

CA U2 REVISION

Vocabulary

1 For questions 1–8, read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of some of the lines to form a word that fits in the gap in the same line.

The evolution of linguistics

Linguistics has undergone two great revolutions in the past 70 years. In the late 1950s Noam Chomsky **theorised** that all languages were built on an underlying (1) grammar embedded in human genes. A second shift in linguistics – an (2) of interest in small and endangered languages – has focused on the (3) of linguistic experience. Field linguists are more interested in the (4) that make each language unique and the ways that culture can be (5) in a language's form. At present some 85 percent of languages have yet to be documented. Understanding them can only (6) our comprehension of what is similar in all languages.

Different languages highlight the range of human experience, revealing that aspects of life that we have a (7) to think of as true of all languages, such as our experience of time, number or colour, are in fact quite (8) In the Siberian language Tuva, for example, the past is always spoken of as ahead of one and the future is behind one's back.

2 Complete each of these sentences with a word/phrase relating to language (the number of letters in each word is given at the end of the sentence).

- 1 You've got to be able to write for this job. We can't afford to have people making mistakes. (10 letters)
- 2 Amina expresses her ideas very clearly – but then she's a highly young woman. (10)
- 3 Having lived in Chile for seven years, Philippe has a perfect of Spanish. (7)
- 4 It takes a great deal of practice to achieve in a language. (7)

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- 5 I prefer to the language while I'm visiting the country rather than going to classes. (4, 2)
- 6 Maria's English is virtually perfect although her is Greek. (6, 6)
- 7 With a Japanese father and a French mother, Motoko is completely (9)

3 Complete these sentences by writing the correct form of *make*, *get* or *do* in the gaps.

- 1 Lee has been working hard because he needs to better professional qualifications.
- 2 The new principal is planning on quite a few changes to the way this college is run.
- 3 How long have you been your current job?
- 4 It was a difficult decision, but I think you the right choice.
- 5 I don't understand you. What point are you trying to ?
- 6 It wouldn't you any harm to take a bit more exercise!

Grammar

4 Complete each of these sentences with a word or phrase from the box.

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- 1 I caught an earlier train finishing the report before my boss arrived in the office.
- 2 Natalie delivered the parcel herself to make sure it arrived safely.
- 3 If I were you, I'd take your bank card your money runs out.
- 4 You really should write new vocabulary in your notebook, you'll forget it.
- 5 Services on North-East Trains were cancelled today a train drivers' strike.
- 6 Amin covered his face as he left the building no one would recognise him.

