

Complete the text with the correct tense or form of the verbs in brackets. Use modals, if necessary.

### MY THOUGHTS AND FEELINGS

I haven't posted on the blog for a while, but there is a good reason for it. I <sup>1</sup>(work) \_\_\_\_\_ really hard on my final project for the last few months and I'm completely exhausted, to tell you the truth. You might think that by the time that is complete I <sup>2</sup>(finish) \_\_\_\_\_ my studies, right? But not quite... There are also final exams which take place every year in May. And when I <sup>3</sup>(pass) \_\_\_\_\_ those, I'll be a free man at last! In four months' time, I <sup>4</sup>(relax) \_\_\_\_\_ on the beach!

I do have to admit that I enjoyed the course, though. The whole experience has been great! At the beginning it was a bit difficult because I <sup>5</sup>(come) \_\_\_\_\_ straight to university from high school and I <sup>6</sup>(never – live) \_\_\_\_\_ by myself before, so that was a bit of a shock. But I soon got used to it. At first my parents made me <sup>7</sup>(stay) \_\_\_\_\_ in the university halls of residence with the other students, but while I <sup>8</sup>(live) \_\_\_\_\_ there one of my new friends invited me <sup>9</sup>(take) \_\_\_\_\_ a room in a house he rented. The house was old and not very big but the people living in it were all like me: very easy-going. I moved in and I'm glad I did! If I hadn't moved in, I <sup>10</sup>(not meet) \_\_\_\_\_ a lot of amazing people. I'm going to miss university, I think.

Rewrite the sentences in reported speech.

1 'It's important to have a positive attitude to life.'

Petra \_\_\_\_\_

2 'Will you go shopping with us?'

Tanaka \_\_\_\_\_

3 'I haven't heard from Marika since Friday.'

Barbara \_\_\_\_\_

4 'Where are you going next summer?'

Simran \_\_\_\_\_

5 'I moved to Bristol last year and I've been living in this area for ten months.'

Maryam \_\_\_\_\_

6 'Does your mum get upset easily?'

Pedro \_\_\_\_\_

7 'Before I met Tom, I hadn't had many friends.'

Alma \_\_\_\_\_

8 'Where can I buy bus tickets here?'

The man \_\_\_\_\_

Rewrite the sentences in reported speech.

- 1 'You told Sam about my plans!'  
Katie blamed \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 'Sorry but I won't help you.'  
Carlos refused \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 'I didn't take your money.'  
Luca denied \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 'I stole Joe's phone.'  
Alisha admitted \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 'Don't order burgers here!'  
They warned \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 'You need to take some vitamins.'  
The doctor ordered \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 'I haven't got much free time.'  
Soroush complained \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 'You should take the drama class.'  
Ed recommended \_\_\_\_\_
- 9 'Of course! I'll bring some snacks for the picnic.'  
Darius agreed \_\_\_\_\_
- 10 'Don't forget to go straight back home today.'  
Mum reminded \_\_\_\_\_

Choose the correct alternative.

- 1 I'm impressed. You've only been doing yoga for a month and you **can** / **could** do difficult exercises correctly.
- 2 We **managed to** / **could** get home before the storm started.
- 3 I'm worried that I **won't be able to** / **can't** finish this project on Sunday.
- 4 My grandma says she would like to **succeed in** / **be able to** read without her glasses.
- 5 Liz doesn't speak English well but she **managed to** / **could** ask for directions when we were in London.
- 6 By the time Damian was ten, he **could** / **managed to** speak two languages.
- 7 Last year they took a few swimming lessons but they **weren't able to** / **didn't succeed in** improve their technique.
- 8 My dad **could** / **was able to** cook when he was in primary school.
- 9 Bako left his keys at home but **was able to** / **could** get inside through an open window.
- 10 It took me some time but I finally **managed to** / **succeeded in** finding a pair of trainers that look good and are comfortable.

Choose the correct answer: A, B or C.

- 1 I've been writing a journal \_\_\_\_  
A for three years                      B all day yesterday                      C last year
- 2 Gina \_\_\_\_ in the park when she came up with an idea for a script she could write.  
A had walked                      B was walking                      C has been walking
- 3 Before she began writing the article, Darshna \_\_\_\_ her editor.  
A has contacted                      B has been contacting                      C had contacted
- 4 I've already checked my mailbox twice. When \_\_\_\_ me that email?  
A did you send                      B have you sent                      C had you sent
- 5 As soon as I \_\_\_\_ my homework, I texted my friend Allie.  
A was doing                      B have done                      C had done
- 6 I'm sorry, can you say that again? I \_\_\_\_.  
A haven't been listening                      B hadn't listened                      C didn't listen
- 7 Ben \_\_\_\_ his lines for hours. That's why he has problems with his voice now.  
A was rehearsing                      B has been rehearsing                      C had rehearsed
- 8 Nasser \_\_\_\_ more than ten photos from his holiday in Spain this week.  
A has posted                      B has been posting                      C posted
- 9 \_\_\_\_ my guitar? I want to play that song we heard on the radio in the morning.  
A Did you see                      B Had you seen                      C Have you seen
- 10 I can't believe it! I \_\_\_\_ this essay all afternoon and I still haven't finished.  
A have been writing                      B was writing                      C have written
- 11 They didn't want to have dinner because they \_\_\_\_ a huge bag of crisps.  
A were eating                      B have eaten                      C had eaten
- 12 Joe called me \_\_\_\_ I was watching a new episode of my favourite TV show.  
A as soon as                      B while                      C until

Complete the pairs of sentences with the future continuous or future perfect forms of the verbs in **bold**.

**1 travel**

A This time next week I \_\_\_\_\_ across Asia.

B By this time tomorrow they \_\_\_\_\_ more than 800 km.

**2 live**

A In five years' time we \_\_\_\_\_ in a house by the lake.

B Where \_\_\_\_\_ (you) next year?

**3 tidy**

A By the time my parents come back home, I \_\_\_\_\_ my room.

B Don't come around 4 o'clock. I \_\_\_\_\_ my room then.

**4 do**

A Max says he \_\_\_\_\_ all the exercises in his maths book by the end of the month. Do you think it's possible?

B By noon Aiden \_\_\_\_\_ the grocery shopping and we can start preparing for the party.

**5 sleep**

A Can you wake me up at 10 a.m.? I think I \_\_\_\_\_ long enough by then.

B I can't believe that today I \_\_\_\_\_ in my new room for the first time!

**6 watch**

A Tomorrow at 5 p.m. I \_\_\_\_\_ a football match on TV so don't call me then!

B If you continue like this, by 7 p.m. you \_\_\_\_\_ all the episodes in the first season.