

FINAL TEST

B1+ Upper-Intermediate

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Read a text about learning English, and for questions 1 to 6, choose the correct option.

Learning English Forum.
Your answer!

Banjo_Boy asks:

I was in the USA on a language course last summer. It was a fantastic learning experience! People were so friendly and welcoming. I'm going on a British summer course this year. I heard that English people are more unfriendly and polite. Is that true? I'm worried about the language as well. I learned American English at school, and I've heard that British English is different. I'm worried that I'll misunderstand everyone, make errors and appear impolite. Can anyone help?

Sara_May replies:

Don't worry about the language! It's mostly the same. In terms of grammar, there are no differences at all. There are a few vocabulary differences though, like in the USA they say 'subway', 'gas' and 'apartment', while in Britain they say 'underground', 'petrol' and 'flat'. But it won't be a problem. You'll understand those unfamiliar words from the context. What's more, British people will understand you if you use American words. After all, they watch lots of American shows on television. The British accent is very different from the American one, but personally, I find it easier to understand.

Paulo_Riviera_166 replies:

You won't find the language confusing, but people's behaviour is very different, in my opinion. Americans are more informal and open. They talk about anything – their money, their weight, their health. They are enthusiastic and friendly, and it's easy to get to know them. British people aren't like that. They don't like to talk about their personal lives until they know you well, and they think it is respectful to give you privacy. As a result, it isn't easy to make friends with British people. They are friendly and polite, but they often remain rather distant.

Nellie_111 replies:

Don't worry about making social errors in Britain. People are so polite that if you do something wrong, they won't comment! I agree with Paulo_Riviera_166 in some ways. British people are more distant, but they aren't more formal, in my opinion. For example, in the States, kids sometimes call their dads 'Sir', but British people never do that! In America, success is important, so people will often tell you how great they are. In Britain, it's considered rude to boast about your achievements. If you do, people may tease you or gossip about you. Also, British people hate being complimented. If you say something nice about them, they often look embarrassed and don't know what to say!

Bubbles replies:

I don't know where Sara_May was staying in the UK, but I was in the north of the country on a school trip a couple of years ago. We all stayed with host families, and the only person I could understand was the mother of the family. I couldn't understand anyone else, even after three weeks! The people didn't sound anything like the people I had heard in my course books at school, and I learned British English! I guess people sound different in different areas of the country. All I can say is, good luck, and if you don't understand someone, ask them to write down what they are trying to say!

1-Which sentence best summarises Banjo_Boy's situation?

- a.He is worried about making mistakes in his language and behaviour when he goes to Britain.
- b.His is worried that his trip to America won't be as fun as last year's trip to Britain.
- c.He wants to know whether it is more useful to learn American English or British English.
- d.He wants to learn how to speak well and be polite to his American and British guests.

2-What is Sara_May's advice?

- a.Neither the vocabulary nor the accent differences are hard to understand.
- b.The vocabulary differences are hard to understand, but the British accent is easy to understand.
- c.The vocabulary differences are easy to understand, but the British accent is hard to understand.
- d.Both the vocabulary and the accent differences are hard to understand.

3-According to Paulo_Riviera_166, British people are...

- a.formal and unfriendly.
- b.enthusiastic and personal.
- c.friendly and open.
- d.respectful and distant.

4-According to Nellie_111, Americans are ... than British people.

- a.less likely to comment if you make a social error
- b.less likely to talk about their achievements
- c.more likely to call their parents by a formal title
- d.more likely to feel embarrassed by a compliment

5-Why does Bubbles disagree with Sara_May?

- a.She thinks it's hard to understand British vocabulary.
- b.She thinks the British accent is difficult to understand.
- c.She thinks British grammar is different from American grammar.
- d.She thinks British people won't understand American English.

6-Which of the four people responded to the question: “I heard that English people are more unfriendly and polite. Is that true?”

- a. Paulo_Riviera_166 only.
- b. Paulo_Riviera_166 and Nellie_111.
- c. Paulo_Riviera_166, Nellie_111 and Bubbles.
- d. All of them.

WRITING

Choose one of the options A or B. Write 160 words approximately.

A

REVIEW



Film reviews wanted!

Have you seen a movie where the main character taught you something important or surprised you in any way?

Write us a review of the film. Tell us whether you would or no recommend it to other people and why.

B

STORY



I hadn't written a letter before but this time was different...

GRAMMAR 1

Rewrite the sentences using Reported Speech.

1)'I work in a bank.' ⇒ He said that he _____ in a bank.

2)'I am working today.' ⇒ She told us _____

3)'I've been ill for a couple of weeks.' ⇒ He told _____ for a couple of weeks.

4)'I was at the doctor all morning.' ⇒ She told me _____ all morning.

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GRAMMAR 2

Choose the correct option in the Passive Voice.

1-In parts of Anatolia, many different fruits ____ by many people in the sun for consumption during winter.

A -have still dried

B-are still dried

C-still dried

D-are still drying

2-The booklet ____ with such small letters that I ____ it well.

- A-is printed / couldn't be read
- B-had been printing / can't be read
- C-has printed / can't read
- D-was printed / couldn't read

3-It is quite expensive, but this detergent ____ better than the cheaper ones ever since it ____ to the market.

- A-has been sold / introduced
- B-sells / has introduced
- C-was sold / had been introduced
- D-has been selling / was introduced

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GRAMMAR 3 Fill in the gaps with the correct form of the verbs.

- 1.Judy is good at languages. She _____ (speak) 4 languages fluently.
- 2.I usually _____ (drive) to work by car, but today I _____ (go) by train.
- 3.I _____ (work) on my test at the moment.
- 4.The moon _____ (revolve) around the Earth.
- 5.The water _____ (boil). Can you turn off the stove?
6. _____ here? (you be) Yes, I _____ here on holiday last year(be) . How _____ the weather (be). Well, to tell the truth, it _____ all the time. (rain)
- 7.Where _____ the knife? (you find) - I _____ it in the garden (just, find)
- 8.It _____ for two days.(rain) When _____ ? (it , stop)

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WORD FORMATION

- 1-The company didn't offer us any _____ for the 10 hour delay
- 2- The dinner party wasn't a _____ because Jhon forgot the drinks.
- 3- What _____ did Tom give you?
- 4-Paypal is a safe way of making a _____ online.
- 5- I'm _____ in love. I can't find my partner.
- 6-_____, it was not possible to fly to New York in Demember.

COMPENSATE

SUCCEED

EXPLAIN

PAY

LUCKY

FORTUNE

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COMPLETE THE SENTENCES. THE FIRST LETTER IS GIVEN. THERE'S AN EXAMPLE.

- a) Sara never tells the truth. She is a very **dishonest** person.
- b)I have never been much of an o_____ person. I'd rather stay home.
- c)You need to learn to share your things. Don't be so s_____!
- d) I got a t_____ job for the summer so after it's over I'll need to find another one.
- e)Melissa would like to be s____-e_____ in the future. She can't stand being someone else's employee.
- f)My parents s____ u____ their own business in 2015.
- g) How much do you e_____ for the type of work you do?
- h)I promise I'll p_____ you b_____ as soon as possible. Thank you for lending me this money.
- i)People w_____ their money on things they'll never use. It's a pity.
- l)I love that couple. He f_____ in love with her right away.
- m)It's important to g_____ to k_____ the people you work with if you want to have good relationships.
- n)Tom will miss his old friends now that he's moving. I hope he doesn't l_____ touch. /12

LISTENING COMPREHENSION

1- The woman believes that the episode was....

- a- an ordinary one
- b- the second best episode
- c- the best episode of all

2- The woman thinks the series...

- a- is more predictable than before
- b- has better special effects than others
- c- is difficult to understand

3- What the man dislikes about the series is that...

- a- it was full of very expensive dragons
- b- it was not as long as he had expected
- c- no key characters died

4- According to the man, the story is not being used in books any more because...

- a- they have run out of money
- b- they have fewer ideas
- c- they think readers wouldn't like it

5- What point does the woman make about her favourite character?

- a- It doesn't matter whether the character is a good or bad person.
- b- Being unpredictable and surprising is what made her change her mind.
- c- She stills have the same favourite character.

