GRAMMAR

5 Consolidation 1

Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given.

a) There's a party at Mary's house next week.

having

Next week.... . . . ***Mary's having a***.....party at her house.

b) When you phoned me, it was my lunch time.

I

When you phoned me.....lunch.

c) I started working here three years ago.

for

I've.....three years.

d) Our meeting is tomorrow.

a

We.....tomorrow.

e) I haven't had a Chinese meal for ages.

since

It's.....a Chinese meal.

f) David went home before we arrived.

had

When we.....home.

g) The arrival time of Helen's flight is 8.00.

at

Helen's flight.....8.00.

h) Hurry up! We'll get to the theatre after the beginning of the play.

will

By the time we get to the theatre, the play.....

begun.

i) Oh no! My wallet is missing.

lost

Oh no! I.....wallet.

j) I've only recently started wearing glasses.

wear

I.....recently.

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2. Put each word in brackets into a suitable verb form.

Moving house

I come from a very large family, and recently my parents (1) ***decided***. . . . . (decide) that they (2).....(spend) long enough living in an overcrowded house in Birmingham. 'We (3).....(move) to the country', my father (4).....(announce) one evening. 'I (5).....(sell) this house, and we (6).....(live) on a farm.' So last week we (7).....(load) all our possessions into two hired vans, and for the last few days we (8).....(try) to organize ourselves in our new home. Yesterday, for example, my three brothers and I (9).....(start) painting the downstairs rooms. Unfortunately while I (10).....(mix) the paint, one of my sisters (11).....(open) the door. Nobody (12).....(tell) her that we (13).....(be) in the room, you see. So instead of painting the walls, we (14).....(spend) all morning cleaning the paint off the floor. But worse things (15).....(happen) since then. This morning when I (16).....(wake up), water (17).....(drip) through the ceiling next to my bed. We (18).....(spend) today so far repairing the roof. It's not all bad news, though. The school in the village nearby (19).....(close down) two years ago, and my parents (20).....(not find) another school for us yet. *

3 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given.

a) Jack left the office before I arrived there.
already
When I arrived at the office. . . . ***Jack had already***.....left

b) Do you know how to drive this kind of car?
ever
Have.....this kind of car before

c) This is my first visit to Scotland.
I
This is the first time.....Scotland

d) During dinner, the phone rang.
I
While.....phone rang

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e) Do you have any plans for Saturday evening?
doing
What.....Saturday evening?

f) I started this job five years ago.
been
I have.....five years.

g) Is this car yours?
you
Do.....car?

h) Look at those black clouds! There's rain on the way!
to
Look at those black clouds! It's.....rain.

i) Our twenty-fifth wedding anniversary is in June next year.
for
By June next year we.....twenty-five years.

j) I haven't been to the cinema for two months.
time
The.....the cinema was two months ago.

4 Put each verb in brackets into a suitable verb form.

At the dentist's

I was on time for my dentist's appointment, but the dentist was still busy with another patient, so I (1).....***sat***.....(sit) in the waiting room and (2).....(read) some of the old magazines lying there. While I (3).....(wonder) whether to leave and come back another day, I (4).....(notice) a magazine article about teeth. It (5).....(begin): 'How long is it since you last (6).....(go) to the dentist? (7).....(you go) regularly every six months? Or (8).....(you put off) your visit for the last six years?' Next to the article was a cartoon of a man in a dentist's chair. The dentist (9).....(say): 'I'm afraid this (10)..... (hurt).' I (11).....(suddenly realise) that my tooth (12).....(stop) aching. But just as I (13).....(open) the door to leave, the dentist's door (14).....(open). 'Next please,' he (15).....(call), as the previous patient (16)..... (push) past me. 'Actually I'm not here to see you, I (17).....(wait) for my friend,' I (18).....(shout), leaving as rapidly as I could. (19).....(you ever do) this kind of thing? Surely I can't be the only person who (20).....(hate) the dentist!

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5 Look carefully at each line. Some of the lines are correct, and some have a word which should not be there. Tick each correct line. If a line has a word which should not be there, write the word in the space.

Meeting again

Dear Harry,	
Do you remember me?	✓
We have met last year when you were on holiday	have
in Brighton. I'm sorry I haven't been written to you	1) .....
since by then. I have been working abroad and	2) .....
I have only just come back home to England.	3) .....
Next week I am planning is to be in Bristol, and	4) .....
I was thinking about that we could meet.	5) .....
Do you remember Shirley, the girl we have met	6) .....
in Brighton? We are getting married next month,	7) .....
and we are want you to come to the wedding.	8) .....
I have lost your phone number, but when	9) .....
I have get to Bristol I'll try to contact you.	0) .....
It will be great to see you again. Are you still	1) .....
studying, or I have you found a job?	2) .....
You won't recognise me when you will see me!	3) .....
I had my hair cut last week, and now I look at	4) .....
completely different. Shirley doesn't like men	5) .....
with long hair, you see!	
Best wishes,	
Graham Norris	

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6 Decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each space.

The latest news

Dear Linda,

I'm sorry I (1).....***B***.....to you for so long, but I (2)..... very busy lately. All last month I (3).....exams, and I (4).....anything else but study for ages. Anyway, I (5).....studying now, and I (6).....for my exam results.

As you can see from this letter, I (7).....my address and (8).....in Croydon now. I (9).....that I wanted a change from central London because it (10).....so expensive. A friend of mine (11).....me about this flat, and I (12).....here about two months ago. When you (13).....to London this summer, please visit me. I (14).....here until the middle of August. Then I (15).....on holiday to Scotland.

Please write soon,

Margaret

1)	A don't write	B haven't written	C am not writing	D wasn't writing
2)	A was being	B had been	C am	D have been
3)	A had	B was having	C had had	D have had
4)	A haven't done	B don't do	C wasn't doing	D am not doing
5)	A stop	B will have stopped	C have stopped	D was stopping
6)	A wait	B am waiting	C have waited	D was waiting
7)	A am changing	B had changed	C will change	D have changed
8)	A will live	B have been living	Clive	D have lived
9)	A decided	B have decided	C was deciding	D decide
10)	A will become	B becomes	C has become	D will have become
11)	A tells	Btold	C was telling	D will tell
12)	A have moved	B had moved	C was moving	D moved
13)	A will come	B came	C come	D were coming
14)	A am staying	B stayed	C stay	D have stayed
15)	A have gone	B went	C am going	D will have gone

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