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READING AND WRITING

ZERO AND FIRST CONDITIONAL

Part I: Read each statement and choose the appropriate answer.

1- If he_____ the truth, she will forgive him.

☐ **tells** ☐ **tell** ☐ **told**

2- If you don´t eat, you get sick.

☐ **First conditional** ☐ **second conditional** ☐ **zero conditional**

3- If you feel sick, you_____ to the doctor.

☐ **goes** ☐ **to go** ☐ **go**

4- If she has enough money next year, she_____ a new car.

☐ **will buy** ☐ **won´t buy** ☐ **would buy**

5- If I _____ a word, I look it up in my dictionary.

☐ **doesn´t know** ☐ **not know** ☐ **don't know**

6- They are taking umbrellas, if it _____.

☐ **rain** ☐ **rains** ☐ **if rained**

7- If Carlos _____ a fancy party, he has to save money to pay all the expenses.

☐ **wants** ☐ **want** ☐ **wanted**



Zero or fisrt conditional?

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Infinitives and gerunds

Part II: Complete the following sentences putting the verbs in the correct form: Either gerund or infinitive.

1. Elizabeth didn´t need_____ (do) the final exams.
2. Susana and Victoria enjoy_____ (visit) her grandma on weekends.
3. Lyn doesn´t mind_____ (drive) during eight hours but I prefer_____ (fly)
4. Noa must stop_____ (smoke) cigars; it's bad for him.
5. What theme has Laura decided_____ (choose) for her party.
6. Has Rosa finished_____ (cook) the breakfast yet?
7. Don´t forget_____ (send) me the link for shopping online on discount this weekend.
8. After studying that much, I hope_____(get) an excellent grade.
9. I learned_____ (drive) a car when I was twelve years old.
10. At the beach waves were too calm, so I suggested_____ (swim) for a while.



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Comparatives

Part III: Read to Katie comparing two things using the comparative form of adjectives in parenthesis. Also, she compares movies and food.



1) Comparing People: My mother and father are very different. My mom is _____(old) than my dad, but my dad looks_____ (young) than my mom. My dad is _____ (active) because he plays sports. My mom is_____ (talkative). She loves to talk with people. My dad is _____(tall) than my mom. My mom is_____ (short) than my dad

2) Comparing Movies: I think the old Star Wars movies are _____ (good) than the new Star Wars movies. In the old movies, the characters were_____ (interesting), and the story was _____ (fast.) The new stories are _____(difficult) to follow. I felt _____ (happy) watching the old movies.



4) Comparing Food: I like Japanese food more than American food because it is_____ (healthy). Japanese meals are_____ (small) and_____ (fresh) than American meals. American food is _____ (international) though, so I like that about it. Still, I think Japanese food tastes _____(good).

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Will – be going to

Read each sentence and choose if boldfaced verb expresses a prediction, prior plan or willingness.

1- Dinner´s almost ready. I´**ll** set the table	prediction	plan	Willingness
2- Ivan has some vacation time. He **is going to take** next week off.	prediction	plan	willingness
3- Heidy **will love** her birthday present. It´s just what she wants.	prediction	plan	willingness
4- I don´t like my job. I´**m going to quit** when I get back from vacation.	prediction	plan	willingness
5- That´s ok. Don´t worry about the spilled coffee. I'**ll clean** it up.	prediction	plan	willingness
6- Someday, there **are going to be** computers in every classroom in the world.	prediction	plan	willingness
7- I´**m going** to the bookstore. Do you want to go with me?	prediction	plan	willingness

Note: info about this is in general chat, just in case.



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Reading #1

Black Friday

Read the text about Black Friday and for questions 1 to 5, choose the correct option.

The day after Thanksgiving has become America's biggest shopping day. Closed all day on Thursday, shopping centres all across the nation open early on Friday. Some of them open at 12:01 Friday morning, while others open at 4 a.m. Some **"sleepyhead"** shopping centres, like Target this year, don't open their doors on Friday until 6 a.m. From Friday to the day before Christmas, this is the season when businesses make nearly 25 per cent of what they earn in a year. This season puts many businesses "in the black", that is, they make the money they need for the year.

Reporters from local TV stations interview people who sleep in tents in front of the shops a day or two before the doors open on Friday. These people patiently wait in queue to get products that are 50 per cent cheaper or more.

"Oh, we have fun," said one of the persons queuing. "We sometimes bring games to play, we watch TV and order lots of pizza, and we often meet interesting people. And, most important of all, we save a lot!" The problem, of course, is that only a very small number of products have big reductions in their prices. Apart from a few big discounts, each shop has other things that are reduced from 10 to 50 per cent, saving shoppers from $10 to $400 per item, and so Americans want to go shopping.

Not all Americans enjoy shopping. Reverend William Graham wants to change Black Friday's name. "We want to call it *Remember Jesus Friday*. People should start the season with the right attitude. Christmas has become a Season of Shopping. We want to make it a Season of Giving. And we don't mean giving material things. We mean

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giving your back, your mind, and your hands. Help an old lady clean up her house. Teach a kid how to read. Visit sick people in the hospital or in nursing homes. Give food to the Red Cross. Celebrate Christmas by remembering Jesus and forgetting Santa Claus."

1-According to the text, the expression "sleepyhead" refers to shops that ...

- open later than others
- open early in the morning
- don't open until late in the morning

2-On these days some businesses make ... for the rest of the year.

- half the money
- enough money
- nearly all the sales

3-Which of these sentences is TRUE?

- Most products are reduced nearly half price
- In general, most discounts in prices are quite big
- Just a few selected products have large discounts

4-Reverend William Graham thinks shopping so much at this time of the year ...

- is not right
- is the right attitude
- needs a new name



5-According to the text, Black Friday is ...

- the Friday before Christmas
- the beginning of a shopping period
- an important holiday in The United States

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Reading #2

Complete blank spaces in the conversation "City" using the superlatives form of adjectives in parenthesis

San Francisco – (Superlatives)



Sarah: Hi, Todd.

Todd: Hey, Sarah. How are you?

Sarah: Good. How are you?

Todd: Not bad.

Sarah: So, I heard you are from San Francisco.

Todd: That's right. Yeah, I was born there and I lived in the city for many years.

Sarah: Cool. What is **1-** _____ (interesting) thing about your city?

Todd: Well, San Francisco has many interesting things, but **2-**_____ (interesting) thing is probably the architecture. There's lots of very unique buildings. And the **3-** _____ (unique) building is probably the Trans-America building. It's a building like a pyramid. It's nice.

Sarah: Well, that's really cool.

Sarah: What is **4-**_____ (expensive) area in San Francisco?

Todd: Well, it is very, very expensive. The **5-** _____ (expensive) area is a place called Pacific Heights, and it's on **6-**_____ (high) hill in San Francisco and it overlooks the Bay. It's a really, really beautiful place.

Todd: That area by far has **7-**_____ (good) views of the city.

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Sarah: Hmm, what is **8-**_____ (beautiful) place in San Francisco?

Todd: Well, actually **9-**_____ (beautiful) place is outside the city. It's a place called Muir Woods. And it has **10-**_____(tall)t trees in the world, and some of these trees are really old. They are **11-**_____(old) trees in North America. Some of them are ***over*** 2,000 years old.

Sarah: Wow. It sounds like some place I would like to see. So, it sounds really expensive. Where is the cheapest place to live?

Todd: The cheapest place to live is a place called Sunset. And Sunset is on the west side, and the houses are kind of old and they're a little bit cheap. But one thing about Sunset is it has **12-**_____(nice) view of the ocean, and you could watch the sunset every night. That's why it's called the Sunset area.

Sarah: Hmm. If I wanted to go there, when is **13-**_____(good) time to visit?

Todd: Well, the best time is probably in the fall because that's when the weather is **14-**_____(nice). It's not too cold, and it's not too hot. And it doesn't rain that much.

Sarah: So, when would be _____(bad) time to visit?

Todd: **15-**_____(bad) time to visit would be probably February and March, because February and March are the **16-**_____(cold) and **17-**_____(wet) months. So – well, March isn't that cold but sometimes it's wet, so it rains a lot.

Sarah: Wow. That sounds really great. I want to go there.

Todd: Yeah, you should. It's great place.

Read the conversation about "City" and for questions 1 to 5, choose the correct option.

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1) The nicest area is _____ .

- by the beach
- on a hill
- downtown

2) The Trans-America building looks like a _____ .

- Map
- Egg
- Pyramid

3) Pacific Heights overlooks _____ .

- the bay
- a park
- downtown

4) The trees in Muir Woods are over _____ .

- 2000 feet tall
- 2000 years old
- 200 feet wide

5) The Sunset area is _____ .

- Expensive
- Cheap
- Ugly



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