

USE OF ENGLISH UNIT 1

Grammar & Vocabulary

Read the text below and circle the answer (A, B or C) which best fits each gap.

Going tubing!

Last weekend I went tubing for the first time. It was the most (1) experience of my life. Our trip began early in the morning. It was (2) exciting! The trip organisers (3) us up from our youth hostel at 6 am. Once at the tubing centre, they gave us a lifejacket and a helmet. Then we each got into a big rubber ring or tube in the river. It was summer, but the water was cold. (4) winter, it must be freezing!

Tubing is far (5) than surfing or sailing because you can't really control the tube. Basically, you float on the water on the tube and you can only go one (6) – and that's downriver! After about an hour, the water suddenly got incredibly fast. I was (7) !

Tubing looks dangerous but it is a lot of fun and, anyway, you have to (8) risks in life. If you want to try it, there are lots of trips you can book online. If I were you, I (9) with a big group of friends. We had such a lot of fun together. River tubing definitely (10) to all my expectations!



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| 1 A amazing | B astonish | C embarrassed |
| 2 A so | B such | C too |
| 3 A cleared | B made | C picked |
| 4 A at | B in | C on |
| 5 A harder | B hardest | C hard |
| 6 A journey | B travel | C way |
| 7 A terrify | B terrifying | C terrified |
| 8 A do | B make | C take |
| 9 A had gone | B would go | C will go |
| 10 A got away | B lived up | C dropped out |

Vocabulary

1 Complete the sentences by writing one word in each gap.

- 1 Don't worry. Ben will be here. He always his promises.
- 2 She leaves home too late in the mornings. She should more of an effort to get to school on time.
- 3 I'm staying at home this morning. It's my turn to the cleaning.
- 4 I need a tent for the school trip. Do you know where I can hold of one?
- 5 I asked Sara if I could a go in her kayak. It was great!
- 6 My dad enjoys the shopping on Saturday morning.
- 7 Although Henry didn't a good impression in the job interview, we liked him when we chatted to him afterwards.
- 8 My neighbours so much noise when they watch football on TV.

Word Formation

For each question, fill the space in the sentence using the base word given in bold at the end. The required word may be a noun, adverb, adjective or verb and it may be either positive (e.g. helpful) or negative (e.g. unhelpful).

1. This queue hasn't moved in five minutes. I'm getting a bit [] !
patient

2. Politicians should spend some time living on the streets like [] people have to and then they would understand better the problems they have.
home

3. Carl was calmly taking a photograph as this [] large bear walked towards the car. It was a terrifying experience...at least for me!
astonish

4. If you go walking around the factory, ensure you have [] clothing on.
protect

5. Are you sure you have cleaned the kitchen? There is still a pretty [] smell coming from it.
pleasant

6. Although it isn't definite we will see you tomorrow, it is quite [].
like

Key Transformation

COMPLETE THE SECOND SENTENCE SO THAT IT MEANS THE SAME AS THE FIRST ONE. USE THE WORD IN () AND BETWEEN 2-5 WORDS. DO NOT CHANGE THE WORD IN ().

1. Marcus started learning French two years ago. (learning)

Marcus _____ two years.

2. The last time I saw John was in 2019. (not)

I _____ John since 2019.

3. We started taking swimming classes six months ago. (been)

We _____ classes for six months.

4. My father passed away ten years ago. (since)

It _____ my father passed away.

5. It has been ten years since I moved to Tokyo. (living)

I _____ in Tokyo for ten years.