2 Exam Skills Trainer

1 Liam w_____ h_____ to make new friends.
2 Sally d_____ w_____ t_____ empty the rubbish bins at the moment.
3 Arlo and his friends really e_____ being in Paris.
4 Julia's going to t_____ t_____ the nurse.
5 Marty would rather h_____ b_____ d_____ have purple walls.

4 1.21 **You will hear a conversation about house moves. Complete each sentence with no more than three words.**

1 Steve now lives in _____ house in a village.
2 Liz's old flat was _____ than her new flat.
3 Steve would rather _____ spend so much time waiting for buses.
4 Steve's _____ enjoying doing DIY.
5 Liz _____ live in the countryside.

Use of English

Exam Strategy
When choosing a word which fits in two sentences, keep in mind that these are sometimes based on phrasal verbs (e.g. *turn off*) or collocations (e.g. *call a meeting*).

5 **Read the Strategy. Then circle the answer (A, B, C, or D) which completes both sentences.**

1 I can't ___ coffee without milk – it's disgusting!
There were no more seats, so we had to ___ up.
A stand **B** make **C** have **D** take

2 The problem wasn't ___ to solve, but I finally found the answer.
Take it ___ for a few days. You've been ill!
A simple **B** light **C** quick **D** easy

3 Can you check my list of guests? I don't want to ___ anyone out.
If we ___ now, we'll probably catch the train.
A put **B** go **C** leave **D** run

4 You have to sit ___ to Grandma when you talk to her as her hearing isn't good.
The sisters, who are very ___, don't keep any secrets from each other.
A near **B** next **C** close **D** tight

Speaking

Exam Strategy
Remember to ask questions, make suggestions and agree or disagree with your partner during a role-play.

6 **Read the Strategy. Then look at the role-play card and complete the dialogue with the words below.**

Student A
You and your partner don't like the living room in your flat. Suggest three changes you could make to the decoration.

could good keen should sure would

A What do you think we [1]_____ do?
B We [2]_____ paint the walls white.
A I think yellow [3]_____ be better.
B I'm not [4]_____. I'm not very [5]_____ on yellow.
A How about cream?
B That's a [6]_____ idea.

7 **Read the role-play cards and decide who is Student A and who is Student B and role-play the discussion.**

Student A
You and your partner want to get fit. Discuss different kinds of exercise. Suggest jogging in the park tomorrow morning.

Student B
You and your partner want to get fit. Discuss different kinds of exercise. Suggest going swimming tomorrow evening.

Writing

Exam Strategy
Learn a range of formal expressions to use in opinion essays.

8 **Read the Strategy. Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first. Use two or three words, including the word in brackets.**

1 I think it's very helpful.
_____, it's very helpful. (view)

2 Lots of people think that it's difficult.
It is _____ belief that it's difficult. (widely)

3 It also helps people sleep better.
_____, it helps people sleep better. (more)

4 It's important to check your work.
It's _____ you check your work. (vital)

9 **Read the task and write an opinion essay.**

Some people say that giving young people jobs to do around the home is good for them. Write an essay giving your own view, using examples to support your opinions.

- Describe some typical jobs around the house.
- Say how they might have a positive or a negative effect.
- Describe your own experiences.
- Make your opinion clear.

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