AIOE INTERMEDIATE B (UNIT 11 and 12)

Name:

1 Select the correct alternative.

a) **Fortunately / Personally**, I don't see anything wrong with enjoying yourself when you're old.

b) **Fairly / Naturally**, there are some limits to what you should do.

c) **Actually / Fortunately**, I'm hoping that as I get older I'll be able to have more fun.

d) I prepared very **thoroughly/obviously**, I exercised every day for three months before.

e) **Hopefully / Predictably**, I feel really tired today after staying out all night.

f) **Basically / Definitely,** I don't really like the idea of getting old.

g) **Unbelievably / Unfortunately,** I'm not as young as I used to be and I have to remember that.

h) I think it's important to exercise **positively / regularly** to try and stay in good shape.

2 Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

apparently	clearly	definitely	fortunately	hopefully	positively	surprisingly

a) _____, you won't be as stupid in the future and you'll learn from this.

b) I thought she was in her early fifties, but _____ she's sixty-three!

c) Now that I'm retired, I'm _____ going to slow down a bit. I've been working far too hard most of my life.

d) As you get older, it's important to be optimistic and think _____ about things.

e) He's fifty and he still plays football. He's _____ fit for his age.

f) My grandmother was trying to act normally, but she was _____ upset.

g) My body is much slower than it used to be; _____, my mind is as sharp as ever.

3 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the word in parentheses.

a) If you _____ (listen) to me, it wouldn't be a problem now.

b) They would sell more records, if they _____ (play) more live shows. They just never go on tour.

c) I'd learn to play the guitar, if I _____ (have) more time.

d) If I _____ (go out) last night, I'd be tired now.

e) I'd _____ (ask) for his autograph, if I saw him.

f) I wouldn't have believed it if I _____ (not see) it with my own eyes.

g) If I _____ (not buy) the tickets when I did, we would have missed the concert.

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4 Select the correct alternative.

a) I wish I **didn't give / hadn't given** up the piano when I was younger.

b) If only I'd **listen / listened** to my parents when I was a child.

c) I wish I'd told her the truth, but I **didn't / hadn't**.

d) Sam wishes he'd **learn / learned** to speak French.

e) I wish I'd **be / been** kinder to my younger sister when I was a teenager.

f) If only I hadn't **leave / left** when I did.

g) I wish I didn't have to **leave / left**.

h) I wish I **can / could** talk to you more often.

5 Complete the conversation with the phrases in the box.

be available later on today	I'd like to speak to	I'll try to put you through	Who's calling, please
Would you like to hold			

Receptionist: Good morning. L & L Law Firm. Can I help you?

Man: Yes, (1) _____ Ms. Roberts, please.

Receptionist: (2) _____?

Man: My name's Alex Wilson.

Receptionist: One moment. (3) _____.

Man: Hello?

Receptionist: I'm sorry, the line's busy. (4) _____?

Man: Do you know if she'll (5) _____?

Receptionist: Yes, I'm sure she will.

Man: OK, I'll try again later. Thank you.

[Track 27]

6 Listen and select the adverb in each group with a different syllable stress pattern.

a) actually naturally clearly

b) regularly basically practically

c) positively incredibly definitely

d) apparently surprisingly fortunately

e) predictably obviously enormously

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Listening

[Track 28]

7 Listen to an interview with Bert, a one-hundred-year-old man. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)?

a) A lot of people came to Bert's birthday party.

b) Bert doesn't do a lot now that he's old.

c) Bert regrets worrying so much when he was young.

d) Bert wishes he had seen more of his children when they were young.

e) Bert traveled a lot when he was young.

Reading

8 Read the text. Is the information in these sentences true (T), false (F), or not given (NG)?

a) The writer has never worried about getting older. T / F / NG

b) He is older than forty. T / F / NG

c) He is upset when people do things for him. T / F / NG

d) Sometimes he uses his age to get things. T / F / NG

e) He often buys things for his grandchildren. T / F / NG

Most people seem to worry about getting old and I really don't understand why. Of course, when I was young I couldn't imagine being old. I remember as a teenager thinking that thirty was old and I also remember when I turned forty, thinking that the world was coming to an end. But in fact, as I've gotten older I've realized that there are many advantages. For example, I never have to stand up on the bus anymore. If there's no room, somebody always stands up and offers me their seat, and in the supermarket people are always helping me with my shopping bags. At first, I was rather offended by such behavior, but then I realized that people were just being polite and that, in fact, I should take it as a compliment. To be honest, sometimes I deliberately exaggerate my age! You know, walk more slowly or groan a bit. I know that sounds bad, but I've always been lazy and it's too easy to take advantage.

However, there are some things that annoy me about getting older. Why is it I'm not supposed to like modern music? And what's wrong with an old man playing computer games? Sometimes when I go shopping and buy a CD or a game, I have to pretend it's for my grandchildren. I recently bought the new *Snow Patrol* album, and the store assistant asked me if I was sure it was what my grandson wanted. When I told her it was for me, she looked quite surprised!

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9 Put the words from the box into the table.

baggy checked linen pinstriped turtleneck suede

Pattern	Material	Style

10 Complete the description with the words and phrases in the box. There are three extra words or phrases.

blond streaks freckles hazel mid-twenties mole shoulder-length sideburns tattoo

My girlfriend is fairly tall with (1) _____ hair with (2) _____. She has (3) _____ colored eyes and a small (4) _____ of a dragon on her left shoulder. She's in her (5) _____ and I think she's stunningly beautiful!

11 Choose the correct word to complete each sentence.

a) Can you _____ me a cup of coffee, please?
(1) do (2) make (3) put

b) I always _____ a shower before getting dressed.
(1) take (2) do (3) make

c) I've never thought about how I _____ dressed before.
(1) do (2) get (3) put

d) Most mornings, I don't have time to _____ the dishes before I leave for work.
(1) do (2) get (3) make

e) The first thing I do when I wake up is to _____ the radio on.
(1) get (2) have (3) turn

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12 Put the words in the correct order.

a) cotton / It's a / large / lovely / shirt

_____ .

b) black / It's an / jacket / leather / old

_____ .

c) beautiful / It's a / Italian / long-sleeved / shirt

_____ .

d) and green / bright / It's a / striped / T-shirt / yellow

_____ .

e) American / boots / It's a / pair of / scruffy / snakeskin

_____ .

f) brown / It's an / sweater / old / woolen

_____ .

g) dress / It's a / long / red / silk

_____ .

13 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the word in parentheses.

a) Samantha's having a dress _____ (make) for her.

b) I had my eyes _____ (test) recently.

c) John's going to _____ (paint) my living room for me.

d) Jack had his hair _____ (cut) really short.

e) My daughter wants to have her ears _____ (pierce).

f) Have you ever _____ (have) your fortune told?

g) You should go to the dentist and have your teeth _____ (check).

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14 Complete the conversation with the phrases in the box.

thank you for inviting me	Do you think so	don't mention it	what a beautiful day
I've had it for ages			

Judith: This is really nice.

Caroline: Yes, it is, isn't it?

Judith: I mean, (1) _____! Such bright sunshine!

Caroline: I know, it really couldn't be better.

Judith: And I love your dress.

Caroline: Oh this – it's nothing special. (2) _____.

Judith: It really looks good on you.

Caroline: (3) _____?

Judith: Yes, it really shows off your figure.

Caroline: Thank you. Oh, I almost forgot to say (4) _____.

Judith: Oh, (5) _____. We wouldn't have a party without asking you to come!

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