

Grammar

1 Complete the second question so that it has the same meaning as the first.

1 What time does the film start?

Could you tell me what time the film starts ?

2 What's the weather like?

Can I ask _____?

3 Have you ever flown a plane before?

I was wondering _____.

4 Who's he working for?

Do you know _____?

5 Who painted that wonderful picture?

Do you mind me _____?

6 How much did you have to pay for it?

I'd be interested _____.

2 Underline the correct alternative.

1 I haven't seen / didn't see any good films recently.

2 She loved / 's loved reading when she was a girl and started / has started writing her first novel last week.

3 He never was / 's never been very interested in fixing things but lately he 's done / did quite a few repairs around the house.

4 She 's played / played the violin in an orchestra for five years before she 's become / became a soloist.

5 I 've learnt / learnt more over the past fortnight with our new teacher than I have / did for the previous two years.

6 We 've watched / watched that crime drama series for six weeks – the ending 's been / was very disappointing.

Vocabulary

3 Complete the words in the sentences.

- 1 She's not shy but she likes to **k e e p** to herself.
- 2 When I was a student, I could dance until the **e _____** hours.
- 3 He's the boss's son but he still has to pull his **w _____** in the company.
- 4 One thing I hate more than anything is tight-**f _____** people.
- 5 She's such a **p _____** person, she'll be an excellent teacher.
- 6 He's very **p _____** about tidiness, which makes him impossible to live with.

4 Complete the sentences with the correct adjective or noun form of the word in brackets.

- 1 He couldn't control his *frustration* after losing the match. (*frustrate*)
- 2 We were really _____ when our flight was cancelled due to the strike. (*disappoint*)
- 3 The most _____ moment of my life was when I forgot my lines in the school play. (*embarrass*)
- 4 He had to resign from his high-powered job, suffering from _____. (*exhaust*)
- 5 We were not _____ with the service in the restaurant. It was **terrible!** (*satisfy*)
- 6 I believe there are more _____ than differences between people from different cultures. (*similar*)

Pronunciation

5 Underline the stressed syllable in each word.

- 1 nervous
- 2 generosity
- 3 awkwardness
- 4 anxiety
- 5 exhausted
- 6 embarrassed

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Functions

6 Match sentences 1–6 with responses a)–f).

- 1 Can you tell me what time the matinée performance starts? b
- 2 I'd be grateful if you could help me with this application form.
- 3 Would you mind telling me when I can sign up for swimming classes?
- 4 I'd like to enquire about the two-for-one deal.

- 5 I was wondering if I could cancel my tickets and get my money back.
- 6 Would you by any chance have any places left on the course?

- a) Of course not. Enrolments start on Monday.
- b) At 2.30 p.m.
- c) Certainly sir. The offer is valid for lunch on weekdays.
- d) I'm sorry, they're non-refundable.
- e) Of course. Which job are you applying for?
- f) No, I'm afraid it's full. We had a very limited enrolment.