

Complete FCE. Revision units 1 to 9. Rephrasing and cloze test C.

Cloze test.

The world's first cities.

Archaeological research (9) _____ shown that the Sumerians established the world's first cities in Mesopotamia, the region between the Tigris and Euphrates Rivers in the Middle East.

They learnt to control the flooding of the two rivers and (10) _____ able to grow crops such as barley, wheat and sesame, and (11) _____ different kinds of fruit and vegetables. As a result, they had a constant food supply. Thus, people could settle (12) _____ in one place and, eventually, settlements that (13) _____ been little villages grew into self-governing city-states.

At the centre of each city-state (14) _____ a religious temple surrounded (15) _____ law courts and public buildings. The homes of the most important people, such (16) _____ priests and merchants, were closest to the centre; then came the homes of government officials, shopkeepers, and craftsmen, and, finally, the homes of the lower classes - farmers, unskilled workers, and fishermen.

Transformations.

- When I was little, I would go to the park every Sunday. **USED**
When I was little, _____ the park every Sunday.
- My grandfather used to walk to school every day when he was young. **WOULD**
My grandfather _____ to school every day when he was young.
- I moved here in 2008. **SINCE**
I _____ 2008.
- Appearing in public is natural to him. **IS**
He _____ in public.
- The old man removed his hat and entered the house. **OFF**
The old man _____ and entered his house.
- Do you have a good relationship with your partners at school? **GET**
Do you _____ with your partners at school?
- Johnny has abandoned his tennis classes. **GIVEN**
Johnny _____ his tennis classes.

8. Muriel hasn't accepted the job offer. **DOWN**

Muriel _____ the job offer.

9. TVs don't cost as much as they used to. **FAR**

TVs cost _____ they used to.

10. Chocolate is fattening but cheese is fattening, too. **JUST**

Cheese _____ chocolate.

11. Her canary sings better than mine. **SINGER**

Her canary _____ than mine.

12. The gazelle is the fastest animal in the world. **THAN**

No animal runs _____ the gazelle.

13. As students get closer to their exams, they become more nervous. **MORE**

The closer the students get to their exams, _____ become.

14. The tickets sold out within days because the concert was so well publicized. **SUCH**

It was _____ that the tickets sold out within days.

15. The weather is too bad for camping. **ENOUGH**

The weather isn't _____ for camping.