

87. Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense.

- 1 He talked about Denmark as though he _____ (be) there but we know he never has.
- 2 She looks as if she _____ (be) really ill.
- 3 It looks as though it _____ (rain).
- 4 She behaves as if she _____ (be) in trouble.
- 5 The weather here is so bad, it looks as though we _____ (have to) holiday abroad.
- 6 It smells as if you _____ (put) lots of herbs in the stew.
- 7 Maeve looked as though she _____ (have) little sleep the night before, but she had gone to bed quite early.
- 8 When he speaks, it sounds as if English _____ (not/be) his first language.
- 9 She spoke about university as though she _____ (spend) years there but in fact she'd only spent a month there.
- 10 I spoke to Simon last night and he sounded as though he _____ (be) really upset about something.

73. Put in a/an or the.

- 1 Laura: Look outside. _____ sky is getting very dark.
Trevor: I hope there isn't going to be _____ storm.
- 2 Mike: I'm going out for _____ walk. Have you seen my shoes?
Harriet: Yes, they're on _____ floor in _____ kitchen.
- 3 Melanie: Would you like _____ tomato? There's one in _____ fridge.
David: Oh, yes, please. I'll make myself _____ cheese and tomato sandwich.
- 4 Sarah: If you're going into _____ city centre, can you post these letters for me?
Mark: Yes, I'll take them to _____ main post office.
- 5 Rita: I've got _____ problem with my phone bill. Can I see someone about it?
Receptionist: Yes, go to _____ fifth floor. _____ lift is along the corridor.
- 6 Tom: I didn't know Melanie had _____ dog.
David: It isn't hers. She's just taking it for a walk while _____ owner is away.
- 7 Vicky: I've got _____ headache. I've had it all day.
Rachel: Why don't you go to _____ health centre? It's open until six.
- 8 Andrew: Guess what. I found _____ £50 note on the pavement this morning.
Jessica: You really ought to take it to _____ police station, you know.

76. Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first, using the word given.

- 1 Write my address down because you might want to contact me. (case)
Write my address down _____ to contact me.
- 2 I'll lend you the money but you must give it back to me next week. (long)
I'll lend you the money _____ it back to me next week.
- 3 You can ask me a thousand times but I'll never agree. (even)
I'll never agree _____ me a thousand times.
- 4 If you don't work hard, you won't get anywhere in life. (unless)
You won't get anywhere in life _____ hard.
- 5 To catch that train we must leave now. (providing)
We'll catch that train _____ now.
- 6 He hasn't got a lot of money but he'd be happy anyway. (even)
He'd be happy _____ a lot of money.
- 7 I'll be polite to him but he must be polite to me. (provided)
I'll be polite to him _____ polite to me.
- 8 If she doesn't get promoted soon, she'll leave the company. (unless)
She'll leave the company _____ soon.
- 9 Let's talk about this now because we might not have an opportunity later. (case)
Let's talk about this now _____ an opportunity later.
- 10 I didn't run all the way there but I would have been late anyway. (even)
I would have been late _____ all the way there.
- 11 If I hadn't missed the early train, I wouldn't have been late. (otherwise)
I missed the early train, _____ late.
- 12 You can start training a few weeks before the marathon providing you've been running regularly for at least a year before that. (condition)
You can start training a few weeks before the marathon _____
- 13 Don't consider running a marathon if you aren't in good physical condition. (unless)

- 14 Don't leave training until just before the marathon because you might injure yourself. (case)

- 15 Take time off from running every week or else your body will not have a chance to rest. (otherwise)

- 16 If you are sensible, you should run a marathon safely and successfully. (assuming)

83. Read the article and decide which word or words below best fits each space.

Good news for dog owners!

If you often travel abroad for your holidays, what (1) with your beloved dog? Do you put him in a kennel or leave him with friends? One thing is certain, you're extremely unlikely to take him with you, because if you (2), he (3) six months in quarantine when you return. A bit of a stiff penalty for two weeks' romping in the Dordogne! But this is set to change soon.

From April your dog will be able to travel with you (4) he (5) a rabies vaccination and is wearing an identification clip. Cara Lewis, spokesperson for the Animal Welfare Society, said, 'This is very good news for all British animal lovers. I know many people who (6) take their dogs on holiday with them if only they (7) Indeed, I used to travel to northern France regularly and I (8) my dog Wolfie with me every time (9) the quarantine regulations.' But Cara also has words of warning: 'Pet owners should remember that there are other considerations when taking animals abroad. (10) your animal become disorientated, he (11), so ensure that he is wearing a collar with your holiday address at all times.'

It isn't all good news, however. If you (12) to a country outside Western Europe this year, you (13) your pet with you – it will be some time before regulations for other destinations are relaxed, if ever.

86. Complete the conversations. Put in the nouns and decide if you need the.

- 1 Tom: Did you see _____ (football) on television last night?
Melanie: No, I hate _____ (football). I was watching _____ (news) on the other channel.
- 2 Rachel: Did your family have a dog when you were younger?
Vicky: No, thank goodness. I'm afraid of _____ (dogs). I didn't like _____ (dogs) that were running around in the park yesterday. I was afraid they were going to attack me.
- 3 Melanie: You shouldn't drive so much, Mark. You know that _____ (cars) cause _____ (pollution), don't you?
Mark: Yes, but _____ (cars) these days are cleaner than they used to be. Isn't it _____ (aeroplanes) that are mainly responsible for _____ (pollution) of the atmosphere?
- 4 Melanie: I've put some bread out in the garden for _____ (birds).
Tom: You like _____ (birds), don't you?
Melanie: Yes, I do. I love _____ (wildlife), in fact. I'd much rather live in the country if I could.
- 5 Laura: You're always reading books about _____ (history), aren't you?
Harriet: It was always my favourite subject. Do you know anything about _____ (history) of this area?
Laura: No, but if you like looking round _____ (museums) and _____ (old buildings), we could find out about it together.