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QUIZ II-19TH CYCLE

GRAMMAR

1 Complete the sentences with the present perfect simple or continuous form of the verbs in parentheses.

Example: *Have you been sleeping* (you / sleep) well recently?

1 We _____ _____(know) each other since we met in the first week of college.

2 How long _____ (you / wait) to see the dentist?

3 _____(you / ever / break) a bone?

4 We're exhausted because we _____ (dance) all evening!

5 How long _____ (your daughter / have) this stomachache?

2 Choose the correct word(s).

Example: Traffic lights often make sounds to help **the blinds** / **the blind** cross the road.

1 **Poor** / **The poor** seem to be suffering the most from government cuts.

2 I met a **Chinese** / **Chinese man** who was really interesting.

3 Politicians should listen to **the young** / **young** because they are the future of this country.

4 We need to do more as a society to take care of **elderly** / **the elderly** people.

5 **The Japanese** / **Japanese** have many important cultural traditions.

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3 Order the words to make sentences.

Example: pizza / like / extra / with / large / ordering / feel / I / a / cheese / !

I feel like ordering a large pizza with extra cheese!

1 brother / fashionable / had / linen / my / on / a / suit / younger / new

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2 little / found / eat / restaurant / lovely / we / Peruvian / a / in / to

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3 have / horrible / bandage / white / wear / a / big / to / I / !

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4 little / was / on / wooden / hill / beautiful / there / old / a / the / house

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5 the / some / red / I / boots / market / nice / at / bought / leather / very

_____

VOCABULARY

4 Complete the words in the sentences.

Example: You'd never guess Ronnie was ninety-six. He's so **a***ctive*!

1 Tamara's so **i**_____. She'll just suddenly decide to do something new or crazy!

2 Arjun's extremely **b**_____ – he isn't at all nervous about his operation next week.

3 My wife's very **s**_____. She loves going to parties and celebrations.

4 I don't usually wear a dress and high heels. I feel very **g**_____!

5 Sorry, I don't want to play tennis – I'm not feeling very **e**_____ today.

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5 Choose the odd word out.

Example: burn blister cough rash

1 flu a cold injection headache

2 sneeze cough headache sunburn

3 dizzy earache faint unconscious

4 bleed wound diarrhea bandage

5 painkillers antibiotics medicine symptom

6 Choose the correct word(s).

Example: I only like natural materials – I never wear **Lycra** / **linen**.

1 Wow! I've never seen you looking so **scruffy** / **fashionable**. Are you going to a job interview?

2 The taxi's coming in 15 minutes, so **get dressed** / **dress up**!

3 I need this dress in a bigger size – it's too **loose** / **tight**.

4 You'll need some **Lycra** / **velvet** shorts if you want to do some serious cycling.

5 This top looks a little **old-fashioned** / **classic**. My grandmother might like it though!

PRONUNCIATION

7 Match the words with the same sound.

w**oo**l allerg**y** ~~ch**o**king~~ uncon**sci**ous t**oo**thache b**a**ndage

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Example: cl**o**thes *choking*

1 pl**ai**d _____

2 ra**sh** _____

3 in**j**ection _____

4 h**oo**ded _____

5 b**oo**ts _____

8 Choose the stressed syllable.

Example: lea|ther

1 back | ache

2 poi | son|ing

3 old | -fa | shioned

4 a|ller | gic

5 un | dressed

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READING

Read the article about a future fashion invention. Five sentences have been removed. Which sentence (A–F) fits each blank (1–5)? There is one extra sentence that you do not need to use.

Introducing … the fashion of the future

Mushrooms … most people either love them or hate them. But if they're not your idea of a tasty meal, why not try wearing them? Sound weird? Well, yes, until you hear more about the science. Believe it or not, scientists have recently developed a variety of useful materials using mushrooms, or at least their mycelium – the long hair-like fibers, or roots, which allow them to grow and spread. (----- 1 -----) The resulting fibers can be made into cloth, which can be used for clothing and accessories. This is why mushrooms might just be the next big thing in fashion.

The process is really simple. Rather than taking wild mycelium from the ground, it is possible to produce it in a laboratory within three or four weeks. It is then grown over a specially shaped structure designed to create the desired product. The resulting material can be as thin as paper for lightweight fabrics, or thick like leather for items such as shoes and accessories. Whatever its thickness, it is always incredibly strong and flexible.

Several fashion designers have already developed products made from mycelium. For example, Dutch designer Aniela Hoitink created a dress made from disc-shaped pieces of a flexible, mycelium fabric, which she called MycoTex. She grew the mycelium in round dishes to produce the discs and then joined them by "growing" them together to create a thin fabric that she wrapped around a 3D model to create the dress. The advantage of this type of creation is that material for clothes can be grown to fit a particular body shape or size, rather than cut from a larger piece of fabric. (----- 2 -----) Nor does mycelium clothing have to go to landfill. Artist Erin Smith made her own wedding dress from mycelium mixed with agricultural waste and then composted it in her backyard after she'd worn it. Her goal was to prove that wedding dresses don't need to end up being an expensive purchase that is worn just once and then hangs in your closet forever after.

The ability to safely reuse or throw away mycelium clothing is a big environmental advantage. In addition, mycelium is fast-growing, non-toxic, organic, carbon-neutral, and inexpensive to produce. Tests by Italian design company Mogu have shown that mycelium fabric is both waterproof and fire-resistant, making it extremely useful. Perhaps best of all, only a very small amount of water is required to grow it. (----- 3 -----) According to designers, clothing made from mycelium can also be easily repaired. This should be especially appealing to customers who are trying to live a zero-waste lifestyle. The added bonus is the fact that mushrooms are biodegradable so material made from mycelium breaks down naturally in the environment. (----- 4 -----) In fact, some mycelium materials can even be fed to farm animals. And speaking of farm animals, many consumers are against the idea of supporting intensive animal farming, as it has a massive environmental impact. Mycelium

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can be made very strong and durable, and therefore it offers a vegan alternative to animal leather.

While many people might feel horrified or disgusted by the idea of clothing themselves in mushroom fabric, mycelium is safe and healthy to wear. No toxic chemicals are used in its production, and it is naturally anti-bacterial so your sweaty gym clothes won't cause discomfort or skin rashes. And you don't need to worry, your new clothing won't start growing mushrooms in the rain; it has been baked at a high temperature to prevent that from happening. There are many reasons why we should all be wearing mycelium-based clothing, but will it become as popular as mainstream clothing in the future? (----- 5 -----)

A As a result, there is no fabric waste in comparison to traditional clothes manufacturing.

B That depends on whether consumers are open-minded enough to try it.

C While it takes over 2,500 liters of water to produce a single cotton T-shirt, only 12 liters were required to produce Hoitink's mycelium dress.

D The innovative new fabric has been worn by several popular celebrities.

E In the natural world, this growth happens rapidly and requires very little water.

F So, once you're finished with a piece of clothing like Erin Smith, you can simply throw it in your compost bin or dig it into your backyard.

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