

Grammar

1 Complete the second sentence with **no more than** five words so that it means the same as the first.

- 1 May remembered her passport at the last minute.
It was only at the last minute that May remembered her passport.
- 2 I love travelling because you meet so many interesting people.
What I enjoy most _____ you meet so many interesting people.
- 3 I want to know who told Tim where I was.
What _____ who told Tim where I was.
- 4 We only booked the hotel yesterday.
It was only _____ the hotel.
- 5 John had lost his keys so he couldn't get in.
The reason why John _____ he'd lost his keys.
- 6 Our neighbours didn't realise they'd been burgled.
What our neighbours _____ they'd been burgled.

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2 Complete the sentences with a participle form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 *Overwhelmed* (overwhelm) by all the attention, Hannah burst into tears during her first performance, which startled the audience.
- 2 _____ (wander) away from the group, Mark started to feel rather lost and alone.
- 3 _____ (stand) by the door is my cousin, Mike.
- 4 _____ (want) to make a fuss, Lucinda left the room without saying goodbye and it was a long time before anyone noticed she'd gone.
- 5 _____ (visit) by millions of tourists every year, Berlin is a fascinating city.
- 6 Although _____ (admire) by many for her creativity, Kate could be quite ruthless and had made a few enemies along the way.
- 7 _____ (mean) to be rude at all, Ken apologised profusely for having spoken out of turn.
- 8 _____ (be) a natural at dancing, Hugo felt like he was falling over his feet at the salsa class.
- 9 Do you know the woman _____ (do) the crossword by the window? She looks really familiar but I can't remember her name.
- 10 _____ (eat) two pizzas and a tub of ice-cream, Carla began to feel rather nauseous.
- 11 _____ (know) George as I do, I'm not surprised he left the party to go to the pub. He can't stand making small talk.

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Vocabulary

3 Match 1–6 with a)–h). There are **two** options you do not need.

- 1 The problem with working split _____ *d*
- 2 I searched everywhere in the house but _____
- 3 The missing sailor was presumed _____
- 4 If you suffer really badly from _____
- 5 Before we decide whether to launch _____
- 6 If we're not back at the base by this evening, please raise _____

- a) dead after a futile three-day search of the area where his boat had been found.
- b) amnesia, you'll often have no recollection of important events in your life.
- c) an investigation, we need to determine the actual damage caused.
- d) ~~shifts is that you don't really get much time to relax before going back to work.~~
- e) hay fever, summers can become hell.
- f) the alarm and send a search party.
- g) frantically in and around the building.
- h) to no avail. My keys were nowhere to be found.

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4 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the word in CAPITALS.

- 1 Derek's *unhappiness* was predominantly due to his poor social skills, which meant that he had a virtually non-existent social life.
HAPPY
- 2 The sudden _____ of our much-loved cat, who had been missing for months, brought us no end of joy and relief.
APPEAR
- 3 When our lead actor _____ fell off the stage and broke his leg in a dress rehearsal, we wondered if the show would be cancelled.
DRAMA
- 4 The problem with using _____ to clean your home is that it eradicates both good and bad bacteria.
INFECT
- 5 The honey ant is _____ strong given its size and can pack a punch way above its weight – so much so that it can even protect itself against the larger harvester ant.
DECEIVE
- 6 These instructions are utterly _____ – they might as well as be written in code! I can't make head nor tail of them!
COMPREHEND

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5 Complete the idioms to do with relaxing.

- 1 I'm going to have a breather now as I've been at the computer for hours.
- 2 Perry finds the best way to u after a fraught day in the office is to do some calming activities like yoga and meditation.
- 3 Vic always goes for a long run when she wants to take her m off of her family problems.
- 4 After two months of working crazy hours, Kay decided to take the weekend off and let her h down completely.
- 5 It's important to take t out to reflect and recharge your batteries every now and then. I always make sure I take my full holiday allowance every year.
- 6 At the end of a frenetic week, it's wonderful just to switch o from work and relax with family or friends.

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6 Put the letters in order to complete the sentences to do with safety and risk.

- 1 My parents have always given me opportunities to take responsibility for myself, which on reflection encouraged independence (dneiepnednec) from my early teens.
- 2 We live in such a _____-_____ (kaversesir) culture nowadays that health and safety regulations seem to have thwarted any freedom for common sense to prevail in matters of day-to-day life.
- 3 Oscar knew the window had been _____ (ebalyetilerd) broken as he'd seen the culprit running off moments after the brick came flying through it.
- 4 As children we were often left _____ (senderipuves) while Mum would go out to do the food shop. On these occasions my older sister would always blame me if anything untoward happened.
- 5 Liam's _____-_____ (necesservoperttvio) was making Candy feel suffocated. She had to get away from him and find some space to herself.
- 6 Walter's mother always used to _____ (dloceldlomy) him as he was often a sickly child who required more care and attention than the other children.

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Function

7 Complete the conversations with phrases a)–m). There are two options you do not need.

- 1 **A:** I find it really irritating when shops try to push other products on me at the checkout.
B: I couldn't 1 h. If it's not a store magazine, it's stamps or top-up phone cards.
- 2 **A:** It's good that children can learn how to use a gun in the States.
B: How 2 _____? You can't 3 _____ children should be given that responsibility.
A: Well, I suppose you've 4 _____, but all I'm trying to 5 _____ children should be taught how to defend themselves.
- 3 **A:** Did you hear that our politicians are getting a 10% annual pay rise?
B: Oh, 6 _____! You can't be serious!
A: Yes, but it's ok as it's not going to cost the taxpayer anything extra.
B: Oh come on, you 7 _____!
A: No – their expenses and pensions are being restricted, so it's all going to balance out.
B: Where's 8 _____ in that?
- 4 **A:** Isn't it odd that Paul's wife and brother both now work in the marketing department that he's in charge of?
B: Surely you 9 _____ something funny is going on?
A: It just 10 _____ to me. Neither of them has any marketing experience.
- 5 **A:** I think mobile phones should be banned from schools. They're too disruptive.
B: Absolutely! I'm 11 _____ on that.

- a) doesn't make sense
- b) got a point
- c) up to a point
- d) can you say that
- e) don't think that
- f) with you one hundred percent
- g) that's ridiculous
- h) ~~agree more~~
- i) say is that
- j) the logic
- k) against my better judgement
- l) honestly think that
- m) must be joking!

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