Part A • Grammar, Vocabulary and How to …

GRAMMAR

1 Choose the correct option (a, b or c).

1 She ___ her driving test so she's upset at the moment.
a 's been failing **b** 's failed **c** 's failing

2 You ___ that video game for hours. Turn it off now.
a 've played **b** was playing **c** 've been playing

3 ___ your own house before?
a Have you ever owned **b** Do you ever own
c Have you ever been owning

4 The purpose of this letter is ___ our new service.
a explain **b** explaining **c** to explain

5 I don't remember ___ Joe at school yesterday.
a see **b** seeing **c** to see

6 Don't forget ___ some cake for me!
a to leave **b** leave **c** leaving

7 We took our shoes off so as ___ the floor dirty.
a to not make **b** not to make **c** not making

8 It ___ a nice day. There isn't a cloud in the sky.
a won't be **b** 's being **c** 's going to be

9 They ___ late because they've got work in the morning.
a 'll definitely stay **b** definitely won't stay
c won't definitely stay

10 There ___ be a general election next year because there's one every four years.
a 's due to **b** due to **c** 's due

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2 Complete the sentences with the words and phrases in the box.

a few	**a little**	**handful**	**hardly any**	**lack**
majority	**minority**	**number**	**whereas**	**while**

1 I tidied up the flat _____ it was raining.
2 He's in charge of a large _____ of important clients.
3 I've got _____ CDs now because I listen to everything online.
4 I prefer watching TV, _____ you prefer reading.
5 The _____ of young people, almost 70 percent, are unhappy with their politicians.
6 I don't get on with _____ of my colleagues, but most of them are really nice.
7 The coach seems to think there's a _____ of talent in the team.
8 She needs _____ time to get used to the new school.
9 There were a _____ of visitors at the museum, but not many.
10 The staff who wanted to work were in a _____ because most of us wanted to stay at home.

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VOCABULARY

3 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words in brackets.

1 Simon's a very _____ (like) guy. He always stops for a chat.
2 Thank you for the present. You're very _____ (thought).
3 I felt quite _____ (emotion) at my sister's wedding.
4 Have you got any _____ (predict) for the World Cup tournament?
5 We need to look at this problem more _____ (analysis).
6 My cousin works as a _____ (research) in the biology department at the university.

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4 Complete the sentences with the words and phrases in the box.

brought back	**by heart**	**every detail**
playing tricks	**rings a bell**	**short-term memory**
slipped my mind		

1 I don't remember _____ of the story, but I can remember the main points.
2 The teacher has asked us to learn a poem _____ so we can say it in class.
3 Watching that old TV show _____ memories of my childhood.
4 His _____ is poor so he tends to forget the things that he's just done.
5 What was his name again? It's _____.
6 That article _____. I'm sure I've read it before.
7 You've definitely met her before. Your memory must be _____ on you.

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5 Complete the sentences with the missing words.

1 Igor is an **a** _ _ _ _ _ _ _ **s** businessman. He won't let anything stop him being successful.
2 Karla's very **o** _ _ _ _ _ _ **g** which is why she likes meeting new people.
3 I love how the **s** _ _ _ _ _ _ **t** shines through the window in the morning.
4 We followed a little **t** _ _ _ **k** which led down to the river.
5 We could see lots of small boats lined up along the **c** _ _ _ _ _ _ _ **e**.
6 The thieves stole **p** _ _ _ _ _ _ **s** jewellery worth thousands of dollars.
7 Her performance was **m** _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ **t**. She must be one of the greatest ever opera singers.

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LIVEWORKSHEETS

HOW TO ...

6 Choose the correct words to complete the conversations.

Conversation 1

A: Have you heard The Blades' new album?

B: No. Rock music isn't really my [1] **cup of tea** / **passionate**.

A: Oh, really? What music do you like?

B: [2] **Given** / **Had** the choice, I'd listen to either blues or folk music.

A: I like folk music, too! I'm not really [3] **by** / **into** modern folk, though.

B: Me neither. I'd much [4] **prefer** / **rather** listen to traditional folk without any strange sound effects.

A: Shall we put on some folk music then?

B: How about [5] **if** / **whether** we listen to some blues first, then we can listen to some folk?

Conversation 2

A: I can't believe they've found that walker who got lost in the mountains.

B: I know. They were lost for two weeks in really [6] **harsh** / **modest** conditions. It snowed every day.

A: I [7] **bet** / **get** the impression that they didn't even have the right equipment.

B: I'm not 100 percent [8] **fact** / **sure**, but I'd say they were a tourist who didn't know the area.

A: You're probably right. They [9] **certain** / **clearly** didn't know how dangerous it can be.

B: Well, there's no [10] **doubt** / **way** that I could survive up a mountain with no equipment. I'd last about five minutes.

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