

Grammar Tests. Put the verb in correct tense form.

Test 1.

A LETTER FROM LONDON

Dear Alice,

Hi! I'm on holiday in London. I **(stay)** _____ with my friend, Jane. She **(live)** _____ in the centre of London, near Hyde Park.

I **(be)** _____ here since Saturday and I **(already, do)** _____ lots of things. I **(visit)** _____ the Tower of London, the British Museum and Madam Tussaud's.

I **(go)** _____ to Madam Tussaud's on Monday. It **(be)** _____ terrible. When I **(enter)** _____ the Chamber of Horrors, I **(scream)** _____

Yesterday Jane and I **(go)** _____ shopping. I **(want)** _____ to buy some souvenirs. But while I **(pay)** _____ for a T-shirt, someone **(steal)** _____ my bag. Luckily, I **(spend, already)** _____ nearly all my money.

There **(be)** _____ a lot of things I **(not, do)** _____ yet. I **(not, be)** _____ on a boat trip down the Thames yet, I **(not, see)** _____ the Millennium Dome.

If the weather **(be)** _____ fine tomorrow, I **(go)** _____ on a boat trip. I hope Jane **(can)** _____ keep me company.

I **(like)** _____ London very much. I **(never, see)** _____ such a beautiful city. You **(must)** _____ visit it some day.

I **(be)** _____. back in a week, so I **(call)** _____ you then.

Love,

Ann.

Test 2.**A FRIGHTFUL NIGHT**

One dark night a young man (*go*) _____ home from the railway station. It (*be*) _____ very late and there (*be*) _____ very few people in the streets.

The young man (*be*) _____ very nervous because he (*return, never*) _____ home so late. Suddenly he (*feel*) _____ that somebody (*follow*) _____ him. The young man (*think*) _____ that it (*be*) _____ a robber and (*decide*) _____ to walk as quickly as he (*can*) _____.

When he (*look*) _____ back he (*see*) _____ that the man (*follow, still*) _____ him. The young man (*turn*) _____ into another street. The man (*turn*) _____ into that street too. Now the young man (*be*) _____ quite sure that the man (*be*) _____ a robber.

The young man (*turn*) _____ round and (*ask*) _____ .

"What (*want, you*) _____ ? Why (*follow, you*) _____ me?"

"I (*go*) _____ to see Mr Brown," (*say*) _____ the man, "and the porter at the station (*tell*) _____ me: "If you (*follow*) _____ this young man, you (*find*) _____ his house easily, he (*live*) _____ next door to Mr Brown."

Test 3.**A TRAVELLER'S TALE**

It (*happen*) _____ many years ago. I (*be*) _____ in India. I (*hunt*) _____ there. Once I (*spend*) _____ the whole day in the jungle. It (*get*) _____ completely dark when I (*decide*) _____ to return to my camp. I (*walk*) _____ along a narrow path. Strange sounds (*hear*) _____. On my right there (*be*) _____ a river and on my left there (*be*) _____ a thick tropical forest.

Suddenly I (*see*) _____ something terrible in the jungle on my left. Two green eyes (*look*) _____ at me. It (*be*) _____ a

man-eating tiger, ready to spring at me.

I (**know**) _____ that if I (**start**) _____ to run the tiger (**catch**) _____ me easily. As I could swim well I (**make up**) _____ my mind to escape that way. I (**look**) _____ at the river on my right. There in the river, (**be**) _____ a huge crocodile. It (**wait**) _____ for me with open jaws.

I (**faint**) _____. A moment later I (**jump**) _____ to my feet again. What do you think I (**see**) _____ ? The tiger (**be**) _____ in the jaws of the crocodile.

Five years (**pass**) _____ since that time but I (**remember, still**) _____ every moment of that terrible night.

Test 4. AN INTERVIEW WITH POP STAR

P: Our special guest in the studio today is Bob Bubble. Welcome to the show, Bob.

B: Thanks. It's great (**be**) _____ here.

P: You are only 21 but you (**already, sell**) _____ 10 million records. How old (**you, be**)_____ when you (**write**)_____ your first song?

B: I (**be**)_____ 15.

P: (**You, take**) _____ vocal lessons when you (**be**) _____ a kid?

B: No, I didn't. My parents (**hope**) _____ that I (**become**) _____ a lawyer. So I (**sing**) _____ and (**write**)_____ my songs in secret — late at night in my room, when everyone (**sleep**) _____. When my first album (**appear**)_____, my parents (**be shocked**) _____. My father said that I (**disappoint**) _____ him.

P: (**He, be disappointed, still**) _____ in you?

B: No. I (**think**) _____ he (**be proud**) _____ of me.

P: How many songs (**you, write**) _____ ?

B: About 150.

P: Bob, I know you (*not, have*) _____ much free time, but what (*you, do, usually*) _____ when you're not busy singing?

B: Well, I (*be fond*) _____ of windsurfing.

P: One last question, Bob. Are you married?

B: Not yet. I (*get married*) _____ only when I (*meet*) _____ the girl of my dream.

Test 5. THE SAILOR AND THE MONKEYS

Once a sailor (*come*) _____ to South America. He (*have*) _____ a lot of red woolen caps with him. He (*be going*) _____ to sell them there. On his way to the nearest town he (*must*) _____ go through a forest in which there (*be*) _____ a lot of monkeys in the trees.

At noon, when the sun (*shine*) _____ brightly in the sky, the sailor (*lie*) _____ down on the grass to rest under a large tree. He (*take*) _____ one of the caps out of his bag and (*put*) _____ it on his head and almost immediately he (*fall*) _____ asleep.

When he (*wake up*) _____ he (*find*) _____ that all the caps (*disappear*) _____. Suddenly he (*hear*) _____ some strange noise over his head. He (*look up*) _____ and (*see*) _____ trees full of monkeys and each monkey (*wear*) _____ a red woolen cap! They (*steal*) _____ all his red caps! The sailor (*begin*) _____ to shout and throw stones at them but the monkeys (*be going, not*) _____ to give the red caps back. They (*be*) _____ very pleased with themselves.

The sailor (*get*) _____ very angry with the monkeys. He (*take off*) _____ the cap which he (*put on*) _____ before going to sleep and (*throw*) _____ it angrily on the ground: "If you (*keep*) _____ my caps and (*want, not*) _____ to give them back to me, you may take this one too!"

At the same moment all the monkeys (**take off**) _____ the red caps and (**throw**) _____ them on the ground.

The sailor (**take**) _____ the caps, (**put**) _____ them into the bag and (**go**) _____.