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UNIT 2



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INTERMEDIATE LEVEL (B1+)

1 Read the sentences and choose whether the underlined words refer to a, b or c.

1 My daughters' favourite animals at the zoo were the tigers. At lunchtime we watched the zoo staff feed them.

- a daughters
- b animals
- c tigers

3 When I told them I had lots of offers from the universities I visited last month, my parents were really proud of me.

- a offers
- b universities
- c parents

2 Thelma and James both work in sales and have been at the same company for a year. They say it's a great place to work.

- a sales
- b company
- c year

4 To celebrate getting his new job, Julio first went to a restaurant for lunch with friends. Then he went to a show in the evening with his wife. They both really enjoyed it.

- a job
- b restaurant
- c show

2 Choose the correct option a–c to complete the sentences.

1 I'm really terrified of snakes. _____, I've never been close to one in real life.

- a Remarkably
- b Luckily
- c Unfortunately

4 _____ for our neighbours, they weren't at home when a lorry crashed through their garden wall yesterday.

- a Fortunately
- b Curiously
- c Interestingly

2 Some languages are very difficult to learn, but, _____, there are several people who can speak over twelve of them!

- a amazingly
- b personally
- c unfortunately

5 It's true that not everybody has a good voice. _____, I am a terrible singer!

- a Personally
- b Surprisingly
- c Naturally

3 Omar really wanted to travel to Australia this summer but _____ he has just lost his job so can't afford to go.

- a naturally
- b remarkably
- c sadly

6 _____, cats can apparently jump up to six times their own length!

- a Sadly
- b Fortunately
- c Amazingly

3 PAST TENSES. Choose the correct option.

A few years ago I spent a holiday in Indonesia, and while I was there I ¹ **took / was taking** a boat trip to a remote island. I have always been interested in birds and ² **was being told / had been told** that there was some great bird-watching on the islands. As soon as we reached our destination, everyone ³ **went / had gone** in different directions to explore. I was so keen to do the same that I ⁴ **hadn't listened / wasn't listening** when the guide told us what time to return to the boat. I ⁵ **set off / had set off** towards a beach I could see in the distance, where I ⁶ **had hoped / hoped** to find some interesting birds. After spending some time looking at some fabulous wildlife through my binoculars, and after I ⁷ **had taken / was taking** several photographs, I suddenly ⁸ **had realized / realized** that I had no idea what the time was, or when we were meant to be back at the boat. I quickly gathered my things and ⁹ **raced / was racing** back when I saw the boat disappearing into the distance. Luckily, one of the other passengers ¹⁰ **was noticing / had noticed** that I was missing and the boat soon turned around to pick me up. Much as I loved the island, I didn't really want to spend the night there alone!

4 Choose the correct option a–c to complete the sentences.

- I love listening to music _____ I'm in the bath. It's my favourite way of relaxing!
a by the time
b during
c while
- _____ their new model of smart phone came out, there were people queueing up to buy one.
a As soon as
b Until
c Meanwhile
- In most countries around the world, people aren't able to vote _____ they are eighteen years old.
a while
b until
c during
- Last night, Johanna was busy working in the library. _____, all her friends were out having a good time.
a By the time
b During
c Meanwhile

5 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs from the box.

admit announce claim inform interview invent
keep quiet mention report tell

- All the main political parties _____ that they could improve the country.
- Some people _____ unlikely stories just to get attention.
- The local newspaper is going to _____ the winners of the competition on the front page.
- Did you see last night's programme when they _____ the president about the recent crisis?
- No one was available to _____ us exactly what had happened during the discussions.
- Has anyone _____ the police of the accident yet?
- Some websites have recently _____ that scientists think a cure may soon be found.
- A journalist accidentally _____ the name of the person who had passed on the secret information.
- It's unusual for politicians to _____ it when they have made mistakes.
- Although the company at first _____ about their financial problems, some journalists soon found out.

6 Choose the correct option a–c to complete the sentences.

1 I like most forms of entertainment but I often _____ why people like films that scare them. It seems so strange!

- a wonder
- b expect
- c remember

2 His friends regularly _____ him of the day he lost his keys and all his money. He would have preferred to forget it had ever happened!

- a believed
- b realized
- c reminded

3 They'd been there once but didn't think they'd _____ the house again, especially in the dark.

- a whisper
- b recognize
- c appear

4 It's a fascinating book, but very few people _____ that all the events actually happened.

- a will appear
- b will believe
- c will disappear