LIFE VISION Pre-intermediate A2/B1

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Life Vision Pre-intermediate Unit Test 4 A

A Grammar: Comparative adjectives

Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words in brackets.

1 Which city is _____(far) north – Madrid or New York?
2 I think the weather today is _____(windy) than it was yesterday.
3 Aconcagua is _____(high) than Mt Kilimanjaro.
4 Which is _____(wet) in your country – summer or winter?
5 I think it's _____(good) to travel with friends than to travel alone.
6 Which is _____(expensive) – travelling by plane or by bus?

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B Grammar: Comparisons

Complete the sentences with one word.

1 August was as hot ____ July.
2 Madrid is colder ____ Barcelona in winter.
3 I love the sea. I think it's ____ beautiful than a lake.
4 The South Island of New Zealand is not ____ warm as the North Island.
5 Camping is more exciting ____ staying in a hotel.
6 The sun is not as bright ____ it was yesterday.

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C Grammar: Comparisons

Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first sentence using the words given. Use between two and five words and do not use contractions.

1 The Atacama Desert is drier than all the other deserts.
(driest)
The Atacama Desert is _____ in the world.
2 There are lots of villages in this area. Most people choose to visit this one.
(popular)
This village is _____ village in the area.
3 I couldn't hold my umbrella. It blew away!
(strong)
I wasn't _____ to hold my umbrella. It blew away!
4 The rain started very quickly. We didn't have time to go inside.
(late)
The rain started very quickly. We were _____ to go inside.
5 We'll need to take water. There are six of us.
(enough)
We'll need to take _____ for six of us.
6 The shops are closed because it's 7 a.m.
(early)
It's _____ for the shops to be open.

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D Vocabulary: Understanding topic vocabulary

Read the sentence and choose the correct answer.

1 When it rains, everything gets ___.
A ☐ mild B ☐ sunny C ☐ wet

2 I was scared when I saw the ___.
A ☐ shower B ☐ lightning C ☐ thunder

3 The sky was blue and the sun was ___ brightly.
A ☐ shining B ☐ blowing C ☐ snowing

4 It's difficult to see anything. It's ___.
A ☐ wet B ☐ sunny C ☐ foggy

5 It's very ___. It's usually colder than this.
A ☐ mild B ☐ freezing C ☐ cloudy

6 Did you hear the ___ last night? It was very loud!
A ☐ thunder B ☐ degree C ☐ lightning

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E Vocabulary: Understanding topic vocabulary

Match the words with the definitions.

1 avalanche ___
2 earthquake ___
3 flood ___
4 hurricane ___
5 tsunami ___
6 warning ___

A when the earth shakes suddenly and strongly
B a large amount of water in an area that is usually dry
C a very large wave in the sea, caused by the earth moving
D a statement or event telling people that something bad might happen
E a lot of snow, ice or rock that falls down the side of a mountain
F a storm with strong winds, especially in the Atlantic Ocean

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F Vocabulary: Understanding topic vocabulary

Choose the correct words from the box to complete the sentences. There are two words you do not need to use.

damage	drought	earthquake	floods	predict	rescue	survive	warning

1 We heard a _____ about the hurricane on the radio.
2 I watched a TV programme about how to _____ in the desert.
3 Scientists can _____ some disasters by studying weather patterns.
4 They had to _____ people from the island in boats.
5 It rained for ten days, but the water didn't _____ the things in our house.
6 During the _____, it didn't rain for five months.

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G Reading: Using world knowledge

Read the title and first heading of the texts and choose the correct answer.

A very special metal

Where did it come from?

1 What do you think the article will be about?

A ☐ The advantages of using different materials
B ☐ Interesting facts about a particular material
C ☐ Everyday objects made of one material

Medical care in the future

Electronic arms and legs

2 What do you expect to read about in the article?

A ☐ How new technology can help patients
B ☐ How body parts can grow again
C ☐ How machines can look after patients

Have photos lost their power?

Pictures, pictures everywhere

3 What do you think is the focus of the article?

A ☐ Today images are more important than words.
B ☐ We spend more time to get better images.
C ☐ We pay less attention to images these days.

Time for bed

Who needs what?

4 What do you think is the focus of the article?

A ☐ The kind of people who find it easy to go to sleep
B ☐ The best time for people to go to bed
C ☐ The amount of sleep that is healthy for different ages

Many people, one mind

Do we behave differently when we're in a crowd?

5 What do you expect to read about in the article?

A ☐ What people sometimes do when they're in a group
B ☐ What kind of events interest big groups of people
C ☐ Why people usually prefer to be in a group than alone

Nature's best teachers

How to stay alive in the worst conditions

6 What do you think the article will be about?

A ☐ People who teach about plants and animals
B ☐ Things that we can learn from plants and animals
C ☐ Places where it is difficult for humans to live

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H Listening: Understanding key information

Listen to a student talking about the changing weather and complete the sentences with the words from the text. Write one or two words only.

1 The presenter says some areas will get warmer and _____ weather.
2 The UK expects _____ because it won't be cold.
3 Closed roads can cost UK business almost _____ each hour.
4 More rain means farm animals can't live _____.
5 UK music festivals have _____.
6 When there aren't any festivals, there aren't as many _____ visiting Britain.

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I Speaking: Reacting to news

Choose the correct words from the box to complete the sentences. There are two words you do not need to use.

fantastic	hear	news	terrible	That	That's	What	you

1 Are you going on holiday tomorrow? Lucky _____!
2 Your brother lost his job? _____ awful.
3 Did you leave your phone on the train? _____ a disaster!
4 Your grandmother is in hospital? I'm sorry to _____ that.
5 Are you going climbing this weekend? _____ sounds exciting.
6 Have you got a place at university? Great _____!

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J Writing: Avoiding repetition

Read the text and think of one word to complete each sentence.

Two days in Machu Picchu

I'm here on holiday in Machu Picchu, in Peru. [1] _____ is one of the most amazing sites in the world. We're high up in the Andes. [2] _____ are the highest mountains in South America. My brother Henry is here with [3] _____. He's taking a break from university at the moment. It's the first time [4] _____ has travelled so far. I met [5] _____ at the airport in Lima and then we drove here together. It was a really long and scary journey. Local drivers are much better than [6] _____ – we took a very long time to get here. We were so slow and careful!

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Test score

To focus on next:

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