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STRUCTURE

1. Complete the text by choosing the best answer to fit each gap.

The Khmer Empire 1 _____ around what is now modern-day Cambodia. The Empire, which 2 _____ its peak in size between the 11th and 13th centuries, 3 _____ in the 9th century from the previous civilisations of Funan and Chenla. At its largest, the Khmer Empire 4 _____ the majority of South East Asia, as well as parts of southern China. Throughout the time the Empire 5 _____, great cities 6 _____, the largest of which was Angkor. Recently, satellite imaging 7 _____ that Angkor was the largest pre-industrial urban centre the world 8 _____, covering many square kilometres and supporting a population of almost a million people.

2. Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first. Use between two and six words, including the word given.

1 David never rang to see if I got home safely.

ONCE

Not _____ if I got home safely.

2 Ben kept his surprise party plan for Max a secret.

KNOW

Little _____ planning a surprise party for him.

3 Olivia had never felt more tired than after her 32-hour journey.

HAD

Never _____ as after the 32-hour journey.

4 You must never use this lift if there is a fire.

SHOULD

Under _____ this lift if there is a fire.

5 To help his grandmother, Pedro washed the dishes and put them away.

DID

Not _____ to help his grandmother, he also put them away.

3. Complete the sentence with the best future form of the verbs given.

- 1 Getting a car _____ (**change**) your life, I promise you – it certainly did for me!
- 2 Everyone thought that Emilia _____ (**win**) the race, but surprisingly Marie-Luz just beat her.
- 3 I think the weather _____ (**become**) more and more unpredictable over the next 20 years.
- 4 Jana can't wait until this evening because her best friend _____ (**come**) round for dinner.
- 5 My plane to Mumbai _____ (**depart**) at seven o'clock this evening.
- 6 I didn't want to see the film but said I _____ (**go**) in the end to please my sister.

4. Choose the best future form to complete the dialogue.

Raj: Have you got anything planned for this weekend?

Kai: One of my cousins (1) _____ us actually, which should be good. I get on really well with him.

Raj: That's great. When (2) _____ ?

Kai: Well, his train (3) _____ at 6.30 on Friday evening – my parents and I (4) _____ him up at the station.

Raj: So what (5) _____ together while he's here?

Kai: Well, I (6) _____ him to that music festival that's on in the park, but it's been cancelled because of the weather. So instead, I decided I (7) _____ him if he wanted to go ice skating – I'm pretty sure he's into that.

Raj: Have a great time!

5. Choose the correct answer to complete the text.

Being honest is certainly a quality that most people admire. However, in certain situations, you have to be careful just how honest you are. (1) _____ there is someone you work with that you really don't like, for whatever reason. If you (2) _____ them exactly what you really think of them, it's fairly safe to (3) _____ that your working relationship with them (4) _____ be far more difficult from then on. So telling the (5) _____ in this situation is probably best avoided.

Being too direct can also offend some people. For example, (6) _____ you disagree with someone in a meeting, it's probably best not to respond with a phrase such as, 'What a load of rubbish!'. Disagreement is usually received more kindly if it is (7) _____, rather than being directly stated.

Choosing and using the best possible (8) _____ of communication may be hard sometimes, but it will save you a lot of trouble if you do.