

Progress Test 6A

Grammar**1 Rewrite the direct speech as reported speech.**

1 'Our company is planning to move out of the city centre next month,' they said.

They said _____.

2 'I will always love you, Fred,' said Sheila.

Sheila told Fred _____.

3 'You can't borrow my bike tonight,' Steve said to Olivia last Monday.

Last Monday, Steve told Olivia _____.

4 'We spent our holiday in Malta last month,' Mr and Mrs Jones said.

Mr and Mrs Jones told us _____.

5 'I've never encountered any aliens before,' I told the reporter.

I told the reporter _____.

6 'Jake knows my password,' Helen said.

Helen said _____.

7 'I'm making lunch for myself today,' Christine said.

Christine said _____.

8 'Our supermarket is closed on Sundays,' the shop assistant told me.

The shop assistant told me _____.

9 'My aunt is thinking of moving out of her old house,' the nephew said.

The nephew said _____.

10 'I won't be able to leave the office early,' the manager told his wife.

The manager told his wife _____.

2 Rewrite the questions as reported questions

1 'What will you do after you leave school?' I asked Joe.

2 'Have you written the story about our alien encounter yet?' the newspaper editor asked her assistant.

3 'Are you going to Martha's birthday party tonight?' Frances asked Gillian.

4 'Are you going to write to me every day?' Lisa asked her boyfriend.

5 'What can you tell me about what happened last night?' the reporter asked the woman.

6 'Did you see anyone climb out of the window at midnight?' the policeman asked me.

7 'Does your boyfriend believe in UFOs?' I asked Jessie.

8 'Were you in bed at the time of the robbery?' the inspector asked Mr and Mrs Mitchell.

9 'When are you going to visit me again?' Nick asked Alison.

10 'Can you remember what time you went to bed last night?' the detective asked the man.

Vocabulary

Revise: SB p.54 ex.1,2,3; p.132 n 6.1

3 Read the sentences and complete the compound nouns.

- 1 Anita put the flowerpot on the _____ sill.
- 2 The mouse was hiding under the _____ boards.
- 3 The thief looked through the key_____ to see if there was anyone in the room.
- 4 Don't put your foot on the coffee _____. That's what a footstool is for!
- 5 The old lady was sitting in her rocking _____, reading a book.
- 6 I keep all my dictionaries on a book_____ by the window.
- 7 You can't smoke in here. There are no _____ trays.
- 8 They served the breakfast buffet on a / an _____ board.
- 9 The _____ beds in the garden were full of roses, tulips and petunias.
- 10 The heavy red curtains were hanging on a metal curtain _____.

4 Match the materials to the objects made from them. There is one material you do not need.

china fabric glass leather marble wood

- 1 _____ : bottle, mirror
- 2 _____ : lamp, plate
- 3 _____ : trousers, curtain
- 4 _____ : statue, steps
- 5 _____ : armchair, boots

5 Choose the correct answers.

Revise phrasal verbs: SB p.58

- 1 My friend Paul lives near here. Shall we call **on / up / after** him?
- 2 I had an accident last year. It took me several months to get **out / from / over** it.
- 3 What are you looking **into / for / after**? Perhaps I could help you find it.
- 4 Do you know Fiona? I've never come **across / out / through** a friendlier person.
- 5 The police are looking **for / into / across** the mystery of the house that disappeared.

Use of English

6 Complete the text with an appropriate word in each gap.

In 1899, a lighthouse was built on one of the Flannan Isles, off the north-west coast of Scotland, to warn passing ships about the dangerous rocks around the islands. Three men had to be in the lighthouse at all times to keep the light burning as a warning to any boats in the area.

Then, one night in December 1900, a passing ship said ¹ _____ they hadn't seen a light in the lighthouse. They reported ² _____ they had seen it the night before, and with no reason for it to be out, this was curious. They reported this to some people on land, but because of extreme weather, they weren't able to send a boat out to check if everything was okay for another two weeks.

They eventually reached the island on 26 December, but when they got

³ _____ their boat, there was no sign of the three lighthouse men and the door of the lighthouse was locked. When they looked ⁴ _____ the windows they saw the clock on the wall had stopped and there was no fire in the ⁵ _____.

When they managed to get ⁶ _____ the lighthouse, there was a full meal cooked and prepared and still on the table. They looked ⁷ _____ the men in the lighthouse and all over the island but found no one. The three men had just disappeared.

When the people in charge of the lighthouse looked ⁸ _____ the event, they concluded that the men had probably fallen into the sea during a large storm. However, some people believe that the men could ⁹ _____ had an argument and killed each other, before falling into the sea. Others think that they might ¹⁰ _____ been kidnapped by passing pirates.