

Test N: Nouns and agreement

A

Some of these sentences are correct, and some have a word which should not be there. If the sentence is correct, put a tick (✓). If it is incorrect, cross the unnecessary word out of the sentence and write it in the space.

- ▶ Would you like a piece of chocolate? ✓
- ▶ I like ~~a~~ classical music very much. a
- 1 That's a wonderful news!
- 2 Do you own a computer?
- 3 I heard an interesting piece of information today.
- 4 I saw your friend playing a golf.
- 5 There's some luggage in the car.
- 6 I bought a carton of some milk.
- 7 The gates were made of an iron.
- 8 You need an experience to run a business like this.

B

Tessa is talking about her shopping trip. Write the missing words. Use one word only in each space.

I spent (▶) some time looking round the shops in Oxford Street yesterday. I spent far too (1) money, of course. I bought some (2) : three dresses, a sweater, a blouse, two (3) of trousers and a skirt. I enjoyed myself – it was great (4) The skirt is really nice. A hundred pounds (5) quite expensive, but I couldn't resist it. Anyway, it was reduced from a hundred and twenty pounds, so I made a (6) of twenty pounds. One of the dresses (7) fit, I've discovered, but I can take it back next time I go. I had a wonderful time and bought all these lovely things. But it was very crowded. Everyone (8) rushing about. And the traffic (9) terrible. I usually have a coffee and a (10) of cake, but the cafés were all full, so I didn't bother.

C

Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first. Use the word in brackets.

- ▶ Could I have some bread, please? (piece)
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- 1 All the windows were broken. (every)
- 2 The money I earn isn't enough to live on. (earnings)
- 3 There were bits of paper everywhere. (litter)
- 4 We went to the hotel to get a meal. (food)
- 5 Judy bought some binoculars. (pair)
- 6 I need a new book of cheques. (cheque)
- 7 I'll have some orange juice, please. (glass)
- 8 The reporter needed some information. (two)

D

Each of these sentences has a mistake in it. Write the correct sentence.

► Can you lend me some pen to write this cheque?

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1 We can't sit here because the grass are wet.

2 Do you want a butter on your bread?

3 All my belonging was stolen.

4 Do you have any informations about hotels?

5 The police is questioning two men.

6 Can we have two coffee, please?

7 The news aren't very good, I'm afraid.

8 I just want to go into this shoes shop.

9 It's only a short travel by train.

E

Choose the correct form.

► The house is built of stone/a stone.

1 Each team wear/wears a different colour.

2 Let me give you an advice/a piece of advice.

3 Everyone was watching the football match/the match of football.

4 We had to take our luggage through customs/a customs.

5 The band is/are proud of their success.

6 I haven't got many/much friends.

7 Three hours is/are long enough to look round the museum.

8 I wear this glass/these glasses when I go out.

9 My father had a job at the steelwork/steelworks.

10 We couldn't find an/any accommodation.

11 Do you eat meat/a meat?

12 The contents of the box was/were thrown away.

13 Noise/A noise woke me up in the middle of the night.

14 Cattle was/were driven hundreds of miles by the cowboys.

15 One of the windows is/are open.

16 What would it be like to travel at the speed of light/a light?

17 Is there a sport club/sports club near here?

18 E-mail is a relatively new mean/means of communication.

19 We make furniture out of many different wood/woods.

20 Someone has/have kidnapped the President!