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Vocabulary Comprehension

A. Match the words with the correct definitions.

1. bargain	a. a person you know who isn't a friend or a family member
2. patient	b. a promise to repair or exchange a product with a problem
3. guarantee	c. to make pictures to go with a story
4. leather	d. caring and kind
5. warm-hearted	e. something you can buy for a low price
6. acquaintance	f. able to wait a long time without getting angry
7. illustrate	g. a person you work with
8. colleague	h. a material used for shoes, handbags, etc.

B. Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the box. Two words will not be used.

museum	neighbour	direct	teammate	curtains
wallet	decaf	weight	dye	drums

1. Oh, no! I can't pay for lunch because I left my _____ at home.
2. Are you interested in going to the art _____ and seeing some paintings?
3. I love movies, and someday, I want to _____ them.
4. Derek plays the guitar, the piano, and the _____.
5. They bought some nice _____ for the windows in their new home.
6. It's late, so if I drink coffee, it will be _____.
7. My brother is exercising a lot these days because he wants to lose _____.
8. Sonia plans to _____ her hair black.

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Grammar Practice

A. Circle the correct words.

1. A lot of people enjoy (walk / walking) in the park.
2. You (didn't do / did not) the dishes yesterday.
3. Michelle has (lose / lost) her phone. Let's help her look for it.
4. (Could you not / Couldn't you) play your music so loudly, please?
5. Would you mind (to give / giving) me £5?

B. Fill in the blanks with the given verbs. Use the passive voice in the correct tense.

1. Tony's new baby sister _____ _____ Maria. *(call)*
2. _____ you _____ to the party last night? *(invite)*
3. Usually, pies _____ _____ in cake shops. *(sell)*
4. Our school _____ _____ in 2012. *(build)*
5. My favourite book _____ _____ by Charles Dickens. *(write)*

C. Put the words in the correct order to make sentences.

1. hardly / I / on / Sundays / study / ever

_____.

2. interested / not / she's / really / movies / in

_____.

3. you / well / on / get / teachers / with / your / do

_____?

4. children / their / after / take / father / the

_____.

5. you / think / could / you / me / do / help

_____?

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Listening Comprehension

Listen to the conversation and circle the correct answers.

1. The woman is _____ than her brother and sister.

a. older b. bigger c. younger

2. What is the woman's mother like?

a. She's easy-going. b. She's serious. c. She's different.

3. Which is true about the woman?

a. She is selfish. b. Her sister is serious. c. She gets along with her sister.

4. The woman's _____ is patient.

a. sister b. father c. brother

5. Which is true about the man?

a. He is similar to his father. b. He's not hard-working. c. He doesn't have any brothers.

Practice for Speaking

I'd like to	Could you	I'm afraid	If I	Do you think you

Man: Hey, Janine? You know a lot about computers. (1) _____ look at my laptop? It's not working, and I don't know how to fix it.

Woman: Oh, (2) _____, but I can't right now. I'm meeting a friend for lunch.

Man: OK. (3) _____ could come back after lunch and help me?

Woman: No, (4) _____ I have to study for an exam.

Man: I see. Thanks anyway.

Woman: Sorry! (5) _____ have time this evening, I'll call you.

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Reading Comprehension

Read the passage. Then read the statements and circle *true* or *false*.

I quite enjoy studying art. My favourite artist is Vincent van Gogh. He was a very serious, warm-hearted person, and he had a sad life. But he was a great painter. His most beautiful work is called *The Starry Night.* This painting shows the moon and stars in the night sky over a village in the countryside. It was painted in France in 1889. It was sold to the Museum of Modern Art in New York City in 1941.

I've only seen *The Starry Night* in books and on the Internet. My family and I visited New York when I was a child, but we didn't go to the Museum of Modern Art. If I go to New York again, I'll make sure to go and see the best painting by my favourite artist.

1. The writer is into learning about art. **true** **false**
2. She says that Vincent van Gogh was easy-going. **true** **false**
3. *The Starry Night* was painted in 1941. **true** **false**
4. The writer has been to New York. **true** **false**
5. She has seen *The Starry Night* in the museum. **true** **false**

Writing

Write about ONE of the following: your favourite store OR your favourite restaurant/café. Answer the following questions:

How often do you go there? What do you buy? Why is it your favourite?

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