Unit test 2

1 Decide if the verb form should be present perfect simple (S), present perfect continuous (C) or if both are possible (B).

1 I still can't believe that I __B__ (work) as a teacher for over twenty years. It really doesn't feel that long.
2 Josh always leaves things until the last minute and _____ (be) up all night revising for his final economics exam.
3 Lisa and Mandy _____ (raise) money for the Royal National Lifeboat Association for over ten years now. It's their charity of choice.
4 So, how long _____ (live) in France and why did you decide to move halfway around the world to live there?
5 I _____ (feel) rather restless recently. I think I need to take a break and go travelling for a while.
6 Do you happen to know if Doug _____ (start) his new job yet or not? I can't remember when he said his first day was.

2 Complete the sentences with the correct present perfect simple or present perfect continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

1 Since we opened the gallery yesterday, we *have sold* (sell) over £2,000 worth of paintings – it's incredible!
2 Ding-Lun _____ always _____ (love) drawing, so it's no surprise that she now wants to go to Art College and become an illustrator for children's books.
3 Please excuse the mess. We _____ (repaint) the house all week and haven't had chance to clear everything up yet.
4 The development of electric wheelchairs _____ really _____ (help) physically disabled people to become more independent and gain greater access to social facilities.
5 I can't believe you _____ already _____ (sell) most of the things you posted for sale on that website last night. What a great way to make some money from selling unwanted possessions.
6 Philip and Frank _____ (interview) candidates since 9 o'clock this morning. They must ready to take a well-earned lunch break by now.

3 Underline the correct alternative.

1 Oh no! I don't believe it! My mobile phone *'s been/was/is* stolen!
2 Police say that the bank *'s been/was/was being* robbed in the early hours this morning.
3 Jim's too scared to leave the house. He's convinced he *is/was being/'s being* watched.
4 These days celebrities *are/were/have been* followed everywhere they go.
5 Customers who have recently bought a faulty washing machine *have been being/are being/can be* asked to call the company helpline.
6 If you finish the exam early, you *were/can't be/are* advised to check your answers carefully.
7 The builders told us that the extension *could be/ has been/should being* finished by the weekend if the weather stayed dry.
8 The news said that three people *are/have been/are being* injured in a train crash.
9 Students are often surprised when we tell them mobile phones *couldn't/shouldn't/cannot* be taken into the exam room.
10 Generally speaking, most teenagers don't like *to be/to being/to have been* told what to do by their parents.
11 From next year we need to make some changes so that new students *are being/are/should be* given more support in their first term with us.

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

1 Let's discuss why low *economic* growth results in a rise in unemployment. (economy)
2 The series focuses on the _____ issues relating to the genetic engineering. (ethics)
3 Rapid _____ growth has negatively impacted the environment. (industry)
4 Gandhi is considered to be the greatest _____ leader in history. (politics)
5 One of the _____ issues of today is how to stop companies from exploiting water sources needed by local communities. (globe)

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5 Complete the words in the sentences.

1 The athlete Usain Bolt has announced his plans to break his own 200-metre world **r***ecord* at the next World Championships.
2 Market analysts predict that there will be a dramatic **d**_____ in exports to the region over the coming months.
3 If you want permission to park in this area, you will need to contact your local council and apply for a parking **p**_____.
4 I was truly surprised that my mum didn't **s**_____ a thing. I thought she'd guessed about the surprise party I'd organised for her 60th birthday.
5 About a third of the Earth's land mass is classified as **d**_____ as it is very dry and gets less than ten inches of rain a year.
6 The family have decided to **a**_____ against the school's decision to exclude their teenage son for bad behaviour.
7 The new **r**_____ to be undertaken by the health authority will investigate the connection between mental health issues and behaviour.

6 Match beginnings 1–6 with endings a)–h). There are two endings you do not need.

1 A lot of companies are now opting to ___a___
2 The new software will help companies to keep track ___
3 Many people believe that capital punishment is not an effective ___
4 When we surf the internet, cookies are used to store ___
5 More focus is needed on crime ___
6 The government wishes to increase national security by assessing how ___

a) ~~monitor how their employees use company equipment.~~
b) effectively data is collected by police forces from all around the world.
c) deterrent to serious crime.
d) identify the individual responsible.
e) of the internet sites their employees access during working hours.
f) observation of social networking site usage at work.
g) prevention if prison costs are to be reduced.
h) information on the websites we access.

7 Put the letters in order to complete the sentences.

1 One of the new police objectives is to reduce the *illegal* (liallge) copying of digital media.
2 Do you *really* think it's _____ (anoabersle) for the directors to receive bonuses on the same day that staff are being made redundant?
3 The new policy was considered (anihultec) as it treated disabled people unfairly.
4 His increasingly _____ (suoguraeto) demands eventually led to him being fired from the football club.
5 The thriller I saw last night was so _____ (ndibustirg) that I couldn't sleep at all afterwards.
6 Animal protection agencies are pushing for _____ (siripeslebnro) dog owners who do not clear up after their animals to be fined.

8 Complete the gaps with the words in the box.

~~According~~ agree Basically convinced disagree extent Fair Personally point see suppose

A: [1]*According* to an article I've just read, smartphones are making our society more disconnected and reducing communication.
B: I [2]_____. I mean, with a smartphone you can email, text, tweet and so on, so surely people communicate more now than ever?
A: I see your [3]_____ – they do make it easier for people to stay connected but I'm still not [4]_____ that they're doing more good than harm. For instance, you often see children being ignored by parents who are totally preoccupied with their phones!
B: Mmm... I [5]_____ what you mean but I don't think that the phone itself is to blame. [6]_____, it comes down to how we, as individuals, decide how to use it.
A: Well, I [7]_____ with that – at least to an [8]_____ – but these phones are constantly evolving, with new apps to get people hooked.
B: I [9]_____ so, but you're not going to be able to stop technology from developing...
A: [10]_____ enough, but that doesn't mean we have to lose our social skills. [11]_____, I refuse to get sucked into playing on pointless apps on my smartphone!

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