

GRAMMAR TEST

I. Complete the sentences 1 -12 by choosing the correct option A, B or C.

1) I can't believe his parents let him _____ to that party at the weekend.

- a) go b) to go c) going

2) One of my colleagues suggested _____ at the golden Sands hotel.

- a) to stay b) stay c) staying

3) I don't want to be late so we'd better _____ up.

- a) hurry b) to hurry c) hurrying

4) She offered _____ the children while I went to my appointment.

- a) looking after b) to look after c) look after

5) This course offers a great opportunity _____ your IT skills.

- a) improve b) to improve c) improving

6) James can't stand _____ so I always try to be on time

- a) wait b) to wait c) waiting

7) I really don't think you should _____ the contract without reading it properly.

- a) sign b) to sign c) signing

8) I managed to get my professor's permission _____ my assignment one week late.

- a) to hand in b) handing in c) hand in

9) Parents should make their children _____ their homework as soon as they get home from school.

- a) to do b) do c) doing

10) They're very excited about _____ to stay with us next month.

- a) come b) to come c) coming

11) To be honest, I'd rather _____ that movie as I've heard it's quite violent.

- a) to not see b) not to see c) not see

12) My grandmother has difficulty _____ the stairs when she visits our house.

- a) using b) use c) to use

II Complete each sentence with the correct form of the verb in brackets using either a gerund or an infinitive with or without to.

1) I think it is important _____ (PLAN) your holiday before you leave.

2) I'm really looking forward to _____ (SEE) you next week.

3) my parents never _____ (LET) me go away on holiday with my friends.

4) My rucksack needs _____ (REPAIR). It broke when I was backpacking round Europe last summer.

5) _____ (READ) on long car journeys makes me carsick.

6) You should definitely accept that job in London and use it as an opportunity _____ (LEARN) English.

7) I didn't mean _____ (BOOK) such an early flight. I did it by mistake.

8) I try to avoid _____ (GO) abroad in August because hotels are more expensive then.

III. Complete the text below with the full infinitive, the bare infinitive or the -ing form of the verbs in brackets.

COLD READING

_____ (READ) people's mind is impossible. However, mind readers use a technique called "cold reading" which makes it _____ (LOOK) like they can _____ (UNDERSTAND) what you are thinking.

Without _____ (KNOW) anything about a person, a practiced cold reader is capable of _____ (OBTAIN) a great deal of information about a subject just by _____ (ANALYSE) their clothes, age, ethnic group, body language, etc. They are also quick _____ (NOTICE) the subject's level of education, accent and place of origin. Cold readers first try _____ (MAKE) high probability guesses; then they are able _____ (RECOGNISE) signals from the subject as whether their guesses are going in the right direction, while moving on from missed guesses. A cold reader may _____ (MAKE) statements like "your father died due to problems in his chest or abdomen". This seems _____ (WORK) well on older

subjects, whose father is likely to have died, and the description covers the majority of causes of death.

Cold readers often work with audiences where they use mathematics and probability _____ (GET) results, people are usually shocked _____ (HEAR) someone telling them what is going on in their mind, but it's all just a simple trick.