

## UNIT 1: HOME LIFE

### I. Complete each of the following sentences with an appropriate word from the box.

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| frankly   | shifts | mischief   | chores     | confidence |
| leftovers | hands  | close-knit | laboratory | trick      |

1. I come from a \_\_\_\_\_ family; we never keep secrets from one another.
2. Spoiled children are often up to \_\_\_\_\_.
3. The more he fails, the more he loses \_\_\_\_\_ in his abilities.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ are the uneaten edible remains of a meal after the meal is over.
5. She speaks \_\_\_\_\_ about her broken-heart when love affairs fail.
6. It would be nice if we can join \_\_\_\_\_ to celebrate Valentine's Day.
7. Men do roughly 20 percent of household \_\_\_\_\_ like laundry and cleaning.
8. The thought of working night \_\_\_\_\_ put her off becoming a nurse.
9. Typical pharmaceutical scientists spend most of their time in a \_\_\_\_\_.
10. He didn't really have a serious accident - that's just a \_\_\_\_\_.

### II. Fill in each blank with the correct form of the word in brackets.

1. This insurance plan offers your family financial \_\_\_\_\_ in the event of your death. (SECURE)
2. She is a very \_\_\_\_\_ woman. She is always helpful and sympathetic toward other people. (CARE)
3. If you continue to \_\_\_\_\_ the rules, you will be punished. (OBEDIENT)
4. She was unable, or \_\_\_\_\_, to give me further details. (WILL)
5. She has been \_\_\_\_\_ involved in many human rights campaigns. (ACT)
6. They were seeking an ultimate \_\_\_\_\_ to the city's traffic problem. (SOLVE)
7. The electric company admitted their \_\_\_\_\_ for the blackout. (RESPOND)
8. My family has always been very \_\_\_\_\_ of what I do. (SUPPORT)
9. Students now live with a lot of \_\_\_\_\_ from their studies. (PRESS)

10. Boys are considered more \_\_\_\_\_, and stubborn than girls. (MISCHIEF)

**III. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the words in parentheses.**

1. When Mrs. Chu \_\_\_\_\_ (hear) a strange noise, she \_\_\_\_\_ (get) up to investigate.
2. I \_\_\_\_\_ (not hear) the thunder during the storm last night because I \_\_\_\_\_ (sleep).
3. At eight o'clock last night, I \_\_\_\_\_ (practice) the piano.
4. When I \_\_\_\_\_ (be) a child, we \_\_\_\_\_ (make) our own amusement.
5. As I \_\_\_\_\_ (walk) down the road, I \_\_\_\_\_ (see) Bill.
6. I got a package in the mail. When I \_\_\_\_\_ (open) it, I \_\_\_\_\_ (find) a surprise.
7. While Jane \_\_\_\_\_ (wash) the dishes, her brothers \_\_\_\_\_ (watch) television.
8. I \_\_\_\_\_ (rewind) the rented video before I \_\_\_\_\_ (return) it to the store yesterday.
9. When he realized I \_\_\_\_\_ (look) at him, he \_\_\_\_\_ (turn) away.
10. He usually wears sandals but when I last \_\_\_\_\_ (see) him he \_\_\_\_\_ (wear) boots.
11. I was alone in the house at that time because Mr. Jones \_\_\_\_\_ (work) in the garage and Mrs. Jones \_\_\_\_\_ (shop).
12. When Glen \_\_\_\_\_ (open) the book, some pages \_\_\_\_\_ (fall) out.
13. Since she \_\_\_\_\_ (work) at the company she \_\_\_\_\_ (not have) a day off through illness.
14. It was the first time I \_\_\_\_\_ (talk) to Ella outside the office.
15. Mozart \_\_\_\_\_ (die) while he \_\_\_\_\_ (compose) the Requiem.
16. At the time of the robbery, they \_\_\_\_\_ (stay) with my parents.
17. Mr. Count \_\_\_\_\_ (work) as a cashier for twenty-five years. Then he \_\_\_\_\_ (retire) and \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to live in the country.

18. The pollution problem \_\_\_\_\_ (get) worse over the last decade.
19. I \_\_\_\_\_ (not/ see) Jane for ages. When I last \_\_\_\_\_ (see) her, she  
\_\_\_\_\_ (try) to find a job.
20. In a surprise move, the Prime Minister \_\_\_\_\_ (resign) last night.
21. Alexander Graham Bell \_\_\_\_\_ (already/ invent) the telephone  
by the time I was born.
22. That's the first time I \_\_\_\_\_ (see) Jan embarrassed.
23. I didn't know who she was. I \_\_\_\_\_ (never/ see) her before.
24. I \_\_\_\_\_ (buy) a new alarm clock the other day in Taylor's the  
jewelers, when I actually \_\_\_\_\_ (see) somebody shoplifting.
25. I \_\_\_\_\_ (not like) having Sam for my roommate last year. He  
\_\_\_\_\_ (always / leave) his dirty clothes on the floor.

#### IV. Choose the correct answer.

1. On my last visit to Turkey I found that the village **hadn't changed** / **didn't change** much.
2. Mark **has taken** / **took** many trips to Asia since he **has started** / **started** his own  
import-export business.
3. When I was introduced to Carol, I was sure that I **had met** / **met** her before.
4. Argentina **has won** / **won** the World Cup in 1986 for the second time since the cup **was**  
/ **has been** first awarded in 1930.
5. When the teacher had cornel came in, all the students **had stood** / **stood** up.
6. By the time Jackson **had arrived** / **arrived** to help, we **had already finished** / **already**  
**finished** moving everything.
7. I can't come to your party because I **broke** / **have broken** my leg.
8. As soon as I **had turned** / **turned** the ignition key, the engine **had caught** / **caught** fire.
9. When they **got** / **had got** married, they **knew** / **had known** each other for 15 years.
10. My brother **has written** / **wrote** several plays. He **has just finished** / **just finished** his

second tragedy.

11. The apartment was hot when I **had got** / **got** home, so I **had turned** / **turned** on the air conditioner.

12. Ann **has started** / **started** a letter to her parents last week, but she still **hasn't finished** / **didn't finish** it.

13. I **knew** / **have known** Tim when he was a child, but I **didn't see** / **haven't seen** him for many years.

14. It was the fifth time she **asked** / **had asked** me the same question.

15. I **have read** / **read** his books when I **has been** / **was** at school. **Have you ever read** / **Did you ever read** his books?

**V. Complete each of these sentences with an appropriate preposition.**

1. Will you take responsibility \_\_\_\_\_ arranging the food?
2. As I am now in my final year \_\_\_\_\_ the secondary school, I am a \_\_\_\_\_ a lot of study pressure.
3. Can you give me a hand \_\_\_\_\_ loading the van?
4. We are a very close-knit family and very supportive \_\_\_\_\_ one another.
5. Please will you all join \_\_\_\_\_ me \_\_\_\_\_ singing the national anthem.
6. Whenever problems come \_\_\_\_\_, we discuss them frankly and find solutions quickly.
7. Women's responsibility is to look \_\_\_\_\_ the family.
8. The children are very excited \_\_\_\_\_ their camping holiday.
9. Responsibility is shared \_\_\_\_\_ parents and teachers.
10. She has confidence \_\_\_\_\_ her students' abilities.

**VI. Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first.**

1. Steve started working for this company five years ago.  
Steve has \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Do you have any experience of driving this kind of car?  
Have you \_\_\_\_\_?
3. When she heard the results, Mary began to feel more confident.



- Since \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Nancy hasn't come since 1999.  
The last time \_\_\_\_\_.
5. During my dinner, the phone rang.  
While \_\_\_\_\_.
6. David left the party before we arrived there.  
When \_\_\_\_\_.
7. We haven't gone to a concert for ages.  
It's \_\_\_\_\_.
8. Sarah hasn't seen her friends since she left for the United States.  
Sarah last \_\_\_\_\_.
9. I have never stayed in such an expensive hotel before.  
This is \_\_\_\_\_.
10. In the middle of our sleep there was a knock at the door.  
When \_\_\_\_\_.
11. My wait for a bus has lasted thirty minutes so far.  
I \_\_\_\_\_.
12. Mozart wrote more than 600 pieces of music before he was 35.  
By the age \_\_\_\_\_.