

## Insight Upper-intermediate Short Test 1.2 A

### A Grammar

Complete the sentence using the words in the brackets in the past perfect simple or past perfect continuous.

- Dana asked me if I \_\_\_\_\_ (see) her mother.
- Sam \_\_\_\_\_ (never / live) away from his family until he started university.
- Molly had a headache, because she \_\_\_\_\_ (look at) the computer screen for a long time.
- We \_\_\_\_\_ (already / finish) our dinner, when Katie walked through the door.
- Jakub \_\_\_\_\_ (concentrate) so hard on building the shelves, that he didn't notice the sun going down.
- Oscar's phone \_\_\_\_\_ (ring) for several minutes before he noticed it.
- Claire \_\_\_\_\_ (understand) the problem even before her tutor explained it to her.
- By the time the restaurant \_\_\_\_\_ (finally / deliver) the order, Pete was no longer hungry.
- The ground was white, as it \_\_\_\_\_ (snow) since the night before.
- As Ben looked around the bend, he realized that he \_\_\_\_\_ (reach) the village.

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### B Vocabulary

Read the dialogue and choose the correct answer.

- Woman** I think Linda's party was brilliant last night. She was so \_\_\_ to everyone's needs. Did you see how well she looked after little Emily? She had made her a special meal with all her favourite vegetables, and then an amazing ice cream for dessert.  
**Man** I agree. She thought of everything. I think she was a fantastic host.  
A ☐ striking                      B ☐ attentive                      C ☐ incremental
- Boy** I can't work out the answer to the last clue of this crossword. I've been working on this thing for hours now!  
**Girl** I know, it's \_\_\_. Maybe if we asked Tom? You know he loves doing crosswords, so he'll be happy to help.  
A ☐ in the interim                      B ☐ a great deal                      C ☐ a conundrum
- Boy** Martin is looking quite \_\_\_. I hope he's feeling OK.  
**Girl** He's been playing computer games online with friends for hours every night! He only gets a few hours' sleep before he has to get up for school.  
A ☐ striking                      B ☐ haggard                      C ☐ attentive
- Girl** Do you know who the new restaurant manager is? I wanted to get in touch about a possible weekend job.  
**Boy** No. I think the person they have at the moment is there \_\_\_. The new manager is supposed to start next month, so it's probably better to wait until they arrive.  
A ☐ in the interim                      B ☐ an incremental                      C ☐ a great deal

5 **Teacher** Why has Anh Long quit the rugby team?

**Parent** Well, he felt that he was being \_\_\_ by the new coach. After making a mistake in the first match of the season, he wasn't given enough opportunities to play in later games. He felt it was impossible to improve if he couldn't participate.

- A ☐ haggard                      B ☐ penalized                      C ☐ striking

6 **Woman** Elizabeth's new painting is wonderful, isn't it? I've always admired her work, but this painting really is special.

**Man** I think the way she's used colour makes the painting very \_\_\_. It makes it stand out, and it's a big change from her other work.

- A ☐ striking                      B ☐ gradual                      C ☐ incremental

7 **Boy** What did Yasemin think of the new animated movie? I'm taking my younger brother to see it tomorrow.

**Girl** She loved it! She's been talking about it \_\_\_ since she saw it. I think we'll be watching that one quite a few times in the next couple of weeks!

- A ☐ a conundrum                      B ☐ a great deal                      C ☐ in the interim

8 **Daughter** I want to open a bank account. I'm trying to save some money to buy a new laptop.

**Father** That's a good idea. You should get an account where you can pay in money each month, so that the total increases by \_\_\_ amount.

- A ☐ an incremental                      B ☐ an attentive                      C ☐ a haggard

9 **Girl** How did the birthday party go for your little brother? I know you were planning it for a while.

**Boy** I'm annoyed with myself. I forgot to order the cake, and he was really upset. I should have been more \_\_\_ when I was planning the party.

- A ☐ haggard                      B ☐ striking                      C ☐ attentive

10 **Woman** I hadn't realized that the tree in the garden had grown so high! It looks amazing.

**Man** Well, it's a \_\_\_ thing. It grows so slowly, that it's difficult to notice the change. The same thing happened with the plants we grew last year – they seemed to grow in a day!

- A ☐ conundrum                      B ☐ haggard                      C ☐ gradual

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Test score

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