

VOCABULARY

1 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs below.

feel hear listen look see ~~smell~~
sound taste touch watch

- Those roses *smell* nice. They have just cut them from the bush.
- Sorry, I didn't _____ what you said. Could you repeat it?
- I don't like this soup. It doesn't _____ nice. It's too salty.
- Your hair _____ great. Did you get a haircut?
- Theo and I _____ Manchester United play every week.
- I've washed the table twice, but I can still _____ there is something sticky on it.
- _____ to those dogs barking outside. They're making lots of noise.
- Hey Matt! Can you _____ those two robbers running out of the bank? Call the police!
- That new singer _____ like Katy Perry. It's the same music style, isn't it?
- Don't _____ the fence. I've just painted it and it's still wet.

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2 Choose the correct answer.

- Howard wears ... and knee pads when he goes skateboarding to protect himself.
A shoulder **B** elbow
- My brother's ... go really red when he's embarrassed.
A cheeks B lips
- Sometimes when I'm nervous before an exam at school my ... get sweaty.
A thumbs B palms
- As I get older, I get more wrinkles on my ...
A eyebrows B forehead
- When I eat really cold food like ice cream, I get pains in my ...
A teeth B tongue
- I like to click my ... along to the beat when I'm listening to my favourite music.
A fingers B toes

6 I wear my watch on my left ..., but my best friend wears hers on her right.

- A ankle B wrist

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Vocabulary total

15

GRAMMAR

1 Complete the conversation with the past simple form of the verbs in brackets.

Carl: Hi Jason. ⁰ *Did you go* (you / go) to the cinema last night?

Jason: No, I ¹ _____. I wasn't feeling very well, so I stayed at home.

Carl: What ² _____ (you / do) instead?

Jason: I ³ _____ (listen) to some music with my brother.

Carl: ⁴ _____ (your brother / listen) to that new song by the Vaccines that I sent him?

Jason: Yes, he did. He ⁵ _____ (say) it sounded like his favourite band, the Strokes.

Carl: Oh, by the way, before I forget – ⁶ _____ (you / receive) my email? I ⁷ _____ (send) you the Science homework.

Jason: Yes, I did. Thanks! I ⁸ _____ (complete) it at the weekend.

Carl: What ⁹ _____ (you / think) of it?

Jason: It ¹⁰ _____ (not be) too bad – it only took me an hour.

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2 Complete Charlie's dream with the past simple or past continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

I ⁰ *was* (be) at a restaurant with my friends and we

¹ _____ (have) lunch. I

² _____ (bite) into a slice of pizza when I ³ _____ (feel) something

weird in my mouth. I ⁴ _____ (look) in the mirror and I saw that some of my teeth were falling out of my mouth. It ⁵ _____ (not hurt) at all. But luckily, that next moment I woke up. It was quite a shock!

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3 Choose the correct answer.

- 0 We were sailing around the coastline **(when/ while)** we **(got/ were getting)** caught in a storm.
- 1 I lived in Rome **when/ while** I **studied/ was studying** for my university degree.
- 2 Shaun smelt something burning **when/ while** he **was walking/ were walking** past his neighbour's house.
- 3 Isabella was cycling **when/ while** her keys **were falling/ fell** out of her pocket.
- 4 The internet connection **stopped/ was stopping** working **when/ while** I was downloading music.
- 5 Nathan **played/ was playing** tennis **when/ while** he was stung by a bee on his wrist.

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4 Complete the sentences with the words below.

did (x4) didn't to use (x3) ~~used~~

- 0 My grandparents didn't have MP3 players, so they *used* to listen to songs on the radio.
- 1 My brother didn't _____ to eat vegetables when he was a child. He hated them.
- 2 **A:** _____ you use _____ work in the library?
B: Yes I _____, while I was studying at university.
- 3 **A:** Where _____ Max and Shelley _____ to live?
B: In Canada, I think.
- 4 **A:** _____ your brother hang out at Blue Shopping Centre?
B: No, he _____. He met his friends at the skate park.
- 5 I didn't go to the cinema very often because I lived in a village and we didn't _____ to have one.

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5 Put the words in order to make questions.

- 0 did / sport / which / use to / play / you / ?
Which sport did you use to play?
- 1 to school / you / use to / how / travel / did / ?

- 2 films / did / kind of / you / use to / watch / what / ?

- 3 did / the internet / use to / you / surf / a lot / ?

- 4 food / what / use to / like / type of / did / to eat / you / ?

- 5 your parents / live / use to / Edinburgh / in / did / ?

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6 Rewrite the sentences using *used to* or *didn't used to*.

- 0 I played the guitar a lot when I was younger.
I used to play the guitar when I was younger.
- 1 I was often nervous when I spoke in front of people.

- 2 My family didn't have much money when I was growing up.

- 3 I was a waiter at a restaurant.

- 4 I didn't have any pets when I was a child.

- 5 We went camping a lot on our summer holidays.

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Grammar total 30



The composer who couldn't hear

Beethoven is one of history's most famous composers, and wrote nine symphonies and an opera, as well as many pieces for piano and orchestra. And amazingly, while he was composing many of these great musical works, he was losing his hearing.

Ludwig van Beethoven was born on December 16th, 1770 in Bonn, Germany. His father was a singer and music teacher, and taught his young son piano from a very early age. Young Ludwig gave his first musical performance at the age of seven, though his father lied and said he was only six. After the deaths of his mother and then his father, Beethoven went to live in Vienna, where he started to write his own music. Unfortunately, by 1800, when his First Symphony was first performed, he was already going deaf.

Beethoven had noticed his hearing problems at the age of 26. He suffered severe tinnitus, which is a loud ringing sound in your ears. Beethoven found he couldn't hear conversations clearly, and playing concerts became more and more difficult. However, he wrote many great musical compositions while suffering hearing loss, and he continued composing until his death in 1827 at age 56.

One surprising benefit of Beethoven's deafness for us today is his 'conversation books'. Because Beethoven couldn't hear people speak, he used to ask them to write things down in these books, and he answered them orally. As a result, we have many records of discussions with Beethoven that we don't have for other composers.

1 Read the text and complete the factfile about the life of Beethoven.

Number of symphonies he wrote	0 9
Year he was born	1
Age he had his first performance	2
Year his First Symphony was first performed	3
Age when his hearing loss started	4
Year he died	5

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2 Read the text again and correct the information in the sentences.

0 Beethoven wrote nine operas.

He only wrote one opera.

1 He was born in Vienna.

2 His father paid for his piano lessons.

3 He started losing his hearing in 1800.

4 He stopped composing when he found he was deaf.

5 Beethoven used to write in the conversation books for others to read.

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3 Read the text again and write short answers to the questions.

0 Was Beethoven born deaf?

No, he wasn't.

1 Did Beethoven first play music in public at the age of six?

2 Did he start to write music in Vienna?

3 Did he know he was losing his hearing when he wrote his first symphony?

4 Did he continue to play concerts after he started to lose his hearing?

5 Did Beethoven usually write answers to people's questions in the conversation book?

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Reading total 15

