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Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation A

GRAMMAR

1 Complete the sentences with a relative pronoun and a comma (,) before it if necessary.

Example: This is the beach *where* we used to have barbecues every summer.

1 Bill Gates _____ role in Microsoft has changed, now does a lot of charity work.
2 The Mini _____ is still made in Oxford, is a classic British car.
3 Patricia Cornwell was the writer _____ possibly solved the mystery of Jack the Ripper.
4 There's a Sherlock Holmes museum on Baker Street _____ the fictional detective lived.
5 My grandfather _____ is seventy-eight, still works as a lawyer.
6 The town _____ I grew up has changed a lot since I was young.
7 The *Mona Lisa* _____ was painted in the 16th century, is worth millions of pounds.
8 Isn't she the designer _____ furniture won the National Design Award?

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2 Cross out the relative pronoun if it isn't necessary.

Example: The man ~~who~~ I spoke to was tall and slim.

1 The person who I feel sorry for is Jeff.
2 This is the book which won the Nobel Prize this year.
3 Is that the woman who you used to work for?
4 That's the film which I was telling you about yesterday.
5 Is that the restaurant which does fantastic pizzas?

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3 Complete the questions with the correct question tags.

Example: Caterina will come to the meeting, *won't* she?

1 Dan wasn't working on this project last month, _____ he?
2 The tickets cost us 20 euros, _____ they?
3 She will let him know the final decision, _____ she?
4 You didn't like your starter, _____ you?
5 She worked in the sales department, _____ she?
6 He hasn't been to Shanghai before, _____ he?
7 You've done this kind of work before, _____ you?

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Grammar total		20

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VOCABULARY

4 Complete the sentences with one word to complete the compound nouns.

Example: I like driving, but I hate sitting in traffic *jams*.

1 My cousin Ellie was a child_____ at the piano. But she stopped playing when she was twelve and took up horse riding.
2 Don't forget your racket this afternoon. I've booked a tennis _____ for five o'clock.
3 Jordan is a song_____ in his spare time. He sings his own songs when he performs.
4 Have you read *Dark Matter* by Blake Crouch? It's a science _____ novel about travelling through different worlds.
5 That's interesting. The cycle_____ here is green, but in my town I cycle on a red part of the road.
6 You can be fined for not wearing a seat _____, even in the back seats.
7 What was your head_____ like at school? Mine was quite scary!
8 I love your desk _____. Is it an Anglepoise?
9 Craig designs book_____ for crime novels. You can see his work in most bookshops.
10 Oh no! I left my car here for five minutes, and now I have a parking _____!

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5 Complete the sentences with the correct word.

Example: The statistics show that the number of violent crimes, like **m***urders*, has reduced over the last 5 years.

1 The man was released because there wasn't enough **ev**_____ to charge him.
2 Police are questioning three **s**_____ in connection with the robbery.
3 After twenty years, detectives have still not been able to **s**_____ this crime.
4 Two **w**_____ came forward and said that they had seen the attack.
5 My favourite books are about a female **d**_____ who solves crimes in Dublin, in Ireland.
6 With so little evidence, it will be difficult to **pr**_____ that he committed the crime.
7 Two men have been **arr**_____ and taken to the central police station.
8 Mr Sampson's death was accidental, and his son is clearly not a **m**_____.
9 The police are doing everything they can to support the **v**_____ of these robberies.
10 Agatha Christie wrote lots of famous murder **my**_____ books, didn't she?

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Vocabulary total		20

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PRONUNCIATION

6 Match the words with the same sound.

th**ou**ght ~~w**o**men~~ ro**y**al t**ou**gh c**ou**gh enou**gh**

Example: **w**itch *women*

1 cl**o**ck _____
2 **u**p _____
3 **f**lower _____
4 **y**acht _____
5 h**or**se _____

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7 Underline the stressed syllable.

Example: sub|titles

1 ex|hi|bi|tion
2 i|co|nic
3 e|vi|dence
4 ma|nu|fac|tur|er
5 pro|gramme

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Pronunciation total 10

Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation total 50

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Reading and Writing A

READING

1 Read the blog and tick (✓) A, B, or C.

My music icon

Hi guys! I'm Fleur, and today we're discussing musical icons. Pop music today isn't that inspiring, is it? If, like me, you find it a bit repetitive and commercial, here's something new for you to try: chiptune. No, it isn't a band — it's a musical style whose melodies are created using the 8-bit technology from old video games. Sounds crazy, doesn't it?

The hero of chiptune fans is Koji Kondo. Kondo was the man who Nintendo hired as their first ever musical composer back in the 1980s. Kondo enjoyed computer arcade games. And he had a little experience of composing music for his band, which played mostly covers of famous rock songs (he played the piano). You may not recognize his name, or face, but believe me *everyone* knows Kondo's work. His first full composition for Nintendo was the music for Super Mario Bros, which is one of the best-selling games of all time. That was in 1985 and, unbelievably, he followed it up with The Legend of Zelda in 1986. That's pretty awesome, isn't it?

Before Kondo, games music wasn't very important. Now we know the right music can improve our enjoyment of the game. Writing good music for games can be challenging. For example, the music can't fill more than a certain amount of computer memory. Also, because the player controls what's happening, the music can't tell one long story like a film or TV score. So games composers might write a 'thinking' tune, and a 'running very fast' tune, and a 'battle' tune, and so on.

Kondo says he doesn't begin creating his music until he has a prototype game to play. Then he plays it for hours and hours. He says he wants the music to match what it feels like to play the game. Interestingly, the places where he has his best ideas aren't at work. He says he often finds inspiration in the bath, or walking around his house, or even in his sleep!

Kondo's compositions are only contained within games, but there are plenty of chiptune bands using the same technology to create pop tracks. Some people say chiptune doesn't have enough human emotion, but I completely disagree. Just because there isn't someone singing about love and heartbreak, it doesn't mean there's no emotion, does it? These tracks certainly make me smile. They have a catchy rhythm that makes me want to dance in my chair. My friends found chiptune weird at first, but I've played them tracks that have a chiptune backing track with more normal pop singing over the top, and they seem to prefer that. Chiptune may never be a commercial 'hit', but we wouldn't want the whole world to sound the same, would we?

Example: Chiptune, which is created using _____, is a style of music.
A just drums ☐ B old technology ☑ C a piano ☐

1 Most people will recognize _____ .
A Kondo's name ☐ B Kondo's voice when he speaks to them ☐
C Kondo's compositions ☐

2 Kondo, who _____, is not a trained musician.
A used to be in a famous boy band ☐ B can play the piano ☐
C had never composed before ☐

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3 Kondo's most famous composition, which was written in 1985, is _____ .
A Super Mario Bros ☐ B The Legend of Zelda ☐ C Tetris ☐
4 Games music can't ____.
A distract the player ☐ B use too much computer memory ☐
C be challenging ☐
5 Games composers write _____ that fit together when the game is played.
A short pieces of music ☐ B film music ☐ C a long musical story ☐
6 It's ____ that Kondo wants his music to match.
A the game's story ☐ B his own feelings ☐ C the players' feelings ☐
7 Kondo has his most creative ideas _____.
A while playing games ☐ B at home ☐ C in his office ☐
8 Some people say chiptune is _____.
A unemotional ☐ B uncreative ☐ C repetitive ☐
9 The tracks that _____ contain a mix of chiptune and normal pop.
A Fleur prefers ☐ B Fleur's friends prefer ☐ C make Fleur smile ☐

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2 Read the article again. Mark the sentences T (true) or F (false).

Example: Fleur isn't a fan of most pop music today. *T*

1 Chiptune fans idolize Koji Kondo. _____
2 Kondo didn't enjoy computer games when he was younger. _____
3 Nintendo hadn't hired a full-time music composer before. _____
4 The music and the computer game are written at the same time. _____
5 Fleur says chiptune tracks are about love and heartbreak. _____
6 Fleur doesn't think chiptune will ever be commercially successful. _____

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Reading total	15

WRITING

Write an article about an iconic designed item or person you admire (100–150 words). Answer the questions.

- What is your iconic item? / Who is the person you admire?
- What does it look like and what does it do? / What do you know about his / her life?
- Why is it a classic? / Why is he / she famous?
- Have you seen or do you own one of these items? / Why is he / she important to you?

Writing total	10
Reading and Writing total	25

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Listening and Speaking A

LISTENING

1 Listen to an interview with crime novelist Goran Magnusson. Tick (✓) the five sentences that are correct.

1 The story takes place in Reykjavik. ____
2 Goran's detective is trying to solve a murder for the first time. ____
3 The interviewer thinks the location of the murder is interesting. ____
4 The detective is an expert sailor. ____
5 At first, the detective suspects the victim's business partner. ____
6 The detective finds some evidence at the victim's house. ____
7 Goran's books don't usually involve evidence on computers. ____
8 The detective catches the murderer at the end of the book. ____

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2 Listen to five conversations. Tick (✓) A, B, or C.

1 José doesn't know the name of _____.
A a book ☐ B a job ☐ C an artist ☐
2 Chloë and Arjun are most interested in the museum's _____.
A history ☐ B reading room ☐ C architecture ☐
3 Saliyah is _____ chef.
A a world-famous ☐ B an influential ☐ C a self-taught ☐
4 The police _____ the thief in Ecuador.
A shot ☐ B caught ☐ C are looking for ☐
5 Bella and Louise are talking about _____.
A an iconic designer ☐ B what music they like ☐ C the best way to shop ☐

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Listening total	10

SPEAKING

1 Make questions and ask your partner.

1 What / famous building / you / strongly dislike? Why?
2 What modern designs / you / admire?
3 Can / describe / advert / you think / very clever?
4 you / been robbed? What? When?
5 like / reading / detective stories? Why? Why not?

Now answer your partner's questions.

2 Talk about the statement below, saying if you agree or disagree. Give reasons.

'Architecture was much more beautiful a hundred years ago.'

3 Listen to your partner talking about crime. Do you agree with him / her?

Speaking total	15
Listening and Speaking total	25

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