

GE8 EOT1 REVISION 1

A. LISTENING

You will hear people talking in eight different situations. For questions **1-8**, choose the best answer **A, B or C**.

1 You hear a man talking about how his business became successful. Where did his additional funding come from? A the local bank B a family friend C his own savings	2 You hear a woman talking about a journey. How did she travel? A by boat B by train C by coach
3 You overhear a man talking to his wife on the phone. What is he talking about? A buying a car B booking a holiday C moving abroad	4 You hear two students talking about their course. What does the woman think about the course? A It is quite difficult. B It is worth doing. C It is becoming more interesting.
5 You hear a woman talking about roller derby, a hobby which involves speed racing on skates. What is she doing? A explaining what made her decide to take it up B appreciating her friends' attitude to the sport C describing how she feels when she's taking part	6 You hear part of a radio programme. What is the woman talking about? A a new shop B a new exhibition C a new leisure centre
7 You overhear two students discussing a reading project they did with young children. What do they agree about it? A The venue was perfect. B The material was well received. C The number of participants was surprising.	8 You hear an actor talking about the character she plays in a TV drama series. How does she feel about the character? A She is envious of her life-style. B She sympathises with her current problems. C She admires her intelligence.

B. USE OF ENGLISH

1. Read and choose the correct answer:

She's always afraid of _____ her belongings.

- a. to lose b. losing c. loses d. lose

The famous author, _____ novel won the Booker Prize last year, is touring the UK next month.

- a. whom b. which c. that d. whose

The entire ancient library, along with all its scrolls, _____ in the great fire of 48 BC.

- a. destroys b. was destroyed c. is being destroyed d. has been destroying

I wish my colleague _____ about the minor office issues; it's quite distracting.

- a. doesn't complain b. didn't complain c. has complained d. complains

The old factory has been transformed into a bright, _____ cultural center for the local community.

- a. well-appointed b. poorly-lit c. half-hearted d. short-tempered

The topic _____ we are going to speak is very important.

- a. that b. which c. about which d. about that

_____ did you send all the money?

- a. To whom b. For whom c. Who d. To which

The person _____ the letter was sent to is no longer here.

- a. to whom b. whom c. who d. for whom

She quit _____ a few days ago as she's found a better job.

- a. teaching b. teaches c. taught d. to teach

_____ I was making breakfast, the phone rang.

- a. While b. Although c. Whereas d. So

He chose to take extra classes _____ his sister prefer self-study.

- a. whereas b. while c. although d. however

Despite all the challenges, they continued fighting for their _____ to be heard.

- a. belief b. confident c. freely d. freedom

Making mistakes in public speaking can cause _____.

- a. embarrassment b. embarrassing c. embarrassed d. embarrass

The main goal of the project is _____ pollution in the city.

- a. reducing b. to reduce c. reduce

At the moment, we _____ the Covid vaccine from the US, but we _____ also _____ on a new one.

- a. have- are...working b. are having- are...working c. have- work

_____ mistakes in public speaking can cause embarrassment.

- a. Making b. Made c. Make d. To make

2. Rewrite the first sentence without changing the meaning using the word given.

The best way to learn a language is to practice every day. **(practicing)**

_____ to learn a language.

She tries not to drink coffee every morning. **(avoid)**

_____ every morning.

She is the colleague. The whole team depends on her for technical advice. **(whom)**

_____ for technical advice.

There are **skylight windows**. Light enters every apartment through these windows. **(which)**

_____ every apartment.

Practicing every day can make you fluent in a language. **(lead)**

Practicing every day can _____ in a language.

Playing chess is my grandfather's favorite pastime. **(enjoys)**

_____ in his free time.

Unless I was an actress, I could spend more time with my family. **(if)**

I could spend more time with my family _____

Some people enjoy city life. Others prefer the quiet of the country. **(whereas)**

_____ the quiet of the country.

Despite having a terrible headache, he went to the office. **(although)**

_____, he went to the office.

They are repairing the community library next month. **(being)**

_____ next month.

When did they film the new adverts? **(filmed)**

When _____?

They don't organize city tours for international visitors. **(are)**

_____ for international visitors.

C. READING

Read and choose the correct answer:

My family and I recently went to Australia, to see my grandparents. But before we visited them, we went sightseeing along the Great Ocean Road, on the Australian coast.

Dad had intended to drive, but even though he was used to driving miles without getting exhausted, he then read on the website that the road wouldn't be an easy drive, with a number of sharp bends. Anyway, we thought he deserved to enjoy the fantastic views too, which he couldn't do as our driver. So instead, we persuaded him to book discount bus tickets and off we went.

Our first stop was where wild kangaroos lived – and Dad and I were taking a walk when a big one appeared! For a moment, it seemed to consider coming towards us, which made me slightly nervous – but then it went off along the road, stopping to check if we were following. Although it was with us a while, I was so excited I didn't even manage to pull out my camera. Then it looked back once more, and went off into the bushes.

That wasn't the only wildlife we saw. I thought it unlikely we'd see Australia's famous koala bears during our short visit, as I'd heard they were rare – but we weren't disappointed at our next stop. In fact, we discovered there were roughly six million in that area! Sadly, some gum trees they were in had very few leaves left, which people told us was because of the koalas, although I'd read that lack of water is actually the problem. Still, I guess that looked cute, and were easy to find – we just followed the tourists looking up into the trees!

Dad had booked a campsite for the night, with ready-made tents – for an adventure! I wasn't sure about that, but they were actually luxury tents, within walking distance of some famous rocks and other places we hoped to visit. However, Dad also said the

1 Donna's Dad decided not to drive the Great Ocean Road himself because

- A he realised he wouldn't enjoy the views as much.
- B he thought it would be too tiring for him.
- C he discovered the bus would be a cheaper option.
- D he found out the route was very challenging.

2 When Donna saw a kangaroo along the route, she was

- A worried that it might approach her.
- B amazed at the size of it.
- C sad that it didn't stay with them long.
- D disappointed that she had forgotten her camera.

3 Donna says that the koala bears they saw were

- A responsible for damage to the trees.
- B even more attractive than people had told her.
- C more common than she'd expected.
- D very skilled at hiding away from tourists.

4 What was Donna's opinion of the place where they stayed?

- A She found it was less comfortable than she'd hoped.
- B She liked the fact that it was convenient for sightseeing.
- C She enjoyed hearing the sounds of nature as she slept.
- D She was disappointed there was no restaurant nearby.

5 What might Donna write in her blog during the trip?

- A The bus we're travelling on is pretty comfortable, with great views from the window. Grandma and Granddad are enjoying it, too!
- B We can see quite a lot as we drive along. I just wish we could stop and get out to explore properly.

sounds of wild creatures would help us sleep. That sounded worrying – until the ‘wild creatures’ turned out to be frogs! So I was embarrassed by my fears – and kept awake by the frogs! But we had fun making meals together – we’d brought food, as we knew there’d be nowhere to eat.
In fact, this whole trip was fantastic!

C Yesterday we went to see some huge rocks near our campsite – and we were really impressed! I’m surprised they’re not well known.

D I wasn’t looking forward to camping, in case there were wild animals, but we haven’t seen anything at all dangerous, so I feel silly now!

D. WRITING

Write a letter to the head of your town council in which you give suggestions for IDEAS OF IMPROVING YOUR LOCAL NEIGHBORHOOD. You can use the letter attached for reference.

Dear Sir/Madam,

We’re students in Year 8 at City High School and in our English class, we’re doing a project on the local community. We’re being asked to come up with ideas to improve our neighbourhood.

It’s a lively neighbourhood with some parks and green spaces. It’s got shops, cafés and other places where you can buy food. However, this can cause a problem.

There is a lot of litter in the streets and we’d like to hand out some leaflets asking people to take their litter home with them instead of throwing it on the ground. At the same time, we’d like to do a litter collection and collect plastic bottles for recycling.

Another idea we’ve had is to paint the benches in the children’s play area in the park next to our school. The benches are just grey concrete at the moment, and they make the park look quite drab. We think it would be better if people had some nice, colourful benches to sit on.

Several of us catch the local train to school, and we’ve noticed that the stations aren’t very attractive. We’d like to plant some plants and flowers to make people feel happier when they’re waiting at the station. If we did that, we would, of course, take turns to look after the plants and water them.

Finally, we know that a new road system for the centre of town is being considered at the moment. Are cycleways and footpaths being included in the plans? We hope so, because we want to encourage students to walk or cycle to school rather than coming in a car and causing congestion and pollution.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,

Year 8 students