

LET'S PRACTICE

LISTENING

1 Listen and choose the word in each group which doesn't rhyme.

- A bare/beer/hair
- B deer/near/fire
- C pair/fur/her
- D bear/dear/beer
- E tail/fail/file

GRAMMAR

2 Complete the sentences about imaginary situations with the correct form of the verbs in parentheses.

- A If I _____ (win) the lottery I _____ (buy) a beach house.
- B If Max _____ (be) a woman, he _____ (not do) that.
- C They _____ (get) very angry if they _____ (know) she was here.
- D _____ you _____ (like) to go on vacation for a year if you _____ (have) the time?
- E If I _____ (lose) my job, I don't know what I _____ (do).
- F If you _____ (have) some more time, _____ you _____ (learn) to play the guitar?

3 Read the text. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)?

When I was a child, I desperately wanted a pet. But I came from a family which wasn't interested in animals. My father was often away on business and didn't spend a lot of time at home. He wasn't crazy about animals – or people, for that matter. My mother was a very sensitive person who didn't like noise. And she was allergic to cats and dogs. I was an only child, and often lonely. At school I had a friend, Rebecca White, who lived on a farm and had four brothers, three cats, two dogs, and a pony.

I was very jealous of Rebecca. I loved going to her house because for me it was full of noisy, smelly, exciting creatures. I spent hours trying to persuade my parents to buy me a mouse, a fish – anything. Eventually, they got me a bird because they thought it would be clean and quiet. But it was actually very noisy and smelled bad. I didn't really love the bird and I wasn't very interested in it. But when the bird died after a few weeks, I was heartbroken. I just wanted a fluffy little friend that would love me and understand me.

- A. The writer's father didn't like animals very much. _____
- B. The writer was allergic to animals. _____
- C. Rebecca White didn't have any pets. _____
- D. The writer's parents bought her a fish. _____
- E. The writer was sad when her bird died. _____