VOCABULARY

describing products

1 A Choose the correct words to complete the reviews.



★★★★★

Perfect family table

Very pleased with our new table – it looks great, and the quality is [1]**stable / superb**. The description says that it's [2]**impressive / suitable** for around six people, but you can fit eight people around it comfortably. For the [3]**reasonable / value** price of £249, it's a great buy.

★★

Not worth the money

The table looks [4]**fair / decent**, but the quality is poor. The wood gets damaged easily and it isn't very strong or [5]**acceptable / stable**. Very disappointed with my purchase.

★★★★

Great purchase

A wonderful, [6]**solid / reasonable** table, but quite heavy to move around. I love the simple style and it looks much more expensive than it is. Excellent value for money.

B Complete the conversation using words from the box.

acceptable	discount	impressive	pleasant
reasonable	stable	suitable	superb

A: That's an [1]_____ bike. Is it new?
B: Yes, I got it last week.
A: It looks great!
B: Thanks. I'm very pleased with it. The quality is absolutely [2]_____, and the price was very [3]_____.
A: Is it [4]_____ for cycling in the mountains?
B: Yes, and the city. It's a bit heavy but it feels very strong and [5]_____, so I don't mind.

How to ...

summarise information from different sources

2 A 5.04 | Listen to two people choosing a hotel for a holiday. Which hotel do they choose?

B 5.04 | Listen again. Choose the correct option to complete the extracts from the recording.

1 **From / By** what she says, there are lots of options ...
2 ... it's a question of **do / whether** we want to be in the centre ...
3 According **to / with** the reviews, it has big rooms ...
4 ... all in **short / all**, I think it's a better hotel.
5 Well, **only / just** because something's cheaper, it doesn't mean it's worse.
6 **The only / An only** thing is, the marina is a bit further from the train station.
7 Well, taking everything **in / into** account ...

PRONUNCIATION

3 5.05 | intonation in summarising phrases | Listen to two speakers saying the same phrase. Choose the speaker who uses appropriate intonation (A or B).

1 Speaker _____
2 Speaker _____
3 Speaker _____
4 Speaker _____
5 Speaker _____
6 Speaker _____

SPEAKING

4 A 5.06 | Complete the conversation with one word in each gap. Then listen and check.

A: Have you bought a new laptop yet?
B: No, I'm still trying to decide which one to get, the X200 or the Pro-Top.
A: What's the difference?
B: According [1]_____ reviews, the Pro-Top has more memory and a bigger screen than the X200. But the X200 is much cheaper.
A: Well, just [2]_____ something's cheap, it doesn't mean it isn't any good.
B: I know! The only thing [3]_____, the Pro-Top is very solid and heavy. I cycle to work, so I want something light that I can carry in my backpack.
A: Is the X200 lighter?
B: Yes, it's much smaller. And [4]_____ what the reviews say, it's slightly faster than the Pro-Top.
A: So, it's a matter [5]_____ whether you want a computer with more memory or a lighter one.
B: Yes. All [6]_____ all, I think the X200 is a better choice for me.

B 5.07 | You are B in Ex 4A. Listen and speak after the beep. Record the conversation if you can.

C Listen to your recording and compare it to Ex 4A.

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