

Intermediate B1

A) Choose the correct option in each sentence.

1. After _____ the bill, we left and caught a taxi home.
A. Pays B. Paying C. Pay D. paid
2. Do you remember _____ I put the car keys?
A. Who B. Where C. Which D. what
3. If John _____ there later, he will phone you.
A. will get B. gets C. got D. would get
4. I _____ the grass cut yesterday.
A. was B. Did C. Made D. Had
5. You have met him before, _____
A. do you? B. haven't you? C. had you? D. didn't you?
6. We will wait here until he _____.
A. would ring B. will ring C. rings D. rang
7. This is the woman _____ bought the car.
A. what B. which C. who D. where
8. You're coming to the party, _____
A. won't you? B. don't you? C. aren't you? D. wouldn't you?
9. The parcels _____ by the postman.
A. were delivered B. are delivering C. have delivered D. had delivered
10. The train was cancelled _____ the snow lying on the tracks.
A. because of B. so that C. in spite of D. in order to

B) Rewrite the sentences to give the same meaning as the original. The beginning of the sentence has been provided. Also use the word in brackets. Do not change it in any way. Other changes to the sentence will be necessary.

1. The postmen don't deliver letters on Sunday (by)

Letters

2. Chinese language is too difficult to learn fast. (not)

Chinese

3. It's too hot outside. You can't wear a coat. (to)

The weather

4. My friends will plan the party (by)

The party

5. My father read that email! (by)

That email

6. This flat isn't spacious enough to live all together. (small)

This flat

C) Fill in the Causative in the appropriate tense of the verb HAVE.

- 1) My father fixed my house lock last week.
- 2) Emma is cutting Rowena's hair at the moment.
- 3) The chef will cook Tom's lunch at the party.
- 4) A plumber repaired the dripping tap at Joe's house last week.
- 5) The optician has made a new pair of glasses for Tobi.

D) Choose the words from the box and write them on the lines. Use some words more than once.

with	to	at	on	in	by
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1. The manager had a meeting _____ his office _____ his secretary.
2. The magazine is _____ the floor _____ my bedroom
3. We went _____ the circus _____ our friends
4. I looked _____ the wonderful rainbow _____ the sky.
5. She travelled to China _____ Thursday _____ plane.
6. I'm going _____ the swimming pool _____ 9 o'clock

7. Choose the correct pattern.

- 1) _____ is very relaxing.
- 2) My parents made me _____ for the exam during my holidays.
- 3) I'd rather _____ at home. I'm exhausted
- 4) I would like _____ to a Greek island.
- 5) I hate _____ the house.
- 6) I don't mind _____ you with your homework.
- 7) She refused _____ his question.
- 8) Sue has decided _____ for a new job.

8. Choose the correct linking word(s).

- 1) _____ she felt ill, she didn't call the doctor.
- 2) _____ being hardworking, he is not well paid.
- 3) Paul is a builder _____ Robin is a plumber.
- 4) Tom apologized _____ he had forgotten her birthday.
- 5) _____ her wealth, she is still unhappy.

9. Writing Section

Write an essay of about 150 -200 words on one of the following topics.

- Write a description of a place you know well.
- Write a description of an interesting area of your town or city.
- Write a description about a traditional meal that you enjoy in your country.

Reading

Read the five short texts below, which are all reviews of books. Choose from the texts (A to E) and complete the answer grid. The texts may be chosen more than once. One has been done for you as an example.

A. For anyone interested in Britain's kings and queens through the ages, this book is a good introduction. It's useful to have a book that gives basic facts about all of them so that the reader has a good general idea. There isn't a lot of information we don't have already, but it includes some photographs and paintings of the kings and queens. The book is well-written and easy to understand.

B. I really enjoyed this little novel which has complex themes and an original story. Although the sentences are long and you need a good vocabulary to understand everything in places, it was a real page-turner. It's just a shame it's so short. I'm sure everyone who's read this book is looking forward to the next in the series because the story so far is absolutely thrilling.

C. The *A-Z of Gardening* is a manual for people with little previous experience of gardening. It explains when to plant seeds and when to cut trees back. It contains information about the best flowers to put under a tree and which ones work well together, all set out in a logical way. It is essential for the gardener in your family who's just starting out and it comes with a free packet of seeds to plant.

D. This big book about music is full of photographs of all your favourite contemporary pop stars. The photographs are amazing, but there is actually very little to read in the book. Many photographs that have never been seen before have been collected together in one single volume and it will be of great interest to music fans and researchers of music, even if it's only for the photos.

E. I've not read any books by this writer before. I hadn't even heard of the main detective in the story, so it was all completely new to me. The story was fairly predictable and I managed to work out who the criminal was by chapter two. By then, it had got a little dull. I wouldn't recommend this to fans of crime writing unless they want a very simplistic read.

Which book, A, B, C, D or E

is not very detailed?	e.g.	A
mainly shows images?	1	
contains instructions?	2	
did not impress the reviewer at all?	3	
is not considered long enough?	4	
is an unchallenging novel?	5	
will be followed by another book?	6	
is good for readers who are starting to learn history?	7	

Listening

Listen to this passage about the Parker Solar Probe and write the words which are missing in the spaces given. Remember to write two words in each space. The first one is done for you as an example.

The Sun is the centre of our solar system and (example) _____ by _____ far the most important source of energy for life on Earth. Due to the incredible heat, however, it (1) _____ difficult for scientists to examine the Sun in detail. This is why they (2) _____ about the Parker Solar Probe mission.

The Parker spacecraft, which is almost the size of a small car, was launched on a seven-year mission to get (3) _____ data from the Sun as possible. In fact, it will fly (4) _____ the Sun than any previous spaceship. Scientists are hoping to (5) _____ about the atmosphere and the surface of the Sun. Now, the first information has been (6) _____ to Earth and experts are examining the data. Parker has shown that the dust around the Sun is mainly (7) _____ of the remains of comets and asteroids. As (8) _____ of the high temperatures, there will be no photos of the surface because the camera would melt.

During its mission, Parker will eventually get 6 million kilometres from the surface of the Sun. The Parker Probe will also (9) _____ of 192,000 kilometres per hour, making it the fastest spacecraft in history. It will use some of the (10) _____ rockets ever built.