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A) Reading

1) Read the text about John Lennon. Order the paragraphs 1 - 7.

John Lennon and his sons

A ____ On 8 December, 1980, one of John Lennon's fans shot him outside his apartment. Since then, both of his sons have become musicians. Julian Lennon has made six albums and Sean Lennon has sung and played bass guitar with a number of different bands. So far, however, neither of them have been as successful as their father.

B ____ John Lennon was born in Liverpool on 9 October, 1940. His parents separated when he was five, so he went to live with an aunt and uncle. However, he stayed in contact with his mother, who played him Elvis Presley records and taught him how to play the banjo.

C ____ Before The Beatles broke up in 1970, John met the Japanese artist, Yoko Ono, and he divorced his first wife. He left the band and continued making music both on his own and with Yoko. Their son, Sean, was born on 9 October, 1975 and John stayed at home to look after him.

D ____ When John was 15, his mother bought him his first guitar. He formed his first band called The Quarrymen while he was still at school. When he left school, he started a course at Art College, but the band took up a lot of his time, so he didn't finish the course.

E ____ The band released their first single 'Love Me Do' in October, 1962. They started touring the country. John married his first wife, Cynthia, in secret, and his first son, Julian, was born while they were away. Fans went mad wherever The Beatles played and all of their albums reached the number one spot in the charts.

F ____ The singer-songwriter and guitarist John Lennon is one of the greatest musicians of all time. Songs like *Give peace a chance* and *Imagine* made him famous all over the world.

G ____ John met Paul McCartney at the second performance of The Quarrymen and he soon joined the band. Later, George Harrison joined them as lead guitarist. In 1960, they became The Beatles and they started looking for a drummer. Ringo Starr replaced their original drummer, Pete Best, in 1962.

2) Circle the correct verb form in the questions. Read the text again and answer them.

a) When _____ John Lennon born?

A was

B has been

b) What _____ for him?

A did his mother buy

B has his mother bought

c) How long _____ The Beatles together?

A have been

B were

d) How _____?

A has John Lennon died

B did John Lennon die

e) How many albums _____?

A has Julian Lennon made

B did Julian Lennon make

f) Which instrument _____ with different bands? A did Sean Lennon play B has Sean Lennon played

3) Read the interview. Write the questions in the correct place.

a) *Did you have a favourite teacher?*

b) *Where did you go to school?*

c) *What's the most important lesson you learned at school?*

d) *Did you ever behave badly?*

e) *What did you want to do when you left school?*

f) *What subjects were you good at?*

My schooldays

DAVID SUCHET, actor, played Hercule Poirot in the TV series of Agatha Christie murder mysteries.

Interview by Tom Oglethorpe

1 _____

Grenham House, a **boarding school** in Kent, and Wellington School, a private school in Somerset.

2 _____

One thing my schooldays did teach me was the importance of teamwork. At boarding school, I was an outsider and I was really, truly unhappy there. When I started playing sport at Grenham House, I became a member of a team, and I

felt a lot better about myself. Like sport, acting is also nearly always a team event and you **rely** just as much on other people as they do on you.

3

Yes, I did. My brother and I both went to the same school and sometimes, we used to break the rules. In private schools at that time, a common **punishment** used to be 'the cane': a long stick which the head teacher used for hitting **naughty** boys. Both of us were caned on several occasions.

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Well, I wasn't very academic at all, really, and I was very bad at maths. Luckily for me, I was really good at sports and that's the only reason they accepted me at Wellington. I was in the school rugby team, and I also played tennis. I played at Wimbledon once, in the junior tournament, and I got through to the second round.

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Although I was good at sport, I never really considered taking it up professionally. Once I left Wellington, I wanted to become an actor and I didn't play nearly as much sport when I left school.

6

Yes, my favourite teacher was Mr Storr, head of the school tennis team, and also my English teacher. One day, when I was 14 or 15, I had to read in class. After the class, he said to me, 'The way you read suggests you might enjoy acting. Would you consider playing Macbeth in the school play?' That was the beginning of **my acting career**, and I've never looked back since.

3) Read the interview again and mark the sentences **T** (true) or **F** (false).

- a) He thinks it's important to work together with others. _____
- b) David didn't always enjoy his first school. _____
- c) David wanted to be a tennis player when he left school. _____
- d) He and his brother used to behave well. _____
- e) In the past, the headmaster could hit pupils with a stick. _____
- f) David didn't use to be a very good student. _____
- g) He only got into Wellington because he was good at sport. _____
- h) Mr Storr taught maths and coached the tennis team. _____

4) Look at the **highlighted** words and phrases in the text and match them with their definitions.

- a) something that is done in order to discipline someone _____
- b) job or profession related to the arts _____

c) a place where children live and study

d) to trust or depend on someone or something

e) a child that doesn't obey adults and behaves badly

B) Listening

1) Listen to a story about a shark attack. How did the man survive?

2) Listen again and answer the questions.

a) Where is Eric Nerhus from?

b) What was he doing when the shark attacked?

c) Which parts of his body were in the shark's mouth?

d) What was Eric's vest made of?

e) Who rescued Eric?

f) How did Eric get to the hospital?

g) What injuries did he have?

h) How big was the shark?

3) Listen to a radio programme about famous twins. Match the twins (1-3) with the headings (a-c).

1) Romulus and Remus

a) criminal twins

2) The Kray Brothers

b) celebrity twins

3) The Olsen Twins

c) historical twins

4) Listen again and write **RR** (Romulus and Remus), **KB** (Kray Brothers), or **OT** (Olsen Twins) for each of the following sentences.

- a) Their parents didn't want them. _____
- b) They were British. _____
- c) They're still alive. _____
- d) They met some very famous people. _____
- e) They had a serious argument. _____
- f) They became famous very young. _____

C) Grammar and Vocabulary

1) Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb in brackets. Use the **second conditional**.

- a) If I _____ (see) a ghost, I _____ (be) scared.
- b) If she _____ (find) some money in the street, she _____ (take) it to the police.
- c) Carla _____ (not be) upset if you _____ (tell) her the truth.
- d) If you _____ (stay) at home tonight, you _____ (not see) Tina at the party.
- e) I _____ (learn) Japanese if I _____ (have) time to do it.
- f) Our friends _____ (be) really angry if we _____ (not go) to their party on Friday.
- g) If my father _____ (give) up smoking, he _____ (feel) much better.
- h) We _____ (not go) to the beach tomorrow if it _____ (rain). But the sky is so clear!
- i) They _____ (solve) the problem if they _____ (know) how to do it.
- j) What _____ (you / do) if you _____ (have) a lot of money?

2) Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Use the **first conditional** or the **second conditional**.

- a) Jenny would help you, if you _____ (ask) her for help.
- b) If she _____ (not work) hard, she wouldn't have such good marks at school.
- c) If the students don't study, they _____ (pass) the final exams.
- d) If you _____ (do) it now, you won't have time later.
- e) If Anna _____ (not hurry up), she will miss the beginning of the film.
- f) If I _____ (be) you, I _____ (eat) so many sweets.

- g) There wouldn't be so much rubbish on the planet if we _____ (recycle) more.
- h) Jenny will forgive Alan, if he _____ (tell) her the truth.
- i) I would be very frightened if someone _____ (point) a gun at me.

3) Complete with **for** or **since**.

A celebrity's life

Kristen Stewart, actress



Kristen Stewart has been a famous actress _____ about five years now. She has been an actress _____ she was eight years old, when her agent saw her performing at school. Her first role was in a film where she didn't speak, but _____ then she has been in many films. She is probably best known for playing Bella Swan in *The Twilight Saga*, a part which she has played _____ four years. Kristen has lived in Los Angeles _____ she was born. Because she was acting at a young age, she couldn't go to school, so she studied online.

_____ then, she has completed high school. She is now one of the best-paid actresses in Hollywood. Something many people don't know about Kristen is that she has equinophobia, or fear of horses. She has had this problem _____ most of her life, but her fans have only known about it _____ 2012, when she was filming with horses. Kristen explained that she has been scared of them _____ she was nine years old, when she had a terrible fall during a horse-riding accident.

4) Choose the correct verb form.

My mum was born in Plymouth in 1948. When _____ school, she started work in an office in Plymouth. Later, the company _____ her to a different office in Bristol, where _____ my dad. _____ in love, and _____ married in 1970. _____ three children - I'm the youngest. _____ back to Plymouth again when my dad retired. They bought a very nice house and _____ there for two years now. My dad _____ a greenhouse in the garden for growing vegetables - _____ a keen gardener all his life. My parents _____ a lot of new friends and they're very happy in their new home.

5) Complete the sentences with a suitable word.

- a) Are you **f** _____ of snakes? A lot of people are.
- b) I'm quite **s** _____ of spiders. I don't like them much.
- c) If you suffer from a **f** _____ of flying, you can't travel by plane.
- d) My sister is **t** _____ of big dogs. She always crosses the road if she sees one.
- e) My children don't like swimming. They're **a** _____ of water.
- f) Olga has a **p** _____ of insects. She never goes to the country.

6) Look at the picture, read the story and complete it with the prepositions.

across - into - out of - past - round - through - to - towards - under - along (x2)

Last day at school for boy with dirty shoes!

Last Wednesday started as normal for 15-year-old Michael Brewster at Hove Park School.



At 10.30 a.m., Michael's class were jogging _____ the gym. But when Charles Duff, the sports teacher, told Michael to clean his dirty trainers, he got really angry. He ran _____ the gym, and back to the changing rooms where he found Mr Duff's keys. From there, he went _____ the car park, got _____ Mr Duff's Ford Mondeo, and started the car. Then he drove _____ the road, _____ the bridge, _____ the security guard and _____ the school gates. Then he turned left and drove _____ the road for about 100 meters _____ the maths teacher's house. That was when he lost control. He tried to stop, but instead went _____ a field and crashed into a tree. Michael has now left Hove Park School.

7) Complete the sentences with the correct phrasal verb.

find out - get on with - give up - go out - look forward to - look up - take back
throw away - try on - turn up

- a) Chris called the station to _____ the times of the trains.
- b) I never _____ empty jam jars. I wash them and then re-use them.
- c) It's very cold in here. Can you _____ the heating?
- d) The teacher told us to _____ the words we didn't understand.
- e) We love travelling, so we always _____ our holidays.

- f) I don't really like my sister's new boyfriend. I don't _____ him at all.
- g) They only _____ on Friday or Saturday nights because they start work early during the week.
- h) It's best to _____ clothes before you buy them.
- i) We're going to _____ our new coffee machine because it doesn't work properly.
- j) Anna's going to _____ sweets and chocolate for a month to try to lose weight.

8) Rewrite the following sentences using the **passive voice**.

- a) Bill Gates and Paul Allen founded Microsoft in 1975.

- b) My grandmother makes delicious pancakes.

- c) My father bought a car last year.

- d) Someone stole Maria's laptop.

- e) Airlines sell low-cost flights online.

- f) Thomas Edison invented the light bulb.

9) Complete the sentences with the correct form of "**used to**".

- a) I _____ (live) in an apartment.
- b) They _____ (not smoke) when they were young.
- c) _____ (you / like) chocolate as a child?
- d) He _____ (speak) French every day.
- e) The students _____ (not enjoy) the same games.
- f) I _____ (go) to my grandparents house once a week.
- g) _____ (she / have) short hair?
- h) My cousins _____ (not come) to visit us every summer.

10) Rewrite the sentences using **might** or **might not** so that it has a similar meaning to the original one.

- a) Perhaps Helen is in her office. _____
- b) It is possible that Peter isn't at work today. _____
- c) There is a possibility that Carla is busy. _____
- d) Perhaps she wants to be alone. _____
- e) It is possible that Tom isn't feeling well. _____

11) Complete the chart with the correct verb or noun. Then complete the sentences using a verb or noun from the chart.

Verb	Noun	Verb	Noun
communicate		decide	
	confusion		imagination
predict			education
choose		inform	

- a) Let me make a _____ about the future. I don't think there will be any more global wars.
- b) Children have such a great _____, they are always inventing new games.
- c) Emails and mobiles have made it much easier to _____.
- d) I cannot _____ where to go on holiday this year.
- e) I always _____ the words "to lie" and "to lay". What's the difference?
- f) Schools are worried about _____ because of the Coronavirus situation in the whole world.
- g) Anne is going to study medicine, I think she made the right _____.
- h) I cannot understand this text, there must be some _____ missing.

12) Choose the correct answer.

a) Teacher: I'm tired. Students: _____

A Neither is we B Neither are we C So are we

b) Maggie: I love rice. Norman: _____. It's awful!

A So do I B I don't C Neither do I

c) Nora: I'd like to visit The Greek Islands. Rob: _____.

A So had I B So would I C So did I