

UNIT 8 IN THE NEWS 2

1. Read and choose the correct answer:

Did you read the news _____ about the volcano in Iceland?

- a. issue b. report c. printing d. section

A lot of articles are _____ online nowadays.

- a. published b. interviewed c. printed d. questionnaire

Before newspaper existed, news was spread by _____.

- a. word of mouth b. printing c. handwritten d. online

This magazine is _____ every Monday. It's my favorite _____ magazine.

- a. printed-monthly b. issued- weekly c. issued- daily d. published- weekly

In the past, newspaper and magazines were only available in _____.

- a. website b. online c. paper d. print

"Price of gold goes up again", "New tax on petrol" are _____ news.

- a. political b. foreign c. economic d. censored

Sorry Dave, I've _____ gone out with my colleagues. How about seeing a movie tomorrow?

- a. just b. yet c. still d. already

They say they posted it two weeks ago but it _____ hasn't arrived.

- a. already b. ever c. still d. never

They haven't cleaned their room _____.

- a. already b. yet c. just d. ever

This is the most interesting article that I've _____ read. Congratulations, John!

- a. since b. never c. ever d. already

Have you _____ taken my pen?! I swear it was here a minute ago.

- a. just b. yet c. already d. ever

He's only 22 and he's _____ written a best-selling book.

- a. since b. never c. ever d. already

Has she _____ said that she really cares about you?

- a. yet b. never c. ever d. already

Carol, have your sisters finished their assignments _____?

- a. still b. just c. yet d. already

Catherina's family has lived here _____ she was four.

- a. for b. when c. since d. during

We've worked for Microsoft _____ almost 10 years. Time flies!

- a. for b. when c. since d. during

John's article wasn't chosen by the editor, _____ it was a well-researched and informative.

- a. although b. therefore c. so that d. as

_____ I was feeling unwell, I stopped writing and lay down.

- a. However b. Because c. As d. Although

He rewrote the exercise neatly _____ the first one was messy.

- a. because b. however c. therefore d. so that

_____ I'm not very good at spelling, I enjoy writing.

- a. Because b. However c. Although d. Therefore

The article was too long. The editor, _____, decided to cut it by half.

- a. although b. therefore c. however d. so that

The article was very long. The editor, _____, decided not to shorten it.

- a. although b. therefore c. however d. so that

The movie's plot was exciting. _____, the ending was a little disappointing.

- a. However b. Although c. So that d. Therefore

Lucy thinks that Mark deserves a big reward for what his efforts. _____, she decided to take him to Disneyland next week.

- a. Therefore b. However c. Because d. So that

2. Present Perfect or Past Simple: Read and complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in brackets:

Brighton is a city on the south coast of England. People _____ (live) there for hundreds of years, although it _____ (only / be) a city since 2000.

Brighton _____ (begin) as a village in the 5th century. At that time, it was called Beorthehms Tun. The village _____ (grow) bigger, and by the 14th century it _____ (be) a busy market town.

It _____ (be) called Brighton since 1660. Today Brighton is an exciting and popular city but it _____ (experience) problems over the years. The French _____ (destroy) many of its houses in the 16th century, and at the beginning of the 18th century a terrible storm _____ (kill) many people.

Things _____ (change) in the late 18th century when the Prince of Wales and his friends _____ (visit) Brighton. Since then, many tourists _____ (make) Brighton their holiday choice. There _____ (be) a railway station in Brighton since the middle of the 19th century, as well as a hospital, a museum and a library. The town's swimming pools and cinemas _____ (open) a few decades after that. In recent years, several big music festivals _____ (bring) a party feeling to the city.

Today the population of Brighton is 156,000. In the last few years, it _____ (become) a very expensive place to live, but it is still a great place to visit.