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Intermediate Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 1a (Units 2–9)

1 Underline the correct word or phrase in each sentence.

- 0 What time *go you/do you go* to bed on Saturdays?
- 1 I want a new computer, but *I didn't save/I haven't saved* enough money yet.
- 2 Don't worry, *I'm not going to be/I won't be* late.
- 3 It's very hot in here. *Shall I/Will I* open the window?
- 4 How long *have you been waiting/are you waiting*?
- 5 When I was younger *I was going/I used to go* to the seaside every summer.
- 6 *I've lived/I lived* in Barcelona all my life.
- 7 While *I was cleaning/I had cleaned* my room I found this old photograph.
- 8 You look sad. What *are you thinking/do you think about*?
- 9 *I go/I'm going* to my parents' house next weekend. Do you want to come?
- 10 I've been looking for my bag, but *I still didn't find/I still haven't found* it.
- 11 I like your new room! When *have you painted/did you paint* it?
- 12 Where *will you be working/do you work* next year?
- 13 I know the play is boring, but we can't leave until *it will finish/it finishes*.
- 14 *I'm seeing/I will see* the doctor tomorrow at 10.00.
- 15 Where *are you go/are you going* on holiday?

2 Put each verb given into the present simple or continuous, or the past simple or continuous.

- 0 Ugh, don't show me that picture! I (hate) hate mice!
- 1 Where (you go) _____ for your holidays last year?
- 2 At the moment Helen (read) _____ a book written by a Brazilian author.
- 3 I left school around 5.00, (play) _____ football for a while, then went home.
- 4 Mary (listen) _____ to the radio when her friend Barbara called.
- 5 Mary (turn off) _____ the radio when her friend Barbara called.
- 6 In her free time Helen (read) _____ a lot.

- 7 'Where (you spend) _____ your holidays next year?' 'In France.'
- 8 'What (you do) _____ when the rain started?' 'We went inside.'
- 9 When they arrived in the park a lot of people (play) _____ football.
- 10 People (become) _____ more and more interested in solar energy.
- 11 'Where (you spend) _____ your holidays?' 'Usually in France.'
- 12 She (become) _____ rich in the fashion industry and retired to Majorca.
- 13 'What (you do) _____ when the rain started?' 'We were playing tennis.'
- 14 At the moment I (stay) _____ at a friend's house.

3 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence.

- 0 Steve left before my arrival.
When ***I arrived, Steve had already left*** .
- 1 This is my first visit to Italy.
I've _____ .
- 2 Your taxi arrived a moment ago.
Your taxi has _____ .
- 3 The film started before my arrival.
When I arrived, the film _____ .
- 4 Would you like me to call back later?
Shall _____ .
- 5 Simone has been learning English for two years.
Simone started _____ .
- 6 I last went to Spain in 1998.
I haven't _____ .
- 7 After the exam we'll go for a pizza.
When the exam _____ .
- 8 I intend to speak to my boss tomorrow.
I'm _____ .

4 Put each verb given into the past simple or the present perfect.

- 0 A: What's the matter?
B: I (cut) **have cut** myself.
- 1 A: What did you do on your holiday?
B: We (go) _____ to the disco most nights.
- 2 A: How is the holiday going?
B: Great! We (go) _____ to the disco most nights.
- 3 A: Did you carry on working at the shop after your argument with the manager?
B: No, I (leave) _____.
- 4 A: Are you still working at the shop?
B: No, I (leave) _____.
- 5 A: Why are the police here?
B: There (is) _____ an accident.
- 6 A: Why did the metro stop running yesterday evening?
B: There (is) _____ an accident.
- 7 A: How are the unemployment figures this year?
B: They (rise) _____ by 2%.
- 8 A: How were the unemployment figures last year?
B: They (rise) _____ by 2%.

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Grammar Progress Test 1b (Units 2–9)

1 Underline the correct word or phrase in each sentence.

- 0 That can't be right! ***I don't believe***/*I'm not believing* it.
- 1 *I was here*/***I've been here*** since the beginning of June.
- 2 No, I can't see the bird. Where *are you looking*/***do you look***?
- 3 Your secret is safe with me. *I'm not going to say*/***I won't say*** anything.
- 4 It's raining. *Shall we*/***Will we*** take a taxi?
- 5 *I'm meeting*/***I will meet*** Lisa for lunch tomorrow.
- 6 I've wanted to go to Paris all my life, but *I still didn't go*/***I still haven't been*** there.

- 7 I'm going to tell her, but *I didn't see/I haven't seen* her yet.
- 8 *I play/I'm playing* tennis with John and Chris at the weekend. Do you want to join us?
- 9 I think we have time for a coffee before the train *arrives/will arrive*.
- 10 I haven't seen you before. When *have you started/did you start* working here?
- 11 Where *will you be going/do you go* for your holidays next year?
- 12 While *I walked/I was walking* through the park a dog ran up to me and bit me.
- 13 Look out of the window! How long *has it been snowing/is it snowing*?
- 14 When I was a baby *I was carrying/I used to carry* a yellow blanket everywhere I went.
- 15 When the film *will end/ends*, let's have a coffee.

2 Put each verb given into the present simple or continuous, or the past simple or continuous.

- 0 What (usually you do) **do you usually do** at the weekend?
- 1 What (you get) _____ for your birthday last week?
- 2 'What are you doing?' 'I (check) _____ this letter for spelling mistakes.'
- 3 I got to the station at 3pm, (wait) _____ for half an hour, then came back here.
- 4 George (watch) _____ the television when I arrived at his flat.
- 5 At the moment inflation (increase) _____ slowly.
- 6 James (turn on) _____ the television so we could watch the football match.
- 7 Every day Helen (check) _____ her emails when she gets home.
- 8 'Where (you go) _____?' 'To the shops. Do you want to come with me?'
- 9 'What games (you play) _____ when you were young?' 'Hiding from people, trying to catch people, all the usual things.'
- 10 When I arrived at the checkout a lot of people (wait) _____ in the queue.
- 11 Buy one next year – prices (go down) _____ quite fast at the moment.
- 12 'Where (you go) _____ on Saturday afternoons?' 'Shopping, with my mother.'
- 13 Prices (go down) _____ quite fast when other, similar models started to appear.
- 14 'What game (you play) _____ just now?' 'We were playing chess.'

3 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence.

0 Michael took a deep breath and dived into the water.

After Michael *had taken a deep breath, he dived into the water.*

1 The plane landed a few moments ago.

The plane has _____ .

2 I've been playing the guitar for three years.

I started _____ .

3 After the start of the match, you'll hear a lot of noise.

When the match _____ .

4 This is my first time in the United States.

I've _____ .

5 Would you like me to get you a drink?

Shall _____ .

6 I last saw Naomi in February.

I haven't _____ .

7 I intend to email Paul this evening.

I'm _____ .

8 I thought the film looked familiar.

I thought I _____ .

4 Put each verb given into the past simple or the present perfect.

- 0 A: When are you going to write to your grandmother?
B: Don't worry. I (already write) ***I've already written*** to her.
- 1 A: Why was your flight late?
B: There (is) _____ a delay.
- 2 A: Why isn't our departure time showing on the screen?
B: There (is) _____ a delay.
- 3 A: Did you go to a nightclub after the meal in the restaurant?
B: No, I (come) _____ home.
- 4 A: Thanks for calling, John. Are you speaking from work?
B: No, I (come) _____ home.
- 5 A: Sandra's just arrived.
B: Yes, I know, I (see) _____ her.
- 6 A: Sandra came into the office yesterday.
B: Yes, I know, I (see) _____ her.
- 7 A: How are you feeling today?
B: My temperature (go) _____ down.
- 8 A: How did you know you were getting better?
B: My temperature (go) _____ down.

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Grammar Progress Test 2a (Units 10–18)

1 Underline the correct word or phrase in each sentence.

- 0 If *we'd be/we're* late for class, our teacher will be angry.
- 1 The teacher *told/asked* me if I'd finished the test.
- 2 My mobile phone needs recharging! I wish the battery *wasn't/isn't* flat.
- 3 Peter *must have left/can't have left* the flowers for me. He's been away.
- 4 If I *won/win* the lottery, I'd travel round the world.
- 5 Your shoes are too small. *You could/You'd better* take them back immediately.
- 6 Rita left a message to say that she *would join/had joined* you in the pub tonight.
- 7 I think I *must left/must have left* my bag on the bus.

- 8 If *you'd done/you did* more revision, you wouldn't have failed the exam.
 9 I *said/told* to Steve that I'd meet him at the swimming baths later.
 10 I *was giving/was given* the necklace by my aunt.
 11 I asked her if she *would be/was* from Switzerland, and she said no.
 12 I haven't got an umbrella! If it rains, *I'd get/I'll get* wet.
 13 I *didn't know/wouldn't have known* if you hadn't told me.
 14 We *showed round/were shown round* the art gallery by our teacher.

2 Put one of the words or phrases from the box in each space.

could	have to	had to	don't have to	didn't have to	might have
must	mustn't	must have	ought to	should	

- 0 You **ought to** see a dentist if you've got toothache.
 1 He's looking terrible. He _____ see a doctor immediately!
 2 He's not looking too good. I think he _____ see a doctor.
 3 I _____ get my hair cut. I'm having a job interview next week.
 4 If you need to make a call, you _____ use my phone.
 5 It _____ been a disappointment when you failed your driving test.
 6 Sorry I couldn't come with you, I _____ go to the dentist.
 7 There's no rush. We _____ be there until 9.00.
 8 These oysters taste strange. It _____ been a mistake to order seafood.
 9 We were lucky! We _____ pay!
 10 You _____ park your car here. It's not allowed.

3 Decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits the space.

Going to the movies

I promised my friend Lucy that I (0) **B** her out to the movies for a treat if she (1) _____ her driving test. I found out yesterday that she (2) _____ the day before, so I called her last night and (3) _____ whether she wanted to see the new film with Matt Dillon. She (4) _____ that she (5) _____ it, but that she (6) _____ to see the Julia Roberts film instead. It (7) _____ very good reviews by the critics in the newspaper last week, so we decided to go. It was showing at the Scala cinema on the other side of town. So I (8) _____ if she (9) _____ give me a lift in her car because I can't drive. She didn't sound very happy but said she (10) _____ to my house and collect me.

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|---|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| 0 | A had taken | B would take | C take | D will take |
| 1 | A would pass | B had passed | C will pass | D passed |
| 2 | A would pass | B had passed | C was passing | D has passed |

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|----|---------------------|----------------------|--------------------|----------------|
| 3 | A asked her | B told her | C said her | D spoke her |
| 4 | A asked me | B told me | C said me | D spoke me |
| 5 | A would already see | B was already seeing | C had already seen | D already seen |
| 6 | A loved | B loves | C will love | D would love |
| 7 | A was given | B has been given | C gave | D gives |
| 8 | A told | B said her | C asked her | D spoke |
| 9 | A would | B should | C must | D will |
| 10 | A had already come | B comes | C would come | D will come |

4 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first.

- 0 'Are you staying here all summer?' the little girl asked me.
The little girl asked me if/whether I was staying there all summer .
- 1 I haven't got a dog but I want one.
I wish _____ .
- 2 I think you should leave your job. That's what I'd do.
If I _____ .
- 3 Somebody has stolen my wallet!
My wallet _____ .
- 4 Istanbul is my place of birth.
I was _____ .
- 5 It's not necessary for me to wear a tie at work.
I don't _____ .
- 6 It was possible for Marcus to get lost.
Marcus could _____ .

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Grammar Progress Test 2b (Units 10–18)

1 Underline the correct word or phrase in each sentence.

- 0 I'm sunburnt. I wish I hadn't sunbathed/I didn't sunbathe for so long.
- 1 This package delivered/was delivered this morning.

- 2 You're going the wrong way. *You'd better/You might* go back to the main square and ask.
- 3 If I *know/knew* the answer, I'd tell you.
- 4 I *said/told* Angela that I'd give her a call tonight.
- 5 Let's hurry up! If we arrive early, *we'll get/we'd get* a good seat.
- 6 You *were able to/would have been able to* use the computer if you had had the password.
- 7 The Finance Minister said that he *doesn't increase/wouldn't increase* taxes next year.
- 8 It *was been/has been* a really lovely day!
- 9 I *asked/told* Natasha if she knew anywhere to get a sandwich at lunchtime.
- 10 If *we'd caught/we caught* a taxi, we wouldn't have missed the train.
- 11 I wish it *isn't/wasn't* so cold.
- 12 Sacha *must have left/can't have left* the office. His computer is turned off.
- 13 My parents are having their house *redesigning/redesigned* next week.
- 14 I asked him where he *was going/would be going*, and he said to the library.

2 Put one of the words or phrases from the box in each space.

could	have to	had to	don't have to	didn't have to	might have
must	mustn't	must have	should	should have	

- 0 I'm completely soaked! We **should have** taken an umbrella.
- 1 If we arrive early, we _____ go for a drink before the play starts.
- 2 I didn't get to sleep until 2am. I _____ tidy up the mess after the party.
- 3 It's very relaxed at our company. We _____ wear formal clothes.
- 4 The flowers are lovely, but you _____ bring them. I wasn't expecting anything!
- 5 I can't see the shop anywhere. I _____ got the wrong address.
- 6 I think you _____ visit Rome in the spring. It's beautiful at that time of year.
- 7 You _____ visit me in Rome! It'd be great to see you and we'll have lots of fun!
- 8 You _____ use a mobile phone while you are driving – it's dangerous.
- 9 I don't believe he passed the test! He _____ been cheating!

- 10 We _____ collect the tickets at the airport. They won't send them to us.

3 Decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits the space.

Meeting Mariana at the airport

Mariana called me from the States and (0) **B** that her plane would land at 8pm this evening, if there (1) _____ any delays. When I got to the airport it was 8.15 and I knew that her flight (2) _____. As usual, she (3) _____ wait for a while for her luggage, so I wasn't too worried. However, I wished I (4) _____ a magazine to read and I was getting very hungry. I (5) _____ a man how long (6) _____ before the people from her flight had got through customs, and he said about forty-five minutes. In fact it was much less – it (7) _____ more than fifteen minutes. I was delighted to see Mariana and she said that she (8) _____ a good flight. I (9) _____ going out to eat at the nearest restaurant but she said that she (10) _____ a surprisingly good meal on the plane and she wasn't hungry.

- 0 **A** asked her **B** told me **C** said me **D** spoke me
- 1 **A** wouldn't be **B** hadn't been **C** won't be **D** weren't
- 2 **A** must arrive **B** must arrived **C** must had arrived **D** must have arrived
- 3 **A** had to **B** should **C** should have **D** was had to
- 4 **A** would bring **B** bring **C** brought **D** had brought
- 5 **A** asked to **B** asked **C** said to **D** told to
- 6 **A** it was taking **B** would it take **C** it would take **D** takes it
- 7 **A** might have been **B** must have been **C** can't have been **D** should have been
- 8 **A** had had **B** was having **C** would have **D** has
- 9 **A** invited **B** asked **C** suggested **D** offered
- 10 **A** was given **B** has been given **C** gave **D** gives

4 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence.

0 I don't know the answer, so I can't help you.

If I **knew the answer, I'd help you.**

1 Imagine you had a yacht. Where would you go?

Where _____.

2 Somebody will meet you at the airport.

You _____.

3 When is your birthday?

When were _____.

4 I'm sure that isn't Geoffrey.

That _____.

5 We didn't buy a ticket, so we had to pay a fine.

If we _____.

6 I'm sure she enjoyed herself.

She must _____.

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Intermediate Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 3a (Units 19–28)

1 Underline the correct word or phrase in each sentence.

0 I read the book you suggested. I didn't enjoy it, *although*/**however**.

1 Why don't we *cook*/*cooking* pasta tonight?

2 My sister isn't *enough old*/*old enough* to go to the disco.

3 Jean, *that/who* I know very well, wouldn't do a thing like that.

4 It was *so/such* nice ice-cream that I ate another portion.

5 *Although*/*In spite of* the rain, we had a good holiday.

6 This is my cat. *Its/It's* name is Sammy.

7 I felt *so/too* tired that I went to bed.

8 Could you tell me *where the post office is/where is the post office?*

9 *Do you like/Would you like* some more coffee?

10 I found your house easily, *although/despite* I didn't know the number.

- 11 Would you mind *to close/closing* the door?
- 12 The film *that/what* we saw was a bit disappointing.
- 13 David ate *so many/so much* ice-cream that he felt sick.
- 14 I'm going to spend my holidays *at/in* Egypt.

2 Put a preposition in each space. Choose from *in, on, at, to, above, below*.

- 0 Jane's sister has got a job at Manchester airport.
- 1 You'll find the index _____ the back of the book.
- 2 My brother lives _____ Milan.
- 3 There was nobody _____ the bus except me.
- 4 I dropped the box and it landed _____ my foot.
- 5 There are twelve students _____ my class.
- 6 Walk _____ the pavement – it's much safer.
- 7 You can't see the ship any more – it's _____ the horizon.
- 8 Go down the street, and you'll see the cinema _____ the right.
- 9 My grandmother is _____ hospital at the moment.
- 10 There's a video shop _____ the other side of the street.
- 11 I went _____ a small Greek island for my holidays.
- 12 He shouldn't drive – he's _____ the alcohol limit.

3 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence.

- 0 Patricia seems to have gone home.
It seems that Patricia has gone home .
- 1 Harry wanted to pass the exam, so he studied hard.
Harry studied hard so that _____ .
- 2 I have a lot of advice, and I don't know what to do.
I have so _____ .
- 3 There are too few glasses on the table.
There aren't _____ .
- 4 Although it was raining, I went to the shops.
Despite _____ .
- 5 Please wait a moment.
Would you mind _____ .
- 6 My advice is to travel before the rush-hour starts.

- If I _____ .
- 7 Near the beach is a small bar called 'Pedro's Place'.
There _____ .
- 8 How much does this cost?
Could you tell me _____ .
- 9 The play was so boring that I fell asleep.
It was _____ .
- 10 Let's go fishing at the weekend.
How _____ .

4 Rewrite each sentence so that it contains the word in bold, and so that the meaning stays the same.

- 0 I felt really tired, so I stayed at home and had a rest.
because
I stayed at home and had a rest because I felt really tired .
- 1 A new student joined our class. She is called Joanna.
who
The _____ .
- 2 I have a friend. This person's father comes from Sweden.
whose
I have _____ .
- 3 Jim gave me a book. It is really good.
that
The _____ .
- 4 Jim gave me a book. It is really good
which
Jim _____ .

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Intermediate Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 3b (Units 19–28)

- 1 Underline the correct word or phrase in each sentence.**
- 0 I'm very busy. *Let's/***Would you mind** giving me a hand?
- 1 *Although/In spite of* my bad back, I still play football.

- 2 The guide book has *so much/so many* information that I can't decide where to go.
- 3 Do you know what time *does the film start/the film starts*?
- 4 The bus was *too/so* slow that I missed my interview.
- 5 I enjoyed the party, *despite/although* I didn't know many people.
- 6 I'm going on an English course *in/at* Cambridge.
- 7 It is *so/such* a good film that I've seen it three times!
- 8 Roberta, *who/that* is Claudia's sister, is going to the same university as me.
- 9 I can't reach. I'm not *tall enough/enough tall*.
- 10 We arrived at the cinema early *in order to/so that we* get a good seat.
- 11 That idea *what/that* you had was fantastic!
- 12 Has anyone seen my jacket? *It's/Its* front pockets have a design on them.
- 13 Why don't we *visiting/visit* Leila at the weekend?
- 14 Would you mind *moving/to move* along a bit so that I can sit down?

2 Put a preposition in each space. Choose from *in, on, at, to, above, below*.

- 0 Karen lives in London Street.
- 1 Quick, get _____ the train, the doors are going to close.
- 2 Denise arrived with a bunch of flowers _____ her hand.
- 3 Leonora has moved _____ another city.
- 4 There are very few tigers left _____ India.
- 5 You'll see the monument _____ your left.
- 6 I looked _____ the mirror and saw the mark on my face.
- 7 I'm going to stay _____ home tonight. I've got a lot of homework.
- 8 From the plane I could see the coast of Italy _____ us.
- 9 There's a beautiful old church _____ the end of the road.
- 10 That's a beautiful picture over there, _____ the sofa.
- 11 I think her house is _____ this side of the street.
- 12 He'll stay _____ prison for at least ten years.

3 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence.

- 0 My town has two places to hear live music.
There are two places to hear live music in my town.
- 1 My advice is to get to the airport two hours before take-off.
If I _____.

- 2 I have a lot of work to do, and I don't know where to begin.
I have so _____ .
- 3 Let's invite Julia and Margaret to the party.
How _____ .
- 4 Rebecca wanted to go to Japan, so she saved some money.
Rebecca saved some money so that _____ .
- 5 The car was so old that it kept breaking down.
It was _____ .
- 6 Please speak more slowly.
Would you mind _____ .
- 7 There are too few chairs in the room.
There aren't _____ .
- 8 Where is the station?
Do you know _____ .
- 9 Although there were problems, we enjoyed ourselves.
Despite _____ .
- 10 Robert appears to have forgotten my birthday again.
It appears _____ .

4 Rewrite each sentence so that it contains the word in bold, and so that the meaning stays the same.

- 0 The woman teaches us music. She also plays in an orchestra.
who
The woman who teaches us music also plays in an orchestra .
- 1 I go to a fitness centre. It also has yoga classes.
that
The _____ .
- 2 I go to a fitness centre. It also has yoga classes.
which
I go _____ .
- 3 I know a man. His brother is a record producer.
whose
I know _____ .
- 4 You were talking about a woman. I wanted to meet her.
that
I wanted _____ .

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Grammar Progress Test 4a (Units 29–37)

1 Underline the correct word or phrase in each sentence.

- 0 I met Tina *a day/one day* last week.
- 1 I'm going to buy *the/a* new printer for my computer.
- 2 I've lived in this city *for/since* ten years.
- 3 I'm going out to buy *any/some* milk.
- 4 Paris was *so/as* exciting as Madrid – I enjoyed them both.
- 5 I need to finish this work *by/until* the end of the week.
- 6 Berlin is a lot bigger *that/than* Frankfurt.
- 7 *How many/How much* time do we have until the train arrives?
- 8 My *worse/worst* subject at school was mathematics.
- 9 Monday or Tuesday, *each/either* day would be fine.
- 10 I'm meeting Jack *the day after tomorrow/the next day*.
- 11 Could you give me some *informations/information*, please?
- 12 Where's *a/the* remote control for the television?

2 Put *a/an* or *the* in each space or leave the space blank.

It's not difficult to find my house. If you come by (0) _____ train, you come out of (1) _____ station and turn right. You'll see (2) _____ bank on (3) _____ corner of (4) _____ street. Carry on down (5) _____ road until you come to (6) _____ church. You can't miss it – it's one of (7) _____ biggest ones in (8) _____ Brighton. Just after (9) _____ church turn left. It's (10) _____ very small street and (11) _____ people often go past without noticing it. You'll see my house at (12) _____ end of the street – it's got (13) _____ red door. Try and get here in time for (14) _____ lunch. Give me (15) _____ call on your mobile if you get lost. I'll be waiting for you!

3 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first.

- 0 I didn't expect to see Darrel.
Darrel was the last person I expected to see.
- 1 This is as fast as I can go.
I can't _____.
- 2 The restaurants were both expensive.
Neither _____.

- 3 Sue is better at History than Silvia.
Silvia is not _____.
- 4 The Romanian capital is Bucharest.
Bucharest _____ Romania.
- 5 Dan drives buses.
Dan is _____.
- 6 Not all the answers are right.
Some _____.
- 7 Nobody is better at History than Melanie.
Melanie is the _____.
- 8 I won't leave before 7.00.
I'll be here _____.

4 Rewrite each sentence so that it contains a form of a phrasal verb using the word in bold. Make any other necessary changes.

- 0 Don't leave the lights on when you leave the school.
turn off
Turn the lights off when you leave the school.
- 1 I went through childhood in Belgium.
grew

- 2 I was talking to Jackie and we were suddenly disconnected.
cut

- 3 Alice is similar in appearance to her mother.
take

- 4 I'm trying to find the word in the dictionary.
look

- 5 What are you trying to say?
get

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Grammar Progress Test 4b (Units 29–37)

1 Underline the correct word or phrase in each sentence.

- 0 The fish was *so tasty as/as tasty as* the meat.
1 I am younger *than/that* my brother.
2 Can you give me *an/some* advice, please?
3 *How much/How many* money do you need?
4 I've been off work *since/for* three days with a bad cold.
5 We need to be there *until/by* 6.30.
6 The other people weren't very friendly – *no of/none of* them spoke to me.
7 We need *some/any* more cheese.
8 Would you like to see *a/the* film with me next Friday?
9 Michael went away to Ireland *the other day/the day before yesterday*.
10 Ask James or Ted – *either/each* one could help you.
11 My *worst/worse* nightmare is to be in a room full of snakes.
12 It's not *as/so* warm as it was – autumn is coming.

2 Put *a/an* or *the* in each space or leave the space blank.

We had (0) a great holiday in (1) _____ London. We arrived at (2) _____ airport late on Sunday evening, and we decided to take (3) _____ taxi, even though it was very expensive. (4) _____ taxi took us to our hotel, which was very nice, although (5) _____ rooms were quite small. On (6) _____ next day we woke up early and had (7) _____ enormous breakfast. I don't know how (8) _____ people can eat so much in (9) _____ morning! But it was good for us because eating out in (10) _____ London is expensive, and with such (11) _____ big breakfast we didn't need to have (12) _____ lunch. After breakfast we went to (13) _____ art gallery. I can't remember (14) _____ name, but it was full of (15) _____ famous paintings and I really enjoyed it.

3 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence.

- 0 David is a better runner than Paul.
 Paul isn't as good a runner as David .
1 Michael teaches English.
 Michael is _____ .
2 I won't be back before next Monday.

- I'll be away _____ .
- 3 This is as far as we can go.
We can't _____ .
- 4 Nobody in the class swims more slowly than Josh.
Josh is the _____ .
- 5 The English captain is Beckham.
Beckham _____ .
- 6 Both of the brothers were tall.
Neither _____ .
- 7 All books must be returned to the shelves.
Each _____ .
- 8 The police arrived too late to catch the robber.
The police didn't arrive _____ .

4 Rewrite each sentence so that it contains a form of a phrasal verb using the word in bold. Make any other necessary changes.

- 0 You can come and stay with me.
put
I can put you up.
- 1 I had to solve a very difficult problem at work today.
deal

- 2 I'll collect you in my car at 7.30.
pick

- 3 The plane left the ground exactly on time.
take

- 4 The football match has been cancelled.
call

- 5 Maria has recovered from her disappointment.
get

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Intermediate Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 5a (Units 38–46)

1 Underline the correct word or phrase in each sentence.

- 0 Helen *enjoyed/chose* to learn Spanish.
1 Look *at/to* that wonderful painting!
2 Don't forget *to turn off/turning off* the lights.
3 You can have *or/either* wine or beer.
4 I'm sorry, there isn't *anything/nothing* I can do.
5 The shop assistant refused *giving/to give* me a refund.
6 Is that milk still fresh? What is *its/it's* sell-by date?
7 I don't know if I can come with you. It depends *of/on* what my father says.
8 This new detergent is strong, *yet/as* kind to your skin.
9 We watched the seagulls *to fly/flying* behind the boat.
10 I hope *to go/going* to University next year.
11 They like to have saunas in countries *for example/such as* Sweden.
12 Can you *ask/ask for* the key?
13 Sorry, I forgot *to post/posting* your letter.
14 Helena is an old friend of *me/mine* from school.

2 Rewrite each group of words so that it contains the punctuation listed.

- 0 first of all who is going to carry the suitcase asked emilie.
(two capital letters, one full stop, one comma, one question mark, speech marks)

'First of all, who is going to carry the suitcase?' asked Emilie.

- 1 i told marys son that he should be honest go the police and tell the truth
(two capital letters, one full stop, one comma, one apostrophe)

- 2 hi alison said james whats happening
(four capital letters, one question mark, three commas, one apostrophe, two pairs of speech marks)

- 3 you'll never believe what happened first of all we met up with Peter's friends from university then we all went to Brighton for the day

(five capital letters, one full stop, two commas, two apostrophes, one exclamation mark)

3 Decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits the space.

Family holidays

We used to have great family holidays when I was younger. There was always (0) D interesting to do, (1) _____ going to the beach, playing football, or going on rides at the fair. In the evenings we went to restaurants, and (2) _____ my brother and me (3) _____ staying up till late at night, listening (4) _____ the adults talking around the table. (5) _____ now, every time I'm in a restaurant late at night it (6) _____ me of those days. A favourite memory of (7) _____ is going camping when I was about eight. I suppose we (8) _____ to stay in a hotel that year, but it didn't matter. (9) _____, it was probably one of the best holidays I ever had with my family. I really (10) _____ sleeping outside under the stars.

- 0 A everything B one thing C anything D something
 1 A such as B yet C also D except for
 2 A either B also C both D as well
 3 A couldn't stand B wanted C loved D wished
 4 A about B at C to D on
 5 A Even B Same C Also D Yet
 6 A reminds B remembers C imagines D seems
 7 A I B my C me D mine
 8 A couldn't help B couldn't afford C admitted D denied
 9 A As well B For example C Except D In fact
 10 A imagined B enjoyed C chose D expected

4 For each question, complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first sentence, using no more than three words.

- 0 There was nothing I could do.
 I couldn't do anything .
 1 Spiders make me afraid.
 I'm afraid _____ .
 2 There was nowhere I could go.
 I couldn't go _____ .
 3 Do you think chemistry is interesting?

- Are you _____ .
- 4 Joanne said she'd ask her mother about using the car.
Joanne agreed _____ her mother
about using the car.
- 5 This dictionary belongs to Nicola.
This is _____ .
- 6 Chris was the only one who wasn't wearing a hat.
Everyone was wearing a hat _____ .
- 7 You are often in my thoughts.
I often _____ .
- 8 The police arrived too late to catch the robber.
The police didn't arrive _____ to catch
the robber.

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Intermediate Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 5b (Units 38–46)

- 1 **Underline the correct word or phrase in each sentence.**
- 0 Mrs Davis taught us *except for/instead of* Mr Taylor.
- 1 I stopped *to smoke/smoking* six months ago, and I feel much healthier now.
- 2 I'll *wait you/wait for you* in the cinema foyer.
- 3 Gina introduced me to a colleague of *hers/her*.
- 4 I promise *to pay/paying* you back tomorrow.
- 5 A lot of museums are closed today, *yet/since* it is Easter.
- 6 She apologized *for/of* being so late.
- 7 *In/To* my view, the United Nations does a very good job.
- 8 Sheila offered *helping/to help* me with my homework.
- 9 Let's go home. I don't know *anyone/no-one* at this party.
- 10 I was tired and hungry *too/both*.
- 11 She could feel her baby *to breathe/breathing* at her side.
- 12 What a sweet little puppy! What is *it's/its* name?
- 13 I must remember *posting/to post* the letter.

14 What are you talking *in/about*?

2 Rewrite each group of words so that it contains the punctuation listed.

0 were meeting uncle david on Tuesday evening at eight.

(four capital letters, one full stop, one apostrophe)

We're meeting Uncle David on Tuesday evening at eight.

1 hes won a thousand euros on the lottery however he wont even take us to pizzeria napoli to celebrate

(four capital letters, one full stop, one comma, two apostrophes, one exclamation mark)

2 i asked alexandras mother about her childhood her time in africa and her experience of the war

(three capital letters, one full stop, two commas, one apostrophe)

3 hello jackie said robert what time did you get back from the cinema

(four capital letters, one question mark, three commas, two pairs of speech marks)

3 Decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits the space.

Having the builders in our house

For a long time we've been talking (0) C having our kitchen modernized, and this year we finally (1) _____ to have the work done. The builders said there were two possibilities, (2) _____ they could start in March, or in July, and they said the work would take two to three weeks. We discussed it, and March (3) _____ to be the better choice (4) _____ we were going away in July and so (5) _____ would be in the house to supervise the work. They started in March as they had promised, and we got very excited (6) _____ having the kitchen done, but (7) _____ taking three weeks it took nearly two months! The problem was they (8) _____ disappearing every few days. (9) _____, they made a terrible mess and we couldn't use the kitchen for all that time. Now the work is done, I'm pleased (10) _____ the result, but it was a terrible time for us all.

0 A on B with C about D in

1 A fancied B pretended C enjoyed D decided

2 A or B either C also D both

3 A imagined B began C seemed D expect

- 4 A as B although C yet D while
- 5 A one B everyone C anyone D no-one
- 6 A of B for C about D at
- 7 A instead of B except for C such as D as well as
- 8 A wanted B happened C couldn't stand D kept
- 9 A Personally B As well as this C Instead of this D Although
- 10 A of B to C for D with

4 For each question, complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first sentence, using no more than three words.

0 Jeff was the only student who forgot the test.

Everyone remembered the test except Jeff.

1 Annie is a reliable person.

You can _____.

2 Celia is buying a small apartment.

Celia has decided _____ a small apartment.

- 3 We haven't got anything in the fridge.
We've got _____ the fridge.
- 4 I saw one of my teachers.
I saw a _____.
- 5 Chemistry is Tracey's best subject.
Tracey is very _____.
- 6 Patrick said he'd stolen the bike.
Patrick admitted _____.
- 7 There were lots of people in the restaurant.
The restaurant was _____.
- 8 I haven't got any money in my wallet.
I've got _____ in my wallet.

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Intermediate Language Practice

Vocabulary Test 1 (Units 2–6)

- 1 Complete each sentence with a word formed from the word in capitals.
- 0 My alarm clock didn't go off and so I overslept this morning. OVERSLEPT
- 1 I had been in the country for a year, but I still felt like a _____. FOREIGN
- 2 I have never felt such great _____ since the day I got married. HAPPY
- 3 He's only been in the job for one week so he's a bit _____. EXPERIENCE
- 4 I've known him since school days. Our _____ is very strong. FRIEND
- 5 It makes me feel bad to see so many _____ people sleeping in the street. HOME
- 6 It hasn't rained for months and there's a great water _____. SHORT
- 7 I don't like this job. I'm _____ and overworked. PAY
- 8 Smoking can be very _____ to your health. DANGER
- 9 We've got all the modern _____ in our factory. MACHINE

- 10 I'm really sorry, I think there has been a _____.
UNDERSTAND

2 Complete each compound word with a word from the box.

about ache coat doors ground makers path table washer
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- 0 Make sure you walk on the foot~~path~~, because the road is dangerous.
1 Turn left at the next round _____.
2 My time _____ this year is quite good – I've got nothing on Friday afternoon.
3 I'd prefer to stay in a hotel with holiday _____, rather than business people.
4 Has anyone got an aspirin? I've got a terrible head _____.
5 It's cold outside, I think you'll need an over _____.
6 To get into London from Heathrow airport just take the Under _____.
7 You don't need to clean the plates yourself, we have a dish _____.
8 It's a lovely day. Let's eat our lunch out _____ in the park.

3 Underline the correct word or phrase in each sentence.

- 0 By 11.00 I felt so tired/tiring that I went to bed.
1 How many photos did you *make*/take on holiday?
2 I read a really *interested*/interesting article in the newspaper today.
3 That meal we had yesterday was horrible. I *particularly*/properly disliked the fish.
4 Have you got any more clothes to put in the *dishwasher*/washing machine?
5 I've told you *now*/time and again to do your homework!
6 John hates waiting more than ten minutes for a bus. He gets very *impatient*/unpatient.
7 Sharon was early for her appointment so she read a magazine to *lose*/pass the time.
8 Shall I turn the central *conditioning*/heating off. It's very hot in here.
9 Marcus always *said*/told the truth. It was impossible for him to lie.
10 It was *awful*/awfully difficult to read the sign as it was so dark.

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Intermediate Language Practice

Vocabulary Test 2 (Units 7–11)

1 Choose the word on the right that best matches the descriptions.

- | | | | |
|----|---|----------|-------------|
| 0 | in the kitchen – you find plates and cups in it | <u>d</u> | a) bin |
| 1 | in the wall, where you get power for electrical equipment | ___ | b) carpet |
| 2 | in the kitchen – turn it to get water | ___ | c) ceiling |
| 3 | in the corner of the room, full of paper | ___ | d) cupboard |
| 4 | the top part of the house – where the chimney is | ___ | e) cushion |
| 5 | the top part of the room – where the lamp hangs down | ___ | f) fence |
| 6 | around the garden | ___ | g) gate |
| 7 | between the front door and the garden, to help you get down | ___ | h) pillow |
| 8 | at the end of the garden path, just before the street | ___ | i) roof |
| 9 | covering the floor, from one wall to the other | ___ | j) rug |
| 10 | covering a small area of the floor, in the middle of the room | ___ | k) socket |
| 11 | on a bed, to make your head comfortable | ___ | l) step |
| 12 | on a sofa, to make your back comfortable | ___ | m) tap |

2 Underline the correct word in each sentence.

- 0 When her bicycle was stolen, Jill became extremely angry/nervous.
- 1 Do you like/fancy going out for a pizza this evening?
- 2 A lot of my relatives/parents live in America.
- 3 Those grapes look delicious. I'll have a large packet/bunch, please.
- 4 She always shows good judgment. She's very sensible/sensitive.
- 5 My brother would really look good in that shirt/blouse.
- 6 Can you borrow/lend me some money until tomorrow?
- 7 I was absolutely fascinated/fascinating by his story about Africa.
- 8 Happy anniversary/birthday, Oliver! Six years old today. Are you having fun?
- 9 You'll find better prices/values in the shops if you wait until the sales.
- 10 My car has broken down. Could you give me a hand/help?
- 11 Waiter, here is my credit card. Can I have a receipt/bill please?
- 12 This pullover is much too big for me. It feels really lose/loose.

3 Complete each sentence with a word from the box. One of the words is used twice.

after	away	back	down	for	in	on	out	up	with
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- 0 I'm longing for a few weeks holiday.
- 1 Excuse me, I'd like to try _____ this jacket. Where are the changing rooms?
- 2 I'll lend you the money but you must pay me _____ by Friday.
- 3 Christine said she'd drop _____ to see her aunt on the way home from Scotland.
- 4 Do you think my new shirt will go _____ these trousers?
- 5 Paul promised to help me with the decorating today but he's gone to a football match instead. He's really let me _____.
- 6 Joanna put _____ a thick pair of boots as it was snowing outside.
- 7 Let's go _____ to Paris for the weekend. I've never been there.
- 8 Did you know that Louise is going _____ with my ex-boyfriend?
- 9 Robbie wanted to dress _____ as Batman for the party.
- 10 Jack takes _____ his father. They've even got the same ears!

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Intermediate Language Practice

Vocabulary Test 3 (Units 12–16)

1a Match the words in the box with the definitions.

cruise	journey	tour	travel	trip	voyage
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- 0 the general activity of moving from place to place (uncountable noun) travel
- 1 going from one place to another, usually over a long distance or long time _____
- 2 going to a place, staying there, and coming back again _____
- 3 a circular journey during which you visit several places _____
- 4 a holiday on a large ship _____
- 5 a long journey by sea or in space _____

b Now complete each sentence with a word from the same box.

- 0 Foreign travel is very popular these days.

- 1 The sightseeing _____ costs €15. You see Big Ben, the Tower of London and St Paul's.
- 2 We drove from Germany all the way down to Italy. It was a two-day _____.
- 3 The _____ from England to America across the Atlantic took several weeks.
- 4 My parents are going on a _____ around the Caribbean Islands.
- 5 They've just come back from a _____ to Ireland. They had a wonderful time.

2 The words in *italics* are in the wrong sentences. Find the best word for each sentence.

- 0 We weren't sure what to order for lunch, so we asked for the *whistle*. **menu**
- 1 There are no cars in the city centre – it's a traffic-free *menu*.

- 2 If you can't afford a hotel, why not stay in a youth *crossing*?

- 3 The morning rush *tyre* lasts from seven until half past nine.

- 4 We can't drive to Italy in one day. We'll need to make an overnight *hour*.

- 5 Sorry I'm late. I was stuck in a traffic *zone*. _____
- 6 It's safer to walk along the road a bit and use the pedestrian *hostel*.

- 7 I had to push my bike all the way up the hill. I got a flat *stop*.

- 8 The players must stop when they hear the referee's *jam*. _____

3 Decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each space.

Hi James

We're on holiday at the moment and we've brought our (0) **B** with us. It's small but quite comfortable. We're (1) _____ in France for two weeks, right in the middle of the French (2) _____. There's some wonderful (3) _____ around here. There's even a small (4) _____ where I can (5) _____ fishing. The place has certainly (6) _____ up to our expectations.

Actually, we're lucky to be here as a car (7) _____ into a lorry in front of us on the motorway in England and we nearly (8) _____ the boat. Sarah was ill for a short while and I had to go to the (9) _____ in the nearest village to get her some aspirin. She seems to have got (10) _____ her illness now, but I had to make all the (11) _____ for a couple of days. As you know, I'm not the best (12) _____ in the world and while I was (13) _____ some bacon the pan was set (14) _____ fire. Luckily, we had a fire (15) _____ with us and it soon brought the fire under control.

We're off to the beach now. Hope you're keeping well.

All the best
Dominic

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|----|-------------|---------------|----------------|------------|
| 0 | A bungalow | B caravan | C castle | D cottage |
| 1 | A passing | B remaining | C spending | D staying |
| 2 | A country | B countryside | C land | D ground |
| 3 | A look | B scenery | C sight | D view |
| 4 | A canal | B river | C sea | D stream |
| 5 | A do | B go | C make | D take |
| 6 | A kept | B lived | C seemed | D was |
| 7 | A collapsed | B crashed | C hit | D struck |
| 8 | A arrived | B caught | C lost | D missed |
| 9 | A chemist's | B physician | C surgeon | D hospital |
| 10 | A from | B off | C on | D over |
| 11 | A courses | B food | C meals | D plates |
| 12 | A chef | B chief | C cook | D cooker |
| 13 | A baking | B boiling | C grating | D frying |
| 14 | A in | B from | C on | D over |
| 15 | A brigade | B engine | C extinguisher | D fighter |

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Intermediate Language Practice

Vocabulary Test 4 (Units 17–21)

1 Complete each sentence with a word formed from the word in capitals.

- 0 Nowadays it's very important to get a good education . EDUCATE
- 1 I don't have much _____ of European history. KNOW
- 2 My pencil has broken! Have you got a _____ ? SHARP
- 3 Tomorrow I'm going to send off my _____ form for the job.
APPLY
- 4 Her brother works in the factory as an _____. ENGINE
- 5 The _____ in this city has got worse. I find it difficult to breathe.
POLLUTE
- 6 Tony Blair is one of Britain's most famous _____. POLITICS
- 7 I've been out of work for ages. It's not much fun being _____.
EMPLOY
- 8 If you go to court you will need a good _____. LAW

- 9 Our team is very _____. We've won three international competition this year. SUCCEED
- 10 It's very difficult to live in London on a low _____. COME

2 Choose the word on the right to complete each sentence.

- | | | |
|----|---|------------|
| 0 | Look! It's not working because the plug isn't in the <u>j</u> . | a) battery |
| 1 | My shirt got very creased in the suitcase. I need an ____ . | b) bulb |
| 2 | If the shelf is coming off the wall, try to tighten the ____ . | c) glue |
| 3 | Hang your coat over there on that ____ . | d) hook |
| 4 | When a lamp suddenly goes out, we need to change the ____ . | e) iron |
| 5 | If you need to climb onto the roof, use a ____ . | f) ladder |
| 6 | If you get lost in the forest, use your ____ . | g) lock |
| 7 | This key doesn't work. They must have changed the ____ . | h) razor |
| 8 | To stop the alarm working, the burglars cut the ____ . | i) screw |
| 9 | In case of punctures, cars always carry a spare ____ . | j) socket |
| 10 | I need to have a shave, but I haven't got a ____ . | l) compass |
| 11 | My mobile phone isn't working. I need to recharge the ____ . | l) tyre |
| 12 | The envelope won't stick down properly. I need some ____ . | m) wire |

3 Underline the correct word in each sentence.

- 0 Before we set off, we listened to the *climate*/*weather* forecast.
- 1 My *favourite*/*preferred* time of year is Spring.
- 2 Our main *bureau*/*office* is in Swindon.
- 3 Can I just write that date down in my *agenda*/*diary*?
- 4 Your hair is too long. Give me those *cutters*/*scissors* and I'll cut it.
- 5 I'm always pulling up *crops*/*weeds* in the garden. They get everywhere.
- 6 At present people *resign*/*retire* at 65. In the future it may be different.
- 7 The car has got a small *engine*/*machine* and is very economical to use.
- 8 Lots of chemicals farmers use *harm*/*spoil* the environment.
- 9 Julie's studying to become a primary school *professor*/*teacher*.
- 10 Bill thanked the *guest*/*host* for the party and went home.

Intermediate Language Practice

KEY Grammar Progress Test 1a (Units 2–9)

1

- 1 I haven't saved
- 2 I won't be
- 3 Shall I
- 4 have you been waiting
- 5 I used to go
- 6 I've lived
- 7 I was cleaning
- 8 are you thinking
- 9 I'm going
- 10 I still haven't found
- 11 did you paint
- 12 will you be working
- 13 it finishes
- 14 I'm seeing
- 15 are you going

2

- 1 did you go
- 2 is reading
- 3 played
- 4 was listening
- 5 turned off

- 6 reads
- 7 are you spending
- 8 did you do
- 9 were playing
- 10 are becoming
- 11 do you spend
- 12 became
- 13 were you doing
- 14 am staying

3

- 1 never visited/been to Italy before
- 2 just arrived
- 3 had already started
- 4 I call back later
- 5 learning English two years ago
- 6 been to Spain since 1998
- 7 finishes, we'll go for a pizza
- 8 going to speak to my boss tomorrow

4

- 1 went
- 2 have been
- 3 left
- 4 have left
- 5 has been
- 6 was
- 7 have risen
- 8 rose

(Total = 45 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 1b (Units 2–9)

1

- 1 I've been here
- 2 are you looking
- 3 I won't say
- 4 Shall we
- 5 I'm meeting
- 6 I still haven't been
- 7 I haven't seen
- 8 I'm playing
- 9 arrives
- 10 did you start
- 11 will you be going
- 12 I was walking
- 13 has it been snowing
- 14 I used to carry
- 15 ends

2

- 1 did you get
- 2 am checking
- 3 waited
- 4 was watching
- 5 is increasing
- 6 turned on
- 7 checks
- 8 are you going
- 9 did you play
- 10 were waiting
- 11 are going down
- 12 do you go
- 13 went down
- 14 were you playing

3

- 1 just landed
- 2 playing the guitar three years ago
- 3 starts, you'll hear a lot of noise
- 4 never been to the United States before
- 5 I get you a drink
- 6 seen Naomi since February
- 7 going to email Paul this evening
- 8 had seen the film before

4

- 1 was
- 2 has been
- 3 came
- 4 have come
- 5 have seen
- 6 saw
- 7 has gone
- 8 went

(Total = 45 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 2a (Units 10–18)

1

- 1 asked
- 2 wasn't
- 3 can't have left
- 4 won
- 5 You'd better
- 6 would join
- 7 must have left
- 8 you'd done
- 9 said
- 10 was given
- 11 was
- 12 I'll get
- 13 wouldn't have known
- 14 were shown round

2

- 1 must
- 2 should
- 3 have to
- 4 could
- 5 must have
- 6 had to
- 7 don't have to
- 8 might have
- 9 didn't have to
- 10 mustn't

3

- 1 D
- 2 B
- 3 A
- 4 B
- 5 C
- 6 D
- 7 A
- 8 C
- 9 A
- 10 C

4

- 1 I had a dog
- 2 were you, I'd leave your job
- 3 has been stolen
- 4 born in Istanbul
- 5 have to wear a tie at work
- 6 have got lost

(Total = 40 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 2b (Units 10–18)

1

- 1 was delivered
- 2 You'd better
- 3 knew
- 4 told
- 5 we'll get
- 6 would have been able to
- 7 wouldn't increase
- 8 has been
- 9 asked
- 10 we'd caught
- 11 wasn't
- 12 must have left
- 13 redecorated
- 14 was going

2

- 1 could
- 2 had to
- 3 don't have to
- 4 didn't have to
- 5 must have
- 6 should
- 7 must
- 8 mustn't
- 9 must have
- 10 have to

3

- 1 D
- 2 D
- 3 A
- 4 D
- 5 B
- 6 C
- 7 C
- 8 A
- 9 C
- 10 A

4

- 1 would you go if you had a yacht
- 2 will be met at the airport
- 3 you born
- 4 can't be Geoffrey
- 5 had bought a ticket, we wouldn't have had to pay a fine
- 6 have enjoyed herself

(Total = 40 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 3a (Units 19–28)

1

- 1 cook
- 2 old enough
- 3 who
- 4 such
- 5 In spite of
- 6 Its
- 7 so
- 8 where the post office is
- 9 Would you like
- 10 although
- 11 closing
- 12 that
- 13 so much
- 14 in

2

- 1 at
- 2 in
- 3 on
- 4 on
- 5 in
- 6 on
- 7 below
- 8 on
- 9 in
- 10 on
- 11 to
- 12 above

3

- 1 he would pass the exam.
- 2 much advice that I don't know what to do.
- 3 enough glasses on the table.
- 4 the rain, I went to the shops.
- 5 waiting a moment.
- 6 were you, I'd travel before the rush-hour starts.
- 7 is a small bar near the beach called 'Pedro's Place'.
- 8 how much this costs?
- 9 such a boring play that I fell asleep.
- 10 about going fishing at the weekend?

4

- 1 new student who joined our class is called Joanna
- 2 a friend whose father comes from Sweden
- 3 book that Jim gave me is really good
- 4 gave me a book which is really good

(Total = 40 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 3b (Units 19–28)

1

- 1 In spite of
- 2 so much
- 3 the film starts
- 4 so
- 5 although
- 6 in
- 7 such
- 8 who
- 9 tall enough
- 10 in order to
- 11 that
- 12 Its
- 13 visit
- 14 moving

2

- 1 on
- 2 in
- 3 to
- 4 in
- 5 on
- 6 in
- 7 at
- 8 below
- 9 at
- 10 above
- 11 on
- 12 in

3

- 1 were you, I'd get to the airport two hours before take-off
- 2 much work to do that I don't know where to begin
- 3 about inviting Julia and Margaret to the party
- 4 she could go to Japan
- 5 such an old car that it kept breaking down
- 6 speaking more slowly, please
- 7 enough chairs in the room
- 8 where the station is
- 9 the problems, we enjoyed ourselves
- 10 that Robert has forgotten my birthday again

4

- 1 fitness centre I go to also has yoga classes
- 2 to a fitness centre which also has yoga classes
- 3 a man whose brother is a record producer
- 4 to meet the woman that you were talking about

(Total = 40 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 4a (Units 29–37)

1

- 1 a
- 2 for
- 3 some
- 4 as
- 5 by
- 6 than
- 7 How much
- 8 worst
- 9 either
- 10 the day after tomorrow
- 11 information
- 12 the

2

- 1 the
- 2 a
- 3 the
- 4 the
- 5 the
- 6 a
- 7 the
- 8 –
- 9 the
- 10 a
- 11 –
- 12 the
- 13 a
- 14 –
- 15 a

3

- 1 go any faster
- 2 of the restaurants were cheap
- 3 as good at History as Sue
- 4 is the capital of
- 5 a bus driver
- 6 of the answers were wrong
- 7 best at History
- 8 until 7.00

4

- 1 I grew up in Belgium.
- 2 I was talking to Jackie and we were suddenly cut off.
- 3 Alice takes after her mother.
- 4 I'm looking up the word in a dictionary.
- 5 What are you getting at?

(Total = 40 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 4b (Units 29–37)

1

- 1 than
- 2 some
- 3 How much
- 4 for
- 5 by
- 6 none of
- 7 some
- 8 a
- 9 the day before yesterday
- 10 either
- 11 worst
- 12 as

2

- 1 –
- 2 the
- 3 a
- 4 The
- 5 the
- 6 the
- 7 an
- 8 –
- 9 the
- 10 –
- 11 a
- 12 –
- 13 an
- 14 the
- 15 –

3

- 1 an English teacher
- 2 until next Monday
- 3 go any further
- 4 slowest swimmer in the class
- 5 is the captain of England./is the English captain
- 6 of the brothers were small
- 7 book must be returned to the shelves
- 8 in time to catch the robber

4

- 1 I had to deal with a very difficult problem at work today.
- 2 I'll pick you up in my car at 7.30.
- 3 The plane took off exactly on time.
- 4 The football match has been called off.
- 5 Maria has got over her disappointment.

(Total = 40 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 5a (Units 38–46)

1

- 1 at
- 2 to turn off
- 3 either
- 4 anything
- 5 to give
- 6 its
- 7 on
- 8 yet
- 9 flying
- 10 to go
- 11 such as
- 12 ask for
- 13 to post
- 14 mine

2

- 1 I told Mary's son that he should be honest, go to the police and tell the truth.
- 2 'Hi, Alison', said James, 'What's happening?'
- 3 You'll never believe what happened! First of all, we met up with Peter's friends from University, then we all went to Brighton for the day.

3

- 1 A
- 2 C
- 3 C
- 4 C
- 5 A
- 6 A
- 7 D
- 8 B
- 9 D
- 10 B

4

- 1 of spiders
- 2 anywhere
- 3 interested in chemistry
- 4 she'd/to ask
- 5 Nicola's dictionary
- 6 except Chris
- 7 think of you

8 in time

(Total = 35 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 5b (Units 38–46)

1

- 1 smoking
- 2 wait for you
- 3 hers
- 4 to pay
- 5 since
- 6 for
- 7 In
- 8 to help
- 9 anyone
- 10 too
- 11 breathing
- 12 its
- 13 to post
- 14 about

2

- 1 He's won a thousand euros on the lottery. However, he won't even take us to Pizzeria Napoli to celebrate!
- 2 I asked Alexandra's mother about her childhood, her time in Africa, and her experience of the war.
- 3 'Hello, Jackie', said Robert, 'What time did you get back from the cinema?'

3

- 1 D
- 2 B
- 3 C
- 4 A
- 5 D
- 6 C
- 7 A
- 8 D
- 9 B
- 10 D

4

- 1 rely on Annie
- 2 to buy
- 3 nothing in
- 4 teacher of mine
- 5 good at Chemistry
- 6 stealing the bike

- 7 full of people
- 8 no money

(Total = 35 marks)

Intermediate Language Practice

KEY Vocabulary Test 1 (Units 2–6)

1

- 1 foreigner
- 2 happiness
- 3 inexperienced
- 4 friendship
- 5 homeless
- 6 shortage
- 7 underpaid
- 8 dangerous
- 9 machinery
- 10 misunderstanding

2

- 1 about
- 2 table
- 3 makers
- 4 ache
- 5 coat
- 6 ground
- 7 washer
- 8 doors

3

- 1 take
- 2 interesting
- 3 particularly
- 4 washing machine
- 5 time
- 6 impatient
- 7 pass
- 8 heating
- 9 told
- 10 awfully

KEY Vocabulary Test 2 (Units 7–11)

1

- 1 k) socket
- 2 m) tap
- 3 a) bin
- 4 i) roof
- 5 c) ceiling
- 6 f) fence
- 7 l) step
- 8 g) gate
- 9 b) carpet
- 10 j) rug
- 11 h) pillow
- 12 e) cushion

2

- 1 fancy
- 2 relatives
- 3 bunch
- 4 sensible
- 5 shirt
- 6 lend
- 7 fascinated
- 8 birthday
- 9 prices
- 10 hand
- 11 receipt
- 12 loose

3

- 1 on
- 2 back
- 3 in
- 4 with
- 5 down
- 6 on
- 7 away
- 8 out
- 9 up
- 10 after

KEY Vocabulary Test 3 (Units 12–16)

1

a

- 1 journey
- 2 trip
- 3 tour
- 4 cruise
- 5 voyage

b

- 1 tour
- 2 journey
- 3 voyage
- 4 cruise
- 5 trip

2

- 1 zone
- 2 hostel
- 3 hour
- 4 stop
- 5 jam
- 6 crossing
- 7 tyre
- 8 whistle

3

- 1 D
- 2 B
- 3 B
- 4 D
- 5 B
- 6 B
- 7 B
- 8 D
- 9 A
- 10 D
- 11 C
- 12 C
- 13 D
- 14 C
- 15 C

KEY Vocabulary Test 4 (Units 17–21)

1

- 1 knowledge
- 2 sharpener
- 3 application
- 4 engineer
- 5 pollution
- 6 politician
- 7 unemployed
- 8 lawyer

2

- 1 e) iron
- 2 i) screw
- 3 d) hook
- 4 b) bulb
- 5 f) ladder
- 6 k) compass
- 7 g) lock
- 8 m) wire
- 9 l) tyre
- 10 h) razor
- 11 a) battery
- 12 c) glue

3

- 1 favourite
- 2 office
- 3 diary
- 4 scissors
- 5 weeds
- 6 retire
- 7 engine
- 8 harm
- 9 teacher
- 10 host

(Total = 30 marks)

Name: _____

Date: _____

Intermediate Language Practice

Final Test

1 Underline the correct word or phrase in each sentences.

- 0 I *can to meet*/*can meet* you this evening at about 7.30.
- 1 I'm tired – I think I *go*/*will go* home now.
- 2 We've finished *decorating*/*to decorate* the apartment.
- 3 *The life*/*Life* is difficult sometimes.
- 4 At the moment *I'm learning*/*I learn* to play the guitar.
- 5 My course finishes *on next week*/*next week*.
- 6 The train *leaves*/*it leaves* at 9.30.
- 7 It's important *for to read*/*to read* the contract carefully.
- 8 Where *you buy*/*did you buy* those shoes?
- 9 The film I saw last night was really *interesting*/*interested*.
- 10 I've worked at this company *since*/*for* two years.
- 11 Can you tell me what time *does the train leave*/*the train leaves*?
- 12 You can come if you want to, but my parents *will be*/*shall be* there.
- 13 England is not *so*/*as* big as Germany.
- 14 There was a terrible plane crash – it *happened*/*has happened* an hour ago.
- 15 Adrian is a very good friend of *me*/*mine*.

2 **Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence.**

- 0 Let's go to the beach this weekend.
How about **going to the beach this weekend** ?
- 1 Last week I lent Hilary the Harry Potter book.
Last week Hilary _____ .
- 2 There are twelve students in my class.
My class _____ .
- 3 The name of the film is *Zero Hour*.
The film _____ .
- 4 The film was very unpopular.
Nobody _____ .
- 5 Last night it rained a lot.

- Last night there _____.
- 6 I've got more DVDs than Simon.
Simon's got _____.
- 7 Shall we have a coffee break now?
What about _____.
- 8 The President gave the news conference.
The news conference _____.

3 Decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits the space.

Brussels

Brussels is the main city (0) B Belgium, and it is the home of the European Union. It has a reputation for (1) _____ a little boring, but this is unfair. (2) _____, it is a modern, lively city with some of the (3) _____ restaurants in Europe. Every evening its bars are (4) _____ with visitors and locals who come to (5) _____ the wonderful variety of different beers. Don't forget to visit the Grand Place. There aren't many market squares (6) _____ this one in Europe. If you (7) _____ some free time you can visit Bruges, (8) _____ is only a short train ride (9) _____ Bruges is a medieval town with canals and beautiful old houses. It is really (10) _____ visiting.

- 0 A at B in C to D for
- 1 A be B being C to be D been
- 2 A Personally B As well C However D In fact
- 3 A delicious B good C best D better
- 4 A full B occupied C plenty D lived
- 5 A attempt B experiment C prove D try
- 6 A beautiful than B as beautiful as C as beautiful than D so beautiful than
- 7 A have B will have C are having D to have
- 8 A whose B who C which D that
- 9 A journey B far C distant D away
- 10 A worth B value C good D recommend

4 Underline the errors in these sentences. Rewrite each sentence.

- 0 Liechtenstein, that has a population of 35,000, is between Switzerland and Austria.
Liechtenstein, which has a population of 35,000, is between Switzerland and Austria.
- 1 The weather is getting colder and more colder.

- 2 I lived here for the last three years.

3 Chinese restaurants are always easy to find them.

4 I'm going to visit my aunt and uncle on the weekend.

5 I want to get home before the match will begin.

6 Every of my three sisters has blond hair.

7 We were enjoyed the party very much.

8 I'm sorry, you're not be allowed to park there.

9 I watched the TV news while I eating my dinner.

10 She sang the song really good.

11 I'm beginning feeling hungry.

12 About what are you thinking?

13 I usually just have a sandwich for the lunch.

14 Laura catch the same bus as me in the morning.

5 Decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits the space.

Picking mushrooms

(0) C autumn, one of my favourite activities is picking mushrooms. I've been doing it (1) _____ I was young – we went out to the forest (2) _____ Sunday morning and we (3) _____ the day there. In the old days it was easy, but now you (4) _____ a licence from the local council. The problem was that commercial pickers took (5) _____ It was selfish, and ecologists (6) _____ it also destroyed the environment. With (7) _____ new system there is a limit on the amount you (8) _____. Not (9) _____ thinks this is a good idea, (10) _____, and many people pick the mushrooms illegally.

- | | | | | |
|----|--------------|------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| 0 | A All of the | B All | C Every | D Through |
| 1 | A during | B while | C for | D since |
| 2 | A at | B on | C by | D for |
| 3 | A occupied | B passed | C spent | D took |
| 4 | A need | B have need | C have necessity of | D is necessary |
| 5 | A all | B the everything | C everything | D every thing |
| 6 | A tells | B told | C said us | D said |
| 7 | A all | B the | C one | D a |
| 8 | A can take | B can to take | C can taking | D could take |
| 9 | A someone | B everyone | C some person | D every person |
| 10 | A although | B though | C yet | D still |

6 For each question, complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first sentence, using no more than three words.

- 0 My teacher wouldn't let me leave early.
My teacher refused to let me leave early.
- 1 She started working here three years ago.
She has been working here _____.
- 2 They make cars in that factory.
Cars _____ in that factory.
- 3 I haven't been fishing before.
This is the first time that I _____.
- 4 The metro is cheaper than a taxi.
A taxi is _____ the metro.
- 5 How much do these shoes cost?
What is _____ these shoes?

- 6 I didn't see the tree and I drove straight into it.
If I _____ the tree, I wouldn't have driven straight into it.
- 7 I haven't got enough time to write the letter.
I've got _____ to write the letter.
- 8 'You've passed your exam, Richard,' said the teacher.
The teacher told Richard that he _____ exam.

Intermediate Language Practice

KEY Final Test

1

- 1 will go
- 2 decorating
- 3 Life
- 4 I'm learning
- 5 next week
- 6 leaves
- 7 to read
- 8 did you buy
- 9 interesting
- 10 for
- 11 the train leaves
- 12 will be
- 13 as
- 14 it happened
- 15 mine

2

- 1 borrowed the Harry Potter book./was lent the Harry Potter book
- 2 has got twelve students
- 3 is called 'Zero Hour'
- 4 liked the film
- 5 was a lot of rain
- 6 less DVDs than me
- 7 having a coffee break now
- 8 was given (by the President)

3

- 1 B
- 2 D
- 3 C
- 4 B
- 5 D
- 6 B
- 7 A
- 8 C
- 9 D
- 10 A

4

- 1 The weather is getting colder and colder.
- 2 I've lived here for the last three years.
- 3 Chinese restaurants are always easy to find.
- 4 I'm going to visit my aunt and uncle at the weekend.
- 5 I want to get home before the match begins.
- 6 Each of my three sisters has blond hair.
- 7 We enjoyed the party very much.
- 8 I'm sorry, you're not allowed to park here.
- 9 I watched the TV news while I was eating my dinner.
- 10 She sang the song really well.
- 11 I'm beginning to feel hungry.
- 12 You can come with me if you want to, but my parents will be there.
- 13 I usually just have a sandwich for lunch.
- 14 Laura catches the same bus as me in the morning.

5

- 1 D
- 2 B
- 3 C
- 4 A
- 5 C
- 6 D
- 7 B
- 8 A
- 9 B
- 10 B

6

- 1 for three years.
- 2 are made
- 3 've been fishing.
- 4 more expensive than
- 5 the price of
- 6 had seen
- 7 little time
- 8 had passed his

(Total = 65 marks)

Name: _____

Date: _____

First Certificate Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 1a (Units 1–4)

1 Underline the most suitable word(s) in each sentence.

- 0 I suddenly remembered that I *forgot/had forgotten* my keys.
- 1 I *used to eat/was eating* cakes and sweets all the time when I was young.
- 2 *Have you spoken/Did you speak* to David yesterday?
- 3 When I arrived at the theatre, the play *already started/had already started*.
- 4 *I'm going to buy/I will buy* a new PC at the weekend.
- 5 Roberta, how nice to see you! I *haven't seen/didn't see* you for ages!
- 6 What awful weather! *It's rained/It's been raining* all day.
- 7 While I *walked/was walking* through the park, I saw something very strange.
- 8 Don't call after 11pm. *I'll be sleeping/I'll sleep*.
- 9 By this time next year *I'll be/I'll have been* a member of the film society for ten years.
- 10 I usually *leave/am leaving* work at 5 o'clock.

2 Decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each space.

A summer job

Dear Angela

Please (0) C my apologies! I know it's been ages (1) _____ I last emailed you, but I've been really busy. (2) _____ the last few months (3) _____ at a bar on the beach called Angelo's. Every evening I get there at about six, and (4) _____ until midnight. I'm trying to save money to go to Thailand, but I haven't got enough (5) _____. I'm really enjoying it now, although it (6) _____ difficult at the beginning because there's a lot of noise and confusion all the time. I heard you (7) _____ to visit us next month! Why not come along to Angelo's? I'm sure I'll (8) _____ be working there.

See you soon,

Kate

- | | | | |
|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| 0 A be accepting | B you accept | C accept | D to accept |
| 1 A For | B Already | C While | D Since |
| 2 A for | B as | C while | D since |
| 3 A I work | B I had worked | C I worked | D I've been working |
| 4 A I don't leave | B I'm not leaving | C I haven't left | D I'm not going to leave |
| 5 A already | B still | C yet | D soon |
| 6 A has been | B had been | C was | D is |
| 7 A are coming | B came | C come | D would come |

8 **A** still

B already

C yet

D longer

- 3 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the words given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given.**
- 0 Look at those black clouds! There's rain on the way.
to
Look at those black clouds! It's going to rain.
- 1 A service charge is not included in the price.
not
The price _____ a service charge.
- 2 I've never been to Egypt before.
time
This is the _____ to Egypt.
- 3 I looked at the photograph on the desk while she was out of the room.
waiting
I looked at the photograph on the desk while _____ to return.
- 4 He started to play when he was young.
been
He _____ he was young.
- 5 The office is still dirty.
cleaned
The office _____ yet.
- 6 We'll probably get to the cinema after the start of the film.
will
By the time we get to the cinema, the film _____ started.
- 4 Look carefully at each line. Some of the lines are correct, and some have a word which should not be there. Tick each correct line. If a line has a word which should not be there, write the word in the space.**

Looking for work

Daniel is a waiter, but he's been out of the work for 0 *the*

two months and he's trying to find another job. He 00 ✓

has been applied for hundreds of jobs, but he's only 1 _____

had one interview. He would like for to work in an 2 _____

office as the pay is better than being a waiter. At the 3 _____

moment he doesn't have any of qualifications, but he's 4 _____

doing a business course in the evenings and when 5 _____

he completes it he should to be in a better position. 6 _____

Name: _____

Date: _____

First Certificate Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 1b (Units 1–4)

1 Underline the most suitable verb form in each sentence.

- 0 I suddenly remembered that I *forgot*/***had forgotten*** my keys.
1 It's nice to be back in Budapest. This is the second time *I came*/*I've come* here.
2 *I'm meeting*/*I'll meet* David at seven in the bar.
3 He still hasn't arrived! *I've waited*/*I've been waiting* for ages!
4 By the time the plane landed, I *finished*/*had finished* the book.
5 How was your holiday in Italy? *Did you visit*/*Have you visited* Rome?
6 Who *did you talk to*/*were you talking to* when I passed you in the car yesterday?
7 Look at those clouds! *It will rain*/*It's going to rain*.
8 Clare *used to be*/*would be* an English teacher.
9 While his team *was winning*/*won* the match, he felt really excited.
10 What a view! *Have you taken*/*Did you take* a photograph yet?

2 Decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each space.

An old friend

Dear Antonio

Thanks for your email. It's been such a long time since I (0) **D** from you! When was it that we last (1) _____? Was it really a year (2) _____ at the language school in Oxford? Happy memories – but I've (3) _____ forgotten the name of our teacher! I'm pleased to hear that you are (4) _____ enjoying your work, and that your relationship with Daniella (5) _____ well.

What about my news? Well, I'm starting a new job at a clothes shop next week, and I (6) _____ to it. When I've saved up enough money from work I (7) _____ a flat for myself, because I (8) _____ at my parents' house for too long now and it's time for a change. That's all for now.

Keep in touch,

Fernando

- | | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|------------------|-------------|
| 0 A have heard | B hear | C did hear | D heard |
| 1 A met | B were meeting | C have met | D had met |
| 2 A before | B ago | C previous | D since |
| 3 A still | B yet | C already | D however |
| 4 A yet | B still | C longer | D soon |
| 5 A is going | B goes | C went | D go |
| 6 A have looked forward | | B looked forward | C will look |
| forward | D am looking forward | | |

- 7 **A** find **B** will have found **C** am going to find **D** have found
8 **A** will live **B** have been living **C** live **D** lived

- 3 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the words given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given.**
- 0 Look at those black clouds! There's rain on the way.
to
Look at those black clouds! It's going to rain.
- 1 The last time I saw Richard was before he got his new job.
since
I _____ he got his new job.
- 2 It was the most delicious Chinese meal I had ever eaten.
never
I _____ a delicious Chinese meal before.
- 3 She started work here two years ago.
working
She _____ the past two years.
- 4 You don't seem to be enjoying the music.
are
I get the impression that _____ the music.
- 5 I last saw them five years ago.
seen
I _____ five years.
- 6 Spending all afternoon cleaning left me exhausted.
doing
I _____ all afternoon and was exhausted.
- 4 Look carefully at each line. Some of the lines are correct, and some have a word which should not be there. Tick each correct line. If a line has a word which should not be there, write the word in the space.**

A nice dream

I really don't know what I will do when I will leave 0 *will*
University. I am thinking about working for my 00 ✓
father's company for a while because of my dream 1 _____
is to save up enough money for to travel around 2 _____
the world. I know it's going to be difficult, and my 3 _____
parents aren't very much happy about the idea, but 4 _____
I think you can live quite cheaply in places like the 5 _____
India and Thailand. Anyway, it's a nice dream! 6 _____

Name: _____

Date: _____

First Certificate Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 2a (Units 6–9)

1 Underline the most suitable verb form in each sentence.

- 0 I suddenly remembered that I *forgot*/*had forgotten* my keys.
1 If it *will be/is* a nice day tomorrow, we *can go/go* to the beach.
2 I wish it *is/was* the weekend!
3 The winning goal *was scoring/was scored* by Ronaldo.
4 If any player *uses/will use* his hand, the other team *has/would have* a free kick.
5 If we *were/had been* born in the 19th century, we *didn't have/wouldn't have had* television.
6 I wish I *had spoken/spoke* to you sooner.
7 How *do you feel/would you feel* if it *happened/would happen* you?
8 I looked for my umbrella, but it *had taken/had been taken*.

2 Decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each space.

A forgotten birthday

I wish that I (0) B remember my friend's birthday. I can't remember if she (1) _____ on the 20th or the 21st of March. I want to have a surprise party for her, but if I (2) _____ her directly the surprise (3) _____ ! The other day I tried to find out what her star sign (4) _____, hoping that during the conversation she (5) _____ me her birthday, but it didn't work. It's so difficult to make any plans without knowing. Of course the restaurant that we're going to (6) _____, but (7) _____ I know the right day, I can't book a table. I suppose her mother (8) _____ me if I phoned her up.

- | | | | |
|-----------------------|--------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| 0 A can | B could | C will | D would |
| 1 A has been born | B is born | C was born | D born |
| 2 A ask | B will ask | C would ask | D had asked |
| 3 A was lost | B is lost | C had been lost | D would be lost |
| 4 A has | B was | C had | D being |
| 5 A tells | B is telling | C would tell | D will tell |
| 6 A was chosen | B has chosen | C has choose | D has been chosen |
| 7 A unless | B if only | C if | D as long as |
| 8 A told | B would tell | C will tell | D tell |

- 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.**
- 0 Look at those black clouds! There's rain on the way.
to
Look at those black clouds! It's going to rain.
- 1 They'll mark all our assignments by the end of the week.
will
All _____ by the end of the week.
- 2 'Did you receive an email from Tony?' I asked Naomi.
if
I asked Naomi _____ an email from Tony.
- 3 Somebody has to clean up this mess before we go home.
up
This mess _____ before we go home.
- 4 Without a ticket we won't be able to see the match.
unless
We won't be able to see the match _____ a ticket.
- 5 Pierre has decorated his flat for 1,000 euros.
had
Pierre _____ for 1,000 euros.
- 6 'Do you want to come to the movies?' Peter asked Joanna.
whether
Peter asked _____ to come to the movies.
- 7 The woman introduced herself as Jane Fielding.
us
The woman _____ her name was Jane Fielding.
- 8 When you arrive, someone will take you to your hotel.
be
When you arrive, you _____ to your hotel.
- 9 I would like you to be here!
wish
I _____ here!
- 10 I'll manage to finish my homework in time to see the film.
get
I'll _____ in time to see the film.

Name: _____

Date: _____

First Certificate Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 2b (Units 6–9)

1 Underline the most suitable verb form in each sentence.

- 0 I suddenly remembered that I *forgot/had forgotten* my keys.
1 I wish I *never told/had never told* him about my private life.
2 If you *go/will go* to your parents' house, you *ask/can ask* them about borrowing the car.
3 By the time we arrived, the ambulance *had called/had been called*.
4 If the computer *will crash/crashes*, you *will call/call* the technical support line.
5 I wish I *had/have* a better job!
6 If you *told/had told* me yesterday, I *had done/could have done* something about it.
7 The new shopping centre *will be open/will be opened* by the mayor.
8 What *would he think/does he think* if I *tell him/told him* I was going to leave?

2 Decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each space.

Meeting Isabel

It was just by chance that I met Isabel. I often wonder how my life (0) **B** different if, on that particular day in April 1996, I (1) _____ into a different bar. I normally drive straight home after work, but on that day my car (2) _____ and I had time for a drink before my train (3) _____. I (4) _____ the lady behind the counter for a whisky, and we started talking. She told (5) _____ her company was closing down and so she (6) _____ redundant. She was just working in the bar until she found another job. I liked her, and for the next week I went home by train every day. Eventually I asked her if I (7) _____ her phone number, and the rest is history. I only wish (8) _____ her sooner!

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|---------------------|-----------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 0 A will be | B would be | C will have been | D would have been |
| 1 A have walked | B had walked | C walked | D was walking |
| 2 A is serviced | B was serviced | C was being serviced | D was been serviced |
| 3 A arrived | B was arrived | C was arriving | D has arrived |
| 4 A asked | B told | C questioned | D said |
| 5 A if | B that | C to me | D me |
| 6 A had made | B had been made | C would have made | D would make |
| 7 A had | B can have | C could have | D would have |
| 8 A met | B was meeting | C had been met | D had met |

- 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.
- 0 Look at those black clouds! There's rain on the way.
to
Look at those black clouds! It's going to rain.
- 1 Take my advice and stop smoking.
were
If _____ stop smoking.
- 2 You are not allowed to park cars on the yellow lines.
must
Cars _____ on the yellow lines.
- 3 The taxi may be expensive so take enough money.
case
Take enough money _____ expensive.
- 4 Nobody can deny that she has a lovely voice.
denied
It _____ has a lovely voice.
- 5 Unless we leave right now, we'll miss our train.
if
We'll miss our train _____ right now.
- 6 'Did Angela speak to you yesterday?' I asked Patrick.
if
I asked Patrick _____ to him yesterday.
- 7 The hairdresser cut my hair yesterday.
had
I _____ yesterday.
- 8 What a pity we didn't catch any fish.
wish
I _____ some fish.
- 9 Excuse me, has the doctor seen you yet?
been
Excuse me, _____ by the doctor yet?
- 10 Please don't smoke in here.
rather
I _____ smoke in here.

Name: _____

Date: _____

First Certificate Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 3a (Units 11–14)

1 Underline the most suitable word(s) in each sentence.

- 0 I suddenly remembered that I *forgot/had forgotten* my keys.
- 1 Let's ask at the Information Desk, *for being/so as to be* sure.
- 2 The Lake District is *in/at* the north-west corner of England.
- 3 He's the man *whose/that* brother knows how to fix computers.
- 4 I'm sorry I couldn't join you *yesterday evening/last evening*. I was really tired.
- 5 The newsagents' is just *across/opposite* the supermarket.
- 6 She lives in Lisbon, *that/which* is one of my favourite places.
- 7 It's been a long time *when/since* I last spoke to Stephanie.
- 8 Melanie just went out to the shops *to buy/for to buy* some milk.
- 9 He says he's busy. Or *by other words/in other words*, he doesn't want to come.
- 10 I lent him my car, and he bought me a bottle of wine *by return/in return*.
- 11 How many cigarettes do you smoke, *on average/in average*, every week?
- 12 Divide into pairs, and talk about your picture *in turn/by turns*.

2 Make one new sentence from each pair of sentences. Begin as shown, and use the word given in capitals.

- 0 That woman is my neighbour. She brought me flowers when I was ill. WHO
That's my neighbour *who brought me flowers when I was ill* .
- 1 A person saw the incident. They were interviewed by the police. WHO
The person _____ .
- 2 I told you about a person. They were interviewed by the police. WHO
The person _____ .
- 3 The car has 20,000 km on the clock. It is on sale in the showroom. WHICH
The car, _____ .
- 4 His father bought him a car. It has 20,000 km on the clock. WHICH
The car _____ .
- 5 Paul's arm was broken. He still came to the disco. WHOSE
Paul, _____ .
- 6 That woman has a dog. It keeps making a mess on our lawn. WHOSE
That's the _____ .

- 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.**
- 0 Look at those black clouds! There's rain on the way.
to
Look at those black clouds! It's going to rain.
- 1 We installed an alarm to prevent burglars entering the house.
couldn't
We installed an alarm _____ enter the house.
- 2 We couldn't play tennis, as it was dark.
to
It was _____ play tennis.
- 3 Use this screwdriver to assemble the bookcase.
assembling
This screwdriver _____ the bookcase.
- 4 Although Geoffrey had a cold, he came to school.
despite
Geoffrey _____ his cold.
- 5 There was a lot of noise, and I couldn't hear her calling.
that
There was _____ I couldn't hear her calling.
- 6 The thief ran away as he didn't want to be caught.
not
The thief ran away _____ to be caught.

4 Put one suitable word in each space.

Time travel

The film (0) that I saw (1) _____ night wasn't very good. It was all (2) _____ a man (3) _____ built a time machine so (4) _____ to travel back in time. It took him ages and ages (5) _____ build the machine. (6) _____ first he didn't succeed, and there were various disasters because he (7) _____ hadn't solved all the scientific problems. (8) _____ course he managed to build the machine eventually. He wanted to travel to the Stone Age, and in (9) _____ to get there he had to pass through a black hole (10) _____ space. (11) _____ his journey there were some good special effects, (12) _____ they weren't (13) _____ good as the effects in Star Pilot 4. Anyway, his machine didn't have (14) _____ power to get all the way back to the Stone Age. He only got to the last century, (15) _____ was a bit ridiculous after all the trouble he'd (16) _____ to.

Name: _____

Date: _____

First Certificate Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 3b (Units 11–14)

1 Underline the most suitable word(s) in each sentence.

- 0 I suddenly remembered that I *forgot/had forgotten* my keys.
- 1 I haven't finished reading the book *already/yet*.
- 2 The newsagents' is *between/among* the pub and the hairdressers'.
- 3 *Although/Despite* the rain, we had a good holiday.
- 4 I've been working very hard *nowadays/recently*.
- 5 My friend Kate, *that/whose* parents live in Paris, invited me to France for the summer.
- 6 The old monastery was *on/in* an island off the coast of Scotland.
- 7 The trainers were *such an expensive/so expensive* that I didn't buy them.
- 8 Mary has suggested a coffee break, *which/that* I think is an excellent idea.
- 9 There's a big demonstration in town, and some workers are *on strike/in strike*.
- 10 *On the whole/In the whole*, Liverpool isn't a bad place to live.
- 11 I'm going away *on holiday/in holiday* in two weeks' time.
- 12 I'm *with great difficulty/in great difficulty* when it comes to repairing cars.

2 Make one new sentence from each pair of sentences. Begin as shown, and use the word given in capitals.

- 0 That woman is my neighbour. She brought me flowers when I was ill. WHO
That's my neighbour who brought me flowers when I was ill.
- 1 My friend lent me this book. It's about a small Mexican village. WHICH
This book _____.
- 2 This book is about a small Mexican village. It is nearly 400 pages long. WHICH
This book, _____.
- 3 I told you about a person. He is sitting over there. WHO
The person _____.
- 4 A person plays guitar in 'The Donuts'. He is sitting over there. WHO
The person _____.
- 5 That group has a new CD. It is called 'Street Noise'. WHOSE
That's the _____.

- 6 Pamela's father is ill. She phoned me last night. WHOSE
Pamela, _____ .

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

- 0 Look at those black clouds! There's rain on the way.
to
Look at those black clouds! It's going to rain.
- 1 The play was boring, so I fell asleep in the middle.
such
It was _____ I fell asleep in the middle.
- 2 Waiter! This food isn't hot, so I can't eat it.
to
Waiter! This food _____ eat.
- 3 Just think! I was in Rome a week ago today.
time
Just think! I was in Rome _____ week.
- 4 We had problems, but we succeeded in the end.
of
We succeeded in the end _____ the problems.
- 5 You use this to clean the bathroom sink.
for
This _____ the bathroom sink.
- 6 I kept hoping for a miracle, but I knew it was no use.
even
I kept hoping for a miracle, _____ it was no use.

4 Put one suitable word in each space.

Diet and health

It is said that people from Mediterranean countries, (0) on average, live longer (1) _____ people from the north of Europe. (2) _____ a large extent this must be due (3) _____ their better diet. Southern Europeans eat healthy foods (4) _____ as fish and vegetables, and they also eat far (5) _____ fatty foods like cakes and hamburgers. The people from southern Italy, (6) _____ life expectancy is the longest (7) _____ all, have traditionally consumed very little meat. (8) _____ the past this habit might (9) _____ been caused (10) _____ poverty, but (11) _____ today people from this region eat a lot of fish. There is one surprising thing, (12) _____. In (13) _____ of their healthy lifestyle, people from southern Europe smoke a lot. In fact, (14) _____ many young people have started smoking (15) _____ the governments are quite worried and are taking measures to reduce the number of smokers in (16) _____ countries.

Name: _____

Date: _____

First Certificate Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 4a (Units 16–19)

1 Underline the most suitable word(s) in each sentence.

- 0 I suddenly remembered that I *forgot*/*had forgotten* my keys.
1 You *could have*/*must have* been crazy to do something like that!
2 I think you'd *better*/*it is better for you to* phone the police.
3 You *should*/*have got to* tell him that you are sorry for what happened.
4 Could you tell me *where is the post office*/*where the post office is*?
5 When I went to secondary school, I *had to*/*ought to* wear a uniform.
6 I *can*/*might* not be able to come to the restaurant with you, so don't wait for me.
7 Hi Sandra, *how are you going*/*how are you*?
8 You *need*/*must* be a member of the club before you can use their facilities.
9 You *could*/*should* wash your hands before preparing food.
10 You *don't have to*/*mustn't* wear a tie in this restaurant.

2 Decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each space.

A difficult interview

I had a very difficult interview the other day, in fact it (0) B the most difficult one of my life. I arrived an hour early - I know I (1) _____, but I wanted to. In fact all the waiting made me more nervous, and it (2) _____ better to arrive just fifteen minutes before. Anyway, when the interview started I didn't know what to say. I had asked my mother for (3) _____ about interview technique, and she (4) _____, 'If (5) _____, I'd just be yourself.' I know I should be more (6) _____, but it wasn't very helpful! After about five minutes I relaxed a little, but the questions were really difficult. At the end they said they would (7) _____ let me know the result of the interview (8) _____ the end of the month, but I'm not very hopeful.

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|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| 0 A must be | B must have been | C should be | D should have been |
| 1 A didn't have to | B mustn't have to | C hadn't to | D mustn't |
| 2 A could be | B might be | C can't have been | D might have been |
| 3 A advice | B directions | C counsel | D recommending |
| 4 A spoke me | B told | C said | D said me |
| 5 A I could be you | B I should be you | C I were you | D I am you |
| 6 A appreciate | B grateful | C thankful | D obliged |
| 7 A could | B can | C be about to | D be able to |
| 8 A by | B until | C during | D for |

- 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.**
- 0 Look at those black clouds! There's rain on the way.
to
Look at those black clouds! It's going to rain.
- 1 Let's go to an Indian restaurant this evening.
we
Why _____ to an Indian restaurant this evening?
- 2 At school she was the best table-tennis player in her year.
could
At school she _____ than anyone else in her year.
- 3 I think you should change your job.
I'd
If _____ change your job.
- 4 It wasn't necessary for us to arrive so early.
have
We _____ so early.
- 5 You aren't obliged to attend all the classes.
have
You _____ attend all the classes.
- 6 May I park my car here?
if
Is it _____ park my car here?
- 4 Look carefully at each line. Some of the lines are correct, and some have a word which should not be there. Tick each correct line. If a line has a word which should not be there, write the word in the space.**

Working conditions

It's quite relaxed in my office, but if you don't 0 ✓
follow the basic rules you can get into the trouble. 00 *the*
Let me give you an example. Last week I was a 1 _____
little bit late one morning. I know it perfectly well 2 _____
that I ought to be arrive on time at nine o'clock, but 3 _____
life isn't always so simple. On that particular morning 4 _____
I must have been forgotten to set my alarm clock, 5 _____
and I arrived at ten. My boss he wasn't very happy. 6 _____

Name: _____

Date: _____

First Certificate Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 4b (Units 16–19)

1 Underline the most suitable word(s) in each sentence.

- 0 I suddenly remembered that I *forgot*/*had forgotten* my keys.
- 1 I really appreciated her help, but she *needn't have*/*couldn't have* gone to so much trouble.
- 2 That's very kind of you, I really *grateful*/*appreciate* it.
- 3 Who *could have*/*should have* done such a terrible thing?
- 4 You *mustn't*/*don't have to* decide now, but you must decide by the end of the week.
- 5 Do you know *what time it is*/*what is the time*?
- 6 He *can't have*/*may have* been the robber because he was out of the country at the time.
- 7 Would you mind *opening*/*to open* the door for me?
- 8 You *don't need to*/*shouldn't* shout, I can hear you perfectly well.
- 9 David *ought*/*must* to see a doctor about his leg.
- 10 They *might not have*/*can't have* taken the car because the petrol tank is empty.

2 Decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each space.

Airport panic

The last time I traveled by plane I thought I (0) D my passport, and I almost missed the flight. (1) _____ you what happened. When we got to the security check, I (2) _____ find my passport. My friend was calmer than I was, and she said, 'Do you think you (3) _____ it at home?' 'That's impossible, I (4) _____. I checked four times on the (5) _____ to the airport,' I replied. My friend told me to calm down. (6) _____ checking your coat pockets again?' she said. I had already checked several times, but I checked again. Then the security guard spoke. '(7) _____, sir, is that your passport there on the ground?' Yes, it was. I (8) _____ it when I was looking for the tickets.

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|---------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| 0 A was lost | B had been lost | C was losing | D had lost |
| 1 A Let me tell you | B Let me tell to | C Let me say | D Let me speak |
| 2 A wasn't able to | B couldn't | C can't | D was impossible |
| 3 A might leave | B can leave | C might have left | D can't have left |
| 4 A must have done | B might have done | C shouldn't have done | D can't have done |

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|---|----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| 5 | A travel | B journey | C voyage | D going |
| 6 | A Why not | B What about | C Let's | D If I were you I'd |
| 7 | A How do you do | B Pardon | C Do you mind | D Excuse me |
| 8 | A must have dropped | B might have dropped | C should have | |
| | dropped | D can't have dropped | | |

- 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.**
- 0 Look at those black clouds! There's rain on the way.
to
Look at those black clouds! It's going to rain.
- 1 It was a mistake for you to spend so much money.
spent
You _____ so much money.
- 2 What time does the bank open?
tell
Could _____ the bank opens?
- 3 I don't think I'll manage to afford a holiday this year.
able
I don't think _____ afford a holiday this year.
- 4 Shall I give you a lift to the station?
to
Would _____ you a lift to the station?
- 5 I took a lot of clothes with me on holiday but I didn't need them.
taken
I _____ so many clothes with me on holiday.
- 6 Is it all right if you babysit for us on Saturday?
mind
Do _____ for us on Saturday?
- 4 Look carefully at each line. Some of the lines are correct, and some have a word which should not be there. Tick each correct line. If a line has a word which should not be there, write the word in the space.**

Cultural differences

People say that English people are very polite, and 0 ✓
sometimes it's the true, but often I just can't 00 **the**
understand what they are mean because they are so 1 _____
indirect. Let me to give you an example. In my 2 _____
country people say, 'Can you open the window?' But 3 _____
in the England it's much more complicated. People 4 _____
say you, 'I wonder if you could possibly open the 5 _____
window?' It seems a bit ridiculous to me sometimes. 6 _____

Name: _____

Date: _____

First Certificate Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 5a (Units 21–24)

1 Underline the most suitable word(s) in each sentence.

- 0 I suddenly remembered that I *forgot/had forgotten* my keys.
- 1 I don't like this weather. It's getting *colder and colder/more and more cold*.
- 2 I've been unemployed for three months – it's hard to find a *work/job*.
- 3 We sold our house *at profit/at a profit*.
- 4 It doesn't matter which route we take. One is just *as/so* long as the other.
- 5 Can you give me *an/some* information about train times, please?
- 6 Brenda, you *hair is/hairs are* looking great! That style really suits you.
- 7 I think he's gone away. I tried calling his home number but it was *not good/no good*.
- 8 He lent me two CDs, but I didn't like *either/both* of them.
- 9 Where is *the/a* photocopy that I gave you?
- 10 I've never seen *a so/such a* beautiful sunset.

2 Put one suitable word in each space.

Directions to my house

Here (0) are the directions for how to (1) _____ to my house – print out this email and bring it with you. It's not difficult to find, as you're coming (2) _____ train. Come out of (3) _____ station and turn right. You'll see (4) _____ bank on (5) _____ corner. Carry on down the road (6) _____ you come to a church called St Paul's. You can't (7) _____ it – it's one of the biggest churches in Brighton and (8) _____ knows it. Just after the church turn left. Be careful - it's (9) _____ very small street and people often go past (10) _____ noticing it. You'll see my house at the end of the street – it's got (11) _____ red door. Try and get here in time (12) _____ lunch. You can (13) _____ me a call on your mobile if you get lost. I'll (14) _____ waiting for you! After lunch there's a couple of things we could do. (15) _____ we can look around Brighton, or we can go for a walk in the country. We don't need to decide (16) _____ – we'll just see how we're feeling (17) _____ the time. It's great that you're coming down to stay for a (18) _____ days. I'm really (19) _____ forward to it. Give my best (20) _____ to your mother.

- 3 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the words given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given.**
- 0 Look at those black clouds! There's rain on the way.
to
Look at those black clouds! It's going to rain.
- 1 Let me give you some advice.
piece
Let me give _____ advice.
- 2 I always go to my yoga class on Mondays in the summer.
Monday
I go to my yoga class _____ in the summer.
- 3 Germany isn't as warm as Italy.
climate
Italy _____ Germany.
- 4 China has a large population.
people
There _____ in China.
- 5 When you exercise a lot, you get healthier.
more
The _____ you get.
- 6 Both performances were impossible for me to attend.
couldn't
I _____ performance.
- 7 She is the most beautiful woman I've ever seen!
such
I've never _____ woman!
- 8 Can't you go faster than that?
fastest
Is _____ can go?
- 9 Our teacher gives more homework than anyone else in this school.
nobody
In this school _____ as our teacher does.
- 10 Dominique was speaking faster all the time.
and
Dominique _____ faster.

Name: _____

Date: _____

First Certificate Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 5b (Units 21–24)

1 Underline the most suitable word(s) in each sentence.

- 0 I suddenly remembered that I *forgot/had forgotten* my keys.
1 Don't worry, *all/everything* is okay.
2 The plane lands at six, but then we'll have to wait for our *baggage/baggages*.
3 I don't understand. I'm getting *the most/more and more* confused.
4 He gave me *some/a* useful advice.
5 Did you have a good *travel/journey*?
6 The more you revise for your exams, the *best/better* you will do.
7 She escaped from her country and is now *out of the danger/out of danger*.
8 He's covered in tattoos and has a ring in *his two ears/each ear*.
9 We had *great fun/a great fun* at the disco on Friday night.
10 What time do you usually get to *work/the work*?

2 Put one suitable word in each space.

A holiday in London

My friend and I had (0) a great holiday in London. We arrived at (1) _____ airport late (2) _____ Sunday evening, and we decided to take a taxi, even (3) _____ it was very expensive. The taxi took us to our hotel, (4) _____ was very nice, although the rooms were quite small. The next day we woke up early and (5) _____ an enormous breakfast. I don't know how people can eat (6) _____ much in the morning! But it was good (7) _____ us because eating out in London is expensive, and with (8) _____ a big breakfast we didn't need to have lunch. After breakfast we went to (9) _____ art gallery. I can't remember the name, but it was (10) _____ of famous paintings and (11) _____ my friend and I really enjoyed it. (12) _____ the afternoon we went (13) _____ boat down the river to Greenwich. I didn't realize there was so (14) _____ to see in Greenwich! As well (15) _____ the Maritime Museum and the Observatory, (16) _____ is a beautiful park. From the top of the hill you get a view of the (17) _____ of London. We must (18) _____ walked around the park for at (19) _____ two hours because it was getting dark (20) _____ we left.

- 3 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the words given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given.**
- 0 Look at those black clouds! There's rain on the way.
to
Look at those black clouds! It's going to rain.
- 1 The days get colder and colder.
gets
Each _____ colder.
- 2 I was less interested by the exhibition than I'd expected.
wasn't
The exhibition _____ I'd expected.
- 3 I've never seen a more beautiful woman.
ever
She is the _____ seen.
- 4 If you stay longer, you will see more of the city.
the
The _____ you will see of the city.
- 5 Do you sell a more powerful computer?
powerful
Is this _____ you sell?
- 6 There were a lot of cars on the road this morning.
traffic
There _____ on the road this morning.
- 7 Simon drives more quickly than Chris.
fast
Chris doesn't _____ Simon.
- 8 You only want to sit on the sofa and watch television.
is
All you _____ sit on the sofa and watch television.
- 9 I've never been to Hungary before.
time
This is _____ been to Hungary.
- 10 Nobody in England plays football as well as Beckham does.
player
Beckham is _____ in England.

Name: _____

Date: _____

First Certificate Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 6a (Units 26–29)

1 Underline the most suitable word(s) in each sentence.

- 0 I suddenly remembered that I *forgot/had forgotten* my keys.
- 1 Mrs Pollock is very *fond of/kind of* cats.
- 2 I don't know, it doesn't *depend of/depend on* me.
- 3 If you've finished I can *ask/ask for* the bill.
- 4 Vienna is *famous about/famous for* its classical music concerts, which are *popular with/popular for* tourists.
- 5 In Customer Services we are used to *dealing with/dealing to* complaints.
- 6 I apologize for *being late/my late*.
- 7 I'm really *happy about/happy for* the way that Linda and Peter have become friends and are *going out/going off* together.
- 8 Who are you going to *vote in/vote for* when the election comes?
- 9 When the villain *took out/took off* his mask, the heroine fainted.
- 10 There they are! I've been *looking for/looking at* those keys all morning.

2 **Decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each space.**

Problems, problems

I'm going to Paris at the weekend – my friend Bernard has offered to put me (0) **B** for a few days. I really need a break. First, I haven't been getting (1) _____ with my girlfriend. We fell (2) _____ over where we were going to spend Christmas. Eventually I gave (3) _____, but the argument made us face (4) _____ to the fact that things haven't been too good between us recently. My second problem is work. I have so many responsibilities – I have to deal (5) _____ all the paperwork in the office as well as taking phone calls from customers asking (6) _____ or complaining about things. The salary doesn't make (7) _____ for all the stress. I really don't think I can put (8) _____ with it any more.

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|-------------|--------|---------|---------|
| 0 A by | B up | C out | D by |
| 1 A through | B by | C on | D round |
| 2 A off | B with | C by | D out |
| 3 A up | B in | C off | D over |
| 4 A round | B on | C over | D up |
| 5 A to | B by | C for | D with |
| 6 A off | B on | C up | D out |
| 7 A for | B out | C round | C over |
| 8 A off | B up | C out | D down |

- 3 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the words given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given.
- 0 Look at those black clouds! There's rain on the way.
to
Look at those black clouds! It's going to rain.
- 1 This is the first time I've driven on the left-hand side of the road.
used
I'm not _____ on the left-hand side of the road.
- 2 I don't suppose you know her email address, do you?
happen
Do _____ her email address?
- 3 I don't want to pay the service charge.
object
I _____ the service charge.
- 4 I'm sorry, but I don't want to speak to him any more.
rather
I'm sorry, but _____ speak to him any more.
- 5 You won't get anywhere if you carry on like that.
use
It's no _____ like that.
- 6 Why did you allow her to clean the house by herself?
let
You shouldn't _____ the house by herself.
- 7 Margaret said she was sorry she was late.
apologized
Margaret _____ late.
- 8 Immigrants often have difficulty being accepted.
difficult
It's often _____ be accepted.
- 9 It was difficult for me to understand what she said.
difficulty
I had _____ what she said.
- 10 'If I were you, Francesca, I'd save some money for your future.'
advised
He _____ some money for her future.

Name: _____

Date: _____

First Certificate Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 6b (Units 26–29)

1 Underline the most suitable word(s) in each sentence.

- 0 I suddenly remembered that I *forgot*/*had forgotten* my keys.
- 1 I'm really *appreciate to*/*grateful to* you for all your help.
- 2 What a wonderful art gallery! *Look for*/*Look at* that painting by Picasso!
- 3 We don't sell all types of crafts, we *specialize in*/*specialize for* ceramics.
- 4 Hurry up! We're going to be *late to*/*late for* the show.
- 5 You *remind me of*/*remember me of* my sister – you are quite similar to her.
- 6 No, please, I *insist on*/*insist for* paying.
- 7 Are you *certain for*/*certain about* that?
- 8 The *rise in*/*rise of* unemployment was *blamed on*/*blamed to* problems in the global economy.
- 9 *Cut up*/*Cut off* the chicken before putting it *in*/*on* the frying pan.
- 10 You should avoid *drinking to* *drink* alcohol while you are pregnant.

2 Decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each space.

Getting fit

I walked home the other day instead of taking the bus. It's only two kilometres but it really wore me (0) C. There's only one conclusion – I'm going to have to cut (1) _____ on eating so many cakes and pastries and take (2) _____ some kind of exercise. I need to get fit. Actually, I've been thinking it (3) _____ for some time. Every few months I make a decision to join my local fitness club, but then I think of a good excuse to put it (4) _____. I want to go and join, but then I come home really tired after work and I just don't feel (5) _____ to it. To be honest, though, the real problem is chocolate. I love it. I know it's fattening but I just can't do (6) _____ it. I don't think I'll ever be able to give it (7) _____, so I guess I'll just have to put (8) _____ with being unfit!

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|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| 0 A back | B through | C out | D off |
| 1 A over | B across | C up | D down |
| 2 A up | B over | C out | D after |
| 3 A out | B over | C up | D out |
| 4 A out | B by | C down | D off |
| 5 A up | B off | C over | D out |
| 6 A away | B over | C across | D without |
| 7 A in | B out | C up | D off |

8 A out

B up

C on

D off

- 3 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the words given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given.**
- 0 Look at those black clouds! There's rain on the way.
to
Look at those black clouds! It's going to rain.
- 1 Please don't discuss this with anyone.
mind
Would _____ this with anyone.
- 2 It looks as if they have gone away.
seem
They _____ away.
- 3 Mike didn't go swimming but stayed home instead.
instead
Mike stayed home _____ swimming.
- 4 The shoes were so expensive that I didn't buy them.
too
The shoes _____ buy.
- 5 'You stole my wallet!' said Frank to the pickpocket.
accused
Frank _____ his wallet.
- 6 They say he's earning 20,000 euros a match.
said
He _____ 20,000 euros a match.
- 7 My company wouldn't allow me to take any more holiday.
prevented
My company _____ any more holiday.
- 8 I'd rather you came on Tuesday.
prefer
I'd _____ come on Tuesday.
- 9 Don't eat too many fatty foods.
avoid
You should _____ too many fatty foods.
- 10 He's too young to get served at the bar.
enough
He isn't _____ to get served at the bar.

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First Certificate Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 7a (Units 31–34)

1 Underline the most suitable word(s) in each sentence.

- 0 I suddenly remembered that I *forgot/had forgotten* my keys.
1 It's a nice dress, but *in/for* my opinion it doesn't really suit you.
2 *Whatever/No matter* he says, I won't believe him.
3 *By/In* conclusion, let me thank you all for coming to my presentation.
4 I keep asking *myself/me* what I would do in her situation.
5 Let's meet at seven tonight, *shall we/won't we*?
6 I can't wear these old jeans at the restaurant! I have to *change/change myself*.
7 A new party formed the government *because/as* a result of the elections.
8 Try to behave! *Remember/Remember yourself* where you are!
9 *Wherever/Whenever* you leave, I'll take you to the station.
10 Decisions *such/such as* these should be made by politicians.

2 Decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each space.

The Age of the Robot

(0) C, I'd like to thank Keiko Ishida for inviting me here to talk to you today. The title of my talk is 'The Age of the Robot'. (1) _____, I think that over the next twenty years robots will become part of our everyday life. (2) _____, robots will be present in hospitals, helping with tasks (3) _____ delivering food trays, cleaning and helping patients who have problems walking. (4) _____, robots will also be important in home entertainment – singing and dancing for our pleasure and amusement. Many big companies like Sony and Matsushita have invested a lot of money in developing personal robots and (5) _____ progress has been rapid. (6) _____, it's clear that the development of a robot that can communicate with human beings is a long way off, (7) _____ no-one really understands how to program intelligence into a computer chip. We're not really anywhere near the time when we won't have to do anything for (8) _____.

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|-----------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 0 A As a result | B Besides this | C First of all | D However |
| 1 A For example | B Personally | C Nevertheless | D In comparison |
| 2 A On the other hand | B For example | C In comparison | D Then |
| 3 A as | B such as | C owing to | D thus |
| 4 A However | B In contrast | C Besides this | D In conclusion |
| 5 A for this | B since | C however | D as a result |
| 6 A On the other hand | B To sum up | C Thus | D For example |
| 7 A owing to | B however | C thus | D since |
| 8 A ourselves | B myself | C yourselves | D themselves |

- 3 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the words given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given.**
- 0 Look at those black clouds! There's rain on the way.
to
Look at those black clouds! It's going to rain.
- 1 The room is empty.
is
There _____ the room.
- 2 I have seldom seen such a boring film.
seen
Seldom _____ such a boring film.
- 3 I'll never be able to look in Simon's eyes again.
in
I'll never be able to look at _____ eyes again.
- 4 We really need a bigger flat.
we
What _____ a bigger flat.
- 5 Alan was not only late, but he didn't even apologize.
only
Not _____, but he didn't even apologize.
- 6 The art gallery has a good exhibition on at the moment.
good
There _____ at the art gallery at the moment.
- 4 Look carefully at each line. Some of the lines are correct, and some have a word which should not be there. Tick each correct line. If a line has a word which should not be there, write the word in the space.**

The importance of English

English is probably the most important language 0 ✓
in the world. However, it isn't because the England 00 *the*
itself is an important country. As the real reason 1 _____
why English is so widely spoken it is because of the 2 _____
United States. Not only does the US dominate the 3 _____
world of business, but also does international relations 4 _____
in general. In the future perhaps only China can to 5 _____
gain the same importance on the world stage. 6 _____

Name: _____

Date: _____

First Certificate Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 7b (Units 31–34)

1 Underline the most suitable word(s) in each sentence.

- 0 I suddenly remembered that I *forgot*/*had forgotten* my keys.
- 1 John and Mary, come over here. Have you two met *yourselves/each other* before?
- 2 It's quite expensive, but *on/by* the other hand it's very good quality.
- 3 *No matter/Whoever* he is, he shouldn't behave like that.
- 4 You won't tell anyone my secret, *do you/will you*?
- 5 It was a great holiday. We really enjoyed *ourselves/us*.
- 6 My car is easy to park. *As well/As well as* this, it doesn't use much petrol.
- 7 When I want to *relax/relax me* I have a long, hot bath.
- 8 *As/For* it's getting late, let's stop work now and come back tomorrow.
- 9 *In conclusion/In contrast*, I'd like to thank you all for coming.
- 10 I bought *myself/me* some flowers.

2 Decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each space.

Traffic problems

The people who run our big cities are being forced to think of radical solutions to the problem of traffic. (0) A who lives in an urban area today knows this. What are the reasons for this? (1) _____, cars cause noise and pollution in the areas where people walk and shop. (2) _____ this, they are dangerous and cause accidents. (3) _____, cars cause traffic jams and (4) _____ many hours of work time are lost. (5) _____, people like their cars and won't change their habits easily. The solution is to make public transport more reliable and comfortable. Cities could, (6) _____, have special lanes for bicycles and a more regular bus service. Some large cities (7) _____ Amsterdam are already organized in this way. But the most radical proposal is to ask motorists to pay to enter the city centre. It won't be popular, but (8) _____ it may be the only solution if things get any worse.

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|-----------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 0 A Anyone | B Someone | C No-one | D People |
| 1 A As a result | B Besides this | C First of all | D However |
| 2 A Also | B As well as | C For example | D Except |
| 3 A For example | B Next | C In contrast | D In conclusion |
| 4 A for this | B since | C however | D as a result |
| 5 A However | B Secondly | C Thus | D To sum up |
| 6 A on the other hand | B for example | C in comparison | D then |

- | | | | | |
|---|----------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| 7 | A as | B such as | C owing to | D thus |
| 8 | A on the other hand | B to sum up | C thus | D as well |

- 3 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the words given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given.**
- 0 Look at those black clouds! There's rain on the way.
to
Look at those black clouds! It's going to rain.
- 1 Let's have a coffee break now.
for
It's _____ coffee break now.
- 2 She held her daughter's hand as the train approached the platform.
by
She _____ hand as the train approached the platform.
- 3 I had no sooner cleaned the floor than the children came in with muddy boots.
sooner
No _____ the floor than the children came in with muddy boots.
- 4 There's a lot of rain today, isn't there?
today
It's _____, isn't it?
- 5 Don't worry if you arrive a bit late.
matter
It _____ you arrive a bit late.
- 6 I realized only then that my bag had been stolen.
then
Only _____ that my bag had been stolen.
- 4 Look carefully at each line. Some of the lines are correct, and some have a word which should not be there. Tick each correct line. If a line has a word which should not be there, write the word in the space.**

The January sales

I always look forward to the Christmas, and one of the 0 *the*
main reasons is because of the January sales that come 00 ✓
afterwards! No sooner do the shops close for the 1 _____
holidays, than they do open again for the sales, 2 _____
which they are the busiest few shopping days of the 3 _____
year. Some of people queue all night to get the best 4 _____
bargains on the first morning. I have never been done 5 _____
that myself, although I do usually buy a lot of clothes. 6 _____

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Date: _____

First Certificate Language Practice

Vocabulary Test 1 (Units 1–5)

1 What is being defined? Write the word or words after the sentence.

- 0 Storage place in a car where you put suitcases and bags. ***boot***
- 1 Part of a station where you wait for a train and get on and off it.

- 2 People who do this stand at the side of the road with their thumbs out. They try to get cars to stop and give them a lift. _____
- 3 A person in an office who answers the phone and greets visitors when they arrive. _____
- 4 The money you are paid regularly when you retire from work.

- 5 A referee at a sports match blows this to stop and start the game.

- 6 A shirt for a woman. _____
- 7 What a man wears in bed. _____
- 8 Not the city centre, but the area around a city where lots of commuters live.

- 9 When you decorate a room you put this on the wall. It can be plain or patterned.

- 10 The seat on a bicycle. _____

2 Underline the most suitable word.

- 0 Anyone who has high stress ***levels/layers/rates*** should read this book.
- 1 Margaret has some beautiful flower boxes on her window ***sill/frame/shelf***.
- 2 I always put the central ***conditioning/heating/warming*** on as soon as it starts to get cold.
- 3 The ***departs/departure/leaving*** lounge is a non-smoking area.
- 4 They booked their holiday through a ***tour/trip/travel*** agent on the High Street.
- 5 After he was made redundant, Chris got a temporary ***job/work/employment*** in a restaurant.
- 6 The ***level/cost/price*** of living is much higher in the south of the country.
- 7 My sister won first ***place/prize/class*** in a cookery competition last weekend.
- 8 'I've got a spare ticket for the tennis ***court/game/match*** on Friday. Would you like to come with me?'

- 9 Keith prefers to wear shirts with short *sleeves/arms/cuffs* to work.
- 10 I enjoy window *shopping/buying/looking* when I haven't got much money to spend.
- 3 Complete each sentence with a word formed from the word in capitals.**
- 0 Our city has some open spaces but they are not very accessible . ACCESS
- 1 We managed to get on the earlier flight as there had been a _____ and there were now two spare seats. CANCEL
- 2 I didn't _____ straightaway because I wanted to go straight out and watch the sunset. PACK
- 3 Sarah has a degree in law and a diploma, so her _____ for the job are very good. QUALIFY
- 4 The _____ made the job sound very exciting but in fact it was pretty boring. ADVERTISE
- 5 Beckham's knee _____ prevented him from playing in the Cup Final last year. INJURED
- 6 All the _____ had to take part in tests for drugs before the race could start. COMPETE
- 7 Pete's clothes are always ten years out of date, which is why he always looks so _____. FASHION
- 8 Men should never wear a _____ tie with a striped shirt. PATTERN
- 9 The main _____ is at the side of the building. ENTRY
- 10 The flat was cheap to rent as it was _____. We filled it with the things from our old house. FURNITURE

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Vocabulary Test 2 (Units 6–10)

1 What is being defined? Write the word or words after the sentence.

- 0 Storage place in a car where you put suitcases and bags. boot
- 1 A person who travels on foot. _____
- 2 You use these to row a boat. _____
- 3 A person who doesn't eat meat. _____

- 4 A piece of equipment that is used for boiling water quickly.

- 5 A piece of paper you are given when you pay for something in a shop or restaurant. _____
- 6 A man keeps money and credit cards in one. _____
- 7 Someone who brings goods such as drugs or alcohol into a country illegally.

- 8 The decision a jury has to make in a court. It is usually guilty or not guilty.

- 9 A person who writes music. _____
- 10 A type of book which is about the life of a famous person, but not written by them. _____

2 Underline the most suitable word.

- 0 Anyone who has high stress levels/layers/rates should read this book.
- 1 'Put the luggage in the *boot/bonnet/bumper* and let's get going!'
- 2 Before you can get on the train you have to go to the ticket *box/agency/office*.
- 3 We had the most amazing six *portion/course/food* meal at Murat and Demet's wedding.
- 4 John *commanded/demanded/ordered* the steak but the waiter brought him pasta.
- 5 I'm not going to that shop again – their *prices/costs/sales* are very high.
- 6 How much did you *spend/cost/pay* for your new handbag?
- 7 The *kidnapper/hijacker/blackmailer* pointed his gun and told the pilot to fly to New York.
- 8 At the end of the court case the *judge/jury/lawyer* asked the guilty man if he had anything to say.
- 9 Have you been to the new opera? The *sculptor/editor/composer* was so talented.
- 10 David can't come to the party because he's *practising/rehearsing/watching* for his new play.

3 Complete each sentence with a word formed from the word in capitals.

- 0 Our city has some open spaces but they are not very accessible . ACCESS
- 1 I wouldn't want to be a _____ because I'd have to be away from home so much. SAIL
- 2 He _____ as he came up to the corner, but he was going too fast and went straight over the handlebars. BRAKES
- 3 That soup was very _____. Could I have some more? TASTE
- 4 Katy went on a _____ course last year to learn how to make curries. COOK
- 5 Dan has _____ his shoes already and is complaining that they're too tight. GROW
- 6 Our holiday was quite _____ because we took a tent instead of staying in a hotel and we hired bikes instead of a car. EXPENSE
- 7 A lot of telephone boxes have been _____ recently so you can never find one that works. VANDAL
- 8 Sarah's uncle is a _____ and he's in prison for burglary and the moment. CRIME
- 9 John Irving is my favourite _____ and I've just finished his latest book. NOVEL
- 10 The cruise ship that we were on was fantastic – there were different _____ every evening, including a jazz singer and an amazing magician. ENTERTAIN

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Vocabulary Test 3 (Units 11–15)

1 What is being defined? Write the word or words after the sentence.

- 0 Storage place in a car where you put suitcases and bags. boot
- 1 You plant these so new flowers grow. _____
- 2 The place where bees live. _____
- 3 A word that describes someone who is always on time. _____
- 4 Someone who is no longer married. _____
- 5 This sometimes happens when there is a heavy storm and the electricity goes off. _____
- 6 Tool used for cutting through wood. _____

- 7 A time when there is not enough food to feed the people in an area.

- 8 Workers do this when they stop work in order to get more money or better working conditions. _____
- 9 A doctor's office. _____
- 10 If you are ill the doctor will give you one of these so you can get some medicine or pills. _____

2 Underline the most suitable word.

- 0 Anyone who has high stress levels/layers/rates should read this book.
- 1 The tree *twig/trunk/branch* was about two meters wide because it was so old.
- 2 Flies were *buzzing/barking/galloping* around the uncovered meat in the kitchen.
- 3 Mary is always so *sympathetic/cheeky/cheerful* – you always see her smiling and happy.
- 4 I was really *greedy/grateful/frank* when you came to see me in hospital because I was feeling a bit lonely.
- 5 Chris uses an *electrical/electrician/electric* shaver when he goes on holiday.
- 6 Point the *icon/cursor/mouse* to the place on the screen where you want to type, and then click.
- 7 The *invasion/earthquake/devastation* made a lot of buildings collapse and thousands of people were made homeless.
- 8 International *charity/organisation/aid* is being sent to help the victims survive the winter.
- 9 I broke my *chin/nose/face* when I was young – my brother punched it!
- 10 The last time I had toothache I had to get an urgent appointment at the *dentist's/doctor's/hospital*.

3 Complete each sentence with a word formed from the word in capitals.

- 0 Our city has some open spaces but they are not very accessible . ACCESS
- 1 Some species of animals need _____ to save them from extinction. PROTECT
- 2 Going on a safari is the best way to see some of Africa's _____. WILD
- 3 Bill is quite _____. He's happy to spend the rest of his life doing the same job and earning the same salary. AMBITION
- 4 Peter got that job _____. He lied at the interview and said he had the right qualifications. HONEST
- 5 I really enjoy doing _____ experiments and finding out how things work. SCIENCE
- 6 The most useful _____ of the past few decades must be the clockwork radio. INVENT
- 7 The level of _____ is very high around here. There aren't enough jobs now that the car factory has closed. EMPLOY
- 8 The flood was _____ for the region because all the farmland was covered with water so lots of plants and animals died. DISASTER
- 9 The footballer's _____ were worse than first thought and it's unlikely that he'll ever play professionally again. INJURE
- 10 Having the injection was _____. I thought it would hurt but it didn't. PAIN

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Vocabulary Test 4 (Units 16–21)

1 What is being defined? Write the word or words after the sentence.

- 0 Storage place in a car where you put suitcases and bags. boot
- 1 The money you have to live on after your retirement. _____
- 2 Someone who looks after the finances of a person or company.

- 3 If you feel embarrassed your cheeks go red and you do this.

- 4 The list of students' names and their attendance record in a class.

- 5 If you do this you prepare for an exam by looking back at the work you have done in the course. _____
- 6 Someone who trains a sports team. _____
- 7 Boring or unexciting. _____
- 8 Money that a bank gives you, that you have to pay back over a number of months or years. _____

2 Underline the most suitable word.

- 0 Anyone who has high stress *levels/layers/rates* should read this book.
- 1 ‘Could you *borrow/lend/rent* me some money to buy Dad a birthday present?’
- 2 I’m saving *up/on/in* for a good holiday next year.
- 3 The *cashier/accountant/investor* in the bank asked me to show my ID card when I took out a large amount of money.
- 4 The professor’s lecture wasn’t very *interested/interesting/interest*.
- 5 Claire was very *helpless/helping/helpful* when we moved house because she lent us her car.
- 6 I wish Peter would mind his own *business/opinion/mind*. My decision has got nothing to do with him.
- 7 They’ve got an exam tomorrow so they have to stay at home and *read/learn/revise* tonight.
- 8 My sister works in a primary school as a *professor/teacher/lecturer*.
- 9 Chris has a degree *at/of/in* chemical engineering.
- 10 We always have to *do/make/take* notes in our science lessons.
- 11 At roundabouts you should *give/do/take* priority to cars coming from the left.
- 12 She’s found a great new way of *taking/making/saving* money – she looks after people’s houses while they’re on holiday.

3 Complete each sentence with a word formed from the word in capitals.

- 0 Our city has some open spaces but they are not very accessible . ACCESS
- 1 Kate _____ me. I said 'Kiss him', but she thought I said 'Kick him'! HEAR
- 2 The teacher asked me to _____ my essay because she couldn't read my handwriting. WRITTEN
- 3 It hasn't rained here for ages and now we've got a water _____. SHORT
- 4 Their _____ is still really strong after 45 years of marriage. RELATE
- 5 'How many _____ have you got working for you now, Mr Warner?' EMPLOY
- 6 Police are investigating the _____ of a five-year-old girl. APPEAR
- 7 Drinking too much alcohol is _____ to your health. HARM
- 8 Kylie Minogue is an _____ famous singer. NATION
- 9 We should all try to _____ paper and glass because it's good for the environment. CYCLE
- 10 Dear Sir, I would like to inform you of my _____ with your service. The treatment I received in your shop last Saturday was totally unacceptable. SATISFY

First Certificate Language Practice

KEY Grammar Progress Test 1a (Units 1–4)

1

- 1 used to eat
2 Did you speak
3 had already started
4 I'm going to buy
5 haven't seen
6 It's been raining
7 was walking
8 I'll be sleeping
9 I'll have been
10 leave

2

- 1 D

- 2 A
- 3 D
- 4 A
- 5 C
- 6 C
- 7 A
- 8 A

3

- 1 does not include
- 2 first time I have been
- 3 I was waiting for her
- 4 has been playing since
- 5 has not been cleaned
- 6 will have

4

- 1 been
- 2 for
- 3 ✓
- 4 of
- 5 ✓
- 6 to

(Total = 30 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 1b (Units 1–4)

1

- 1 I've come
- 2 I'm meeting
- 3 I've been waiting
- 4 had finished
- 5 Did you visit
- 6 were you talking to
- 7 It's going to rain
- 8 used to be
- 9 was winning
- 10 Have you taken

2

- 1 A
- 2 B
- 3 C
- 4 B
- 5 A
- 6 D
- 7 C
- 8 B

3

- 1 have not seen Richard since
- 2 have never eaten such
- 3 has been working here for
- 4 you are not enjoying
- 5 haven't seen them for
- 6 had been doing the cleaning

4

- 1 of
- 2 for
- 3 ✓
- 4 much
- 5 the
- 6 ✓

(Total = 30 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 2a (Units 6–9)

1

- 1 is, can go (2 marks)
- 2 was
- 3 was scored
- 4 uses, has (2 marks)
- 5 had been, wouldn't have had (2 marks)
- 6 had spoken
- 7 would you feel, happened (2 marks)
- 8 had been taken

2

- 1 C
- 2 A
- 3 D
- 4 B
- 5 C
- 6 D
- 7 A
- 8 B

3

- 1 our assignments will be marked
- 2 if she had received
- 3 has to be cleaned up
- 4 unless we have/get
- 5 has had his flat decorated
- 6 Joanna whether she wanted
- 7 told us (that)
- 8 will be taken
- 9 wish you were
- 10 get my homework finished

(Total = 30 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 2b (Units 6–9)

1

- 1 had never told
- 2 go, can ask (2 marks)
- 3 had been called
- 4 crashes, call (2 marks)
- 5 had
- 6 had told, could have done (2 marks)
- 7 will be opened
- 8 would he think, told him (2 marks)

2

- 1 B
- 2 C
- 3 A
- 4 A
- 5 D
- 6 B
- 7 C
- 8 D

3

- 1 I were you I would
- 2 must not be parked
- 3 in case the taxi is
- 4 cannot be denied (that) she
- 5 if we don't leave
- 6 if Angela had spoken
- 7 had my hair cut
- 8 wish we had caught
- 9 have you been seen
- 10 would rather you didn't

(Total = 30 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 3a (Units 11–14)

1

- 1 so as to be
- 2 in
- 3 whose
- 4 yesterday evening
- 5 opposite
- 6 which
- 7 since
- 8 to buy
- 9 in other words
- 10 in return
- 11 on average
- 12 in turn

2

- 1 who saw the incident was interviewed by the police
- 2 who I told you about was interviewed by the police
- 3 which has 20,000 km on the clock, is on sale in the showroom
- 4 which his father bought him has 20,000 km on the clock
- 5 whose arm was broken, still came to the disco
- 6 woman whose dog keeps making a mess on our lawn

3

- 1 so (that) burglars couldn't
- 2 too dark to
- 3 is used for assembling
- 4 came to school despite
- 5 so much noise that
- 6 so as not

4

- 1 last
- 2 about
- 3 who
- 4 as
- 5 to
- 6 At
- 7 still
- 8 Of
- 9 order
- 10 in
- 11 During

- 12 although/but
- 13 as
- 14 enough
- 15 which
- 16 gone

(Total = 40 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 3b (Units 11–14)

1

- 1 yet
- 2 between
- 3 Despite
- 4 recently
- 5 whose
- 6 on
- 7 so expensive
- 8 which
- 9 on strike
- 10 On the whole
- 11 on holiday
- 12 in great difficulty

2

- 1 which my friend lent me is about a small Mexican village
- 2 which is about a small Mexican village, is nearly 400 pages long
- 3 who I told you about is sitting over there
- 4 who plays guitar in 'The Donuts' is sitting over there
- 5 group whose new CD is called 'Street Noise'
- 6 whose father is ill, phoned me last night

3

- 1 such a boring play that
- 2 is too cold to
- 3 this time last
- 4 in spite of
- 5 is used for cleaning
- 6 even though I knew

4

- 1 than
- 2 To
- 3 to
- 4 such
- 5 less
- 6 whose
- 7 of
- 8 In
- 9 have
- 10 by
- 11 even

- 12 though/however
- 13 spite
- 14 so
- 15 that
- 16 their

(Total = 40 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 4a (Units 16–19)

1

- 1 must have
- 2 you'd better
- 3 have got
- 4 where the post office is
- 5 had to
- 6 might
- 7 how are you
- 8 must
- 9 should
- 10 don't have to

2

- 1 B
- 2 A
- 3 D
- 4 A
- 5 C
- 6 C
- 7 B
- 7 D
- 8 A

3

- 1 don't we go
- 2 could play tennis better
- 3 I were you I'd change
- 4 didn't have to arrive
- 5 don't have to
- 6 all right (okay) if I

4

- 1 ✓
- 2 it
- 3 be
- 4 ✓
- 5 been
- 6 he

(Total = 30 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 4b (Units 16–19)

1

- 1 needn't have
- 2 appreciate
- 3 could have
- 4 don't have to
- 5 what time it is
- 6 can't have
- 7 opening
- 8 don't need to
- 9 ought
- 10 can't have

2

- 1 A
- 2 B
- 3 C
- 4 D
- 5 B
- 6 B
- 7 D
- 8 A

3

- 1 shouldn't have spent
- 2 you tell me what time (when)
- 3 I'll be able to
- 4 you like me to give
- 5 needn't have taken
- 6 you mind babysitting

4

- 1 are
- 2 to
- 3 ✓
- 4 the
- 5 you
- 6 ✓

(Total = 30 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 5a (Units 21–24)

1

- 1 colder and colder
- 2 job
- 3 at a profit
- 4 as
- 5 some
- 6 hair is
- 7 no good
- 8 either
- 9 the
- 10 such a

2

- 1 get
- 2 by
- 3 the
- 4 a/the
- 5 the
- 6 until
- 7 miss
- 8 everyone
- 9 a
- 10 without
- 11 a
- 12 for
- 13 give
- 14 be
- 15 Either
- 16 yet
- 17 at
- 18 few
- 19 looking
- 20 regards/wishes

3

- 1 you a piece of
- 2 every Monday
- 3 has a warmer climate than
- 4 are a lot of/lots of/many people
- 5 more you exercise, the healthier
- 6 couldn't attend either
- 7 seen such a beautiful
- 8 that the fastest you

- 9 nobody gives as much homework
10 was speaking faster and

(Total = 40 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 5b (Units 21–24)

1

- 1 everything
- 2 baggage
- 3 more and more
- 4 some
- 5 journey
- 6 better
- 7 out of danger
- 8 each ear
- 9 great fun
- 10 work

2

- 1 the
- 2 on
- 3 though
- 4 which
- 5 had/ate
- 6 so
- 7 for
- 8 such
- 9 an
- 10 full
- 11 both
- 12 In
- 13 by
- 14 much
- 15 as
- 16 there
- 17 whole
- 18 have
- 19 least
- 20 when

3

- 1 day (it) gets
- 2 wasn't as interesting as
- 3 most beautiful woman I've ever
- 4 longer you stay, the more
- 5 the most powerful computer (that)
- 6 as a lot of traffic
- 7 drive as fast as
- 8 want to do is

- 9 the first time I've
10 the best football player

(Total = 40 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 6a (Units 26–29)

1

- 1 fond of
- 2 depend on
- 3 ask for
- 4 famous for, popular with
- 5 dealing with
- 6 being late
- 7 happy about, going out
- 8 vote for
- 9 took off
- 10 looking for

2

- 1 C
- 2 D
- 3 B
- 4 D
- 5 D
- 6 C
- 7 A
- 8 B

3

- 1 used to driving
- 2 you happen to know
- 3 object to paying
- 4 I'd rather not
- 5 use carrying on
- 6 have let her clean
- 7 apologized for being
- 8 difficult for immigrants to
- 9 difficulty in understanding
- 10 advised her/Francesca to save

(Total = 30 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 6b (Units 26–29)

1

- 1 grateful to
- 2 Look at
- 3 specialize in
- 4 late for
- 5 remind me of
- 6 insist on
- 7 certain about
- 8 rise in, blamed on
- 9 Cut up, in
- 10 drinking

2

- 1 D
- 2 A
- 3 B
- 4 D
- 5 A
- 6 D
- 7 C
- 8 B

3

- 1 you mind not discussing
- 2 seem to have gone
- 3 instead of going
- 4 were too expensive to
- 5 accused the pickpocket of stealing
- 6 is said to be earning
- 7 prevented me from taking
- 8 prefer you to
- 9 avoid eating
- 10 old enough

(Total = 30 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 7b (Units 31–34)

1

- 1 each other
- 2 on
- 3 Whoever
- 4 will you
- 5 ourselves
- 6 As well as
- 7 relax
- 8 As
- 9 Whenever
- 10 such as

2

- 1 C
- 2 B
- 3 B
- 4 D
- 5 A
- 6 B
- 7 B
- 8 A

3

- 1 time for a
- 2 held her daughter by the
- 3 sooner had I cleaned
- 4 very rainy today
- 5 doesn't matter if
- 6 then did I realize

4

- 1 ✓
- 2 do
- 3 they
- 4 of
- 5 been
- 6 ✓

(Total = 30 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 7b (Units 31–34)

1

- 1 each other
- 2 on
- 3 Whoever
- 4 will you
- 5 ourselves
- 6 As well as
- 7 relax
- 8 As
- 9 In conclusion
- 10 myself

2

- 1 C
- 2 B
- 3 B
- 4 D
- 5 A
- 6 B
- 7 B
- 8 A

3

- 1 time for a
- 2 held her daughter by the
- 3 sooner had I cleaned
- 4 very rainy today
- 5 doesn't matter if
- 6 then did I realize

4

- 1 ✓
- 2 do
- 3 they
- 4 of
- 5 been
- 6 ✓

(Total = 30 marks)

First Certificate Language Practice

KEY Vocabulary Test 1 (Units 1–5)

1

- 1 platform
- 2 hitch hike
- 3 receptionist
- 4 pension
- 5 whistle
- 6 blouse
- 7 pyjamas
- 8 suburbs
- 9 wallpaper
- 10 saddle

2

- 1 sill
- 2 heating
- 3 departure
- 4 travel
- 5 job
- 6 cost
- 7 prize
- 8 match
- 9 sleeves
- 10 shopping

3

- 1 cancellation
- 2 unpack
- 3 qualifications
- 4 advertisement
- 5 injury
- 6 competitors
- 7 unfashionable
- 8 patterned
- 9 entrance
- 10 unfurnished

(Total = 30 marks)

KEY Vocabulary Test 2 (Units 6–10)

1

- 1 pedestrian
- 2 oars
- 3 vegetarian
- 4 kettle
- 5 receipt
- 6 wallet
- 7 smuggler
- 8 verdict
- 9 composer
- 10 biography

2

- 1 boot
- 2 office
- 3 course
- 4 ordered
- 5 prices
- 6 pay
- 7 hijacker
- 8 judge
- 9 composer
- 10 rehearsing

3

- 1 sailor
- 2 braked
- 3 tasty
- 4 cookery
- 5 outgrown
- 6 inexpensive
- 7 vandalised
- 8 criminal
- 9 novelist
- 10 entertainers

(Total = 30 marks)

KEY Vocabulary Test 3 (Units 11–15)

1

- 1 seeds
- 2 hive
- 3 punctual
- 4 divorced
- 5 power cut
- 6 saw
- 7 famine
- 8 (go on) strike
- 9 surgery
- 10 prescription

2

- 1 trunk
- 2 buzzing
- 3 cheerful
- 4 grateful
- 5 electric
- 6 cursor
- 7 earthquake
- 8 aid
- 9 nose
- 10 dentist's

3

- 1 protecting/protection
- 2 wildlife
- 3 unambitious
- 4 dishonestly
- 5 scientific
- 6 invention
- 7 unemployment
- 8 disastrous
- 9 injuries
- 10 painless

(Total = 30 marks)

KEY Vocabulary Test 4 (Units 16–21)

1

- 1 pension
- 2 accountant
- 3 blush
- 4 register
- 5 revise
- 6 coach
- 7 dull
- 8 loan

2

- 1 lend
- 2 up
- 3 cashier
- 4 interesting
- 5 helpful
- 6 business
- 7 revise
- 8 teacher
- 9 in
- 10 take
- 11 give
- 12 making

3

- 1 misheard
- 2 rewrite
- 3 shortage
- 4 relationship
- 5 employees
- 6 disappearance
- 7 harmful
- 8 internationally
- 9 recycle
- 10 dissatisfaction

(Total = 30 marks)

Name: _____

Date: _____

First Certificate Language Practice

Final Test

1 Put each verb in brackets into a suitable verb form.

- 0 While I (try) was trying to get my car started, a passing car stopped and the driver (offer) offered to help me.
- 1 I (wait) _____ for you for the past hour!
What (you do) _____ all this time?
- 2 While I (walk) _____ to the bus-stop, I realised I (leave) _____ the cooker on.
- 3 Why didn't you phone me? If I (knew) _____ you were ill, I (come) _____ to see you.
- 4 Hello, Pat. I (phone) _____ to ask if you (do) _____ anything this Saturday.
- 5 By the time Big Jim (become) _____ heavyweight boxing champion he (win) _____ over thirty fights.
- 6 I (not see) _____ you for ages. What (you do) _____ ?
- 7 Hurry up! I (think) _____ you (be) _____ ready by now.
- 8 If I (be) _____ you, I (not spend) _____ so much money.
- 9 Danny's train (arrive) _____ tomorrow evening at 6.00 so we (meet) _____ him at the station.
- 10 Wish me luck! If I (get) _____ the job, I (let) _____ you know.

- 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.**
- 0 Look at those black clouds! There's rain on the way.
to
Look at those black clouds! It's going to rain.
- 1 I'd prefer you not to wear jeans to the office.
rather
I'd _____ wear jeans to the office.
- 2 We won't get there on time without taking a taxi.
unless
We won't get there on time _____ a taxi.
- 3 'I wouldn't go swimming after dark if I were you, Tom.'
advised
Brian _____ swimming after dark.
- 4 Although she had twisted her ankle, Sally still won the race.
twisting
Sally still won the race, _____ her ankle.
- 5 Mike enjoys playing golf more than I do.
as
I don't enjoy playing golf _____ does.
- 6 I regret selling my car.
wish
I _____ my car.
- 7 Nobody has cut the lawn for weeks!
hasn't
The lawn _____ for weeks.
- 8 It was the best meal I had ever eaten.
never
I _____ a good meal before.
- 9 Have you got a smaller size than this?
the
Is _____ you have got?
- 10 A friend is looking after my cat while I'm away.
care
A friend _____ my cat while I'm away.
- 3 Look carefully at each line. Some of the lines are correct, and some have a word which should not be there. Tick each correct line. If a line has a word which should not be there, write the word in the space.**

Foreign travel

Nowadays more and more people enjoy	0 ✓
foreign travel, and take up their holidays in	00 <i>up</i>
the distant countries. However, not everyone	1 _____
has had the same reason for travelling. Some	2 _____
of people travel so that they can practise	3 _____
foreign languages, or because they want to	4 _____
visit well-known sights in other countries.	5 _____
Lots of young people just want to have relax	6 _____
and make up new friends. Personally, I would like	7 _____
to travel abroad for the excitement! I have never	8 _____
been visited to a foreign country before, but I have	9 _____
been planning a trip around Europe by the train with	10 _____
some friends of mine. As we are students, and so we can	11 _____
buy cheaper tickets. One of my friends went on	12 _____
having this kind of trip a few years ago. She stayed in	13 _____
youth hostels, and managed to spend a very little	14 _____
money. I think that this would be an exciting holiday.	15 _____

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.

- 0 Look at those black clouds! There's rain on the way.
to
Look at those black clouds! It's going to rain.
- 1 I don't play tennis as well as you do.
better
You _____ do.
- 2 You ought to have your house painted.
be
Your house _____ painted.
- 3 The last time I saw Melanie was before she got her new job.
since
I _____ she got her new job.
- 4 The film was so funny that I burst out laughing.
a
It was _____ that I burst out laughing.
- 5 I've never flown in a helicopter before.
first
This is _____ flown in a helicopter.

- 6 'You stole the money, Joe, didn't you!' said the inspector.
accused
The inspector _____ the money.
- 7 It is essential that this letter is posted today.
must
This letter _____ today.
- 8 'Is the train on time?' asked one of the people waiting.
whether
One of the people waiting wanted to _____ on time.
- 9 My advice is to inform the police.
better
I think _____ inform the police.
- 10 They believe a single gunman carried out the attack.
believed
A single gunman _____ carried out the attack.

5 Decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each space.

School sports day

Our school sports were held last week, and the (0) B afternoon was a disaster. For a start, very (1) _____ people bothered to turn (2) _____, and there is nothing (3) _____ than trying to win a race with only three or four people cheering you on. It rained (4) _____ afternoon, from the moment the first starting pistol (5) _____ fired, until the last medal had (6) _____ presented. I was in the high jump, (7) _____ meant running up to do my best jump and then landing (8) _____ a pool of cold muddy water. It was raining (9) _____ hard that we couldn't see the runners in the 5,000 metres, and it (10) _____ out that they had all stopped (11) _____ the other side of the field to shelter under a tree. My other event was the javelin, but (12) _____ time I tried to throw, the javelin kept slipping from my hand. In (13) _____ case, I couldn't see where I was throwing, and when I (14) _____ finally manage to launch my javelin into the air, it disappeared in the direction of the railway line, and was never seen (15) _____.

- | | | | | |
|----|----------|----------|------------|----------------|
| 0 | A all | B whole | C total | D final |
| 1 | A little | B small | C few | D rare |
| 2 | A up | B about | C round | D over |
| 3 | A like | B better | C left | D worse |
| 4 | A by | B the | C entire | D all |
| 5 | A had | B was | C has | D been |
| 6 | A to | B had | C been | D itself |
| 7 | A which | B and | C so | D nevertheless |
| 8 | A on | B at | C in | D to |
| 9 | A so | B as | C and | D very |
| 10 | A worked | B found | C looked | D turned |
| 11 | A under | B on | C through | D about |
| 12 | A first | B in | C every | D a |
| 13 | A this | B the | C whatever | D any |
| 14 | A did | B had | C should | D have |
| 15 | A there | B again | C to | D back |

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, including the word given.

- 0 Look at those black clouds! There's rain on the way.
to
Look at those black clouds! It's going to rain.
- 1 A year ago we hadn't even met!
last
This _____ hadn't even met!
- 2 Without your help, I wouldn't have passed the exam.
for
If it _____, I wouldn't have passed the exam.

- 3 Nobody knows anything about the whereabouts of the President.
about
 Nothing _____ the whereabouts of the President.
- 4 My teachers made me work hard at school.
was
 I _____ hard at school.
- 5 'I'm awfully sorry, Carol, but I've broken your watch,' said Jim.
to
 Jim _____ her watch.
- 6 Please see that you close the door when you go.
open
 Please don't _____ when you go.
- 7 Unless we leave now, we'll miss the start of the film.
if
 We'll miss the start of the film _____ now.
- 8 Do you own these two cars?
belong
 Do _____ you?
- 9 Business hasn't been so bad for a long time.
has
 Rarely _____ been so bad.
- 10 I won't sell the painting, no matter how much you offer me.
price
 Whatever _____ the painting, I won't sell it.

First Certificate Language Practice

KEY Final Test

1

- 1 have been waiting, have you been doing
 2 was walking, had left
 3 had known, would have come
 4 am phoning, are doing
 5 became, had won
 6 haven't seen, have you been doing
 7 thought, would be
 8 were, wouldn't spend/wouldn't have spent
 9 arrives, will meet/are going to meet/are meeting
 10 get, will let

2

1 rather you didn't
2 unless we take
3 advised Tom not to go
4 despite twisting
5 as much as Mike
6 wish I hadn't sold
7 hasn't been cut
8 had never eaten such
9 this the smallest size
10 is taking care of

3

1 the
2 had
3 of
4 ✓
5 ✓
6 have
7 up
8 ✓
9 visited
10 the
11 As
12 ✓
13 having
14 a
15 ✓

4

- 1 play tennis better than I
- 2 ought to be
- 3 haven't seen Melanie since
- 4 such a funny film
- 5 the first time (that) I've
- 6 accused Joe of stealing
- 7 must be posted
- 8 know whether the train was
- 9 you'd better
- 10 is believed to have

5

- 1 C
- 2 A
- 3 D
- 4 D
- 5 B
- 6 C
- 7 A
- 8 C
- 9 A
- 10 D
- 11 B
- 12 C
- 13 D
- 14 A
- 15 B

6

- 1 time last year we
- 2 hadn't been for you/your help
- 3 is known about
- 4 was made to work
- 5 apologized to Carol for breaking
- 6 leave the door open
- 7 if we don't leave
- 8 these two cars belong to
- 9 has business
- 10 price you offer me for

(Total = 70 marks)

Name: _____

Date: _____

Advanced Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 1a (Units 1–4)

1 Underline the correct word or phrase in each sentence.

- 0 Whether this new pay deal will satisfy the unions remains/*will remain/is remaining* to be seen.
- 1 According to the Publications Department, it will be two years before the new Handbook *completes/is completed/will be completed*.
- 2 The President's plane touched down in Mexico City on Wednesday, two days after he *would have arrived/had been to arrive/was due to arrive*.
- 3 By the end of this month, I'll *be/be being/have been* a member of this club for ten years.
- 4 Helena's not really a party animal, so I doubt whether she *comes/'ll come/'ll have come*.
- 5 I was wondering if you *wanted/had wanted/would want* to go running with me.
- 6 I didn't realise I'd left my file at home until the meeting *will start/has started/started*.
- 7 I was going to ask her for a date, but I *don't/didn't/couldn't* bring myself to do it.
- 8 The noise stopped as soon as the Head Teacher *walks/walked/was walking* into the room.
- 9 I've been getting stabbing pains in my back *so far/for a while now/up to now*.
- 10 How long did you say you *take/are taking/have been taking* these pills?

2 Complete each sentence with an appropriate word.

- 0 I have never seen such a mess in all my born days!
- 1 I have had my doubts about this place ever _____ I got here.
- 2 So where exactly were you at the _____ of the robbery?
- 3 It's _____ since I last saw my cousin.
- 4 Our books still haven't arrived; for the time _____ we'll have to use photocopies.
- 5 Sue _____ to have played in goal, but she hurt her leg and had to miss the big match.
- 6 Doing this course is going to _____ you really have to knuckle down and change your ways.

- 7 Every _____ often we have a barbecue in our garden.
 8 I'm _____ it really difficult to keep up on my computer course.
 9 Do I like pop music? It _____ on what you regard as 'pop'.
 10 Simon Webster! Does this crisp packet _____ to you, by any chance?

3 Rewrite each sentence so that it contains the word in bold, and so that the meaning stays the same.

- 0 In my country all adults are obliged to vote.
obligatory
 In my country voting is obligatory for all adults.
- 1 Whose shoe is this?
belong
 Who _____ to?
- 2 I've been too ill to do any work since Monday.
day
 Monday was the _____ enough to work.
- 3 After a good sleep Tim started to feel better.
once
 Tim started to feel better _____ a good sleep.
- 4 We haven't eaten out for ages.
last
 It's been _____ ate out.
- 5 I've never lived in any other house.
all
 I've lived _____ life.
- 6 He used to spend the whole of Saturday morning washing his car.
would
 Every Saturday _____ washing his car.
- 7 My new working hours enable me to be with my children for longer in the evening.
mean
 My new working hours _____ more time with my children in the evening.
- 8 Until then I'd never seen Richard get angry.
first
 That is _____ seen Richard get angry.
- 9 Luca was my first experience of true love.
never
 Until I _____ truly in love.

- 10 Try the new system a few times and you'll become familiar with it.
used
 You'll _____ you've tried it a few times.

4 In most lines of this text there is one extra word. Write the extra word, or put a tick if the line is correct.

Labyrinths and Mazes

Walking labyrinths and mazes is right back in fashion; but their rich history, which dates 0 ☒
 back since 4,000 years is not often realised. A labyrinth is an ancient mystical pattern, 00 *since*
 containing a meandering path to the centre, which it symbolises the journey through life. 1
 The first labyrinths were being for ritual walking and processions. They became an 2
 important feature of the Ancient Greek and Roman civilisations, but they are also found in 3
 northern Europe: in Sweden many are said to would have been built by fishermen, who 4
 walked through them in the hope of a good catch and a safe return. Though making secular 5
 in origin, labyrinths were adopted by various religions; in Christianity, for example, the 6
 tradition of walking the labyrinth in a church came up to represent the route to salvation. 7

Mazes are a much later invention, probably no more than for 500 years old. Initially the 8
 preserve of kings and princes, they spread to public parks and gardens. They do consist 9
 of tall hedges which act as walls. The hedges are arranged in intricate geometrical 10
 patterns that present a circuitous path to the centre, including many paths which are 11
 dead-ends designed to be confuse and puzzle the walker. The challenge lies in getting 12
 to the centre and back out again. But mazes now go to much deeper than just puzzles 13
 for walkers. A whole science has been grown up around them, applying the complicated 14
 theory of how to solve them or to computer design and even to the world of business. 15

5 Complete the article by writing *one* word in each gap.

Mature Students

The British government recently made £20 million available to mature students,
 (0) *that* is students who have already begun their working life, and (1) _____
 not take the normal route of university immediately after school. The mature students'
 'gap' (2) _____ leaving school and matriculating into university can be
 (3) _____ from three to 50 years – time spent working, having children,
 travelling (4) _____ whatever. Among (5) _____ are those whose
 teenage rebellions took them too (6) _____ away from a life of study, and
 equally those whose mid-life crises (7) _____ led them to contemplate a
 return to the world of academia. In (8) _____ of the new grants, returning to
 education remains a huge strain on the finances, all the (9) _____ so for those
 with dependants. Many are obliged to take out loans, adding to a burden of debt
 already accumulating steadily from their busy adult lives.

Certain institutions are more welcoming than others, but even Oxford and
 Cambridge have now (10) _____ their doors to mature entrants. Indeed, these
 (11) _____ traditional of universities, with their one-to-one supervisions,
 (12) _____ ideal for mature students. The criteria for entrance also suit
 mature students; other universities require high grades in A levels from school, a point

(13) _____ disadvantages most mature students, whereas Oxford and Cambridge have their (14) _____ entrance exams. Cambridge actually boasts the only university college in Europe which takes only female mature students, Lucy Cavendish College. The lecturers there say (15) _____ prefer teaching mature students because they have made great personal sacrifices just to be there, and so tend to bring a real passion to their work.

Name: _____

Date: _____

Advanced Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 1b (Units 1–4)

1 Underline the correct word or phrase in each sentence.

- 0 Whether this new pay deal will satisfy the unions remains/will remain/is remaining to be seen.
- 1 Let me know about the party as soon as you *have made*/will make/will have made a decision.
- 2 It won't be long now before David *will go*/goes/be going to school.
- 3 Jack was about to kiss Julia when he *noticed*/had noticed/was noticing the ring on her hand.
- 4 The President was to have visited a hospital; instead he *rushed*/had been rushing/would have rushed to his wife's bedside.
- 5 I'm terribly sorry; I had no idea you *are*/were/had been appointed deputy director.
- 6 When I got back home after my holiday, I noticed that someone *tampered*/used to tamper/had been tampering with the lock on my door.
- 7 When the fire started, what *were you doing*/had you done/have you been doing?
- 8 This is the hottest day we've had since I *arrive*/'ve arrived/arrived in England.
- 9 I've decided to carry on living there *for ages*/now and then/for the time being.
- 10 Go to the Aer Lingus desk immediately *you arrive*/when you'll arrive/on arrival.

2 Complete each sentence with an appropriate word.

- 0 I have never seen such a mess in all my born days!
- 1 It wasn't _____ my TV broke down that I realised how attached I am to it.
- 2 I haven't been feeling very well of _____.
- 3 The whole country has been buying chocolate bars, but to _____, nobody has managed to find the golden ticket.
- 4 Phone me the _____ you get there; it's very important.

- 5 I was 40 years _____ to the day that I joined the army.
- 6 I've _____ to meet anybody who can eat a pizza faster than Tom.
- 7 It took a good two months _____ I got the results of my test back.

- 8 I'm _____ a lot of difficulties with my maths course – I may give it up.
 9 I _____ to a running club, and we compete most Saturdays.
 10 It's a good qualification to have since it _____ you can go to university.

3 Rewrite each sentence so that it contains the word in bold, and so that the meaning stays the same.

- 0 In my country all adults are obliged to vote.
obligatory
 In my country voting is obligatory for all adults.
- 1 I'm beginning to think that deciding to resign wasn't a great idea.
doubts
 I'm starting to _____ to resign.
- 2 It will be the first ice hockey stadium I've ever been to.
my
 It will be _____ to an ice hockey stadium.
- 3 We can't swim in the sea yet because it's too cold.
us
 It isn't warm _____ swim in the sea.
- 4 I used to take more exercise than I do now.
as
 I don't _____ I used to.
- 5 Dinner arrived so late that I wasn't hungry any more.
finally
 By _____ I'd lost my appetite.
- 6 Five seconds to go, and this great Australian swimmer is about to make history!
point
 Five seconds to go, and this great Australian swimmer _____ history!
- 7 I haven't been to Argentina since I was two years old.
last
 I was two years old _____ to Argentina.
- 8 I haven't always been such a careful person.
to
 I didn't _____ careful.
- 9 This card will give you access to your bank account over the telephone.
means
 Having this card _____ to access your bank account over the telephone.

10 I am only up to page seven of the book you lent me.
read
 I have _____ of the book you lent me.

4 In most lines of this text there is one extra word. Write the extra word, or put a tick if the line is correct.

E-books

First came the PC, then the internet and e-mail; now the e-book is upon us, a hand-held	0	was
device similar in size and appearance to a video cassette. The user simply calls up the	00	✓
website on their PC, selects the desired books, after downloading them onto their e-book	1	
machine and sits down to read them. For to turn a page the user simply taps the screen.	2	
E-book technology is being evolving rapidly, and with some of the latest handhelds you	3	
will even get internet access. But why would one want an e-book machine if in preference	4	
to a book? Well, one selling-point companies emphasised, when these devices had hit the	5	
market a few years ago, is the space they did save when going on holiday. E-books lighten	6	
the load, literally. Ten large novels can be put onto a device that is weighs less than the	7	
average paperback. One can understand why commercial interests seem to be want us to	8	
change. After all, the whole production process from first plan by author until delivery	9	
to the printer has been done electronically for a while since now, so why not save a few	10	
million trees and to cut out the hard copy? The trouble is, there has always been something	11	
so wonderful about browsing in a musty-smelling old bookshop or pristine new one.	12	
Reading with digital books availability tends to be a problem – it all depends what	13	
publishing deals have been struck between the book and e-book publishers. Furthermore,	14	
electronic print takes so long to read – 50% longer than the same words will on paper.	15	

5 Complete the article by writing *one* word in each gap.

Gap year

You're eighteen, you've finished school, got your precious exam grades – but
 (0) **what** next? The thought of rushing straight off to university and a life of yet
 (1) _____ books, lessons and essays may not exactly bring joy to your heart.
 Let's face (2) _____, you do really need that university degree – it'll
 (3) _____ no end of help in finding employment if you can just stick it out.
 So what you (4) _____ in the meantime is a break – a gap year. This may
 sound (5) _____ a wonderful opportunity to chill out and do pretty much
 nothing all day except (6) _____ MTV, but don't succumb to the temptation,
 whatever (7) _____ do. Use the time profitably; see it (8) _____ an
 opportunity to advance your career prospects and develop your non-academic skills.

Reliable research shows that employers (9) _____ favourably on graduate job
 applicants who opted for a year out, (10) _____ between school and
 university, or between university and employment, simply because
 (11) _____ the extra maturity and experience in life that is gained. Equally
 other research shows that gap year students adjust (12) _____ to life at
 university than those direct from school.

So what can you do on your gap year? The adventurous and well-off travel the world, often looking for part-time jobs (13) _____ as bar or waiter work, to finance their travels. Others who want a more guaranteed income, and perhaps hope to (14) _____ up to finance their university studies, prefer to become au pairs or teaching assistants in foreign countries. Whatever you decide, make (15) _____ you use your time profitably.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Advanced Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 2a (Units 6–9)

1 Decide whether each sentence is grammatically possible or not. Write ✓ or X (correct or incorrect).

- 0 If it hadn't been for David, I would being lost in the forest. **X**
- 1 I've been given three more days to decide if I want to accept their offer. ____
- 2 A fifteen-minute coffee break may be taken in the morning. ____
- 3 My house desperately needs to be painted. ____
- 4 We have got our house broken into twice this year. ____
- 5 The King is believed to be arrived in Rome three hours ago. ____
- 6 We're having fitted a replacement wheel tomorrow. ____
- 7 If you're such a good skier, why didn't you go back and rescue her? ____
- 8 If you will just take a seat, the dentist will call you when he's ready. ____
- 9 I'd prefer that you don't go this year – you're a bit too young. ____
- 10 You look like you had just had a shock! ____

2 Complete each sentence by writing *one* word in each space. Contractions (*can't*) count as one word.

- 0 I have never seen such a mess in all my born days!
- 1 A downstairs window had been broken _____ a brick left in the back garden.
- 2 I'm not really sure what the recipe consists _____.
- 3 We've just _____ our house redecorated.
- 4 Thanks for your help with that spreadsheet; I couldn't have done it _____.
- 5 If you _____ be passing the chemists, you could get some more shampoo.
- 6 I wouldn't like to _____ in Dave's shoes when the boss finds out!

- 7 If you _____ leave your car window open, you can't complain if something gets stolen.
- 8 Look, just open the door _____ I'll get very cross.
- 9 I _____ it stops raining soon; I've got to go to the post office.
- 10 I wish you wouldn't _____ wearing your shoes indoors.

3 Using the verb in brackets in an appropriate active or passive form, rewrite each sentence so that the meaning stays the same.

- 0 Some men are coming to put a new gas heater in my house on Monday.
(install)
I'm having a new gas heater installed in my house on Monday.
- 1 It's more usual to eat this kind of meat with a radish or onion sauce.
(serve)
This kind of meat _____ with a radish or onion sauce.
- 2 It was a mistake to ever put Brian's name forward as Chairman.
(nominate)
Brian _____ as Chairman.
- 3 There is no decision yet from the jury on the Walter Andrew case.
(make)
The jury _____ minds on the Walter Andrew case.
- 4 Police believe the woman is being put up in the Northampton area by friends.
(stay)
The woman _____ with friends in the Northampton area.
- 5 For many years people thought Isiah Kerr was the artist of the painting, which was wrong.
(attribute)
For many years the painting _____ Isiah Kerr.

4 Rewrite each sentence so that it contains the word in bold, and so that the meaning stays the same.

- 0 In my country all adults are obliged to vote.
obligatory
In my country voting is obligatory for all adults.
- 1 But for the intervention of his bodyguards, the President might have been hurt.
intervened
If _____ he might have been hurt.

- 2 For a bike that's two years old, it's in very good condition.
even
The bike's in very good condition, _____
two years old.
- 3 I really wish I had gone to university.
deeply
I _____ going to university.
- 4 The entire staff demanded Ken's immediate reinstatement.
be
The entire staff demanded _____
immediately.
- 5 I just want you to know that, whatever happens, your mum and I will always be there for you.
come
I just want you to know that, _____ ,
your mum and I will always be there for you.

5 Complete the letter by writing *one* word in each gap.

Letter from the Assistant Director

After due consideration of your case, following your ten-day suspension from duty, the management has decided to renew your employment for a further two months, at the end of which your situation (0) **will** again be reviewed. In (1) _____ to this decision we have (2) _____ into account your personal circumstances, namely the stress (3) _____ by your girlfriend's departure.

We would warn you that (4) _____ there is a large-scale improvement in your performance and attitude, we will have no alternative (5) _____ to terminate your employment.

Your time of arrival will be closely monitored, as great importance is now attached to your punctuality. You are (6) _____ to arrive before 9am, and (7) _____ it be deemed (8) _____ by your boss, you will have to report personally to her each morning.

If it was (9) _____ for your decent record during your initial trial period, when you impressed your boss and co-workers, we would not be giving you this further chance.

It (10) _____ sincerely hoped that you will rise to this challenge and emerge successfully from this trial period.

- 6 Complete this extract from a magazine for supermarket customers, using information in the informal notes to Barry. Use no more than two words for each gap. The words you need do not appear in the notes.

Barry,
Please include the following information in your write-up for the next quarterly magazine:
Sorry for any trouble we may have caused with our reorganisation of the interior of the store.
Number of checkout tills is going up to 35 (the same as with all our UK stores) – this means our service will be even quicker.
Our popular ‘quick service’ till will carry on as before – now at desk 35.
Explain how club card works in case anyone doesn’t know! – can use it every time you buy something.
Tell people about the new products that are on the way, and that we’re getting rid of the internet delivery charge. Obviously we can’t extend this to those who live outside the city.
Good chance here to remind customers of our financial services.

Gifford’s Supermarket Magazine

We trust you like our new-look store and we apologise for any (0) inconvenience caused by the large-scale reorganisation of the interior.

In (1) _____ with all our UK stores the number of checkout tills is to (2) _____ to 35. This will (3) _____ us to provide you with an even speedier service. The popular ‘less than ten items’ checkout will (4) _____ to operate; this till can now be found at checkout desk 35.

The Customer club card scheme is also proving highly popular and currently has some 15,000 users. The card can be used every time you make a (5) _____. The card accumulates points which can be converted into free gifts or money off your shopping bill.

Meanwhile we are pleased to (6) _____ a further range of products over the next six months or so, including more clothes for school children and toys.

The £5 delivery charge on items ordered by internet is to (7) _____ as of January 1st for city (8) _____. We regret that, for obvious (9) _____, we are unable to extend this offer to houses outside the city.

May we take this (10) _____ to remind customers that we also offer a range of financial services, including pensions and life insurance.

Name: _____

Date: _____

Advanced Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 2b (Units 6–9)

1 Decide whether each sentence is grammatically possible or not. Write ✓ or X (correct or incorrect).

- 0 If it hadn't been for David, I would being lost in the forest. X
- 1 I have been sent a parcel from my uncle in Australia. ____
- 2 It has been decided to phase out the use of company cars. ____
- 3 That irresponsible son of ours has got himself arrested at a rock concert. ____
- 4 We got some friends round for lunch yesterday. ____
- 5 The lorry driver is thought to have been doing 120 kph at the time. ____
- 6 If I had known you were coming, I would prepare more food. ____
- 7 Even if you see Dawn tell her I've got her mobile phone. ____
- 8 Supposing what would you do if you could have a year off work? ____
- 9 If you will drink so much coffee, it's not surprising you get irritable. ____
- 10 I'd prefer you didn't play your music just now – I've got to work. ____

2 Complete each sentence by writing *one* word in each space. Contractions (*can't*) count as one word.

- 0 I have never seen such a mess in all my born days!
- 1 I've just received some rather distressing news _____ the Director.
- 2 Don't worry Mr Bates, I can assure you your query is being dealt _____
.
- 3 I'll be surprised _____ Brazil don't win the Cup.
- 4 _____ for her mother's prompt intervention, the baby would have drunk
the disinfectant.
- 5 I'll have to call the whole deal off _____ you pay me the deposit by 4
o'clock today.
- 6 Look, just give me back the wallet _____ I promise I won't tell the
police.
- 7 I'd _____ not take the Underground if you don't mind; I'll pay for a
taxi.
- 8 I just wish Mum _____ be here to see all this.
- 9 I _____ you don't mind me phoning you at home, but it is rather urgent.
- 10 I wish you _____ do that; you've no idea how annoying it is.

3 Using the verb in brackets in an appropriate active or passive form, rewrite each sentence so that the meaning stays the same.

- 0 Some men are coming to put a new gas heater in our house on Monday.
(install)

We're having a new gas heater installed in our house on Monday.

- 1 We will write to confirm this arrangement within three days.
(receive)

You'll _____ of this arrangement within three days.

- 2 My adviser has told me not to say anything about the matter.
(advise)

I have _____ silent on the matter.

- 3 Police think that a prison guard helped the prisoner to escape.
(receive)

The prisoner _____ in escaping, from a prison guard.

- 4 They punished me by forcing me to clean the toilets every day.
(make)

As _____ to clean the toilets every day.

- 5 Apparently the Prime Minister is thinking about changing some of his advisers.
(consider)

The Prime Minister is thought _____ of personnel among his advisers.

4 Rewrite each sentence so that it contains the word in bold, and so that the meaning stays the same.

- 0 In my country all adults are obliged to vote.
obligatory

In my country voting is obligatory for all adults.

- 1 Supposing you suddenly became incredibly rich, what would you do with the money?
were

If _____ incredibly rich, what would you do with the money?

- 2 Without the support of his social worker, Jack might well have ended up in prison.
been

If _____ his social worker, Jack might well have ended up in prison.

- 3 He can buy me 100 dresses if he wants, but I still won't have him back.
even
 I won't have him back _____ me
 100 dresses.
- 4 Of the two, my choice would be Greece, to be honest.
rather
 To tell _____ to Greece.
- 5 Nevertheless, the Prime Minister's economic policy has been a dismal failure.
as
 Be _____, the Prime Minister's
 economic policy has been a dismal failure.

5 Complete the letter by writing *one* word in each gap.

Extract from a Brochure

Just imagine what life (0) would be like without a washing machine. Life's just
 (1) _____ busy nowadays for most of us to contemplate washing clothes in
 the bath tub. So what on earth would you do if your machine broke down? Here at
 Royston's we pride (2) _____ on our washing machine repair service. Our
 mechanics fix up to 40% of machines on the spot, and for those that are taken back to
 our warehouse for repairs, a further 50% (3) _____ repaired within a week.
 But we don't expect our customers to go without. A replacement washing machine is
 delivered free of charge within 24 hours of your machine (4) _____ removed.
 It is installed in your home by our mechanics, and is kept by you
 (5) _____ your old machine is returned.

Should you wish to purchase a new machine our showroom (6) _____
 hundreds of models for you to choose from. All new machines (7) _____
 with a three-year warranty, covering spare parts and workmanship. Of course, if it
 (8) _____ transpire that the fault has arisen from customer negligence or
 from failure to observe basic maintenance procedures – (9) _____ as
 regularly cleaning the filters – repair costs will (10) _____ be borne by the
 company.

- 6 Complete this extract from a monthly newsletter to parents of a primary school, using information in the informal note to the staff. Use no more than two words for each gap. The words you need do not appear in the note.

Note to all staff from the Head Teacher

Dear all

Just a quick note about dress, which will appear in the newsletter to parents as well. We've noticed recently that some children are coming to school with insufficient clothing now that the weather is turning colder. Our dress guidelines are quite clear about this (vest, shirt, sweater, coat, plus hats and gloves as well if parents want). Please keep an eye on this situation. I'm also going to bang on about the need for labels. For your information, Dickinsons and Sons is the supplier – parents can ask them to make some up for them. If they pay extra, Dickinsons will even sew the labels on. While talking about clothes, I'm going to tell all parents again that rude or violent language on t-shirts are forbidden. Jeans and trainers are ok, but they must be new and smart.

Dear Parent

It has (0) *come* to our attention that some children are being (1) _____ to school with clothing that is not (2) _____ for the cold weather. In our dress guidelines we recommend a vest, shirt, sweater and coat as a basic requirement, to (3) _____ hats and gloves may be added at your (4) _____. Please note that all coats should be clearly labelled with the child's name. This can be written in permanent ink on the collar, or named labels can be (5) _____ from Dickinson and Sons Clothing Suppliers in town. On (6) _____ of a small fee, Dickinsons will also sew the labels on for you.

On the (7) _____ of clothes, may we take this opportunity (8) _____ all parents that t-shirts with rude or violent messages on them are (9) _____. Jeans and trainers may be worn as (10) _____ they are reasonably new and smart.

Yours faithfully
Dawn Scholes
Head Teacher

Name: _____

Date: _____

Advanced Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 3a (Units 11–14)

1 Underline the correct word or phrase in each sentence.

- 0 Whether this new pay deal will satisfy the unions remains/*will remain/is remaining* to be seen.
- 1 I thought the exam would be really difficult but in fact it *mustn't/couldn't/shouldn't* have been easier.
- 2 This *can't/shouldn't/won't* be the way – we've driven past that bus stop three times now!
- 3 You *must/could/may* have worked here longer than me, but that doesn't mean you can treat me like dirt!
- 4 Sorry, I *must/might/should* have told you about the change of plan earlier.
- 5 You *mustn't/can't/wouldn't* have finished your homework already!
- 6 I'm really happy in my new job; I *couldn't/shouldn't/wouldn't* have found a nicer company.
- 7 *Could/Would/Should* you hear anything, let me know.
- 8 Well, thanks for the offer – I *might/could/would* just take you up on it.
- 9 Sam was an difficult child who *couldn't/wouldn't/mightn't* do anything his parents asked him to.
- 10 I remember when I was thirteen, I *must/could/should* have friends round to sleep over.

2 Complete each sentence with a suitable phrase of three words containing the word in capital letters.

- 0 Oh well, I might as well have another drink, if no one's in a hurry to leave.
WELL
- 1 I have no sympathy for her, _____. NONE
- 2 I did tell him, but he didn't seem concerned
_____. SLIGHTEST
- 3 In the end, _____ do was cross our fingers and hope. ALL
- 4 I've told you _____, don't kick the football against the window! TIME

- 5 No, _____, David told Ann that Ross wasn't coming. **HAPPENED**
- 6 _____ most is a really good dance down at the disco. **LIKE**
- 7 Scarcely _____ back home when the neighbours descended on us with tea and cakes. **ARRIVED**
- 8 Was it really necessary? You _____ give them all our personal details, you know. **DIDN'T**
- 9 You really _____ to all this trouble! **GONE**
- 10 Try _____, I simply couldn't work out how to assemble the bookshelf. **MIGHT**

3 Rewrite each sentence so that it contains the word in bold, and so that the meaning stays the same.

- 0 In my country all adults are obliged to vote.
obligatory
In my country *voting is obligatory for* all adults.
- 1 It might turn cold, so take a jumper.
case
Take a jumper _____ cold.
- 2 Although it was a lovely morning, rain was forecast for the afternoon.
may
It _____ a lovely morning, but rain was forecast for the afternoon.
- 3 I'm sure that Carol will be there; she never misses a disco trip.
bound
Carol _____ there; she never misses a disco trip.
- 4 Perhaps he didn't call in at the restaurant, as arranged.
might
He _____ in at the restaurant, as arranged.
- 5 It's impossible for Keith to have finished the painting already.
possibly
Keith _____ finished the painting already.
- 6 Is it possible that you left it on the bus by mistake?
made
Do you think you _____ and left it on the bus?
- 7 The pay dispute took several weeks of negotiations to resolve.
only

- It was _____ lasting several weeks that the pay dispute was resolved.
- 8 It is very important that you never press this button.
must
On no _____ be pressed.
- 9 The hostages were never actually harmed by the kidnappers.
ever
At no _____ the hostages.
- 10 You were two hours late, and, if that's not bad enough, you woke us all up with your noise.
but
Not only _____ you also woke us all up with your noise.

4 Complete the article by writing *one* word in each gap.

(0) *Little* did I realise just (1) _____ hard the war and subsequent economic hardship had hit this once most prosperous of towns. Hardly had I arrived in the town centre from the airport (2) _____ I was approached by two hungry-looking young boys begging for money. I duly obliged, with what little change I had in my pocket, but (3) _____ rather alarmed me was to see the public indifference to (4) _____ obvious plight, something that (5) _____ have been inconceivable (6) _____ I last knew this town, in better times, twenty years ago. At that time the citizens (7) _____ famous for their togetherness and community spirit, and allowing two penniless boys to go hungry (8) _____ possibly have happened.

At the waterfront, scene of so (9) _____ great classical music concerts over the years, police were out in force. Apparently, a man had been shot in a café, the casual victim of a gang feud. In case anyone (10) _____ doubt their intent, the uniformed men patrolled menacingly, guns at the ready. Only (11) _____ much checking of documents (12) _____ I allowed into the area, one of my favourite old haunts. Over a coffee and brioche, I looked out onto the waterfront, and an uneasy calm descended on the place, as (13) _____ the shooting incident was only the prelude to something worse. I learned that violent retribution was expected from the man's gang, at (14) _____ point I beat a hasty retreat, to the relative safety of my hotel room. There I wished, prayed, for a return to the old days (15) _____ the only guns I ever saw were in the museum and the only drugs you heard of were sold in pharmacies.

5 Ten people gave their opinion on a new film. Some of the sentences contain a grammatical mistake. Write the correct version in the space provided at the end of each line, or put a tick if the sentence is already correct.

- | | | |
|----|---|-------------------------|
| 0 | I've never seen such an awful film. | <u>✓</u> |
| 00 | Catherine Danvers is just a so wonderful actor. | <u>such a wonderful</u> |
| 1 | It's not often see you a film of this rare quality. | _____ |
| 2 | You would be hard pushed to find a better film than this. | _____ |
| 3 | I thought the film was utterly rubbish, I'm afraid. | _____ |
| 4 | You could wait ten years, and you wouldn't see a better film than this. | _____ |
| 5 | I'm not at all impressed by it: all those people who say how wonderful it is should be mad. | _____ |
| 6 | I doubt whether there's been a worse film in the last ten years. | _____ |
| 7 | I saw the front cover of the video and I completely had to buy it. | _____ |
| 8 | I haven't seen it myself, but my sister said that never had she seen such a great film. | _____ |
| 9 | Well, it may have won a lot of prizes, but personally I thought it was over-rated. | _____ |
| 10 | I thought it was a sheer waste of time from start to finish. | _____ |

Name: _____

Date: _____

Advanced Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 3b (Units 11–14)

1 Underline the correct word or phrase in each sentence.

- 0 Whether this new pay deal will satisfy the unions remains/will remain/is remaining to be seen.
- 1 No, I *mustn't*/*shouldn't*/*couldn't* possibly do that to a friend.
- 2 Well I'm surprised it was John. I *would*/*could*/*should* have expected better of him.
- 3 Don't worry about my big brother; he *will*/*can*/*could* be very childish at times.
- 4 I really *wouldn't*/*couldn't*/*mightn't* eat another thing, thank you.

- 5 You *couldn't/can't/mustn't* be serious! It's far too dangerous!
- 6 Well personally, I *could/would/must* have thought the answer is D, but you may be right.
- 7 This little device *need/could/shall* be the answer to all your technical problems.
- 8 What you're saying *must/should/may* well be true.
- 9 It *shouldn't/mightn't/couldn't* have been Kevin who did it; he's such a nice, well behaved lad.
- 10 Just in case you *would/will/should* find it, I'll give you my business card so you can contact me.

2 Complete each sentence with a suitable phrase of three words containing the word in capital letters.

- 0 Oh well, I ***might as well*** have another drink, if no one's in a hurry to leave.
WELL
- 1 Don't bother telling Michael; he's not _____
interested in your problems. LEAST
- 2 It was wonderful; I felt absolutely no pain, _____
. NOTHING
- 3 _____ I left Chris's house that the truth finally
dawned on me. UNTIL
- 4 In the end _____ was put a plaster over the leak.
WHAT
- 5 It is _____ certain that Roger will be well
enough to play in the concert. MEANS
- 6 Strange as _____, I used to swim at a very high
level. SEEM
- 7 Never before _____ such an amazing sight.
SEEN
- 8 _____ realise how much he was going to miss
her. LITTLE
- 9 You _____ push quite so hard; it should go in the
slot without much force. HAVE
- 10 _____ may you leave the room while the exam is
in progress. CIRCUMSTANCES

3 Rewrite each sentence so that it contains the word in bold, and so that the meaning stays the same.

- 0 In my country all adults are obliged to vote.
obligatory
In my country ***voting is obligatory for*** all adults.

- 1 I'm sure we're not doing it the right way.
be
This _____ way you're supposed to do it.
- 2 I think you should try applying again in a few months' time.
were
If _____ try applying again in a few months' time.
- 3 Although I tried hard, I couldn't get the hang of using a computer.
might
Try _____ I couldn't get the hang of using a computer.
- 4 It seems that Hermann wasn't to be trusted, after all.
appears
Hermann _____ trustworthy after all.
- 5 Clearly the previous owners left it when they moved to their new house.
must
It _____ the previous owners when they moved to their new house.
- 6 It seems quite likely that there was a sudden surge of power.
happened
I think what may _____ there was a sudden surge of power.
- 7 Such was the speed of the ball that the goalkeeper never saw it pass him.
fast
The ball was _____ that the goalkeeper never saw it pass him.
- 8 Mark speaks with such clarity that it's a pleasure to listen to him.
clear
Mark's voice _____ to him is a pleasurable experience.
- 9 You must not, I repeat not, open this box until Christmas Day.
to
Under no _____ opened until Christmas Day.
- 10 My name was the last one they called out.
to
Mine _____ called out.

4 Complete the following letters by writing *one* word in each gap.

Dear Uncle Will

You've probably (0) ***heard*** by now about the failure of our attempt to climb Mount Everest. I (1) _____ have listened to you about not attempting it in October. Obviously, I'm very disappointed, as (2) _____ all my colleagues on the team, not (3) _____ Jonty who says it'll probably be his last climb. We're all

physically shattered, and I've lost almost 20 kilos (4) _____ eating like a horse. Everything was (5) _____ so well until that notorious ridge you warned me about. No (6) _____ had we reached Hunter's Ridge than the weather changed for the worse. The winds got up from the south, and then the snow drifts started. It was intensely frustrating, just lying in shelter (7) _____ to move, just 600 metres (8) _____ so from the summit. Only (9) _____ several days of blizzard conditions (10) _____ we abandon the climb and return to base camp. Oh well, drop me a line when you have time.

Yours

Ben

Dear Ben

Thanks for your letter – yes, I read all about it in the local paper. Don't worry, you (11) _____ possibly have done any more. I can't (12) _____ I'm surprised – there's nothing you can (13) _____ if the elements are against you: it's no reflection on you. You did the sensible thing. That last bit of climb is fraught with danger, and better, more experienced climbers than yourselves have (14) _____ to turn back. So let me know if you're going to have another go – I should have (15) _____ May or June was a much better time for an ascent, anyway.

Best wishes

Will

5 Ten people were asked for their opinion on a new cinema. Some of the sentences contain a grammatical mistake. Write the correct version in the space provided at the end of each line, or put a tick if the sentence is already correct.

- | | | |
|----|--|--------------------|
| 0 | It's bound to be difficult for them in the first few weeks, but I think they've done well so far. | ✓ |
| 00 | Whatever do they think they're doing? They've got all the most popular films in the smallest rooms. | <u>Whatever do</u> |
| 1 | I arrived half an hour before 'The Detective' was showing, and I couldn't get a seat, so they're obviously going to be popular. | _____ |
| 2 | I think the snack area may turn out to be too small, but apart from that, I'm impressed. | _____ |
| 3 | A new cinema should have been discussed and debated for seven or eight years before it finally happened, so it's great to actually be here and see it. | _____ |
| 4 | I would have known I'd be working on the opening night! I'd have loved to see all the celebrities! | _____ |
| 5 | No sooner had we arrived when the computer in the box office broke down, so I hope that's not going to be typical. | _____ |
| 6 | I think the disabled facilities could be better, and they shouldn't allow smoking in the corridors. | _____ |
| 7 | Very often are there problems in the first few days with a new cinema, but I've seen nothing yet. | _____ |
| 8 | All they're doing is putting the existing cinema in the town centre out of business – it all seems fairly pointless to me. | _____ |
| 9 | Little understand people just how difficult it must be to run a ten-screen cinema successfully. | _____ |
| 10 | I really do hope they succeed, because I've seen some great films here already. | _____ |

Name: _____

Date: _____

Advanced Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 4a (Units 16–19)

1 Decide whether each sentence is grammatically possible or not. Write ✓ or X (correct or incorrect).

- 0 If it hadn't been for David, I would being lost in the forest. **X**
- 1 We can confirm that your flight leaves at 4 pm from the North Terminal. ____
- 2 Mary suggested why didn't we go and see a film. ____
- 3 What lovely weather we're having! ____
- 4 Hilary warned the team that trying to compete with each other would be dangerous. ____
- 5 I studied at the University of Pisa. ____
- 6 I've got a bit of a flu this morning. ____
- 7 Everyone got on very well, that was quite surprising in the circumstances. ____
- 8 There is only one person in my street is a bit unfriendly. ____
- 9 Finding myself in difficulty, I looked around for a policeman. ____
- 10 I've stopped to go to the gym, as it's too expensive. ____

2 Complete each sentence with an appropriate word.

- 0 I have never seen such a mess in all my born days!
- 1 The car needs _____ good cleaning.
- 2 There's nothing I hate more than _____ in application forms.
- 3 I _____ face another long journey!
- 4 I wish you wouldn't _____ complaining all the time.
- 5 _____ leaves the office last, please turn off the lights.
- 6 The first time we met was _____ we were at Barry's party.
- 7 It was on this spot, 500 years ago, _____ King Henry fought a famous battle.
- 8 If it's trendy clothes you want, On Offer is _____ place to go.
- 9 Oh by the way, we've been _____ to a party on Saturday by Lynn and Roger.
- 10 Baker strongly _____ having broken the photocopier.

- 3 Rewrite each sentence so that it contains the word in bold, and so that the meaning stays the same.
- 0 The racers were told to stay on the pavement and not run on the road.
against
The racers were told that running on the road was against the rules.
- 1 Rumours say that the Prime Minister is about to resign.
be
The Prime Minister is _____ point of resigning.
- 2 I was pleased to learn that Helen's search for a place at university was successful.
managed
I was pleased to learn that _____ a place at university.
- 3 Go on! I bet you're too scared to jump off that wall.
dare
Go on! I _____ that wall.
- 4 After missing two lessons, John found it difficult to follow what the teacher was saying.
struggled
After missing two lessons, John _____ explanations.
- 5 The baby no longer has a bottle of milk before going to bed.
stopped
The baby _____ a bottle of milk before going to bed.
- 6 Jill's parents were really pleased when Jill got 90% in her maths test.
pleased
Jill got 90% in her Maths test, _____ her parents.
- 7 Under-age drinking is a problem that concerns us very much.
concerned
We are _____ of under-age drinking.
- 8 'Paul, why don't you take a day off and come shopping with me?' said Eva.
that
Eva suggested _____ shopping with her.
- 9 4,000 jobs are to be cut at Barrant Ltd, according to an announcement today.
announced
Today, Barrant Ltd _____ of 4,000 jobs.

10 'Joyce, let me carry your suitcase for you – I insist,' said Henry.
on
Henry _____ suitcase for her.

4 Complete the article by writing *one* word in each gap.

Anna Bancroft (0) **looked** down at the speedometer on her handlebars. She was (1) _____ 42 kph with ease and knew that she was in great shape for the National Triathlon Championships that weekend. But she (2) _____ made the competition – the next moment she was flying across the windscreen of a sports car. Anna woke up in hospital and (3) _____ not feel anything in her legs. The doctors (4) _____ her worst fears; she was paralysed from the waist down and would be confined to a wheelchair for the (5) _____ of her life. She would never be (6) _____ to cycle again. But Anna was a person of the utmost resolve. She was determined not to (7) _____ her disability prevent her from racing. (8) _____ she couldn't compete in her beloved triathlon, she would do swimming and wheelchair racing instead. As soon as she had (9) _____ from the trauma of her accident, Anna began a programme of light training in the swimming pool, encouraged by her friends from the triathlon club.

Now, two years on, Anna is considered to (10) _____ one of the leading wheelchair athletes in the country. Recently she was selected to (11) _____ Britain at the European Athletics Championships. Anna's punishing training schedule (12) _____ getting up at 6.30 to get a couple of hours' training in before work (she does mornings only as a receptionist at a doctor's surgery). It is a life that she wouldn't (13) _____ up for anything. 'It's no good (14) _____ back and brooding over my past life,' she says. 'I'm in a rush to enjoy the rest of my life, and the one thing I (15) _____ stand is wasting time.'

5 Complete the extract from a company newsletter, using information in the informal notes from Dave. Use no more than two words for each gap. The words you need do not appear in the notes.

Tim,
Here's the draft version of the Staff Information page for next week's newsletter.
Please feel free to make any changes.
Regards,
Dave

Newsletter

In the last newsletter we made a mistake over the name of the person who's doing the training day on 'The Importance of Marketing'. It's going to be Dilip Patel, not Sue Parkinson. Sorry to Sue for this.

In case anyone couldn't go and missed his talk, Dilip's going to repeat it on Friday afternoon. If you want to go to the Friday afternoon session, please sign up for it (staff noticeboard), or e-mail Dilip's secretary, Vera.

Don't forget December 3, the Christmas Dinner. This year it's going to be at the Regal Hotel. Menus will be coming round your departments next week – please read and indicate your choices.

Management have asked us to remind you about personal telephone calls. Please make these only when really necessary. You may need to deal with important personal matters, but please don't make social calls to friends.

Staff Information

In the last edition of the newsletter we (0) **wrongly** stated that Sue Parkinson was leading the training day on 'The Importance of Marketing'. The day will in fact be led by Dilip Patel. We (1) _____ to Sue for this mistake.

Dilip will also be (2) _____ a presentation on marketing next Friday afternoon, for any staff who were (3) _____ attend the training day. If you are (4) _____ attending, please write your name on the list on the staff noticeboard. (5) _____, e-mail Dilip's secretary, Vera Catford.

Another date for your diaries is December 3, the Christmas Dinner, which this year is being (6) _____ at the Regal Hotel. Menus will be (7) _____ in your departments next week – please indicate which starter, main course and dessert you prefer and return to the Social Representative on your floor.

We have been (8) _____ by management to remind you that personal telephone calls should be kept to (9) _____ in office time. Obviously urgent personal matters may (10) _____ your attention during the working day, but social calls to friends and family are not acceptable.

Name: _____

Date: _____

Advanced Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 4b (Units 16–19)

1 Decide whether each sentence is grammatically possible or not. Write ✓ or X (correct or incorrect).

- 0 If it hadn't been for David, I would being lost in the forest. **X**
- 1 Please can you explain me how to change the paper in this copier? ____
- 2 Harry denied that he didn't take the money. ____
- 3 Bob urged going to the bank right away and sorting the matter out. ____
- 4 Please do not play the ball games on this grass. ____

- 5 If you want a guitar that makes a deeper sound, you might try this one. ____
- 6 The whole plan may prove to be unworkable. ____
- 7 Let me introduce Clive, that will be working with you. ____
- 8 The letter arrived this morning contains my exam results. ____
- 9 Seeing that the door was already open, I tiptoed inside. ____
- 10 I've got several letters that need to be typed up, if you wouldn't mind. ____

2 Complete each sentence with an appropriate word.

- 0 I have never seen such a mess in all my born days!
- 1 That medicine works wonders – I feel _____ a new person!
- 2 You don't _____ to have nice toys if you behave like that!
- 3 I don't _____ locking the front door: I'd better go back and check.
- 4 She carried _____ talking, oblivious to anyone else.
- 5 I waited till eleven, by _____ time I'd had enough.
- 6 This was the moment that she had been waiting _____ .
- 7 Dr Bromley was _____ doctor who treated me.
- 8 Marion objected to the _____ that all the facilities seemed to be for men.
- 9 Dawn said she _____ remember what had happened.
- 10 That's the girl I was _____ you about.

3 Rewrite each sentence so that it contains the word in bold, and so that the meaning stays the same.

- 0 The racers were told to stay on the pavement and not run on the road.
against
The racers were told that running on the road was against the rules.
- 1 Remember the leader's advice or you may get into danger.
risk
Forget the leader's advice _____ into danger.
- 2 Telling John to do anything is pointless, because he just does what he wants.
use
John likes to do his own _____ what to do.
- 3 Micky said he was ill as he didn't want to go to school.
be
Micky pretended _____ wouldn't have to go to school.
- 4 Regrettably, Kate couldn't cycle to work any more when she moved to London.
missed
Kate _____ cycle to work when she moved to London.
- 5 I have seen all of his films except *Look Back*.
only
Look Back is _____ I haven't seen.
- 6 This puzzle is difficult for three main reasons.
difficulty
There are three main reasons _____ this puzzle.
- 7 'Harry, would you like to go fishing with me on Saturday?' asked Joe.
if
Joe asked Harry _____ on Saturday.
- 8 'OK, OK, look, I've made a mistake, and I'm sorry,' said Olga.
accepted
Olga _____ made a mistake, and apologised.
- 9 'Let me ask again the question I asked earlier in the meeting,' said Alex.
repeated
Alex _____ asked earlier in the meeting.
- 10 'Don't ever go near the canal by yourself,' Carrie's mother told her.
warned
Carrie's mother _____ near the canal by herself.

4 Complete the article by writing *one* word in each gap.

And now on *The Crime Programme* an update on another unsolved crime, the armed robbery of the jewellery warehouse in London (0) ***which*** we reported on six months ago. Police are anxious to establish the identity of a man, believed to (1) _____ one of the gang members, (2) _____ purchased a green lorry in March of last year, six months before the robbery, from a garage in Brentwood. The garage's suspicions were aroused (3) _____ the man paid in cash for the lorry, and then registered it under a false company name. Significantly, the notes were handed (4) _____ in mixed denominations. As police explained to us, one would normally (5) _____ a large wad of banknotes to (6) _____ been obtained from a bank, in (7) _____ case the notes would all be neatly arranged in piles of the same denomination.

(8) _____ short, the man may have paid for the lorry with money from a previous robbery. (9) _____ looked again at video evidence of the robbery, police now know that the lorry was (10) _____ to block the entrance of the warehouse, stopping any other vehicles (11) _____ entering, so that the robbery could be carried (12) _____ more easily.

Police also believe that a man seen photographing the jewellery warehouse at about the same time was also in the gang. A woman who (13) _____ to be out walking her dog noticed the man, and took the registration number of the car. It (14) _____ out that the car was stolen from the Coventry area two years ago. (15) _____ with further information regarding the lorry, registration number K358 CEQ, or the car, P406 TRA should contact us on 0207 400600.

5 Complete the e-mail from the services manager of a large company, using information in the informal message from Geoff. Use no more than two words for each gap. The words you need do not occur in the message.

Please would you look over this, and e-mail it to all staff when you're happy with the wording of it.
Thanks, Geoff.

The staff car park is soon going to be renovated and resurfaced. Work will begin on August 16 and probably go on for two weeks. In the first week zones A to L are being done, so people who use these zones should find other ways of getting to work. You can get information on public transport from reception. There are also a few parking spaces in Teversham Road, but get there early if you don't want to be disappointed. During the two-week period, visitors will not be able to use the car park. Sorry for any trouble due to these repairs, but the car park really could do with some attention.

E-mail

To: all staff
From: Services Manager

Please note that the staff car park at Loxton Road will (0) shortly be renovated and resurfaced. The work will (1) _____ on August 16, and is likely (2) _____ for a period of two weeks.

In the first week, zones A to L (blue ticketholders) will be repaired, so users of these zones must make (3) _____ arrangements for coming to work. Details of public transport to the Loxton Road site are (4) _____ in reception. There are also a small (5) _____ of parking spaces in Teversham Road, but these tend to fill up very quickly, so arrive early to (6) _____ disappointment. In the second week zones M to Z will be repaired (red ticketholders).

During this two-week period, because of the very limited space, the car park will be (7) _____ to all visitors.

We (8) _____ for any inconvenience that may (9) _____ by these repairs, but we are sure you will agree that the car park is in urgent (10) _____ of maintenance work.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Advanced Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 5a (Units 21–25)

1 Think of a word which collocates with the preposition to complete each sentence.

- 0 Dr Porter is a heart and lungs consultant who specialises in heart transplants.
- 1 That supermarket once _____ me £5 too much for my shopping.
- 2 George really _____ me of my old Uncle Charlie – they are so similar.
- 3 His anxieties all _____ from his childhood upbringing.
- 4 I'm not very _____ on football, to be honest.
- 5 Sorry, I think I must have picked up the wrong briefcase by _____.
- 6 That guy is arrogant beyond _____.
- 7 Spring is late this year; the flowers still haven't _____ out yet.
- 8 I'm sorry to _____ you down, but I can't meet next week's deadline.
- 9 This old table _____ up too much space; let's get rid of it.

- 10 The anaesthetic should _____ off after a couple of hours.
- 2 Complete each sentence with a suitable phrase of three words containing the word in capital letters.**
- 0 His argument doesn't really **stand up to** close examination. STAND
- 1 By midday the whole city _____ Juventus supporters. PACKED
- 2 Farmer Bond and Farmer Carter are _____ who owns the land down by the river. DISPUTE
- 3 My mum was always very good _____ problems. DEALING
- 4 Don't get me wrong; I'm all _____ this plan for a new road. FAVOUR
- 5 I don't want to pressurise you. You're _____ sign this contract. OBLIGATION
- 6 _____ your 25 years of service, we would like to present you with a gold watch. RECOGNITION
- 7 Lulu's only thirteen: we can't leave her _____ the baby for too long. CHARGE
- 8 Carol is staying with me as she's _____ her husband. FALLEN
- 9 I don't think I can _____ this dental appointment – I'm just too nervous about it. GO
- 10 _____ yourself – don't let this boy bully you. STICK

3 Rewrite each sentence so that it contains the word in bold, and so that the meaning stays the same.

- 0 In my country all adults are obliged to vote.
obligatory
In my country **voting is obligatory for** all adults.
- 1 I won't stand for rudeness in this school.
students
I won't allow _____ in this school.
- 2 I can't eat my food with all this talk about being sick.
putting
All this talk about being sick _____ my food.
- 3 I should draw your attention to the fact that Lynn is no longer responsible for overseas sales.
point

- Can I just _____ Lynn is no longer responsible for overseas sales.
- 4 Don't worry, I will do the ironing, but not just yet.
done
Don't worry, I will _____, but not just yet.
- 5 I went to see a financial adviser as I was thinking I might change my insurance policies.
view
I went to see a financial adviser _____ possibly changing my insurance policies.
- 6 My tennis is distinctly rusty; I simply don't have the time to practise any more.
practice
My tennis is distinctly rusty; I'm really _____, you know.
- 7 Prisoners here are regularly visited by their families to boost their morale.
basis
Prisoners here get family visits _____ to boost their morale.
- 8 Roger is eligible for early retirement.
entitled
Roger _____ take early retirement.
- 9 'Great to hear about your new job, Sue – congratulations!' said Mike.
congratulated
Mike _____ getting her new job.
- 10 I really like the idea of going to Sri Lanka – let's do it!
appeals
The idea of going to Sri Lanka _____ – let's do it!

4 Put each phrasal verb from the box in the appropriate place in the text.

grow on	stand up to	make do with	drew up	gone off	try out
make for	broke off	put up with	done up	come up against	

As Mrs Davis was talking on the phone, a white van (0) drew up outside her house. She (1) _____ her phone call. 'Can't talk now, Maggie, the decorators are here... yes, we're having our kitchen (2) _____. ' With that, she put the phone down and showed the workmen in. 'We've (3) _____ a little problem with the paint, Mrs Davis,' said the taller of the two men. The Highland Blue you chose in the catalogue has been discontinued, so we've had to (4) _____ the nearest colour, Royal Blue.'

Mrs Davis looked troubled. 'Don't worry, Mrs D,' said the other workman. 'We can (5) _____ a little bit of the Royal Blue on your walls, and then if you don't like it we can always go over it with something else later.' He opened the tin, and Mrs Davis frowned. 'It's a bit lighter than you wanted, but it'll (6) _____ you, I promise,' said the smaller workman. 'Hmmm, I don't know,' said Mrs Davis, 'I've rather (7) _____ the idea of blue now. Perhaps we can leave the painting 'till my husband gets home. He may be able to (8) _____ this colour, but it's not what we imagined.'

'Anyway, you'll love the bench top we've got,' said the little one. This marble base will (9) _____ a much stronger work surface than the conventional materials, and it's much more durable. It'll (10) _____ a lot of banging and cutting.' We'll do that today, and leave the painting till later.'

5 Put *one* suitable preposition in each gap of the text.

Performance Review – Summary

David feels that he has grown (0) in confidence during his first year with the company, although he admits to occasionally feeling (1) _____ pressure to work faster. He sometimes finds it difficult to deal with external clients who phone him. David recognises the need to acquire more experience (2) _____ computer database systems and has agreed to attend training sessions.

David is aware (3) _____ the roles of others in his department and how their work relates (4) _____ his own. He describes himself as being (5) _____ good terms with his colleagues.

David would like to become more involved (6) _____ the running of the staff social programme. It was suggested that he contact Carla Lopez. David understands that he will be eligible (7) _____ a pay rise next March, depending (8) _____ his performance during the coming year. Any pay rise would only come (9) _____ effect from March, as the terms of his contract specify his current salary for a period of eighteen months.

It was agreed that David has applied himself well (10) _____ his job, and that his manager is happy with his progress to date.

Name: _____

Date: _____

Advanced Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 5b (Units 21–25)

1 Think of a word which collocates with the preposition to complete each sentence.

- 0 Dr Porter is a heart and lungs consultant who ***specialises*** in heart transplants.
- 1 Customers must _____ for all breakages in the shop.
- 2 I might _____ up the matter of punctuality at the next Board meeting.
- 3 She is completely and utterly _____ to her children.
- 4 Scientists have yet to find a _____ for cancer.
- 5 Please send in your application without _____, as the closing date is next Monday.
- 6 The mission to recover the agents was _____ out without loss of life.
- 7 There wasn't enough cake to _____ round, so some people missed out.
- 8 I always say a happy teacher _____ for a happy class.
- 9 Don't _____ on too much work, or you'll never get a holiday.
- 10 BBC _____ for British Broadcasting Corporation.

2 Complete each sentence with a suitable phrase of three words containing the word in capital letters.

- 0 His argument doesn't really ***stand up to*** close examination. STAND
- 1 My doctor couldn't find the cause of my headaches, so he _____ a specialist. REFERRED
- 2 My aunt is quite _____ Scottish butterflies. AUTHORITY
- 3 _____ the project will never get off the ground. LIKELIHOOD
- 4 No witnesses came forward _____ reprisals from the gang. FEAR
- 5 You seem _____ this morning – have you won the lottery? SPIRITS
- 6 _____ the previous Prime Minister, I think this guy's a great improvement. COMPARISON
- 7 _____ I will let you off with a warning. CIRCUMSTANCES
- 8 My uncle's _____ 80, but he still cycles to the shops. GETTING
- 9 I'm hoping to _____ a triathlon later this year. GO
- 10 What about Tina? Do you think we should _____ on the secret? LET

3 Rewrite each sentence so that it contains the word in bold, and so that the meaning stays the same.

- 0 In my country all adults are obliged to vote.
obligatory
In my country voting is obligatory for all adults.
- 1 You must always keep a promise.
back
You must never _____ a promise.
- 2 Several Liverpool players have not done as well as expected this season.
live
Several Liverpool players have failed to _____ this season.
- 3 We need somebody to think of a good idea quickly.
come
We need somebody to _____ a good idea quickly.
- 4 The sooner this job is finished, the better.
get
Let's _____ as soon as we can.
- 5 Everyone wanted to go to the museum except Brian.
of
With _____, everyone wanted to go to the museum.
- 6 Right, time's up, I'm afraid – please stop writing.
out
I'm afraid you _____, so please stop writing.
- 7 I thought that the ZX80 was only for sales overseas.
impression
I was _____ that the ZX80 was only for sales overseas.
- 8 I'm happy to announce that the patient's health is no longer in a dangerous state.
out
I'm happy to announce that the patient is now _____.
- 9 As a result of the Great Fire of 1666, the city was rebuilt in a much better way.
in
The Great Fire of 1666 _____ rebuilt in a much better way.
- 10 Sarah has persuaded me to do a bungee jump.
into
Sarah has _____ doing a bungee jump.

4 Put each phrasal verb from the box in the appropriate place in the text.

took to	slipped up	ended up	live up to	stood by	sort out
turned out	miss out	ran into	pick up	come in for	

Journalist Mark Thomas reflects on a good season for Newcastle United.

Well, it's all over now, a good but frustrating season for Newcastle United, which saw them just (0) **miss out** on a European place. Fourth place in the League would have given them a place in next season's European Champions League, but sadly the Magpies (1) _____ fifth. Back in August, when the season began, the manager had (2) _____ a lot of criticism from fans over his failure to strengthen the squad with new signings, but the directors (3) _____ their man, pledging their full support. Their decision seemed fully vindicated when, after ten matches, Newcastle led the League by six points. They really (4) _____ life at the top, staying in first place until Christmas, when they (5) _____ trouble defensively, conceding too many goals. It took a while to (6) _____ this problem in defence, by which time new leaders, Arsenal, were clear of the rest by some seven points. Then, just as they were gaining ground on Arsenal, the Magpies (7) _____ again, hitting a poor run of form, which saw them (8) _____ only five points out of a possible 30. In short, their form in the spring didn't (9) _____ their early season promise. High point of the season? For me, that was undoubtedly when a full house of 56,000 fans (10) _____ for the Manchester United game in May – a truly fabulous atmosphere.

5 Put *one* suitable preposition in each gap of the text.

I worked in a bookshop for a year. (0) **At** first sight it might seem a rather tedious job, but actually there is a lot more to it than just taking people's money. (1) _____ a start I had to be well informed (2) _____ all the new books that were coming (3) _____, which entailed a lot of background reading of trade magazines. Then I had to learn all about stock control, ordering (4) _____ suppliers and so on – things which have stood me in good stead on my Business Administration course at university.

From a personal point of view I had to be unfailingly polite and cheerful to everybody at all times, irrespective (5) _____ how I actually felt, which was good training for business life! Much as I enjoyed dealing (6) _____ the public, however, it was really the behind-the-scenes work that appealed (7) _____ me most. After six months the assistant manager left, and I was put (8) _____ charge of the basement, where we kept the science and medical books. I loved being responsible (9) _____ the layout of the shelves and the book displays, and the planning that went (10) _____ them gave me a real insight into business strategy.

Name: _____

Date: _____

Advanced Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 6a (Units 27–28)

1 Some of the following sentences contain a spelling mistake. Write the correct spelling or put a tick in the space provided.

- | | | |
|----|---|------------------|
| 0 | I've never seen such an awful film. | ✓ |
| 00 | Don't worry; I'll make all the neccessary arrangements. | <u>necessary</u> |
| 1 | I can't gaurantee your safety completely. | _____ |
| 2 | I can't play football with you: I'm doing my piano practise. | _____ |
| 3 | Have you found any accommodation yet for when you start university? | _____ |
| 4 | One of my buttons is coming loose. | _____ |
| 5 | I just need a little more comittment from you. | _____ |
| 6 | I think you should go and see a psichologist. | _____ |
| 7 | What a marvellous performance. | _____ |
| 8 | The measurements you gave me don't sound quite right. | _____ |
| 9 | I think that as a serious actress, she is very underated. | _____ |
| 10 | Where are my shoes? They've simply disapeared. | _____ |

2 Correct the punctuation in the three paragraphs by adding or removing suitable punctuation. You need to make five changes in each paragraph.

Of all my friends I'd have to say Michelle is the nicest, you couldnt hope to meet, a more caring person. I remember on one occasion when we were both about six, she saw that some older children were being unkind to me, and calmly led me away by the hand.

The practice of headhunting, is becoming more and more commonplace in the business' world. Companies, who have important vacancies to fill, are increasingly targeting and approaching excellent individuals, in other companies and offering them more money. Agencies are also springing up to do this work on companies' behalf.

‘Sharon I don’t know what you’re talking about, darling? You’ve got the wrong end of the stick.’ said Basil. ‘I was just giving Maureen a hug because she was really upset, I’m sure you’d have done the same. Just because I’m a bloke, it doesn’t mean I can’t touch a friend.’

3 Underline the correct word or phrase which best completes each gap in the text.

In the latest of our series ‘Ask the Enemy’ we asked classical music critic Daphne Bushell for her views on pop music.

I think (0) to a large extent/not only/by the way your views on something like this are determined by your upbringing, and the fact is, I came from a very musical family. I sang in a church choir and I played the clarinet in an orchestra. (1) *As well as/ All the same/What’s more* , my mum and dad were also both very musical.

(2) *For a start/Consequently/At any rate* , I can safely say I have a very good ear for music.

(3) *As a result/In turn/Incidentally* , for a long time, if you’d asked me this question, I’d have said pop music (4) *in contrast/as opposed to/on the contrary* classical music, is music for the masses, namely those who aren’t musical enough to appreciate the real thing. And you could call me a dreadful snob, and that would be true, because (5) *on top of that/ to tell the truth/accordingly* it was the sort of thing that you said in the circles I moved in at the time, and it was a remark born out of ignorance and inexperience of pop music. (6) *Subsequently/By the way/For that reason* , in my late twenties, I discovered pop, and listened to it quite a lot, and (7) *having said that/in the first place/by and large* developed quite a liking for some of it. (8) *Hence/ Besides/Whereas* now, with middle-age creeping up on me, I’m getting more conservative in my tastes again. So really my present answer to your question is that some pop music is wonderfully evocative and can affect you deeply because it has a decent, catchy tune.

(9) *Nevertheless/To be honest/What’s more*, the fact remains that for every decent pop song there are several hundred that are just awful, discordant garbage, whereas classical music is (10) *anyway/for a start/at least* consistently pleasant, because it is based on beautiful harmony.

- 4 In most lines of this text, there is either a spelling or punctuation error. For each line, write the correctly spelled word, or show the correct punctuation, in the space beside the text. Indicate correct lines with a tick. Three examples are given.

Allergies are on the increase, it seems, and the culprit is simply, the modern world.	0 <i>simply the</i>
The present rate is estimated to be one in four people – that is, people who will be	00 ✓
afflicted with allergy at some point in their lives. And city dwellers are getting the	000 <i>afflicted</i>
worst of it, since the deteriorating quality of air is known to aggravate conditions	1
such as asthma and hay fever. In the latter case, people are developping the	2
symptom's of hay fever even at times when the pollen count is low. Much has also	3
been written about the increase of asthma and eczema-inducing dust mites in	4
modern houses, with there perfect mix of carpets, central heating and double-glazed	5
windows. The health industry, has picked up on allergies in a big way, and	6
alternative medicine practitioners now regularly offer an allergy testing and	7
diagnosing service. Some times this is done by means of a finger-prick blood test,	8
but some wierd and wonderful methods have also proved popular, such as hair	9
strand analysis and placing certain foods near the sufferers brain. But mainstream	10
immunologists and allergy specialists are septical of these methods. They believe	11
in removeing certain foods from the patient's diet for a two-week period until the	12
food sauce that is causing the problem is located. Then, they say, the problem	13
food should be gradually reintroduced. If this does not happen the patient risks	14
creating new intolerances because of the absense of the problem food in the diet.	15

Name: _____

Date: _____

Advanced Language Practice

Grammar Progress Test 6b (Units 27–28)

- 1 Some of the following sentences contain a spelling mistake. Write the correct spelling or put a tick in the space provided.

0 I've never seen such an awful film.	✓
0 Don't worry; I'll make all the neccessary arrangements.	<u>necessary</u>
1 I could never get up and sing – far too embarassing.	_____
2 The new working hours don't really effect me.	_____
3 The recommended dosage is three pills in 24 hours.	_____
4 The sad reality is, not enough people care.	_____
5 The continous hammering was driving me mad.	_____
6 Bring your Pokemon cards and we'll do a swop.	_____
7 She dived to a depth of 20 metres.	_____

- 8 The equipment used has been standardised. _____
- 9 That is extremely irresponsible behaviour. _____
- 10 I thought it was a terribly disappointing film. _____

2 Correct the punctuation in the three paragraphs by adding or removing suitable punctuation. You need to make five changes in each paragraph.

The big new thing in personal fitness, is the medicine ball. Yes, you heard me correctly, those huge, heavy leather balls, you used in the school gym, if you're over 30 that is. The medicine ball is lifted held and thrown in various position's, thereby enabling the use of muscles that traditional training programmes do not exercise. This means the body is sculpted in new ways.

There is nothing more annoying in the whole world than not being able to find two socks, which match. this problem becomes all the more pertinent when, at 8.30 in the morning you have ten second's left in which to decide, 'Shall I go to work with no socks or one grey and one black.'

Collins cursed loudly flicked the indicator switch and pulled in to the side of the road. Sure enough the tyre had blown, and the Spare would take a good fifteen minutes' to put on, even for him. If he was late, Cindy would never speak to him again. He wondered 'why fate always seemed to conspire against him' when it really mattered.

3 Underline the correct word or phrase which best completes each gap in the text.

In this extract from his book 'Travels around Europe', Marcus Sandwell describes his experiences in Bulgaria.

The day we arrived in Sofia on the overnight train turned out to be a public holiday, so no shops were open. (0) *All the same/First of all/To make matters worse*, it was about ten degrees below zero, and the combination of empty stomachs and freezing mist sent our spirits plummeting. (1) *While/By the way/Thus* we were heartily relieved when, four hours later, we finally found a restaurant open in a park. We ate like there was no tomorrow, (2) *even though/on the contrary/to be honest* it was rather expensive. (3) *What's more/Broadly speaking/In contrast*, we found the Bulgarians very friendly, intensely so. It seemed they wanted to know everything about us, with no detail omitted, (4) *although/however/whereas* small. We communicated with them in German (5) *not only/even so/as well as* English, and most of the young people seemed equally happy in either language. (6) *However/Indeed/For one thing*, they would often flick over from one language to the other in mid-sentence.

In the afternoon, fate and the walking crowds took us to the zoo, where, probably (7) *to a large extent/in addition to/as a result of* eating enough for three people, Henry was violently sick. Our embarrassment was such that we left him, rather appropriately, in front of the pigs' enclosure. He caught up with us in the snake house, furious that we had left him. (8) *Consequently/Whereas/Hence*, he refused to speak to us until tea time, when his spirits perked up again.

Henry's stomach continued to play up that evening; (9) *even so/what's more/to tell the truth*, we decided to stay out, as there was a music festival on. (10) *Having said that/On the contrary/Besides*, we couldn't let Henry's notoriously disfunctional digestive system spoil the party.

- 5 In most lines of this text, there is either a spelling or punctuation error. For each line, write the correctly spelled word, or show the correct punctuation, in the space beside the text. Indicate correct lines with a tick. Three examples are given.

A 'placebo' is a substance that has no phisical effect, given to someone who	0 <i>physical</i>
is ill, and the 'placebo effect happens when the patient reports feeling better	00 <i>effect'</i>
as a result. Ten years ago a famous placebo surgery experiment took place in	000 ✓
America, involving ten voluntears with arthritic knees. Two of them had the	1
usual surgery, where the knee cap is rinsed out and scraped. The others, were	2
put under anaesthetic, but the rinse and scrape proceedure was not carried out.	3
None of the patients new which treatment they had had, but when asked six	4
months' later, all ten of them reported feeling much better. The placebo effect	5
is medicaly recognised, but no one knows how it works. Is it proof of the	6
Healing powers of the mind? Of course, historically many unscrupulous	7
'quacks', or false doctors, commonly gave patients something 'more to	8
please than benifit them' such as lizard's blood or crocodile dung. But,	9
almost unbeleivably, placebos have been used in modern medical trials to	10
treat and cure numerous psychiatric and medical condition's. And the bigger	11
the placebo – big institute, injections, surgery – the bigger the placebo effect.	12
The question is, if people can convince themselves to get better, is the best,	13
cheapest and least dangerous way, of treating people simply to return to the days	14
of snake oils and blood-letting leeches, and tell them a hole bunch of lies?	15

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Advanced Language Practice

Vocabulary Test 1 (Units 1–5)

- 1 What is being defined? Write the word or words after the sentence.

- 0 Storage place in a car where you put suitcases and bags. ***boot***
- 1 Small children wear them so that they don't sink when they are learning to swim. _____
- 2 Person or team that comes second in a sporting competition.

- 3 They come out of the back of a car and cause air pollution.

- 4 Typically a person who lives far from their place of work and gets the train to work. _____

5 An informal word meaning ‘resigns’, often used in newspaper headlines.

6 If you are driving you must not exceed this. _____

7 The line at which the earth and sky appear to meet. _____

8 Legal name for a person who pays rent to a landlord or landlady.

9 A rough, first version of, say, a report. _____

10 A person who watches television. _____

2 Underline the word which forms a common collocation.

0 This book is essential reading for anyone who has high stress levels/layers/rates at work.

1 Representatives from the various governing *authorities/associations/bodies* of boxing met in Mexico City today.

2 The organisers of the Fun Run hope to *earn/raise/increase* money for several charities.

3 Climbing in the Himalayas was a far *shout/scream/cry* from hill walking at home in Ireland.

4 If your hotel wasn’t as described in the brochure, you should be able to get financial *compensation/reward/return* from the tour company.

5 The river burst its banks, causing *wide/extensive/thorough* damage to surrounding buildings.

6 My father *values/boasts/prides* himself on looking smart and neat.

7 Much as I liked the flat, I noticed there was very little storage *place/space/scope*.

8 My bike is not what you would call fast or sporty, but it serves its *purpose/aim/reason*.

9 *Customer/Market/Target* research indicates that the company’s products have a reputation for quality.

10 I don’t think there will be a change of government in the *predictable/imaginable/foreseeable* future.

3 Complete each sentence with a word formed from the word in capitals.

0 Our city has some open spaces but they are not very accessible . ACCESS

1 The _____ effects of moderate amounts of red wine are well-known to health professionals. BENEFIT

2 Richard is now a black belt in judo and has won several _____. COMPETE

- 3 All the fighting and looting has brought life to a virtual _____ in the capital city. STAND
- 4 The lack of women in senior government posts is a rather _____ issue at the moment. SENSE
- 5 The so-called 'argument' which the press reported between Kournikova and her coach was in fact simply a minor _____. AGREE
- 6 There can be no _____ whatever for violence like this! JUSTIFY
- 7 We're fortunate to live in such a quiet, safe _____. NEIGHBOUR
- 8 There has been widespread public _____ with the Prime Minister's controversial new education policy. SATISFY
- 9 I'm sorry, but I find your remarks totally _____. ACCEPT
- 10 After my last _____ attempt at making a cake, this time I think I'll just go and buy one. DISASTER

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Advanced Language Practice

Vocabulary Test 2 (Units 6–10)

1 What is being defined? Write the word or words after the sentence.

- 0 Storage place in a car where you put suitcases and bags. **boot**
- 1 A species of wildlife that no longer exists is called this. _____
- 2 The noise made by a mouse or a door that needs oiling. _____
- 3 A market trader's 'shop' is known as this. _____
- 4 This noun means that an employee is given a higher position in a company. _____
- 5 An informal word meaning that a customer bargains with a seller to try to get the price down. _____
- 6 The person who you are engaged to. _____
- 7 If you are a married man, this is your wife's mum. _____
- 8 The legal name for the crime of violently or sexually attacking someone. _____
- 9 This verb means that a criminal or illegal immigrant is forced to leave a country. _____
- 10 A wild plant that spoils a garden. _____

2 Underline the word which forms a common collocation.

- 0 This book is essential reading for anyone who has high stress levels/layers/rates at work
- 1 A troop/herd/school of elephants was resting near the water hole.
- 2 Water insufficiencies/shortages/droughts in the south-east of England led to a ban on garden hosepipes last summer.
- 3 Brian's boss gave him three more days to try to clinch/obtain/fasten the deal.
- 4 When I applied for my job, I simply sent my CV with a covering letter/attachment/enclosure.
- 5 You can either pay everything upfront for this car, or you can pay us in monthly subscriptions/installments/contributions.
- 6 The train company did not refund the cost of my ticket, but sent me a £5 voucher as a goodwill statement/gesture/measure.
- 7 I resisted/revolted/rebelled against my parents and the way they brought me up.
- 8 Our relationship is going through a rather bad stretch/span/patch at the moment.
- 9 As a policeman it is your duty to upkeep/enforce/execute the law.
- 10 A secure unit is a kind of prison for young offenders/wrongdoers/sinners.

3 Complete each sentence with a word formed from the word in capitals.

- 0 Our city has some open spaces but they are not very accessible . ACCESS
- 1 The charity relies to a large extent on _____ donations.
VOLUNTEER
- 2 At 6 o'clock the sky turned black and there was a torrential _____.
POUR
- 3 You really need to _____ what you mean by 'certain people'.
CLEAR
- 4 I left school without any _____ at all. QUALIFY
- 5 The salary for this post is not _____. NEGOTIATE
- 6 I had a very traditional _____, with rather strict parents.
BRING
- 7 John is very _____ towards Mary; he seems a really nice guy.
ATTEND
- 8 Sarah accused Jack of a lack of _____ to their relationship.
COMMIT
- 9 It is _____ to sell cigarettes to anyone under sixteen.
LEGALITY
- 10 Harper was convicted of four separate _____. OFFEND

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Advanced Language Practice

Vocabulary Test 3 (Units 11–15)

1 What is being defined? Write the word or words after the sentence.

- 0 Storage place in a car where you put suitcases and bags. boot
- 1 A showing of a film to the press and celebrities before its general release.

- 2 The words of a song. _____
- 3 A political party's statement of policies, written before an election.

- 4 The police telling everyone to leave a building because of a bomb scare would be an example of this verb. _____
- 5 Normally made of canvas, this is used to carry a sick or injured person.

- 6 You go to the dentist to have this if you have a small hole in a tooth.

- 7 Government money which pays for part of the cost of something.

- 8 This may happen to a village or other small community, when all roads to it are blocked by snow or flooding. (phrasal verb) _____
- 9 An adjective to describe a punishment which is light – not severe.

- 10 Grieve or feel great sadness because of someone's death. _____

2 Underline the word which forms a common collocation.

- 0 This book is essential reading for anyone who has high stress levels/layers/rates at work.
- 1 When the actor Christopher Reeve came on to collect his award, the entire audience gave him a *rising/cheering/standing* ovation.
- 2 You can't apply for certain jobs if you have a criminal *file/record/history*.
- 3 By early evening most people had *administered/cast/selected* their vote.
- 4 The United Nations is considering military *intrusion/interference/intervention*.
- 5 Contrary to popular *belief/thought/impression*, the fire service is a very badly paid profession.
- 6 Mrs Murray is *anticipating/expecting/waiting* her third baby next week.
- 7 As the flu *epidemic/plague/outbreak* enters its second month, doctors are urging pensioners to come forward for their vaccinations.
- 8 Our goal is to reduce energy *employment/application/consumption* in this country by 20% over the next five years.
- 9 It was clear from David's facial *look/expression/manner* that he disapproved.
- 10 Hunter *admitted/pleaded/stated* guilty to all three of the charges put before him by the judge.

3 Complete each sentence with a word formed from the word in capitals.

- 0 Our city has some open spaces but they are not very accessible . ACCESS
- 1 When Sue was too ill to perform in the play, her _____ replaced her. STUDY
- 2 The project may be abandoned because of a _____ of funds. SHORT
- 3 In my country it is _____ to wear a seat belt if your car is fitted with one. COMPEL
- 4 Mr Collins paid so much attention to three members of the class that other pupils accused him of _____. FAVOURITE

- 5 Unfortunately, there is absolutely no _____ evidence for this claim. SCIENCE
- 6 Alice gave _____ to a healthy baby girl at 9.32. BORN
- 7 There has been widespread unrest in the capital, following the _____ of the currency yesterday. VALUE
- 8 If _____ fails, rest assured we are prepared to use force. DIPLOMAT
- 9 Don't worry, Mrs Burgess. This spider's bite is quite _____, but you were right to get it checked out. HARM
- 10 My old Maths teacher had lots of funny _____, which of course we used to try and imitate. MANNER

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Advanced Language Practice

Vocabulary Test 4 (Units 16–20)

1 What is being defined? Write the word or words after the sentence.

- 0 Storage place in a car where you put suitcases and bags. **boot**
- 1 The sharp edge of a knife. _____
- 2 You might get this from touching faulty electrical equipment.

- 3 A pencil needs sharpening when it is this. _____
- 4 This noun means that a pupil is forced to leave a school permanently for serious misconduct. _____
- 5 Verb meaning to study for an exam by looking over one's coursework.

- 6 Adjective describing handwriting that is so bad it is impossible to read it.

- 7 An adjective which describes a ticket that hasn't been stamped or authorised.

- 8 Noun meaning an agreement between two armies to stop fighting for a specified period. _____
- 9 This synonym of 'genius' could refer to a four year-old who can play a Beethoven symphony. _____
- 10 A piece of electrical equipment usually found on a wall, into which you put a plug. _____

2 Underline the word which forms a common collocation.

- 0 This book is essential reading for anyone who has high stress **levels**/layers/rates at work.
- 1 Rest assured that we have taken every possible safety **protection/preparation/precaution**.
- 2 They sell all sorts of household **machines/mechanisms/appliances**: washing machines, dishwashers and so on.
- 3 After just ten minutes in the rain, I was **damp/wet/soaked** to the skin.

- 4 At my school you can do a work *engagement/placement/arrangement* in a local company in your final year.
- 5 My two year-old son has a very short attention *period/duration/span*.
- 6 I am very glad we no longer have *capital/corporal/bodily* punishment in my country's schools.
- 7 'Sorry Mrs Atkins. I wasn't *giving/paying/keeping* attention,' said Billy.
- 8 Every morning I see kids from the local school *taking/enjoying/playing* truant down by the river.
- 9 The Chairman described the pilot scheme as 'a *part/partial/parting* success'.
- 10 Sorry madam, but I'm afraid your ticket is *void/inoperative/invalid*.

3 Complete each sentence with a word formed from the word in capitals.

- 0 Our city has some open spaces but they are not very accessible . ACCESS
- 1 At the moment, I fear, we are _____ to stop this epidemic from spreading. POWER
- 2 Jude Parsons will be giving a _____ on management techniques today at 4.30 in Room B. PRESENT
- 3 Much of the _____ in the factory needs replacing over the next year or two. MACHINE
- 4 Our local bus service has come in for a lot of _____ recently. CRITIC
- 5 The island boasts an amazing _____ of animal species. DIVERSE
- 6 She has such fantastic technique; she makes swimming look absolutely _____ . EFFORT
- 7 All _____ should be careful to check the spelling and grammar on their forms. APPLY
- 8 Yes, I know boxing is dangerous, but I still think it's _____ to something like motor racing. PREFER
- 9 I think he knows _____ more than he's letting on. CONSIDER
- 10 The very idea of coastal cities being in danger from sea levels would have been _____ just twenty years ago. THINK

Advanced Language Practice

KEY Grammar Progress Test 1a (Units 1–4)

1

1 is completed
2 was due to arrive
3 have been
4 'll come
5 wanted
6 started
7 couldn't
8 walked
9 for a while now
10 have been taking

2

1 since
2 time
3 ages
4 being
5 was
6 mean
7 so
8 finding
9 depends
10 belong

3

1 does this (1) shoe belong (1)
2 last day (1) I was well (1)
3 once he'd (1) had (1)
4 ages since (1) we last (1)
5 in this/that house (1) all my (1)
6 he would spend (1) the whole morning (1)
7 mean (that) I (can) (1) spend (1)
8 the first time (1) I've ever (1)
9 met Luca (1) I had never been (1)
10 get used to (1) the new system once/when (1)

4

- 1 it
- 2 being
- 3 ✓
- 4 would
- 5 making
- 6 ✓
- 7 up
- 8 for
- 9 do
- 10 ✓
- 11 ✓
- 12 be
- 13 to
- 14 been
- 15 or

5

- 1 did
- 2 between
- 3 anything
- 4 or
- 5 them (/these)
- 6 far
- 7 have
- 8 spite
- 9 more
- 10 opened
- 11 most
- 12 are
- 13 which
- 14 own
- 15 they

(Total = 70 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 1b (Units 1–4)

1

- 1 have made
- 2 goes
- 3 noticed
- 4 rushed
- 5 had been
- 6 had been tampering
- 7 were you doing
- 8 arrived
- 9 for the time being
- 10 on arrival

2

- 1 until/'till
- 2 late
- 3 date
- 4 instant/moment/minute
- 5 ago
- 6 yet
- 7 before
- 8 having/experiencing
- 9 belong (/go)
- 10 means

3

- 1 have (my) doubts (1) about my decision (1)
- 2 my first (1) ever visit (1)
- 3 enough yet (1) for us to (1)
- 4 take as much (1) exercise as (1)
- 5 the time (1) dinner finally arrived (1)
- 6 is on the point (1) of making (1)
- 7 the last time (1) I went (1) / when I (1) last went (1)
- 8 use to (1) be so (1)
- 9 means you are/will be (1) able to (1)
- 10 only read (1) seven pages (1)

4

- 1 after
- 2 For
- 3 being
- 4 if
- 5 had
- 6 did
- 7 is
- 8 be
- 9 ✓
- 10 since
- 11 to
- 12 ✓
- 13 Reading
- 14 ✓
- 15 will

5

- 1 more
- 2 it
- 3 be
- 4 need
- 5 like
- 6 watch
- 7 you
- 8 as
- 9 look
- 10 either
- 11 of
- 12 better
- 13 such
- 14 save
- 15 sure/certain

(Total = 70 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 2a (Units 6–9)

1

- 1 ✓
- 2 ✓
- 3 ✓
- 4 X We have had our house/Our house has been broken into twice this year.
- 5 X The King is believed to have arrived in Rome three hours ago.
- 6 X We're having a replacement wheel fitted tomorrow.
- 7 ✓
- 8 ✓
- 9 X I'd prefer you not to go/that you didn't go this year – you are a bit too young.
- 10 X You look like you have just had a shock!

2

- 1 by
- 2 of
- 3 had
- 4 alone/otherwise
- 5 should
- 6 be
- 7 will/do
- 8 or
- 9 hope
- 10 keep

3

- 1 is more usually (1) served (1)
- 2 should never (1) have been nominated (1)
- 3 have not yet made (1) up their (1)
- 4 is believed to (1) be staying (1)
- 5 was wrongly (1) attributed to (1)

4

- 1 the President's bodyguards (1) hadn't intervened (1)
- 2 even if (1) it is (1)
- 3 deeply regret (1) not (1)
- 4 that Ken (1) be reinstated (1)
- 5 come (1) what may (1) / whatever (1) may come (1)

5

- 1 coming
- 2 taken
- 3 caused
- 4 unless
- 5 but
- 6 required
- 7 should
- 8 appropriate/necessary
- 9 not
- 10 is

6

- 1 line
- 2 rise/be increased
- 3 allow/enable
- 4 continue
- 5 purchase
- 6 announce/introduce/launch
- 7 be abolished/abandoned/discontinued/waived/withdrawn
- 8 residents
- 9 reasons
- 10 opportunity

(Total = 60 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 2b (Units 6–9)

1

- 1 ✓
- 2 ✓
- 3 ✓
- 4 X We had some friends round for lunch yesterday.
- 5 ✓
- 6 X If I had known you were coming, I would have prepared more food.
- 7 X If you see Dawn, tell her I've got her mobile phone.
- 8 X Supposing you could have a year off work, what would you do?/What would you do if you could have a year off work?
- 9 ✓
- 10 ✓

2

- 1 from/about/concerning
- 2 with
- 3 if
- 4 But/Save
- 5 unless
- 6 and
- 7 rather
- 8 could
- 9 hope/trust
- 10 wouldn't

3

- 1 receive (1) written confirmation (1)
- 2 been advised (1) to keep/remain/stay (1)
- 3 is thought to have (1) received help/assistance (1)
- 4 (a)/(my)/(a form of) punishment, (1) I was made (1)
- 5 to be considering (1) a change (1)

4

- 1 you were suddenly (1) to become (1)
- 2 it hadn't (1) been for (1)
- 3 even if (1) he buys (1)
- 4 (you) the truth, (1) I'd rather go (1)
- 5 that as (1) it may (1)

5

- 1 too
- 2 ourselves
- 3 are
- 4 being
- 5 until
- 6 has/stocks
- 7 come
- 8 should
- 9 such
- 10 not

6

- 1 sent/taken
- 2 adequate/appropriate/suitable
- 3 which
- 4 discretion
- 5 obtained/ordered/purchased
- 6 payment/receipt
- 7 subject
- 8 to remind
- 9 not allowed/not acceptable/unacceptable/not tolerated
- 10 long as

(Total = 60 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 3a (Units 11–14)

1

- 1 couldn't
- 2 can't
- 3 may
- 4 should
- 5 can't
- 6 couldn't
- 7 Should
- 8 might
- 9 wouldn't
- 10 could

2

- 1 none at all/none whatever/none whatsoever/absolutely none
- 2 in the slightest
- 3 all we could
- 4 time after time/time and (time) again
- 5 what happened was
- 6 What I like
- 7 had we arrived
- 8 didn't need/have to
- 9 shouldn't/needn't have gone
- 10 as I might

3

- 1 in case it (1) turns/gets/(should turn/get) cold (1)
- 2 may (well) have (1) been (1)
- 3 is bound (1) to be (1)
- 4 might not (1) have called (1)
- 5 can't/couldn't possibly (1) have (1)
- 6 may/might have made (1) a mistake (1)
- 7 only after (1) negotiations (1)
- 8 account must (1) this button ever (1)
- 9 point/stage/time did the kidnappers (1) ever actually harm (1)
- 10 were you (1) two hours late, but (1)

4

- 1 how
- 2 when
- 3 what
- 4 such/their
- 5 would
- 6 when
- 7 were
- 8 couldn't
- 9 many
- 10 should
- 11 after
- 12 was
- 13 if/though
- 14 which
- 15 when

5

- 1 (that) you see
- 2 ✓
- 3 was utter rubbish
- 4 ✓
- 5 must be mad
- 6 ✓
- 7 I simply/just had
- 8 she had never seen
- 9 ✓
- 10 a complete/an utter waste

(Total = 65 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 3b (Units 11–14)

1

- 1 couldn't
- 2 would
- 3 can
- 4 couldn't
- 5 can't
- 6 would
- 7 could
- 8 may
- 9 couldn't
- 10 should

2

- 1 in the least
- 2 nothing at all
- 3 It wasn't until
- 4 what I/we etc. did
- 5 by no means
- 6 as/though it may/might seem
- 7 have/had I/they etc. seen
- 8 Little did he
- 9 don't have to
- 10 Under no circumstances

3

- 1 can't (1) be the (1)
- 2 I were you (1) I would (1)
- 3 as/though (1) I might, (1)
- 4 appears not (1) to have been (1)
- 5 must have been (1) left by (1)
- 6 have happened (1) is/was that (1)
- 7 going/moving/travelling (1) so fast (1)
- 8 is so clear (1) that listening (1)
- 9 circumstances (1) is this box to be (1)
- 10 was the last name (1) to be (1)

4

- 1 should
- 2 are
- 3 least
- 4 despite
- 5 going
- 6 sooner
- 7 unable
- 8 or
- 9 after
- 10 did
- 11 couldn't
- 12 pretend/say
- 13 do
- 14 had
- 15 thought

5

- 1 ✓
- 2 ✓
- 3 must have been
- 4 should have known
- 5 arrived than the
- 6 ✓
- 7 there are
- 8 ✓
- 9 Little do people understand
- 10 ✓

(Total = 65 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 4a (Units 16–19)

1

- 1 ✓
- 2 X Mary suggested going/that we should go and see a film.
- 3 ✓
- 4 ✓
- 5 ✓
- 6 X I've got a bit of a cold this morning./I've got a bit of flu this morning.
- 7 X Everyone got on very well, which was quite surprising in the circumstances.
- 8 X There is only one person in my street who is a bit unfriendly.
- 9 ✓
- 10 X I've stopped going to the gym as it is too expensive.

2

- 1 a
- 2 filling
- 3 can't
- 4 keep
- 5 Whoever
- 6 when
- 7 that
- 8 the
- 9 invited
- 10 denied

3

- 1 rumoured/said to be (1) on the (1)
- 2 Helen managed (1) to find/get
- 3 dare you (1) to jump off (1)
- 4 struggled to follow (1) the teacher's (1)
- 5 has stopped (1) drinking/having/taking/needing (1)
- 6 which (1) really pleased (1)
- 7 very concerned (1) about the problem (1)
- 8 that Paul (should) take (1) a day off and go (1)
- 9 announced the (1) cutting/loss (1)
- 10 insisted on (1) carrying Joyce's (1)

4

- 1 doing
- 2 never
- 3 could
- 4 confirmed
- 5 rest/remainder
- 6 able
- 7 let
- 8 Although/If
- 9 recovered
- 10 be
- 11 represent
- 12 involves/means
- 13 give
- 14 looking/sitting
- 15 can't/cannot/won't

5

- 1 apologise/apologized
- 2 giving/making
- 3 unable to
- 4 interested in/considering
- 5 Alternatively/Otherwise
- 6 held
- 7 available/circulated
- 8 instructed/requested
- 9 a minimum
- 10 require/necessitate

(Total = 65 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 4b (Units 16–19)

1

- 1 X Please can you explain to me/explain how to change the paper in this copier?
- 2 X Harry denied taking the money/said that he hadn't taken the money.
- 3 X Bob suggested going to the bank right away and sorting the matter out./Bob urged me/him/us etc. to go to the bank ...
- 4 X Please do not play ball games on this grass.
- 5 ✓
- 6 ✓
- 7 X Let me introduce Clive, who will be working with you.
- 8 X The letter that/which arrived this morning contains my exam results.
- 9 ✓
- 10 ✓

2

- 1 like
- 2 deserve
- 3 remember
- 4 on
- 5 which
- 6 for
- 7 the
- 8 fact
- 9 could/couldn't
- 10 telling

3

- 1 and you risk/run the risk (1) of getting (1)
- 2 thing, so it's no use telling him
- 3 to be ill (1) so (that) he (1)
- 4 missed being (1) able to (1)
- 5 the only one (1) of his films (that) (1) / the only film (1) of his (that) (1)
- 6 as to/for (1) the difficulty of (1)
- 7 if he wanted to/if he would like to (1) go fishing with him (1)
- 8 accepted (that) (1) she had (1)
- 9 repeated the question (1) (that) he had (1)
- 10 warned her/Carrie (1) never to go (1)

4

- 1 be
- 2 who
- 3 when
- 4 over
- 5 expect
- 6 have
- 7 which
- 8 In
- 9 Having
- 10 used
- 11 from
- 12 out
- 13 happened
- 14 turns
- 15 Anyone

5

- 1 commence/start
- 2 to continue/last
- 3 alternative
- 4 available
- 5 number/quantity
- 6 avoid
- 7 closed/inaccessible
- 8 apologise/apologize
- 9 be caused
- 10 need

(Total = 65 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 5a (Units 21–25)

1

- 1 charged
- 2 reminds
- 3 stem
- 4 keen
- 5 mistake
- 6 belief
- 7 come
- 8 let
- 9 takes
- 10 wear

2

- 1 was packed with
- 2 in dispute over
- 3 at dealing with
- 4 in favour of
- 5 under no obligation
- 6 In recognition of
- 7 in charge of
- 8 fallen out with
- 9 go through with
- 10 Stick up for

3

- 1 students to be (1) rude (1)
- 2 is putting me (1) off (1)
- 3 point out (1) that (1)
- 4 get (1) the ironing done (1) / make sure (1) the ironing is done (1)
- 5 with a (1) view to (1)
- 6 out (1) of practice (1)
- 7 on a (1) regular basis (1)
- 8 is entitled (1) to (1)
- 9 congratulated Sue (1) on (1)
- 10 really appeals (1) to me (1)

4

- 1 broke off
- 2 done up
- 3 come up against
- 4 make do with
- 5 try out
- 6 grow on
- 7 gone off
- 8 put up with
- 9 make for
- 10 stand up to

5

- 1 under
- 2 of
- 3 of
- 4 to
- 5 on
- 6 in
- 7 for
- 8 on
- 9 into
- 10 to

(Total = 60 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 5b (Units 21–25)

1

- 1 pay
- 2 bring
- 3 devoted
- 4 cure
- 5 delay
- 6 carried
- 7 go
- 8 makes
- 9 take
- 10 stands

2

- 1 referred me to
- 2 an authority on
- 3 In all likelihood
- 4 for fear of
- 5 in high spirits
- 6 In comparison with/to
- 7 Under the circumstances
- 8 getting on for
- 9 go in for
- 10 let her in

3

- 1 go back (1) on (1)
- 2 live up to (1) (their) expectations (1)
- 3 come up (1) with (1)
- 4 get the/this (1) job finished (1)
- 5 the exception (1) of Brian (1)
- 6 have run out/are out (1) of time (1)
- 7 under (1) the impression (1)
- 8 out of (1) danger (1)
- 9 resulted in (1) the city being (1)
- 10 talked (1) me into (1)

4

- 1 ended up
- 2 come in for
- 3 stood by
- 4 took to
- 5 ran into
- 6 sort out
- 7 slipped up
- 8 pick up
- 9 live up to
- 10 turned out

5

- 1 For
- 2 about
- 3 out
- 4 from
- 5 of
- 6 with
- 7 to
- 8 in
- 9 for
- 10 into

(Total = 60 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 6a (Units 27–28)

1

- 1 guarantee
- 2 practice
- 3 ✓
- 4 ✓
- 5 commitment
- 6 psychologist
- 7 ✓
- 8 ✓
- 9 underrated
- 10 disappeared

2 **Note: use discretion as to possible variations on punctuation.**

11–15

Of all my friends, I'd have to say Michelle is the nicest. You couldn't hope to meet a more caring person. I remember on one occasion, when we were both about six, she saw that some older children were being unkind to me, and calmly led me away by the hand.

(5 marks)

16–20

The practice of headhunting is becoming more and more commonplace in the business world. Companies who have important vacancies to fill are increasingly targeting and approaching excellent individuals in other companies and offering them more money. Agencies are also springing up to do this work on companies' behalf.

(5 marks)

21–25

'Sharon, I don't know what you're talking about, darling. You've got the wrong end of the stick,' said Basil. 'I was just giving Maureen a hug because she was really upset. I'm sure you'd have done the same. Just because I'm a bloke, it doesn't mean I can't touch a friend.'

(5 marks)

3

- 1 What's more
- 2 Consequently
- 3 As a result
- 4 as opposed to
- 5 to tell the truth
- 6 Subsequently
- 7 by and large
- 8 Whereas
- 9 Nevertheless
- 10 at least

4

- 1 aggravate
- 2 developing
- 3 symptoms
- 4 ✓
- 5 their
- 6 industry has
- 7 ✓
- 8 Sometimes
- 9 weird
- 10 sufferer's
- 11 sceptical
- 12 removing
- 13 source
- 14 ✓
- 15 absence

(Total = 50 marks)

KEY Grammar Progress Test 6b (Units 27–28)

1

- 1 embarrassing
- 2 affect
- 3 ✓
- 4 ✓
- 5 continuous
- 6 ✓ (also possible: *swap*)
- 7 ✓
- 8 ✓ (also possible: *standardized*)
- 9 irresponsible
- 10 disappointing

2 **Note: use discretion as to possible variations on punctuation.**

11–15

The big new thing in personal fitness is the medicine ball. Yes, you heard me correctly, those huge, heavy leather balls you used in the school gym, if you're over 30, that is. The medicine ball is lifted, held and thrown in various positions, thereby enabling the use of muscles that traditional training programmes do not. This means the body is sculpted in new ways.

(5 marks)

16–20

There is nothing more annoying in the whole world than not being able to find two socks which match. This problem becomes all the more pertinent when, at 8.30 in the morning, you have ten seconds left in which to decide, 'Shall I go to work with no socks or one grey and one black?'

(5 marks)

21–25

Collins cursed loudly, flicked the indicator switch and pulled in to the side of the road. Sure enough, the tyre had blown, and the spare would take a good fifteen minutes to put on, even for him. If he was late, Cindy would never speak to him again. He wondered why fate always seemed to conspire against him when it really mattered.

(5 marks)

3

- 1 Thus
- 2 even though
- 3 Broadly speaking
- 4 however
- 5 as well as
- 6 Indeed
- 7 as a result of
- 8 Consequently
- 9 even so
- 10 Besides

4

- 1 volunteers
- 2 others were
- 3 procedure
- 4 knew
- 5 months later
- 6 medically
- 7 healing
- 8 ✓
- 9 benefit
- 10 unbelievably
- 11 conditions
- 12 ✓
- 13 ✓
- 14 way of
- 15 whole

(Total = 50 marks)

Advanced Language Practice

KEY Vocabulary Test 1 (Units 1–5)

1

- 1 armbands
- 2 runner-up
- 3 exhaust fumes
- 4 commuter
- 5 quits
- 6 speed limit

- 7 horizon
- 8 tenant
- 9 draft
- 10 viewer

2

- 1 bodies
- 2 raise
- 3 cry
- 4 compensation
- 5 extensive
- 6 prides
- 7 space
- 8 purpose
- 9 Market
- 10 foreseeable

3

- 1 beneficial
- 2 competitions
- 3 standstill
- 4 sensitive
- 5 disagreement
- 6 justification
- 7 neighbourhood
- 8 dissatisfaction
- 9 unacceptable
- 10 disastrous

(Total = 30 marks)

KEY Vocabulary Test 2 (Units 6–10)

1

- 1 extinct
- 2 squeak
- 3 stall
- 4 promotion
- 5 haggles
- 6 fiancé
- 7 mother-in-law
- 8 assault
- 9 deport(ed)
- 10 weed

2

- 1 herd
- 2 shortages
- 3 clinch
- 4 letter
- 5 installments
- 6 gesture
- 7 rebelled
- 8 patch
- 9 enforce
- 10 offenders

3

- 1 voluntary
- 2 downpour
- 3 clarify
- 4 qualifications
- 5 negotiable
- 6 upbringing
- 7 attentive
- 8 commitment
- 9 illegal
- 10 offences

(Total = 30 marks)

KEY Vocabulary Test 3 (Units 11–15)

1

- 1 preview
- 2 lyrics
- 3 manifesto
- 4 evacuate
- 5 stretcher
- 6 filling
- 7 subsidy
- 8 cut off
- 9 lenient
- 10 mourn

2

- 1 standing
- 2 record
- 3 cast
- 4 intervention
- 5 belief
- 6 expecting
- 7 epidemic
- 8 consumption
- 9 expression
- 10 pleaded

3

- 1 understudy
- 2 shortage
- 3 compulsory
- 4 favouritism
- 5 scientific
- 6 birth
- 7 devaluation
- 8 diplomacy
- 9 harmless
- 10 mannerisms

(Total = 30 marks)

KEY Vocabulary Test 4 (Units 16–20)

1

- 1 blade
- 2 electric shock
- 3 blunt
- 4 expulsion
- 5 revise
- 6 illegible
- 7 invalid
- 8 ceasefire
- 9 (child) prodigy
- 10 socket

2

- 1 precaution
- 2 appliances
- 3 soaked
- 4 placement
- 5 span
- 6 corporal
- 7 paying
- 8 playing
- 9 partial
- 10 invalid

3

- 1 powerless
- 2 presentation
- 3 machinery
- 4 criticism
- 5 diversity
- 6 effortless
- 7 applicants
- 8 preferable
- 9 considerably
- 10 unthinkable

(Total = 30 marks)

Name: _____

Date: _____

Advanced Language Practice

Final Test

1 Underline the correct word or phrase in each sentence.

- 0 Whether this new pay deal will satisfy the unions remains/*will remain/is remaining* to be seen.
- 1 By the end of this month, I'll *be/be being/have been* in my job for twenty years.
- 2 I *could/would/must* have thought the best thing to do is just ring them and explain the problem.
- 3 Sorry, I'm not really sure what you're getting *at/over/on*.
- 4 My friend held the spider, but I *don't/didn't/couldn't* bring myself to do it.
- 5 I've been getting terrible headaches *so far/for a while now/up to now*.
- 6 We are *on/with/under* no obligation to give you a refund.
- 7 Holly was about to accept the stranger's offer when she *remembered/had remembered/was remembering* her mother's advice.
- 8 This *can't/shouldn't/won't* be north, because the sun's in the wrong place.
- 9 If you *would/will/should* come across any good stamps, please keep them for my collection.
- 10 I'm sorry, but these regulations have to be *obeyed/complied/kept* with.

2 Complete each sentence with an appropriate word.

- 0 I have never seen such a mess in all my born days!
- 1 It's ages since I went to the gym – I'm getting really unfit.
- 2 It's a very useful device which _____ you to watch what you're recording on a TV monitor.
- 3 I _____ I didn't offend you the other day when I was talking about dogs being a nuisance.
- 4 I'll assume you're not interested _____ I hear from you by tomorrow.
- 5 I'd _____ not go into any details about the project at this stage.
- 6 I wish you wouldn't _____ doing that thing with your fingers – it's so irritating!
- 7 Janet's business is doing so well she's going to _____ on an assistant to help her.
- 8 Actually, I haven't seen Tim for the best _____ of a year.
- 9 I can't remember _____ I locked the front door – I'd better go back and check.

- 10 The match was cancelled _____ to torrential rain.
- 3 **Rewrite each sentence so that it contains the word in bold, and so that the meaning stays the same.**
- 0 In my country all adults are obliged to vote.
obligatory
In my country voting is obligatory for all adults.
- 1 Until then I'd never been abroad.
first
That was _____ been abroad.
- 2 I used to have more friends than I do now.
as
I don't _____ I used to.
- 3 I haven't been to a zoo since I was six years old.
last
I was six years old _____ to a zoo.
- 4 Apparently the Managing Director is thinking about introducing flexible working hours.
considering
The Managing Director is thought _____ of flexible working hours.
- 5 Without the financial assistance of the government, the railway companies couldn't cope.
was
If _____ they receive from the government, they couldn't cope.
- 6 It's impossible for Heidi to have eaten all that food by herself!
possibly
Heidi _____ eaten all that food by herself!
- 7 It is very important that you dress smartly; so please, no jeans or trainers.
must
On no _____ worn.
- 8 Such was the pressure on the Prime Minister, that he had no alternative but to give in.
much
The Prime Minister was _____ that he had no alternative but to give in.
- 9 We no longer subscribe to *Farmer's Weekly* magazine.
cancelled

- We have _____ *Farmer's Weekly* magazine.
- 10 Postal workers are to go on a one-day strike, according to an announcement today.
announced
Earlier today, postal workers _____ be a one-day strike.
- 11 I have been to all the museums in London except *Madame Tussauds*.
only
Madame Tussauds is _____ I haven't been to.

- 12 'Don't make any sudden movements or the lion cub may scratch you,' the zoo keeper said to the school children.
warned
 The zoo keeper _____ make any sudden movements near the lion cub.
- 13 My daughters still visit me regularly, even though they're all grown up now.
basis
 I still see my daughters _____ even though they're all grown up now.
- 14 I thought you weren't coming, so I haven't reserved a parking place for you.
impression
 Sorry, I was _____ that you weren't coming, so I haven't reserved a parking place for you.
- 15 As a result of the petition, the Head Teacher agreed to review the uniform policy.
in
 The petition _____ to review the uniform policy.

4 Decide whether each sentence is grammatically possible or not. Write ✓ or X (correct or incorrect).

- 0 If it hadn't been for David, I would being lost in the forest. *X*
- 1 I'd rather you don't use sticky tape on the walls. ____
- 2 He won't allow anyone to use his computer. ____
- 3 If you're going to the shops, may you get me a pint of milk? ____
- 4 Everyone on the course was sent a welcome letter. ____
- 5 Police are treating the series of fires as suspicious. ____
- 6 The goods I sent you last week were incorrectly priced. ____
- 7 My dad is always blaming me on everything! ____
- 8 The management and union are in dispute with working conditions. ____
- 9 Only after several hours searching I found what I was looking for. ____
- 10 The magician claimed to be able to make people vanish. ____

5 Complete each sentence with a suitable phrase of three words containing the word in capital letters.

- 0 Oh well, I might as well have another drink, if no one's in a hurry to leave.
- 1 I have every confidence in him; I'm not worried
 ____ . SLIGHTEST
- 2 Scarcely _____ off my coat when it started to pour down. HAD

- 3 Never again _____ my family to that awful restaurant. WILL
- 4 Saccharin is _____ sugar which you might consider. ALTERNATIVE
- 5 Mark, you're _____ the drinks; make sure everyone's glass is filled up. CHARGE
- 6 It is _____ to sound your horn in residential areas at night. LAW
- 7 If the Curry House and the Pizza Place are fully booked, we can always _____ that fish and chip restaurant. FALL
- 8 Bob Agar has kindly agreed to _____ Chris Wettens, who is likely to be off work for two months. STAND
- 9 I've had to work _____ this month, including weekends. SINGLE
- 10 Well, John Bunn, I am _____ to understand how you can break two school windows in two days. LOSS

6 Complete the letter by writing one word in each gap.

The Manager, Stein's Camping Accessories

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to express my dissatisfaction (0) with the service I received at your shop on Saturday 24 November when I came in with a rucksack which I had purchased (1) _____ you in March.

I have had (2) _____ many bad experiences with cheap rucksacks, that I decided to buy an expensive one with a guarantee. So in March, I spent £25 (3) _____ a rucksack, which (4) _____ with a three-year guarantee. However, the zip of the rucksack has regularly jammed; in fact, (5) _____ time you do it up you have to take great (6) _____ not to get the surrounding material stuck in the zip. Recently it became so completely stuck that I (7) _____ patience with it and tore the zip open. The rucksack is now unuseable, but my point is that there is a basic design fault to it.

I pointed all (8) _____ out to the sales assistant, and produced the receipt and guarantee. The assistant said that it was dirty, and that a replacement (9) _____ not be issued. I explained that it was dirty because I use it every day to cycle in to work, and that on rainy days it gets splashed. But (10) _____ it is dirty or not has nothing to (11) _____ with my complaint, which was about the defective zip. Finally, the assistant said I should contact the manufacturers, and gave me their name and address. However, (12) _____ consulted my local Citizens Advice Bureau, I find this (13) _____ be wrong. It is the responsibility of the shop (14) _____ the purchase was made to refund money (15) _____ supply a replacement for faulty goods.

Yours faithfully

Brian Laws

7 Correct the error in each sentence. Rewrite the sentence on the line below.

0 The King is believed to be arrived in Rome three hours ago.

The King is believed to have arrived in Rome three hours ago.

1 The report says there were 80 people present, that is not strictly accurate.

2 If it wasn't raining, we wouldn't have needed umbrellas.

3 I remember to see the Queen when I was a young girl.

4 My son is now in army.

- 5 Don't worry, I'll see it that you manage to get on the plane.
-
- 6 He explained to be having difficulties understanding the teacher.
-
- 7 No sooner had I put the food in the oven when there was a power cut.
-
- 8 It was not the most convincing story, but Jill fell through it.
-
- 9 He's a very strange bloke; I can't really make him up.
-
- 10 For the time, all we can do is wait and see.
-

8 Add ten suitable punctuation marks to the following text. The speaker is introducing a trade conference in Canada.

I'd like to start by welcoming you all here today some of you have come from as far away as Morocco and Indonesia so its truly an international gathering before I do anything else let me just check that everyone has a conference pack now if you just open your pack for a moment you should find inside a booklet for delegates a conference timetable and a leaflet from our sponsors Davis International.

9 Find and correct the ten spelling mistakes in the text. A lawyer is talking to a client.

Look, Mrs Smith, I can assure you it is totaly unnecessary for you to seek alternative advise from another lawyer. You will only be told the same things that I have just told you. I am very sorry if you have bought a car which turns out not to be to your satisfaction, but once you have handed over cash for a used car, that's it, especially if you've signed a receit for it. You see, second hand goods such as cars, when they are sold privately, are sold under the principal of 'Let the buyer beware.' Broadly speaking this means that it is the prospective purchaser's responsability to get the car chequed out by a qalified mechanic. In fact the seller doesn't in theory even need to tell you everything about the car, even though he must respond truthfully to your questions about it. A second hand car is 'sold as seen' in the eyes of the law, in other

words it is sold in the condition it is in at the time of sale, so if you've paid for it, you have no right to compensation afterwards. I'm sorry, but that's how it is.

10 Put each phrasal verb from the box in the appropriate place in the text.

drop in	living up to	turned up	paid for	ended up	take out
push on	got on	ran up	look up	pointing out	

Kate's Travel Diary

We decided to (0) push on and try to reach Venice by Friday afternoon – before the weekend hordes (1) _____. Susan was eager to see the city of waterways, as she had never been before, while I wanted to (2) _____ an old friend called Davina, who was now studying Italian at university in Venice. Davina had given me an open invitation to more or less (3) _____ at any time, and she was as good as her word, for she not only put us up, but also spent the whole weekend (4) _____ the sights to us. She had never met Susan before, but they (5) _____ immediately, which was a relief. My intention had been to pay her a flying visit, and then head off to Trieste, but we had such a wonderful time, we (6) _____ staying for four days. Venice did not disappoint, (7) _____ its reputation as the most beautiful of cities. On a less triumphant note, poor Susan lost her handbag, including a large amount of cash and her bank cards. She (8) _____ a huge bill phoning home and contacting her bank in London. At least she'd had the good sense to (9) _____ travel insurance, so this (10) _____ the costs of most of the loss.

Advanced Language Practice

KEY Final Test

1

- 1 have been
- 2 would
- 3 at
- 4 couldn't
- 5 for a while now
- 6 under
- 7 remembered
- 8 can't
- 9 should
- 10 complied

2

- 1 ages
- 2 enables/allows
- 3 hope/trust
- 4 unless
- 5 rather
- 6 keep
- 7 take
- 8 part
- 9 if/whether
- 10 owing/due

3

- 1 the first time (1) I'd ever (1)
- 2 have as many (1) friends as (1)
- 3 when I last (1) went (1)
- 4 to be considering (1) the introduction (1)
- 5 it was (1) not for the financial assistance (that) (1)
- 6 can't possibly (1) have (1)
- 7 account must (1) jeans or trainers be (1)
- 8 under so (1) much pressure (1)
- 9 cancelled our (1) subscription to (1)
- 10 announced (that) there (1) would (1)
- 11 the only museum (1) in London (which/that) (1)
- 12 warned the school children (1) not to (1)
- 13 on a (1) regular basis (1)
- 14 under (1) the impression (1)
- 15 resulted in (1) the Head Teacher agreeing (1)

4

- 1 X
- 2 ✓
- 3 X
- 4 ✓
- 5 ✓
- 6 ✓
- 7 X
- 8 X
- 9 X
- 10 ✓

5

- 1 in the slightest
- 2 had I taken
- 3 will I take
- 4 an alternative to
- 5 in charge of
- 6 against the law
- 7 fall back on
- 8 stand in for
- 9 every single day
- 10 at a loss

6

- 1 from
- 2 so
- 3 on
- 4 came
- 5 every/each
- 6 care
- 7 lost
- 8 this/(that)
- 9 could/would
- 10 whether
- 11 do
- 12 having
- 13 to
- 14 where
- 15 or

7

- 1 which is not
- 2 if it hadn't been raining
- 3 I remember seeing
- 4 the army
- 5 I'll see to it
- 6 explained that he was/claimed to be
- 7 in the oven than there
- 8 fell for it
- 9 make him out
- 10 For the time being

8

1-10 I'd like to start by welcoming you all here today. Some of you have come from as far away as Morocco and Indonesia, so it's truly an international gathering. Before I do anything else, let me just check that everyone has a conference pack. Now, if you just open your pack for moment, you should find inside a booklet for delegates, a conference timetable and a leaflet from our sponsors, Davis International.

9

- 1 totally
- 2 unnecessary
- 3 advice
- 4 receipt
- 5 principle
- 6 responsibility
- 7 checked
- 8 qualified
- 9 sale
- 10 compensation

10

- 1 turned up
- 2 look up
- 3 drop in
- 4 pointing out
- 5 got on
- 6 ended up
- 7 living up to
- 8 ran up
- 9 take out
- 10 paid for

(Total = 125 marks)

