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Vocabulary Comprehension

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

bridesmaid	librarian	parrot	razor	moth
gazebo	junk food	toothpaste	groom	soap

1. Roberta's pet _____ can say "hello" and "goodbye."
2. It's hot in the sun; let's sit in the _____ for a while.
3. I want to lose weight, so I'm not eating any more _____.
4. Were you a _____ in your older sister's wedding?
5. If you want to wash your hands, there's _____ in the bathroom.
6. I asked the _____ to help me find a book.
7. The _____looked very happy and excited to get married.
8. Greg couldn't shave because he forgot to pack his shaving gel and _____.

B. Match the words with the correct definitions.

1. foundation	a. This animal lives in the ocean.
2. weights	b. This person takes care of plants.
3. deodorant	c. This person doesn't eat meat.
4. gardener	d. You wear this to smell nice.
5. landlord	e. This person rents a home to someone.
6. crab	f. You wear this on your face.
7. bride	g. You use these to exercise and get stronger.
8. vegetarian	h. This person is in a wedding.

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Grammar Practice

A. Circle the correct words.

1. Have you ever (seen / saw) the Atlantic Ocean?
2. Two years ago I was (lived / living) in Tokyo.
3. We should (take / taking) a taxi home.
4. (Despite / Although) eating a big breakfast, Lena was hungry all morning.
5. It's warm today, so you (haven't / don't have) to wear a jacket.

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

1. to / you / your parents / mustn't / call / forget

_____.

2. sleeping / was / arrived / you / I / when

_____.

3. rich, / not / we're / although / happy / we're

_____.

4. been / ten years / they've / living / for / that building / in

_____.

5. the teacher / doing / I was / what / asked / me

_____.

C. Underline the error and write the correction on the line.

1. Everyone enjoys to relax on the weekends. _____
2. I've knew Josie since we were 8 years old. _____
3. Ken is playing basketball when he fell and hurt his arm. _____
4. Don't waste time to play computer games. _____

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5. Can we afford buying a new TV? _____

Listening Comprehension

Listen to the conversation and circle the correct answers.

1. The speakers are at _____.

a. a wedding b. a job interview c. a bank

2. Where has the woman worked before?

a. At a restaurant b. At a bar c. At a sandwich shop

3. The man asks the woman if she has ever _____.

a. cooked food b. used a credit card c. handled cash

4. What did the woman consider difficult at her job?

a. Using the till b. Handling debit cards c. Asking for help

5. What did the woman's manager do often?

a. Complain about the food b. Talk to the cook c. Apologise to the customers

Practice for Speaking

No, I haven't	Thanks	Yeah, it's noisy	Not at all	Me neither

Fill in the blanks with the correct phrases from the box.

A: Hi, William! Do you mind if I join you?

B: (1) _____. Have a seat. Hey, you got a haircut. It looks nice!

A: (2) _____! Have you been to this pub before?

B: (3) _____. It's my first time. Wow, it's pretty loud in here.

A: (4) _____. It must be a popular place. I don't know anyone else here, though.

B: (5) _____.

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Reading Comprehension

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

Interview 1: Jack
Interviewer: Tell me how you keep in shape, Jack.
Jack: Well it's simple really. I decided to change my routine because I was wasting money on snacks and cigarettes every day. I went home one day and promised myself to work hard and give up smoking and eating junk food. My wife didn't believe me, but I did it. Now I enjoy running twice a week and using weights at the gym once a week. I also avoid eating fatty foods, so I feel much better than before.

Interview 2: Emily
Interviewer: I've been told you really enjoy keeping in shape. Could you tell me how?
Emily: Of course. My routine is quite strict. I do yoga twice a week and don't eat meat.
Interviewer So you only eat vegetables?
Emily: Yes, I considered becoming a vegetarian for a long time, and gave up eating meat about ten years ago. At first it was difficult because I really enjoyed eating things like turkey at Christmas dinner. But I learned to make lots of different vegetarian recipes and invited friends around to try the food. My yoga class began about ten years ago, too. I hope to become an instructor in the future, but right now I can't afford to open my own classes.

1. The interviews are mainly about healthy habits.	**true**	**false**
2. Jack used to smoke, but he doesn't anymore.	**true**	**false**
3. Jack decided to go to the gym twice a week.	**true**	**false**
4. Emily hasn't eaten meat for years.	**true**	**false**
5. Emily has been doing yoga for a short time.	**true**	**false**
6. Emily doesn't have enough money to be a yoga instructor.	**true**	**false**

Writing

Write about a time that you met someone for the first time. Include information such as:

Whe/Where did it happen? What were you doing? What did you think of the person? What did you say?

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