

TEENS B1+: 2nd semester - USE OF ENGLISH

1) Choose the correct words.

- 1 Most people are familiar **of / with** the Burberry design.
- 2 She is always **among / with** the first people to wear the latest fashion.
- 3 Designers are often **in / under** pressure to finish their collections.
- 4 I can't believe these shoes wore **up / out** so quickly!
- 5 How many different dresses did she try **on / off**?
- 6 These trousers are too big. I'll have to take them **in / out**.
- 7 Remember to pay attention **of / to** quality as well as price.
- 8 It's so cold today. I think I'll put **on / up** my new woollen coat.

2) Complete the sentences with these prepositions.

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- 1 Darren tries very hard to get to work _____ time.
- 2 I think it's very important to care _____ your job.
- 3 The coach dropped us _____ near the Trevi Fountain.
- 4 The new work rules took me _____ surprise.
- 5 What was your manager's reaction _____ the bad news?
- 6 I thanked her for her hard work on behalf _____ the staff.
- 7 Did you succeed _____ finishing all your work by five o'clock?
- 8 We need to set _____ early tomorrow morning.

3) Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words.

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| 1 I want to become a _____ and travel the world to report the news. | JOURNAL |
| 2 It's been raining all week. It's not _____ this wet in the summer. | USUAL |
| 3 It was very windy when the plane arrived at the airport. We had a really bumpy _____. | LAND |
| 4 I think I'll get a _____ for my favourite magazine. | SUBSCRIBE |
| 5 My uncle went to the North Pole last year. He's so _____. | ADVENTURE |
| 6 Do you think Marilyn would like some _____ for her birthday? | JEWEL |
| 7 I would never get too close to a volcano. It's too _____. | RISK |
| 8 Barcelona is well-known for its stunning _____. | ARCHITECT |
| 9 I read an interesting article about how to dress more _____. | FASHION |
| 10 A holiday in Portugal isn't terribly expensive. In fact, it's quite _____. | AFFORD |

4) Choose the correct words.

- 1 Larry admitted **to steal / stealing** my report.
- 2 We can **help / to help** the people who lost their homes in the flood.
- 3 Our teacher spends a lot of time **to read / reading** us newspaper articles.
- 4 Rescuers made everybody **to evacuate / evacuate** the area.
- 5 My parents would rather **to watch / watch** the news on TV than listen to it on the radio.
- 6 I decided **to give / giving** some money to the Red Cross.
- 7 It's no good just **to talk / talking** about what we could do to help the situation.
- 8 The magazine's publication **can't be cancelled / can't have cancelled**, can it?

5) Rewrite the sentences with the correct form of the PASSIVE VOICE.

- 1 Peter wrote an article about the earthquake.
An article _____.
- 2 They say that what we hear on the news is not all true.
It _____.
- 3 They will refund my subscription soon.
My subscription _____.
- 4 I must pay the staff by the end of the month.
The staff _____.
- 5 They print books on recycled paper these days.
Books _____.
- 6 Many people say that the average temperature on Earth is rising.
The average temperature on Earth _____.

6) Change the direct speech into REPORTED SPEECH.

- 1 'I'm going to finish the weekly report now,' Jack said. _____
- 2 'Your backpack is here on the table,' Dad told me. _____
- 3 'The manager left an hour ago,' the secretary said. _____
- 4 'Can you work late tonight?' she asked. _____
- 5 'Was the hike in the mountains very tiring?' Ann asked. _____
- 6 'Why did you take the job?' Mike asked. _____

7) Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 If my manager _____ (give) me a pay rise, I'll be really happy.
- 2 If you had left earlier, you _____ (not be) late for the meeting.
- 3 Provided that you enjoy yourself, _____ (you / go) on another cruise?
- 4 I _____ (have) time to relax if I went on a long holiday.
- 5 I would work harder if I _____ (be) you!
- 6 We _____ (walk) through the jungle if it hadn't rained.

8) Choose the correct words.

- 1 I wish the baby **had stopped** / **would stop** crying. I can't hear what the tour guide is saying.
- 2 If only Paul **tried** / **had tried** harder, he might have finished the report on time.
- 3 I wish I **knew** / **had known** what to say to the manager. I have no idea.
- 4 I wish I **didn't forget** / **hadn't forgotten** my laptop. I would have checked my emails.
- 5 If only you **kept** / **had kept** the receipt, you could have got a refund.
- 6 Joanne wishes she **lived** / **had lived** closer to work so she could walk instead of drive.

9) Combine the sentences using these **RELATIVE PRONOUNS**. You may use some of them more than once.

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- 1 The man lives in Paris. He designed this dress.

- 2 The clothes shop isn't very big. I buy all my son's clothes there.

- 3 The woman's boutique was broken into. She called the police.

- 4 These shoes aren't very comfortable. They cost a lot of money.

- 5 The day was cold and rainy. I bought this coat.

- 6 The prices in the catalogue include delivery. They are not very high.

10) Match the words in bold in the sentences 1-8 with their meanings a-h.

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| 1 There is a very interesting article in today's paper. | ☐ | a) lack of food |
| 2 The country suffered from a three-year famine . | ☐ | b) newspaper writer |
| 3 My uncle is a well-known columnist . | ☐ | c) shop which sells newspapers, magazines etc |
| 4 I didn't know that the eye of a hurricane is very calm. | ☐ | d) period of time when there is no rain |
| 5 Surprisingly, there was only one casualty of the flood. | ☐ | e) violent storm with very strong winds |
| 6 Many animals died because of the drought . | ☐ | f) piece of writing about a particular subject |
| 7 I stopped at the newsagent's on my way home. | ☐ | g) centre |
| 8 The hurricane left the area in ruins. | ☐ | |

11) Complete the sentences with **enough, so, such or too**. You will have to use some words more than once.

- 1 The earthquake was _____ strong that it caused a lot of damage.
- 2 It was _____ dangerous for the rescue team to continue the search.
- 3 It was _____ big a forest fire that we had to evacuate our homes.
- 4 There were _____ high temperatures that we had to stay indoors.
- 5 It was _____ an interesting article that I read it twice.
- 6 Do I have _____ time to make a coffee before the news?

12) For questions 1 – 10, complete the second sentence so that it has a **similar meaning** to the first sentence. Do not change the word given. You must use **between two and five words**, including **the word given**.

- 1 Mr Baker trained the new employee. **TRAINED**
The new employee _____ Mr Baker.
- 2 'I'll buy you lunch to celebrate your promotion,' said Celia. **OFFERED**
Celia _____ lunch to celebrate my promotion.
- 3 Hairdressers styled the models' hair for the fashion show. **HAD**
The models _____ by hairdressers for the fashion show.
- 4 If you don't go on the cruise, I won't go either. **UNLESS**
I won't go on the cruise _____ too.
- 5 The thief forced the customers to give him their money. **MADE**
The thief _____ him their money.
- 6 I find it really annoying that Mario smokes indoors. **STOP**
I wish Mario _____ indoors.