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5B Homework

1 GRAMMAR articles: *a / an, the,* no article

a Complete the sayings with *a, an, the,* or nothing (–).

1 ___A___ penny saved is ___a___ penny earned.

2 _____ actions speak louder than _____ words.

3 It's _____ small world!

4 _____ time waits for no man.

5 Don't worry. It's not _____ end of _____ world!

6 That's _____ life!

b Correct any mistakes in the highlighted phrases. Check (✓) the correct sentences.

1 She's best boss we've ever had in this office.

the best

2 He always comes home from the work at about six o'clock. _____

3 That's a beautiful jacket. I especially like the color.

_____

4 I left the home when I was 16. _____

5 My sister's taking a course to become a electrician.

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6 Have you read the book I gave you ?

_____

7 What cold day! You would think it was winter.

_____

8 Health and happiness are more important than money. _____

9 They usually go to the movies about twice the month . _____

10 Did you see the press conference with a president of the UN? _____

11 We're hoping to visit the Science Museum the next Friday . _____

3 READING

a Read the text. Which paragraphs (1–16) talk about these things?

home interiors	2		
clothes	1	☐	☐
housework	☐	☐	
technology	☐	☐	
children	☐	☐	
cars and driving	☐	☐	

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b Read the sentences. Which paragraph in the text do they correspond to?

A Men need more CDs than women. [3]

B Men are very good at sleeping when something needs to be done. ☐

C Men cannot do two things at the same time. ☐

D Men don't have much sense of color. ☐

E Men aren't vain. ☐

F Women are good at caring for children. ☐

G Men are very quick at shopping for some things. ☐

H Men don't understand things unless you explain them very carefully. ☐

I Men don't care about home decoration. ☐

J Women never forget important dates. ☐

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c Match the highlighted words in the text to the correct meaning.

1 how much there is of something _____

2 without difficulty _____

3 a piece of cloth that you use to cover a window _____

4 finish, be all used up _____

5 a set of clothes that you wear together _____

The differences between women and men

Men say ...

1. Women understand color. They seem to know what to wear all the time. Men just think "Red is nice, pink is nice, so why not have them together?"
2. Men have no opinions about sofas and curtains.
3. Men like to have all their high-tech stuff (CDs, DVDs, etc.) on show to impress their friends. Women like to hide things in cabinets.



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4 Men appreciate the importance of a 42-inch plasma screen television. Women do not.

5 Women enjoy planning a wedding.

6 A man can choose and buy a pair of shoes in 90 seconds.

7 Men can drive without having to look at themselves in the mirror.

8 Women remember every outfit they have worn for the past two decades. Men can't remember what they were wearing yesterday without looking on the floor next to the bed.



Women say ... *

9 On being told that someone has bought a new car, women usually ask what color it is. Men ask what make it is.

10 Women notice when the laundry detergent is going to run out and buy some more. Men just say "Oh, we've run out of laundry detergent."

11 Women know instinctively what is dangerous or not recommended for babies in their care. Men, generally speaking, do not.

12 Women remember birthdays, anniversaries, and appointments effortlessly.

13 Men need everything explained IN CAPITAL LETTERS.

14 Men can put an infinite amount of trash in the bin without noticing it is full.

15 Men have the capacity to sleep through most sounds, especially the baby crying.

16 Men cannot watch sports and talk to their wives at the same time.

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4 HOW WORDS WORK connectors

Check (✓) the correct sentence in each pair.

1 a Men read a lot of science fiction, while women prefer detective novels. ☐

b Women are interested in fashion, while today a lot of men are too. ☐

2 a Jane works very hard. On the other hand, she never takes a vacation. ☐

b Jane works very hard. On the other hand, she takes a long vacation every summer. ☐

3 a According to my father, I look like my great-grandmother. ☐

b According to the weather, we'll either go out or stay in. ☐

4 a When I woke up it was raining. However, the sun came out later. ☐

b When I woke up it was raining. However, it rained all day. ☐

5 a My job is really boring, and it's also very well-paid. ☐

b My job is really boring, and it's also quite stressful. ☐

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5 VOCABULARY verbs and adjectives + prepositions

Complete the sentences with the correct prepositions.

1 We were thinking *of* going to Australia on vacation, but now we're worried *about* the cost.

2 I'm not very good _____ waiting _____ buses. I always take a taxi in the end!

3 "Is Sheila's job the same as yours?" "No, I work _____ a personal assistant, but she's an accountant."

4 He's very different _____ his wife. She's interested _____ sports but he prefers listening _____ music.

5 "What are they talking _____?" "I'm not sure, but they definitely disagree _____ each other."

6 I've written _____ my friend and asked _____ her help.

7 "Has he always been so bad _____ math?" "No, in fact he used to work _____ a bank!"

8 She wanted to go to Brazil, but she's afraid _____ flying.

9 She's going to apply _____ a job in the US.

10 "How are they going to pay _____ their new car?" "They've borrowed the money _____ the bank."

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