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UNIT 9



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UPPER - INTERMEDIATE LEVEL (B2)

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

- 1 Jun found his new job tough at first, but he's ____ getting used to it.
a greatly
b gradually
c gently
- 2 Even though ready meals are convenient, I prefer not to eat them. They're full of ____ flavours.
a artificial
b absolute
c appropriate
- 3 There's nothing I like more than lying on the sofa with a blanket, watching a film. It's very ____, especially in winter!
a casual
b cosy
c close
- 4 Sylvie's grades at university have improved ____ since she started following a revision programme.
a currently
b confidently
c considerably
- 5 Let's go for this model of television. It's only ____ more expensive than the other one and it's much better.
a slightly
b strongly
c simply
- 6 Travelling through Lapland in a horse-drawn carriage was certainly a ____ experience – just like something from a children's story!
a mental
b massive
c magical
- 7 ____, we'd planned to paint the walls blue, but then my husband changed his mind.
a Often
b Originally
c Occasionally
- 8 When Hannah said she'd already eaten, Dirk ____ assumed she didn't want a dinner.
a alternatively
b anxiously
c automatically

2 Choose the correct option to complete the sentences.

- 1 I **get used to doing / am used to doing / used to do** exercise for an hour a day at the moment.
- 2 When I was a university student I **would study / used to studying / am getting used to studying** in the library where it was nice and warm.
- 3 It's best not to take the motorway as it **would be busy / used to be busy / is usually busy** at this time.
- 4 Living alone is a new experience for me, but I **used / I'm getting used / I use** to it.
- 5 We **used to love / would love / are used to loving** having a day out at the seaside when we were younger.
- 6 I'm afraid Grandma's not as fit and healthy as she **was used to / used to be / would be**.
- 7 My parents **were used to sitting / would sit / got used to sitting** with us at bedtime when we were little.
- 8 Maria **was used to having / gets used to having / would have** her own way, so it was a nasty shock to her when she didn't.

3 Read the dialogue between two politicians who are planning a meeting with a foreign minister. Put the words in the right order to complete the dialogue.

Kostas So, Mr Yakamoto will be with us around 11 o'clock. He's coming straight from the airport.

Irina That's the plan, but I'd ¹ _____ say / like / something / if / to I may.

Kostas Sure, go ahead.

Irina He's bound to be tired after such a long flight so I think he'd appreciate it if he could go to his hotel for a rest first.

Kostas Good point. Yes, let's make the meeting a little later. How about half past two? And that ...

Irina If I could ² _____ for / second / just / a / interrupt. Don't forget that we have another meeting at 4. And it's an important one too.

Kostas Well, I don't think the meeting with Mr Yakamoto is likely to go past our scheduled finish time. I'm sure he's got a lot to do. Anyway, I've drawn up an agenda for our meeting. Have you had a look at it?

Irina I'd ³ _____ to / that / comment / like / on, actually. There's something I'd like to add to it. I think we should spend some time discussing plans for increased trade with Japan. It would certainly ...

Kostas ⁴ _____ me / interrupting / excuse / for, but that's already there under the second item on the agenda – business relations.

Irina Oh, yes. Apologies, I missed that completely. But ⁵ _____ say / I / can / here / something?

Kostas Yes, of course ...

4 Match 1–5 to a–f to make complete sentences. There is one letter that you don't need.

1 I prefer to get up at the crack of dawn _____

2 I often have a nap in the afternoon _____

3 I usually sleep soundly all night _____

4 I'm a light sleeper, _____

5 I sometimes have trouble falling asleep, _____

a if I feel a bit sleepy.

b so I was actually fast asleep.

c and do some exercise before going to work.

d which means that I often wake up several times.

e and feel refreshed the next day.

f but I find that reading helps me.

5 Complete the sentences with a word from the box. There are two extra words that you don't need.

accidental

cease

contrast

deliberate

match

praise

presence

1 I don't think you should wear those yellow shoes with that orange shirt. Those two colours don't really _____.

2 The company has decided to _____ trading in Europe completely.

3 I didn't mean to call you. It was entirely _____ – I hit the redial button by mistake!

4 There was a heavy police _____ outside the court on the first day of the trial.

5 Only one journalist's article was full of _____ for the government's handling of the problem.

6 Complete the text with words/phrases from the box. There are two words/phrases that you don't need.

such a he in doing so its such then there

Astronaut Buzz Aldrin is best known for being the second person to walk on the moon. On 20 July 1969, ¹ _____ followed Apollo II mission commander Neil Armstrong, who had taken the first step on ² _____ surface. In March 1972 Aldrin retired from active service with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA). He later admitted in his 1973 autobiography that he had had a lot of personal problems following his years ³ _____. He then turned to studying advancements in space technology, and ⁴ _____ designed a spacecraft system for missions to Mars known as the 'Aldrin Mars Cyclor'. Aldrin also founded ShareSpace Foundation, an organization which focuses on advancing space education, exploration and affordable flight experiences; ⁵ _____ flights have become increasingly popular in recent years.

7 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the word in brackets.

- 1 My _____ fitness programme involves running in the park and two visits to the gym. (week)
- 2 The cost of public transport has risen _____ in the last decade. (drama)
- 3 The teacher thought it was a _____-written poem which was full of emotion. (beauty)
- 4 This smells like a _____ painted room; don't you agree? (fresh)
- 5 I have to be _____ with you. I think you're completely in the wrong. (honesty)
- 6 I advise you to be very _____ what you say to her. She's not to be trusted! (care)
- 7 _____, very little got damaged during the fire. (remarkable)
- 8 It's not very _____ that you'll find a shop open at this time of night. (like)
- 9 Everyone was more than _____ to help with the clearing up after the party. (happiness)
- 10 Hari has just built a new house _____ – it's about five minutes from here. (near)