

Grammar

1 Cross (X) the sentence that is NOT correct.

- 1 a Unfortunately, my mother slipped on the ice and fell. ☐
- b My mother slipped unfortunately on the ice and fell. ☐
- c My mother slipped on the ice and fell, unfortunately. ☐
- 2 a Elena has two children, but neither of them go to the school across from their house. ☐
- b Elena has two children, and all of them go to the school across from their house. ☐
- c Elena has two children, and both of them go to the school across from their house. ☐
- 3 a He has a good memory, extremely. ☐
- b He has an extremely good memory. ☐
- c His memory is extremely good. ☐
- 4 a A fair amount of people I know work from home. ☐
- b A fair number of people I know work from home. ☐
- c Quite a few people I know work from home. ☐
- 5 a My boss had me work until 8 p.m. yesterday! ☐
- b I was worked by my boss until 8 p.m. yesterday! ☐
- c I had to work until 8 p.m. yesterday! ☐
- 6 a The more money you make, the more taxes you should pay. ☐
- b If you earn a lot of money, you should pay a lot of taxes. ☐
- c As much money you make, as much taxes you should pay. ☐
- 7 a We had our plants watered while we were away. ☐
- b A neighbor watered our plants while we were away. ☐
- c Our plants had watered while we were away. ☐
- 8 a Lima is by far the biggest city in Peru. ☐
- b Lima is one of the biggest city in South America. ☐
- c Lima is much bigger than all the other cities in Peru. ☐

2 Use the words in parentheses to complete the sentences so they mean the same as the first sentence.

- 1 Our house is the same size as my cousin's house.
Our house _____ my cousin's house. (big)
- 2 I realized a thief had stolen my bag.
I realized _____ a thief. (stolen)
- 3 Schools spend a lot of money on books.
Schools spend _____ on books. (deal)
- 4 If I go to bed late, I feel tired in the morning.
The later _____ in the morning. (more)
- 5 Did you know that Alex has cut Yolanda's hair?
Did you know that _____ Alex? (had)
- 6 She doesn't leave the house very often anymore.
She _____. (rarely)

3 Choose the correct options to complete the text.

To:

From:



This is a photo of the house we bought three years ago. As you can imagine, we ¹immediately started / started immediately making a lot of changes. Since we bought it, ²we have / we've had a ³great deal / large number of work done to the house. Before, there was very ⁴few / little light downstairs, but that problem ⁵solved / was solved by having one of the walls ⁶took / taken out. We also ⁷added / had added some new windows in the living room. Our friends thought we were really crazy when we bought it, but now ⁸they say always / they always say it's ⁹a / the most beautiful house they've ever been in! And, actually, my husband and I agree that the work was far ¹⁰more / most enjoyable than ¹¹all / either of us had expected. We didn't have as ¹²many / much arguments ¹³than / as we could have had! In my view, the more work you ¹⁴have done / had done on a house, the ¹⁵most / more pride you take in it.



Vocabulary

1 Circle the word or expression that is different. Explain why.

- 1 ruby multi-colored maroon teal
- 2 ounce gallon pint quart
- 3 mile inch foot ton
- 4 light green reddish lavender dark blue
- 5 lengthen widen deep shorten
- 6 once or twice side by side ups and downs sick and tired

2 Complete the text with the words in the box.

seriously account peace
over cons taking clue raise

A lot of my friends in college spend their weekends at the beach or having each other ¹ _____ for lunch, whereas I volunteer at the local hospital with three other students. In addition to ² _____ turns looking after patients, we help manage projects to ³ _____ money for the hospital. There are pros and ⁴ _____ to volunteering, but I take my role very ⁵ _____. Working means I have a good understanding of real-life issues, while most of my friends don't have a ⁶ _____ about life outside college. I think my experience at the hospital will definitely be taken into ⁷ _____ by future employers when I start to apply for jobs after I graduate. But although I enjoy volunteering, I have to admit I enjoy the ⁸ _____ and quiet on my days off!

3 Choose the correct options to complete the sentences.

- I wish our teacher would type his comments because I *have trouble reading* / *take care not to read* his handwriting.
- Sara submits her essays late every week, but she always *has nothing to do with it* / *an excuse*.
- He's not a very nice person. He takes *pleasure* / *pride* in other people's bad luck.
- Sooner or later* / *Now and then* I drive to work, but I usually take the bus.
- Maria is normally home by 6 p.m., so I don't have a *clue* / *an open mind* why she isn't here yet.
- At first I could hardly speak a word of English, but *by and large* / *little by little* I picked it up, and now I'm pretty fluent.
- Did I tell you I'm *setting up a* / *going out of* business? If it's successful, I'll be rich!
- They're planning on *lengthening* / *widening* the road here so there's more space for cars to pass.

4 Put the words in the box under the correct headings.

teal increase fall turquoise ounce foot
drop go up violet rise ton go down
grow decrease inch bronze

Positive trends	Colors
_____	_____
_____	_____
Length and weight	Negative trends
_____	_____
_____	_____

Personal Best

Lesson 9A

Write four sentences using adverbs of comment, degree, manner, and frequency.

Lesson 10A

Name two things you have in large quantities and two you have in small quantities.

Lesson 9A

Write five sentences about yourself or people you know using collocations with *have* and *take*.

Lesson 10A

Describe three current business or economic trends in your country.

Lesson 9B

Describe objects you own that are silver, multicolored, reddish, or light blue.

Lesson 10B

Write three complex negative sentences about yourself or people you know.

Lesson 9C

Name three things you have had done in the past year.

Lesson 10C

Describe four things that are very good, very bad, very strange, and very funny, using superlatives.

Lesson 9C

Describe the length and weight of four things you own.

Lesson 10C

Write four sentences using word pairs.

Lesson 9D

Write three sentences about your classroom using a definite article, an indefinite article, and a zero article.

Lesson 10D

Describe the good and the bad aspects of a situation you know about.