EXTRA PRACTICE ENGLISH FILE ELEMENTARY UNIT 5

READING COMPREHENSION

1 READ THE TEXT AND TICK (✓) A, B, OR C.

Hi Rosie

Thanks for your email. Here's more news from us in Montreal. It's snowing here and the view from the window is beautiful. Of course, it's very cold but that's normal for winter in Canada. What's the weather like in London?

James is working in Toronto at the moment but just for one week. He usually works in an office here in Montreal. His new job is great and he's really happy. I am still looking for work but I'm happy too. I take the dog for a walk, do some housework or go shopping and I send a lot of emails! I'm going to an Italian cookery class on Tuesdays and I can cook a lot of different pasta dishes now. I'm also free to help Jessica with all her school work.

Montreal East High School is really different from Jessica's school in London and she has a lot of homework every day. She's happy because she can walk to school here – it's near our house – and she sometimes comes home for lunch. She is on the basketball team and knows a lot of girls from playing sport.

Harrison is eighteen now. He's doing a business course at university and he's also studying French twice a week in the evenings. He can speak it quite well now and that's good because a lot of people speak French here and some of his university course is in French. He studies hard and I think he feels quite stressed sometimes. He still lives in our house but he's thinking about moving into a flat with some friends in the summer.

I'd love to see you, so yes, let's plan your visit in May. My Canadian friends say that the weather is quite sunny and warm here in spring. We can do a walking tour of Old Montreal or go to the Botanical Gardens. How long can you stay?

Write back soon!

Charlotte

Example: It's sunny and hot.

A True ☐ B False ✓ C Doesn't say ☐

1 James isn't working in Montreal at the moment.

A True B False C Doesn't say

2 Charlotte doesn't have a job.

A True B False C Doesn't say

3 Charlotte doesn't like housework.

A True B False C Doesn't say

4 She helps Jessica with her school work.

A True B False C Doesn't say

5 Jessica goes to school by bus.

A True B False C Doesn't say

6 Jessica sometimes goes home for lunch.

A True B False C Doesn't say

7 Harrison is 19 years old.

A True B False C Doesn't say

8 Harrison is studying business in the evenings.

A True B False C Doesn't say

9 He always feels stressed.

A True B False C Doesn't say

LIVEWORKSHEETS

2 Read the text again and write *Charlotte*, *Jessica*, or *Harrison*.

Example: *Charlotte* takes the dog for a walk.

1 _____ has a lot of homework.

2 _____ studies business.

3 _____ plays basketball.

4 _____ can cook Italian food.

5 _____ goes to school.

6 _____ is looking for a job.

GRAMMAR

1 Make present continuous sentences and questions (positive and negative). Use contractions where possible.

Example: I / not wear / a sweater today *I'm not wearing a sweater today.*

1 why / the baby / cry ?

_____

2 we / not wait / for a taxi

_____

3 you / use / this computer ?

_____

4 Jude / get dressed ?

_____

5 Britta / watch TV / in her bedroom

_____

6 it / rain / at the moment ?

_____

7 they / run / because it's late

_____

2 Complete the email. Use the present simple or present continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

Hi Tanya

How's your new job? My university course is great, but it's Friday evening and I'm home for the weekend. I ***'m sitting*** (sit) on my bed and I [1] _____ (check) my emails on my laptop. It [2] _____ (snow) outside. It usually [3] _____ (snow) here in winter. My family are downstairs. Dad [4] _____ (make) dinner and I [5] _____ (think) Mum [6] _____ (help) my sister Molly with her homework. I can't write any more now – Dad [7] _____ (want) me to help him in the kitchen.

See you soon

Connor

3 Click on the correct word or phrase.

Example: They can / Can they go to bed late?

1 Marissa can't **speak** / **speaks** German.

LIVEWORKSHEETS

2 Can you **play** / **to play** the guitar?

3 I'm sorry. You **can** / **can't** park here.

4 **Do you can** / **Can you** come to my house tomorrow?

5 She **no cannot** / **can't** cook very well.

6 'Can you play tennis?' 'Yes, **I can** / **can play**.'

VOCABULARY

1 Complete the sentences with the correct word.

Example: It's cold but Marcus is swimming in the sea. waiting leaving swimming

1 Dante _____ to the gym on Tuesdays. does goes plays

2 Can you _____ a taxi, please? call take hear

3 I can't _____ his name. call talk remember

4 I want to _____ a photo of your dog. draw take paint

5 They are _____ a race. making going running

6 Hannah can't _____ her purse. find watch look

7 Let's _____ for a coffee before the lesson. wait do meet

8 Can you _____ a picture of my house? paint try run

2 Complete the weather words.

Example: It's hot in here. Can you open the window, please?

1 It's hot and s_____ today. Let's go to the park.

2 You can't see the sun when it's c_____.

3 It's very cold. I think it's starting to s_____.

4 I can't see very well because it's f_____.

5 The sun's s_____. It's a nice day.

6 It's r_____. Have you got an umbrella?

LIVEWORKSHEETS

3 Complete the phrases with the correct verb.

have	make	use	talk	play	see	send

Example: see a film at the cinema

1 _____ a text message

2 _____ the internet

3 _____ loud music

4 _____ a lot of noise

5 _____ to a friend

6 _____ a big party

WRITING

Read the notes and write about Manuela. (75–100 words)

- 25
- Brazilian
- lives in London – where?
- studying – what?
- works evening & weekend – where?
- can speak three languages – which ones?
- likes London – why?
- doesn't like London weather – why not?

LIVEWORKSHEETS