



CBRE- Intermediate Level

Test 4

1- Complete the sentences with the correct form of *can*, *could*, or *be able to*.

Example: We were so hungry we couldn't wait for dinner, so we ordered pizza.

- 1 I _____ swim when I was five. My dad taught me.
- 2 We're very sorry but we _____ attend the wedding. We'll be on holiday.
- 3 Would you like _____ play a musical instrument?
- 4 He opened his present before his birthday because he _____ wait!
- 5 After living here for four months, I _____ understand a lot of Greek now.
- 6 _____ you lend me a pen, please? I've forgotten mine.
- 7 I've never _____ sing well, but my brother has a beautiful voice.
- 8 I _____ read this menu without my glasses. Can you read it to me, please?
- 9 We're free tonight, so we'll _____ come and help you if you like.
- 10 My sister _____ ride a horse since she was four!

2- Choose from the pairs of adjectives to complete the sentences.

Embarrassed/embarrassing - bored/boring- frightened/frightening-

Tired/tiring- depressed/depressing

Example: The match was really boring. There weren't any goals.

- 1 It was so _____ when my mobile rang during the play.
- 2 That's possibly the most _____ film I've ever seen. Nothing happened.
- 3 I was very _____ when the door suddenly opened on its own.
- 4 It rained every day on my holiday. I couldn't do anything and was so _____.
- 5 Why is travelling so _____ when most of the time you're just sitting down?
- 6 I find most horror films too _____ so I keep my eyes closed half the time.
- 7 I'm not surprised Ian's _____! He's just lost his job, and his dog's just died.
- 8 She was so _____ when she called him by the wrong name!
- 9 We're incredibly _____. We've spent all day sightseeing in London.
- 10 I find it _____ that most people don't really care about climate change.

3- Complete the sentences. Use the correct form of the verb in brackets.

Example: He was watching (watch) a film on TV when I arrived.

- 1 Jim and I _____ (study) at Bath University when we _____ (meet).
- 2 You're lucky I'm still at home. I _____ (get) ready to go out when you phoned.
- 3 Usain Bolt _____ (win) the 100m in record time.
- 4 I _____ (already / finish) cooking when Gill offered to help.
- 5 As soon as I arrived, we _____ (order) our food.
- 6 Chelsea _____ (win) 2-0 at half time, but they lost the match 3-2.
- 7 They were tired when they arrived. They _____ (not sleep) for 24 hours.
- 8 He _____ (just / score) before the referee blew the final whistle.
- 9 I _____ (think) about her at 9.00 and then she _____ (ring) me!
- 10 Last week my boss _____ (say) he would give me a pay rise.

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4- Complete the sentences with *used to* / *didn't use to* / *Did ... use to*, or the present simple + *usually*.

Example: I used to behave (behave) badly at school, but now I study hard.

- 1 You never _____ (watch) sport. Why do you do it now?
- 2 I _____ (be) an architect, but then I trained to be a graphic designer.
- 3 She _____ (go) shopping on Wednesdays because it's market day.
- 4 _____ (you / work) in the Oxford Street office before you came here?
- 5 When we were young, we often _____ (play) football in the park.
- 6 I _____ (not / like) Jane much, but now we get on really well.
- 7 Tommaso _____ (eat) here on Fridays, so we might see him.
- 8 She _____ (not / be) so quiet. She must be tired today.

5- Complete the sentences with a verb.

Example: My team won easily this morning, 5-0.

- 1 We managed to get a goal in the last minute, so we _____ 2-2.
- 2 Djokovic _____ Murray and won the final.
- 3 They _____ injured playing rugby at school.
- 4 I play tennis, and I also _____ t'ai-chi.
- 5 In basketball you _____ by getting the ball through the hoop.
- 6 We _____ very hard the week before a big match.

6- Underline the correct word(s).

Example: We became / got married in 1998.

- 1 I can't believe Jake and Suzy have broken over / *up*. They seemed so happy.
- 2 You must meet Paolo. He's a really *close* / *personal* friend of mine.
- 3 They *met* / *knew* their new teacher for the first time this morning.
- 4 We were trying to *keep in touch* / *get in touch* with Juan all morning.
- 5 Mary and Roberto *are* / *have* a lot in common, so they get on really well.
- 6 You'll like Tim when you *get to know* / *fall out with* him.
- 7 My best *friend* / *flatmate* is coming round for a meal tonight.
- 8 I *lost* / *kept in touch* with Rafa ages ago, but then found him on Facebook.

7- READING: Read the article and tick (✓) A, B, or C.

We met thanks to sport

Marjorie

Many years ago I used to play tennis with a man called Roger. He usually beat me but I remember how kind he was. We lost touch when I got married and I thought I'd never see him again. That was 30 years ago. When I retired last year, I needed a new activity, especially as I had also recently got divorced, so I took up golf. One day I was going around the course alone, when I saw a man, also playing on his own. When he turned round, I realized it was my old friend! We couldn't believe it! After that we started playing regularly. Yesterday, Roger proposed in the middle of the golf course – he'd put a ring inside a golf ball! I couldn't believe it when I saw the ring, but I said 'yes'!

Paul

I was looking for a flatmate a few months ago because I had just split up with my partner and she had moved out. To forget her, I started working out at the gym after work. I slowly got to know Steve who was often there at the same time, although we didn't become friends until we were both warming up one day, and he said he was looking for somewhere to live as his girlfriend had just dumped him. I told him that I had a room in my flat and that I was looking for a flatmate. He moved in two days later. We've become good mates and we both agree that we're much easier to live with than our ex-girlfriends!

Liz

I had recently moved to Oxford from Bristol when I decided to run the London Marathon. I didn't want to train alone so I advertised for a running partner at my local gym, and Harriet got in touch. We met for coffee and got on really well. It was amazing how many things we had in common, for example she had recently moved to Oxford, too. While we were getting fit we also became close friends.

Unfortunately I got injured three weeks before the race and couldn't take part. I was sad about the race, but am delighted about my new friendship. And we're already thinking about next year ...

Example: Marjorie played tennis with Roger when she was younger.

A True ☒ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐

- 1 Marjorie didn't see Roger for 30 years after she got married.

- A True c B False c C Doesn't say c
- 2 Marjorie and Roger were playing golf with friends when they met again.
A True c B False c C Doesn't say c
- 3 Marjorie and Roger are engaged now.
A True c B False c C Doesn't say c
- 4 Paul moved out of his flat after he broke up with his girlfriend.
A True c B False c C Doesn't say c
- 5 Steve and Paul have become good friends.
A True c B False c C Doesn't say c
- 6 Liz decided to run the London Marathon before she moved to Oxford.
A True c B False c C Doesn't say c
- 7 She found someone to train with by putting an advertisement in the gym.
A True c B False c C Doesn't say c
- 8 Harriet was the first person who made contact with Liz.
A True c B False c C Doesn't say c
- 9 Harriet and Liz found they share a lot of interests.
A True c B False c C Doesn't say c
- 10 Liz hurt her leg so she couldn't run in the marathon.
A True c B False c C Doesn't say c

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Write M for Marjorie, P for Paul or L for Liz.

Example: I broke up with my partner. P

- 1 I used to lose my tennis matches. _____
- 2 I share a flat with Steve. _____
- 3 I didn't like running on my own. _____
- 4 I was proposed to in a very unusual way. _____
- 5 I got to know my friend very well while we were training together. _____

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7- WRITING

Write about a childhood friendship (140–180 words). Answer the questions.

- When did you meet? How?
- How did you get on? What was special about the friendship?
- Did you ever fall out?
- How often did you usually talk / meet?
- What did you use to do together?
- Are you still friends?