



I. Listening

1. (Track 2) Listen to two people talking about the preparations for a party. Put a cross (x) in the correct column.

Which person ...

	Claire	Gareth
1 has been looking for a birthday present?		
2 went to Parma for the first time last year?		
3 has been having art lessons?		
4 hasn't downloaded any music for ages?		
5 doesn't think that dressing up is a good idea?		

II. Reading

1. Read the text and complete gaps 1–5 with missing sentences A–G. There are two extra sentences.

A summer away from home

Many companies organise summer programmes abroad for young people aged fifteen to twenty. ¹ ____ Travelling without your parents is a great way to become more independent, make new friends, and see a different country. But what is it really like to go on one of these trips? We spoke to three young travellers about their experiences.

Josh Tanner went to Lagos, Nigeria

I'm really good at football, so when I heard about a football volunteer programme in Africa, I was really excited. ² ____ But after I had showed them some information on the internet, they decided that it was safe for me to go. I was feeling tired when I arrived in Lagos, and I couldn't believe how hot it was. ³ ____ I stayed with the Ngembo family in an apartment in the centre of Lagos. It was very small, and I had to share a room with three boys. But everyone was really nice to me, so I soon got used to having no privacy. I worked really hard, but I enjoyed my job, too. For most of the time, I was helping a Nigerian sports coach to teach football to ten-year-old boys and girls. I had a great time there, and I really got used to living in a big, noisy African city. By the time I left, I had really started to fit in!

Rebecca Jones went to Arles, France

Last year, I spent two weeks at a summer art school for young people in Arles. Arles is a beautiful little town in Provence, in the south of France. We were staying in a campsite and sharing tents, and most of the other students were French. I was nervous at first about speaking French to them. But everyone was nice to me, and they didn't criticise my mistakes. I really gained a lot of confidence after I'd been there for a week. The course was good too. We had drawing and painting lessons every morning. Then, every afternoon, the teachers took us out into the countryside to practise our skills. The famous painter Vincent Van Gogh used to live in Arles. ⁴ ____ It's a really beautiful place. I think I painted some good pictures while I was staying there. When Van Gogh was painting in Arles, people didn't used to like his work. Now his paintings sell for millions of pounds. Who knows? Maybe the same thing will happen to my pictures one day.

Matt Hazelwood went to Bryce Canyon, USA

Last summer, I got a job at Bryce Canyon National Park in Utah, USA. It's a beautiful place, but it was very difficult to get there! After I'd flown ten hours from London to Las Vegas, I had to get a bus to Cedar Springs, Utah. And after someone had met us there, it was another three-hour drive to the park. ⁵ ____ Lots of young people like me were working in the park last summer. We were helping people from the US National Park Service to repair and

build things like picnic tables and information signs. We also helped to repair the walking paths and make them safe. That's important because a lot of middle-aged and elderly people visit the US national parks. I had to work really hard all summer, and get up very early in the morning. But I soon got used to that, and it was great to work outside in such a beautiful place. Bryce Canyon is famous for its red rocks and cliffs – and when the sun comes up in the early morning, they look amazing!

- A. When I'd finally arrived, I went to bed and slept for twelve hours!
- B. But it only took me a few days to get used to the weather.
- C. Many other artists used to visit the area too, and I can see why.
- D. There aren't any big animals in these national parks, but you can see lots of birds.
- F. From working with children in Africa to protecting an ancient Inca road in Peru, there are lots of different trips to choose from.
- G. I phoned my parents every few days, so they weren't concerned about me.
- H. My parents weren't so enthusiastic at first.

III. Grammar

1. Read the text and choose the correct **tenses**.

Danny ¹**hasn't been drawing / didn't draw** for very long, but he's already ²**been becoming / become** very good at it. He ³**didn't start / hasn't started** drawing until his family ⁴**have moved / moved** from Birmingham to Chester two years ago. But since then, he ⁵**has been / he was** a member of the Chester Community School art club.

This weekend, Danny ⁶**has been drawing / has drawn** a very big picture for a school art competition, but he ⁷**hasn't been finishing / hasn't finished** it yet. It's Sunday afternoon now, and Danny is very tired because he ⁸**worked / has been working** on the picture all weekend.

2. Complete the sentences using different tenses: **past simple, present perfect simple, or present perfect continuous**.

Dan and I _____ (play) chess all afternoon, but I _____ (not win) a match!

I _____ (know) Penny for years, and she's a great friend. We _____ (meet) years ago at primary school.

I'm sorry I'm late, but the bus _____ (not come) on time. How long _____ (you / sit) here?

Have a rest, Dad. You _____ (work) in the garden for hours, and you _____ (not have) lunch yet.

_____ (you / ever / visit) Italy? I _____ (go) there for the first time last summer.

How long _____ (you and Mary / go out), and when _____ (you / meet)?

3. Read the text and choose the correct words.

When my grandad ¹**used to grow up / was growing up** in Jamaica, he ²**was going / used to go** to the beach every day after school. He ³**used to have / had had** a lot of friends in Jamaica, and he was really happy there. But when Grandad was six, his parents ⁴**used to move / moved** to Britain because his dad, my great-grandad, ⁵**had found / was finding** a good job there. He ⁶**used to / didn't use to** like it here in Britain because the weather was cold and he ⁷**had left / was leaving** all of his friends behind in Jamaica. But slowly he ⁸**used to / got used to** living here, and he made new friends. He ⁹**used to meet / met** my Grandma when they ¹⁰**were both living / had both lived** in Leeds. At

the time, she ¹¹**was studying / had studied** maths at Leeds University. Grandma and Grandad went out for a long time, but they ¹²**used to get / didn't get** married until Grandma had left university in 1971. That was years ago, of course, but I think they're still in love.

IV. Use of English

1. Complete the dialogue with the words in the box.

decision fancy idea keen option problem rather settled think would

- Flora** Let's do something this weekend. The weather's going to be lovely again.
- Ben** Great idea! I quite ¹ _____ surfing. What do you think?
- Flora** I'd ² _____ do something in the mountains. I was at the beach most of last week.
- Ben** Don't you think it ³ _____ be easier to go to the sea though? How will we get there?
- Flora** My sister's back from university and she can drive.
- Ben** OK. I'm quite ⁴ _____ on mountain biking but the ⁵ _____ with driving is that we can't take our bikes.
- Flora** You're right – she hasn't got a bike rack on her car. I ⁶ _____ hiking would be fun and we wouldn't have to worry about taking our bikes then.
- Ben** I don't think hiking would be as interesting as something like abseiling. I like the ⁷ _____ of doing something a bit more challenging.
- Flora** Well, we need to make a ⁸ _____!
- Ben** I think kayaking is a better ⁹ _____ than hiking *and* abseiling. It's a water sport and it's in the mountains!
- Flora** Brilliant! That's ¹⁰ _____ then. I'll text my sister.

2. Complete the email to a penfriend with the words below.

abroad across astronomy collect go open-air photography sandwiches stew

Hi Gracie,

I hope you're doing well at your new school. You asked me about my hobbies in your last email. I ¹ _____ old postcards, and I also ² _____ rollerblading sometimes. But my favourite hobby is looking at the stars. I'm in the local ³ _____ club. We go out at night and sit in a field or on a hill, then we watch the night sky. It's great fun. Some of our friends are interested in ⁴ _____ too, so they take pictures as the stars move ⁵ _____ the sky. We usually take ⁶ _____ with us, and something hot to drink. In winter we take a curry or a ⁷ _____ because it's a long night and it can be very cold. But I'd rather do an ⁸ _____ activity than stay inside. The only problem with my hobby is the British weather. Sometimes the club has to cancel a trip because it's too rainy to see anything. Maybe in the future I can go ⁹ _____ and watch stars in the desert.

Anyway, what clubs are you in at school?

Dominic

V. Vocabulary

1. Match the words below with the definitions. There is one extra word.

bitter centenarian concerned dependence elderly pass away
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- 1 This person is one hundred years old. _____
- 2 This phrase means 'to die'. _____
- 3 When you can't forgive someone or forget something bad. _____
- 4 Worried about someone or something. _____
- 5 We use this word to describe an old person. _____

2. Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

- 1 My son's daughter was born two days ago. I can't believe I've just **got married** / **become a grandparent**.
- 2 We have to do something right now – this problem is very **urgent** / **bitter**!
- 3 Ted promised to do a bungee jump with us, but he's really scared about it. He'll never **go through with** / **put up with** it.
- 4 Grandma often looks at old photos of when she was young, and she feels very **sarcastic** / **nostalgic**.
- 5 You said, 'I'll help you to organise the party,' so don't **walk out** / **go back** on your promise.
- 6 Can you **look up** / **get up** this word in the dictionary for me? I don't understand what it means.

VI. Writing

1. Imagine you see an advertisement on a website for English-speaking penfriends who are interested in your hobby.

Write a message in reply. Follow the instructions below.

- Introduce yourself, say where you are from what your town is like.
- Say who you live with and say one interesting thing about a member of your family.
- Talk about why you like the hobby, and say how often you do it.
- Request information from the person you are writing to.

The writing task will be assigned through Google classroom and you will have 2 days to hand it in.
