Prepositional phrases

F Complete using the words in the box. Add any other words you need.

board • bus • coast • foot • holiday • schedule

1 When you go ..... , it always takes a few days to completely relax.
2 I hope our plane arrives ..... . I'm bored just sitting here, waiting.
3 If you come ..... , don't forget to get off at the stop outside the bank.
4 Living ..... is great. I love walking on the beach every morning.
5 The cowboys got off their horses and went the rest of the way ..... .
6 Now we're ..... the ship let's have a look around.

Word formation

G Use the word given in capitals at the end of each line to form a word that fits in the gap in the same line.

Going abroad

Up until the 1960s, not many British people had (**1**) ..... abroad for	**FLY**
their holidays. Although the idea was (**2**) ..... , flying was still too	**ATTRACT**
expensive for most people. The only (**3**) ..... people had was to go	**CHOOSE**
to British resorts. Instead of flying, families (**4**) ..... to the British	**DRIVE**
coast. Places like Blackpool and Brighton had millions of (**5**)	**VISIT**
every year. During the 60s and 70s, prices dropped and (**6**)	**TRAVEL**
began to visit places like Spain. At first, hotels were (**7**) ..... , but	**COMFORT**
they slowly got better. These days, the (**8**) ..... lounges at airports	**DEPART**
are full and people travel (**9**) ..... and forwards across the world for	**BACK**
work and on holiday. Every summer, tourists go in all (**10**) ..... in	**DIRECT**
search of the perfect beach and the perfect resort.	

Word patterns

H Write one word in each gap.

1 Sydney is famous ..... its harbour. You should also look ..... the Opera House and the bridge while you're there.
2 We arrived ..... the hotel and they provided us ..... a map of the area.
3 When you're preparing ..... a holiday, pack clothes that are suitable ..... the place where you're going.
4 I prefer to be far ..... other people when I'm on holiday. I don't like being close ..... crowds of tourists.
5 While we were waiting ..... our train, I asked someone ..... the delay.
6 Will was late ..... his appointment so he asked me ..... some money for a taxi.

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C Grammar exercises

C1 **Complete these sentences with a comparative adjective.**

1 My teacher is friendly but my sister's teacher is friendlier .
2 My bike is big but my brother's bike is ..... .
3 This biscuit tastes nice but those cakes taste ..... .
4 Geography is interesting but history is ..... .
5 I felt nervous but my friend felt ..... .
6 Tim is rich but John is ..... .
7 This exercise is easy but the next one is ..... .
8 Madrid is hot but Bangkok is ..... .

C2 **Write sentences comparing these things.**

1 Football / exciting / volleyball. Football is more exciting than volleyball.
2 Golf / safe / horse-riding. .....
3 Water-skiing / difficult / swimming. .....
4 Motorcycling / noisy / cycling. .....
5 Rugby balls / heavy / tennis balls. .....

Rewrite your answers above in two different ways.

6 Volleyball isn't as exciting as football. Volleyball is less exciting than football.
7 .....
8 .....
9 .....
10 .....

C3 **Change the adjective in brackets into an adverb.**

1 She designed the clothes (*careful*) She designed the clothes carefully.
2 She coloured the drawings (*neat*) .....
3 She explained her designs (*good*) .....
4 She sewed her clothes (*beautiful*) .....

Here are the results of a competition for fashion students. Complete sentences 5–8 about Daisy, Jill and Paola using *more* and *the most* with the adverbs in sentences 1–4.

	Daisy	Jill	Paola
designed her clothes	★★★	★★	★
coloured her drawings	★	★★	★★★
explained her designs	★	★★★	★★
sewed her clothes	★★	★★★	★

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5 Jill designed her clothes more carefully than Paola but Daisy designed hers the most carefully.

6 Jill coloured her drawings ..... than Daisy but Paola coloured hers ..... .

7 Paola explained her designs ..... than Daisy but Jill explained hers ..... .

8 Daisy sewed her clothes ..... than Paola but Jill sewed hers ..... .

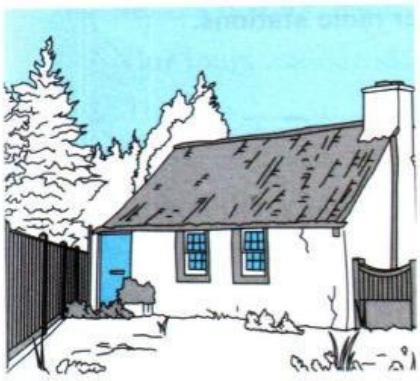
C4 **Match the words on the left with their opposites on the right.**

expensive	near	old	small	tidy

big	cheap	far	new	untidy

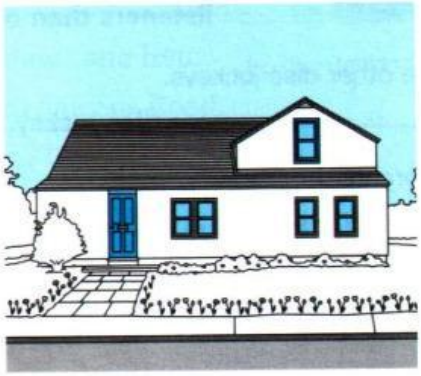
Look at the pictures of three houses for sale and correct the sentences below.

A



Built 1887 £200,000
Two bedrooms, one bathroom, sitting room, kitchen, 5kms from city centre

B



Built 2004 £155,000
Three bedrooms, two bathrooms, sitting room, kitchen, in city centre

C



Built 1934 £325,000
Five bedrooms, three bathrooms, sitting room, dining room, kitchen, 2 kms from city centre

1 C is the smallest house. C is the biggest house .

2 A is the newest house. A is ..... .

3 B has the most untidy garden. B has ..... .

4 B is the most expensive house. B is ..... .

5 A is the nearest to the city centre. A is ..... .

Now complete these sentences about the three houses using *more*, *most*, *fewer* or *fewest*.

6 B has ..... rooms than A.

7 C has the ..... rooms.

8 B has ..... bedrooms than C.

9 A has the ..... bedrooms.

10 C has ..... bathrooms than B.

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D Exam practice

Writing Part 1

Here are some sentences about a radio station.
For each question, complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first.
Use no more than three words.

Example:

0 Radio 255 is my favourite radio station.
I think Radio 255 is better **than the other radio stations.**

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1 Other radio stations have fewer listeners than Radio 255.
Radio 255 has ..... **listeners than other radio stations.**

2 Steve Wood is funnier than all the other disc jockeys.
Steve Wood is the ..... **disc jockey.**

3 I find the sports programmes interesting.
I ..... **in the sports programmes.**

4 The music programmes are less popular than the news programmes.
The music programmes aren't ..... **the news programmes.**

5 I entered a competition but I'm unlikely to win.
I entered a competition but I ..... **likely to win.**

Grammar focus task

Sentences 0, 1, 2 and 4 test comparisons.
Can you complete each of these sentences in a different way so it still means the same?

0 Other radio stations aren't ..... Radio 255.
1 Radio 255 has the ..... listeners.
2 The other disc jockeys aren't ..... Steve Wood.
4 The news programmes are ..... than the music programmes.

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