



FIRST TERM 2021- WRITING EXAM

GRAMMAR

1 Complete the sentences. Use the correct form of the verb in brackets.

Example: Shhh. The film has just started (start).

- 1 ' _____ you _____ (wash) the car yet?' 'No, I haven't.'
- 2 I _____ (like) vegetarian food.
- 3 Kate often _____ (go out) with Denis, but they aren't a couple.
- 4 Laila and Jumaid _____ (watch) TV at 10 o'clock last night.
- 5 'What _____ you _____ (do)?' 'I'm a shop assistant.'
- 6 It _____ (rain) when Rachael arrived at her new office.
- 7 Good news! Agnieska and Theo _____ (sold) their house.

2 Put the words in the correct order.

Example: old you how are ?
How old are you?

- 1 do/ you/ last /What /did/ weekend ?

- 2 you /any /pets /Do /have ?

- 3 to /do /of /you/ listen /music /kind /What ?

- 4 Have/ been /to /you /Paris/ ever?

- 5 Did/ study /for/ you/ the/ exam ?

3 Choose the correct form.

Example: Kim broke / has broken her arm while she was on holiday.

- 1 Lianne **has been** / **went** to Moscow more than once.
- 2 I **every day** exercise / exercise **every day**.
- 3 When you called I **ate** / **was eating** my lunch.
- 4 Ali **is cycling** / **cycles** to work every day.
- 5 What **are you doing** / **do you do** at this moment?



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VOCABULARY

4 Match 1–11 with a–k.

1 wait _____	a work early
2 do _____	b abroad
3 make_____	c the dishwasher
4 drop off _____	d something to the shop
5 have _____	e for my friend
6 unload_____	f from a holiday
7 come back_____	g a mistake
8 go _____	h a friend at the airport
9 leave _____	i some exercise
10 miss _____	j a wonderful time
11 take back _____	k a bus



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5 Complete the sentences with the correct word(s).

Example: Mill Street Café only sells healthy salads.

a) medical b) nutritionist c) healthy

1 Phoebe has _____ hair.

a) medium b) tall c) curly

2 Javier often stays in bed all morning. He's a bit _____.

a) lazy b) hard-working c) relaxed

3 I don't like people who tell _____. We need to be honest with each other.

a) stories b) lies c) the truth

4 We don't laugh much in English class. It's quite a ___ place. a) friendly b)

funny c) serious There are several _____ people in this class, but

everyone's opinion is important.

a) talkative b) generous c) mean

5 People often say that yoga is _____, but I find it stressful!

a) positive b) interested c) relaxing

6 The hotel was _____ and uncomfortable. What a disaster!

a) a bit clean b) dirty

7 On Saturdays, the shopping centre is too _____.

a) crowded b) very noisy c) many people



READING

6. Read the article and tick (✓) A, B, or C.

New year, old customs

by travel editor, Lauren Briard

Have you ever made a New Year's **resolution**? Perhaps you have decided to learn a new language, or take up more exercise? You are not alone. In many cultures, people choose to change something about their life at the beginning of the year. And all over the world, people celebrate the new year with interesting **customs**.

My favourite traditions come from Mexico and other Latin American countries. For example, at midnight on New Year's Eve in many Spanish-speaking cultures, everyone eats twelve grapes – one grape for each month of the year. People say that eating the grapes brings good **fortune** for the new year. And don't be surprised if your friend from Peru wants to walk around the outside of his or her house with heavy luggage. Traditionally, if you complete this **challenge** you will be a successful traveller in the new year. Would you like to go on a **dream** holiday next year? Then try it!

Cleaning the house is perhaps the most common new year tradition. From Mexico to Japan people **sweep** their homes from top to bottom. Some people believe this **removes** bad luck and allows good luck to enter the house. In other countries, such as Britain and Iran, the cleaning happens later in the year, so it's called 'spring cleaning'. In Iran, just before the March spring **festival**, people empty their houses of all their furniture. They clean the house from top to bottom, **mend** broken furniture or replace old items. People bring flowers and **herbs** indoors too so their homes smell fresh and clean.

New Year is often celebrated with friends, so my final story is from Denmark. If you are in Denmark at New Year, you will probably see piles of broken plates outside front doors. What's going on? Well, traditionally, people take their old or broken plates and **smash** them on their friend's front door. It brings good luck to your friend. It's great fun, too! So, a big pile of broken plates means you are a popular person.

Enjoy the new year festival, wherever you are in the world. I hope you are ready with your grapes, luggage and plates!

Example: New Year is a special day all over the world.

A True B False C Doesn't say

1 One of the writer's favourite New Year traditions comes from Latin America.

A True B False C Doesn't say

2 At midnight, there is a tradition of eating one grape.

A True B False C Doesn't say



3 The person who eats the fastest wins a prize.

A True B False C Doesn't say

4 In Peru, there is a New Year tradition that includes suitcases.

A True B False C Doesn't say

5 The tradition from Peru will give you good dreams in the new year.

A True B False C Doesn't say

6 House cleaning is a very popular new year tradition.

A True B False C Doesn't say

7 In Britain, people clean their homes at New Year.

A True B False C Doesn't say

8 In Iran, the first month of the calendar is March.

A True B False C Doesn't say

9 In Denmark, there is a special tradition between friends.

A True B False C Doesn't say

10 The most popular people have the most broken plates.

A True B False C Doesn't say

WRITING

7. Answer these three questions. Write 25–35 words for each question.

- 1 Which housework job do you like best? Is there a housework job that you hate?
Why?
- 2 What do you usually do when you are waiting at an airport or train station?
1)



2)

8. LISTENING

1.33 That evening Jenny goes to the hotel to meet Rob and they go out for a drink. Watch or listen and mark the sentences **T** (true) or **F** (false).

- 1 Rob says he doesn't like the hotel.
- 2 Jenny is going to show him round the city tomorrow.
- 3 Barbara is Jenny's boss.
- 4 Rob is hungry.
- 5 It's four in the morning for Rob.
- 6 They're going to meet at eleven.
- 7 Jenny thinks that Rob is going to get lost.