

Vocabulary

A. Choose a, b, c, or d.

- I'm afraid this particular model is out of _____.
a. cash b. sale c. budget d. stock
- You should _____ everything into consideration before you make a decision.
a. take b. give c. make d. look
- Her first _____ when she saw the bear was to run.
a. instinct b. pick c. preference d. factor
- That watch is really nice and look at how cheap it is. It's a _____.
a. steal b. rip-off c. fortune d. sale
- Betty absolutely _____ graphic novels.
a. pretends b. appeals c. adores d. tends
- Advertisements can easily _____ the choices we make.
a. analyse b. question c. influence d. combine
- I don't like reading _____. I like true stories.
a. biographies b. chapters c. autobiographies d. fiction
- The book was very appealing because it had _____ descriptions of the places and characters.
a. vivid b. ongoing c. classic d. dull

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B. Complete with the correct form of the words in capitals.

- I think you've _____ my name. It's with a double 'b'. **SPELL**
- Your father would _____ of your rude behaviour. **APPROVE**
- Victor _____ his car keys and now he can't find them. **PLACE**
- I didn't buy the book because there was a(n) _____ queue at the till and I didn't have time to wait. **END**
- It isn't right to _____ older people. **RESPECT**
- There's a problem with the _____ connection on my laptop. **WIRE**
- She must have _____ me. I told her to come to the 3rd floor, not the 2nd. **UNDERSTAND**

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C. Complete with the words in the box. There are two extra words which you do not need to use.

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- Ever since I gave them my email address, they have _____ me with spam.
- Kelly won't lend you any money, because she's usually _____ at this time of the month.
- I'd like to make a(n) _____ about the service at this restaurant.
- Jessica has a wide _____ of skills that will be useful for this job.
- This crossword is pretty _____. I don't think I'll be able to finish it.
- If you could _____ me some cash, I could buy that game console.
- Britney _____ around the shop for a while, but she didn't buy anything.
- We haven't got many chairs, but you can sit on one of those _____.
- I can't understand Diane very well. She has a strong Australian _____.

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Grammar**A. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.**

1. Charlie enjoys _____ (travel) but he can't stand _____ (go) anywhere by car.
2. It was kind of you _____ (lend) me your car for tonight.
3. My best friend made me _____ (promise) not to tell her secret to anyone.
4. It's no use _____ (call) him on his mobile phone. He left it at home.
5. A: I don't know how _____ (use) this gadget.
B: Read the instruction manual _____ (get) an idea.
6. Mark wants _____ (work) abroad so he's thinking of _____ (move) to Poland.
7. Tina's not old enough _____ (drive). She has to wait till she's sixteen.

score / 10**B. Rewrite the sentences starting with the words given.**

1. I'd rather eat some ice cream than vegetables.
I'd prefer _____
2. I think it's a good idea to ask the receptionist for information.
How about _____
3. The teacher said that I should read more novels.
The teacher advised _____
4. Brian doesn't want to eat at the Chinese restaurant tonight.
Brian would rather _____
5. Making important decisions when there isn't much time is stressful.
It's stressful _____
6. Please call me when you get there; don't forget.
Please remember _____
7. Tony's parents don't allow him to drive the car at night.
Tony's parents don't let _____
8. If you get seasick so easily, you should try not to travel by ship.
You should avoid _____

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Listen to people talking in four different situations and answer the questions. Choose picture a, b or c.

1. What is the woman most likely to buy?



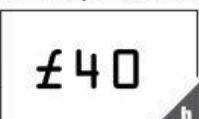
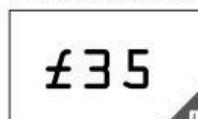
2. What does Pete want to do tonight?



3. What is the man complaining about?



4. How much did the man spend at the supermarket?

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Reading

Read the text and write R for Robert, H for Henry or B for Brian.

I can't start my day right if I don't have a nice cup of coffee and about twenty minutes to read the newspaper in the morning. That's why my daughter bought me an e-reader about a month ago. Initially, I didn't really use it. It just seemed too complicated. But she kept telling me that it takes about 75,000 trees to print only the Sunday edition of a newspaper. I have to say that that piece of information and the fact that I bought a newspaper every single morning really influenced me. Now I only use my e-reader to read the news. Of course, sometimes I still miss the smell of a newspaper in the morning.

Robert, Bradford

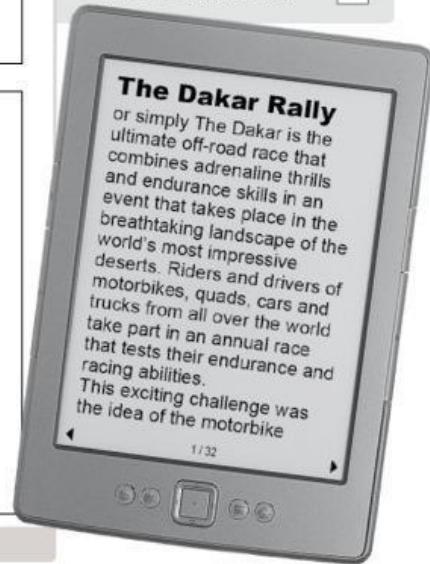
I'm really into technology. So, when a new gadget comes out, I rush to get a hold of it as soon as possible. I really believe that they make our lives so much easier. Don't get me wrong! I also care about the environment, so I always recycle all my old gadgets. Anyway, when the first e-readers appeared, I was really excited and I immediately bought one. I downloaded my favourite books and subscribed to various e-magazines and e-newspapers. But, eventually I became very dissatisfied with it. My battery just kept running out. This is very annoying, especially when you're in the middle of reading something very interesting. So now I prefer the way I used to read. It's just simpler.

Henry, Derby

I must have hundreds of books in my house. I love the idea of holding a paper book in my hands and turning the pages as I read. I love their smell and the way they feel. However, I have to admit that e-readers have certain advantages. They are lighter to carry around and you can have over a hundred books with you at all times. You can even subscribe to your favourite magazines and have access to them whenever you like. Another great thing about them is that you can adjust the size of the letters and make them bigger. Also, you don't have to worry about the light in a room being good because the screen is bright enough. This is very important for me, because I have a problem with my eyes and I shouldn't tire them. I use my e-reader to read e-magazines and for the news, but when it comes to books, most of the time I choose the old-fashioned way.

Brian, Dublin

1. This person uses e-readers because he wants to protect the environment.
2. This person doesn't read books only on e-readers.
3. This person lost his enthusiasm for e-readers.
4. This person found it difficult to use his e-reader at the beginning.
5. This person believes that e-readers are more convenient.



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Writing

Write a book review about a book you read and didn't like.

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TOTAL SCORE / 70