

## Use of English – Gap-filling

Fill the gaps in this story with a word or short phrase.

If I <sup>1</sup> *I'd been born* a genius, my life so far <sup>2</sup> very different. I <sup>3</sup> had to work hard at school and I <sup>4</sup> top of the class in every subject. I <sup>5</sup> all my exams with flying colours and I <sup>6</sup> had to do any revision. If I <sup>7</sup> a musical instrument, I <sup>8</sup> to play it perfectly, so that by now I <sup>9</sup> a famous musician.

On the other hand, being a genius <sup>10</sup> as wonderful as all that. If everything <sup>11</sup> easy, there <sup>12</sup> no satisfaction in achieving things. It <sup>13</sup> quite boring to know that I <sup>14</sup> 100% in every test – and other people <sup>15</sup> envious of me and they <sup>16</sup> me. I think it <sup>17</sup> hard to make friends with people if I <sup>18</sup> a genius. I'm glad I <sup>19</sup> normal.

Fill each gap with *one* or *two* words, using the *to . . .* or *-ing* form of an appropriate verb.

Last Sunday we drove into the country <sup>1</sup> my grandparents. I always look forward to <sup>2</sup> them and enjoy <sup>3</sup> the day with them.

My grandmother never prepares a meal without <sup>4</sup> fresh vegetables and refuses <sup>5</sup> any ingredients which have artificial additives.

When we arrived we decided <sup>6</sup> for a walk before <sup>7</sup> down to lunch.

By the time we got back, the table was laid in the garden for lunch and we all began <sup>8</sup> and we went on <sup>9</sup> all afternoon! I'm not used to <sup>10</sup> so much, but the food was so good that I just couldn't stop <sup>11</sup> my plate with more!

When we had all finished <sup>12</sup>, we all stayed outside <sup>13</sup> round the table and went on <sup>14</sup> till it was dark and too cold <sup>15</sup> outside.