GRAMMAR

1 Choose the correct form of the verb.

1. 1. It's ages since we last …….. to the cinema.(go)
2. -Where is Robert ?
   -He is in the garden
   -What …… he ……..? (do)
   -He …… the lawn.(mow)
3. …….. you ever ……. to Japan? (go)
4. Look! It ……..(snow)
5. ……. you …… any good books lately? (read)
6. It was the first time they …….. alcohol.(drink)
7. It's our anniversary next week. We ……. a party. (have)
8. I don't think he ……..(come).

9. Sarah …… to the supermarket, the fridge is full now.(go)

10. Look at these gray clouds, it ……..(rain).
11. She …… me last night.(not / phone)
12. My family …….. the castle for over two centuries. (own)

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2 Complete the sentences with the correct preposition.

Example: My father is looking forward *to* his retirement.

1 It was late when I finally arrived _____ Paris.
2 I don't know who's responsible _____ updating the website.
3 We flew _____ the Andes on the way to Chile.
4 Does Carmela remind you _____ anyone?
5 What are you waiting _____? Let's go now.
6 The cups are _____ the first shelf over there.
7 Their country is particularly famous _____ its food.
8 I opened my front door and my cat ran _____ me.
9 Is there anything that you're really afraid _____?
10 I'm fed up _____ my job. I need a change.
11 Try not to laugh _____ Bill when he speaks French – his accent is terrible!
12 It can take ages to get to the city centre – it depends _____ the traffic.
13 He used to be married _____ my youngest sister.

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3 Make questions to the underlined parts of the questions.

1.We went to New York.

2.It takes four hours to get there.

3.He earns a hundred pounds a week.

4.My room is twice as big as yours.

5.They left the country 5 years ago.

6. Jane has never travelled by plane.

7. Tim bought the tickets.

8. The hotel was awful.

9. I threw it away because it was useless.

10.This is Tom's.

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VOCABULARY

3 Match the sentences with the correct word / phrase in the box. There is an extra word / phrase you do not need.

toddler ~~child~~ mid-twenties late twenties pre-teens early thirties baby pensioner early twenties late thirties teenager mid-fifties

Example: My youngest daughter started primary school last week. *child*

1 My brother's 21st birthday party was fantastic.
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2 Maria learned to drive when she was 17.
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3 Our 90-year-old neighbour has an extraordinary memory.
_____

4 I had my first child when I was 25 years old.
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5 Sam is 14 months old and is starting to walk.

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6 I went to work abroad when I was 32.

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7 Clara's 12 and always wants to stay up late.

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8 Our son refused to sleep until he was ten months old!

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9 She became self-employed when she was 38.

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10 My brother is 29, but he looks much younger.

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PRONUNCIATION

5 choose the word with a different *-ed* sound.

Example: pick**ed** work**ed** solv**ed** stopp**ed**

1 stay**ed** hat**ed** bann**ed** smil**ed**
2 cook**ed** laugh**ed** receiv**ed** relax**ed**
3 liv**ed** end**ed** describ**ed** tri**ed**
4 hop**ed** criticiz**ed** shav**ed** play**ed**
5 decid**ed** start**ed** add**ed** watch**ed**

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READING

Read the article about a trip to the Grand Canyon. Five sentences have been removed. Choose from the sentences A–G the one which fits each gap (1–5). There is one extra sentence which you do not need to use.

Water wonder

The view from the top of the Grand Canyon in Arizona is famous all over the world, but if you go several miles down and look back up, the view's even more amazing. **0** [G] The best way to reach the floor of the canyon is by raft, or small rubber boat. And that's exactly what my friend and I did last year.

Our six-day adventure began with a lesson in packing our bags. When you book a rafting trip, you're sent a list of the things to take with you. **1** [ ] It's a very, very short list! If it doesn't float, or might harm the environment in the canyon, then it's not going with you.

All our normal kit went back into our suitcases to be delivered to the end point of the trip in six days' time. If we ever got there, that is. By the time our talk on safety began, half of the group was nervous about the trip. **2** [ ] We were about to meet our guides, pull on our life-

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jackets, and get into our rafts. We'd only just discovered that on a scale of one to ten, when one is flat and easy, several of the rapids – parts of the river which were difficult to travel through – ahead of us were perfect tens. We also learned that once we set off, there was no going back.

Still, we strapped ourselves into the rafts and started to paddle. And that's when it all started to go right. A lot of good feeling came from our seven-strong team of guides and raft leaders. We had the perfect mix, from fresh young university graduates to river tour guides with forty years' experience. **3** ☐ At first, this mainly involved them yelling: 'Pull! Pull! Left! Left! Now right! I said right!' at us all. But when we finally got it right, they took advantage of the occasional strange silence to tell us about the area. We learned lots about the canyon's history, its plant and animal life, and even some old stories from the past.

As the days passed, and we went deeper and deeper into the canyon, the atmosphere became more and more mysterious. **4** ☐ Nights were just as special because we slept under the stars. After all, there were no campsites on the canyon floor. Our beds might have been basic, but our meals were anything but that. The guides used the ingredients they'd carried in boxes on the rafts to cook some delicious meals, with pancakes for breakfast and steaks for dinner.

There wasn't a lot of privacy and it's not the best holiday for people who like a daily shower and a clean pair of socks every morning. **5** ☐ We didn't just look at the Grand Canyon as it towered ever higher above us. We felt it. For six glorious days, we lived in it. The only bad thing was that on the very last day we had a pretty difficult climb getting out of it!

A The rest of us were terrified.
B It was worth it so that we could talk about the view from below.
C From the start they never stopped talking, but we didn't mind that.
D At times, it felt almost magical.
E And if you're looking for the second page, there isn't one.
F But it's ideal if you want to see sights that very few others get to see.
G Getting all the way down there is, in fact, a holiday in itself.

Reading total		15

WRITING

Write an article for a local magazine about towns / cities in your country, called 'Making our towns / cities better for teenagers' (140–180 words). Include the following information:

- describe what there is for young people to do in towns / cities
- explain how young people feel about this
- say what you think towns / cities should do to improve the situation

Writing total		15

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LISTENING

1 Listen to Olivia talking to her grandfather about his life when he was growing up. Choose the correct answer.

1 During the holidays Grandpa used to ___
- **A** stay at a holiday club.
- **B** spend lots of time in a natural environment.
- **C** go to his friend's house.

2 Grandpa says that children today ___
- **A** watch a lot of television.
- **B** need more toys to play with.
- **C** have a lot of imagination.

3 At school, Grandpa was unhappy about ___
- **A** the teachers who taught him.
- **B** some of the subjects he studied.
- **C** the amount of homework he had to do.

4 Grandpa most often listened to ___ during his teenage years.
- **A** live music
- **B** his records
- **C** the radio

5 Grandpa's mother was unable to provide the ___ for the family meals.
- **A** bread
- **B** fish
- **C** vegetables

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2 Listen to five people talking about their favourite photos. What does each person say about the photo?

A It shows some beautiful food.
B It's of an elderly relation.
C It has people of a similar age.
D There's a family pet in it.
E It shows the first hours of life.
F It has a wonderful range of colours.

Speaker 1 ☐
Speaker 2 ☐
Speaker 3 ☐
Speaker 4 ☐
Speaker 5 ☐

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Listening total	10

SPEAKING (A)

1 Make questions and ask your partner.

1 / you shop online? Why / Why not?
2 What / the most expensive thing you / ever / buy?
3 Where / you / go / next holiday?
4 Who / you usually go / holiday with?
5 / you prefer / go abroad / stay in your country / holidays? Why?

Now answer your partner's questions.

2 Talk about the statement below, saying if you agree or disagree. Give reasons.

'You can't have a good holiday if the weather is bad.'

3 Listen to your partner talking about holidays. Do you agree with him / her?

SPEAKING (B)

1 Make questions and ask your partner.

1 / you ever / buy anything on / internet? Why / Why not?
2 What was / last thing you / buy?
3 Where / you go last holiday?
4 / you enjoy / stay / hotels? Why / Why not?
5 / you / plan / holiday this year? Why / Why not?

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Now answer your partner's questions.

2 Talk about the statement below, saying if you agree or disagree. Give reasons.

'Being with nice people is the most important thing when you're on holiday.'

3 Listen to your partner talking about holidays. Do you agree with him / her?

Speaking total		15

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