

unit 13

B Read the following sentences and complete them with prepositions.

- 1 If you are not satisfied with the gift, you can exchange it for something else.
- 2 Graham still cares for/about you, you know.
- 3 A further delay in our schedule will create a bad impression on our clients.
- 4 I warned Luke about/of the bad weather conditions but he insisted on leaving.
- 5 The relationship between man and animal has changed significantly over the centuries.
- 6 My parents are going away for the weekend, so I have to take care of my little sister.
- 7 Jane's relationship with her mother is based on mutual respect.
- 8 I did not expect Richard to be such a bad influence on Craig.
- 9 She wanted to replace the antique furniture with more contemporary pieces.
- 10 It's getting rather late, so we won't wait for anyone else to show up.
- 11 There was a great need for volunteers at the refugee settlement.
- 12 Martha sounded more serious than ever before about leaving her job.
- 13 I hate it when he starts boasting about his achievements.
- 14 The principal always mistakes Peter for another student.
- 15 In what way is the company going to benefit from installing this new software?
- 16 Mary insisted on taking the train because she is afraid of flying.
- 17 Richard's colleagues suspected him of stealing the money, but they said nothing.

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Complete the blanks with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

Camping

Camping can be seen as an alternative to taking a holiday in a five-star hotel. Here are some people's views on this form of holiday making.

"When it comes to camping, I wish (1) to make (make) something clear. I am not a fan! I've only been camping once, and it was a horrific experience. I'd rather (2) not have gone (not go) at all. Last summer my friends insisted that I go with them. I was reluctant at first, but I ended up going. I wish I (3) had trusted (trust) my instincts. Our first mistake was to set off without listening to the weather forecast. Well, two days later it started to rain so heavily that our tents somehow flooded! We had taken so many things with us that it took hours to pack up and leave. It was as if we (4) had taken (take) half of Selfridges with us! It was awful, and on top of that, I caught a cold. If only I (5) had known (know) better! Camping is not for me. I prefer (6) to stay (stay) in a cosy hotel room and relax rather than (7) pitch (pitch) a tent."

Wayne King, 23



"I really don't mind camping, that is, if it's in a well-organised campsite. You see, it's a matter of safety. Supposing I (8) got (get) injured and (9) was/were (be) alone out in the mountains, what would I do? I hear some people talking about camping as though it (10) were/was (be) a chance to endure hardship. It's a holiday, for Pete's sake!"
Kelly Sutherland, 28

"I really enjoy camping. It gives you a chance to become one with nature and live the way you were meant to live. If only I (11) could get away (get away) more often! Most people, though, would rather (12) spend (spend) their holiday at a luxurious resort with swimming pools and the lot. But it's about time they (13) realised (realise) how important it is to experience the freedom camping has to offer. There's one more thing I would like to point out. I wish people who actually go camping (14) wouldn't/didn't leave (not leave) their rubbish behind when they pack up their tents and go home. I mean, if we all (15) did (do) the same, our world would become a huge rubbish tip!"
Ben Cosworth, 18