

TEST GE B1+ UNIT 1

**EX. 1 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words in brackets.**

- 1 It's important to be relaxed for the yoga class so you should wear ..... (comfort) clothes.
- 2 The Lord of the Rings is one of the most..... (memory) books I've read.
- 3 The librarian is .....(respond) for organising and ordering the books in the library.
- 4 The children are usually quite ..... (sense). They won't do anything silly.
- 5 I would like to have more .....(fashion) clothes, but I can't afford it.

**EX. 2 Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.**

- 6 There are fewer people living in extreme **charity / poverty** today than there were thirty years ago.
- 7 The students in my class are trying to **raise / help out** money for a new classroom computer.
- 8 She's a really **casual / cute** baby. Everyone says how pretty she is.
- 9 Heather has been **contributing / encouraging** me to sign up for the volleyball team.
- 10 It's important to take pride **in / on** your appearance. It's the first thing people notice.
- 11 It started to rain so Kevin pulled his **hood / sleeve** up over his head.
- 12 There is a new government **campaign / volunteer** to persuade people to eat more healthily.
- 13 The waiters were so rude. It really **got me into / put me off** eating in that restaurant.
- 14 I've been revising for my exams so it hasn't been a very **relaxing / stressful** weekend.
- 15 I've got very **bold / pale** skin so I have to be careful in the sun.

**EX 3A. Put the verb in the correct form. Use Present Simple or Present Continuous. Do not use contractions.**

- The train always .....(1: leave) on time.
- "What's the matter? Why ..... (2: cry/you)?" That's strange.  
They..... (3: not to watch) TV.
- He..... (4: not to speak) very good English.
- Please be quiet! I ..... (5: do) my homework.
- Where ..... (6: live/they)?
- Listen! John.....music! (7: play)
- I never ..... (8: go) to the swimming pool.

Harold Black's a famous pianist. He ..... (9: give) two or three concerts every week.

He .....(10: travel) a lot and this week he's in New York.

**EX. 3B Put the verbs in the correct form. Use Present Perfect and Present Perfect Continuous. Do not use contractions.**

1. .... (you / buy) your train ticket yet?
2. The kitchen is a complete mess! What ..... (the children / do)?
3. Julie ..... (learn) to drive for six years!
4. Amanda ..... (already / have) lunch, so she'll meet us later.
5. How much coffee ..... (she / drink) this morning?
6. Simon ..... (write) three books.
7. I ..... (do) everything I needed to do today! Hurray!
8. It ..... (not / rain) all summer, so the garden is dead.
9. I ..... (read) your book. Here it is, thank you.
10. She ..... (forget) how to get to my house.

**EX. 3C Complete the text with the correct present or present perfect form of the verbs in brackets.**

Sometimes more than one answer is possible. The real Pete 4D Over the last few years, Pete 4D (16) .....(become) one of the most loved DJs in the world. He regularly (17) .....(play) his particular style of electronic music to crowds of young fans all over the world. He (18) .....(come back, just) from a month-long tour of Asia, where he entertained fans in India, Japan and Vietnam and this weekend he will be in Las Vegas. What's more, Pete is also a respected music producer. He (19)..... (work on) his third studio album for the last few months. All of this at only twenty-four years old. Despite the apparently glamorous lifestyle, Pete (20) ..... (come across) as a quiet, thoughtful young man. Although his DJ gigs are full of loud, fast-paced dance tunes, Pete

(21) .....(not listen, only) to this type of music in his free time. He is a collector of rare world music and an expert on South American folk music. At the moment, he (22)..... (write) a book about the history of Ecuadorian music. Pete 4D is definitely not your average dance music DJ! When Pete (23)..... (not be) on tour in the world's biggest cities, he prefers to spend his time in the countryside. He has recently bought an old farm in Cornwall, in the south west of England, where he (24)..... (spend) a lot of his time these days. At the moment, workmen (25) .....(repair) the old farm buildings, but Pete (26) .....(plan) to move into the farm in the near future. Recently, he (27)..... (study) an online course in organic farming methods and when he finishes, he (28) .....(want) to start growing organic fruit and vegetables on the farm. This (29)..... (not seem)

like the type of thing a twenty-something DJ would normally do. In fact, it (30) .....(sound) more like someone's retirement plans. However, Pete hasn't shown any signs of wanting to retire, which is good news for his fans all over the world.

**EX. 4 Complete the second sentence so that that is has a similar meaning to the first sentence using the word given. Do not change the word given. Use between two and five words, including the word given.**

31 She started to learn the violin when she was seven. **BEEN**

She ..... the violin since she was seven.

32 I don't oft en get help from him with the washing up. **USUALLY**

He .....with the washing up.

33 They came back from their holidays not long ago. **JUST**

They ..... back from their holidays.

34 It bothers me that Anita criticises the way I speak. **ALWAYS**

Anita ..... the way I speak – it really bothers me!

35 It has been at least two weeks since the last time Ingrid called me. **FOR**

Ingrid ..... at least two weeks.

36 A lot of my classmates have started to become interested in YouTuber books this term. **GETTING**

A lot of my classmates .....YouTuber books recently.

**EX. 5 Read the article and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap.**

The tracksuit is a(n) (37) ..... which consists of a top and trousers. They were originally designed for athletes who needed something (38)..... to wear for competitions. Tracksuits could be worn on top of shorts and vests. Sometimes they also had a (39) .....to keep the athletes' heads warm. Comfort is important (40)..... they are usually made of materials which help the body 'breathe'. The trousers are oft en loose and the tops usually have a (41) .....so it can be worn open and taken off easily. Tracksuits fi rst became popular outside of the sporting world in the 1970s. People realised that, because they were (42)..... , tracksuits were ideal for wearing at home or at the disco. More people got (43)..... them and tracksuits became a fashion item. Nike and Adidas are probably the most famous brands and they oft en use bright, (44)..... colours.

37 A accessory      B clothing      C outfit      D style

38 A suitable      B understandable      C memorable      D responsible

39 A hair clip      B hood      C necklace      D wig

40 A because      B due to      C owing to      D so

41 A bow      B button      C strap      D zip

- 42 A sensible      B enjoyable      C comfortable      D incredible  
 43 A at            B into            C off            D up  
 44 A bold            B dark            C dull            D pale

**EX. 6 You are going to read an article about how four young people spend Saturday morning. For questions 11–17, choose from people A–D. The people may be chosen more than once.**

Which person/people:

- 11 thinks it is necessary to get some exercise on Saturday mornings? .....
- 12 would prefer not to get up early on Saturday mornings? .....
- 13 doesn't have the same free time as some of their friends? .....
- 14 always looks forward to Saturday mornings? .....
- 15 does an activity because of someone's advice? .....
- 16 doesn't get paid for the work they do on a Saturday morning? .....
- 17 enjoys being outside when it's quiet? .....
- 18 practises sports during the week? .....
- 19 was unhappy about starting their activity at first? .....
- 20 thinks they will benefit from their activity in the future? .....

## **The weekend starts here ...**

**Four teenagers tell us how they spend their Saturday mornings.**

**A Stuart** Unfortunately, I can't just do what I want because I have to go to school. It's not usual for children to have school on Saturdays, but mine does things differently. Tuesday and Thursday afternoons are free so we can play sports, but there are classes on Saturdays instead. We have four and a half hours of lessons and this year we've got History, Science and Maths. The classes are all right and the teachers make an effort to make them interesting. The problem is that we're all exhausted by Saturday and it's really hard to pay attention in class. All of us have got friends who go to 'normal' schools and we know that they're out having fun. If I had the choice, I would have extra classes during the week instead. I'm sure we would get more work done that way.

**B Nadia** I can never wait for Saturdays to arrive. After a whole week of sitting at my school desk, I have to get out and use up some energy. For me, Saturday morning is all about sports and having fun with my friends. I usually get up around seven thirty and go for a jog around the park. I know it's early, but I love that part of the day. It's so peaceful because most people are still in bed at that time. After that, I go home and have some breakfast. I don't stay there long though because I usually play football with my mates. We play in a local league and we have matches most Saturdays. We don't take it too seriously, but we enjoy having a good run

around and chasing after the ball. By lunchtime, I'm usually exhausted and I go home for a rest!

**C Amelia** In general, I prefer to keep my Saturday mornings free. We're expected to work hard at school and we get a lot of homework. Therefore, it's important to relax at the weekend. My perfect Saturday would be staying in bed late and then playing computer games with my friends. However, I've been working as a volunteer on Saturdays for the last month so I don't have much free time. I'm helping out in an animal sanctuary where we rescue dogs and cats that haven't got a home. I have to do different jobs like cleaning the cages, feeding the animals and taking the dogs for walks. I must admit that I don't like getting up so early on Saturday. However, it's worth it because those poor animals need someone to care for them.

**D Tom** I've been saving up for a holiday with my friends, but it hasn't been easy. My parents give me a little money every week, but I usually spend that in no time. When I asked my dad for more money, he encouraged me to earn the money instead. He said I could do little jobs for the neighbours on a Saturday morning. At the beginning, I was disappointed because I didn't want to lose my free time. Then I realised that if I didn't work, it would be impossible to save any money. Basically, I've started washing the neighbours' cars and cutting the grass in their gardens. It's not exactly hard work and it's not so bad really. I like talking to the neighbours and they pay me quite well. Although I've lost my Saturday mornings, at least I'll be able to go on holiday with my mates.