

A) For questions 1–10, read the text below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

This western region, lying next to the ocean, has some of the most beautiful (0) in the entire country. Although there are some small

villages along the (1), it is a long way to the nearest big town. No railways or motorways connect this region with the rest of the world, so it feels quite (2) here. To the north, the huge White Mountains almost cut the region off from the flat (3) of the interior. The only way through them is over a high pass and down a narrow river (4). This is a particularly beautiful area, with spectacular white (5) on either side as streams tumble from the mountains high above. All around are dense (6) of pine trees, covered in snow in winter, and eventually the river pours into a lovely blue (7), over a kilometre in width. From there to the sea there is a series of green (8), full of wild flowers in spring, and then a line of (9), built up over the centuries by the winds sweeping in from the ocean and across the sand. Behind these lies a small blue (10) once part of the ocean and still filled with sea water.

Example 0 A view B sight C scenery D scene

1 A beach	B coast	C area	D shore
2 A isolated	B urban	C crowded	D cosmopolitan
3 A hills	B shores	C dunes	D plains
4 A beach	B gap	C valley	D slope
5 A tides	B waterfalls	C currents	D channels
6 A hedges	B bushes	C forests	D fences
7 A lake	B beach	C puddle	D pond
8 A lands	B grounds	C beaches	D fields
9 A peaks	B dunes	C deserts	D mountains
10 A bath	B pond	C lagoon	D river

B) For questions 1–10, read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of some of the lines to form a word that fits in the gap in the same line. There is an example at the beginning (0).

Example 0 classmates

My friends

My friend Emma goes to my school, and we are (0) *classmates* this year. She likes to do new and interesting things, as she's quite (1), but she's also very (2) because she doesn't take unnecessary risks. She's an easy-going person and never gets (3) which is another thing I like about her, and she's never (4) either. Ben is different. In fact, he's quite different from anyone else I know. He's (5) in the way he dresses, and he never does what people tell him to do. He's (6), but at the same time he has a lot of special skills and (7). For instance, he writes, draws and plays music with a lot of imagination, so he's highly (8). He's also brilliant at telling jokes. Sometimes

I think he's so (9) that one day he might become a professional (10)!

- 0 CLASS
- 1 ADVENTURE
- 2 SENSE
- 3 ARGUMENT
- 4 BOSS
- 5 CONVENTION
- 6 REBEL
- 7 TABLE
- 8 CREATE
- 9 HUMOUR
- 10 COMEDY

C) For questions 1–5, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given. Here is an example.

Example My brother gave me this jumper.

given

I was *given* this jumper by my brother.

1 I've never heard a joke as funny as that before.

