

Test
(Insight advance)
Unit 1-2

Exercise 1

Match the idioms 1-8 to their meanings a-h.

1. pull your socks up	a to improve the way in which sth is developing
2. chop and change	b to pass a very important point in an illness or a difficult situation and begin to improve
3. make great strides	c a return to the situation you were in at the beginning of a project, task, etc., because you have made no real progress
4. go from strength to strength	d to keep changing your mind or what you are doing
5. turn the corner	e to try to avoid death, punishment, etc. in an extremely difficult situation
6. (be) in sb's hands	f to try to improve your performance, work, behaviour, etc.
7. back to square one	g being taken care of or controlled by sb
8. save your skin	h to become more and more successful

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

Exercise 2

Complete the sentences with the words in the box. There are two words that you do not need.

segregation, alter, exclusive, enhance, consequently, alienation, reverse, whereas, adapt, personification

- The county took steps to _____ water quality.
- He works slowly and precisely _____ I tend to rush things and make mistakes.
- The system of racial _____ that used to exist in South Africa was called apartheid.
- The new manager hoped to _____ the decline in the company's fortunes.
- Nemesis, in Greek mythology, is the _____ of divine justice and the vengeance of the gods.
- Although the cost of making phone calls is going up, the charge for connecting to the internet will not _____.

7. The cotton-manufacturing industry fulfilled different roles in each town, and _____ had a different impact on each political environment.
8. Depressed people frequently feel a sense of _____ from those around them.

Exercise 3

Write the noun forms of the words below.

1.	isolate (v)	→	
2.	attach (v)	→	
3.	exclude (v)	→	
4.	improve (v)	→	
5.	alienate (v)	→	
6.	enhance (v)	→	
7.	reject (v)	→	
8.	associate (v)	→	
9.	personify (v)	→	
10.	add (v)	→	

Exercise 4

Write the noun forms of the words below.

1.	penalize (v)	→	
2.	indict (v)	→	
3.	defend (v)	→	
4.	prosecute (v)	→	
5.	confess (v)	→	
6.	acquit (v)	→	
7.	convict (v)	→	
8.	absolve (v)	→	
9.	plead (v)	→	
10.	testify (v)	→	

Exercise 5

Complete the sentences with the words in the box. There are two words that you do not need.

distraught testify acquittal greedily plead hastily exonerate
hopefully jeopardize befuddled

1. It accuses him of acting _____, without a detailed military plan, and without studying options.
2. Recent excavations _____ to the presence of cultivated inhabitants on the hill during the Arthurian period.
3. I'm so tired, my poor _____ brain can't absorb any more.
4. He smoothed his hair and drank _____ from his water glass.
5. She knew that by failing her finals she could _____ her whole future.
6. He was _____ from the accusation of cheating.
7. Of the three cases that went to trial, two ended in _____.
8. _____, we'll be able to rearrange the dates of our holiday.

Exercise 6

Choose the correct words.

1. Five people _____ for making and selling counterfeit currency.
2. Adopted children are often the most _____ and in the greatest need of support.
3. The second great crisis followed _____ after, in 1173.
4. The accused _____ in custody for a week.
5. The first trial ended in a hung jury, the second in _____.
6. The report _____ her from all blame for the accident.
7. A suspect _____ by the police for questioning.
8. Friends and relatives of the murdered women gazed _____ at the defendant in court.

Exercise 7

Choose the correct perfect form (present perfect, past perfect or 'will have' + past participle) to complete each sentence.

1. I was furious when my new computer stopped working. I _____ it for just two weeks!
 - have had
 - had had
 - will have had
2. Paul's one of my closest friends. I _____ him since we were at school together.
 - have known
 - had known
 - will have known
3. This time next year, my parents _____ married for 50 years.
 - have been
 - had been
 - will have been
4. By the time he was 30, Baker _____ more than 50 different countries.
 - has visited
 - had visited
 - will have visited
5. Just as they left the railway station, they realised that they _____ on the wrong train.
 - have got
 - had got
 - will have got
6. All my friends are getting married. By the end of this year, I _____ to six weddings!
 - have been
 - had been
 - will have been
7. I'm afraid I can't use this credit card. I _____ my PIN number.
 - have forgotten
 - had forgotten
 - will have forgotten
8. By the year 2500, I'm sure mankind _____ how to travel faster than light.
 - has learned
 - had learned
 - will have learned
9. They _____ for nearly 50 years.
 - have been married
 - had been married
 - will have been married

Exercise 8

Look at the FUTURE FORMS in the sentences. Match the correct descriptions with the sentences.

not sure, good chance, offer or promise, belief about the future, prediction based on evidence, before and after a specific future time, scheduled event, plan or arrangement, plan or intention

1. I'm sure you'LL HAVE a good time in Los Angeles.
2. We MIGHT SEE Catrina at the funeral tomorrow.
3. I'M GOING TO PHONE my bank manager tomorrow.
4. The next course STARTS on 1 July. That's what the website says.
5. The meeting SHOULD BE over by six. They don't usually take more than an hour.
6. I'LL HELP you do the washing up if you like.
7. Bella and I ARE GETTING married in the summer. We've already agreed on the date.

Exercise 9

Below is an article adapted from Franz Kafka's 'The Metamorphosis'.

Fill in the gaps using either the past simple, past continuous or past perfect. The verbs you need are given in brackets. It is best to read through the article first before you begin the exercise.

It was pretty late in the autumn of the year, and the evening sun 1.
(shine) through the clouds which 2. (cover) it all day. The sun 3.
(look) brightly down upon me as I 4. (walk) through the glorious countryside. I
5. (never see) such beautiful nature before in all of my life. Eventually I
6. (find) a little pub, where I 7. (sit down) and 8.
(take) a drink, before I left to continue on my journey. After a few more hours night 9.
 (start) to come. I 10. (get)
lost somehow and I had no idea where I was. I 11. (walk)
in the direction I thought was correct, when I suddenly 12. (hear) a noise
behind me..