NAME CLASS

12 Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation A

GRAMMAR

1 Put the words in the correct order to make questions.

Example: book wrote who this
Who wrote this book?

1 2011 which actor Oscar an in British won ?
_____

2 are exam how the students many taking ?
_____

3 house in who that lives ?
_____

4 World Cup which hosted last country the ?
_____

5 buses how go town many to centre the ?
_____

6 happened what last Bill to night ?
_____

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2 Complete the email. Use the verb in brackets in the past simple or past perfect.

Hi Leon

Did you have (you / have) a good New Year's Eve? Jenny and I [1]_____ (go) to Edinburgh. We [2]_____ (not be) there before. When we [3]_____ (arrive) everything was white because it [4]_____ (snow) earlier in the day. It [5]_____ (take) three hours to find somewhere to stay, because we [6]_____ (not book) a hotel. We [7]_____ (spend) New Year's Eve with some of Jenny's friends. She [8]_____ (not see) them for a long time so they had a lot to talk about!

Happy New Year!

Mike

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3 Write the sentences in reported speech.

Example: 'I love you.' He told me that *he loved me*.

1 'I'm going to wash the car.'
She said that _____.

2 'We've finished our homework.'
They told her that _____.

3 'The train will be late.'
He said that _____.

4 'My sister can speak French.'
She told him that _____.

5 'Mark didn't phone me.'
He said that _____.

6 'We're moving to Wales.'
She told me that _____.

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Grammar total 20

VOCABULARY

4 Complete the sentences with the correct form of *say* or *tell*.

Example: Louise *told* us that she was going to get married.

1 What will you _____ when you see him?

2 'It's hot!' _____ Angela.

3 Can you _____ me what time the next train leaves?

4 Mel _____ her friends that she was looking for a new job.

5 I see Jaume every day and he always _____ hello to me.

6 Tessa _____ she was selling her car.

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LIVEWORKSHEETS

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5 Choose the correct word(s) to complete the sentences.

Example: The prisoners were **freed** / **belonged** / **went** from prison.

1 Does this bag **leave** / **belong** / **be** to you?
2 I often **go** / **get on** / **have** a swim before breakfast.
3 Who are you going to **leave** / **realize** / **be** your dog with when you go on holiday?
4 It's time to **be** / **get out** / **put** of the swimming pool now.
5 Will you **put** / **go** / **free** those bags on the trolley?
6 I didn't **get into** / **realize** / **have** that there was someone in the pool.
7 We have to get **up** / **out of** / **off** the bus opposite the museum.

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6 Complete the sentences with the past participle of the verb in brackets.

Example: Tom said he'd *been* (be) asleep for hours.

1 There were no sandwiches. We had _____ (eat) them all.
2 She was angry because I'd _____ (break) her favourite cup.
3 They said the bull had _____ (attack) two people.
4 She wore a necklace that her mother had _____ (give) her.
5 He'd _____ (send) three letters to the police, but had not received a reply.
6 The museum said that the thieves had _____ (steal) three paintings.
7 Lucian said that he'd _____ (buy) a new laptop.

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Vocabulary total 20

PRONUNCIATION

7 Underline the word which has a different sound.

Example: g**o**ssip s**o**rry b**o**ttle g**o**ing

1 **o**ffer s**o**rry r**o**bber **o**ld
2 **u**niform h**u**rry r**u**bbish s**u**mmer
3 m**i**ss wr**i**te b**i**tten d**i**fferent
4 h**a**ppy m**a**rried foot**a**ll b**a**ggage
5 l**e**tter m**e**ssage umbr**e**lla bitt**e**n

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8 Underline the stressed syllable.

Example: *lu*|ggage

1 a|ddress
2 go|ssip
3 su|ggest
4 bu|tter|fly
5 um|bre|lla

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Pronunciation total 10

Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation total 50

LIVEWORKSHEETS

12 Reading and Writing A

READING

1 Read the article and tick (✓) A, B, or C.

Is gossip *really* good for you?

That's the question we asked some of our readers this week. Email us and tell us what you think.

Lesley Hartley, age 25

'There's a boy in my class at university who I really like. He's called Tony. I was too scared to ask him out. I told my best friend Alice this secret. She said she wouldn't tell anyone. Alice couldn't keep the secret, though, and she gossiped to her other friends. Of course, her friends told Tony! Fortunately for me, the gossip was actually a good thing. Tony waited for me after class one day. He told me that Alice's friends had gossiped about me. And then he invited me to go out to the cinema one night. We've been together since then! I think people are probably programmed to gossip. We need to gossip to build connections with other people.'

James Goodman, age 35

'Unfortunately, I think gossiping is in our genes. And I don't think it's a positive thing. People gossip to make themselves feel more important. They don't think about the effect it has on the people they gossip about. For example, one of my neighbours gossiped about me after I divorced my wife. She said that I had treated my wife badly. Another neighbour told my work colleagues that my wife was going to move to Germany with the children. These are both lies. I've found it difficult to meet someone else because people believe the gossip, not me.'

Eric French, age 28

'We shouldn't feel guilty about a bit of gossip. I believe that gossiping is good for you. We are people, and people enjoy sharing news – both good and bad – so that they can form and improve their social relationships. I'll give you an example ... I'm quite shy and I don't make friends easily. My girlfriend told me that I didn't go out enough, and that I should have a better social life. She complained about this to her best friend, Susan. Then, one night, I got a phone call from Danny, Susan's boyfriend. He asked me to go out with him to see a band. I had a brilliant night. Since then, Danny and I have seen a band every week. He's a good friend now and I feel much happier.'

Example: Lesley told her best friend _____.
A a lie ☐ B a secret ☑
C some gossip ☐

1 Lesley started _____ Tony after Alice gossiped to her friends.
A going to the cinema with ☐
B going to class with ☐ C going out with ☐

2 Tony waited for Lesley _____ one day.
A after class ☐ B after work ☐
C after the cinema ☐

3 James thinks people gossip because they want to _____.
A feel more positive ☐
B look more important ☐
C feel more important ☐

4 James's neighbours told _____ about him.
A funny stories ☐ B lies ☐ C secrets ☐

5 Eric thinks that gossip improves _____ relationships.
A old ☐ B social ☐ C working ☐

6 Eric has _____ because his girlfriend gossiped.
A made a new friend ☐
B made a big mistake ☐
C met a new neighbour ☐

☐ 6

2 Write ***L*** for Lesley, ***J*** for James, or ***E*** for Eric.

Example: I liked a boy in my class. *L*

1 I went to see a band. _____
2 I think people are programmed to gossip. _____
3 I've found it hard to meet a new partner. _____
4 I don't make friends easily. _____
5 I'm divorced. _____
6 I was too frightened to ask someone out. _____
7 I think gossiping is a negative thing. _____
8 I went to the cinema. _____
9 I think people enjoy sharing gossip. _____

☐ 9

Reading total ☐ 15

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WRITING

Describe a place you visited abroad. Answer the question. (100–150 words)

- Where did you go?
- Why did you decide to go there?
- What did you do there?
- Who did you go with?
- Did anything strange or unusual happen? What?

Writing total	10

Reading and Writing total	25

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12 Listening and Speaking A

LISTENING

1 Listen to the conversation. Underline the correct words(s).

1 A postman married his cat because it was going to **die** / **run away**.
2 The postman paid **a waitress** / **an actress** to marry them.
3 An English postman was taking letters out of a **postbox** / **van** when a snake bit him.
4 He **went to hospital** / **sucked the poison out**, then he went back to work.
5 In Sierra Leone, **five** / **four** hundred snakes made their home in a police station.

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2 Listen to five conversations. Match the conversations with the topics (A–G). There are two answers you don't need.

Conversation 1 ☐
Conversation 2 ☐
Conversation 3 ☐
Conversation 4 ☐
Conversation 5 ☐

A discovering the world is round
B a picture in a newspaper
C a film that was adapted from a novel
D a song about a painting
E a painting by Van Gogh
F a film review in a newspaper
G a song by the Beatles

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Listening total 10

SPEAKING

1 Ask your partner these questions.

1 Do you think gossiping is good or bad? Why?
2 Do you enjoy sharing news about other people?
3 Do you think some people feel bad after gossiping?
4 Have you ever gossiped about anyone?
5 Have you ever heard any gossip about you?

Now answer your partner's questions.

2 Read the information about Simon and answer your partner's questions.

Simon – thinks gossiping is bad
Reason: shouldn't share news about people – it's private
Example: lost my job – colleagues gossiped (told lies) – can't get a new job
Feels: unhappy – can't find another job

3 Now make questions and ask your partner about Victoria.

- think / gossiping / good or bad?
- why / think so?
- give / example?
- how / feel now?

Speaking total 15

Listening and Speaking total 25

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