A: Have you ever had anything stolen?

B: Yes, I have.

A: What?

B: I had my purse stolen a few years ago.

- 1 you when last did cut your hair get?
- 2 taken photograph had recently your you have?
- 3 you tooth out have had a ever taken?
- 4 you last your eyes get tested did when?
- 5 have ever coloured had hair you your?
- 6 would your ever get pierced you nose?

► Grammar reference p.198



Use of English: multiple-choice cloze (Part 1)

- 1 Read the title and the text quickly. What is the buried treasure referred to in the title?
- 2 Read the text again and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each space. There is an example at the beginning (0).

BURIED TREASURE

Artist Kit Williams was always interested in trying new things, so when it was (0) that he should illustrate a book, he (1) to write the story as well, rather than work with someone else. He hit (2) a new idea. What better way to attract people's (3) to his work than to give his readers the (4) to take part in a treasure hunt? So Kit made a golden pendant in the (5) of a hare and buried it underground at a secret location. The words and pictures in his book, *Masquerade*, (6) clues as to where the hare was buried. Almost two million readers from all over the world joined in the rush to (7) the puzzle. The race was open to all, and no one had any advantage – the treasure was as (8) to be found by a clever child of ten as it was by a university professor.

After more than two years, the golden hare was found by a businessman who called himself Ken Thomas, although this was actually a false name. It appears that 'Thomas' subsequently sold the hare for a large (9) of money. Afterwards, some people (10) that the discovery of the hare was not (11) purely on the information in the book, but that 'Thomas' had been helped by a former girlfriend of Kit Williams. However, 'Thomas' has always firmly (12) these claims.

- | | | | |
|------------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| 0 A suggested | B told | C known | D believed |
| 1 A selected | B preferred | C picked | D liked |
| 2 A at | B in | C off | D upon |
| 3 A attention | B eyes | C interest | D curiosity |
| 4 A destiny | B fortune | C chance | D luck |
| 5 A pattern | B figure | C shape | D appearance |
| 6 A supported | B made | C identified | D provided |
| 7 A guess | B solve | C correct | D settle |
| 8 A probable | B possible | C suitable | D likely |
| 9 A sum | B figure | C rate | D profit |
| 10 A charged | B threatened | C claimed | D accused |
| 11 A found | B based | C established | D decided |
| 12 A disapproved | B refused | C denied | D objected |

Writing 2: story

- 1 Look at this task and answer the questions.
- 1 Who will read your story?
- 2 Is the main character a man or a woman?

You have been asked to write a story for a student magazine beginning or ending with the words:

Steve turned his back on them and walked slowly into the house.

Write your story in 120–180 words.

- 2 Work with a partner. Think of some ideas for your story. Ask yourself questions like the ones below and note down answers.

- Who was Steve?
- Who were the other people?
- What had happened before this?
- Had he been talking to someone?
- Did they bring good or bad news?
- What was it about?
- Why did he go into the house?
- Why was he walking slowly?

- 3 Plan your story.

- 1 Decide if your ideas are mostly about what happened before Steve went into the house, or after. This will help you to decide whether to use the sentence to begin the story, or to end it.
- 2 Plan how your ideas will fit into paragraphs. Look back at Unit 3 page 40 for the four stages to include in a story. There is an example on the next page.

TIP! Remember that you only have 120–180 words to write your story so your plot should be simple.

Example:

Para. 1 Steve stopped outside his house - had run home

Para. 2 (background info) terrible night - went out with friends - lost his wallet - spent hours looking for it

Para. 3 (later actions) taxi stopped, friends got out. They'd found wallet - it was empty

Para. 4 (ending) - Steve was grateful but evening spoiled. Turned and went into house.

3 Think of a good title for your story.

4 Compare your ideas with other students.

5 Remember that your writing will be more interesting if you use a range of vocabulary.

1 Read the first part of one student's answer to the task and look at the highlighted verbs. Choose the best verb from each group below to replace them.

The wallet-

It had been a terrible evening and Steve just wanted to get home. He **went** down the street as fast as he could, then stopped outside his house. His heart was **beating** and he felt as if he was **unable to breathe**. Passers by **looked at** him, wondering what was wrong. He stood there, **breathing quickly**, remembering what had happened.

- 1 a) hurried b) strolled
- 2 a) going b) pounding
- 3 a) gasping b) suffocating
- 4 a) noticed b) stared at
- 5 a) crying b) panting

2 Complete this paragraph with suitable adverbs and adjectives from the box.

frantically aimlessly nervous oppressively suddenly

He'd arranged to meet his two friends Craig and Tas in town at eight o'clock. The three of them had walked around the streets (1), wondering what to do. The weather was hot and (2), and for some reason Steve felt (3), as if something bad was going to happen. They decided to go to the cinema, but as soon as they got there Steve (4) said, 'Where's my wallet?' and started searching all his pockets (5)

3 Now finish the story. Use a range of vocabulary.

6 Do this writing task. Follow the procedure below.

You have been asked to write a story for a student magazine beginning or ending with the words:

I had never felt so nervous in my life, but I knew that I had to do it.

Write your **story** in 120-180 words.

- Decide if you want to begin or end your story with the words provided.
- Think of some ideas for your story.
- Make notes and organise them into paragraphs.
- Write your story. Make sure you use tenses correctly and try to include interesting vocabulary. This will make it easier for the reader to imagine the situation.
- When you have finished, check your work.

TIP! Check the information given about your main character in the first sentence. Is it a man or a woman? Or is the story in the first person using *I*? The rest of the story should continue in the same way.

Writing reference pp.206, 208

1

1 Match a word from A with a phrase from B to make collocations.

- | | |
|-----------|----------------------------|
| A | B |
| 1 commit | a) a statement |
| 2 plead | b) someone on bail |
| 3 convict | c) trial |
| 4 let | d) someone guilty/innocent |
| 5 release | e) a suspect |
| 6 give | f) guilty/not guilty |
| 7 pass | g) someone of a crime |
| 8 put | h) a crime |
| 9 arrest | i) sentence |
| 10 make | j) someone go free |
| 11 stand | k) someone on probation |
| 12 find | l) evidence |

2 Decide who does each action.

Example: A criminal commits a crime.

2 Complete the phrasal verbs using the correct preposition or particle.

- Someone who commits a crime should not be allowed to get away it.
- First time offenders may be let with a warning by the police.
- Burglars often break houses during the day when the owners are at work.
- It can take a long time to get the shock of being burgled.
- Statistics show that the majority of young criminals give crime in their late twenties.
- Take care to avoid being taken by credit card fraudsters.

3 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using no more than five words, including the word given.

- They made me feel really welcome
was
I really welcome.
- There is a rumour that he committed the crime.
said
He committed the crime.
- I need to ask the dentist to take this tooth out.
have
I need to out.

4 People say that the police will arrest the thief soon.
expected

It the police will arrest the thief soon.

5 When I was a child, I didn't like it when anyone cut my hair.
having

I didn't like when I was a child.

6 They didn't let journalists interview the suspect.
allowed

Journalists interview the suspect.

7 You'll need to take this suit to the cleaners soon.
get

You'll have soon.

8 After searching for years, they discovered the city.
occurred

The after years of searching.

9 Trade was the basis of the city's civilisation.
built

The city's civilisation trade.

10 The artist was able to sell his carvings for a lot of money.
sums

The artist was able to charge his carvings.

4 Rewrite the postcard using a different adjective to replace each use of *nice*.

We're having a 'nice time here! We're staying in a 'nice five-star hotel with very 'nice gardens and a swimming pool. All the people who work here are 'nice and polite, and the food is really 'nice. I'm eating too much! We're lucky because the weather is 'nice. I'm spending a lot of time relaxing on the beach reading a 'nice book about an unsolved mystery. Everything is great!
See you soon.

Jose

UNIT 13 Natural wonders

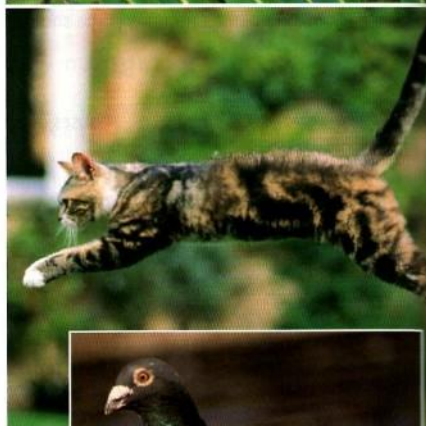
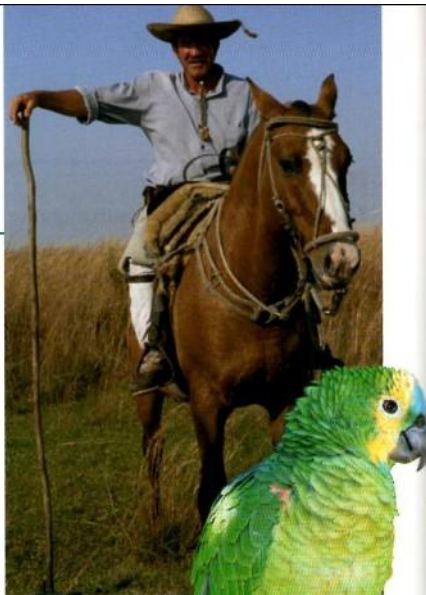
Reading 1: multiple matching (Part 3)

- 1 Look at the photos. These animals all have something in common. What do you think it is?
- 2 Read the title and subheading of the text opposite and scan each section quickly to check your answer to Exercise 1.
- 3 For questions 1–15, choose from the sections A–E. The sections may be chosen more than once. When more than one answer is required, these may be given in any order.

Which section of the article mentions

- | | |
|--|---|
| a person who gained a skill at an early age? | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| someone who behaved in a way that was not typical of them? | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| a person who got a pet by chance? | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| a creature that started to behave in a disturbed manner? | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| a person who was very upset about leaving their pet? | 6 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| a statement which was not believed by another person? | 7 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| a creature that was able to predict an event happening at irregular intervals? | 8 <input type="checkbox"/> 9 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| a pet that got angry when its owner went out? | 10 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| a situation that could have been more serious than it was? | 11 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| someone who recognised a sound made by their pet? | 12 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| a pet that appeared to be jealous? | 13 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| a creature that predicted a change in a routine? | 14 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| a creature that only reacted in a particular way when its owner was involved? | 15 <input type="checkbox"/> |

- 4 Compare your answers with a partner and explain your choices. What parallel phrases did you find in the paragraphs to help you?



The unexplained powers of animals

Do animals have special powers that people have lost? Rupert Sheldrake looks at the evidence.

A

Some pets seem to have an amazing ability to locate their owners. Twelve-year-old Bobby Chesson came across a racing pigeon in his back yard in West Virginia, USA. He looked after it, calling it pigeon 167 after the identification number on its leg-ring, and it became his pet. Then Bobby was taken to hospital for an operation. One dark, snowy night about a week after his admission, the boy heard a fluttering at the window of his hospital room. He asked his nurse to open the window, telling her that his pigeon was outside. Just to humour him, she did so – and in flew pigeon 167, having flown over 100 miles to find him.

B

Unusual powers are not confined to pet birds but are seen in other animals which have a close bond with their owner. Herminia Denot grew up on a ranch in Argentina, and learned to ride almost before she could walk. She was very attached to her horse Pampero, but the time came when she had to go away to boarding school in the capital, Buenos Aires and, much to her dismay, Pampero could not accompany her. The *gaucho* (cowboy) who looked after the horse said that at the end of each term, as the time of Herminia's return grew near, 'Pampero would go crazy. He used to gallop around the field neighing.' When she was due to arrive, the horse would stand by the gate, looking south towards the train station. But on one occasion, Pampero stood looking in the opposite direction. And this time Herminia arrived by road – from the north.

C

Anticipatory behaviour is common in various creatures. David Waite worked from his home in Oxford, but his job as a public relations consultant also involved lengthy trips abroad. In his absence, David's parents used to stay in the house to deal with telephone calls from his clients and to feed Godzilla, his cat. David used to ring home frequently to check that all was well and get any messages. 'Whenever I called,' says David, 'Godzilla would run and sit beside the telephone as it started to ring. My calls were made at many different times of day – they weren't regular. And she totally ignored all the other calls. The only explanation I can think of is that it was some kind of telepathy.'

D

Sometimes telepathic communication can work from pet to owner. Dolores Katz, from New Mexico, tells the story of a time when her dog, Eric, seemed to communicate with her telepathically. 'One day while I was at work it started to thunder and rain. As I worked, I got more and more agitated. Somehow I knew that Eric needed me. At last I couldn't take it any more. I hardly ever take time off, but this time I dropped everything and rushed home.' Dolores found Eric lying in the back room surrounded by

broken glass, with his paws bleeding badly. Frightened by the storm, he had run into a glass door. Fortunately, a possibly tragic situation was avoided as she was able to get Eric to the vet in time to deal with his injuries.

E

Occasionally, a pet's attachment to one particular owner can show itself in strange ways. Celia and David Watson, who live in Sussex, England, used to have a parrot called Oscar. 'I couldn't go near Oscar when David was in the room – he seemed to resent me taking David's attention,' says Celia, 'The bird would just try to attack me without warning. I couldn't give him his food or even touch his cage. And when David left the room, Oscar would fling himself against the side of the cage in fury.' The parrot was quite calm when David was away at work, but started to get excited ten to twenty minutes before David arrived home. 'Oscar used to run around in his cage making little noises and fluttering his wings,' says Celia. 'He always knew when David was going to arrive.'

5 Find words or phrases in the text that mean the same as:

- 1 keep someone happy by agreeing to their wishes (section A)
- 2 very fond of (section B)
- 3 one time (section B)
- 4 when he was away (section C)
- 5 everything was OK (section C)
- 6 took no notice of (section C)
- 7 couldn't accept the situation (section D)
- 8 have a break from work (section D)
- 9 sometimes (section E)

6 Rewrite the following sentences, using a phrasal verb formed with the verbs in brackets. Then check your answers in the text.

- 1 Bobby *took care* of the pigeon. (*look*)
- 2 Herminia *was brought up* on a farm. (*grow*)
- 3 David's parents used to *take care of* his phone calls. (*deal*)
- 4 Dolores' dog had *hit* a glass door. (*run*)
- 5 The parrot used to *move about* quickly in its cage. (*run*)

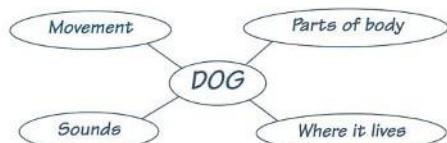
7 Do you know any similar stories about animals that have shown unexplained powers? Can you think of any scientific explanation for any of these stories?

Vocabulary 1: animals

1

- 1 Complete the spidergram below using words from the box. You don't need to use all the words.

bark beak bite cage claw feather
flutter fur gallop hoof jump up kennel
miaow neigh nest paw peck purr
scratch sing stable snarl tail



- 2 Now make spidergrams for these animals. Try to add some extra words for each animal.

CAT HORSE BIRD

- 2 Match the sentence halves. Then decide what pet each sentence is describing – a dog, a cat or a bird.

- | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| 1 It wags | a) with its claws. |
| 2 It flutters | b) a cage. |
| 3 It sometimes wears | c) its tail. |
| 4 It might scratch you | d) a collar. |
| 5 You can take it for | e) its wings. |
| 6 It's often kept in | f) a walk. |

- 3 Try to work out the meaning of the expressions in *italics*. Use a dictionary if necessary.

- It's not far away as *the crow flies*, but it's miles by road.
- Mary *took* the new girl *under her wing* and made sure she felt welcome.
- The whole thing's a *can of worms* – as soon as we solve one problem, something else pops up.
- I'd like to get out of *the rat race* and go and raise chickens in the country.
- Don't worry if he shouts at you. He doesn't mean it – *his bark is worse than his bite*.
- I didn't want to tell anyone I was leaving, but then my friend *let the cat out of the bag*.

Speaking 1

- 1 Can you match the celebrities and their pets? Check your answers on page 187.

1



◁ **Robbie Williams,**
singer
Likes: talking,
football, wearing
trainers

2



◁ **Leonardo Di Caprio,**
actor
Likes: pasta, rap
music, holidays in
Germany

3



◁ **Dominic Monaghan,**
actor
Likes: surfing,
insects, video games

a



◁ **Albino snake**
Likes: fish,
sunbathing

b



◁ **Missy, Rottweiler**
Likes: chasing her
tail, yoghurt

c



◁ **Bearded dragon**
Likes: chopped
peaches, live
insects

- 2 Why do you think celebrities have unusual pets?

IT'S A DOG'S LIFE

Will it ever be possible for us to know (0) what our pets are thinking or feeling? Actually, this day may not be so (1) away. A Japanese toy-making firm has (2) up with a gadget that can read a dog's emotions. The company calls their invention the 'Bowlingual'. The device is (3) to a special collar which the dog (4) around its neck, and can (5) information about the dog's feelings electronically to a handset kept by the dog's owner.

The company (6) that the Bowlingual can (7) six different feelings, including fear, happiness and sadness, by interpreting the different ways in which the dog barks. But how does the Bowlingual actually (8)? Scientists analysed the barks they recorded from a number of dogs in various different situations and identified six general patterns of sound (9) to different feelings. The Bowlingual is programmed with these patterns and can (10) them to the sound a dog makes and then translate this into a sentence that can be (11) understood. Some examples of what dogs apparently say are 'I'm lonely,' and 'Please play with me a bit more!'

The device is also fitted with a diary that (12) the whole of the dog's day with statements such as 'We've done so many good things today. What a happy day!'

Use of English 1: multiple-choice cloze (Part 1)

1 Discuss these questions.

- What are the advantages and disadvantages of owning a pet
a) for children or b) for old people?
- What sort of animals do you think make the best and the worst pets?
- Have you ever had a pet? Why?/Why not?
- What pet would you choose if you could have any sort of animal? Why?

2

- Look at the picture. What do you think the girl is holding? What do you think the dog has on his collar? What is the connection between the two things?
- Read the text 'It's a dog's life' to see if you were right.

- Read the text again and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

- | | | | |
|---------------|----------------|----------------|-------------|
| 0 A exactly | B really | C absolutely | D totally |
| 1 A much | B distant | C far | D long |
| 2 A come | B put | C taken | D made |
| 3 A carried | B attached | C communicated | D planned |
| 4 A fetches | B holds | C wears | D transfers |
| 5 A extend | B spread | C push | D send |
| 6 A pretends | B claims | C persuades | D tells |
| 7 A accept | B know | C realise | D recognise |
| 8 A work | B play | C find | D go |
| 9 A relating | B accompanying | C concerning | D applying |
| 10 A suit | B match | C design | D give |
| 11 A easily | B simply | C fluently | D surely |
| 12 A takes on | B gives out | C puts away | D sums up |

- Do you think that it is a good idea for companies to spend time and money developing inventions like the Bowlingual? Would you buy one? Why?/Why not?





Listening: sentence completion (Part 2)

1 Charlotte Uhlenbroek makes wildlife programmes for television.

- What qualifications and skills do you think you need to do a job like this?
- What dangers or difficulties might you face?

2 You will hear an interview with Charlotte. First, read through the following sentences and think about the type of information needed for each gap.

Charlotte's mother is English and her father is

(1)

Charlotte was brought up in Nepal, where she went to a good (2) school.

In her first job, Charlotte worked as a (3) with the BBC.

While in Africa, Charlotte studied for her PhD, which was on (4)

Charlotte says that making a TV programme was like talking to a (5) about her subject.

Charlotte likes television work because she doesn't have to use (6) language.

Charlotte's most frightening experience was being chased by (7) in the jungle.

On one occasion, a young gorilla (8) Charlotte and then a second gorilla sat on her.

From her research, Charlotte has become more aware of the way humans use (9) in communication.

Charlotte says the future of chimpanzees is threatened because baby chimpanzees are being sold as

(10)



3 Now listen and complete the sentences with a word or short phrase. Then listen a second time to check and complete your answers.

4 Would you like to have a job like Charlotte's? Why?/Why not?

5 Work with a partner. You are going to role-play an interview with a famous conservationist called Jane Goodall.

Student A: You are the interviewer. Look at page 187.

Student B: You are Jane Goodall. Look at page 189.

Grammar 1: so, such, too, enough, very

1 Complete the following sentences using a word or phrase from the box.

enough (x 2) so such such a too very (x 2)

- Charlotte has travelled much that she feels at home in most places.
- She lived with the chimpanzees for long time that they got used to her.
- I don't think I'm patient to be a wildlife photographer.
- I don't have money to go to Africa.
- few people have seen a gorilla in the wild.
- I was having fun at the party that I didn't want to go home.
- I think I'll have an early night. I'm feeling tired.
- That cat's old and fat to catch any birds.

Watch Out! very and too

Which sentence has a negative meaning?

- The gorillas were very friendly.
- The gorillas were too friendly.

► Grammar reference p.205 (20.4)

2 Join the following sentences together using *so/such ... that* or *too/enough ... to*.

Example:

1 – e) I was **so** tired **that** I stayed in bed all day.

- 1 I was tired.
- 2 The car is very big.
- 3 I had a good time on holiday.
- 4 I don't have much money.
- 5 The day was hot.
- 6 I don't have many qualifications.

- a) I can't pay the bill.
- b) I had to stay indoors in the shade.
- c) I won't get the job.
- d) I didn't want to go home.
- e) I stayed in bed all day.
- f) It won't fit in that space.

3 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. Use between two and five words.

- 1 Paul was too frightened to move. **that**
Paul was not move.
- 2 The wind was so strong that we could not go outside. **such**
There was that we could not go outside.
- 3 I couldn't follow the instructions as they were very complicated. **for**
The instructions to follow.
- 4 It was the most interesting programme I have ever seen. **such**
I have interesting programme.
- 5 Sarah was too ill to finish the course. **well**
Sarah to finish the course.
- 6 The tickets cost so much money that we couldn't afford them. **lot**
The tickets cost that we couldn't afford them.

4 Complete the following sentences, giving true information. You can use words from the box.

Example: *I'd like an elephant as a pet because they're so intelligent. But they're not small enough to live in our apartment.*

boring relaxing intelligent pretty
friendly convenient

- 1 I'd like/wouldn't like a spider as a pet because ...
- 2 I like/don't like Sundays because they're ...
- 3 I like/don't like [NAME OF AN ACTOR] because ...
- 4 I eat/don't eat a lot of chocolate because ...

Speaking 2: quiz

1 How much do you know about the world around you? Work in groups to do this quiz.

1 How would our lives be affected if the Moon suddenly disappeared?

- A Changes in the weather would affect birds and animals.
- B The cost of lighting would increase everywhere.
- C Gravity would disappear from the planet.

2 Where does the word Earth come from?

- A the ancient Greeks
- B the ancient Romans
- C the Germanic peoples

3 Is it true that lightning never strikes twice in the same place?

- A Yes. B No.

4 How much do barbecues affect the environment, compared with other ways of cooking?

- A A lot, because they release carbon dioxide.
- B A bit, because they create pollution and bad smells.
- C Not much, because the fuel comes from replaceable resources.

5 When is the world's supply of oil probably going to run out?

- A soon
- B after a long time
- C never

6 What is the most violent natural phenomenon to have occurred on Earth?

- A a meteor strike
- B a hurricane
- C a volcanic eruption

7 What is a tsunami?

- A an avalanche
- B an earthquake
- C a giant wave



2 Now listen to see if you were right. Which answer surprised you the most?

Reading 2: gapped text (Part 2)

1 Discuss these questions with a partner.

- 1 What is the longest time you've ever been completely on your own?
- 2 Why were you on your own?
- 3 How did you feel?

2 You are going to read an article about a young woman who went to do voluntary work abroad. The summary below has five mistakes. Read through the article quickly, and correct the mistakes.

Amy went to Belize to do conservation work in the desert, living with five other people. She was looking after baby birds. Because of a sudden hurricane, she was left completely on her own for three days.

3 Seven sentences have been removed from the article. Choose from the sentences A–H the one which best fits each gap (1–7). There is one extra sentence which you do not need to use.

- A I watched the windows closely.
- B The work was exhausting, clearing an area for the enclosure, then fencing it off with wire mesh.
- C During those three terrifying weeks alone, I'd realised how strong and resilient I could be.
- D Robin took them across in a boat and stayed with them for hours at a time, helping them to get used to freedom.
- E As well as having to cope with the torrential rain and my fears, I was very lonely.
- F For all that time I'd been so excited; I'd never realised how terrifying the jungle could be.
- G As soon as I saw it my heart sank.
- H They needed feeding four times a day, which meant collecting plants and food for them as well as preparing milk.

Alone in the jungle

When Amy Craigen, 22, jetted off to work in Belize, she never imagined she'd spend 21 days alone in the jungle

I was on a voluntary conservation placement in Belize in central America, taking a year off before starting university back home in England. Belize was the wildest and most beautiful place I'd ever seen, and I couldn't believe that this would be my home for the next six months.

After a week's training, I was assigned to a new wildlife sanctuary that was being set up deep in the jungle. There was only one other person there, a woman called Robin, and it was several days' journey from the nearest village. We lived in a small wooden hut that Robin had built herself. Food was just rice and beans and we got our water from a well. 1..... But once it was ready, our real job could begin.

We were looking after baby Howler monkeys which had either been injured or rescued from hunters. Each monkey stayed with us for a few months until they were ready to be released back into the jungle. 2..... When they weren't sleeping or eating, they played games and clung to me like little children.

After a month, the time came to take the older monkeys to a special site across the river, where they could be prepared for release. 3..... I was left to look after the two youngest, so tiny they could sit on one of my hands.

One day, Robin told me she'd be away at the release site for about twenty-four hours. I told her I'd be fine, but I felt nervous at the prospect of a night on my own in the jungle. After Robin left, it started to rain heavily – and within minutes it was a full-scale tropical storm. By the evening, the torrential rain had finally slowed down, but in the silence the cries of the wild animals in the jungle sounded twice as loud. That night, I lay awake listening to the mice and spiders scuttling across the floor. 4..... They were only covered by mosquito netting, and I pictured how quickly a jaguar's claws could rip through them.

When Robin hadn't returned by the next afternoon, I knew I had to find her. I set out into the jungle and walked for four kilometres until I came to the river. 5..... The water was flowing so fast that trees had been uprooted. There was no way I could cross it. Then suddenly, I saw Robin waving at me from the other side.

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4 Think of a film you have seen or a book you have read which is about one of the following types of natural disaster. Tell a partner about it.

a meteor strike	an earthquake
a flood	a volcanic eruption
a tropical storm	an avalanche

- Did anyone try to prevent the disaster from happening?
- What damage did the disaster cause?
- What happened in the end?

Grammar 2: emphasis with *what*

1 Read these pairs of sentences. Highlight the emphatic structure in the second sentence of each pair. Then rewrite the second sentence without using *What*.

- Belize can suffer from severe tropical storms, especially between August and October. **What is most dangerous about these storms** is their unpredictability.
Their thing about them.
- The Tsunami Warning System is an international organisation with 26 member states. **What it does** is collect information about conditions which could lead to dangerous tsunamis.
- Thousands of people go skiing every winter. **What many of them forget** is that, in certain weather conditions, avalanches may occur.

I was so relieved, but she yelled across the roaring river
45 that her boat had been washed away. There was no way she could reach me – and it could be weeks before the flood subsided.

When I got back to the enclosure, the reality of the situation hit me. I was completely alone in the jungle. I
50 felt scared and inexperienced. I knew I'd have enough food and water – there was a good stock of supplies. But what if I was bitten by a poisonous snake or spider? I realised there was nothing I could do about my situation, but the days and nights passed very slowly. 6.....
55 By my second week I was chatting to the monkeys for hours on end, just so that I felt I had some company.

Then, exactly three weeks after Robin had left, she walked back into the enclosure. I held on to her in tears. I couldn't stop talking. I've never been so happy to see
60 someone in my life. After that, my last month in the jungle passed quickly. By the end it felt like home to me, and I didn't want to leave. Back in England, I felt like a changed person. 7..... Looking back, it was the most important time I've ever spent.

- It was once thought that earthquakes occurred when the gods were angry. In fact what causes an earthquake is pressure between rocks on or under the Earth's surface.
- Hurricanes are strong winds which start over the sea and may move to dry land, causing great damage. What is unusual about them is the way they are named: they are given the name of a man or a woman.

► Grammar reference p.196

2 This structure is often used in spoken English.

1 Match the statements and responses below.

- I've had a really busy day!
 - Do you like skiing?
 - I hate rainy days.
 - My brother keeps complaining he's bored!
 - People keep asking me to do things for them!
- Oh, I don't mind rain. What I can't stand is wind.
 - What he should do is take up some sort of sport.
 - What you need is a hot bath!
 - What you have to do is learn to say 'No'!
 - It's OK, but what I really like is snowboarding.



2 Listen and check your answers. Underline the stressed words in the responses. Then practise reading the dialogues with a partner.



From B MAGAZINE

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1 Complete the responses below.

- 1 A: Would you like a CD for your birthday?
B: Well, what I'd really like is ...
- 2 A: Did you enjoy the film last night?
B: Yes, but what I enjoyed more was ...
- 3 A: Do you like reading thrillers?
B: I don't mind them, but what I really enjoy reading is ...
- 4 A: Would you like to go shopping on Saturday?
B: Well, what I'd rather do is ...
- 5 A: I'm going to the shop – can I get you some milk?
B: Thanks, I've got milk. What I really need is ...

2 Now practise the dialogues with a partner.

Vocabulary 2: the natural world

1 Put the words into six groups of three.

breeze	climate	cloud	drizzle	fog
shower	frost	gale	hail	lightning
mist	rain	snow	temperature	
thunder	weather	wind	thunderstorm	

2 Choose nouns from Exercise 1 that go with the following sets of adjectives:

- 1 heavy / light / torrential / pouring
- 2 mild / hot / humid / continental
- 3 thick / dense / patchy
- 4 strong / icy / light / high
- 5 loud / severe / violent
- 6 deep / thick / wet / slushy
- 7 hot / wet / sunny / dry

3 Discuss these questions.

- 1 What kind of climate does your country have?
- 2 How many seasons do you have?
- 3 What is the weather like in each season?
- 4 What different types of weather have you had in the last month?
- 5 What kind of weather do you like or dislike most?
- 6 What would be your ideal climate?

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1 Look at the extracts from radio weather reports. Match the sentence halves and underline all the expressions that refer to severe weather conditions.

- 1 There will be extremely heavy rain
- 2 The snow is melting rapidly
- 3 Driving conditions will be dangerous
- 4 All ferry services have been cancelled
- 5 The hot, dry weather will continue
- 6 Hurricane Katrina is advancing over the Atlantic Ocean
- a) towards the coast of Florida with winds of over 130 kph.
- b) and avalanches could occur.
- c) due to very strong winds of up to 90 kph.
- d) with danger of flooding in some areas.
- e) and many areas are likely to be affected by drought.
- f) due to thick fog and icy roads.

2 Discuss these questions.

- 1 Does your country experience any of these severe weather conditions? Which ones?
- 2 Can you remember any recent examples and their effects?

5

1 Complete the idiomatic expressions below with weather words from the exercises above. You have been given the first letter of each word.

- 1 I haven't got time to go out – I'm s..... under with work.
- 2 Don't worry – you'll be as right as r..... after a good night's sleep!
- 3 Jenny was in f..... of tears after breaking up with her boyfriend.
- 4 She cheers everyone up with her s..... smile.
- 5 I'm really happy at the moment – there isn't a c..... on the horizon.
- 6 There were s..... of protest at the plan to build a new road.

2 Highlight the whole of the idiomatic expression in each sentence above. What does it mean?

Speaking 3: individual long turn (Part 2)

1 Look at the photos, which show people who are affected by the weather. Make sentences beginning like this:

- What's happening in this photo is that ...
- What's different about this photo is ...
- What they seem to be doing in this photo is ...
- What I notice about the person/people in this photo is that ...
- What must be most difficult for these people is ...
- What I'd find difficult in this situation is ...

2 Work with a partner.

Student A: Compare photos A and B, and say which type of weather is causing the people the most difficulty. You should keep talking for about one minute. Remember to find general areas to compare and contrast between the two pictures. Think about:

- what has happened/what's going to happen
- the weather conditions
- the problems the people are facing
- how they might be feeling.

Student B: Listen to your partner and stop him/her after about one minute. Then answer this question (about 20 seconds):

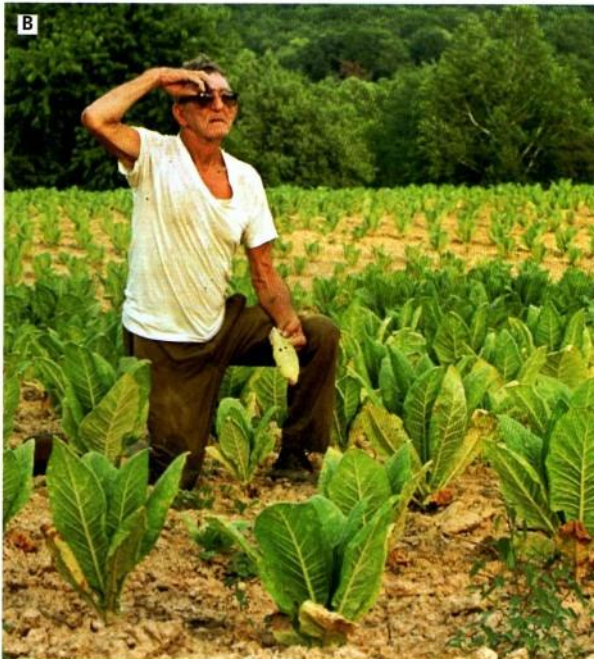
'What of type of weather causes most problems in your country?'

3 Now turn to photos C and D on page 183 and change roles.

Student B: The photos both show people checking the weather. Compare them, and say why each group of people might be interested in the weather.

Student A: Listen to your partner and time him/her. After about one minute, stop your partner. Then answer the question below, giving a short answer only (about 20 seconds).

'Do many people in your country watch the weather forecast on TV?'



Use of English 2: open cloze (Part 2)

1 Can you answer these questions? Check your ideas on page 188.

- Do waterfalls freeze?
- Why is it always windy near skyscrapers?
- How long will it be before Neil Armstrong's footprints on the moon disappear?
- Has a tossed coin ever landed on its edge?



2 Read the title and the text below quickly. What do you learn about rainbows that you didn't know before?

3 Read the text again and think of the word which best fits each gap. Use only **one** word in each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

Somewhere over the rainbow ...

Why are we all fascinated (0) *by* rainbows? They are beautiful to look at – but they are also attractive because (1) the old story that (2) is a pot of gold buried at the end of every one. Of course, no one has yet managed to find this gold – (3) even reach the end of a rainbow! So (4) can't you achieve this apparently easy task? First, weather conditions (5) to be absolutely right for you to see a rainbow at all. On top of that, you must be looking at the sky at exactly the right angle in (6) to see the rainbow clearly. But the problems don't end there. When you move towards the place (7) the rainbow seems to end, you find that you never actually get any nearer – and this is due to the (8) that a rainbow doesn't actually have an end. In reality, any rainbow is actually (9) circle, but you can't see the whole thing from the ground. You could possibly see (10) from a plane – but only (11) you happened to be sitting in a window seat – and that certainly wouldn't help you find the pot of gold that is supposed to (12) buried there!

4 Do you know any traditional stories or beliefs about natural events such as rainbows, thunderstorms, lightning or earthquakes?

Writing: informal letter (Part 2)

1 Read the task below and underline key words.

An English friend, Pat, has written to ask you for some advice. This is part of the letter you have received.

I've finally got the chance to come to your country. I hope to stay for about a month, and I can either come in February or in September – I'm not sure which would be better? I'd like to spend most of my time in the countryside and if possible to see some wildlife, especially birds. Can you give me some advice on the best time to come and which places I should visit, and the best way of getting there?
Best wishes,
Pat

Write your **letter** in **120–180** words.
Do not write any postal addresses.

2 Which of these features of language are typical of informal writing?

- contractions
- passive forms
- shorter sentences
- colloquial expressions
- phrasal verbs
- connectors such as *therefore*, *consequently*, *however*
- connectors such as *and*, *but*
- exclamation marks (!)

3 Now write your letter. Remember that an informal letter still needs to be well organised and to have clear paragraphs. Check your work when you have finished.

Writing reference pp.206, 209

1 Which is the odd one out? Explain why.

- 1 miaow bark gallop neigh
- 2 fur bone feathers skin
- 3 stable cage can kennel
- 4 beak paw claw hoof
- 5 flutter fly soar purr
- 6 fear emotion happiness sadness

2 Which natural disaster is being described in the following sentences?

- 1 The in Alaska in 1964 measured 9 on the Richter scale and caused major damage over a large region.
- 2 leads to lower crop production or crop failure, and may be linked to global warming.
- 3 What destroyed the ancient city of Pompeii was a
- 4 A , or tidal wave, could be caused by a meteor hitting the Earth.
- 5 Nearly all that involve people are triggered by the victims themselves, so skiers and mountaineers should learn how to recognise and avoid danger.
- 6 are the most common and widespread of all natural disasters except fire.

3 Choose the correct alternative to complete each of these sentences.

- 1 All the evidence suggests that animals can *read / understand* your mind.
- 2 Twins often have a *near / close* bond with one another.
- 3 When the child was *admitted / accepted* to hospital, she missed her beloved pet.
- 4 We were relieved to get a phone call telling us that *all / everything* was well.
- 5 My mother very rarely *takes / makes* time off work.
- 6 The pilot landed the plane safely and a potentially *fatal / tragic* situation was avoided.

4 Rewrite the following sentences using phrasal verbs and expressions from the box. Make any changes necessary.

come across keep on run out of make up
take place put out take part in slow down
phone up go on end up pick up

- 1 I wanted to be a vet, but now I'm working in a bank.

- 2 We may find that we have no more oil left if we don't try to save energy.
- 3 *Tsunamis* occur in all the major oceans of the world.
- 4 The wave starts to go slower when it approaches land.
- 5 It can take firefighters days to stop a big forest fire.
- 6 Have you ever been involved in a demonstration?
- 7 You should continue going to the gym even if you didn't enjoy it – it'll help you to keep fit.
- 8 I called directory enquiries but the telephone number is ex-directory.
- 9 I don't know what's happening next door – they're making an awful noise.
- 10 When I was tidying up my room, I found an old storybook I'd had as a child.
- 11 Trade Fairs are a good place to get new ideas.
- 12 If you can't do any of the questions, just invent the answers.

5 Read the text below and think of the word which best fits each space. Use only one word in each space. There is an example at the beginning (0).

LIVING WITH LIONS

Mark and Delia Owens have (0) *been* working to save endangered species for many years. They met at university and married shortly after (1) taken their degrees. Then they sold all their possessions (2) bought one-way tickets to Botswana, in southern Africa. (3) they wanted to do in Botswana was to study lions in a natural setting, but they had hardly (4) money.

They set up camp in a remote valley in the Kalahari desert, over eight hours' drive from the nearest town. They were (5) poor that they (6) only buy petrol to drive to town once (7) few months, and the rest of the time they were completely on (8) own. It was a rewarding life, but sometimes dangerous. One night, (9) they were camping out in the desert, they woke up to find they were surrounded by nine lions. But they knew that the lions (10) probably eaten recently, so they were probably not (11) much danger.

After seven years, Mark and Delia left Botswana to continue their work elsewhere, but they (12) forgot the lions they had come to know and love.

UNIT 14 Getting there

Speaking 1

1 Do the quick quiz below.

1 You have won £1,000,000. Would you

- A put it in a bank account?
- B share it with your family?
- C use it to do something you have always wanted to do?

2 You can change places with anyone in the world for a week. Would you choose

- A a film star because they have such a luxurious lifestyle?
- B an explorer because they have such an exciting life?
- C a politician because then you could change the world?

3 You have the chance to travel anywhere in the world. Would you go

- A somewhere completely different from your own country?
- B somewhere relaxing?
- C somewhere on your own?

2 Compare your answers with a partner. What do you think your answers say about each of you?

Reading 1: multiple-choice questions (Part 1)

1

1 You are going to read an extract from a novel about a girl called Rowan who dreams of travelling the world. Read the extract quickly and answer the following questions.

- 1 Where does Rowan grow up?
- 2 Where does she go to work?
- 3 Where does she dream of travelling to?

2 What do you know about these places? Would you like to go to any of them?



Rowan was twenty-four years old. She'd been dreaming of travelling the world since she was twelve.


It was Mr Kinear, her geography teacher back home in Scotland, who had first set her dreaming. He cycled to school summer and winter wearing a poncho. He was not a man who kept to the point. Trying to fill young minds with facts – a country's imports, exports, natural resources, populations – did not make him happy. He would gaze across the rows of faces before him, aware of how tired they might be of the process of gathering new knowledge. He would see who was sucking a sweet and who was gazing out of the window and who was passing notes to whom, and he could not bear to think that he was the cause of this boredom.

So instead of teaching, he would tell his pupils about his journeys. He told them about his days of backpacking through Peru and Australia, and about his journey from this little Scottish town where he'd been born down to London, across Europe to India. Not knowing what to think, his pupils continued to suck, gaze and scribble.

But Rowan was different. She sat spellbound in her stiff new school uniform and listened to every word. She wanted to do that, go to places where she was not known, travel the world with just a rucksack and a spare pair of shoes. She wanted to get away from this town, away from her parents and the routine life they led, from strict mealtimes, with breakfast at seven thirty, lunch at a quarter to one, tea at five thirty, and from the family's annual fortnight's trip to the seaside. She wanted to spend years on the move until she found the place where she was meant to be.

In those days, she would get excited just being somewhere where the buses were a different colour. She was convinced there was a place somewhere out there where she would be completely happy. She would find it. One day she would walk into some strange little town, sit down at a table in a small café, look round and say, 'This is it. This is where I am meant to be.'

As soon as she'd finished school, she left the small town where she lived with her parents in Scotland, and got a job as a secretary in London. She did not want to work at moving up the career ladder, but she kept her dreams. She imagined a whole wide gorgeous world waiting for her to tramp across it. Determined to get



there, she did not notice the things that were going on around her and so denied herself all sorts of simple pleasures – new clothes, music, nights out – in order to save up for her great adventure.

The routes she planned to take, following in the footsteps of other travellers, **greater**, she thought, than she would ever be, were carefully marked on the maps that covered the walls of her room. One day, she told herself, she would visit the places on her maps and have her own great adventure. She would stand on lonesome railway platforms waiting for trains to come along with their clattering crowds of people, and travel to wherever the tracks took her. She would go to Africa and watch wide grey lakes turn pink with flamingos. She would visit Patagonia and Peru. She would walk the Great Wall of China. She would trek the Australian outback, guided only by ancient dreaming songs, under southern skies. She would sleep under canvas, whilst beyond her tent a jungle lived and moved. She would wander in the deserts of Sudan. She would do all that and more. She would. She would.

From *IT COULD HAPPEN TO YOU* by Isla Dewar

2 Now read the text again. For questions 1–8, choose the answer (A, B, C or D), which you think fits best according to the text.

- The writer suggests that Mr Kinear was
 - unobservant of what was going on in his classroom.
 - successful in involving the students in his subject.
 - sympathetic to his students' feelings.
 - uninterested in his students' problems.
- What does 'spellbound' mean in line 22?
 - confused
 - shocked
 - unbelieving
 - fascinated
- Rowan listened to Mr Kinear in his lessons because
 - he gave her ideas for things she would like to achieve.
 - he had travelled to places she had always wanted to see.
 - he was an example of someone who had escaped.
 - he understood her frustration with her own situation.
- During her schooldays, when Rowan thought about travelling, she wanted to
 - see sights that were unusual.
 - experience different cultures.
 - find a place that felt right for her.
 - learn how to adapt to new situations.
- The writer says that when Rowan went to London,
 - she was frustrated because her pay was too low for her to enjoy life.
 - she was disappointed that her job offered so few opportunities.
 - she was confused by the size and activity of the city.
 - she was unaware of the possibilities the city offered.
- 'Greater' in line 50 refers to
 - Rowan's maps.
 - the routes Rowan planned.
 - other travellers.
 - the journeys of other people.
- When she was planning her journey, Rowan's aim was to
 - use the cheapest means of transport to get to know the country.
 - get to know local people in the countries she visited.
 - visit areas where no one else had ever been.
 - see as wide a variety of places as she could.
- What is the main impression the writer gives of Rowan in this extract?
 - She is bored with her unfulfilling job.
 - She is single-minded about fulfilling her dream.
 - She is unrealistic about travel in the modern world.
 - She is prepared to face up to difficult problems.

3 Divide into three groups. You will each read a different summary of how the story could continue. (Group A page 187, Group B page 188, Group C page 190.) Then work with two students from other groups and tell one another about what you have read. Which summary do you think is the real one?

Vocabulary 1: hopes and ambitions

1

1 Match the sentence halves. Use the words in bold to help you.

- 1 I can't believe it – he's **scored**
 - 2 If you work hard you should **achieve**
 - 3 The first arrow he shot **hit**
 - 4 Congratulations! You've **met**
 - 5 I hope she will **achieve**
 - 6 He **took**
 - 7 Last night I **had**
 - 8 I hope to **fulfil**
- a) **the target** right in the middle.
 - b) **aim**, and then fired at the target.
 - c) all your **goals**.
 - d) **my dream** of travelling round the world.
 - e) **a dream** about taking an exam.
 - f) his third **goal** of the match!
 - g) all her **aims**.
 - h) all your sales **targets** for this month.

2 What is the difference in meaning between:

- 1 *score* a goal and *achieve* a goal?
- 2 *hit* a target and *meet* a target?
- 3 *take aim* and *achieve* an aim?
- 4 *have* a dream about something and *fulfil* a dream of something?

3 Discuss with a partner:

- 1 an aim you'd each like to achieve in the next three months. How could you achieve this?
- 2 a dream you'd each like to fulfil in the next ten years. What might make it possible?

2

1 Choose the correct phrasal verb in each of the following sentences.

- 1 In order to *get on* / *get up* successfully in life you need to have clear goals.
- 2 You must be prepared to *face up to* / *face with* problems and difficulties.
- 3 You mustn't *give out* / *give up* hope when things don't seem to be going your way.
- 4 If a problem *comes up* / *comes across*, you can always ask for help.
- 5 Often someone else will be able to help you *deal with* / *deal in* your problems.
- 6 It's a good idea to *talk round* / *talk through* your ideas with someone you trust.
- 7 Working in a team can *bring up* / *bring round* all sorts of new ideas.
- 8 You may well *finish off* / *finish up* achieving more than you expected.

2 Discuss these questions.

- 1 Do you turn to someone else for help and advice when you have problems, or do you prefer to sort things out on your own?
- 2 What kind of problems are easiest/hardest to deal with?

Use of English 1: word formation (Part 3)

1 Which of the following makes you want to try harder? Can you add any more ideas?

- your teacher praises you
- your parents praise you
- you win a prize
- someone gives you help with something you find difficult
- you find a new interest

2

1 Look at the title of the text below. How would you answer the question?

2 Read the text quickly to find out if your ideas are mentioned.



3 Use the word given in capitals below the text to form a word that fits in the gap in some of the lines. There is an example at the beginning (0).

WHERE DOES MOTIVATION COME FROM?

Most of us are (0) *reasonably* motivated to do well in life. But there's a big difference between those (1) people who push themselves to be more and more (2), and the people who have lower (3) and who just want to move through life (4), step by step. Some experts claim that an adult's level of motivation is fixed in their early (5) and that highly motivated people have often had to cope with some sort of (6) experience or with a problem such as an (7) or a physical disability. They say this inspires people to show that they can overcome even the (8) difficulties. But psychologists (9) that this is not the full story and that for both children and adults, (10) and reward are essential.

0 REASON

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|------------|--------------|
| 1 AMBITION | 6 PLEASE |
| 2 SUCCEED | 7 ILL |
| 3 EXPECT | 8 GREAT |
| 4 STEADY | 9 BELIEF |
| 5 CHILD | 10 ENCOURAGE |

Listening 1: multiple matching (Part 3)

1 You will hear five people talking about their dreams and ambitions.

1 For questions 1–5, choose from the list A–F what each speaker says. Use the letters only once. There is one extra letter which you do not need to use.

- A I don't really expect to fulfil my dream.
 B I want to meet people from different countries.
 C I'm interested in extreme situations.
 D I suddenly found I had a goal for the future.
 E The support of my family has been essential to me.
 F My choice of career was influenced by a present I received.

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| Speaker 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 |
| Speaker 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 |
| Speaker 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 |
| Speaker 5 | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 |

2 Listen again to check.

2 Read these quotations from the recording. How does each statement relate to the speaker's ambitions?

- 'It was a real inspiration to me.'
- 'Then hopefully I can make my fortune.'
- 'I really want the best for you.'
- 'I fell out with my coach.'
- 'I'll have to start soon or I'll never make it.'

3 Discuss which speaker's ambition is closest to your own and which is furthest away.

4 Do the following exercise to help you identify what you could or should do with your life.

- 1** Divide a piece of paper into two columns. In the left-hand column, write down all the things you really enjoy doing. In the right-hand column, write down all the things you are really good at.

What I really enjoy doing	What I'm really good at
seeing different places	

- 2** Work with a partner. Compare what you have written in each column. Discuss what your partner could do which combines his/her preferences and talents.



"I want to be a role model."

Reading 2: gapped text

(Part 2)

1 You are going to read an article about one possibility for tourism in the country of Oman. Look at the title and subheading of the text, and the photo. Discuss these questions.

- 1 What do you know about Oman?
- 2 What could tourists do there?

2 Seven sentences have been removed from the article. Choose from the sentences A–H the one which best fits each gap (1–7). There is one extra sentence which you do not need to use.

- A Forty minutes later, we're sitting side by side on a rock overlooking the cave entrance, in the open air.
- B But she is as amazed as I am.
- C Sixty-year-old Mohammed shakes his head when I comment on the beauty of the mountains.
- D And if the cave floods, there's no way of escape.
- E However, the cost of doing all this would be huge.
- F The idea might sound crazy, but Louise plans to test it thoroughly.
- G Now it's my turn.
- H The giant chamber slowly opens up around me.

A NEW DIRECTION

Below the mountains of Oman lies one of the world's most spectacular caves. Gregory Crouch joins Louise Hose, who is investigating whether it could bring new wealth to this Arabian kingdom

Louise Hose is a geologist who has explored North America's deepest caves. Now an unlikely task has brought her to Oman. She has been asked to examine the country's spectacular cave systems. The authorities want her to investigate ways into the caves, measure how big they are and check them for harmful gases.

Some day Oman's oil will run out, so planners in the country are looking ahead and searching for ways of generating other sources of wealth, from copper mines to biscuit factories. They hope that the caves can be developed to make them centres for underground tourism. 1 Her results might show that the caves are too dangerous, or their ecosystems too fragile, to sustain tourism. On the other hand, it is possible that the caves could be the focus of a new national park, attracting vital tourist dollars to Oman.

I go from the capital, Muscat, to join Louise in her camp high up in the mountains. She is about to explore an underground chamber called *Majlis al Jinn* – the meeting place of the spirits. We stand shivering by the camp fire with our local helper, 18-year-old Salim al Ghadani and his younger brother, Said. Soon their elderly father arrives with a load of water he's brought up by donkey from the river far below. 2 'In winter it is too cold,' he says. 'In summer it is too hot.' He makes a living by herding goats. 'I have many hopes for my sons,' he explains. 'But mostly I hope that they will be able to find jobs.'



FOR TOURISM?

Louise and I put on our rucksacks and walk to the entrance to the cave. Louise has already set up the rope to allow us to descend the 70 metres to the floor of the cave. She goes first. It's ten minutes before I hear her give the signal on the radio to say she's got to the bottom. 3 I begin to climb slowly into the hole. The sky becomes a small circle as I gradually lower myself down on the rope.

4 It feels as if I am hanging under the dome of a huge cathedral. Sunbeams from the entrance hole cut through the darkness. Glancing down, I can't make out much detail in the dim light. I can only just see Louise looking up from the bottom of the cave 50 metres below me.

Several minutes later, I am finally standing next to her. Louise has years of experience of caves all over the world. 5 'This place is huge – and day-lit,' she says. Directly beneath the entrance hole there is a high pile of stones that has fallen through. I am amazed by the sheer size of the chamber – nearly two of the Great Pyramids of Egypt would fit inside. I follow Louise around the cave as she investigates it. It is one of the world's largest underground chambers, she tells me.

Eventually, I begin the heart-pounding rope climb to the surface. 6 We watch a pair of eagles soar across the sky. Goat tracks criss-cross the fields below.

I ask Louise whether she thinks that development of this cave could provide opportunities for Mohammed's children. 'It's certainly possible,' she says. 'A road could be built. And a tunnel could be made through the rock to get visitors into the cave.' 7 And even if it succeeds, she adds, it will be years before the tourists roll up in their air-conditioned buses. In the meantime, sadly, only a few adventurers are likely to have the chance to explore the underground world beneath the mountains of Oman.

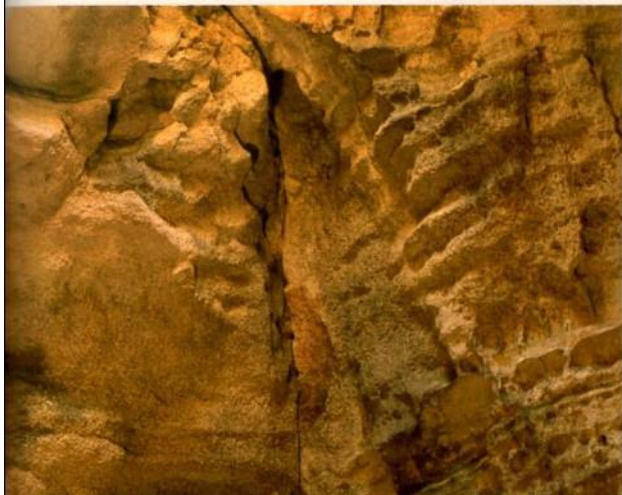
3 Complete the following sentences using a word from the box in the correct form. The words are all in the text.

amaze	attract	harm
spectacle	unlike	watch
wealth		

- Oman is a kingdom located on the west of the Arabian peninsula.
- It contains some of the most caves in the world.
- Louise Hose, a geologist, was invited to carry out the task of investigating the caves' potential for tourism.
- She was by the size of the cave called *Majlis al Jinn*.
- Luckily, she found that this cave does not contain any gases.
- For the local people, the idea of cave tourism may be very , as it will lead to increased job opportunities.
- However, the authorities will need to keep a eye on developments, in order to protect the caves and their environment.

4 Discuss these questions.

- Would you like to visit the cave described in the text? Why/Why not?
- Are there any similar places in your country? Are they developed for tourists to visit?
- What areas of your country do you think should be developed? What do you think tourists would be interested in seeing in your country?
- What is the most spectacular place you have ever visited? Describe it.
- What are the advantages and disadvantages of tourism for the local people / the environment?



Vocabulary 2: holidays and travel

1

- 1 What type of holiday is each speaker describing?

backpacking a cruise an expedition
a holiday course trekking a package holiday
a guided coach tour a city-break

- 1 'It's really relaxing – and I just love knowing that every day we'll go in to a new port and see a whole new place.'
- 2 'It's good because it's all done for you – you just look in the brochure and choose what you want.'
- 3 'I really enjoy them – I've done one on archaeology and one on windsurfing. It's a great way to meet people.'
- 4 'I really enjoy travelling in a group, with a guide who can explain the history of all the places we drive through.'
- 5 'I'm going to Nepal – we'll be walking in the mountains for about two weeks. It'll be tough, because the conditions are quite hard, but I'm looking forward to it.'
- 6 'I've got a round-the-world student ticket and I hope to travel for about four months. I'll be staying in cheap accommodation and living out of a rucksack.'
- 7 'I'll only be away a short time – I'm going for a weekend to Prague with my friends.'
- 8 'I love being in the fresh air, and I really enjoy the fact that it's keeping me fit at the same time! The only time I don't like it much is when I have to walk up steep hills!'

- 2 How many of these types of holiday have you been on? Which ones would you like to try?

2 Work with a partner. The words in the box are all things you could take on holiday with you. Decide which ones you might need for the holidays in Exercise 1. You may need the same things for more than one holiday.

insect repellent driving licence boots
digital camera visa hat sunglasses
sleeping bag smart clothes guidebook
phrasebook map sea-sickness pills
diary washing powder note-pad
towel security wallet shopping bag



- 3 Use words from Exercise 2 to complete the following dialogues. Then listen to check.

- 1 A: There are a lot of mosquitoes here. I hope I don't get bitten.
B: Do you want to borrow my ?
- 2 A: I can't understand anything on the menu – have you got the ?
B: Here – there's a good section on food words in four languages.
- 3 A: The one bad thing about trekking is that you have to carry a for when you camp out at night.
B: Well – at least you can lie in your bed and see the stars!
- 4 A: I never travel abroad without buying a good before I go.
B: Me too – then I know what the most interesting places to visit are, so I don't waste time when I'm there.
- 5 A: This is really old, but it protects my face from the sun.
B: I think you should buy a new one as you're going on a cruise. And you'll need for the evenings, so you could buy a whole new set of things to wear!
- 6 A: My sister is a terrible traveller – every time she goes on a boat she feels ill.
B: Has she asked the doctor for some ? They should help.

4 Discuss these questions.

- 1 Have you ever forgotten to take something important on holiday? What?
- 2 What is the **one** thing you could **not** manage without on holiday?

Grammar: ways of giving advice

- 1 Read the information below and find four different phrases used to give advice.

ADVICE TO TRAVELLERS

When travelling in the desert or at high altitudes, you can get sunburned surprisingly quickly. It is advisable to use sun cream, wear a hat and protect your eyes with good quality sunglasses.

You may be tempted to bring back exotic souvenirs, but travellers should remember that buying souvenirs made from animal skins or ivory may threaten endangered species and may also be against the law.

When travelling away from home, it's wise to have a spare pair of glasses or contact lenses plus an adequate supply of any medication that may not be available locally.

The month-long Islamic festival of Ramadan will finish at the end of this month. The celebrations for the end of the festival will last for two or three days and travellers are reminded that most things will be closed during that time.

- 2 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. **Do not change the word given.** You must use between **two and five** words, including the word given.

- They advised me to have a course of injections.
advisable
They told to have a course of injections.
- Drinking unboiled water is not advised when travelling off the beaten track. **wise**
It is unboiled water when travelling off the beaten track.
- Trying to climb the mountain on your own is not recommended. **attempt**
You should the mountain on your own.
- 'I wouldn't stay out in the sun too long, if I were you,' he said. **advised**
She out in the sun too long.
- Visitors should remember to bring warm clothes. **reminded**
Visitors will need warm clothes.

- 'You must see the traditional dancers – they're excellent,' he said. **miss**
He told me I should the excellent traditional dancers.
- You shouldn't leave without visiting the cathedral. **ought**
You before you leave.
- It is a good idea for guests to keep their passports in the hotel safe. **recommended**
Guests their passports in the hotel safe.

- 3 Write five pieces of advice for visitors to your country, using the structures in Exercises 1 and 2.

- 4 Chris had a lot of problems while he was travelling abroad. What should or shouldn't he have done to avoid these problems?

- 'My wallet with my credit card in was stolen from my pocket.'
He should have kept his wallet in a safe place.
He shouldn't have kept his credit card in his wallet.
- 'I got terribly sunburned.'
- 'I couldn't understand what anyone was saying.'
- 'I lost my passport.'
- 'My parents got very worried because they didn't know where I was.'
- 'My girlfriend back home started going out with someone else.'

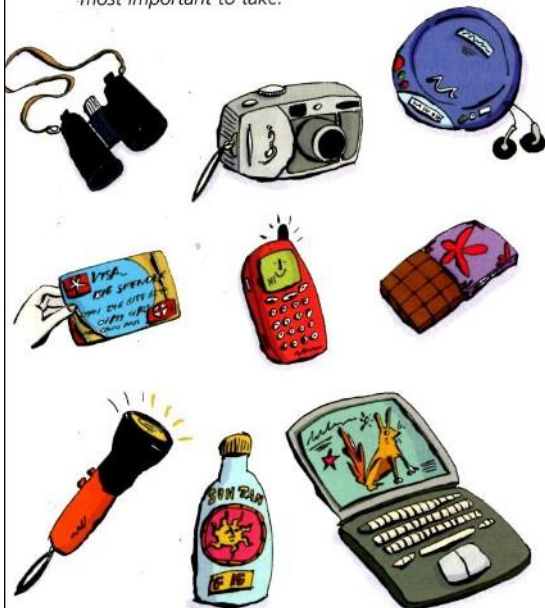
- 5 Think of a situation in which you did not take advice and something went wrong as a result. Then take turns to tell a partner what happened. Your partner should tell you what you should or shouldn't have done.



Speaking 2: prioritising (Parts 3 and 4)

1 Work with a partner and do the Part 3 task below. You should talk for about three minutes. Remember to consider every item before making your final choice.

*'I'd like you to imagine that you are planning to go on a long camping trip in the mountains with a friend. You have all the necessary equipment like food and clothes. Here are some extra things that you might want to take with you. Talk to each other about how important each item might be for the trip. Then say which **two** you think are the most important to take.'*



2 Compare your ideas with the rest of the class. Did you all choose the same items?

3 Discuss some of the following questions with your partner.

- 1 What do you like doing on holiday?
- 2 What's the most exciting holiday you've ever had?
- 3 Do you think it's better to travel with friends or alone? What are the advantages and disadvantages?
- 4 Have you, or anyone you know, been on a strange or unusual holiday?

Use of English 2: open cloze (Part 2)

1 Read the title of the text below. Discuss what you know about Mount Everest. Then read the text to see if you were right.

2 Read the text again and think of the word which best fits each gap. Use only one word in each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

MOUNT EVEREST THE WORLD'S HIGHEST MOUNTAIN

In the past, the Sherpas who lived at (0) *the* foot of Mount Everest never thought of climbing it. Their lives were hard enough. But after Everest (1) been identified as the world's highest mountain, its conquest was seen (2) the greatest challenge on Earth. The Sherpas, adapted to living at high altitudes, have acted as guides and porters to climbers ever (3) Sherpas take great pride in (4) work, but it is dangerous. At (5) 175 people have died on the mountain since the first attempt on Everest in 1921.

(6) Hillary and Tenzing reached the summit in 1953, it was obvious that others would follow them, (7) no one expected there would be so many. There are now ropes and ladders to help people up the difficult sections. But the danger of the mountain (8) still not be underestimated. Not (9) ago, eight climbers were killed in one night when a storm blew up suddenly. (10) this tragedy, hundreds of climbers visit the mountain (11) year, hoping to stand on the roof of the world. Everest has now been climbed by a fifteen-year-old girl – Sherpa Ming Kips – and by a seventy-year-old Japanese man – Yuichiro Miura. So (12) it still remain the greatest challenge on Earth?

3 Discuss these questions.

- 1 What qualities do you think make a good explorer? Discuss why the qualities below might be important, then add two more ideas.
 - curiosity
 - courage
 - determination
- 2 What do **you** think is the *greatest challenge on Earth*?

Search for the hero

Sometimes the river flows but (1)
(2) but never leaves.
It's a shame.
Oh life – like love that walks out the door
Of being rich (3)
Such a shame.
But it's then, then (4)
To make you feel (5)
And that's why you should (6)
Just seek yourself and (7)

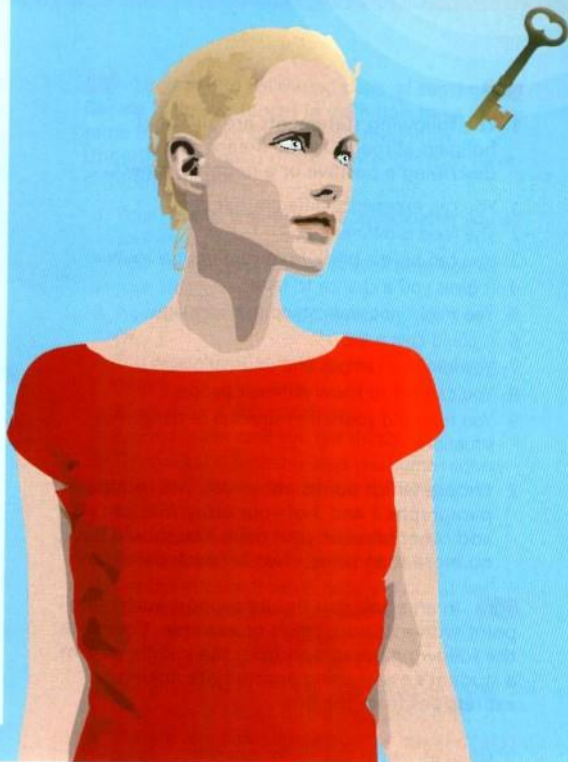
Chorus

You've got to search for the hero inside yourself,
Search for the secrets you hide.
Search for the hero inside yourself
Until you find the key to your life.

In this life, long and hard though it may seem,
Live it as (8)
Aim (9)
Just keep the flame of (10)
The missing treasure you must find
Because you and (11)
Can build a bridge across the stream.
(12) in life's rich tapestry -
Your passport to a feel supreme.

Chorus

Search inside yourself (you've got to search)



Listening 2: song

1 Look at the following extracts from the song above. Do you think the song will be generally positive or negative about life?

- | | |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| a) that faith arrives | g) only you alone |
| b) you will shine | h) or being poor |
| c) you'd live a dream | i) truth burning bright |
| d) Weave your spell | j) keep on aiming high |
| e) so high. | k) A train arrives |
| f) nothing breathes | l) at least alive |

2 Now decide where the expressions from Exercise 1 fit in the song.

3 Listen to the song and check your answers.

4 Which of the following sentences summarises the song best? Find some expressions in the song which support your answer.

- a) Everyone should try to escape from their problems.
- b) Everyone has the ability to succeed.
- c) Everyone needs to find someone to love.

Writing: essay (Part 2)

1 Read the following task.

- 1 Do you agree or disagree with the statement?
- 2 How will you organise your essay? (Look back at Unit 7 page 90 if necessary.)

You have had a class discussion on the advantages and disadvantages of travelling to other countries. Now your teacher has asked you to write an essay giving your opinions on the following statement:

The best holidays are the ones spent in a different country.

Write your essay in 120–180 words.

2

1 The following statements are all about holidays abroad. Decide if each one is describing a positive or a negative aspect.

- 1 You can experience different cultures.
- 2 The food is different.
- 3 You can have a break from your normal routine.
- 4 It gives you a chance to relax.
- 5 You might not understand the language.
- 6 It could cost a lot.
- 7 You can visit famous and unusual places.
- 8 You can get to know different people.
- 9 You may find yourself in stressful or dangerous situations.

2 Choose which points above you will include in paragraphs 2 and 3 of your essay. You can also add other ideas of your own. You should have no more than three ideas for each paragraph.

3 In an essay, you should support each main point with a reason, result or example. Complete the following paragraph from the middle part of a student's essay, using appropriate linking expressions from the box.

so as well as this for example however
finally as a result in addition and in this way

(1) , holidays abroad can also bring problems. (2) , you have to do more travelling and (3) these holidays are more expensive. (4) , if you do not speak the language of the country you are visiting, you can have problems getting around and meeting local people. (5) , if you don't know the country you may find yourself in stressful or difficult situations.

4 Now read the following task. Decide:

- 1 whether you agree or disagree with the statement.
- 2 what points you could include in your essay.

Your teacher has asked you to write an essay, giving your opinions on the following statement:

Holidays should be times for doing new and challenging things, not just relaxing in familiar places.

Write your essay in 120–180 words.

5 Write an essay in answer to the task in Exercise 1 or 4.

▶ Writing reference pp.213, 220

6 When you have finished, check your work. Which of the techniques below are appropriate:

- a) to check written work done for class?
 - b) to check written work in an exam?
- 1 Read through your writing once to check the organisation is clear, and that you have a new paragraph for each section. Then read it a second time to check grammar, vocabulary and spelling.
 - 2 Write on alternate lines so that you have space to make corrections.
 - 3 Write a rough version of your essay and then copy it out again.
 - 4 Check words you are not sure of in a dictionary.
 - 5 Be aware of your own problems (e.g. articles, subject-verb agreement) and check for these.

Exam focus

First Certificate in English

How much do you know about the FCE exam? Try the quiz your teacher will give you.

UNITS 11 – 14 Progress test

1 There is a mistake with vocabulary in each of the following sentences. Find the mistakes and correct them.

- When you apply for a job, you may have to give the names of two references.
- There are good prospects for promoted for the right candidate.
- At first he made a lot of money but then his luck started to go out.
- I'm a bit short with cash – can you lend me €50?
- He invested a lot of money for stocks and shares.
- A very high percent of payments nowadays are made with credit cards.
- It wasn't the fault from the restaurant that you ate too much!
- Far out in the desert were some mystery ruins.
- Tools such as swords and spears were found.
- A herd of thieves attacked the security van.
- Scientists have analysis how animals communicate.
- Skiers are under great danger if an avalanche occurs.
- Driving conditions are difficult due to thick foggy.
- Becky is always in the move – she never stays long in one place.
- By the age of 30, he had filled all his goals.

2 There is one mistake in each of the following sentences. This may be an incorrect word, an extra word, or a word missing. Find each mistake and correct it.

- Unfortunately, I don't know to type.
- People should be able to choose the hours they are work.
- I didn't manage to passing the exam.
- Take your phone in case of you need to contact me.
- If I stayed at university instead of dropping out, I'd be earning a lot more money now.
- Even I don't win a prize, I'm glad I entered the competition.
- I don't want that anyone telling me what to do.
- They were made to waited for over an hour.
- Alexander the Great is believed to have died through drink unclean water.
- I have get my eyes tested – I'm sure I need glasses.
- She's not good at languages to work as an interpreter.
- What you mustn't forget is that you will hearing the recording twice.
- I don't like rain much, but that I really hate is wind.
- Passengers are reminded that they not leave their luggage unattended.

3 Look at the following pairs of sentences. Decide if the sentences in each pair have a) the same meaning or b) different meanings. Underline the parts of the sentences that have different meanings.

- Your parents won't be able to look after you all your life.
Your parents won't have to look after you all your life.
- Provided you have enough money, you'll be OK.
You'll be alright as long as you have enough money.
- Buy a drink if you get thirsty.
Buy a drink in case you get thirsty.
- The bank will probably lend you some money.
You can probably borrow some money from the bank.
- She found it difficult to chew the food.
The food was difficult for her to swallow.
- She doesn't like it when people shout at her.
She doesn't like being shouted at.
- Tom saw him break the window.
The window was broken by Tom, he said.
- The prosperity of the city was based on trade.
Trade was the basis of the city's prosperity.
- That's a very difficult question for me to answer.
That question's too difficult for me to answer.
- I was so tired that I couldn't walk any further.
I was too tired to walk any further.
- All I want to do is stay at home.
I don't want to do anything except stay at home.
- He hit the target the third time he tried.
He scored a goal on his third attempt.
- I'd advise you to travel by air rather than by train.
It would be advisable for you to travel by air rather than by train.
- There will be patchy fog in many areas today.
Many areas will have dense fog today.
- We've got to get the car tyres replaced.
We need to have the car tyres replaced.

Use of English: multiple-choice cloze (Part 1)

4 For questions 1–12, read the text below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

THE GREAT STORM

At first, January 14th 1938 was no (0) from any other winter day in the seaside town of Aberystwyth. The grey sea stretched to the horizon, where it met the grey winter sky. But towards evening the wind (1) and every wave (2) onto the beach with greater force than the last.

As the night (3) , the wind increased, howling around the houses which faced the sea. Witnesses agree that the storm (4) its height at five o'clock in the morning, when winds were (5) to be 150 kilometres an hour. The wind broke windows and smashed front doors, allowing the sea water to pour in.

An even greater drama was (6) place in a lonely cottage further down the coast. As the storm grew worse, the three women who lived there decided to abandon their home. No sooner had they (7) on their coats than an enormous wave burst (8) the front door. The next wave brought the roof down, trapping them in the house. Fortunately, the driver of a passing train raised the (9) and the women were rescued from the wreckage.

As dawn (10) , the terrible effects of the storm became clear. It took many years to repair the (11) and reinforce the sea wall in order to (12) a repetition of the terrifying events of that night.

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|---------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|
| 0 A different | B contrasting | C separate | D altered |
| 1 A toughened | B hardened | C lengthened | D strengthened |
| 2 A crashed | B hit | C banged | D knocked |
| 3 A went out | B broke down | C wore on | D grew up |
| 4 A got | B touched | C brought | D reached |
| 5 A estimated | B guessed | C valued | D told |
| 6 A taking | B becoming | C having | D keeping |
| 7 A gone | B taken | C put | D come |
| 8 A through | B out | C off | D up |
| 9 A emergency | B danger | C alarm | D crisis |
| 10 A broke | B went | C dropped | D fell |
| 11 A hurt | B injury | C harm | D damage |
| 12 A check | B bar | C protect | D prevent |

Use of English: open cloze (Part 2)

5 For questions 13–24, read the text below and think of the word which best fits each gap. Use only one word in each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

DANNY EAST, UNDERGROUND TRAIN DRIVER

Danny East is (0) London underground train driver. He has (13) doing the job (14) four years, and has become famous because (15) his announcements to passengers. He produces a light-hearted commentary (16) seems to cheer up regular tube users and tourists alike. He (17) it, he says, because he loves talking, and to help him to concentrate.

As (18) as the train starts, Danny begins his commentary, sounding as (19) he is the captain of a spaceship. 'OK, ladies and gentlemen,' he says. 'For your pleasure and delight,' (one of his favourite phrases), 'I am the captain of your journey (20) this underground train. So sit back and enjoy the view.' He produces a stream of information, both funny (21) also more serious, about every one of the stations the train stops at, as well as advice such (22) , 'Watch out when you get off because there's a big gap (23) the train and the platform and we don't want to see you falling down it!'

He doesn't know (24) effect he's having on the passengers because he can't see their faces. But he gets lots of fan mail from passengers grateful to him for brightening up their daily journey.

Use of English: word formation (Part 3)

6 For questions 25–34, read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of each line to form a word that fits in the space in the same line. There is an example at the beginning (0).

THE UNLUCKY BURGLAR

This is a true story about a rather unfortunate (0) *criminal*. He was a very (25) burglar and he had stolen things from many houses, but had never been caught. One day, he was (26) disturbed when he was in an empty house by the sudden (27) of the two people who lived there. After a short, angry (28) with the couple, the burglar pushed past them, leaving behind all the (29) he had stolen, and escaped into their back garden. But his problems were not over. The garden was surrounded by a high fence at each side, and by an even higher stone wall at the far end. He knew he had to make a (30) – and quickly. The fences were covered by roses with sharp thorns, so he thought it would be (31) to try the wall. Showing great (32) ability, he made a run at the wall and (33) in getting up onto the top and then dropping down onto the other side. It was only then that he realised to his (34) and horror that he was standing in the yard of the local prison.

CRIME
PERSIST
EXPECT
ARRIVE
ARGUE
VALUE

DECIDE
PREFER
ATHLETE
SUCCESS
AMAZE

Use of English: key word transformations (Part 4)

7 For questions 35–42, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. **Do not change the word given.** You must use between **two** and **five** words, including the word given. Here is an example (0).

Example:

0 You must do exactly as I tell you.

carry

You must *carry out my* instructions exactly.

35 Someone should have told her that the coffee was hot.
warned

She the hot coffee.

36 My hair is getting too long – it needs cutting soon!
get

I will have soon.

37 She didn't want to pay for the drinks she'd had.
avoid

She tried for the drinks she'd had.

38 Gunilla had to take Mrs Carling's children to school.

responsible

Gunilla Mrs Carling's children to school.

39 The company has invented a useful piece of equipment.

come

The company has a useful piece of equipment.

40 I think it would be a good idea for you to take the job.

were

If I the job.

41 I could only just see him in the dim light.
out

I could barely in the dim light.

42 Because of the snow I couldn't arrive any earlier.

snowing

If it , I would have arrived earlier.

Paper 5 Speaking tasks

Unit 1 Exam focus: introduction (Part 1)

Exercise 3, p.15

Student A, ask Student B the following questions.

- 1 Where are you from?
- 2 What do you like about living there?
- 3 Do you work or are you a student?
- 4 What kind of jobs do the people in your town do?
- 5 What do you enjoy most about your work or studies?
- 6 Do you have any hobbies?
- 7 What is there to do in the evenings in the place where you live?
- 8 How do you usually spend your holidays?
- 9 What do you hope to do in the next few years?

Unit 2 Speaking 2 (Part 2)

Exercise 5, p.27

Student B



D

Unit 2 Speaking 2 (Part 2)

Exercise 5, p.27

Student A



C

Unit 11 Exam focus: a complete test

Exercise 3, p.139

Student A (interlocutor)

Part 1 (introduction)

Say: 'Good morning/afternoon. First of all, we'd like to know something about you.'

Ask student C: 'Where do you live?'

Ask student D: 'And you?'

Ask student C: 'What do you enjoy about living here/there?'

Ask student D: 'And what about you?'

Ask student C and D in turn:

'Tell me something about your room.'

What do you usually do at the weekends?

What do you usually do in the evenings?

What do you enjoy studying most?

What sort of music do you enjoy?

What kind of transport do you use most?'

Part 2 (long turn)

Interlocutor: 'In this part of the test, I'm going to give each of you two photographs. I'd like you to talk about your photographs on your own for about a minute, and also to answer a short question about your partner's photographs.'

Tell Student C: 'It's your turn first. Here are your photographs. They show people working hard. I'd like you to compare the photographs and say which person you think is working harder.'

Allow Student C to talk for a minute. Then stop him/her. Say 'Thank you'.

Ask Student D this question:

'Do you often work late at night?'

After about 15–20 seconds, say 'Thank you'.

Tell Student D: 'Here are your photographs. (Point to photos C and D on page 139.) They show people who are making money. Please let your partner see them. I'd like you to compare the photographs, and say what you think might be good and bad about each way of making money.'

Allow Student D to talk for a minute. Then stop him/her. Say 'Thank you'.

Then ask Student C this question:

'How would you like to earn money?'

After about 15–20 seconds, say 'Thank you'.

Part 3 (collaborative task)

Say: 'Now, I'd like you to talk about something together for about three minutes.'

Here are some pictures of things we can all do to avoid getting stressed. (Point to the pictures on page 183.) First, talk to one another about how useful each one is. Then decide which two you think are the most important for students.

After about three minutes, say 'Thank you' and stop Students C and D.

Part 4 (discussion)

Ask students C and D some of these questions, in any order. Stop them after about four minutes.

You may not need to use all of the questions.

- 1 What sorts of things do you do to relax?
- 2 What industries and jobs are important in your town?
- 3 What kind of job do you think is most or least stressful?
- 4 Would you rather work inside or outside?
- 5 Do you think life is more stressful nowadays than it was in the past?
- 6 More people are working at home these days. Why do you think this is?

Unit 4 Speaking (Part 3)

Exercise 2, p.51

Imagine that a local gym wants to attract more people. Here are some suggestions for making the centre more popular. First, talk to each other about the advantages and disadvantages of these suggestions. Then decide which one would be the most successful in attracting people to the gym.



Unit 6 Exam focus: long turn (Part 2) Exercise 3, p.77

Student A (interlocutor)

1 Tell Student B:

'Here are your photographs. (Point to the photos on page 184.) They show people keeping in touch. I'd like you to compare the photographs and say which person seems the happiest.'

Allow Student B to talk for a minute. Then stop him/her. Say 'Thank you.' Ask Student C this question:

'Do you often write letters to your friends and relatives?'

After about 15–20 seconds, say 'Thank you'.

2 Tell Student C:

'Here are your photographs. (Point to the photos on page 186.) They show people taking photographs. I'd like you to compare the photographs and say how you think the people feel about being photographed.'

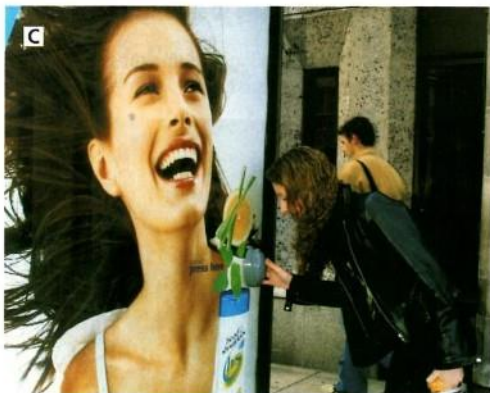
Allow Student C to talk for a minute. Then stop him/her. Say 'Thank you'. Ask Student B this question:

'Do you like taking photographs?'

After about 15–20 seconds, say 'Thank you'.

Unit 5 Speaking 3 (Part 2) Exercise 5, p.63

Student A

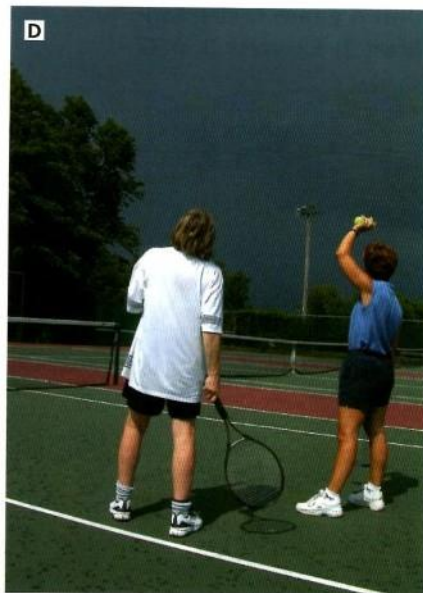


Student B



Unit 13 Speaking 3 (Part 2) Exercise 3, p.163

Student B



Unit 11 Exam focus: a complete test Exercises 2–4, p.139

Part 3 (collaborative task)

How useful is each one?
Which two are the most important for students?



**Unit 6 Exam focus: long turn
(Part 2) Exercise 3, p.77**

Student B

Which person seems the happiest?



**Unit 1 Exam focus: introduction (Part 1)
Exercise 3, p.15**

Student B, ask Student A the following questions.

- 1 Where were you born?
- 2 What is the most interesting part of your town or village?
- 3 Do you have a large family or a small family?
- 4 How long have you been studying English?
- 5 Which do you prefer, watching television or going to the cinema?
- 6 What sort of programmes or films do you like to watch?
- 7 How do you spend your holidays?
- 8 Is there anywhere you would particularly like to visit?
- 9 What kind of job do you hope to be doing in ten years' time?

**Unit 10 Exam focus: collaborative task/
discussion (Parts 3 and 4)**

Exercise 2, p.126

Student A (interlocutor)

Part 3 (collaborative task)

Say to the other students: 'I'd like you to talk about something together for about three minutes. I'd like you to imagine that a school is producing a leaflet to help students study effectively. Here are some things that can help students to study. (Point to the pictures on page 186.) First, talk to each other about how useful each one is. Then decide which three you feel should be included in the leaflet.'

After about three minutes, say 'Thank you' and stop them.

Part 4 (discussion)

Ask the other students some of these questions, in any order. Stop them after about four minutes. You may not need to use all of the questions.

- 1 What sort of things help you to study?
- 2 How important do you think it is to have a good memory?
- 3 Which part of your education have you enjoyed most so far?
- 4 What would you like to learn about in the future?
- 5 How do you think your education has been different from that of your parents or grandparents?
- 6 What do you think education will be like in the future?

Unit 9 Speaking 2 (Part 2) Exercise 3, p.113

Student B

**Unit 11 Exam focus: a complete test
Exercise 4, p.139**

Student C (interlocutor)

Part 1 (introduction)

Say: 'Good morning/afternoon. First of all, we'd like to know something about you.'

Ask student A: 'Where do you live?'

Ask student B: 'And you?'

Ask student A: 'What do you enjoy about living here/there?'

Ask student B: 'And what about you?'

Ask student A and B in turn:

'What do you usually do at the weekends?'

What did you do on your last birthday?

What's the next special occasion you're going to celebrate?

How much exercise do you do?

How easy do you think it is to keep fit and healthy? Why?

What do you hope to do in the next ten years?'

Part 2 (long turn)

Interlocutor: 'In this part of the test, I'm going to give each of you two photographs. I'd like you to talk about your photographs on your own for about a minute, and also to answer a short question about your partner's photographs.'

Tell Student A: 'It's your turn first. Here are your photographs. They show people working hard. I'd like

you to compare the photographs and say how you would feel in these situations.'

Allow Student A to talk for a minute. Then stop him/her. Say 'Thank you.'

Ask Student B this question:

'Which person do you think is working harder?'

After about 15–20 seconds, say 'Thank you'.

Tell Student B: 'Here are your photographs. (Point to photos C and D on page 139.) They show people who are making money. Please let your partner see them. I'd like you to compare the photographs, and say who you think has the easiest job.'

Allow Student B to talk for a minute. Then stop him/her. Say 'Thank you'. Then ask Student A this question:

'How do you think the person in the first picture is feeling?'

After about 15–20 seconds, say 'Thank you'.

Part 3 (collaborative task)

Say: 'Now, I'd like you to talk about something together for about three minutes. I'm just going to listen. Here are some pictures of things we can do to avoid getting stressed. (Point to the pictures on page 183.) First, talk to each other about how useful each one is. Then decide which two you think are the most important for students.'

After about three minutes, say 'Thank you' and stop Students A and B.

Part 4 (discussion)

Ask students A and B some of these questions, in any order. Stop them after about four minutes. You may not need to use all of the questions.

- 1 Would you like to work in an office?
- 2 Do you think some jobs are too highly paid? Which ones?
- 3 Which is most important, a high salary or job satisfaction?
- 4 If you had enough money to live on without working, would you still want to work?
- 5 What sort of jobs used to be important in your country in the past?
- 6 What do you think life would be like if people didn't have to work?

Unit 10 Exam focus: collaborative task (Part 3)

Exercise 2, p.126

Students B and C (candidates)



Unit 6 Exam focus: long turn (Part 2)

Exercise 3, p.77

Student C

How do you think the people feel about being photographed?



Communication activities

Unit 1, Grammar 2 Exercise 4, p.12

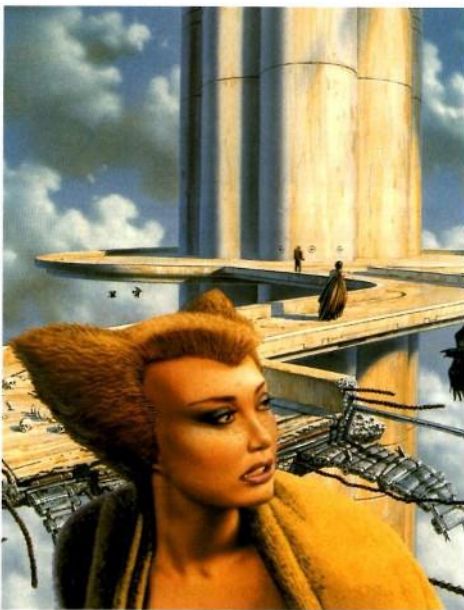
Student A

You've just come back from abroad. You've been ...

- doing a holiday job (Say what and where.)
- working quite long hours (Say how many hours a day.)
- earning quite good money (Say how much.)
- meeting different sorts of people (Say who.)
- having a wonderful time (Say why.)

Unit 3, Grammar 1 Exercise 4, p.33

Student A



Unit 7, Grammar 1 Exercise 4, p.83

Student A

- 1 a dishwasher
- 2 a dictionary
- 3 a supermarket
- 4 a rose
- 5 a grandmother

Unit 10, Reading 1 Exercise 5, p.121

Answers to the IQ puzzles on p.190

- 1 a) T b) F c) F d) T e) F f) F; 2 – 64; 3 – 16;
4 Eight ladies and 14 cats; 5 a)

Unit 12, Listening 2 Exercise 1, p.147

- 1 Tommy Lee Jones and Will Smith.
- 2 They're law enforcement officers (protecting people against aliens).
- 3 To protect them from an alien light which would make them lose their memory.
- 4 Tommy Lee Jones retires.

Unit 13, Listening Exercise 5, p.158

Student A: You are going to interview the famous conservationist, Jane Goodall. Ask her these questions.

- 1 How did you become interested in animals?
- 2 How did you get involved in working with animals?
- 3 How many years did you spend in the wild?
- 4 What was your biggest challenge?
- 5 What was the most exciting thing you found?
- 6 What was your worst experience?
- 7 What dangers do the animals face now?
- 8 What is being done to help them?

Unit 14, Reading 1 Exercise 3, p.167

Group A

Rowan saves up enough money and sets off on her travels. She finds that the world is bigger and lonelier than she had expected, and that her image of the romance of travel does not match up to reality. When she finds herself alone in Sydney, without money or friends, she feels like giving up and going home. But then she finds a job, meets a young Australian man, and decides to stay.

Unit 13, Speaking 1 Exercise 1, p.156

- 1 Robbie Williams: Rottweiler
- 2 Leonardo DiCaprio: bearded dragon
- 3 Dominic Monaghan: albino snake

Unit 1, Grammar 2 Exercise 4, p.12

Student B

You've just come back from holiday. You've been ...

- staying with your cousin, who lives in another country (Say where.)
- eating delicious food every day (Say what.)
- going out every evening (Say where.)
- meeting lots of people (Say who.)
- having a wonderful time (Say why.)

Unit 3, Grammar 3 Exercise 4, p.39



Unit 7, Grammar 1 Exercise 4, p.83

Student B

- 1 a dry cleaner's
- 2 February
- 3 a chimney
- 4 a telephone
- 5 a dentist

Unit 14, Reading 1 Exercise 3, p.167

Group B

Rowan stays in London dreaming of her travels, but stuck in her dead-end job. Then a friend helps her to get an interview for a job with a big international company which would give her the chance to travel through her work – but she would have to move to live in Australia. Rowan is offered the job and accepts, but then at the last minute she realises that everything she really cares about is back at home in Scotland, and she returns to the place she started from.

Unit 12, Reading 1 Exercise 4, p.142

After a long investigation, it is discovered that Rebecca made the holes herself as she had a fatal illness. Once Maxim de Winter has been cleared of her murder, he leaves England forever and goes to live abroad with his new wife.

Unit 12, Speaking Exercise 3, p.145

- 1 Mrs Amos was sentenced to 60 days' imprisonment, but this was reduced on appeal. She said her time in prison had not been pleasant, but had taught her a lesson.
- 2 Smith was sentenced to 20 months in prison, a \$5,000 fine, community service and a ban on computer and Internet activity. US authorities said the punishment serves as a warning to would-be virus writers who think they can launch viruses on the Internet without paying a price.
- 3 Major Ingram and his wife each got an 18-month suspended sentence and were fined £25,000 including costs. The friend got a one-year suspended sentence and a fine of £17,500 including costs.
- 4 Nine of the men received jail sentences, the longest being for 12 months. The three others were given 200 hours of community service. One of the jail sentences was suspended for a year. Eleven of the men were banned from all football games in Britain and abroad for up to six years.
- 5 Richard Ure was banned from driving for 18 months. He was also sentenced to three months' detention.

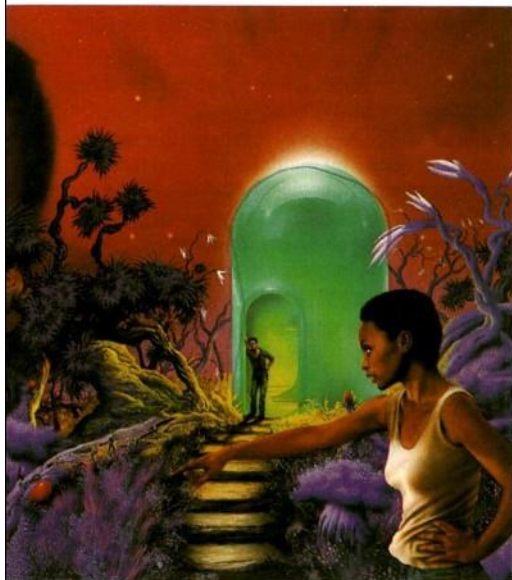
Unit 13, Use of English 2 Exercise 1, p.164

Match the answers to the questions (they are in jumbled order). How many did you get right?

- a) As long as there is no meteor impact – millions of years.
- b) Only once in front of witnesses (in 1972). The chances of it happening are one in a billion.
- c) Because the building changes the direction of the wind high up in the air, sending it down towards the ground.
- d) They do at the edges, but the water in the middle doesn't because of the speed at which it is travelling.

Unit 3, Grammar 1 Exercise 4, p.33

Student B



Unit 13, Listening Exercise 5, p.158

Student B: You are Jane Goodall, a famous conservationist. Read through the information below, then answer the interviewer's questions.

Childhood: Always interested in animals. Given a toy chimpanzee at age of two (still have it).

Early career: Worked as waitress to save up money to go to Africa. In Africa, was offered job studying group of chimpanzees in wild.

Time spent there: 26 years

Biggest challenge: Took a long time for chimpanzees to get used to me.

Most exciting discovery: Chimpanzees use sticks as tools to catch insects. (Before that, people thought only humans could make and use tools.)

Worst experience: Death of favourite chimpanzee, David Greybeard, through illness.

Dangers faced by the chimpanzees: Loss of their homes – forests being cut down as firewood. Hunters kill the animals for meat or capture them to sell as pets.

Conservation activity: Educating people to be aware of problems – feel that hope lies with young people.

Unit 8, Speaking 1 Exercise 3, p.94

Scoring

Box A

Friends think you're quiet and deep.

There's more to you than meets the eye – the people who know you well realise they can really depend on you.

You're happier being with friends you know well rather than getting to know new people. But remember that strangers are just good friends you don't know yet!

Box B

Friends think you're lively.

You're the life and soul of the party – which is why people who meet you never forget you! You've always got something to say or a funny story to tell. The only trouble is that you sometimes try to hide shyness by going over the top – relax and people will like you just the same.

Box C

Friends think you're confident.

When people first meet you, they either love you or they don't! But that's fine – it isn't a problem for you. You've got the confidence to be yourself and you would never put on an act. You don't depend on others and that's why you've got such a good set of friends. But don't forget that other people may be less sure of themselves than you are.

Unit 8, Grammar 1 Exercise 1, p.95

Dear Aggie

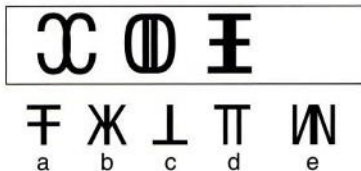
As soon as I met Stephanie, I wanted her (1) (be) my best friend. I didn't have that many other friends – and I was pleased (2) (have) someone to do things with. We were both interested in (3) (do) all the same things – like watching football. We promised (4) (support) each other – and I really meant (5) (keep) my promise.

But now I've got the chance (6) (move) abroad (7) (work) for an international company, and I'd really like (8) (accept) the job. But I'm afraid Stephanie won't let me (9) (go) without getting upset about the idea. I'm really keen on (10) (take) the opportunity, though. How can I tell her it's time for me (11) (move on)?

Marc

Unit 10, Reading 1 Exercise 5, p.121

- True or false?
 - If Tuesday is the first day of the month, then the following Sunday is the sixth day of the month.
 - Maria's grandmother's son could be Maria's daughter's brother.
 - All my friends play football. Bruce plays football, therefore Bruce is my friend.
 - If you turn a right-handed glove inside out, it will fit on your left hand.
 - If a clock is placed upside down when the time is 12.45, the minute hand will point to the right.
 - Baz is taller than Gaz. Don is shorter than Baz. Therefore Gaz is the tallest.
- What is the next number in this series?
144 ... 121 ... 100 ... 81 ... ?
- Carlotta is four years old. Her big sister Amy is three times as old as Carlotta. How old will Amy be when she is twice as old as Carlotta?
- A group of old ladies meet for an afternoon tea party. They bring all their cats. In all, there are 22 heads and 72 feet. How many old ladies and how many cats are in the room?
- What would the next picture be in this series?
Choose from a-e.



Turn to page 187 for the answers. How well did you do?

Unit 14, Reading 1 Exercise 3, p.167**Group C**

Rowan saves up enough money to set off on her travels. She is ready to leave when her flatmate in London steals all her things and goes travelling instead, leaving behind her baby. Rowan has to take responsibility for the baby and this changes her whole life. Returning to the small town in Scotland where her family live, Rowan begins to see that her home could be the place where she'll find what she was looking for.

Unit 11, Speaking 1 Exercise 2, p.130**SCORING**★ **Are you a 'people person'?** (Questions 1 and 2)

10 marks You would probably be happiest working alone – you could be self-employed. But you'll still need to work on those people skills!

15–20 marks You're clearly a people person with good communication skills. You might be suited to a career which involves meeting people and talking on the phone.

25–30 marks You are obviously an outgoing, sociable soul. Many jobs in the music business and in advertising require confident go-getters like you.

★ **Are you a leader or a team player?** (Questions 3 and 4)

10 marks You probably like to blend in with the crowd. But you need to come out a bit, because the ability to work in a team and share ideas is one of the best skills you can have.

15–20 marks You're probably happy working in a team and sharing responsibilities. You would be suited to a job that needs good team skills, such as nursing.

25–30 marks You are clearly a natural leader and are willing to make that extra bit of effort to improve a situation. Have you ever thought of becoming a manager? A good leader works well in a team, encourages others and carries responsibility well.

★ **How do you feel about change?** (Questions 5 and 6)

10 marks You might be a bit unsure about moving away from home to study or work just yet. That's OK – there's no hurry!

15–20 marks You have a healthy attitude to change and you don't mind trying new things.

25–30 marks You treat new things as a challenge. You might be suited to a job that involves lots of travel and meeting new people every day. Models, entertainers and tour guides need these qualities.

★ **What motivates you?** (Question 7)

5 marks You might be quite money motivated or interested in a job that's high on glamour. You might be good at setting up your own business or working in fashion.

10 marks You're probably more active and fun loving. A career that involves meeting people and spending lots of time outdoors might suit you.

15 marks You are more motivated by creative fulfilment. A career that allows you to develop your creative potential would suit you.

Grammar reference

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1 Adjectives ending in *-ed* and *-ing*

1.1 Adjectives ending in *-ed*

Adjectives ending in *-ed* or have the same form as the past participle of a verb, e.g. *amazed, relieved, terrified, thrilled*. We often use them to describe people's feelings. They normally follow *be, feel, seem, look, etc.*
I was amazed to hear I'd won the prize.
What's the matter? You seem a bit annoyed.

1.2 Adjectives ending in *-ing*

We use these adjectives to describe the effect that experiences or events have on us. They can be used before the noun or after *be* and other linking verbs.
That was a terrifying experience.
The explanation was rather confusing.

2 Adverbs

2.1 Formation of adverbs from adjectives

- 1 Many adverbs are formed by adding *-ly* to the adjective form of the word, e.g. *clear – clearly*.
For adjectives ending in *-y*, drop the *y* and add *-ily*, e.g. *happy, happily*.
For adjectives ending in *-le*, drop the *e* and add *-ly*, e.g. *gentle, gently*.
For adjectives ending in *-ic*, add *-ally*, e.g. *automatic, automatically*.
- 2 Some words ending in *-ly* are adjectives only, not adverbs, e.g. *cowardly, friendly, silly*. If an adverb is needed, a phrase must be used.
They greeted us in a friendly way/manner.
- 3 Some words ending in *-ly* can be used both as adjectives and adverbs, e.g. *hourly, daily, nightly*.
Take the medicine twice daily (adv.).
There is a daily (adj.) flight to the island.
- 4 Some adverbs have the same form as adjectives, e.g. *early, fast, hard, still, straight; better, best, worse, worst*.
He's got a fast (adj.) car and he drives it fast (adv.).
She has straight (adj.) hair. He looked straight (adv.) at me.
- 5 Some adverbs have two forms, one like the adjective and the other form ending in *-ly*, e.g. *clear, close, direct, easy, free, hard, high, late*. There is usually a difference in meaning.
Stand clear of the doors. (= keep away)
Try to speak more clearly. (= so we can understand)
He works very hard. (= he makes a lot of effort)
He had hardly any petrol left. (= almost none)
The balloon was high up in the sky. (= a long way up)
They think very highly of you. (= have a good opinion)
Children under 12 travel free. (= they don't have to pay)
You can walk freely in the hotel grounds. (= without restrictions)
The train arrived late. He's not been very well lately. (= recently)

2.2 Comparison of adverbs

The comparison of adverbs is similar to that of adjectives. See 4.5.

2.3 Adverbs of manner

These adverbs are used to say how the action of the verb is carried out.

- 1 Common adverbs of manner include: *accurately, badly, carefully, patiently, straight, well*.

They usually come in the middle of the sentence, after the main verb. If the verb has an object, the adverb comes after the object.

*He spoke (the words) **clearly**.*

*She went **straight** to the house.*

- 2 Prepositional phrases may also be used adverbially to answer the question *How?*

*I ordered the book **over the Internet**.*

*He shouted **in a loud voice**.*

2.4 Adverbs of indefinite frequency

- 1 These adverbs are used to talk about how often we do things. We can put them in order from most often to least often like this:

always	↑ most often ↓ least often
almost always	
generally/normally/regularly/usually	
frequently/often	
sometimes	
occasionally	
almost never/hardly ever/rarely/seldom	
not ... ever/never	

- 2 In statements and questions, these adverbs come:

- after *be* when it is the only verb in the sentence
*I am **always** a bit depressed in winter.*
- after the first auxiliary verb when there is more than one verb

*I have **often** seen her walking here.*

- before the main verb when there is only one verb
*We **sometimes** watch a video on Friday evenings.*
- in questions, after the subject
*Don't you **usually** work with Jenny?*

- 3 In negative sentences, *not* comes before *always*, *generally*, *normally*, *often*, *regularly* and *usually*.
*We **don't often** see him nowadays.*

- 4 *Always* and *never* come at the beginning with imperatives.

***Always** look on the bright side of life.*

***Never** refuse an opportunity.*

2.5 Adverbs of definite frequency

- 1 These are common adverbs of definite frequency:

once	} a day/week/month/year
twice	
five times	
several times	
every day/week/month/morning/afternoon/evening	
every three/couple of/few years	
on Monday/Wednesday/weekdays, etc.	

- 2 These adverbs usually come at the end of the sentence:

*I phone my sister **several times a day**.*

*He goes jogging **every morning**.*

*They go abroad **every few years**.*

They may come at the beginning for emphasis.

***Several times a month** I go to the cinema.*

2.6 Sentence adverbs

Sentence adverbs do not modify the verb, but express the speaker's opinion or attitude.

- 1 The following adverbs explain how he/she is speaking:
honestly, personally, seriously, etc.

***Personally**, I think it's wrong to hunt animals.*

***Seriously**, this is an important question.*

- 2 The following adverbs comment on how likely something is: *actually, certainly, clearly, definitely, maybe, obviously, perhaps, possibly, probably, surely, etc.*

***Perhaps/Maybe** it will rain tomorrow.*

***Surely** he is going to come?*

*We'll **probably** be late.*

- 3 The following adverbs explain the speaker's reaction to some event: *annoyingly, hopefully, luckily, naturally, surprisingly, understandably, etc.*

***Hopefully**, we'll win the match.*

- 4 Sentence adverbs usually come at the beginning of the sentence. However, the adverbs *certainly*, *definitely*, *possibly* and *probably* usually come in the middle of the sentence, after the verb *be*, before the main verb, or after the first auxiliary verb.

*He is **definitely** not a friend of mine.*

*I'll **certainly** be seeing her tomorrow.*

2.7 Intensifiers: almost, barely, hardly, nearly, scarcely

These adverbs have a negative meaning. They come in the middle of the sentence.

*I **almost/nearly** missed the train.*

*We could **barely** hear the speaker.*

*She **hardly** knew anyone at the party.*

3 Articles

3.1 The definite article: the

We use the definite article *the*:

- when the person or thing referred to is unique
***The sun** came out and soon we were dry.*
***The President** is giving a speech tonight.*
the London Marathon, the Olympic Games
- to talk about specific things when the context makes it clear what we are referring to
*Your shoes are in **the cupboard**.*
*Your dinner's in **the fridge**.*
- to talk about previously mentioned things
*A man and a woman walked into the room. **The man** was wearing sunglasses.*
- with superlatives
*He's **the bravest person** in the team.*
- to talk about a generic class of things
***The bicycle** was invented about 200 years ago.*
***The tiger** is in danger of becoming extinct.*
- with oceans, seas, rivers and deserts
*He's sailed across **the Atlantic and the Pacific**.*
*We went by canoe up **the Orinoco**.*
*She said she'd driven across **the Sahara**.*

- with plural mountain ranges and island groups
*Are **the Andes** as high as **the Himalayas**?*
***The British Isles** include **the Isle of Wight** and **the Isle of Man**.*
- with continents and countries whose name includes a common noun
*He's from **the Czech Republic**, but he's living in **the United States**.*
- areas
*There is a range of mountains in **the north**.*
- with hotels, cinemas, theatres
*They had afternoon tea at **the Ritz**.*
*That new Polish film is on at **the Odeon**.*
- with newspapers
The Times**, **The Guardian**, **The Independent
- with national groups
***The English** are a mixed race.*

3.2 The indefinite article: a/an

Use the indefinite article *a/an*:

- with (singular) jobs, etc.
*She's **an architect**.*
*Is your sister **a football fan**, too?*
- with singular countable nouns (mentioned for the first time or when it doesn't matter which one)
*I'd like **a sandwich** and **a glass of orange juice**.*
*What you need is **a rest**.*
- with these numbers: 100, 1,000, 1,000,000
*There were over **a hundred** people at the wedding.*
*He made **a million** dollars in one year.*
- in exclamations about singular countable nouns
*What **an amazing view**!*

3.3 The zero article

- We use no article (the zero article) when talking about:
 - uncountable, plural and abstract nouns used in their general sense
*We had awful **weather** on holiday.*
***Happiness** isn't the only thing in life.*
 - continents and countries
*They are going to visit **Africa**.*
*Have you been to **Nepal**?*
 - mountains and lakes
*They are going to climb **Mount Everest**.*
*Is **Lake Titicaca** in Peru?*
 - villages, towns and cities
***San Marco** is a pleasant little fishing village.*
***Saffron Walden** is a small market town near Cambridge.*
***Auckland** is the biggest city in New Zealand.*
 - streets, roads, etc.
*In London, there are some good shops on **Oxford Street**.*
 - magazines
*Do you read **Time** magazine?*
 - illnesses
*I've got **flu** and Sue's got **indigestion**.*
***Watch Out!** I've got **a headache** and I think I'm getting **a cold**.*

- Also use no article in the following expressions:
 - to/at/from school/university/college
 - at home
 - go home
 - in/to class
 - to/in/into/from church
 - to/in/into/out of prison/hospital/bed
 - to/at/from work
 - for/at/to breakfast/lunch/dinner
 - by car/bus/bicycle/plane/train/tube/boat
 - on foot
 - by accident/chance

4 Comparison

4.1 Types of comparison

There are three types of comparison:

- to a higher degree (comparative form + *than*)
*Mountain climbing is **more dangerous than** windsurfing.*
*The Andes mountains are **higher than** the Alps.*
- to the same degree (as ... as)
*Hiring a car would cost just **as much as** getting a taxi.*
*I don't enjoy swimming **as much as** I used to.*
- to a lower degree (with *less + than* and *the least*)
*I am **less keen** on taking risks **than** I used to be.*
*Antarctica is **the least** densely populated continent.*

4.2 Comparative and superlative forms of adjectives

- One-syllable adjectives
Add *-er* and *-est* to form the comparative and superlative of one-syllable adjectives.
*Which is the **highest** mountain in the world?*
For one-syllable adjectives ending in a vowel + a consonant, double the consonant, e.g. *hot – hotter – hottest*.
For one-syllable adjectives ending in *-e*, add *-r* and *-st*, e.g. *fine – finer – finest*.
- Two-syllable adjectives ending in *-y* and *-ow*
For two-syllable adjectives ending in *-y* after a consonant, drop the *-y* and add *-ier* and *-iest*.
*Childhood is the **happiest** time of your life.*
For two-syllable adjectives ending in *-ow*, add *-er* and *-est*.
*The road became **narrower** as we went along.*
For other two-syllable adjectives see 4.3 below.

4.3 more and most + adjective

Use *more* and *most* with:

- two-syllable adjectives (except for those listed in 4.2)
*Walking at high altitudes is **more tiring** than at sea level.*
*It was the **most boring** magazine I'd ever read.*
- adjectives with three or more syllables
*This exam was **more difficult** than the last one.*
*This is the **most interesting** book I've read.*

4.4 Irregular comparative and superlative adjectives

These are the most common irregular forms:

good – better – best

bad – worse – worst

little – less – least

much – more – most

far – further/farther – furthest/farthest

Jim is a **better** player than I am, but John is **the best**.

It's the **worst** game I've ever seen. It's even **worse** than their last one.

You live **further** from the station than I do, but Pedro lives **the furthest** away.

4.5 Comparing adverbs

- Most adverbs of manner have two or more syllables.

Therefore they form their comparatives and superlatives with **more** and **most**.

If you speak **more clearly**, everyone will be able to hear you.

Sami works **the most quickly**.

- Adverbs with the same form as adjectives form their comparatives with **-er** and **-est**.

I can run **fast**, but Toni can run even **faster**.

We were **the earliest** people to get to the party.

He'll need to work much **harder** if he's going to pass the exam.

It'll take much **longer** if we walk – let's get the bus.

Who's **the quickest** at mental arithmetic?

We'll get there **sooner** if we walk.

4.6 Irregular comparative adverbs

- badly* and *well* use the same comparative and superlative forms as *bad* and *good*.

I did **worse** in Maths than I'd expected, but **better** in English.

- Other irregular forms include: *late* – *later* – *latest*, *much* – *more* – *most*, *little* – *less* – *least*

Tom arrived **later** than Peter, but Mary arrived **last**.

I don't go to the cinema **much**, but I go **more** than I used to.

She likes Howard **less** than Dean, but she likes Sylvester **least** of all.

4.7 Modifying comparisons

We can use the following words to modify comparatives:

far / much / a lot cheaper/less expensive

very much bigger/better

rather harder

a bit / slightly / a little faster

no worse than

not any quicker

just as good as

almost / not quite as expensive as

not nearly as cheap

Watch Out! You cannot use *very* with comparatives.

5 Conditionals

5.1 Conditional linking words and punctuation

Common conditional conjunctions are: *if*, *as/so long as*, *unless*, *even if*, *providing*, *provided (that)*, *on condition that*, *no matter how/who/what/where/when*

When the clause with the conditional linking word (*if*, *unless*, etc.) is at the beginning of the sentence, there is a comma.

When the main clause begins the sentence, there is no comma.

If you give me your number, I'll phone you tomorrow.

As long as you take your mobile, I can phone you any time.

I won't go **unless you come with me**. (= if you don't come with me)

We're going on the walk **even if it rains**.

I'll help you **on condition that you don't tell**.

No matter how many times you ask me to, I won't do it.

Note: *in case* is used to describe things we do as precautions against what might happen.

I'll take the mobile **in case** I need to phone you.

5.2 General truths

FORM: *If* + present simple + present simple in the main clause

USE: to describe a general truth

If there is life on other planets, we **are not** alone.

Unless lions are frightened or hungry, they're **not** very dangerous.

5.3 Possibility/likelihood in the present or future

FORM: *If*, etc. + present simple/present continuous/present perfect + present continuous, future or imperative in the main clause

USE: to describe what is possible or likely in the present or future

You **won't get** an interview **unless you've filled in** an application form.

Ask Tom to buy the land no matter how much it costs.

If you're watching TV, you **will see** him presenting the news.

5.4 Unlikely or contrary to present fact

FORM: *If* + past simple/continuous + *would/could* etc. + past participle in the main clause

USE:

- To talk about something:

- that is contrary to the present facts, or seen as very unlikely to happen

If I was/were twenty years younger, I'd **emigrate**.

If I was/were Prime Minister, I'd **make** health care free.

- which is very unlikely to happen in the future

No matter how safe it was, I **wouldn't want** to travel in space.

I **wouldn't apply** for that job **unless I thought** I had a good chance of getting it.

- To give advice.

I'd **write** it out again **if I were** you.

5.5 contrary to fact in the past

FORM: *if* + past perfect + *would/could* etc. have + past participle in the main clause

USE: to describe something in the past that could have happened but didn't, or that shouldn't have happened but did

I wouldn't have told her that if I'd known she'd tell everyone else.

She could have got there on time if she'd not missed the bus.

5.6 Modal verbs in conditional sentences

Modal verbs *can*, *could*, *might*, etc. can be used in all types of conditional sentences.

I might send him an email if I can find his address.

If she had someone to look after the children, she could go out to work.

If they had told us about the danger, we might never have gone there.

5.7 Mixed conditionals

It is possible to have sentences that mix conditionals:

- an *if* clause referring to the past with a main clause referring to the present or future

If I had invested in that company ten years ago, I would be rich now.

If we hadn't been given all that homework, we could go swimming.

- an *if* clause referring to the present or future with a main clause referring to the past

If you don't like sweet things, you shouldn't have ordered that dessert.

If you've got an exam tomorrow, you ought to have started revising by now.

5.8 Polite expressions

- would* can be used after *if* in polite expressions.

If you wouldn't mind waiting here, I'll find someone to look after you.

- If* + *should* is common in formal letters.

If you should require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

For even greater formality, *if* can be omitted, and *should* can begin the sentence.

Should you wish to contact me, I can be reached at the above address.

6 Countable and uncountable nouns

6.1 Uncountable nouns

These have no plural. The following are common nouns that are usually uncountable:

accommodation, advice, behaviour, bread, copper (and all other metals), *meat, sugar, English*, (and all other

languages), *furniture, health, information, knowledge, luggage, maths* (and other school subjects), *news, progress, research, rice* (and all other grains and cereals), *salt*, (and all other condiments, e.g. pepper), *scenery, spaghetti, traffic, transport, travel, trouble, water* (and all other liquids), *weather, work*.

Note: Use *a slice*, *a lump* and *a piece* with uncountable nouns for food.

Just one lump of sugar, please.

I'll just have a small slice of cake.

Would you like another piece of toast?

6.2 Nouns which can be countable or uncountable

- Nouns we can think of as a single thing or substance, e.g. *chicken, chocolate, egg, hair, iron, paper, stone*
There are only **two chocolates** left in the box.

You've got chocolate on your T-shirt.

We'll have to buy a new iron.

Green vegetables are rich in iron.

Have you read today's paper?

I need to go and buy some paper for the printer.

There's a hair in my soup.

She's got short dark hair.

The house is built of stone. (= rock)

The necklace is made of semi-precious stones. (= gems)

- Nouns which are used to refer to particular varieties, e.g. *wine, country*

Would you like some wine? This is a very good wine.

I'd like to have a house in the country. He's worked in five different countries.

- Words for some drinks, e.g. *coffee, beer*. The countable noun means a glass of, a cup of, a bottle of, etc.

Coffee is produced in Africa and South America.

Shall we have a coffee and a piece of cake?

- time, space, room*

There's no time to talk – we have to rush!

I didn't have a very good time at the party.

There's no space left. You'll have to get another bag.

Fill in the spaces with the correct preposition.

There's room for seven people in this car.

This is my favourite room in the whole house.

6.3 Uncountable nouns ending in -s

Some nouns ending in *-s* are uncountable and followed by a singular verb, e.g. *maths, physics, genetics, aerobics, athletics, news*.

The news is bad, I'm afraid.

6.4 Nouns ending in -s that are always plural

Some nouns are always plural and are followed by a plural verb, e.g. *clothes, glasses, jeans, trousers; pliers, scissors*.

These trousers don't fit me.

To refer to a single item, use *a pair of*.

I need a new pair of glasses.

6.5 Irregular plural forms

Some nouns have the same form in the singular and plural, e.g. *aircraft, crossroads, series, sheep, species*.

There are many different **species** of dogs. This **species** is very rare.

6.6 Collective nouns

Some nouns can be used with a singular verb if we see them as a single unit, or a plural verb if we are referring to members of the group, e.g. *the army, the family, the government, the media, the press*.

My family is very big. All **my family** are coming to the wedding.

These nouns only take a plural verb: *cattle, the people, the police*

6.7 Determiners used with countable and uncountable nouns

- 1 *lots/a lot of* + plural countable and uncountable nouns (informal)

I've got **lots/a lot of** homework, so I can't go out.

I've got **lots/a lot of** brothers and sisters.

- 2 *much* + uncountable nouns

We don't have **much** homework.

How much money do you need?

- 3 *many* + plural countable nouns

How many bags have you got?

There are **many** interesting places in the world.

- 4 *little, a little, a bit of* + uncountable nouns

- a) *little, a bit of* means at least some

Just **a little** rice, please – not too much.

I've got **a bit of** money, but not enough to get a taxi.

- b) *little* without *a* means almost none. This can be emphasised with *very*.

The government has done **very little** to improve the situation.

- 5 *few, a few* + plural countable nouns (= some but not many)

- a) Before *few* you can use:

- the indefinite article *a*

There were quite **a few** people in the room.

There were only **a few** people staying at the hotel.

- *the last, the first, the next, every*

Over **the next few weeks**, we have a lot to get ready.

For **the first few minutes**, you may feel a bit nervous.

I phone her **every few days**.

- b) When *few* is used without *a*, it means almost no. This can be emphasised with *very*.

(Very) **few** people know the secret.

- 6 *some* + uncountable nouns and plural nouns (= between a little and a lot)

There's **some** useful **information** on that website.

There are **some** good **scenes** in that film.

Note: If *some* is stressed in speaking, it often means not many.

I suppose he's written **some** good books.

- 7 *hardly any* + uncountable nouns and plural countable nouns

There were **hardly any** customers in the shop.

- 8 *no, not any* + uncountable nouns and plural countable nouns

There was **no** milk left./There **wasn't any** milk left.

There were **no** students on the bus./There **weren't any** students on the bus.

7 Emphasis with *what*

This structure is a relative clause introduced by a *wh-* word. We use it to put emphasis on key information in a sentence. It is more common in spoken English, but is also used in writing.

Many people do not realise that these accidents can be avoided.

What many people do not realise IS that these accidents can be avoided.

The authorities are collecting as much information as possible.

What the authorities are doing IS collecting as much information as possible.

You should learn to say no.

What you should learn to do IS say no.

8 Gerunds and infinitives

8.1 The gerund form -ing

The gerund form -ing is used:

- after some main verbs (see 8.2)
- after an adjective, verb or noun followed by a preposition

She's really good at **swimming**.

He apologised for **arriving** late.

I quite like the thought of **working** in a travel agency.

- in some fixed expressions

I **can't bear listening** to people who complain.

I **can't help feeling** that he's cheating us.

That book is not **worth reading**.

8.2 Common verbs followed by the gerund form -ing

admit, appreciate, consider, delay, deny, detest, dislike, enjoy, escape, face, feel like, finish, forgive, give up, imagine, involve, mention, mind, miss, postpone, practise, prefer, put off, recommend, resent, risk, suggest, understand

I **don't recommend** going to that restaurant.

8.3 The infinitive with *to*

The infinitive with *to* is used:

- after some main verbs (see 8.4 and 8.5)
- after some adjectives

I was **happy to see** her.

They were **wrong to refuse**.

- after some nouns

She never regretted her **decision to be** a teacher.

It's **time to leave**.

He has no **wish to become** involved in the matter.

- to express purpose

I went to London **to see** my aunt.

8.4 Common verbs followed by the infinitive with to

afford, agree, appear, arrange, ask, attempt, bear, begin, care, choose, consent, decide, determine, expect, fail, forget, happen, hate, help, hesitate, hope, intend, learn, like, love, manage, mean, offer, prefer, prepare, pretend, promise, propose, refuse, remember, seem, start, swear, try, want, wish

I can't **afford to eat** in that restaurant.

8.5 Common verbs followed by object + infinitive with to

advise, allow, ask, cause, command, encourage, expect, forbid, force, get, hate, help, instruct, intend, invite, leave, like, mean, need, oblige, order, permit, persuade, prefer, press, recommend, remind, request, teach, tell, tempt, trouble, want, warn, wish

He **asked me to help** him.

Her parents **forbade her to see** Tom again.

8.6 The infinitive without to

The infinitive without to is used:

- after some main verbs (see 8.7)
- after modal verbs
You **must leave** now.
- after would rather/had better
You'd **better come** in now.

8.7 Common verbs followed by an object + infinitive without to

let, make, hear, help, see

He **made me repeat** the exercise.

Her parents **won't let her stay** out late.

I **heard her play** in Milan.

Watch Out! In passive sentences *make, hear, help* are followed by an infinitive with to.

He **was made to report** to the police.

Let cannot be used in the passive form. Instead, *allowed* must be used.

My parents **let me stay out** late.

I **am allowed to stay out** late by my parents.

8.8 Verbs followed by a gerund or to-infinitive with a difference in meaning

- 1 can't bear/stand, hate, like, love, prefer

When these verbs are used with the infinitive, they refer to more specific situations. When they are used with the gerund, they refer to more general situations. The difference in meaning is very slight.

I **prefer to work** on a computer than to write by hand.

I **can't bear** listening to her complaining all the time.

- 2 remember, forget, regret, stop, try

• *remember/forget* + -ing refers to an action that happened before the moment of remembering/forgetting; + infinitive refers to an action after the moment of remembering/forgetting

I **remember seeing** you somewhere before. (= that I have seen you)

Did you **remember to lock** the door?

She had completely **forgotten telling** him about her brother.

I **forgot to give** Sally the book.

- *regret* + -ing means be sorry about an action in the past; + infinitive means be sorry about a present action

I **regret going** to the party last night.

I **regret to have to tell** you that your car has been stolen. (formal)

- *stop* + -ing means stop something you do; + infinitive with to means stop in order to do something
I **stopped drinking** coffee because it kept me awake at night.
We **stopped to have** a coffee on the way home.
- *try* + -ing means do an experiment – doing the action may not be successful; + infinitive means make an effort – the action may be difficult or impossible to do
Try **studying** at a different time of day – it might suit you better.

Try **to study** at regular times.

9 Habit

9.1 Past habit: used to

FORM:

Positive statements

used to + infinitive

Negative statements

didn't/didn't + *use to* + infinitive

Questions

Did you/she/they, etc. *use to* + infinitive

USE:

We use *used to* to talk about past habits and states that do not occur now or no longer exist.

We **used to be** driven to school, but now we walk.

What **did people use to do** before electricity was invented?

Ken **used to be shy**, but he's more confident since he met Cindy.

Watch Out!

- 1 *used to* is not used to say how often things happened or how long they took.

- 2 Be careful not to confuse *used to* with *be/get used to* + noun/gerund. This means *be/become accustomed to something* because you have been doing it for a while.

I'm **used to making** my own meals.

I can't **get used to** the cold winters.

Do you think we'll ever **get used to** eating dinner at six o'clock?

9.2 Past habit: would

Would is also used to talk about past habits and repeated actions but **not** about past states.

When I was little, I **would/used to play** with my brother's model cars.

NOT: We ~~would~~ live in a small village.

9.3 Past habit: past simple

This can also be used to describe past habits and states.
When I **was** a child, I **walked** to school every day.

9.4 Present habit: present simple or continuous

To talk about present habits we can use:

- present simple, often with a frequency adverb
I **generally park** outside the library.
- present continuous + always
He's **always going** abroad on conferences.
This often suggests an annoying habit.
My sister **is always borrowing** my clothes.

10 have/get something done

FORM: have + object + past participle (the most common form)

get + object + past participle (also possible when people are speaking informally)

USE: to say that someone else did something for you because you wanted them to

He **had his hair cut** specially for the interview.

He's got such big feet he **has to have** his shoes specially made.

Where can I **get these papers photocopied**?

He decided to **get the photograph enlarged**.

We also use *have something done* to say that someone else did something to you even though you didn't want them to.

He **had to have a kidney removed**.

She said she'd **had her necklace stolen**.

11 Hypothetical meaning

11.1 wish

- 1 We use *wish* + past simple to express a wish that has not come true in the present or to talk about wishes that might come true in the future. We use this structure when we want our own situation (or the situation of the person who is doing the wishing) to be different.

I **wish** Eleanor **liked** me.

Don't you wish you **had** a big car?

I **wish** she **was/were** going out with me.

We all wish the weather **wasn't/weren't** so bad.

- 2 We use *wish* + *would* and *could* to refer to general wishes for the future.

I **wish** the sun **would shine**.

I **wish** I **could be** in the basketball team.

- 3 *wish* + *would* is used to talk about wishes we have for other people.

I **wish** my sister **would stop** smoking.

I **wish** he **wouldn't** chew gum all the time.

Watch Out! This form is not often used with *I* or *we*.

To talk about wishes we have for ourselves we use *could*.

I **wish** I **could** have a holiday.

- 4 We use *wish* + past perfect to refer to things we are sorry about in the past.

I **wish I had been invited** to the party.

She **wishes she hadn't told** him about Carlo.

11.2 If only

If only is used with the same verb forms as *wish*, and is used when your feelings are stronger. It is often used with an exclamation mark (!). It is often used with *would/wouldn't* to criticise someone else's behaviour.

If only I could find the answer!

If only they would stop talking!

If only I had never met him!

11.3 It's time

It's time is used with the past simple to talk about the present or future. We mean that the action should have been done before. For emphasis, we can also say *It's about time* and *It's high time*.

It's (about) time you started revising for the exam.

It's (high) time we set off. The train leaves in half an hour.

11.4 would rather

- 1 We use *would rather* + past simple to say what we want someone or something else to do in the present or future.

I'd rather you didn't tell anyone about all this.

Would you rather I asked someone else?

I'd rather we didn't discuss that, if you don't mind.

- 2 We use *would rather* + past perfect to say what we wanted to happen in the past.

I'd rather you hadn't told her that.

I'd rather you had asked me first.

Note: *would rather* + infinitive without *to* is used to talk about our or other people's preferences in the present or future.

I'd rather go to the concert than to the opera.

They'd rather go on foot.

11.5 suppose/what if?

Suppose means *What if ...?* It is used with:

- 1 the present simple to describe something that may possibly happen or may have happened.

Suppose someone **sees** her with us.

Suppose someone **hears** you coming in.

- 2 the past simple to talk about something that is just imagination or which is unlikely to happen in the future.

Suppose Eleanor **knew** you loved her. What would you do?

Suppose you **won** the prize. How would you feel?

- 3 the past perfect to talk about something that could have happened in the past but didn't.

Suppose we **hadn't told** her. Do you think she would have found out?

Suppose you **had married** Carlos. Would you have been happy together?

11.6 as if/as though

As if and as though can be followed by a present tense to talk about something that is likely to be true. When followed by the past tense, the implication is that the situation is unlikely.

You look **as if you are** hungry. (likely)
He talks **as if he knew** all about it. (unlikely)

12 Indirect speech, reporting verbs

12.1 Indirect speech

This is when we report something that has been said or written.

- 1 If the report is after the time the thing was said or written, the verb form generally changes as follows:

Direct speech	Reported speech
Present simple/continuous	→ Past simple/continuous

'I like your shoes, Kate,' said Jack.

Jack **said** he **liked** Kate's shoes.

Past simple/continuous	→ Past simple/continuous or past perfect simple/continuous
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'I saw them advertised on TV,' said Kate.

Kate **said** she **saw/had seen** them advertised on TV.

Present perfect simple/continuous	→ Past perfect simple/continuous
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'I've bought a hat,' Helen told me.

Helen **told** me (that) she **had bought** a hat.

will	→ would
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'I'll take you there if you want,' she said.

She **said** she **would** take me there if I wanted.

must (obligation)	→ had to
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'You **must** buy a ticket,' he said.

He **said** that we **had to** buy a ticket.

can	→ could
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'I **can** speak Spanish well,' said Mel.

Mel **said** he **could** speak Spanish well.

- 2 The verb form does not need to change when:

- the situation being reported is unchanged
'Bananas **are** good for energy,' said the doctor.
The doctor **told** us that bananas **are** good for energy.
'The castle **is** 800 years old,' said the guide.
The guide **told** us that the castle **is** 800 years old.
- the thing reported contains the modals *would*, *could*, *might*, *ought to* and *should* or *must* for logical deduction
'I **ought to** buy a new car,' she said.
She **said** she **ought to** buy a new car.
'I think he **must** be coming,' she said.
She **said** she thought he **must** be coming.
- the thing being reported contains the past perfect
'He **had** already **been given** a prize,' she said.
She **said** he **had** already **been given** a prize.

- 3 Other changes that occur in reported speech are:

Direct speech	Reported speech
tomorrow	the next day, the day after, the following day
yesterday	the day before, the previous day
last week	the week before
here	there
this morning	that morning
today	that day
next Friday	the following Friday
ago	before

12.2 Reported statements

FORM: verb (+ that) + clause

'He works in television,' she said.

She **said** (that) he **worked** in television.

'I took the money,' she admitted.

She **admitted** (that) she **had taken** the money.

12.3 Reported questions

- 1 Reported Yes/No questions

FORM: When there is no question word in the direct speech question, we use *if/whether*. Word order is the same as in the statement. The verb tense and other changes are the same as for other types of reported speech.

'Could I borrow your bike?' she asked.

She **asked** **if/whether** she **could** borrow my bike.

- 2 Reported *wh-* questions

FORM: The *wh-* word is followed by statement word order (subject followed by verb). All tense and other changes are the same as for other types of reported speech.

'Why did you leave that job?' she asked him.

She **asked** him **why** he **had left** that job.

'Where is the swimming pool?' he asked her.

He **asked** her **where** the **swimming pool** was.

12.4 Reported orders

FORM: verb + object + infinitive with to

'Please open your suitcase,' said the customs official.

The customs official **told/ordered** me to open my suitcase.

12.5 Reported recommendations

FORM: recommend + (that) + clause; recommend + -ing

'I'd buy the red coat,' my friend said.

My friend **recommended** **buying** (that) I **buy** the red coat.

12.6 Reported suggestions

FORM: suggest + -ing

suggest + that + past simple

suggest + that + (should) + infinitive without to

'Let's pay half each,' she said.

She **suggested** **paying** half each.

She **suggested** we **paid** half each.

She **suggested** that we **should** pay half each.

Watch Out! We can't say: She suggested ~~to pay~~

~~suggested us to pay~~ half each.

12.7 Reporting verbs

- Verb + infinitive with to
agree, decide, offer, promise, refuse, threaten
We **agreed to go** to the meeting.
- Verb + object + infinitive with to
advise, beg, encourage, invite, order, persuade, remind, tell, warn
She **asked me to tell** the truth.
- Verb (+ that) + clause
accept, admit, claim, explain, promise, recommend, say, suggest
She **says (that) we should be repaid the money**.
- Verb + object (+ that) + clause
promise, remind, tell, warn
He **told us (that) he would be on time**.
- Verb + gerund -ing
admit, deny, recommend, suggest
He **admitted taking** the money.
- Verb + preposition + gerund -ing
apologise for, insist on
She **apologised for being** late.
- Verb + object + preposition + gerund
accuse (of), blame (for), congratulate (on), discourage (from), forgive (for)
She **discouraged me from going in** for the competition.
- Verb + wh- word + infinitive
describe, explain, know, wonder
She **explained what to do**.
- Verb + object + wh- word + infinitive
ask, remind, tell
They **told us who to see**.

13 it is, there is

- We use *There is/There are* to begin a sentence describing whether or not something exists. It is often followed by an indefinite noun.
There is a little house at the foot of the hill.
There are some trees growing along the side of the road.
There's no point in worrying about it.
- We use *It is/was*, etc. to begin a sentence giving information about time, weather and distance.
It is a bright, sunny day.
It was half past six in the morning.
It's just over 10 km to the nearest town.
- We use *It is* as the subject of a sentence to refer forwards to a later clause with *that*, an infinitive or an -ing form.
It is a pity that no one can help.
It's good to see you again.
It's no use crying over spilt milk.

14 Modal verbs and expressions with similar meanings

14.1 Ability

- We use *can/could* to express general ability and typical behaviour of people or things.
Temperatures **can rise** to over 30°C in the summer.
Employers **can be** unwilling to employ people over 50.
My father **could be** very generous. (past)
- We use *can/be able to* for present and future ability.
I **can** use a word processor but I **can't** type very well.
Will your parents **be able to** help you?
I like **being able to** cook my own meals.
- We use *can* for the future where there is a sense of opportunity.
I **can come** tomorrow if you like.
You **can practise** your French when you go to Paris.
- We use *could/couldn't* to talk about general past ability.
I **could swim** before I **could** walk.
Andrew's father **couldn't get** a job.
- We use *was/wasn't able to* to talk about past ability in a specific situation.
Fortunately, he **was able to** swim to the shore.
- We use *could/couldn't* + perfect infinitive to talk about unfulfilled ability in the past.
I **could have gone** to university, but I decided not to.
I **couldn't have been** a ballet dancer. I was too tall.
- Other expressions for ability:
Do you **know how to** type?
He **succeeded in becoming** a professional footballer at 18.
We **managed to** find our way home. (suggests difficulty)

14.2 Possibility

- We use *can* or *could* for theoretical possibility.
Can there be life on Mars?
Can that be Peter over there?
The weather **could be** better tomorrow. (it's possible)
- We use *may, might, could* + infinitive to talk about likelihood in the present or future.
He **may be** in a meeting. (quite likely to be true)
She **might/could be** here already. (less likely)
- We use *could/may/might* + *have* + past participle (perfect infinitive) to talk about the possibility that past events happened.
His face was familiar. We **may have met** somewhere before.
He's not in the office. He **might have finished** work early.
She **could have been** at the party, but I didn't see her.

14.3 Certainty (deduction)

- We use *must* to say that we are sure about something in the present or past.
You **must be** pleased with your exam results. (present)
He **must have touched up** the photograph. (past)

- 2 We use *can't* or *couldn't*, not *mustn't*, in negative sentences.
*That **can't** be Nicole Kidman. She's not young enough.* (present)
*They **can't** have got lost. They know the area really well.* (past)
*It **couldn't** have been Tom that I saw.* (past)

14.4 Strong obligation and necessity

- 1 We use *must/mustn't* to talk about present and future obligations/prohibitions imposed by the speaker, often on him/herself.
*Payment **must** be made in cash.*
*I **must** get some new shoes.*
*You **must** read that book – it's excellent!* (= recommendation)
***Must** I really go now?*
*You **mustn't** park here.* (= prohibition)
*You **mustn't** eat so much.* (= strong advice)
- 2 We use *have to/have got to* to talk about present and future obligations that are imposed by someone other than the speaker.
Note: *have got to* is more common in British than American English.
*I **have (got) to** take my holiday in February.*
*Do we **have to** pay to go in?*
- 3 We use *had to* to talk about past and reported obligations of all kinds.
*They told us we **had to** leave our bags in the cloakroom.*
*We **had to** stand up when the teacher came in.*
*I knew I **had to** make a decision.*
- 4 We can also use *need to* to talk about obligation and necessity.
*Do we **need to** type our work?*

14.5 Obligation and advice: should and ought to, be supposed to

- 1 We use *ought to* and *should* to talk about obligations and duties in the future, present and past, or to give advice.
*You **ought to/should** speak English in class.*
***Shouldn't** we tell someone about the accident?*
***Oughtn't** we to have invited Mandy?*
- 2 We can use *be supposed to* when saying what someone should or should not do according to rules or regulations.
*You're **not supposed to** park here.*
- 3 *Should + have + past participle* is often used to criticise your own or other people's behaviour.
*I **should have** told you before.*
*You **shouldn't have** promised that.*
- 4 Other phrases for advice:
*It is **advisable/wise** to keep documents in a safe place.*
*You **should** remember that ...*
*Travellers **are reminded** that banks close on Saturdays.*
*Guests **are recommended** to keep documents in a safe place.*

14.6 Lack of obligation or necessity

- 1 We use *needn't*, *don't need to*, *don't have to* to talk about a lack of obligation in the present or future.
*You **don't need to/needn't** meet me at the station.*
*We **don't have to** wait. We can go straight in.*
- 2 We use *needn't + have + past participle* to say that somebody did something, but that it was unnecessary.
*You **needn't have** gone to all that trouble.*
- 3 We use *didn't need to + infinitive* to say that something wasn't necessary without saying whether the person did it or not.
*You **didn't need to** bring any extra money.*

14.7 Asking for and giving permission

- 1 We use *can* to ask for and give permission.
***Can I** borrow your calculator for a few minutes?*
*Yes, you **can** stay up and watch the late night film.*
*You **can't** wait here. It's private.* (= not allowed to)
- 2 We use *could* to ask for permission when we are not sure what the answer will be.
*A: **Could I** open the window?*
*B: Yes, of course you **can**.*
Watch Out! *could* is not used for giving permission.
- 3 We use *may* to ask for or give permission in formal situations.
***May I** take that chair? You **may** use pen or pencil.*

15 Modifiers and intensifiers

USE: We can use adverbs to make adjectives, other adverbs and verbs stronger or weaker.

- 1 We can use these adverbs before gradable adjectives (i.e. adjectives that can be used in the comparative) and adverbs:
- very, extremely, really, particularly, terribly (emphatic)
 - quite, pretty, fairly, rather (weaker than very)
 - a bit
- I felt **terribly** upset when I heard the news.*
*He drives **rather** fast.*
*I thought the story was **a bit** silly.*
Watch Out! *quite* has two meanings.
*The picture was **quite** good.* (= good but not very good)
*Her cooking was **quite** wonderful.* (= very, very good)
- 2 Extreme or absolute (non-gradable) adjectives include: *amazing, boiling, disastrous, fantastic, freezing, impossible, marvellous, superb, wonderful*. We can use the following adverbs with extreme adjectives: *absolutely, really, utterly*.
*The special effects were **utterly** amazing.*
- 3 We can use these adverbs to emphasise adjectives and verbs: *just, completely, totally* (= in every way).
*I **completely/totally** forgot about your birthday.*
*It's **completely** impossible to finish in time.*
*You look **just** fantastic.*

16 Participle clauses

USE: We can use a participle clause to make our writing more economical.

16.1 -ing participle clauses

An -ing participle clause has an active meaning. It can replace relative clauses which have an active verb.
*This is the road **leading** to the school. (which leads ...)*
*There was a huge lamp **hanging** from the ceiling. (which hung ...)*

16.2 -ed participle clause

An -ed participle clause has a passive meaning. It can replace relative clauses which have a passive verb.
*The cathedral, **built** in the Middle Ages and recently **restored**, is well worth a visit. (which was built ... which has recently been restored)*

17 Passives

FORM: appropriate tense of be + past participle

Present simple:	<i>Most phone calls are made on mobile phones.</i>
Present continuous:	<i>Calls are being made every day.</i>
Past simple:	<i>The first email was sent in the 20th century.</i>
Past continuous:	<i>I thought I was being asked to help.</i>
Present perfect:	<i>Millions of text messages have been sent.</i>
Past perfect:	<i>Once personal computers had been invented, they spread quickly.</i>
Future will:	<i>She'll be given her own room.</i>
Future perfect:	<i>The arrangements will have been made by the end of the week.</i>
going to:	<i>The event is going to be organised by the manager.</i>
Modals:	<i>The machine must have been left switched on. Messages may not be delivered immediately.</i>
Gerund (-ing form):	<i>Our dog doesn't like being left on his own.</i>
Present infinitive:	<i>They hope to be chosen to take part.</i>
Perfect infinitive:	<i>I was happy to have been selected for the team.</i>

Notes:

- Verbs that do not take an object (e.g. *ache*, *arrive*, *sit down*) do not have passive forms. It is not possible to say: *I was ached.*
- For verbs with two objects, one of them a person, the passive sentence usually begins with the person.
*Someone gave Mary a present.
Mary was given a present.
 NOT: ~~A present was given to Mary.~~*

- The verbs *make*, *hear*, *see*, *help* are followed by the infinitive with *to* in active sentences, but the infinitive without *to* in passive sentences.
*They **made** him **go** home. > He **was made to go** home.*

- Let* does not have a passive form. We use *be allowed to* in the passive.
*They don't **let** us talk in class. We **are not allowed to** talk in class.*

USE: the passive is used:

- to talk about actions, events and processes when the action, event or process is seen as more important than the agent. This is often the case in formal or scientific writing.
*The equipment **was checked** carefully.
 Rats **have been trained** to open boxes.*
- to put new information later in the sentence
*Hamlet **was written** by Shakespeare.*

17.1 by + agent

When we are interested in the agent, we use the preposition *by*.

*He was saved **by** his mobile phone.
 The team were guided **by** a local climber.*

17.2 Impersonal passive structures

We often use reporting verbs such as *believe*, *claim*, *report*, *say*, *think* in the following passive structures when we don't know or don't wish to specify the subject.

- It + be + verb + *that*
*It **is thought that** the criminal is a local man. (present)
 It **was claimed that** the minister had been involved. (past)*
- Subject + be + reporting verb + infinitive
*The criminal **is thought to be** a local man. (present)
 The minister **was claimed to have been involved**. (past)*

18 Relative clauses and pronouns

18.1 Relative pronouns

The most common relative pronouns are:

- who** (subject), **whom** (object): to refer to people
- which**: to refer to things
- that**: to refer to either people or things
- whose**: the possessive of *who* and *which*
- when**: used after nouns referring to time
- where**: used after nouns referring to place
- why**: used to refer to reasons

Note: *what* is not a relative pronoun.

Watch Out! The relative pronoun replaces the subject or the object.

*People **who (they)** live in glass houses shouldn't throw stones.*

*The vase, **which** I bought (#) years ago, is very valuable.*

18.2 Defining relative clauses

In defining relative clauses:

- the relative clause defines or identifies the person, thing, time, place or reason.
*Chris is the son of a woman **who works in television**.*
*That's the man **whose son is an actor**.*
*Winter was the time **when people tended to get insufficient fresh food**.*
*I know the place **where the play is set**.*
*I can't imagine **why he would want to leave you**.*
- that can be used instead of who or which.
*The girl **that (who) lives next door** rides a motorbike.*
*The sports centre **that (which) is opening soon** will offer great new facilities.*
- the relative pronoun can be left out if it is the object of the verb in the relative clause.
*The person **(who/that)** I spoke to yesterday said it would be free.*
*Sue bought the watch **(which/that)** she'd seen.*
- no commas are used before and after the relative clause.

18.3 Non-defining relative clauses

The relative clause gives extra information which **can** be omitted. Commas are used before and after the relative clause. The pronoun **that** **cannot** be used instead of **who** or **which**.

*The museum, **where you can see Roman pottery**, is free.*
*The witness, **who refused to be named**, said the police had acted unwisely.*

18.4 Prepositions in relative clauses

Prepositions can come before the relative pronoun or at the end of the relative clause, depending on whether the sentence is formal or informal.

*The person **to whom I spoke** told me the hotel was fully booked. (formal)*

*John, **who I bought my car from**, has gone abroad. (informal)*

19 Verb tenses

19.1 Present simple

We use the present simple:

- for routine or regular repeated actions (often with adverbs of frequency like *always*, *usually*, *often*, *sometimes*, *never*, *every Saturday morning*, *twice every week*).
*We **go running every evening**.*
*She **doesn't do any work at weekends**.*
*I **never get home before eight o'clock in the evening**.*
- when we are talking about permanent situations.
*She **comes from South America**.*
*They **live in London**.*
- with scientific facts.
*Water **freezes at 0°C**.*

- with stative verbs (verbs which are not normally used in continuous forms): *be*, *have*, *depend*, *know*, *think*, *understand*, *disagree*, *like*, *want*, *hear*, *love*, *see*, *smell*, *taste*.

*They **don't have a car**.*

*Does she **understand**?*

*I'm sorry, but I **disagree completely**.*

*That perfume **smells too strong**.*

- when we are talking about the future as expressed in timetables, regulations and programmes.

*The plane **leaves at 8.45**.*

*When **do the holidays begin**?*

- in time clauses with a future meaning after *as soon as*, *if*, *until*, *when*.

*I'll see her **when/as soon as she's free**.*

*Give this to Susie **if you see her**.*

*Tom can't apply for the job **until he gets the right qualifications**.*

19.2 Present continuous

We use the present continuous when we use dynamic (action) verbs to talk about:

- actions happening now.
*I think **he's watching TV**.*
- changing/developing situations.
*My broken leg **is getting better**.*
- temporary situations.
*I **am staying** in this hotel for two weeks.*
- annoying or surprising habits with *always*.
*She's **always losing** her keys.*
*He's **always buying** her flowers.*
- plans and arrangements in the future.
***Are you going out** this evening?*

19.3 Present perfect simple

We use the present perfect simple:

- to talk about states, single or repeated actions over a long period of time up to the present (often with *ever/never*, *often/always*).
*I've **always wanted** to be an actor.*
***Have you ever been** to Australia?*
*I've **only used** my mobile phone **once** since I bought it.*
*She's **read** that book **at least ten times**.*
*That's the first time I've **ever eaten** octopus.*
*It's the worst concert I've **ever been to**.*
- to talk about recent single actions with a present result (often with *just*, *already*, *yet*).
*I've **already seen** that film and I don't want to see it again.*
***Have you finished** your essay **yet**?*
*Our friends **have just arrived**.*

Note: In American English, it is acceptable to use the past simple in sentences like these.

*I **didn't have** breakfast yet.*

*I **already saw** that film.*

- 3 to talk about an unfinished period of time up to the present (often with *for/since*, *this week/month/year*).
Tomoko has lived in England for five years.
I've been in love with Stella since 2002.
I've loved travelling all my life.
I've disliked bananas since I was a child.
We haven't had a holiday this year.

19.4 Present perfect continuous

We use the present perfect continuous:

- to talk about a recent activity when the effects of that activity can still be seen.
A: Why are you out of breath? B: I've been running.
- to emphasise how long an action has been going on for, or that it has been repeated many times.
I've been replying to emails all morning.
I've been cleaning the house all day.
- to suggest that an activity is temporary.
I've been living here for five years but I'm going to move soon.
- to suggest that an action is not complete.
I've been reading War and Peace, but I haven't finished it yet.

Watch Out! We don't use verbs that refer to a state (e.g. *be, know, love*) in the continuous form.

19.5 Past simple

We use the past simple:

- to talk about a finished event that happened at a specific time in the past.
I saw Paul last night.
I went to Brazil five years ago.
- to describe a sequence of finished events in chronological order.
I took out my key, opened the door and walked in.
- to talk about habits in the past.
Did your parents read to you when you were younger?
- to talk about states in the past.
When I was a child, I didn't enjoy watching TV at all.
The house belonged to my father from 1990 to 2000.
- in reported speech.
She said she didn't want to join us.

19.6 Past continuous

We use the past continuous:

- to describe an action in progress in the past, often to set the scene for a particular event.
I was sitting in the garden, reading a book.
- to talk about temporary situations in the past.
Rodolfo was living in South America at the time.
- to talk about an event that was in progress in the past and was interrupted.
I was going out of the house when I heard a noise.
- to talk about actions in progress at the same time in the past.
While I was painting, you were watching TV.

- 5 to talk about anticipated events that did not happen.

We were going to Greece for a holiday, but then I broke my leg.

19.7 Past perfect

We use the past perfect:

- to refer to a time earlier than another past time, when this is needed to make the order of events clear.
The bird's wings had been clipped so I didn't think it could fly.
By the time the fire engine arrived, the house had completely burned down.
Watch Out! Be careful not to overuse the past perfect. It is not necessary with *before/after*, which make the sequence of events clear. Once we have established the time sequence, we can revert to the past simple.
- in reported speech.
They said they had met before.

19.8 The future

FORMS:

shall/will + infinitive

going to + infinitive

Present continuous (see 19.2)

Present simple (see 19.1)

Future continuous (*will* + *be* + *-ing* form)

Future perfect (*will* + *have* + past participle)

- We use *will* + infinitive:
 - for predicting something based on our belief or our knowledge of characteristic behaviour
This medicine will make you feel sleepy.
You'll feel better when you've had a good night's rest.
Watch Out! We cannot use the present continuous in this case.
 - for promises, threats, offers and requests
If you tell anyone, I'll kill you!
I promise I'll pay the money back.
I'll meet you at the station if you want.
Shall I meet you at the station?
Will you do the washing-up for me?
Watch Out! We cannot use *going to* in this case.
- We use *going to* or the present continuous to talk about things that have already been decided.
She's decided she's going to lose 10 kilos.
Where are you going to have the wedding reception?
Watch Out! We cannot use *will/shall* + infinitive in this case.
- We use *going to* to talk about things that are certain to happen because there is present evidence.
I've got a terrible sense of direction – I know I'm going to get lost.
Look out – you're going to fall!
Watch Out! We cannot use *will/shall* + infinitive or the present continuous in this case.

- 4 We use *will/shall* + infinitive to talk about future actions decided at the time of speaking.
I think I'll give up smoking.
I'll wear my black dress.
- 5 We use the future continuous (*will/shall* + *be* + *-ing*) to say that an action will be in progress at a definite time in the future.
I'll be living a normal life by this time next year.
- 6 We use the future perfect (*will/shall* + *have* + past participle) to describe something that will be completed before a definite time in the future.
By the end of the month I'll have been at this school for a year.

20 Words that cause confusion

20.1 like

- 1 *like* can be a preposition, meaning *similar to* or *in the same way as*.
Do you look like your sister?
Like John, I hate cooking.
- 2 We use the question *What ... like?* when we are asking for a description of a person, place or thing.
'What's the restaurant like?' 'Oh, really good.'
- 3 *like* can mean *such as/for example*.
Let's buy him something nice like/such as a CD.
- 4 *feel like* + object/-ing is used to talk about something that we want or want to do.
I feel like (eating) some crisps.
- 5 *seem/sound/look like* + object is used to introduce an idea we may not be completely sure about.
It seems like a good idea.
- 6 *like* is not used before an adjective on its own.
They seem happy. It feels cold.

20.2 as

- 1 *as* can be a preposition, coming before the name of a job or a role, or to describe the purpose of something.
She works as a sales manager.
As your father, I can't allow you to do this.
We use the loft as a play room for the kids.
I think of her as my best friend.
- 2 *as* can be a conjunction, followed by subject + verb.
You should do as your parents say.
I'll do as we agreed earlier.
Watch Out! In colloquial English *like* is also used as a conjunction in this way, but this is regarded as incorrect by some people, and is not used in formal writing.
Like I said, he's a really nice guy. (colloquial)
I want you to do like I tell you. (colloquial)

20.3 as if/as though

As if/as though are conjunctions followed by subject + verb. They are followed by the present or present perfect tense when referring to something likely.
It looks as if it's going to be a nice day.
He looks as if he has just won a prize!

To show that something is imaginary or unlikely, they can be followed by the past tense.

He looks as if he had seen a ghost!
He behaves as if he knew more than us.
 (See also 11.6.)

Watch Out! In colloquial English *like* is often used instead of *as if/though*.

You look like you're worried. (colloquial)
It looks like we're going to win. (colloquial)

20.4 so/such/too/enough/very

- 1 *so* and *such*

FORM:

- so* + adjective/adverb/determiner (+ noun) (+ *that* clause)
The journey was so dangerous that they gave up.
He has travelled so widely that he's forgotten what home is like.
I had so little information that I couldn't make a sensible suggestion.
It was so hot! (emphatic)
- such* + (adjective) + noun (+ *that* clause)
The taxi took such a long time to come that I decided to walk instead.
He had such fun at the party that he didn't want to go home.
We had such a good time! (emphatic)
USE: *so* and *such* are used to introduce a clause of result, or for emphasis

- 2 *too*

FORM: *too* + adjective/adverb/determiner (+ noun) (+ *to* infinitive)

USE: *too* has a negative meaning – the speaker is not happy about the situation
It was too hot to sleep.
You're speaking too quickly – I can't understand.
That's too much (money). I can't afford it.

- 3 *enough*

FORM:

- adjective/adverb + *enough* (+ *to* infinitive)
He's rich enough to buy up the whole town.
You're not doing that work carefully enough.
- enough* + noun (+ *to* infinitive / + *for* + noun)
Have you got enough money to get a taxi?
USE: *enough* has a positive meaning – the speaker regards the situation as possible

- 4 *very*

FORM: *very* + adjective/adverb/determiner (+ noun)

USE: *very* is used for emphasis in either a positive or negative statement. It is sometimes used when we wish to avoid using a negative word.
It's very difficult, but I think I can do it.
He's working very hard – he's bound to pass.
Very few people agree with her.

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Checklist

Answering the question

Have you

- answered all parts of the question?
- included all the necessary information?
- written the required number of words?
- organised your ideas appropriately, using paragraphs where necessary?
- written clearly so that it is easy to read?

Accuracy

Are there any mistakes in grammar, vocabulary, spelling or punctuation?

Range

Have you used

- a variety of grammatical structures?
- a range of interesting vocabulary?
- a range of linking words?

Style

- Is your language appropriate for the type of writing? (Remember to think about **who** you are writing for.)
- Is your answer interesting for the reader, and would it have a positive effect?

Semi-formal letter/email (Part 1)

(For work on semi-formal letters and emails, see pages 28 and 140.)

Task

You recently had a short holiday in a large city which you booked through a company called Citibreaks. You were very disappointed with the holiday. Read the CitiBreak advertisement for the holiday you booked and the notes you have made. Then write a letter to CitiBreaks, explaining what the problems were and telling them what you want them to do.

Citibreaks

Enjoy a short holiday in the capital city.

We offer two nights' accommodation in a four-star hotel in a central location.

Not central – long way out!

All rooms have their own bathrooms, and a view of the river.

View not river – only car park

The price of £150 per person includes all meals as well as a ticket for a show of your choice in one of the city's leading theatres.

Dinner cost extra

No choice of show

This will be a real holiday to remember!

Refund – half cost?

Write a **letter** of between **120** and **150** words. You must use grammatically correct sentences with accurate spelling and punctuation in a style appropriate for the situation.

Model answer

Dear Sir,

I am writing to complain about a short holiday I had recently organised by your company. There were several problems with the holiday.

First, your advertisement promised a hotel in a central location, whereas in fact the hotel was a long way from the centre. You said all rooms had a river view, but my window overlooked a noisy car park. I had to pay extra for dinner, although you stated that it was included. To make matters worse, I couldn't choose which show to go to. I had hoped to go to a new musical, but I had to go to one I had already seen.

I had been looking forward to my holiday very much, but it was completely ruined. I therefore feel that you should refund half the cost of the holiday in compensation for my disappointment.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Yours faithfully,
Ursine Schmidt

Ursine Schmidt

(149 words)

DO begin by saying why you are writing. DON'T begin by saying who you are.

DO list your complaints clearly, using linking words to connect your actual complaint with the details.

When you are writing a letter or an email to someone you don't know, use a semi-formal style. If you don't know their name, a **letter** starts with *Dear Sir/Madam* and ends *Yours faithfully*. If you know their name, a **letter** usually starts with *Dear Mrs/Mr/Miss/Ms + surname*, and ends *Yours sincerely*.

If you're writing an email, you can use 'Best wishes'.

You don't need to put an address for a letter in either Part 1 or Part 2.

DO make a clear connection between your letter and the task input. DON'T repeat the exact words in the task input.

If you expect a reply to your letter, DO finish with this sentence on a separate line.

In a letter, sign and print your full name.

Useful language

Complaining

- **I am writing to you about** (several problems related to my city break in June).
- **I have been waiting for** (two weeks for a reply to my letter).
- **To make matters worse**, (we were informed that there was no record of our cheque being cashed).
- **I would be grateful if you could** (refund my deposit as soon as possible).

Requesting information

- **I am writing in response to** (your advertisement in *The Daily Standard* on July 20th).
- **I would be grateful if you could** (send me further details about the position).
- **I am writing to enquire whether** (you could let me have further details about the holiday).
- **I would like to know more about** (the arrangements for the evening meal).

Giving information/Responding to requests for information

- **In response to your query, I would like to inform you that** (I passed the FCE in June).
- **With reference to your letter of** ... (I enclose details of my qualifications).
- **You asked me to tell you about** (my travel plans and I enclose further details).

Story

(For work on stories, see pages 40 and 152.)

Task

Your teacher has asked you to write a story for the school's English language magazine. The story must begin with the following words:

I wanted to do my best, but more than that I wanted the team to win.

Write your **story**. (You should write between **120–180** words.)

Useful language

- **We had been** (talking about John) **just before** (he phoned).
- **It wasn't until** (I read the letter) **that** (I realised how dangerous the situation was).
- **While** (I was waiting for my friends, I saw someone go into the house opposite).
- **As soon as** (my friends arrived, we went to have a look).
- **I was just about to** (open the door), **when** (I heard a noise downstairs).
- **By the time** (I got back to the house, there was no one to be seen).
- **After waiting** (for a few minutes, I decided to climb in through the window).
- **A few seconds later**, (the lights went out).
- **Eventually/After a while**, (my friends arrived).
- **At last** (I knew what I had to do).

Model answer

DO use phrases to show when things happened in your story (e.g. *It was the last football game of the season. When the second half started ...*).

DON'T make mistakes with narrative tenses.

DO use direct speech because it makes the story more interesting to read.

DO try to create some suspense.

DO try to have a dramatic end.

I wanted to do my best, but more than that I wanted the team to win. It was the last football game of the season, and if we won, we would be the champions. As we ran onto the pitch, I couldn't help feeling nervous. The crowd was cheering, but the opposition looked strong. It wasn't going to be easy.

The game started. I got the ball and raced towards the goal. 'Go on!' roared the crowd, but I kicked it straight into the hands of the goalkeeper. 'Never mind,' yelled my team-mate Joe. 'Good try!' We played hard, but at half-time the score was 0–0.

When the second half started, it was raining heavily. Our chance of winning the championship was slipping away. We struggled to get the ball through the defence, but time after time they stopped us. Now there were only two minutes left. Suddenly I had the ball. I passed it to Joe, who headed it straight into the goal, just as the referee blew his whistle. The crowd went crazy. We were the champions!

DON'T write about a topic if you don't know some specific vocabulary related to it (e.g. *score, goalkeeper, goal, pitch*). DO use interesting vocabulary (e.g. *raced, roared*).

DO add extra detail to add to the atmosphere of the story.

(179 words)

Letter/email to a friend

(For work on informal letters and emails, see pages 16 and 164.)

Task

You have received a letter from your pen friend inviting you for a visit in July. Write a letter to your pen friend, accepting the invitation, suggesting something you would like to do and asking what you should bring with you.

Write your **letter**. Do not write any postal addresses. (You should write between **120–180** words.)

Useful language

Beginning the letter or email

- **Many thanks for your letter** (– it was really nice to hear from you again).
- **I thought I'd better write** (and give you some more details about ...)
- **It's been such a long time since we wrote to each other.**
- **How are you and your family?**
- **How are things with you?**
- **How was (your holiday)?**

Introducing the topic

- **I know you're longing to hear all about** (my holiday).
- **You remember I told you in my last letter** (that I was going to ...)

Ending the letter or email

- **Once again**, (thanks very much for all your help).
- **Give my love/regards to** (your family).
- **Please write/drop me a line soon.**
- **I look forward to** (meeting up again soon).

Model answer

DO invent a name.
Don't write
Dear Pen friend.

Dear Carla,

Thanks for your letter – it was great to hear from you. I'm sorry I haven't written for ages, but I've been really busy preparing for my exams. It's really good news that you've passed your driving test. Congratulations!

DO mention a letter or email you have received from the person you are writing to, or refer to a shared experience.

DO say what you've been doing recently.

DO think of some specific details to include in each paragraph – this will make your letter or email more interesting.

Thank you so much for your invitation to stay with you for a week in July – I'd love to come. I know that you have a wonderful beach near your house, and I'd really enjoy spending some time there. I expect that the weather will be hot, so I hope we can go swimming.

You said that I don't need to bring much with me. What sort of clothes should I pack? Casual or formal? Would you like me to bring anything for you? I would like to bring something special for you and your family from my country.

I'd better stop now and get on with my studying. I hope you're enjoying driving your car, and I'm looking forward to seeing you in July!

Thanks again for the invitation.

All the best,

Irene

DO mention the next time you will see the person you are writing to.

DO use an appropriate phrase to end your letter or email, e.g. Love, All the best, Best wishes. DON'T finish your letter or email with Yours sincerely/ faithfully.

(169 words)

Report

(For work on reports, see pages 78 and 114.)

Task

The school where you study English has decided to spend some money on **either** buying more computers **or** improving the library. You have been asked to write a report for the school director describing the benefits to the school of both these things, and saying which one you think should be chosen and why.

Write your **report**. (You should write between **120–180** words.)

Useful language

Introduction

- *The aim of this report is to ...*
- *This report is intended to ...*

Reporting results

- *Most people seem to feel that ...*
- *Several people said/told me/suggested/thought that ...*

Presenting a list

- *They gave/suggested the following reasons:*
 - *They made the following points:*
- 1 ...
 - 2 ...

Making recommendations

- *I would therefore recommend (that we expand the library/installing a new coffee machine).*
- *It would seem that (banning mobile phones) is the best idea.*

Model answer

DON'T begin and end your report with *Dear Sir/Madam*, like a letter.

DO use headings because this makes it easier for the reader to find the main information.

DO include two or three points under each heading.

DO use numbering or bullet points to highlight main points.

DO use formal language.

Use of money for school improvements

Introduction

The aim of this report is to compare the advantages of additional computers and of improving the library, and to suggest which of these would be best. I interviewed a number of students to find out their views.

Buying more computers

Some of the students thought that this was a good idea, saying computers were useful for:

- practising writing
- using the Internet
- playing games.

However, other students said that they preferred to use their own computers at home.

Improving the library

Most of the students preferred this suggestion, giving the following reasons:

- 1 Many students do not have a quiet place to study at home. The library would be a good place for private study, but at present there are not enough tables and chairs there.
- 2 They feel that up-to-date dictionaries and reference books are needed.
- 3 They want to be able to read modern books written for young people.

Recommendations

Both ideas have benefits, but the majority of students felt that improving the library would be more useful. I would therefore recommend this.

DO say how you collected the information.

DO use a range of specific vocabulary or set phrases e.g. *Some thought this was a good idea .../other students said they preferred ...*, but DON'T use lots of adjectives and dramatic language as you do in a story. A report gives factual information.

DON'T include irrelevant details or description.

DO express opinions impersonally. DON'T express recommendations or opinions until the conclusion.

(179 words)

Article

(For work on articles, see pages 52, 102 and 126.)

Task

You see this advertisement in a local English language newspaper.

Hey! magazine is looking for articles about celebrations around the world.

Write us an article about a celebration that is important in your country, explaining why the celebration is important and describing what people do. If your article is chosen for the magazine, you will win a weekend in a city of your choice.

Write your **article**. (You should write between **120–180** words.)

Useful language

Involving the reader

- **Are you thinking of** (getting married in the near future)?
- **I'm sure you'll agree** (it was a great idea).

Developing your points

- **Let's start with** (why it is so important to take plenty of exercise).
- **Another advantage** (of using a computer is that ...)
- **On top of that, ...**

Giving your own opinion

- **I think that/in my opinion** (traditional celebrations are very important).
- **It seems to me that** (people are much more aware of the importance of a good diet nowadays).

Model answer

DO think of an interesting title.
DON'T start and finish your article in the same way as a letter.

Olinda's carnival – something for everyone

When most people think of Carnival, they think of Rio de Janeiro. But Rio isn't the only city in Brazil that knows how to have parties. I live in Olinda, a lovely city in the north-east of Brazil. What can we say about the carnival at Olinda? Just that it's the best in the world!

DO try to involve your readers, e.g. by using a question.

Carnival has its origins in ancient Egyptian and Roman festivals. It was introduced to Brazil by the Portuguese, and was influenced by African rhythms and Indian costumes. Now it's a big national celebration.

DO use informal language to involve the reader.

Once Carnival starts, the whole town goes crazy! Everyone's singing and dancing. Parades of people wearing costumes typical of our north-eastern folklore dance through the streets. I love the giant street dolls, both the traditional ones such as 'the man of midnight' and the new ones that appear each year.

DON'T forget to express your opinion.

DO finish your article by summarising your main point and giving your opinion or expressing your feelings.

The best thing about our carnival is that no one has to pay and there are no big stars. Everyone takes part, rich and poor, old and young, residents and tourists. If you come, I promise you'll never forget it!

(179 words)

Letter of application

(For work on writing applications, see page 140.)

Task

You see this advertisement in a local English language newspaper.

We are looking for students of English to spend two mornings a week helping in the local tourist office.

Good pay and conditions for the right applicants.

Write to us, giving information about your level of English, and explaining why you would be suitable for the job.

Write your **application**. Do not write any postal addresses. (You should write between **120–180** words.)

Useful language

- *I have always been interested in* (using English in my work).
- *One of the main reasons I am applying for this job is that* (I want to work in England).
- *I have a lot of experience of* (dealing with the public).
- *I am available to start work* (at any time/from the end of the month).
- *Thank you for considering my application.*
- *I would be grateful if you would* (send me further details of the job).
- *I can be contacted* (on 0849 58 48 43) **at any time.**
- *I can be contacted* (at the above address).
- *I look forward to hearing from you soon.*

Model answer

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to apply for one of the positions helping in the local tourist office which were advertised in 'Kent Weekly' on August 23rd.

I am 19 years old and come from Switzerland. German is my mother tongue and I have been learning English and French for five years at a comprehensive school. At the moment I'm a student at English International, studying for the FCE.

I have always been interested in working with people. As I have already spent three months in England, I know the local tourist attractions quite well. I would also say that I have a good knowledge of history and old places, because I have read a lot about the subject recently. In the near future, I would like to continue studying English, and so the job in your tourist office would be a great opportunity for me to improve my speaking.

I am available for interview at any time. I can be contacted on 0795 51 32 41 after 6 p.m. every evening.

Thank you for considering my application. I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,

Gabriella Daniels

Gabriella Daniels

DO organise your application so that you mention each of the areas in the advertisement.

DON'T make mistakes with time expressions and tenses.

DO begin and end your letter as you would other formal letters.

DO say which job you are applying for and where and when you saw it advertised. You can invent a newspaper and date if you need to.

DON'T forget to mention why you think you are suitable.

DO say when and how you can be contacted.

Essay

(For work on essays, see pages 90 and 176.)

Task

You have been doing a class project on technology. Your teacher has asked you to write an essay giving your opinion on the following statement:

People in the modern world depend too much on computers.

Write your **essay**. (You should write between **120–180** words.)

Useful language

- **Some people claim that** (your teenage years are the best years of your life).
- **It is often said that** (TV is a bad influence on young people).
- **However, in my view/opinion, ...**
- **Firstly, it is clear that** (money cannot buy happiness).
- **While it is true that** (computer games are stimulating, they may not be good for you in the long term).
- **From my point of view,** (job satisfaction is more important than a large salary).
- **Finally, it is important to remember that ...**
- **On balance then, I feel that ...**
- **To sum up/In conclusion, it seems to me that ...**

Model answer

DO state the topic in your first sentence, but use your own words.

In today's world, nearly every aspect of life is affected by computer technology. Computers are used for business, public services, education and entertainment.

DON'T start by saying *I agree with this* – your essay should present your own argument.

DO use linking expressions to introduce points.

Some people are concerned by this development. They fear that vital skills are being lost as computer technology replaces traditional ways of working in a wide variety of areas, from art and design to banking and commerce. They point out the chaos that can occur when computer systems fail, leading to the breakdown of essential services such as transport, law and order.

DO include supporting detail for the points in each paragraph.

DON'T forget to express your opinion in the conclusion.

However, people could not continue to enjoy their present standard of living without computer technology. There are now far more people in the world than there were a generation ago. The fact that there is enough food for them, that they can travel safely from one place to another, and that they can be provided with medical care, is largely due to computer technology.

In my opinion, therefore, we have to accept our dependence on computers, but at the same time we should work to find ways of making this dependence less dangerous.

(178 words)

Review

(For work on reviews, see pages 15 and 64.)

Task

You recently saw this announcement in an English language magazine called *Film Scene*.

Have you ever thought of writing a review?

We need a young person's perspective on films today. Write us a review of the last film you saw. Include information on the story, characters and any special features of the film, and say whether you would recommend the film to other people. The best review will be published in next month's edition of the magazine.

Write your **review**. (You should write between **120–180** words.)

Useful language

Introduction

- The (film) I would like to review is ...
- The last film I saw / book I read was ...

Summarising the story

- It's set in ...
- The story is based on (a book) ...
- It's about ...
- There are many memorable characters including ...
- The main theme of the film is ...
- What the film is saying is ...

Recommending the film

- I would recommend this film to anyone.
- Although I enjoyed it, I would not recommend it for ...
- It's one of the best (shows) I've ever seen.
- Although I am not normally keen on (musicals), I'm glad that I decided to go.
- The (film) lifts you out of your everyday life.

Model answer

The last film I saw was not new; in fact it was *The Lord of the Rings*.

DO say what it is about, but not in too much detail.

It is based on the well-known book, and tells the story of a creature called a hobbit who takes a dangerous magic ring back to the place where it was made in order to destroy it. There are many memorable characters apart from the hobbit and his friends, including a wizard called Gandalf and a suspicious creature called Gollum.

DO remember to mention important or memorable characters, but don't spend too much time just describing them.

DO try to use a range of interesting vocabulary, to bring the film to life for the reader.

This is a film about friendship and loyalty. However, it is the special effects that make it truly magical. There are vivid battle scenes with fantastic animals and birds, and sets that are so imaginative that you want to believe they are real. But as well as this, the actual locations are beautiful, too.

DO remember to link ideas clearly, and to link paragraphs together.

I would recommend this film to anyone, even those who do not usually enjoy fantasy films. What I would say to them is – go and try it! Like me, you might find that the film lifts you out of your everyday life into a world you will not want to leave.

DO remember to give your opinion clearly, as this is the purpose of a review, but not until the end.

(180 words)

Set book

About the exam: In Question 5, you answer one of two questions based on your reading of one of the set books. You may be asked to write an essay, an article, a report or a letter.

You do not have to answer Question 5. If you do, make sure that you know the book well enough to be able to answer the question properly. Here is a suggested **procedure** for writing about the set text.

1 Read the book all the way through, to get a general idea of the story and the characters – and to enjoy it!

2 Read the book again, this time more carefully. Make notes under the following headings.

Plot: include the main events and the order they come in the story.

Characters: include information about what they are like and how important they are in the story.

Relationships: include information about who likes/dislikes who, and the things that affect their relationships.

Places: include quick descriptions of the most important places.

Your own reactions: write down your feelings about the book, with some reasons for your opinion.

3 Make a list of the kind of questions you might be asked to write about, and discuss them with other students. Here are some ideas:

- What makes the book interesting/exciting? Describe an exciting or memorable moment in the book.
- Choose the most interesting character. Describe him/her. Is this your favourite character?
- Is the title a good one for the book? Why?
- Does the book have a good ending? Explain why/why not.
- Do you think the book would make a good film? Explain your reasons.
- Would you recommend the book to a friend? Say why/why not.

Task

(a) An international student magazine is running a series of articles on interesting characters in fiction, and has asked readers to send in their suggestions. Write an **article** on the character you found most interesting in the book you have read, saying who the character is and why you think they are so interesting.

(b) Your friend is going on holiday and wants to take a book to read on the journey. Write a **letter** to your friend, recommending the book you have read and giving reasons why you think they will enjoy it.

Model answer (article)

A lady with no name

It seems strange to experience a story through the eyes of a nameless person – but this is the case in 'Rebecca', by Daphne du Maurier. Rebecca is the name of the first wife of Maxim de Winter. She dies before the story begins, and the novel is narrated by Maxim's second wife, whose name we never learn, but who is to me the most interesting character in the book. As we read, we learn of her feelings for Maxim, and of what she discovers about his past life and the wife she has replaced.

So why do I think the narrator is such an interesting character? Although she is nameless, she has a strong personality. She is emotional and her problems and feelings are vividly described, so that you feel sorry for her. She has not had an easy life, and you want her to be happy, in spite of the strange things that happen after her marriage.

All in all, her lack of an identity makes her all the more memorable – and perhaps that is why I find her so fascinating.

(182 words)

DO focus on what you have been asked to do. DON'T just tell the story of the book.

DO make links between paragraphs clear.

DO describe a characteristic and then say why you like it so much.

Useful language

- **The book is really exciting because** (it starts with a murder).
- **The best moment is when** (the murderer is revealed).
- **The book tells the story of** (a family who have been separated).
- **The first thing that happens is** (Sarah leaves home).
- **The main character,** (Marian, is a teenager who ...)
- **The most interesting character is** (Joe, the young man who lives ...)
- **The title is really good, because** (it is mysterious and it makes you want to find out what it really means).
- **The story takes place in** (the South of France).
- **Events revolve around** (a robbery).
- **The ending is very exciting because** (it is completely unexpected).
- **It would make** (a really good film), **because** (it is such an exciting story).
- **The best thing about the book is that** (the characters are so interesting).
- **I would recommend this book because** (it is easy to read).

Useful linking words and phrases

Time sequencers

before, after, after a while, eventually, later, then, finally, as soon as, at first, at last, when, while

I immediately phoned the police. **While** I was waiting for them to arrive, I watched the house.

At first, no one got out of the car, but **after a while** the driver's door opened.

And **then** I **finally** found what I was looking for.

Listing points

first, firstly, first of all, to begin with, secondly, thirdly, finally

Our holiday was spoiled, **firstly** because the hotel was uncomfortable and **secondly** because the weather was bad.

Adding information/emphasising points

as well as (that), in addition (to), moreover, furthermore, not only ... (but also) ..., what's more, on top of that, to make matters worse, in fact, as a matter of fact

The hotel was miles from the beach. **On top of that**, the view from our bedroom window was terrible.

Not only was the hotel miles from the beach, **but** the view from our bedroom window was terrible too!

In fact, everyone is different when it comes to personal taste.

Giving examples

for example, for instance, such as

I like pop groups **such as** The Backstreet Boys.

My town has a lot of things for young people to do. **For example**, there are three cinemas.

Reasons, causes and results

as a result, because, because of (this), so, therefore

I have visited Britain several times and, **as a result**, my English is quite good.

By the end of the day, you haven't managed to find anything that you like. **So**, you go home frustrated.

Contrast

1 but

But links two contrasting ideas. It is not normally used at the beginning of the sentence.

Many people argue that TV is bad for you, **but** I disagree with this.

2 however

However can come at the beginning or end of a sentence. It must be separated off by commas.

The advert claimed that there were huge discounts for students. **However**, the discount was only 5%.

I love travelling. I don't enjoy long flights, **however**.

3 although, even though, though

These expressions introduce a subordinate clause of contrast. If the subordinate clause comes first, it is separated from the main clause by a comma.

Although he practised every day, he didn't manage to improve.

I walked home **even though** it took me two hours.

Note: though can be used after a comma at the end of a separate sentence that expresses something surprising.

We lived in the middle of a city. We still had a large garden, **though**.

4 whereas, while

Whereas and while are used to compare two things and show how they are different.

She likes football **whereas** I prefer tennis.

My sister is very like my father **while** I take after my mother.

While is also used in the same way as although.

While computers are important, we shouldn't let them rule our lives.

5 in spite of (the fact that), despite (the fact that)

These expressions must be followed by a noun or -ing form. Despite is slightly more formal.

In spite of the fact that they are expensive, many people want to buy designer clothes.

Despite all the research that has been done, we still haven't found a cure for cancer.

6 in fact, the fact of the matter is

This is used when you are saying what the real truth of a situation is.

According to the brochure, the service is free for students. **In fact**, students are charged at the same rate as everyone else.

7 On (the) one hand ... On the other hand ...

These expressions are used to introduce an opposite point in a discussion.

(On the one hand,) if I take the job in Milan, I'll be able to go to the opera. **On the other hand,** if I take the job in Barcelona, I'll be able to go to the beach.

8 otherwise

This is used to say what will happen if something else does not happen first.

You have to choose your holiday carefully.

Otherwise, you could be disappointed.

Sample answers

The following scripts were written by students. Read the Paper 2 general marking guidelines on the inside back cover, and use them to help you evaluate each answer and decide on its strong and weak points. Then read the comments given and the suggested band score, and compare your ideas.

Semi-formal letter (Part 1)

Task

You recently entered a competition for learners of English, and have just received a letter from the organisers of the competition. You have made some notes on the letter.

Congratulations! You have won first prize in our competition – a two-week trip to Vancouver or San Francisco.

Your prize includes _____ **Direct flight?**
 * FREE return flight to the city of your choice
 * FREE two-week course at the Vancouver or San Francisco School of International English _____ **Hours? Morning/afternoon?**
 * Two week's FREE accommodation with a family _____ **Distance from school? Meals?**

We need to know your choice of city, your preferred dates, and if you would like us to make any special arrangements for you.

_____ **Stay an extra week?**
 We look forward to hearing from you. Once we have the information we will send you your tickets and further details.

Yours sincerely

Jacky Thompson

Jacky Thompson
 Competition Manager

Write a **letter** of between **120** and **150** words in an appropriate style. Do not write any postal addresses.

Sample answer

Dear Mrs Thompson,

Thank you very much for the letter. I am very pleased that I've won the prize. I would like to go to San Francisco because I have never been to the USA before. However, there are several questions I would like to ask.

First of all, I would like to know whether the return flight is a direct flight or not. I would like to book a direct flight because it is much more comfortable.

Secondly, I would like to know how long we are being taught every day and if there are classes in the morning or the afternoon. Is there a difference between Vancouver and San Francisco concerning this point?

You wrote about a free accommodation with a family. Are the meals included and/or do I have the opportunity to cook by myself? Please let me also know the distance from the school.

Finally, I would like to ask you if it is possible to stay at school for an extra week. If it is possible please let me know the price I have to pay.

I like to thank you in advance for your assistance and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Yours sincerely,

Lennart Moser

Comments

This is rather long, but there is no irrelevant information and the student answers all parts of the question. He makes a couple of grammatical mistakes (e.g. we are being taught; a free accommodation), but these don't cause problems in understanding the meaning. He uses quite a wide range of structures, although he tends to repeat *I would like to know*. Vocabulary is appropriate and ideas are organised in clear paragraphs. The style is sometimes too formal (e.g. *concerning this point*) but the letter would have a very positive effect on the reader.

Band 5

Story

Task

Your teacher has asked you to write a short story for the school's English language magazine. Your story must begin with the following words:

It was not easy, but Carol knew she had to do it.

Write your **story**.

Sample answers

A

It was not easy, but Carol knew she had to do it. In front of her there was this big river, with water that was running very fast, and this rubber dinghy. Behind her she could hear the guide explaining that the water is only about 8°C warm. Furthermore, he told to Carol's group that there are some dangerous places, where they have to take special care. After that, the guide smiled and cried: 'Let's go!' For one moment, Carol was thinking of an escape. But this river-rafting tour was her birthday present from her friends, and they were all there. She was the last one who got into the boat, and sat down at the back of it. She tried to smile and join the others pleasure, however, she wasn't very successful. She closed her eyes and the boat set off. After a while, Carol began to enjoy the trip. In fact, it was great fun, and at the end, when they arrived, Carol decided to book a next trip two weeks later.

B

It was not easy, but Carol knew she had to do it. She was in Trieste, Italy. She came there to visit her friend. His name is Stefano who she met in their language school in England. Actually she didn't know about Italy until she met him. So she couldn't speak Italian, was not good at Italian geography.

As the first mistake, she thought that Trieste was close to his house, but it was his fault. He lived in Trento, near Verona. She should have used a different airport. Trieste airport was quite small. She wasn't able to find a person who can speak English.

As the biggest mistake, she couldn't call him!! She usually contacted with him by emails, so she didn't know how to call.

She tried to communicated with Italian people with body language many times. She didn't give up. If she gave up, she couldn't meet him. One hour past ... and she learned how to call him!! Eventually she was able to talk with him. Three hours later Stefano come to her at the airport. She shouted for joy "Stefano!! I missed you!!"

Comments

A This answers the question and gives some detail, and there is a clear beginning, middle and end. There is some good accurate use of language (*Behind her she could hear the guide explaining; After a while, Carol began to enjoy the trip*) but there are several mistakes with reported speech (e.g. *he told to Carol's group that there are some dangerous places*) and other mistakes (e.g. *an escape; a next trip*). There is some use of direct speech to add interest and there is quite a good range of vocabulary, but the student has not divided the story into paragraphs. It has a positive effect on the reader.

Band 4

B This is a lively story. There are quite a lot of grammar mistakes (e.g. *who she met* instead of *and she had met him*, *she tried to communicate* with). However, the student also uses a range of structures accurately (e.g. *She should have used; She didn't give up*.) There are some mistakes in vocabulary so that the meaning is not always clear (e.g. *it was his fault* instead of *He'd made a mistake; she learned how* instead of *she found out how*). Linking of ideas and sentences is not always clear. However, there is good use of direct speech and a strong ending which has a positive effect on the reader.

Band 4 (low)

Letter to a friend

Task

You have received a letter from a pen friend who is planning to visit you in July. Write a letter to your pen friend, describing the activities you have planned for his/her visit. Give them advice on what to bring and ask about any special requests.

Write your **letter**. Do not write any postal addresses.

Sample answers

A

Dear Carria,
Nice to hear from you. I'm so surprised that you are on your way to come here this summer. I have to say that you've made a good decision.
First of all, I would like to recommend you some places where you shouldn't miss such as Sentosa island. You can have different activities there. For example, if you would like having sunbathing. I think 'Sun World' is the best choice to relax. Don't forget to bring swimwear. I don't think Bird Park is a good place to visit. It's quite boring. I have to be honest to say that. However if you are really interested in visiting there I could show you around.
Secondly, it's the best time come here if you enjoy the shopping. We have big on sale in July. Therefore, I can arrange the shopping table for you. I will be very please to show you how interesting on big sale in here!
I don't think you need to bring any special stuff. That's because you can buy them here. Don't forget to prepare some more empty suitcase for your shopping.
If you have any question just ask me. I'll do my best to solve them.
I'm looking forward to hearing from you again!
Best wishes,
Carel

B

Dear Diego,
Hi! How are you? Thank you for your letter! I'm very happy about your plan! OK! If you let me know your arrival time, I will come to you, at Narita airport. I've thought about our plan in Japan. I know you really like football! So, how about visiting stadiums of the World Cup? You can visit a locker room in Yokohama International Stadium where the final was held, and you can see autographs of Brazilian national team members.
In July, Japan is very hot, but sometimes there is a heavy rain so you have to bring an umbrella. And there are lots of mosquitoes, you must bring a medical cream to protect yourself against them.
Do you have any special requests? If you have any, please let me know. I'll try to do it!
I'm looking forward to your reply and to meeting you in July!
Lots of love,
Yuka

Comments

A This is a full answer to the question, with a fairly good range of grammar, but there are quite a few grammatical problems (e.g. *recommend you some places where you* instead of *recommend some places to you* which; *interesting in* instead of *interested in*). Vocabulary problems sometimes make the meaning unclear (e.g. *I can arrange the shopping table for you*). Paragraphs and connecting words are well used and the style is generally suitable for a letter from a friend. It has a satisfactory effect on the reader.

Band 3

B All parts of the question are dealt with, in an informal style. There are some grammatical mistakes (e.g. *there is a heavy rain*) and problems in pronoun use (e.g. *I'll try to do it!*) but the student uses tenses accurately and shows a good range of vocabulary, and the paragraphs are clear and well constructed. The letter has a positive effect on the reader.

Band 4

Essay

Task

You have had a class discussion on what people do in their free time. Your teacher has now asked you to write an essay, giving your opinions on the following statement:

Shopping has little value as a leisure activity.

Write your **essay**.

Sample answers

A

Does shopping have little value as a leisure activity? I think most people are really keen on shopping but is it really useful?

For example, if we ask students what they're going to do in a big city, the answers are almost always 'shopping', and they don't think about going to museums and sight-seeing. Most tourists go shopping sometime instead of to see the famous places and so they don't learn about places they visit.

However, people who enjoy shopping like every stage about shopping, from window shopping, trying clothes on, thinking if they should buy or not, to buying. The final stage is to be satisfied with seeing what they have bought in their house or wearing it in front of their mirror like a fashion show.

This activity is proved to be a complete leisure activity. Indeed, I read an article in a newspaper called 'Shopping is a way to relax'. We should all use this nice relaxation and not feel guilty. Don't you think so?

B

I believe that shopping can be one of the important things people do, like eating and sleeping, and for some shopping is their chance to do their favourite things like walking and meeting friends.

On the one hand, I think that is true that shopping has no value in some lifestyles. People think of shopping only as a chance to do whatever they want, and then it is an escape from doing things they should do. I mean people go shopping instead of do work.

However, others think of it as a chance to meet some friends who you only see from time to time. In addition, it is useful time to discuss every day problems - for example, if you have got some problems, in that shopping time you might listen to others problems and think that yours are nothing compared to theirs. It can make a break from every day work pressure and so it is valuable for some who have a hard job and lifestyle.

In conclusion, it's true that buying things has little value, but people are different, which means that shopping will be priceless for some.

Comments

These answers are both **Band 4**, for different reasons.

A This has clear organisation, with paragraphs giving points for and against the statement. However, the first sentence just repeats the task. There are some good expressions (e.g. *if we ask ... the answers are almost always 'shopping'*) but also some grammatical mistakes (e.g. *go shopping sometime* instead of *to see*). There is quite a good range of topic-related vocabulary, but the style is too informal in places (e.g. *Don't you think so?*). It has a positive effect on the reader.

B This answers the question clearly and uses a wide range of vocabulary and some good expressions (e.g. *think that yours are nothing compared to theirs*). However, there are grammatical mistakes (e.g. *instead of do work*). The style is appropriate. The conclusion clearly returns to the question and gives a nice summary of the writer's opinion. It has a positive effect on the reader.

Report

Task

The owner of the school where you study English has decided to make some changes to the school classrooms. He has asked for ideas from students about what should be done to make the classrooms better places to study in. Write a report making suggestions for how the classrooms could be improved.

Write your **report**.

Sample answer

Introduction

This report is to suggest what we need to make the classrooms better in our school. I asked students for their ideas.

Background situation

What it's need to be inside a good school classrooms is that they all have all the equipment students might need starting from the essential things like chair, blackboards, finishing with accessories like televisions.

Suggestions

I certainly believe that two things need to start our plan to improve the school classrooms, they are money and good management. My idea of improving the classrooms is to start with what we have and see what needs to be repaired and what has to be thrown away and replaced with a new equipment and some computers that the students might need also having a massive liberrary is one of the more important things that students request. Heating and air conditioning are necessary to make the atmosphere in the classrooms cosy.

Personal opinion

In conclusion, the chance of having a good classrooms looks easy from a distance, in fact it isn't, and that we must try to find the balance between having a very good school and not spending too much.

Comments

This report makes some relevant points, but the style is more suitable for a composition than a report. It would be much better in bullet points. It is not easy to identify the main suggestions because of problems with sentence linking and punctuation. *My idea of ... is to start with what we have* is good. The problem is the sentence is too long and needs splitting up, e.g. *My idea of improving the classrooms is to start with what we have. Then we can see ...*. There are some problems with passive forms (e.g. *what it's need* instead of *what is needed*) but also some good expressions (e.g. *to start with what we have; we must try to find the balance between*). The student has a good range of vocabulary although this is not always appropriately used (e.g. *massive; cosy*) and there are some spelling mistakes (e.g. *repaired, liberrary*). It has a satisfactory effect on the reader.

Band 3

Article

Task

You have seen this advertisement in a magazine for young people.

I'd love to have ...

Write an article about something you would like to have, saying why you would like to have it and what difference it would make to your life.

The writer of the best article will win a lap-top computer.

Write your **article**.

Sample answer

I'd love to have a lot of money although I think money is not a perfect solution. Of course not! However, if I had enough money, I could do a plenty of things which I want to do.

Above all, I want to study in other countries, because it is a good chance to develop my abilities. In this case, I don't need to worry about the fee of education in my life. I can only concentrate on studying as long as I do my best.

Secondly, I would like to prepare a lovely house for my parents. Although they didn't say to me at all, I think the work of electric services is so hard to continue at their ages within 10 years. Therefore, I hope that I could make them relax and enjoy their life.

On the other hand, I can help the other people who are suffering from lack of food, illness and so on. When I saw a TV programme which announced those people's stories, I thought if I were them I would get really depressed.

Sometimes, money can be used in a bad way, but if I am a rich person, I will spend them on not only for me, but I also give an opportunity to others.

Comments

This answer gives relevant information and answers the question. There is quite a good range of structures and vocabulary but these are not always used very accurately (e.g. *If I am a rich person, I will spend them on not only for me* instead of *If I were rich, I wouldn't just spend the money on myself*). It is also difficult to understand exactly what she wants to say about her parents in the line *Although they didn't say to me at all, I think ...*. The paragraphs are well planned but there are mistakes with linking words (e.g. *On the other hand* instead of, e.g. *As well as that*) and with punctuation. There is a mixture of informal language (e.g. *Of course not!*) and formal language (e.g. *Therefore*). It has a satisfactory effect on the reader.

Band 3

Review

Task

Reviews needed!

We need a young person's perspective on films today. Write us a review of your favorite film. Include information on the story, characters and any special features of the film and say why you would recommend the film to other people. The best review will be published in next month's edition of the magazine.

Write your **review**.

A

I want to tell you about a movie really discussed in Italy, 'L'Ultimo Bacio' (The Last Kiss) directed by Gabriele Muccino in 2001.

It is set in an Italian city in the same time in which actors play, in fact, the director's purpose is take a plausible picture of people's life. The movie tell us about the crisis of two different generations worried by the difficulty of grow up and take their responsibility.

On the one hand, there are thirty years old people who think wedding like an important change of life but sad and serious, therefore they are very frightened of doing it, preferring an affair with someone else to solving their couple's problems.

On the other hand, fifty years old people are frightened of growing old.

I think the story is really topical and show a widespread situation, the actors' performance is really good, the dialogues are fast and accurate. Although is a great film I must admit that it is a bit too shouted, but this is Muccino's style.

A good story, great actors and good dialogues and editing, 'L'Ultimo Bacio' is really interesting, not boring at all.

B

My favourite film is called 'If only'. It's the best romantic film I have ever seen.

It's set in London and about a hard-working businessman and a lovely violinist woman. The man is too busy to take care his love. He thinks work is more important than his girlfriend. On the concert of her graduation he meets a taxi driver and talks with him about their love. He realises something but it's too late because his girlfriend dies by car accident. He regrets everything, but surprisingly there is a great chance of living with her again. Finally he can appreciate her, but sadly he has to die instead of his girlfriend.

I have seen it 5 times. Until I saw it 3-4 times it was just love story with strange situation, but last time, I can feel character's feelings. So it was a really romantic film. The plot and the song of the actress was fantastic. The story could be a bit artificial and far-fetched. But if you focus on character's feelings you can be given a good precept. Don't calculate your love, just appreciate her!

If you fall in love or like romance you'll love this film.

Comments

A This review is a bit long, has some style problems and is not always easy to follow. *On the one hand / On the other hand* does not link well to *two different generations*. There is a good range of vocabulary (*plausible picture, taking responsibility, widespread situation*) but some words are misused, e.g. *too shouted*. There are basic grammatical mistakes, e.g. *-ing form after prepositions (difficulty of grow up)*. The review only has a satisfactory effect on the reader.

Band 3

B This is a bit long, but is organised and easy to follow. The style and paragraphing are both generally appropriate, and the writer has given her opinion. There is some interesting vocabulary although some words are misused, e.g. *precept*. The sentences are simple, but there is a range of structures including present perfect and modals. Mistakes do not usually impede communication. The review generally has a satisfactory effect on the reader.

Band 3

Paper 2 Writing: general marking guidelines

Both Parts of the Writing paper carry equal marks. When marking, examiners use the general assessment guidelines below for both Parts, as well as a task-specific mark scheme for each question on the paper.

Band 5

- Answers the question completely and makes some original points
- Uses a wide range of grammatical structures at this level with almost no mistakes
- Uses a wide range of vocabulary appropriately
- Uses clear paragraphs with well-organised ideas
- Uses a variety of appropriate connecting words
- Uses the correct style for this type of writing throughout
- Has a very positive effect on the reader

Band 4

- Answers the question giving enough detail to be effective
- Uses a good range of grammatical structures at this level with few basic mistakes
- Uses a wide range of vocabulary, mostly appropriately
- Uses paragraphs with logically organised ideas
- Uses suitable connecting words appropriately
- Uses the right style for this type of writing most of the time
- Has a positive effect on the reader

Band 3

- Answers the question
- Uses a satisfactory range of grammatical structures at this level, with some errors
- Uses a satisfactory range of vocabulary, with some errors in appropriacy
- Organises ideas into paragraphs, though not always clearly
- Uses some simple connecting words
- Mostly uses the right style for this type of writing, though there may be some lapses
- Has a satisfactory effect on the reader

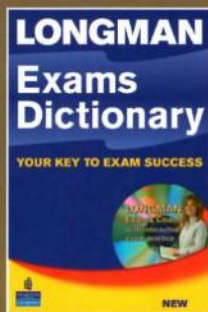
Band 2

- Does not answer the question fully, and/or is not always relevant to the question
- Uses a limited range of grammatical structures, with errors which interfere with communication
- Uses a limited range of vocabulary, with errors that cause difficulty in understanding
- Does not organise ideas into paragraphs
- Uses very few connecting words, or does not use them correctly
- Uses a style that is not appropriate for this type of writing
- Has an unsatisfactory effect on the reader and does not communicate clearly

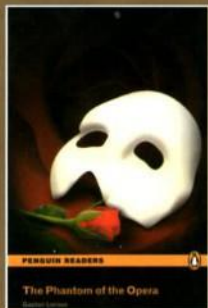
Band 1

- Omits some parts of the question and/or is irrelevant
- Uses a narrow range of grammatical structures, with many basic errors
- Uses a narrow range of vocabulary, with errors that prevent understanding
- Does not organise ideas at all
- Does not use connecting words
- Does not demonstrate any understanding of the style and format needed for this type of writing
- Has a very negative effect on the reader

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