Progress test 1

1 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first, using the word given.

1 Alexandria is a lot more casual than Charlotte.
Charlotte ..... Alexandria. **AS**
2 I've never seen such a fantastic view before!
That's ..... I've ever seen. **THE**
3 When we went higher, I felt worse.
The ..... worse I felt. **THE**
4 He cooked the dinner alone.
He cooked ..... . **HIMSELF**
5 My sister borrows my things and it's really annoying.
My sister ..... my things. **ALWAYS**
6 The film will end some time before 8p.m.
The film ..... by 8p.m. **HAVE**
7 He was painting all day and he has not stopped yet.
He ..... all day. **BEEN**
8 My best friend worries about her looks too much.
My best friend ..... her looks. **WORRYING**
9 The exhibition was more interesting than the gardens.
The gardens were ..... . **THAN**
10 We had to wait a long time, and my dad got more and more impatient.
The ..... the more impatient my dad got. **LONGER**

2 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the word in bold.

1 His behaviour was completely ....., he was so rude! **APPROPRIATE**
2 You have to be really ..... to be able to work in the fashion business. **IMAGINE**
3 We decided to go and visit all the tourist ..... first. **ATTRACT**
4 Jenny's really ..... – once she starts she never stops! **TALK**
5 Sometimes my younger brother can be so ....., **MATURE**
6 In most cultures it's really bad to be ..... towards older people in society. **RESPECT**
7 My brother is really ..... . He wants to be in the Olympics one day. **AMBITION**
8 There were two great art ..... on in London over the summer. **EXHIBIT**
9 He has a really great ..... . Everybody likes him. **PERSON**
10 This room is absolutely ..... . **FREEZE**

3 Choose the word or form (A, B, C or D) that best completes the text.

The most recent fashion did not come from the top designer **1** ....., it came from a much simpler concern – how to look after the environment. The latest way to **2** ..... an impression on someone is not with your style, but with your ethical **3** ..... . Plastic bags are now being replaced by reusable versions, and the one that's being seen on the shoulders of all the stars and at the most important **4** ..... is 'Not a plastic bag'. It's a simple cloth bag with a **5** ..... message – fashion today is about global responsibility. The bag was invented several years ago, but its popularity really took **6** ..... when people like Keira Knightley and Kate Moss began to use these bags. One **7** ..... commented on why she likes the bag so much: 'I think fashion, particularly in the last few years, has really been sending **8** ..... the wrong signals to people. The popularity of these bags is part of a huge change in attitude among people working in the fashion industry. For years it's been fine to buy cheap imported clothes, wear them perhaps once or twice, and then throw them in the recycling bins long before they're **9** ..... out. With a growing understanding of the importance of our planet, these ideas are becoming **10** .....'

1 **A** portfolios **B** makeovers **C** catwalks **D** books
2 **A** take **B** get **C** have **D** make
3 **A** image **B** look **C** view **D** symbol
4 **A** happenings **B** events **C** experience **D** stories
5 **A** adventurous **B** serious **C** lazy **D** intelligent
6 **A** on **B** up **C** in **D** off
7 **A** stylist **B** style **C** styler **D** styling
8 **A** off **B** up **C** out **D** around
9 **A** wearing **B** to wear **C** worn **D** wear
10 **A** unacceptable **B** informal **C** impatient **D** disapprove

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4 Complete the text with one word which best fits each gap.

Are you scared of going out and making new friends? **1** ..... you get anxious before a party? Don't worry, you're not alone. We all have worries and negative thoughts about ourselves, shy people just have **2** ..... few more of these than most. **3** ..... it's often associated with girls, shyness is **4** ..... common among boys, as there is often more pressure on them to be more outspoken and confident. **5** ..... key to overcoming shyness is to force yourself to go to parties and social events, even if you don't want to. The more you stay away from social situations, **6** ..... more difficult they will become. Most people can remember times when things went well in the past. Perhaps they said all the right things, and were able to find something to talk about. It can help to remember these moments. How **7** ..... it feel? What **8** ..... the others doing that made things different? Try to get this sense of self-confidence back before you walk **9** ..... a room full of new people. Remember, if you still feel concerned, remember that around half the others in the room have probably **10** ..... experiencing exactly the same worries as you.

5 Choose the word or form (A, B, C or D) that best completes the text.

We're all familiar with seeing talent shows on TV. A line of **1** ..... arrive, the **2** ..... individuals are selected to go through a series of tests and training to help them improve their skills and abilities. Well, *Britain's Top Dog* is **3** ..... talent show with a difference. The contestants are all of the four-legged kind. The TV show aims to take ordinary household pets and turn them into prize winning dogs by the end of the series. Dog owners last year had to learn to take their pets over assault courses and find objects through scent alone. **4** ..... from the highly competitive world of dog shows are brought in to share their secrets to success with the owners and the pets. **5** ..... the most popular competition, however, was the doggy dancing show. Pets were taught a variety of moves and turns, all this and they had to **6** ..... the music while they **7** ..... . This year, the competition will be every bit **8** ..... last year, but already the number of furry hopefuls who have applied has more than doubled, and the chance to **9** ..... their talents will probably attract more. The winner **10** ..... to work hard.

1 **A** applications **B** wannabes **C** charities **D** exhibitions
2 **A** as promising as **B** more promising **C** most promising **D** least promising
3 **A** the **B** a **C** an **D** –
4 **A** mentors **B** guides **C** teachers **D** leaders
5 **A** A lot **B** Much **C** Many **D** By far
6 **A** take on **B** keep up with **C** take off **D** pick up
7 **A** had performed **B** performed **C** have been performing **D** were performing
8 **A** as tough as **B** as easy as **C** tougher **D** easier
9 **A** dress up **B** catch on **C** show off **D** take out
10 **A** is having **B** is going to have **C** has **D** will

My score: ____ /50

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