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QUIZ WEEK 6

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UNIT 11B : WHY DO I LIE ?

VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

A Complete the sentences with words and phrases from the box.

counting on exaggerating feelings hide make up pretend tell the truth truthful

1. I am _____ you to be honest. Now, _____ please.
2. Sara is late again. She is going to have to _____ an excuse or she'll be kicked out of class!
3. They really hurt our _____ when they lied about being too busy to attend the event.
4. I don't think Sanjay was lying about his soccer skills, but he was definitely _____. He wasn't so great.
5. My husband and I never _____ things from each other. Honesty is very important to both of us.
6. When I was young, I used to _____ to be sick so I wouldn't have to go to school.
7. She is a very _____ person. You can trust her to be honest with you.

B Write what each person said. Use reported speech.

Example: Young-Mi: "I have a terrible headache."

Young-Mi said she had a terrible headache.

1. Rosa: "I work in a big office."

2. Mohammed: "I don't like watching sports very much."

3. Cathy: "I'm studying Japanese literature."

4. The president: "I have many ideas for our country."

READING AND WRITING

A Read the article.

How to Spot a Liar

Many studies over the years have suggested that Americans, on average, lie at least once a day. Fortunately, there are some effective ways to tell if someone is being honest or not. These methods usually fit into four **categories**: *body language, facial expressions, tone of voice, and content of speech*.

Body Language

Traci Brown has worked (1) _____ the truth or not. She says that an important thing to look out for is how someone uses their hands. Liars usually move their hands after answering questions or telling stories. "The mind is doing too many things including **making up** the story, **figuring out** if they're being believed, and adding to the story." Usually, when we are explaining something, we use our hands during or just before a statement, but when we lie, we are too busy concentrating on our made-up tale to even think about what our hands are doing.

Facial Expressions

Someone who is being dishonest may look to the side or lose eye contact if they are lying. This indicates that they are trying (2) _____. Experts also say to watch out for changes in complexion, or the color of someone's face, especially the cheeks. When we are anxious, our faces may turn **pale** because blood rushes out of our faces. Sweating is one of the most obvious **cues**, too. Especially in the "T-area," the upper lip, nose, and forehead. People often get a dry throat and lick their lips, too.

Tone of Voice

When people are afraid or stressed, their vocal cords may tighten, and this makes their voice sound high pitched instead of deep. Dehydration is another effect of feeling uncomfortable, so coughing (3) _____ show dishonesty as well. People who are exaggerating or lying will also probably raise their voice while being asked difficult questions because they get defensive.

Content of Speech

The use of certain phrases, like "Let me tell you the truth," and "I want to be honest with you," could also suggest someone is lying. (4) _____ to **convince** you that they aren't being dishonest. Research from the University of Michigan found that liars will often hesitate or pause before (5) _____ for words like "uh," "like," and "um."

Finally, according to Dr. Lillian Glass, author of *The Body Language of Liars*, people often "slip-up" or make mistakes when speaking. For example, someone might say, "I was fired—I mean, I quit my job." When someone corrects themselves, it is more than likely because they haven't **prepared** or don't know the details of their story.

So, do you think you could spot a liar? Next time you **suspect** someone might be **telling tales**, try looking for some of these cues to catch them!

B Match the sentence parts with the blanks in A.

- a. or asking for a glass of water may
- b. hard to think about what to say next
- c. and during speech, so look out
- d. with the FBI to help them find out whether criminals are telling
- e. These are the types of phrases used when somebody is trying very hard

C Write the word in bold in the text next to the correct synonym. You can use a thesaurus.

1.	light in color
2.	planned
3.	persuade
4.	believe
5.	lying
6.	signs
7.	inventing
8.	types
9.	finding out

D Write about a time you lied and were caught.