

Vocabulary

Shopping

Choose the correct options to complete the sentences.

- 1 When I went shopping, I was given an extra pair of socks free of *price / charge*!
- 2 Sophia decided to take her jeans back to the store for a *refund / discount* as they were damaged.
- 3 As Martin went to pay at the *till / stock*, he couldn't find his wallet.
- 4 Although it was expensive, my phone has been *value / worth* every penny.
- 5 I was hoping to pick up / on my new TV today, but my car has broken down.
- 6 I tried to order some new glasses online, but they were out of *sale / stock*.
- 7 You need to have the *receipt / refund* in order to exchange goods.
- 8 Kim was disappointed that the store had sold out / back of the phone she wanted.

Paraphrasing and recording

Complete the gaps in the second sentences with an appropriate word so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence. The beginning of each word has been given to help you.

- 1 A The new laws relating to crime were brought about by inner-city problems.
B Inner-city problems **ca**_____ new criminal laws to be passed.
- 2 A Moving house can occasionally make people very stressed.
B Moving house sometimes places a lot of **st**_____ on the people involved.
- 3 A People associate the city of London with black taxis and red buses.
B London is **kn**_____ for its black taxis and red buses.
- 4 A Social media has really become popular with the younger generation.
B Social media has **ca**_____ on with the younger generation.
- 5 A Experts believe that writing originated about 5,500 years ago.
B The origins of writing can be **tr**_____ back around 5,500 years.
- 6 A Do you think we have enough stock to sell to everyone who wants it?
B Do you think we have enough stock to **me**_____ the demand?
- 7 A It's going to be popular, so we need to buy tickets beforehand.
B It's going to be popular, so we need to buy tickets in **ad**_____.
- 8 A Jean's train was delayed, which led to her being late for a meeting.
B Jean's train was delayed, which **re**_____ in her being late for a meeting.

Towns and villages

Complete the sentences with the correct answers (A, B or C).

- 1 The place we went on holiday was beautifully _____, with rolling hills and cosy cottages.
A vibrant B picturesque C thriving
- 2 The _____ site next to my house is so noisy; I'll be glad when they finish.
A shopping B housing C building
- 3 I wish there was something to do; it's so _____ around here.
A dull B lively C prosperous
- 4 It seems that there are lots of new _____ blocks springing up in the business district.
A residential B building C office
- 5 That house has been _____ for years; look, its roof is almost all gone.
A thriving B boring C neglected
- 6 The main road in town is now a _____ street, so buses can't enter there anymore.
A pedestrian B residential C run-down
- 7 I like living on the _____ of the city; it's an easy commute into town.
A centre B suburbs C outskirts
- 8 It's a _____ town, with lots of successful businesses and facilities.
A run-down B prosperous C leafy

Language focus

Present perfect simple

Complete each sentence with the correct form of the verbs in the box. You can use some of the verbs more than once.

buy	go	have	know	live
pass	read	see	write	

- 1 This is the first time I _____ to the beach without my parents.
- 2 Did you hear? Ella still _____ her driving test!
- 3 Henry _____ to the shops, but you might be able to catch up with him.
- 4 They _____ each other for ten years and are still best friends.
- 5 Jason _____ six pairs of jeans so far today and we're going to another shop.
- 6 I can't believe you _____ any Shakespeare yet! You really should.
- 7 She should go to the dentist because she _____ toothache since last Thursday.
- 8 Sam and James _____ the new film at the cinema yet, so I told them to go!
- 9 I _____ in the area since I was a child, so I know it very well.
- 10 She _____ him for very long, but they seem to get on well.
- 11 Matthew is working hard today; he _____ at least ten emails and there's more to go.
- 12 My parents are so quick; they _____ a new house already!

Present perfect continuous

Choose the correct options to complete the sentences.

- 1 I've just *written / been writing* my diary, but I'm so tired I must go to bed.
- 2 Lydia *hasn't been buying / hasn't bought* anything so far today.
- 3 I've got through to you at last! I *have been ringing / have rung* for ages.
- 4 My car is in the garage, so I *have taken / have been taking* the bus.
- 5 I can tell it *has rained / has been raining* because the ground is still wet.
- 6 Tony *hasn't slept / hasn't been sleeping* well recently.
- 7 It's hard to believe that Sarah *has owned / has been owning* her house for ten years now.
- 8 I've still got more studying to do, but I *have been revising / have revised* all morning for my exams.
- 9 I think the time *has come / has been coming* for me to leave the company.
- 10 You sound out of breath. Have you *run / been running*?
- 11 Barbara *has enjoyed / has been enjoying* playing chess since she was a teenager.
- 12 You've *been eating / eaten* chocolate again! I can see it on your face!
- 13 Philip *has known / has been knowing* his girlfriend since college.
- 14 Melanie *has been waiting / has waited* all day for her parcel, and it still hasn't arrived.
- 15 It's time for me to take a break; I *have travelled / have been travelling* all day.

Reading and Use of English

Part 1 Multiple-choice cloze

For questions 1–8, read the text below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

Example:

(0) *A stores B brands C departments D counters*

A new kind of 'window shopping'

The changing face of our town centres means that more and more (0) are standing empty in the high streets these days. Their aisles are deserted and the (1) at the checkouts are quiet. The empty shop windows are (2) and discourage shoppers. Many people today (3) driving to out-of-town shopping centres where all the shops are under one roof. I like going into town, but my heart (4) when I see yet another abandoned shop. (5), town planners now want to do something that will make towns (6) again. An unusual idea to combine exercise and shopping is becoming popular. In Manchester recently, an empty shop became a 'pop-up' squash shop, and soon there may be (7) places like this across the UK. Squash is an ideal sport for small spaces, and it's a great sport to do for a short time. People walking by will hopefully be encouraged into these places to (8) part in these activities.

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| 1 A receipts | B tills | C trolleys | D tins |
| 2 A frequent | B impressive | C unattractive | D bustling |
| 3 A rather | B choose | C go | D prefer |
| 4 A drops | B sinks | C falls | D crashes |
| 5 A However | B Because | C Although | D Otherwise |
| 6 A prosperous | B industrial | C affordable | D shabby |
| 7 A plenty | B lots | C numerous | D significant |
| 8 A give | B put | C make | D take |