

GRAMMAR

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

- She ___ her driving test so she's upset at the moment.
a 's been failing b 's failed c 's failing
- You ___ that video game for hours. Turn it off now.
a 've played b was playing c 've been playing
- ___ your own house before?
a Have you ever owned b Do you ever own
c Have you ever been owning
- The purpose of this letter is ___ our new service.
a explain b explaining c to explain
- I don't remember ___ Joe at school yesterday.
a see b seeing c to see
- Don't forget ___ some cake for me!
a to leave b leave c leaving
- We took our shoes off so as ___ the floor dirty.
a to not make b not to make c not making
- It ___ a nice day. There isn't a cloud in the sky.
a won't be b 's being c 's going to be
- They ___ late because they've got work in the morning.
a 'll definitely stay b definitely won't stay
c won't definitely stay
- 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

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

- Simon's a very _____ (like) guy. He always stops for a chat.
- Thank you for the present. You're very _____ (thought).
- I felt quite _____ (emotion) at my sister's wedding.
- Have you got any _____ (predict) for the World Cup tournament?
- We need to look at this problem more _____ (analysis).
- 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

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

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5 Complete the sentences with the missing words.

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

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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