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1st Term Test 2021 - PRE FIRST

1. MULTIPLE CHOICE CLOZE: Choose the option (A, B, C or D) that best completes the text.

The only thing I was good at when I was at school was tennis. **(1)** _____, winning the school tennis cup every year proved to be something of a **(2)** _____ blessing because people either loved me or hated me for it. I was a(n) **(3)** _____ child whose parents had divorced and then both remarried, so I had a large **(4)** _____ family. **(5)** _____ this, I often felt lonely and as if I didn't really belong to either family. So the tennis team became like a family to me. However, in my final year at school, I was **(6)**_____ when one of the team had taken the silver cup out of my bag as a huge joke. They all laughed **(7)** _____ me when they saw how upset I was when I discovered it was missing. Luckily, by the end of the day, the cup had been put back in my bag. I had lost touch with all those school friends until one day I **(8)** _____ into the person who had played the trick on me. When I mentioned that day, she couldn't remember anything about it. I had the **(9)** _____ she wasn't necessarily telling me the truth! I think she did remember but was too embarrassed to say!

1	**A** Although	**B** Despite	**C** In spite of	**D** However
2	**A** foolish	**B** similar	**C** mixed	**D** tough
3	**A** single	**B** only	**C** one	**D** alone
4	**A** extended	**B** increased	**C** completed	**D** dependent
5	**A** Apart	**B** Despite	**C** While	**D** Further
6	**A** surprised	**B** excited	**C** satisfied	**D** hooked
7	**A** by	**B** at	**C** to	**D** over
8	**A** knocked	**B** moved	**C** bumped	**D** stuck
9	**A** experience	**B** impression	**C** hallucination	**D** dedication

2. OPEN CLOZE: Complete the gaps with ONE word.

It was not really **(1)**_____ very good day for sailing. There wasn't **(2)**_____ wind at first and **(3)**_____ weather forecast had promised rain before lunchtime. However, my father insisted on taking the boat out that day. I said we **(4)**_____ stay at home, but he didn't listen to me. So we went sailing. A **(5)**_____ other people were also out sailing when, suddenly, a huge gust of wind came out of nowhere and caught our sails, nearly overturning our boat. Water filled our boat, so I had to try and get it out quickly as there was **(6)**_____ time before we would begin to sink. I **(7)**_____ to go sailing every weekend, but after that day I never went again.

3. KEY WORD TRANSFORMATIONS: Rewrite the sentences using the word given. Use between two and five words, including the word given.

1- Josie started training last January for the London Marathon. **BEEN**
Josie _____ the London Marathon since last January.

2- This is the first time the company has accepted an app I've designed. **HAS**
The company _____ accepted one of my app designs before.

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3- I saw Carlo on TV a few minutes ago talking about his medal for skiing! **SEEN**
I _____Carlo on TV talking about his medal for skiing!

4- Maddy started yoga two years ago. **DOING**
Maddy _____ two years.

5- Michel is too busy to visit his grandparents every weekend. **TIME**
Michel _____ to visit his grandparents every weekend.

6- I was ten when I first wanted to be a doctor. **WANTED**
I _____ a doctor since I was ten.

4. WORD FORMATION: Complete the text with the correct form of the words in capitals.

Scientists discover why you can't dance

Have you ever found yourself leaping around to music with the **1** _____(**ENTHUSIASTIC**) of a young puppy and suddenly realised that you've emptied the dance floor? Maybe your skills are **2** _____ (**IMPRESS**) to you but others are wondering why you have absolutely no sense of rhythm. Now scientists may have the answer. Apparently there is a condition called beat **3** _____ (**DEAF**), which means you can't coordinate your movements with the rhythm in the music. Although you have the **4** _____ (**ABLE**) to produce repeated beats by tapping your feet or clapping, once music is added you can get into **5** _____ (**DIFFICULT**). So, at least now you can offer a **6** _____ (**SCIENCE**) reason for some of your awkward moves. In the meantime, why not forget about appearing **7** _____ (**FOOL**) and enjoy the exercise? Who knows, your unique style of dancing might soon become a **8** _____ (**FASHION**) alternative on the dance floor.

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