Placement Test Fátima Amusquívar

GRAMMAR

A. Complete the sentences using the cues and the Simple Past of the Present Perfect.

Ex: I *didn't call* (not call) her yesterday because I was busy.

1. _____ (you ever eat) Thai food? It's delicious.
2. Technology _____ (influence) the way we live now.
3. He _____ (stop) running when he got tired.
4. We _____ (not see) each other since April.
5. - _____ (she ever go) to Australia?
   - I don't think so. From what I know, she just went to England once when she finished university.

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B. Complete the sentences with a comparative or superlative. Use the words in parentheses.

Ex. The blue car and red car both cost $ 900. the blue car is *as cheap as* the red car.

1. He's 6 feet tall and I'm 5 feet 11 inches tall. He's _____ (than) me.
2. No mountain is higher that Everest. Everest is _____ (the) in the world.
3. I found her first book very interesting, but not her second. Her first book was _____ (than) her second.
4. Hospitals were more efficient in the past. Hospitals are not _____ (as) they were in the past.

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C. Fill in the gaps with a relative pronoun.

who where which when whose

7:30	**Brothers in Arms:** Marlon is a lawyer *whose* (1.) brother has escaped from prison. He faces a dilemma _____ (2.) he realizes Eddie wants to live with him.
8:00	**Home Questions:** The game show _____ (3.) asks contestants questions about the place _____ (4.) they were born.
8:30	**Big Year:** Roy Johns speaks to the people _____ (5.) have made history this year. Guests include Milly Cheiz, a doctor _____ (6.) anti-cancer treatment is being tested in Australia, and Moses Kenui, an athlete _____ (7.) shocked the world _____ (8.) he broke four athletic records in one year.
9:30	**News**
10:00	**Restaurant:** Follows the progress of two restaurants _____ (9.) famous chefs have visited. They both opened last year—one in Watertown, a town _____ (10.) there is 60% unemployment, and one in Hillsdale, a city _____ (11.) the rich are happy to pay $350 for dinner.
11:00	**Fright Kids:** Comedy horror film about a woman _____ (12.) has twins.

b In which two sentences in Exercise 2a can you omit the relative pronoun? _____ In which sentences can you use *that*? _____

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VOCABULARY

A. Complete the sentences with words or phrases that mean the same as the words in parentheses.

Ex. Let me introduce you to my *co-worker* Gonzalo. (someone you work with)

1. He was a complete _____. (someone you don't know)
2. We're staying in their house for a whole month. Luckily, we _____ really well. (have a friendly relationship)
3. Since Sarah moved to Argentine, we have tried not to _____. (stay in contact).
4. I wouldn't say Peter is a friend of mine. I hardly know him. He's just an _____. (someone you know slightly but is not a close friend).
5. Mike didn't have a ride to his soccer game, but his _____ offered to pick him up. (member of his team)

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B. Match a phrasal verb with its definition.

1. break up	___ A. solve a problem or discover the answer to a question
2. run out of	___ B. stop participating or being involved in something
3. drop out of	___ C. succeed in reaching a person who is ahead of one
4. catch up with	___ D. finish a relationship
5. figure out	___ E. have none left

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C. Fill in the gaps with a word from the box. Be careful! There are five words too many!

cut-throat	*ecstatic*	*exhilarating*	*flawless*	*hilarious*	*bustling*	*gifted*
distraught	*swamped*	*pungent*	*parched*	*gleaming*	*petrified*	*spacious*
perplexed						

1. The boss was totally _____ after reading the reports. The numbers simply didn't match.
2. I love this hotel. The room service is _____.
3. After an hour long run in the park, Sam was totally _____ and exhausted.
4. He's certainly a uniquely _____ singer. He has a wonderful voice.
5. Unlike what many people may think, working from home is not fun. I'm _____ the whole day with video calls and emails.
6. Susan was absolutely _____ when I told her she had been awarded the scholarship.
7. We love our new apartment. It's really _____.
8. I had never thought of moving to such a _____ city like London.
9. Bungee-jumping was a really _____ experience for both of us.
10. Don't mention her break-up. She's still _____ about it.

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Reading

1a Complete the news headlines using the words below.

Saves	Inherits	Takes	Escapes	Deliver	Survives

1. Traffic Police Officer in Bangkok Helps to _____ Baby in Car
2. Lost Driver _____ a Wrong Turn for 5,000 Miles
3. Circus Monkey _____ and Destroys a Restaurant
4. Top Chef _____ Giant Lobster from Cooking Pot
5. Sailor _____ Four Months at Sea
6. Cat _____ $350,000 House and $100,000 from Owner

b **Pair Work** Match the headlines from Exercise 1a to the pictures. Write the number in the box.

A ☐ 

B ☐ 

C ☐ 

D ☐ 

Read the news stories (A–D). Write the correct headline from Exercise 1a for each story.

A _____

A nervous driver who went on a day trip to Calais ended up in Gibraltar after a five-day mystery tour. Mrs. Bright was planning to go to France to buy some wine. However, as she was driving around Calais looking for the supermarket, she took a wrong turn and lost her way. Without a map and unable to speak French, she was too embarrassed to ask for directions, and eventually she found herself in Gibraltar.

C _____

Bangkok traffic police sergeant Sakchai Kodayan helped to deliver another baby yesterday. "I was taking a break in a café when a taxi driver shouted for help," said Sakchai. "His passenger was having a baby. It was a boy. The woman said she would name him Sakchai as a way to say thank me." Sakchai has so far assisted with the birth of 28 babies.

B _____

A giant lobster has been saved from the cooking pot and returned to the sea. Chef Anton Gretzky said he was planning to serve the lobster at his restaurant but decided he couldn't boil such a fine creature. Staff from the Aquarium Restaurant in Victoria, Australia, took the lobster, named Billy, to the coast to free him. Gretzky said: "He has been on this Earth much longer than I have."

D _____

A monkey, who escaped from a local circus, caused $10,000 of damage to a pizzeria in Lehre, Germany. The monkey, named Lala, was sitting in the restaurant bathroom when the owner found her. Lala dropped a vase, then started throwing paper towels around, and finally turned on the water faucets and flooded the restaurant.

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LISTENING

Listen to Cara and her brother did when growing up. Write sentences about what she and her brother **could** and **couldn't** do.

Cara	Her brother
- _____ - _____ - _____ - _____	- He could ride a bike on his own at five - _____ - _____ - _____ - _____

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WRITING

What are the advantages and disadvantages of online classes? Do the pros outweigh the cons? On a separate sheet, write an essay on this topic in about 150 words.

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