

Vocabulary

A. Choose a, b or c.

1. I spent two hours at the gym yesterday and now my back _____.
a. hurts b. injures c. harms
2. Why did you tell her about the surprise? Now you _____ it!
a. damaged b. destroyed c. ruined
3. The race requires _____ endurance.
a. annual b. extraordinary c. fatal
4. The _____ from here to the supermarket is about a mile.
a. signal b. distance c. landscape
5. The boy _____ the cat but he couldn't catch it.
a. dragged b. forced c. chased
6. It took the man a few weeks to _____, but he is better now.
a. recover b. treat c. endure
7. Twenty thousand _____ watched the game at the stadium.
a. passersby b. residents c. spectators
8. We were _____ when we heard the news about the missing child.
a. stunned b. tough c. trapped

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B. Complete the sentences with the words in the box. There are two extra words which you do not need to use.

landed boiling jungle lightning fog measures crawled incident breeze

1. A pleasant _____ blew as we were sitting on the bench.
2. Turn on the air conditioner. It's _____ in here.
3. The _____ got worse as we drove up the mountain.
4. Did you see the _____? A storm is coming.
5. The plane had an engine problem and _____ at the nearest airport.
6. The film is based on a real _____.
7. They need to take more security _____ if they want participants to feel safe.

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C. Complete with the correct form of the words in capitals.

1. The _____ interviewed the winner of the race.
2. The plane crashed in the sea. Unfortunately, there were no _____.
3. The museum _____ showed the students around.
4. How many _____ participated?
5. I don't think Jack is the most suitable person to be the _____ of the group.
6. The _____ were from many different countries.

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Grammar

A. Choose a, b or c.

- He _____ rugby very often, but after university he didn't have much time to play.
 - used to play
 - was playing
 - play
- A:** _____ to Vanessa's house last night?
B: No, I couldn't.
 - Did you use to go
 - Did you go
 - Were you going
- Jack _____ to set his alarm clock and woke up late.
 - didn't remember
 - didn't use to remember
 - wasn't remembering
- My parents _____ us camping every summer when we were young.
 - were taking
 - use to take
 - used to take
- The child _____ in shock when the police officers found him.
 - was
 - used to be
 - was being
- Is that the man who saved the girl that _____?
 - drowned
 - used to drown
 - was drowning
- _____ we reached the park, it started to rain.
 - As soon
 - While
 - As soon as

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B. Complete the sentences with the Past Simple or the Past Progressive of the verbs in brackets.

- While I _____ (walk) down the street, I _____ (slip) on the icy pavement and _____ (fall) down.
- As soon as Betty _____ (see) the snake, she _____ (cry) for help. Luckily, some hikers _____ (camp) nearby and _____ (hear) her. They immediately _____ (run) to help. Betty _____ (shake) with fear but _____ (be) relieved.
- The driver _____ (speed) when he suddenly _____ (lose) control of the vehicle. The vehicle _____ (skid) across the road and _____ (crash) into a supermarket.

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Listening

Listen to a news report and answer the questions. Choose a, b or c.

- Which city was the train's destination?
 - Amsterdam
 - Brussels
 - Rotterdam
- How many people died in the train crash?
 - 18
 - 3
 - 21
- How many people were seriously injured?
 - 50
 - 30
 - 20
- What do the authorities say about the train crash?
 - that there was engine trouble
 - that the driver is the one responsible
 - that they haven't found the cause yet

score / 8

Reading

Read the text and answer the questions. Choose a, b or c.

MAN SURVIVES 4 MONTHS IN THE ANDES

On Sunday a helicopter carrying Argentinian officials was making a routine check of snow levels in the Andes when they spotted a man run out of a cabin and wave to get their attention. The cabin was a mountain-climbing shelter 9,300 ft above sea level near Mount Aconcagua, the highest mountain in South America.

The man's name is Raul Fernando Gomez Cincunegui, he is 58 years old and he had spent almost four months alone in the cabin. He survived by eating raisins and sugar left in the cabin, and by trapping small animals and eating them. He lost 20 kilos during his time there and was tired and weak when he was found, but otherwise he was in good health. Hospital staff say he is doing well and should be allowed to go home in a few days.

Mr Gomez is from a Uruguayan town called Bella Unión, where the three countries of Uruguay, Brazil and Argentina meet. He is a health worker and part-time plumber and enjoys long journeys on his motorbike. On 11th May, he set off on a journey through the mountains but his motorbike broke down. He sent a text message to his family saying he was planning to continue the journey on foot. This was the last message they heard from him as he lost his way during a snowstorm.

By 19th May, his family realised something was wrong and informed the authorities. Rescue teams were unable to find Mr Gomez, and they feared the worst had happened. It was quite a shock for the helicopter crew when they found him. They couldn't believe how he had survived for so long. In the helicopter, they let him use a phone to call his wife, mother and daughter. They were travelling to San Juan at the time and his mother said 'I am so happy. I always knew he was alive.'

1. How did the helicopter crew find Mr Gomez?
 - a. by accident
 - b. They were checking mountain shelters in the area.
 - c. after spending months looking for him
2. What is true about Mr Gomez?
 - a. He was injured when they rescued him.
 - b. He had survived thanks to his supplies.
 - c. He had to find his own food to survive.
3. Where was Mr Gomez at the time the article was written?
 - a. at home with his family
 - b. living in a mountain climbing shelter
 - c. in hospital
4. Why did Mr Gomez send his family a message?
 - a. to ask for help because he was in trouble
 - b. to tell them he was not giving up
 - c. to inform them he was returning on foot
5. What was the first thing Mr Gomez did when he was found?
 - a. He communicated with his family.
 - b. He asked the paramedics to take him home.
 - c. He informed the authorities.



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Writing

Read the writing task below and write your story.

An international magazine has organised a short story competition and you have decided to enter. The competition rules say that the story must begin with the following sentence:

Kevin was in the middle of nowhere and he didn't know what to do.

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TOTAL SCORE / 70