

Stop and check 2

UNITS 4-6

Discourse markers

Read part of an email from a teenager to her friend. Choose the correct discourse marker.

(1) *Basically / By the way*, what I love about my new boyfriend, Sam, is his openness.

(2) *Naturally / To tell you the truth*, I can (3) *actually / anyway* be pretty dishonest myself, or (4) *at least / still* economical with the truth (5) *so to speak / as I was saying*.

(6) *No doubt / Apparently* you'd agree.

(7) *Of course / Surely*, Sam has his faults. (8) *I mean / All in all*, you'd get annoyed with someone who never sits still for a minute, (9) *admittedly / surely?* (10) *Mind you / Anyway*, I'm not exactly the most relaxed person myself, and (11) *still / no doubt* I'd get bored with someone who sat around all day.

(12) *Anyway/Admittedly*, enough about Sam. (13) *Quite honestly/Apparently*, Paul Geller is giving a concert at the *Zodiac* next month, and, (14) *surely/guess what?* A friend of mine says she can get tickets. I'll get you one if I can. (15) *After all/By the way*, you are my best friend. Give me a call soon.

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Passive constructions

Rewrite the radio news reports using passive constructions.

- We've had reports that a leading politician has been arrested.
A leading politician _____.
- We think he's a senior government figure.
He _____.
- We understand that he is in police custody.
He _____.
- There are allegations that he has been taking bribes.
He _____.
- It would appear that he's denied all the charges.
He _____.

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Adding emphasis

Rewrite the sentences using the ways of adding emphasis.

- I'm looking forward to the dessert.
It _____.
- I'll never trust her again.
Never _____.
- I admire the way you stay so calm.
What _____.
- I hate the endless adverts.
The thing _____.
- You rarely find an honest politician.
Rarely _____.

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Tags and replies

Complete the conversation with auxiliary or modal verbs, positive or negative.

Alan You don't go out much, (1) _____ you?

Jim These days I (2) _____, no. Carolyn (3) _____, though. She (4) _____ a real socializer, she (5) _____.

Alan (6) _____ she? I didn't know that.

Jim Well, you (7) _____, (8) _____ you. You hardly know her.

Alan So she likes going out, (9) _____ she? Tell her to give me a call, (10) _____ you?

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Vocabulary

Write the antonym of these words. The first and last letter is given.

- 1 real b _____ s
- 2 admiration c _____ t
- 3 wild t _____ e
- 4 love l _____ e
- 5 accidental d _____ e

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Nouns from phrasal verbs

Complete the sentences with a noun formed from the verbs and particles in the box.

build	burst	fall	back	down	out
set	take		over	up	

- 1 She's usually so calm, so her angry _____ really took me by surprise.
- 2 Losing this contract is a real _____ to our plans to expand this department.
- 3 Trying to work in Hollywood proved to be his _____, and his acting career never recovered.
- 4 The _____ to this premiere has been so massive. I hope the critics won't be disappointed.
- 5 Halico shares rose sharply after rumours of a foreign _____ bid.

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TOTAL 50