

UNIT 5. CULTURAL IDENTITY

GRAMMAR 1

Complete the sentences below by putting the verb in brackets into the present perfect simple or present perfect continuous.

1. The company is huge. It (create) a thousand new jobs since the beginning of last year.
2. We (produce) this product since the beginning of the year.
3. I (have) this car for twenty years and it's as reliable as ever.
4. I'm afraid the company is going bankrupt. It (have) big problems lately.
5. So, what (you/do) since I last saw you? What's new?
6. How many of these questions (you/manage) to get right so far?
7. I'm a bit worried about Mike. He (act) very strange of late.
8. He's an awful driver. He (have) four accidents in the last three months.
9. (you/send) us the new price list of your products yet? We need it as soon as possible.
10. I (try) to repair the lock on our door for the last four hours without any success.

Complete the following sentences with the correct form of the words in brackets, using repeated comparatives.

1. He gets (boring). I can't listen to him any longer.
2. I didn't like this book at first, but it's getting (interesting).
3. My daughter's English results are getting (bad).
4. The boss will be angry with you. You arrive (late) at work.
5. In spring the weather gets (warm).
6. It's time you tidied your room. It's getting (messy).
7. Food is getting (expensive).
8. I think TV programs are getting (violent).
9. I find it (difficult) to see him.
10. She's getting over her operation. She feels (good).

Rewrite the sentences using repeated comparatives.

1. The apartment is big. The rent is big.
→ The
2. She gets fat. She feels tired.
→ The
3. As he gets older, he wants to travel less.
→ The
4. My boss works better when he is pressed for time.
→ The less
5. The growth in the economy makes people's living condition better.
→ The more

6. People learn a lot of things as they travel far. → The farther.....
7. We plant more trees . The air becomes fresher .
→ The.....
8. We set off soon. We will arrive soon.
→ The.....
9. He speaks too much and people feel bored.
→ The more.....
10. If you read many books , you will have much knowledge.
→ The more.....

Mark the letter A, B, C. or D to indicate the sentence that is closest in meaning to each of the following questions.

1. Cultural changes have never been as accelerated as they are now during the globalization.
 - A. Never before cultural changes have been as accelerated as they are now during the globalization.
 - B. Never before cultural have changes been as accelerated as they are now during the globalization.
 - C. Never before have been cultural changes as accelerated as they are now during the globalization.
 - D. Never before have cultural changes been as accelerated as they are now during the globalization.
2. Many immigrants do not want their children to suffer from not speaking dominant language well, as they did.
 - A. Many immigrants do not want their children to speak dominant language as worse as they did.
 - B. Many immigrants want their children to speak dominant language better than they did.
 - C. Many immigrants want their children to speak dominant language as well as they did.
 - D. Many immigrants want to speak dominant language as well as their children can.
 - D. It is normal to believe that children can learn to speak only one language well.
3. There are over fifty ethnic groups but we all use Vietnamese as the official language.
 - A. Although there are over fifty ethnic groups, we all use Vietnamese as the official language.
 - B. Despite there are over fifty ethnic groups, we all use Vietnamese as the official language.
 - C. However, there are over fifty ethnic groups, we all use Vietnamese as the official language.
 - D. In spite of using Vietnamese as the official language, there are over fifty ethnic groups.
4. Thousands of languages are at risk of extinction. You know one of them, then teach it to others.
 - A. As long as you know one of thousands of languages that are at risk of extinction, then teach it to others.
 - B. If you know one of thousands of languages that are at risk of extinction, teach it to others.
 - C. For you know one of thousands of languages that are at risk of extinction, teach it to others.
 - D. Whenever you know one of thousands of languages that are at risk of extinction, then teach it to others.

5. Languages allow people to experience and share their cultures.
- A. People are able to experience and share their cultures through languages.
 - B. People are not allowed to experience and share their cultures without languages.
 - C. People must experience and share their cultures by languages.
 - D. People cannot experience and share their cultures without languages.
6. Success in the academic field depends on your number of qualifications.
- A. You are successful in the academic field so you have more qualifications.
 - B. Your number of qualifications is a result of your success in the academic field.
 - C. The more success you are in the academic field, the more qualifications you have.
 - D. The more qualifications you have, the more successful you are in the academic field.
7. When the unemployment rate is high, the crime rate is usually also high.
- A. The unemployment rate and the crime rate are both higher.
 - B. The unemployment rate is as high as the crime rate.
 - C. The higher the unemployment rate is, the higher the crime rate is.
 - D. The high rate of unemployment depends on the high rate of crime.