1 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the adjective or adverb given.

1 James is looking much _____now. Has he been on a diet? (thin)

2 I was studying _____ as Tom, but I didn't pass the exam and he did. (hard)

3 The_____ a student performs, the more self-confident he gets. (good)

4 This test is _____ as I thought it would be. (not easy)

5 She is unbelievable! She is girl _____ I know! (bossy)

6 This is where you find the _____ view of the city. (beautiful)

2 Find and correct the mistakes in the sentences.

1 My current employer is much fairest than my old one.

2 This musician is the more talented man I know.

3 You are just so talented as this artist.

4 The earlier you set off, the soonest you'll arrive.

5 They were not as popular they thought and only a few fans showed up.

6 When I perform, my mind is calmest than when I am resting.

3 Circle the correct alternative.

Mastermind is (1) *a/an* UK TV show which started in 1972 and still runs today. There is (2) *a/–* quizmaster and there are (3) *the/–* four contestants. There are two rounds and (4) *a/the* contestants take turns to sit in (5) *a/the* black leather chair in the centre of (6) *–/the* studio to answer a series of questions. In (7) *–/the* first round they answer questions on a specialist subject of their choice. The second round involves (8) *the/–* general knowledge questions. The contestant with (9) *a/the* most points after both rounds is (10) *–/the* winner.

4 Complete the sentences with *so*, *such*, *too* or *enough*.

1 You are never _____ old to learn something new.

2 There is never _____ time to get everything done.

3 People today are always _____ busy that they forget about the simple things in life.

4 Is there _____food for dinner tonight?

5 It was _____a good film that I went to see it again the next day.

6 Children are often told they are _____ young to know what they want.

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5 Circle the correct alternative.

There are a surprising number of child geniuses in the world. Most people assume that children are not old (1) *too/enough* to achieve very much, but these prodigies prove otherwise. Take Alma Deutscher for example. She is only eleven so you would think she is (2) *so/too* immature to compose music. However, she has already written an opera. Yuja Wang is a pianist who is (3) *such/so* successful that she has been labelled a pop-star pianist. She practised (4) *so/such* a lot when she was very young that adults around her realised she was very talented. These people show that you are never (5) *enough/too* young to achieve great things.

6 Choose the correct option to complete the text.

The Illusionist is (1) …. film that came out in 2006. Edward Norton starred as the famous illusionist Eisenheim. Jessica Biel played the role of Duchess von Teschen. She was told to marry (2)….. Crown Prince Leopold. Eisenheim and the Duchess had been in love when they were (3) ….., but were not allowed to marry. Although the Crown Prince was richer and (4)….. than Eisenheim, the Duchess did not want to marry him. He was (5) …..arrogant and narrow-minded. She didn't respect him (6)…… to marry him. She loved Eisenheim who was (7)……. . The Crown Prince tried to remove Eisenheim, but he wasn't (8) ……the illusionist. In the end, Eisenheim created his (9) ……illusion of all and he and the Duchess managed to escape together. They lived together in (10) …… beautiful cottage in the countryside.

1 A a **B** the **C** an

2 A – **B** the **C** an

3 A most young **B** younger **C** youngest

4 A most powerful **B** powerfuller **C** more powerful

5 A enough **B** such **C** too

6 A too **B** enough **C** such

7 A more sensitive **B** most sensitive **C** as sensitive

8 A as clever **B** as clever as **C** more clever than

9 A more successful **B** most successful **C** so successful

10 A the most **B** the more **C** most

7 Complete the text with these adjectives. There are two extra options.

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creative • easygoing • good-natured • insecure mature • pushy • stubborn

We're having a big family party at the end of this month. It's really interesting when everyone gets together. My mum has got three brothers and although you can see the similarities they are quite different as well. My Uncle Tom is the oldest and he's the typical (1) ..... parent. He's always trying to get my cousins to be more ambitious and he gets annoyed when they aren't chosen for a sports team or the school play. Then there's Uncle James. He's the complete opposite. He's an art teacher and he's really (2) ..... . He never tells his children off and he's always very relaxed. He wants everyone to discover their (3) ..... side and do painting or sculpture or something. Uncle Paul is the one in the middle and he's very funny. He's always telling stories. But he can be a bit (4) ..... and he won't do anything he doesn't want to do. Then there's my mum. She loves it when they're all together and if there are any arguments – which there always are – she's the peacemaker. She's very
(5) ..... . Everyone says I'm like her. It makes me sorry that I'm an only child, but at least I'll have all my cousins around at the party. I can't wait!

8 **Choose the correct alternatives to complete the text.**

Marie Curie was one of the most famous scientists of her time. She was born in Poland, but went to live in Paris to study mathematics and physics. There she met her husband, Pierre Curie, and together they conducted (1) *investigations/creations* into radioactivity. Their work was very dangerous, but eventually they discovered the chemical elements polonium and radium. They were awarded the Nobel Prize for Physics in 1903. Marie's (2) *education/happiness* was cut short when Pierre was killed in a tragic accident. However, she was very (3) *easygoing/determined* and took over his teaching post, becoming the first woman to teach at the Sorbonne. She devoted herself to continuing their work and eventually won a second Nobel Prize, for Chemistry, in 1911. She was a (4) *modest/frank* woman and, despite her success, she continued to face opposition from male scientists. She said, 'Life is not easy for any of us. But what of that? We must have perseverance and above all confidence in ourselves. We must believe that we are (5) *outgoing/gifted* for something and that this thing must be attained.'

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