

Speaking (20 pts)

- A. Work with a partner. Take turns to tell each other some news and respond to it. Use the Language for speaking box to help you.

LANGUAGE FOR SPEAKING showing interest	Sample conversation
Responding to good news <i>That's brilliant!</i> <i>That's amazing!</i> <i>That's great!</i>	Student A: I read an article about a man who traveled to space as a tourist! Student B: Really? That's interesting! How did he do that?
Responding to bad news <i>That's terrible!</i> <i>Oh no!</i> <i>That's awful!</i> <i>Poor you!</i> <i>What a nightmare!</i>	Student A: He paid a private space company to take him on a short trip. Student B: Wow! That's amazing!
Responding to interesting news <i>Really?</i> <i>That's interesting!</i>	

Listening (20 pts)

- B. ▷ Listen and circle the tense of the verb you hear.

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| 1. present / past | 6. present / past |
| 2. present / past | 7. present / past |
| 3. present / past | 8. present / past |
| 4. present / past | 9. present / past |
| 5. present / past | 10. present / past |

- C. ▷ Listen to Élodie talking about her life. Put the events in the box in the past or present.

Study at university	Travel to Jakarta
Want to go back to France	Work in a theatre Work in a travel agent

Past	Present

Writing/Grammar (25 pts)

- D. Choose the correct answer from the words in *italics*.

- I was at my friend's house for dinner *the last night* / *last night*.
- I was still at school *at 2008* / *in 2008*.
- My sister was in Paris *in last December* / *last December*.
- Trudi was at work *at 2.00 p.m. yesterday* / *in 2.00 p.m. yesterday*.
- My brother was born *five years ago* / *ago five years*.
- I'm thirty-three now so I finished university *about ten years ago* / *in ten years ago*.
- I passed my driving test *in 1999* / *last 1999*.
- The last time I watched a film was *two weeks ago* / *in last two weeks*.
- I visited the Amalfi coast *in the last summer* / *last summer*.
- Computers started to change the world *in the 20th century* / *last 20th century*.

E. Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in the box.

enter	finish	move	visit	work
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Jacob is a sports car driver and he lives in California, but he was born in the Czech Republic. When Jacob was young, his parents ¹_____ on their farm there, but they're retired now and they live in a small town near their old farm. Jacob ²_____ to California last year to learn more about driving. Last month, he ³_____ his first big race. Jacob's parents ⁴_____ California for the first time to watch him. He ⁵_____ in third place – a very good result. His parents were very pleased for him.

F. Complete the conversation with *was/wasn't/were/weren't*.

Liu Hi Susie. How are you?

Susie I'm fine, thanks.

Liu Where ¹_____ you last night, Susie?

Susie I ²_____ at the cinema.

Liu ³_____ Rami and Sasha with you?

Susie No, they ⁴_____. They ⁵_____ at Jemma's party. ⁶_____ you at Jemma's party too?

Liu No, I ⁷_____. I ⁸_____ at my parents' house last night. My dad cooked his favourite meal, a big chicken curry with lots of rice, so we ⁹_____ very full afterwards. I stayed until midnight so I ¹⁰_____ tired when I got home.

G. Read each pair of sentences a and b. Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

a bit	very
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1 a Usually the weather is very warm in the summer but yesterday was a little windy so it felt _____ cold.

b I decided to wear my winter coat, a hat, a scarf and gloves because it was _____ cold yesterday.

quite	very
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2 a The train station is _____ close to my office. It takes two minutes to walk.

b I live _____ close to the sea. I can drive there in about an hour.

a bit	really
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3 a My uncle's house has ten bedrooms, five bathrooms and two large living rooms. It's _____ big.

b These shoes are size 8 but they're _____ big for me. Do you have a pair in size 7?

quite	very
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4 a Yesterday we went to a _____ good restaurant. The food was fantastic and it was brilliant value. You'd like it, I think!

b The food was _____ good but not great. The view was the best thing about the café.

a bit	very
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5 a That book was _____ boring but I finished it anyway.

b The film was _____ boring so we left the cinema before the end.

H. Complete the sentences with the past simple form of the verbs in the box.

cook	enter	move	post	receive	shout	visit	wait	walk	work
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1. Last week I _____ a competition to win a car.
2. We always _____ our cousins by the sea in the summer holidays when I was at school.
3. My parents _____ from the city to the countryside when I was born.
4. I _____ for a computer company for many years before I retired.
5. My daughter _____ a letter to her friend in Mexico.
6. I _____ Indian food for the first time yesterday.
7. I _____ a phone call from my bank manager this morning.
8. My friend and I _____ to the beach every day on holiday.
9. My wife _____ at me last night. It was her birthday and I totally forgot about it!
10. I _____ for a very long time at the bus stop.

I. Write a tweet about something interesting. Use the Language for writing box to help you.

Situations:	
LANGUAGE FOR WRITING tweets and texts We often leave words out when we write quickly and informally, e.g. in text messages or on Twitter. These words can be: 1 auxiliary verbs, e.g. <i>do, does, is, are.</i> <i>Does anyone know where I can dance salsa?</i> 2 subject pronouns, e.g. <i>I, you, it.</i> <i>I really want to learn!</i> 3 subject and the verb to be. <i>It was so funny!</i>	

Reading (20 pts)

J. Read the text. Answer the questions with no more than three words or a year from the text.

The Lady with the Lamp

Florence Nightingale was born in Italy in 1820. She was from a rich family. When she was just one year old, her family moved to England. Her life changed when she met a man called Sidney Herbert. Most women at that time were wives and mothers, but Florence wanted to look after the sick, so with his help, she decided to become a nurse. Sidney was an important man in the British government and he asked Florence to go to the war in Crimea by the Black Sea and help the sick soldiers. Florence arrived there in 1854 and started to work in a hospital. She worked for twenty hours a day. She cleaned the hospital, cooked food and cared for the sick men.

At night, Florence talked to the men and wrote letters for them when they were too sick to write themselves. She carried a lamp at night so newspapers back in the UK called her 'The Lady with the Lamp'. Florence returned to the UK in 1856 and met the Queen. People were very pleased with her work and many gave her money, so in 1860, she started a school for nurses. Her teaching helped many nurses and improved hospitals all over the world.

1. Where did Florence Nightingale's family go when she was very young? _____
2. Who helped her decide to be a nurse? _____
3. When did she go to Crimea? _____
4. Who did Florence meet after the war? _____
5. What did she do in 1860? _____

K. Read the text again. Complete the timeline for Florence Nightingale using words or numbers from the text.

¹ _____ – born in Italy

1821 – family left Italy

1854 – ² _____ in Crimea and ³ _____ for the men in the hospital. She worked for twenty hours every ⁴ _____.

1856 – ⁵ _____ to the UK