

Progress Test Files 1-5

Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation

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GRAMMAR

1 Complete the sentences. Use the correct form of the verb in brackets.

Example: How many cups of tea do you have (have) every day?

- 1 Jaime isn't in the office today. He _____ (work) at home.
- 2 I _____ (answer) sixteen emails since ten o'clock this morning.
- 3 They _____ (watch) a football match on TV when we arrived.
- 4 What _____ you _____ (give) Pete for his birthday last week?
- 5 I _____ (go) to the doctor's at 4.30. I'll see you at 5.00.
- 6 _____ he _____ (finish) his homework yet? Oh, that was quick!
- 7 Don't get a taxi. I _____ (meet) you after the class in the car.
- 8 _____ you _____ (see) the new James Bond film next week?
- 9 We _____ (stay) with my parents at the moment while we look for a flat.
- 10 _____ you ever _____ (drive) a sports car?
- 11 _____ David _____ (look for) me at 10.30? I was in a meeting.
- 12 We _____ (just finish) lunch when Joe arrived.
- 13 Sorry I'm late. _____ you _____ (wait) long?
- 14 Will you _____ (can) help us move house next week?
- 15 The train _____ (not arrive) yet. It's an hour late.

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2 Underline the correct word(s).

Example: She wants / is wanting to be alone at the moment.

- 1 My sister's a science teacher / science teacher in a secondary school.
- 2 Tom was playing / used to play cricket when he was young.
- 3 You mustn't / don't have to pay for museums in the UK. They're usually free.
- 4 I'm afraid you can't / couldn't speak to Mr Jones. He's in a meeting.
- 5 My boyfriend drives more slowly / slowlier than I do.

- 6 I dropped my mobile phone in the bath last month so I must / had to get a new one.
- 7 You shouldn't / don't have to eat so much salt. It isn't good for you.
- 8 Do you like / Are you liking going to hot places on holiday?
- 9 Have you been having / had that computer for a long time?
- 10 This summer wasn't as hot than / as it was last summer.
- 11 He doesn't need / isn't needing to do any work this evening.
- 12 What time do you go / are you going out tonight?
- 13 You listened to the instructions more / most carefully than I did.
- 14 She's been working with us for / since 2004.
- 15 We like going to restaurants / the restaurants at the weekends.

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3 Complete the second sentence with two words so that it means the same as the first sentence.

Contracted forms, e.g. *isn't*, count as one word.

Example: I'm not sure who it is. Perhaps it's his wife.
I'm not sure who it is. It might be his wife.

- 1 All passengers must show their passports at the check-in desk.
You _____ show your passport at the check-in desk.
- 2 That dress is beautiful!
What _____ dress!
- 3 I didn't like exercise when I was younger, but now I go to the gym a lot.
I didn't _____ like exercise, but now I go to the gym a lot.
- 4 Do you have time to finish the work before Friday?
Will you be _____ finish the work before Friday?
- 5 This book isn't as interesting as the last one you lent me.
This book is less _____ the last one you lent me.
- 6 Our wedding will be in July.
We're _____ in July.
- 7 I was in the middle of my homework when you called.
I _____ my homework when you called.

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8 Going to the theatre is more expensive than going to the cinema.

Going to the cinema isn't _____ as going to the theatre.

9 I've never read a funnier book.

That's _____ book I've ever read.

10 We met years ago.

We _____ each other for years.

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 Grammar total 40

VOCABULARY

4 Underline the odd word out.

Example: glass napkin knife eggs

1 melon peach beetroot pear

2 father nephew niece brother

3 captain track fan spectator

4 margarine carton box jar

5 moody bossy stubborn reliable

6 coach motorway scooter van

7 frozen boiled roast fried

8 win play lose draw

9 inherit borrow throw earn

10 furious tiny hilarious hungry

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5 Write the opposite of the adjective.

Example: lazy hard-working

1 mature _____

2 tidy _____

3 tiny _____

4 organized _____

5 freezing _____

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6 Underline the correct word.

Example: The journey took ages. I was really tired / tiring the next day.

1 I forgot to wear socks to work. It was so embarrassed / embarrassing.

2 We were really frightened / frightening during the hurricane.

3 She often feels very depressed / depressing in the winter.

4 I've left my mobile at home again! It's so frustrated / frustrating.

5 Have you ever walked out of the cinema because the film was bored / boring?

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7 Complete the words in the sentences.

Example: He's very clever. He always knows the answers!

1 Karen isn't in the office right now. Do you want to l_____ a message?

2 It's difficult to choose b_____ these two holidays.

3 Which g_____ is our plane leaving from?

4 This is Dave, my fl_____. We live in the flat next door.

5 I don't want to cook tonight. Shall we get a t_____?

6 We were two hours late because there was a terrible traffic j_____.

7 You must go to that new restaurant. The food is d_____.

8 I get on really well with Kate because we have a lot in c_____.

9 When his grandmother died, Jeff i_____ her house.

10 What's the speed l_____ on this road?

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8 Complete the sentences with the correct word(s).

Example: I owe my dad £100.

borrow owe invest

- You have to be careful what you say to Sofia. She's very _____.
sensible responsible sensitive
- She's trying to cut _____ on coffee at the moment. She just has one cup a day.
out down up
- I still keep in touch with some of my _____ from secondary school.
colleagues partners classmates
- They _____ me £10 to park my car at the railway station.
cost saved charged
- I'm sorry, I'm busy right now. Can I _____ you back later?
leave dial call
- He's a lovely child. He's very _____.
affectionate moody aggressive
- I don't like _____ food. I think food should be cooked!
raw fried boiled
- Did he apply _____ that job he was talking about?
of to for
- I told my friend what to do and she did the opposite. I was _____!
filthy tiny furious
- This new company pays me a better _____ than my old company.
mortgage salary tax

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Vocabulary total	40
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PRONUNCIATION

9 Underline the stressed syllable.

Example: com|pe|ti|tive

- spec|ta|tor
- i|ma|gi|na|tive
- un|der|ground
- rasp|be|rries
- a|fford
- cir|cuit
- pe|de|stri|an
- in|de|pen|dent
- mort|gage
- am|bi|tious

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10 Match the words with the same sound.

charming inherit journey height injured
selfish organized paid team gossip owe

Example: phone owe

- fish _____
- jazz _____
- snake _____
- tree _____
- chess _____
- egg _____
- bike _____
- clock _____
- zebra _____
- train _____

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Pronunciation total	20
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Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation total	100
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Reading and Writing

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READING

1 Read the text and tick (✓) A, B, or C.

The transatlantic question

Charles Lindbergh's 33-hour flight from New York to Paris in 1927 made aviation history. Less known is the return flight to New York by two Frenchmen three years later. Taking just over three hours longer, Costes and Bellonte made an equally exciting journey from Paris to New York in their plane, the *Question Mark*. The first question they faced, Captain Costes remembered in an article at the time, was "Would the plane lift off the ground?" "That was our greatest **concern**. We had 5,200 litres of gasoline **on board**.' This fear passed quickly but was followed by other **hazards**. They **ran into** three storms. The third, and worst of all, was over Nova Scotia, in Canada. 'In order to avoid it we had to fly 100 miles **out of our way**. Time was passing and every minute meant the loss of more of our **precious** fuel.'

They had another problem: 'The sky was **overcast**, it was raining and we had to fly below those rain clouds. Sometimes they were extremely low which meant they had to fly as close to the water as ten metres.

'There were many exciting moments during our trip, but I think the greatest **thrill** came when we first saw the coast of North America,' said Costes. He decided that three was their lucky number. They had survived three storms – and at 3 a.m. French time, they saw land. But their adventures weren't over.

Suddenly, a mountain appeared out of the mist. 'We were between the steep banks of a river. It was a tight place. Bellonte was at the controls at that time and he had to think fast. Fortunately, having flown thousands of miles, the plane was light.' Bellonte managed to turn the plane just in time. But Costes said, 'It is not pleasant to think how close we came to those cruel, **jagged** rocks.'

Fortunately, they succeeded where many others before them had failed, and the **graceful** landing at the airport in New York was greeted by 10,000 cheering people. Among them was Colonel Charles Lindbergh who said 'I congratulate you!' as he shook the hands of the two heroes.

Example: Lindbergh travelled from New York to Paris in _____.

A a boat B a plane C a ship

1 Costes and Bellonte flew from Paris to New York in _____.

A 1927 B 1930 C 1933

2 They were most worried that the plane was _____ to fly.

A too light B too small
C too heavy

3 The storm in Canada was _____.

A quite small B very serious
C not worrying

4 They were worried that the plane _____.

A was losing fuel B was flying too high
C was getting wet

5 When it rained, they sometimes had to fly _____.

A above the clouds B close to the sea
C around the clouds

6 The most exciting part of the journey was when _____.

A they flew close to the sea
B they saw the American coast
C they saw the third storm

7 They saw the American coast when it was _____ in France.

A early morning B mid-afternoon
C midnight

8 Costes thought they were going to _____.

A fly into the river B fly into a storm
C crash into a mountain

9 They _____ the airport in New York.

A landed at B passed over
C missed

10 Colonel Lindbergh congratulated them _____.

A on the phone B in a letter
C at the airport

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2 Match **five** of the highlighted words and phrases with the definitions.

Example: dangers *hazards*

- worry _____
- not on our planned route _____
- covered in cloud _____
- excitement _____
- light and controlled _____

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Answer one of the questions and write 75–100 words.

- 1 What advice would you give to someone moving to your country?
- 2 Describe an exciting sporting event you have seen or been to.
- 3 What is your favourite way of travelling and why?

Writing total	10
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Reading and Writing total	25
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Listening and Speaking

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LISTENING

- 1 Complete the sentences with **one** word.
- It's a good idea not to eat foods that have a lot of _____.
 - On the 'caveman diet' you mustn't eat products that are made from _____.
 - Don't follow the 'cabbage soup diet' for more than one _____.
 - Blue sunglasses make your food look less _____.
 - On the 'reverse diet', you eat your meals in a different _____.

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- 2 Listen to five conversations. Tick (✓) A, B, or C.

- Rob used to like eating a lot of _____.
A curry B pizza C sweets
- Lisa thinks that Mark _____.
A has a lot of money
B isn't telling the truth C won the lottery
- Paul was _____ at the end of his holiday in Iceland.
A disappointed B exhausted but happy
C happy and full of energy
- Anna tells Marco that he _____ tip taxi drivers.
A must always B doesn't have to
C must never
- Sam and Alice _____.
A are getting married B have got engaged
C are no longer together

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 Listening total 10

SPEAKING

- 1 Make questions and ask your partner.
- What / your favourite meal?
 - Who / you / get on best / family? Why?
 - ever buy / anything / online? What?
 - When / you last feel frightened? Why?
 - How / travel / school (university / work)?
 - prefer / do / or / watch / sport?
 - What new subject / like / learn? Why?
 - often / use / mobile phone in public?
 - What / should / take / when / have / dinner / friends?
 - like / win / a lot of money? What / would / do?

Now answer your partner's questions.

- 2 Talk about one of the statements below, saying if you agree or disagree. Give reasons.
- 'Sport has become all about money.'
 - 'It's better to have a few close friends than lots of friends.'
 - 'Travelling is the best way to learn about the world.'
- 3 Listen to your partner. Do you agree with him / her?

 Speaking total 15

 Listening and Speaking total 25