

4 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words in capitals.

- At my job interview they said I had _____ ideas. IMPRESS
- We have very different _____ tastes. I like pop but Jane likes jazz and rock. MUSIC
- Lynn is the most _____ person I know. She never stops! TALK
- Danny is _____ about football – he's been to every match this season. PASSION
- I want to do a job that is different and _____; not something that everyone else does. USUAL
- It helps to get started if you know some _____ people. INFLUENCE
- I would hate to be really _____. You would never get any peace and quiet. FAME
- That talk on computers was very _____. I learnt a lot of things I didn't know. INFORM

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5 Read the text and complete the sentences with the comparative or superlative form of the words in brackets.

THREE BOYS

Mark, Sam and Tom are brothers. Tom is twelve, Mark is sixteen and Sam is twelve. Sam and Tom are twins. Mark's best friend is called Andy and he's seventeen. Even though Tom is only twelve, he gets really good marks at school because he loves studying and he's really clever. His brothers are not as clever as he is. Mark hates school and is not a good student. What Mark really likes is swimming and he's a champion. Last year he won three competitions. Nobody in Mark's school is a better swimmer than he is.

- Mark is _____ than Andy. (young)
- Mark is _____ of the three brothers. (old)
- Tom is not _____ as Andy. (old)
- Tom is _____ than his brothers. (smart)
- Mark is _____ student in his family. (bad)
- Mark is _____ swimmer in his school. (good)

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6 Circle the correct words.

- From the time he could kick a ball, my brother **has wanted / has been wanting** to be an international football star.
- I studied / have been studying** Computer Science for the last eight months and I really enjoy it.
- Where **have you been / did you go** last weekend?
- I tried / have tried** to phone you last night, but your phone was switched off.
- I'm really tired at the moment because **I've been studying / have studied** a lot recently.
- I've been trying / have tried** to find you all morning. Where have you been?
- Did you go / Have you been** to Brazil? I'd love to go.
- John and I have been friends since we **have been / were** at primary school together.

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7 Complete the sentences with the Present perfect simple, Present perfect continuous or the Past simple form of the verbs in brackets.

- Martin _____ (lost) every competition he has ever been in, but he is not giving up.
- I _____ (spend) five hours writing my blog yesterday.
- I _____ (make) a salad for dinner, so we can eat anytime we like.
- She _____ just _____ (give up) school to become a top model.
- Mark Zuckerberg _____ (create) Facebook in 2004.
- I _____ (try) to make the perfect chocolate cake but it always comes out wrong.
- My eyes are red because I _____ (study) for eight hours.
- _____ you ever _____ (think) about singing professionally? You're very good.

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