5A YOU COULD LIVE TO BE A HUNDRED

1 GRAMMAR Future probability

a Underline the correct words to complete the conversation.

KATY Have you read this article, Josh? It says there's a good [1]*chance / doubt* the next generation will live to be 150 years old!

JOSH Who knows, what it says [2]*may / will* be true. But what evidence is there?

KATY Advances in medicine [3]*might / will* certainly be a factor, and people [4]*won't / couldn't* die from all sorts of diseases common today. Also, technology [5]*will probably / probably will* make everyday life easier.

JOSH Fine, but I [6]*don't suppose / doubt* if many people will want to live that long. It's [7]*unlikely / sure* that it'll be much fun to be 150.

KATY The article says that we [8]*may / will* probably be able to work until that age. There's a good chance [9]*of / that* machines [10]*will / won't* do all the hard work, like washing and cleaning, so that we can do different tasks, like critical thinking.

JOSH Interesting. I'm [11]*probable / sure* there'll even be a special Olympics for people over 100!

KATY Yes, it's bound [12]*to happen / happen*, so start training!

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c Tick (✓) the correct words to complete the sentences.

1 Pollution _____ be even worse in the future if we don't start taking responsibility for it.
a ☑ will probably b ☐ probably will c ☐ likely will

2 I'm sure that it _____ happen in our lifetime.
a ☐ may not b ☐ might not c ☐ won't

3 Virtual reality _____ become more popular, but I doubt it.
a ☐ might b ☐ will c ☐ can

4 The question is _____ we find a real solution to our energy problems?
a ☐ may b ☐ might c ☐ will

5 Cinemas _____ go out of business in the future.
a ☐ probably will b ☐ will probably c ☐ won't probably

6 It's unlikely _____ computers will replace teachers.
a ☐ for b ☐ if c ☐ that

7 There's no _____ that they will stop printing books.
a ☐ likely b ☐ probability c ☐ chance

8 I can't _____ that one day we will be able to go on holiday to the Moon.
a ☐ imagine b ☐ suppose c ☐ guess

9 Airport security is sure _____ change with new technology.
a ☐ to b ☐ that c ☐ of

10 Productivity at work is _____ to get better soon now that we can work from home.
a ☐ possible b ☐ bound c ☐ probable

2 VOCABULARY Adjectives describing attitude

a Complete the words.

1 How r e a l i s t i c is it that we'll live to 150 years old? I mean will it actually happen?
2 Sam is always late handing in work. He's completely u_ r _ _ _ _ b _e.
3 It was an u _ _ y _ _ _ _ _ e _ _ c comment, and he immediately felt sorry he'd said it.
4 Victoria is really a_ v_ _ _ _ r_ _ s. She's just gone on a trekking holiday in the Ecuadorian rainforest.
5 Wendy is really t _ _ _ _ _ _ f _ _, so she will always check on you when you're ill or upset about something.
6 You can tell he's w_ _l o _ _ _ _ _s _ d by looking at how tidy his desk is.

b Complete the sentences with the words in the box. There are four extra words you do not need.

adventurous	ambitious	cautious	~~critical~~
disorganised	irresponsible	reliable	thoughtful
uncompetitive	unrealistic	unsympathetic	

1 He's very critical of the way the work was done.
2 I've never known anyone so _____; you can never count on him.
3 It's dangerous out there; I guess it's better to be _____ and play it safe.
4 Even if the place is a bit _____, we still know where everything is.
5 I may be _____ compared to everyone else, but I still want to win.
6 That was a really _____ trip – you won't believe all the incredible things that happened.
7 The new waiter is obviously very _____. I've never seen anyone work as hard as him.

3 PRONUNCIATION Sound and spelling: *th*

a How are the underlined letters *th* pronounced in each word in the box? Complete the table with the words.

athletic	breath	breathing	mother	Earth	either	
leather	length	month	the	~~think~~	though	

Sound 1 /θ/ (e.g., ***th***ank)	**Sound 2 /ð/** (e.g., ***th***en)
think	

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