

End of Term test

Grammar

1. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words in brackets.

- 1 I'm going to finish (finish) the decorating tomorrow and I need you to help me.
- 2 _____ we _____ (play) in the concert on Saturday afternoon or evening? I can't remember.
- 3 She's _____ (interested) in eating healthily than other girls her age.
- 4 He _____ (go) to games night on Thursdays and it's film night on Fridays.
- 5 Joseph is _____ (popular) boy in the class. Nobody likes him.
- 6 I _____ (work) when he came in so I didn't see him.

2. Complete the text with one word in each gap.

When you live in ¹ _____ a _____ house with a garden, you get used to the space. In ² _____ summer, you can sit outside for meals and the children have somewhere to play. So we were quite worried when we had to move into a flat in the city. When you move into a small home after living in a large one, it ³ _____ always easy. But actually, the area ⁴ _____ we live now is lovely. There are three parks within walking distance and there's so much to do ⁵ _____ we really don't miss the garden very much. Our bedrooms are actually bigger than at the old house and the living room is ⁶ _____ biggest I've ⁷ _____ seen. We've been going to a lot of museums and art galleries and the kids love going to the zoo and aquarium. There's a nice mixture of people here too. I ⁸ _____ spoken to our neighbours briefly and they are both doctors. I think they ⁹ _____ work at the local hospital. I'll ask them when I see them next time. There ¹⁰ _____ to be a lot ¹¹ _____ people around here who work at the hospital. Maybe I'll find a new job there, too! Anyway, we're really happy here and I'm looking forward to getting to know the area.

Vocabulary

3. Match the sentence halves.

- 1 She's a very confident woman who a
- 2 They forgot to take her ice-skating so ____
- 3 We lost touch with each other and ____
- 4 The smell of freshly cut grass ____
- 5 It's quite a landmark because ____
- 6 I thought I was quite energetic but ____
- 7 Have you seen this documentary ____

- a says exactly what she thinks.
b I can't find any contact details for her.
c my wife says I'm too inactive.
d it's the biggest building in the country.
e she's very disappointed.
f always makes me think of summer.
g about the history of the flu virus?

4. Complete the sentences with the missing words.

- 1 I've been travelling for years. It's because I like to experience new cultures.
- 2 It's a **str** _____ environment working as a doctor because just one mistake could cost a life.
- 3 I'm a pretty _____ **tic** person and I think we'll stop global warming.
- 4 I'm too **emb** _____ to go out with this big scratch on my face.
- 5 For the first time, unemployment figures have **de** _____ so that's good news.
- 6 I think the traffic situation is **im** _____ since the cycle lanes were built.

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Function

5. Complete the conversation with phrases a–g.

A: Can you tell me ¹ how to get to the bus station, please?

B: There are a few ways, actually.

A: What's the ² _____, please?

B: Well it depends if you're walking or cycling, you see.

A: I'm walking.

B: OK. ³ _____ this street until you get to the pharmacy. Then ⁴ _____ the road and ⁵ _____ down Barnaby Street.

A: Barnaby Street. OK.

B: After the crossroads, it's ⁶ _____ on the left. You can't miss it.

A: How far is it?

B: It's ⁷ _____. It's about a five minutes' walk.

A: Thank you very much.

B: Not at all.

a quickest way

b not far

c walk along

d cross over

e ~~how to get~~

f go straight on

g the second turning

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6. Complete the sentences with the words in the box. There are three words you do not need.

end honest how idea just pass ~~recommend~~ take

1 I really recommend *The Security Guard*. It's a new TV drama on Channel 5.

2 Do you know _____ to make vegetable soup? Is it easy?

3 I thought the game was terrible, to be _____.

4 It's a good song, but _____ not their best.

5 How long does that _____? Is it more than an hour

Reading

7. Read the article and match headings A–G with paragraphs 1–5. There are two extra headings.

1 B

In the past, A-list actors would rarely appear on television after becoming famous in films. That all seems to be changing now, with many big names choosing to do television rather than large budget movies. Has the small screen slowly begun to fight back in the battle against the big screen?

2 _____

Steve Buscemi, Billy Bob Thornton, Francis McDormand, Teri Hatcher, Alec Baldwin. These are all big movie stars who have starred in blockbuster movies over the years. What do they all have in common? That's right. They have all switched to television recently and starred in high quality TV series. In the past, this may have been seen as a step down in their careers – a sign that things can't be going too well for them professionally. However, these actors were all at the top of their game. So why did they decide to make the move?

3 _____

Perhaps the fact that major American film studios are all more interested in making films that rely on special effects and don't care about making films which challenge people to think. It's impossible to visit a cinema nowadays without seeing yet another superhero film advertised. What happened to all the dramas and thrillers with excellent plots that we used to see on the big screen? I'm talking about films like *The Game*, *Frantic* or *Pulp Fiction*. When was the last time you saw films of that quality at the cinema? You could say that people want to escape from reality and enjoy themselves. But there are many films for people to see like that. Not many for those who want to be challenged.

4 _____

Many people believe that this is why television is becoming so popular. In a television series there is time, over 12 or 24 episodes, to tell a good story with realistic character development and high-quality production. This attracts the actors who are more interested in acting than they are in trying to look good while dressed in colourful tights and capes. Furthermore, the popularity of online television services like Netflix and Amazon Prime, means that there is more money to invest in television. So even the actors who *are* just interested in the money are beginning to take notice of television.

5 _____

Personally, I welcome the change. Perhaps the film studios will begin to understand that people want more variety in the films they watch at the cinema. If they do, we might get to see some more interesting films at the cinema than we currently do.

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- A Film fights back
- B ~~The rise of TV~~
- C Small screen – big quality
- D Actors on the move
- E Who are the superheroes?
- F Things can only get better
- G Where's the quality gone?

8. Decide if the following statements are true (T) or false (F) according to the writer.

- 1 In the past, TV was seen as a better career move for actors than film. F
- 2 Popular actors have started to choose television over film.
- 3 There's less choice at the cinema than there used to be.
- 4 It's not clear why television is becoming more popular for actors.
- 5 Cinema might be influenced by television in the future.
- 6 Actors in television only care about the money.

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Writing

9. Find words and phrases in the box which mean the same as the ones in bold.

because but how are you ~~more or less~~ want to go

1 I have **approximately** six years' experience in this type of work.

more or less

2 I believe I am the right person for the job **as** I have five years' experience.

3 I like shopping. **However**, shopping malls get too busy at the weekend.

4 Hey, Carol, **how's it going**? I hope your family are well.

5 The **position** you have advertised is ideally suited to me.

6 Do you **fancy** going to the art exhibition in town tomorrow?

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