

Units 1–2

Name: _____
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A

Listen to the conversations. Check (✓) the correct answers. (4 POINTS)

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| 1. _____ is completely honest and gives helpful advice. | 3. Jenna and Scott would love being _____. |
| ☐ Denise | ☐ bank tellers this summer |
| ☐ Ms. Norris | ☐ extras in a movie |
| ☐ Anna | ☐ friends with the director |
| 2. It bothers Maria and Gary when people _____. | 4. Emily wants to apply for the _____. |
| ☐ forget to say thank you | ☐ intern position at the zoo |
| ☐ post on social networking sites | ☐ part-time cleaning job |
| ☐ don't answer the phone | ☐ veterinarian office intern position |

B

Circle the correct word. Then join the sentences using relative pronouns (*who* or *that*). (8 POINTS)

- I'd prefer a(n) (temperamental / supportive / egotistical) boss. I can do my best for her.
_____.
- Zoe is a(n) (modest / inflexible / stingy) person. She doesn't change easily and is stubborn.
_____.
- Our coach can't stand (friendly / easygoing / egotistical) players. He can't talk to them easily.
_____.
- I want to work with an easygoing person. This person is (temperamental / unpredictable / fun).
_____.

C

Put the words in order to make sentences. (3 POINTS)

Example: is / when / person / upsets / it / unreliable / a / me

It upsets me when a person is unreliable.

- bothers / forgets / when / name / my / someone / it / me
_____.
- when / can't / meals / during / it / I / people / stand / text
_____.
- friend / me / happy / out / when / it / lunch / makes / me / a / takes / to
_____.

D

Complete the sentences using gerund phrases and the words in the box. (3 POINTS)

✓ be + flight attendant

write + sports column

retire + age 50

do + volunteer work

Example: He'd enjoy being a flight attendant because he loves traveling.

- _____ seems rewarding. I've always been interested in helping others.
- Kevin wouldn't like _____ for the school paper. He doesn't really care about school sports or athletic activities.
- You've saved 25 percent of your salary all your life – now it's time to have some fun!
_____ sounds fantastic. You deserve it!

E

Check (✓) the correct response. (4 POINTS)

- A personal sports trainer probably earns _____ a soccer coach.
☐ better paid than ☐ not as hard as ☐ as much as
- Nurses have _____ pharmacists.
☐ as well paid as ☐ better people skills than ☐ more interesting than
- Long-distance truck drivers are often _____ taxi drivers to drive in bad weather.
☐ better prepared than ☐ as much driving as ☐ more driving experience than
- Working as a bank teller is _____ being a party planner.
☐ worse hours than ☐ as much as ☐ less interesting than

F

Read the article. Then check (✓) three true statements. (3 POINTS)

The Ins and Outs of Being a Race-Car Driver

Have you ever thought about being a race-car driver? Driving a race car is challenging and exciting. However, some aspects of a race-car driver's job can be stressful, and race-car drivers often have to stay focused for long periods of time.

A race-car driver's work begins long before a race begins. Several hours before a race, the driver and the pit-crew meet. They talk about

what kinds of tires are needed for different weather conditions. They also discuss the layout of the racetrack, the wind conditions (strong winds mean a rough ride for the driver), and even the temperature of the racetrack the driver is driving on.

Race-car drivers often say that the most difficult thing about racing is getting a chance to drive in races. It takes years and years of practice

at local racetracks to gain enough experience to drive in professional races. Only the very best race-car drivers become well known. Most race-car drivers don't get to experience fame and fortune.

A race-car driver must be intelligent, calm under pressure, and in excellent health. The safety of the driver, and the other race competitors, depends on his or her skills and experiences.

- ☐ 1. Not all aspects of a race-car driver's job are exciting.
- ☐ 2. The pit-crew's main job is to help drive the car.
- ☐ 3. It's not the driver's job to check the wind and temperature conditions on race day.
- ☐ 4. One of the most difficult things for race-car drivers is getting chances to drive in races.
- ☐ 5. Almost all race-car drivers earn a lot of money.
- ☐ 6. Race-car drivers need to be careful for their own safety as well as the safety of their competitors.