GRAMMAR AND VOCABULARY
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1. Complete the text with one word in each gap.

April Fool's Day

Why do some people look forward to the beginning of April 0so much? Once a year, 1_____ around the year 1392, people all over the world have played jokes on each other on 1st April. People tell silly stories, hoping others will believe them. One famous joke on national TV in 1957 showed a 'spaghetti harvest', where people 2_____ collecting strings of pasta from 'spaghetti trees'. At that time, most people in the UK 3. _____ never seen fresh pasta, and because it was such 4_____ convincing story, many of them believed it to be true. 5 _____ a result, some even contacted the BBC to find out how to grow the trees! It took the BBC a while before they admitted the whole thing 6. _____ a joke. It's unlikely that a major broadcaster would publish this kind of story today, 7. _____ many people still play jokes on family and friends on 1st April, shouting 'April Fool!' to anyone who believes the story. However, as 8. _____ as the clock says midday, the joking should stop. Anyone who plays a joke after that time becomes the April Fool themselves!

2. Complete the text with the correct past simple or past continuous form of these verbs.

decide / find / form / leave / live / return / spend / start / study / work

Profile

Steve Jobs was an American inventor and businessman. He was always interested in technology and 1_____ building computers while he 2_____ at college. He 3_____ with his parents at that time. He 4. _____ college after only six months and 5. _____ some time travelling around India. When he 6. _____ to the US, he 7. _____ a job with the technology company Atari. While he 8. _____ there, he 9._____ to set up his own company. Jobs 10. _____ the Apple company in 1976 with his friend Steve Wozniak, and together they changed the world of phones and personal computing for ever

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3. Use the word given in brackets to form a word that fits in the gap.

City farms

Many young people who live in cities rarely have the 0. satisfaction (SATISFY) of seeing native animals in their 1. _____. (NATURE) environment. In recent years, however, several 'city farms' have appeared, where kids come face-to-face with cows and sheep for the first time. 2. _____. (FORTUNATE), some owners of exotic animals like snakes and spiders don't care for them 3. _____. (PROPER), and farms have taken these in, too. At city farms, people who wouldn't 4. _____.(USUAL) get the chance to see or care for animals like these can get hands-on experience of doing so. This is very 5. _____.(ENJOY) for those involved and at the same time it teaches them how to act in a 6. _____. (RESPOND) way towards other living creatures. At some city farms, there's even the chance to go horse-riding. Although these animals might seem 7. _____. (TERRIFY) at first, joining in activities like this opens up a new world of 8. _____. (EXCITE) and experience to children who might otherwise never have the opportunity to get so close to wildlife.

4. 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. Use between two and five words, including the word given.

0. They couldn't understand the instructions because they were not clear.
ENOUGH
The instructions were not clear enough to understand.
1.I miss the school bus all the time.
ALWAYS I am_____ the school bus.

2. I've never seen such a bad film.
WORST That _____ film I've ever seen.

3. I went fishing every Saturday with my grandad when I was a kid.
USED I _____ fishing every Saturday with my grandad when I was a kid.

4.That was my first time at a festival.
HAD That was the first time that I _____ to a festival.

5. I'm going swimming in a minute – do you want to come with me?
ABOUT I'm _____ swimming – do you want to come with me?

6. I can't go to gym club tonight because I've got a headache.
ABLE I _____ go to gym club tonight because I've got a headache.

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5. Complete the texts with the correct future forms of the verbs in brackets

WEEKEND PLANS

- My Dad 1 _____ (take) me and my sister to a food festival. It 2 _____ (start) on Friday night, so we might stay in a hotel. I hope we do!'

- 'What are my plans for the weekend? I don't know ... I 3 _____ (probably/ go) to my grandparents' for lunch. They 4 _____ (go) on an eco-holiday next week, so I'd like to see them before they go.'

- Well, on Saturday, I 5. _____ (be) in the city of Hamburg, in Germany. I love science and it's got a building which uses algae – those plants without leaves which grow in water – to create its power! I 6. _____ (look) round while Mum's in a business

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