Grammar starter test

Use this test to find out how much you know, and where to focus your practice.

1 Units 1 to 9

A Choose the best answer.

1 What *will you do/<u>are you doing</u>* this evening? Do you want to come to the cinema?
2 Where were you going when *I saw/I was seeing* you yesterday?
3 Since the end of June, *I am/I have been* in France.
4 When I got home, I realized *I left/I had left* my books at school.
5 By the time we get to the theatre, the play *will have started/has started.*
6 What do you think of the party? *Are you having/Do you have* a good time?
7 This is the best ice cream *I had ever tasted/I have ever tasted.*
8 How much *is a ticket to London costing?/does a ticket to London cost*?

B Put the words in brackets in a suitable tense.

1 What time (the shops close) ..... do the shops close ..... on Thursday?
2 How long (you study) ..... English?
3 I can't play tennis at the moment. I (break) ..... a bone in my foot.
4 You'd better take a pullover in case you (feel) ..... cold.
5 Sorry I'm late. (you wait) ..... for long?
6 Where (Sam go) ..... for his holidays last year?
7 The Egyptians (build) ..... the pyramids over 4,500 years ago.
8 This time next week we (sit) ..... on the plane to New York.

2 Units 10 to 18

A Put one word in each space.

1 Pat told/asked. me to wait outside until he came back.
2 I wish I ..... swim.
3 If I ..... some money in the street, I'd keep it.
4 If I ..... you, I'd take an umbrella.
5 Jan ..... to be home by midnight.
6 Peter has ..... his car stolen.
7 If you ..... harder, you would get better marks.
8 More oil has ..... found in Scotland.

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B Choose the best answer.

1 Will you *be able/have* to help me with the cooking?
2 I don't think you *must/should* eat any more.
3 I *might have left/might leave* my wallet in the shop, I suppose.
4 That *mustn't/can't be* Ann. She's in Canada.
5 We *must have brought/should have brought* our raincoats. We're going to get wet.
6 The children *haven't/don't have* to go to school tomorrow.
7 We *needn't have bought/must not have bought* so much food. There is plenty for everyone.
8 I'll wait here. Mary *should/can* be back soon.

3 Units 19 to 28

A Choose the best answer.

1 We haven't got *bread enough/enough bread*.
2 *What/Which* I really want is something to eat!
3 Let's *going/go* to the cinema tonight.
4 Harry continued playing football *despite/in spite* injuring his leg.
5 Which bus *does leave/leaves* from here?
6 Jane was *very tired/too tired* to do any more work.
7 The woman *who/who she* helped me spoke very good English.
8 Would you *mind/like* carrying this for me?

B Put one word in each space.

1 It was ...such... ...a... beautiful day that I went for a walk.
2 I'm in the wrong seat, ... ?
3 Tina was too ill to go to school so she stayed ....
4 Would .... a soft drink, or some water?
5 We waited for the bus for ages and .... we decided to walk.
6 .... to be something wrong with the camera.
7 Jeff bought a ladder .... he could pick all the apples.
8 .... it was raining, we went swimming.

4 Units 29 to 37

A Choose the best answer.

1 Wear a heavy coat today. It's *very freezing/really freezing*.
2 *The French/French* drink a lot of wine.
3 *There is/It is* someone waiting for you outside.

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4 Tom has lived here *since four years/for four years.*
5 I hope to be back here *until four o'clock/by four o'clock.*
6 This film is *better as/better than* the last one we saw.
7 Mark has *long hair/long hairs.*
8 Helen was *grown up/brought up* by her aunt and uncle.

B Put one word in each space.

1 Alan .....takes..... .....after..... his father. They are very similar.
2 The room was empty. So far, ... the guests had arrived.
3 We drove to the beach .... we had hired.
4 Maria is .... student in the class. She is 1m 80cms.
5 The 14.00 bus to Leeds left exactly .... at 14.00.
6 My teacher gave me ..... useful advice.
7 I'm really ..... forward to my trip to Brazil.
8 The news ..... on TV at nine o'clock.

5 Units 38 to 46

A Put one word in each space.

1 ....Everything.... has gone wrong today! I can't believe it!
2 Do you ..... waiting outside for a moment?
3 Sue will be in the team tomorrow ..... of Anna.
4 I wish the other students in the class ..... stop talking!
5 I don't understand what you are talking ..... . Can you explain?
6 This is Jim. He's a friend of ..... .
7 I must ..... for being so late. I'm so sorry.
8 Does this bike ..... to you?

B Make one correction in each sentence.

1 Someone phoned and I told ~~it~~ that you were out. .....them.....
2 Don't forget being here by nine o'clock. .....
3 Helen was cut herself with a knife while she was cooking. .....
4 Who's books are these? Are they yours? .....
5 I offered carry her bags but she refused to let me. .....
6 On the way home, I stopped buying some milk at the supermarket. .....
7 Could you explain me something please? .....
8 I took and my raincoat and my umbrella with me. .....

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