Unit 3 - Optimese B1+ - 5th Adol

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VOCABULARY

1 Complete the text with the words in the box.

complexity funny go online originality soap operas

I like a lot of **(1)** _____ but my favourite one is called *South Life*. You can't see it on TV. You have to **(2)** _____ to watch it. It's about the life of a family from London's East End who move to south London. It sounds simple but there's actually a lot of **(3)** _____ in the stories. It discusses issues which are very relevant to young people today. Although it's supposed to be serious, there are parts which I find really **(4)** _____. It's a huge hit on the internet because of its **(5)** _____ – there hasn't been a show like this before.

Score: /5

2 Match the sentences.

It doesn't do you	his jokes very funny.
I'm tired. Do you mind if we take	silly jokes.
He's really funny. He's always telling	a friend round for dinner.
My mum says I can have	a break now?
I don't find	good to spend this much time on your tablet.

Score: /5

3 Complete the sentences with words for TV programmes. The first letter is given, and there is one space for each letter.

1 I'm watching a new m _ _ _ _ _ s _ _ _ _ . It's about South American song and dance.
2 The w _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ f _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ predicted wind and showers for today.
3 There's a great new w _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ p _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ on TV. It shows animals from all over the world.
4 I learnt how to make the perfect Spaghetti Bolognese on a c _ _ _ _ _ _ _ p _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ last night.
5 It's a great c _ _ _ _ s _ _ _ _ . The presenter has interesting conversations with different celebrities.

Score: /5

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GRAMMAR

4 Choose the best words to complete the sentences.

1 You've had a long train journey. You *must/might* be feeling tired.
2 I should answer the phone. It *could/can't* be important.
3 They're not watching the cup final so they *can't/can* be very interested in football.
4 I think it *may/must* rain. The sky looks very dark.
5 There's a lot of traffic on the road so Portia *might/must* get home late.

Score: /5

5 Complete the text with the modal verbs in the box.

can couldn't don't have to had to should

If you're not sure how to do something, you **(1)** _____ try looking on YouTube. There are videos which show you how to do everything you **(2)** _____ imagine. Not long ago, I broke the screen on my smartphone. I **(3)** _____ afford to pay for someone to mend it so I decided to do it myself. I found a video on YouTube and it told me exactly what I **(4)** _____ do. It wasn't easy but I managed to do it myself. So, the next time something of yours breaks, why not try fixing it yourself? You **(5)** _____ be an expert – just interested in learning how to do it!

Score: /5

6 Choose the best words to complete the sentences.

1 *Could/Must* you help me with my homework? It's really difficult.
2 Some scientists believe that dogs *can/have to* smell human diseases.
3 You *mustn't/don't have to* walk in the road. It's dangerous.
4 I believe cars *can/will be able to* drive without a human driver in the future.
5 The doctor said you *should/may* stay at home if you don't feel well.

Score: /5

READING

What do you think about online video sites?

It's more than 10 years since the first video was uploaded to YouTube. The first clip, called 'Me at the zoo' was not very original but it represented a new way of watching videos. Now, nearly five billion videos are viewed every day – and that's just on YouTube. We've asked some of our readers: what do you think about online video sites?

A Gabby

I'm not sure what to think. You can find interesting things like educational programmes or 'how to' guides and that's what I usually use them for. However, there are also a lot of videos of people playing silly jokes and making fun of animals. I really don't understand why people want to upload that sort of thing. If I want to see something funny, I can just watch a sitcom on TV. Another thing which annoys me is the number of adverts – a few years ago, there weren't any and now you might have to watch thirty seconds of adverts before the video starts.

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B Neil

I really like them! I don't often post my own videos but I enjoy watching ones that other people have uploaded, especially funny home videos. My favourite is called 'Charlie bit my finger' and it's had more than 800 million views. It shows a little boy and his baby brother called Charlie, and basically the boy keeps putting his finger in Charlie's mouth and Charlie keeps biting it. When the brother finally gets upset, Charlie just laughs at him. I keep watching it again and again! It's simple and funny and, most importantly, everyone can identify with it. I think the inventors of YouTube thought that people would upload exactly this type of video.

C Megan

I think it's great that people can share their videos online. It means that anyone can have their 15 minutes of fame. For example, lots of pop stars spend thousands of dollars on making videos so that they go viral, but some of the most popular ones are made by ordinary people. 'Evolution of dance' is a great example of this. It shows a man dancing to different types of music in a school concert. He's a good dancer but he also dances in an amusing way so viewers love it. It's clearly not a professional video but it's very popular, it's had more than 290 million views!

D Justin

I used to spend hours online watching short videos but I hardly ever do this now. The problem for me is that it's hard to tell if they are real or not. For example, some of the vlogs (video logs) want you to think that the presenter is an ordinary young person talking in their bedroom about beauty products or video games. However, the reality is that they are often paid huge sums by big companies to advertise their products. I don't have a problem with advertising but it's important to know if the video is real or not.

7 Read the text. For each question, choose from the people A–D. The people may be chosen more than once.

Which person

1 thinks that online videos can make you famous? ____
2 uses online videos to learn things? ____
3 doesn't watch many online videos now? ____
4 prefers to watch comedies on television? ____
5 has uploaded videos to the internet? ____

Score: /5

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