

Unit 4- Gold First

Use CAPITAL LETTERS
to write your answers

Vocabulary

1 Choose the answer (A, B, C or D) that best completes each sentence.

- 1 I couldn't get my ____ around what had happened. It was so unexpected.
A heart B head C mind D face
- 2 He couldn't ____ opening the envelope which contained his exam results. He was too scared.
A see B look C eye D face
- 3 One of my students gave a really ____ excuse for not doing her homework.
A surprise B amazed C used D far-fetched
- 4 My father and I don't always ____ eye to eye on topics like the environment.
A see B catch C put D come
- 5 I was going to do a parachute jump, but I got cold ____ at the last minute and didn't do it.
A face B head C eye D feet
- 6 I think I put my ____ in it when I mentioned my new job.
A face B eye C foot D hand
- 7 One ____ of taking this medicine is that it can make you feel very sleepy.
A recovery B everyday C develop D side effect

2 Read the text. Use the word given in capitals at the end of some of the lines to form a word that fits in the gap in the same line.

The two teenagers were 1 _____
to get started on their camping trip, but they were also a little 2 ____ about it
because they'd never been camping alone. This was because their parents
thought it would 3 _____ their lives.
However, the two boys had never really been 4 ____ so finally, after a lot of
discussion, their parents agreed they were 5 ____ to do anything stupid.

PATIENT
SURE

DANGER
RESPONSIBLE
LIKE

When the boys arrived, they tried to put up their tent, but they were 6 _____
the first time. The second time they managed to do it. They were really hot by the time
they finished so they dived into the river, which was 7 _____

SUCCESS

CREDIBLE

cold, much to their surprise. After eating their dinner they went to bed, but they found it 8 _____ to sleep because they were so excited.

POSSIBLE

Grammar

3 Complete the text with *the*, *alan* or *'-'* for zero article.

Modern exploration of the South Pole began in 1902 when Captain Scott led 1 _____ British National Antarctic Expedition, accompanied by Ernest Shackleton and Dr Edward Wilson. Using 2 _____ teams of dogs and sledges they aimed to be 3 _____ first people to reach the Pole. Unfortunately, ill health and lack of supplies meant they failed. 4 _____ few years later, Shackleton led his own expedition and, although he set a record for reaching 5 _____ farthest point south, he had to turn back 97 miles before the Pole to save 6 _____ lives of his men. In 1911 Roald Amundsen, a Norwegian, set out with 7 _____ extremely well organised team who were trained in skiing and dog-driving. As a result, they not only reached the Pole, but returned 10 days early – something which had never happened before. At the same time, Scott was also trying to get to the Pole again. This time he succeeded, but only to find that 8 _____ Norwegian Flag had been placed there a month earlier by Roald Amundsen.

4 Put the verbs in brackets in the most appropriate past form.

My trip through Africa in 2008 has so far been the highlight of my life. I 1 _____ (plan) that trip ever since I 2 _____ (see) a TV programme when I was about four years old. The vast plains, deserts, jungles and mountains teeming with wildlife immediately 3 _____ (capture) my imagination. So one day, while I 4 _____ (listen) to the radio, I heard about the chance to do exactly that and, finally, in 2008, my dream 5 _____ (come) true. I 6 _____ (head) across the Sahara through the most inhospitable, yet extremely beautiful, landscapes, meeting the most hospitable people in the world. I 7 _____ (always want) to visit Timbuktu and, after several scary adventures, I finally made it.