

Reading and Use of English Part 1

For questions 1–8, read the text below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

Welcome guests?

My wife Penny and I usually love to (0) A our friends but we will never invite my old friend Fred and his wife Kate again! We are currently (1) _____ from the weekend they spent with us. We've known them both since our school (2) _____. So, although we rarely see them, you'd think we'd have a fairly (3) _____ idea of what sort of people they were. However, we discovered that our lives have (4) _____ very different directions.

We have good jobs but they are very (5) _____ and we work long hours. At weekends we try to snatch a few moments of (6) _____ in between catching up with the housework. Kate and Fred are postgraduate students and they live with his parents. His mother cooks their (7) _____ meals for them and does all their washing. So they (8) _____ weekends as leisure time and never think of offering to help with daily chores.

By the time they left, we were both cross and worn out!

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| 0 | <u>A</u> entertain | B visit | C receive | D host |
| 1 | A repairing | B recovering | C revising | D retiring |
| 2 | A terms | B days | C times | D ages |
| 3 | A fine | B strong | C good | D right |
| 4 | A taken | B left | C chosen | D gone |
| 5 | A exhausted | B tired | C demanding | D caring |
| 6 | A extension | B relaxation | C expression | D reflection |
| 7 | A major | B essential | C key | D main |
| 8 | A regard | B believe | C think | D expect |

Grammar focus task

- 1 The words in the box are from the exam text. Which of them are adjectives and which of them are nouns that can be used as adjectives?

daily different good leisure long main old school postgraduate

- 2 Without looking back to the text, match each word from the box with the noun it describes in the text.

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| 1 <u>daily</u> chores | 4 _____ idea | 7 _____ students |
| 2 _____ friend | 5 _____ directions | 8 _____ meals |
| 3 _____ days | 6 _____ hours | 9 _____ time |