

First Certificate Language Practice

Vocabulary about Money

Underline the most suitable word or phrase.

- a) I haven't got enough money, I'm afraid. Could you *borrow/lend* me some?
- b) This car is too expensive. We can't *afford/pay* it.
- c) There's a small flat to *hire/let* in Bridge Street.
- d) How much do you *earn/gain* in your new job?
- e) She's a good dentist, but she doesn't *charge/spend* too much.
- f) I bought this coat in the sales. It was *decreased/reduced* a lot.
- g) Jack made his *fortune/treasure* buying and selling property.
- h) How much do you *reckon/value* that house would cost?

Replace each word or phrase in *italics* with a word or phrase from the box which has the opposite meaning.

cash	generous	profit	well off	poverty
purchase	take out	worthless		

- a) I was surprised by how *mean* Charles was. ...generous....
- b) Janet says that she is very *hard up* at the moment _____.
- c) Last year their business made a huge *loss*. _____.
- d) I'd like to *pay in* £100 please _____.
- e) Most people in the city live in great *prosperity* _____.
- f) The manager insisted that I paid by *cheque* _____.
- g) Jean was able to make only one *sale* during the morning _____.
- h) The old painting I found in the loft turned out to be *valuable* _____.

Complete each sentence with a word from the box. Use each word once only.

safe	wealth	pension	rent	tip	credit card	loan	receipt
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- a) The old couple had only a small pension.... to live on.
- b) My uncle Sam acquired his considerable _____ selling cars.
- c) David never carries cash with him and pays for everything by _____.
- d) I wouldn't have been able to buy my boat without a bank _____.
- e) The shop won't change any goods without the original _____.
- f) Keith didn't like the waiter so he didn't leave a _____.
- g) The house is not in very good condition so the _____ is low.
- h) We keep all our money and valuables in this _____ in the floor.

Choose the most suitable word or phrase to complete each sentence.

- a) I bought these shoes in the sale. They were a real C.....
A) cheap B) economy C) bargain D) purchase
- b) If you put your money in the bank, it will earn ten per cent _____.
A) interest B) profit C) deposit D) investment
- c) John asked his parents if they would pay off his _____.
A) rents B) debts C) accounts D) credits
- d) Adults have to pay £8 to get in, but children under fourteen get in _____.
A) free B) nothing C) penniless D) open
- e) I'm trying to save for my holidays so I'm _____ some money each week.
A) putting in B) putting aside C) putting behind D) putting up
- f) Just a minute! You've forgotten to _____ your cheque!
A) mark B) make C) place D) sign
- g) The blackmailer asked for the money in used _____.
A) notes B) cheques C) paper D) cash
- h) I gave the assistant ten euros and she gave me four euros _____.
A) rest B) money C) coins D) change

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

Money! Money! Money!

Helen had always dreamed of becoming a (1) ...wealthy.. WEALTH
woman, and imagined living in a (2) _____ mansion, LUXURY
and how her friends would praise her (3) _____ GENEROUS
when she gave them expensive presents. In reality she
was usually hard up. She had some (4) _____ and a SAVE
small life (5) _____, but her antique shop was not really INSURE
very (6) _____ Every time she took money out of the bank, PROFIT
the (7) _____ checked her account, and told her how little CASH
there was in it! Helen had taken out a (8) _____ a month LEND
before. How could she repay it? Then one day she noticed
an old painting in her shop. She had thought it was (9) _____ WORTH
but as she brushed away the dust, she saw the (10) _____ SIGN
at the bottom. It said 'Renoir!' She was rich at last!

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