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Listening

A. Listen to a conversation between two friends, Sarah and Mike, who are meeting their college friends at a reunion. Then read the questions and choose the correct answers. (2 points each)

- 1. What do we learn about Sarah?**
 - a She is twenty years old.
 - b She is not as tall as she used to be.
 - c She was excited about coming to the reunion.
- 2. What does Mike often have to do in his job?**
 - a lift heavy equipment
 - b travel internationally
 - c go to the gym
- 3. What did Sarah do when she left college?**
 - a She took a course in business.
 - b She got a job in a restaurant.
 - c She started working with her parents.
- 4. Since she left college, Sarah**
 - a has phoned Alison often.
 - b has been in regular contact with Laura.
 - c has seen Laura every day.
- 5. What does "getting along" mean?**
 - a arguing
 - b having a good relationship
 - c talking to

Vocabulary

B. Circle the correct answers. (1 point each)

1. My friends like listening to old *EDM* / *jazz* albums from the 1950s.
2. My sister doesn't enjoy *pop music* / *heavy metal*. She says it is too loud and harsh.
3. My father likes listening to *jazz* / *classical music*, especially Mozart and Beethoven.
4. We saw some people with traditional costumes playing *folk* / *rock music* downtown.
5. When John listens to *jazz* / *heavy metal*, he often falls asleep to the relaxing sounds.
6. The best things about *folk* / *rock music* are the sounds of the drums and the electric guitars.
7. A lot of young people like *classical* / *pop* music because it is modern and fun to listen to.
8. Sometimes in *folk music* / *hip-hop*, the singers speak so fast it's difficult to understand the words.

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C. Complete the sentences with the words in the box. (1 point each)

animated movie | talk show | horror | documentary | game show | thriller | science fiction | romantic comedy

1. We watched a _____, and the winner won a million dollars!
2. A _____ can be interesting if there are good guests and the host asks original questions.
3. Space travel, aliens, futuristic technology — I love all _____ shows!
4. We saw an interesting _____ about what is in our food. I learned a lot!
5. I like to watch _____ movies late at night with my friends. It's fun getting scared together!
6. I love a good _____ when the main character has to solve a crime and you don't know what will happen.
7. In the past, to make a good _____, you needed to draw well, but now they do everything with computers.
8. My favorite _____ is *Crazy, Stupid, Love*. It's a love story with some very funny scenes.

D. Circle the correct answers in the article. (1 points each)

GET THINGS DONE!

Are you having problems with coworkers who talk too much at work? Do you find it hard to ¹*concentrate* / *get nowhere* on what you are doing? Do you never ²*have* / *waste* time to finish everything you want to do? Here is some advice if you want to get work done at work!

First, make a plan. You can ³*save* / *do* a lot of time by writing down what you need to do. Second, if you have ⁴*problem* / *trouble* with coworkers who often interrupt you, try wearing headphones. If you don't, you will ⁵*spend* / *save* a lot of time talking and ⁶*will make good progress* / *will get nowhere* with your work. Finally, if this is not possible, ⁷*make* / *do your* best to arrive early when there are fewer people in the office. You will ⁸*make* / *do* better progress this way. Good luck!

E. Complete the sentences with the words below. (1 point each)

job | challenge | chores | change | process

1. The most common _____ that teenagers do are cleaning and helping make dinner.
2. Playing a whole song on the guitar was a _____ for Dylan.
3. Since I started exercising, I have noticed a big _____ in my energy.
4. My brother is opening a new restaurant. As you can probably guess, it's not an easy _____ to do.
5. Making a film is a long, expensive _____ which can take over a year.

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Grammar

F. Complete the sentences with the correct form of *used to* and the words in parentheses ().

(1 point each)

EXAMPLE: **Did** you **use to have** (have) a TV in your room when you were a child?

1. I _____ (play) the piano when I was younger, but I stopped. It was very difficult.
2. When you were little, _____ you _____ (buy) video games?
3. I _____ (not like) cartoons very much, but now I love them!
4. Jack _____ (go) to the movies a lot when he was younger, but now he watches TV shows more often.
5. Rachel _____ (not watch) crime dramas, but now they're her favorite type of show.
6. Tim _____ (want) to be a rock star, but now he wants to be a doctor.
7. Who _____ Jennifer _____ (be) in a band with?
8. Brad _____ (not listen) to music on the internet but now he listens to it all the time

G. Complete the second sentence with *(not) as ... as*, so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence.

(1 point each)

EXAMPLE:

Comedies are funnier than dramas.
Dramas are **not as funny as** comedies.

1. EDM is better than folk music.
Folk music is _____ EDM.
2. Jacob is happy about seeing *X-Men* again, and Randy is too.
Jacob is _____ Randy about seeing *X-Men* again.
3. Tom Hanks is taller than Tom Cruise.
Tom Cruise is _____ Tom Hanks.

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4. Tickets to a concert are more expensive than tickets to a movie.
Tickets to a movie are _____ tickets to a concert.

5. Our college has more concerts than your college.
Your college doesn't have _____ our college.

H. Complete the sentences with the words in parentheses (). Use the present perfect or the present perfect continuous.

(1 point each)

1. _____ Grace and Will
_____ (leave) the house yet? I think their bus is coming.

2. Finally, John _____ (make) the decision to get a new job.

3. Sorry I'm late! _____ you
_____ (wait) for a long time?

4. Your eyes are tired because you _____ (work) on the
computer all day.

5. _____ William
_____ (eat) all the chocolates? There aren't any left!

6. I hear Emily and Amanda are taking Spanish classes. How long
_____ they
_____ (take) them?

7. Anna _____ (play) seven tennis matches. She won six and
only lost one.

8. _____ you
_____ (work) in the garden? Your hands are very dirty.

Reading

I. Read the article. Then read the questions and choose the correct answers.

(2 points each)

WORK SMARTER NOT HARDER

We all have too much work to do and too little time to do it. Managing your time is a challenge, but the secret is to work smarter not harder.

First, know when to work. When are you most awake? When are you sleepy? Some people work better at night, others first thing in the morning. You should do creative work or complicated work when you are at your best. When you're not at your best, you should do jobs which don't need a lot of thinking, like reading emails or calling a colleague.

Second, eat and sleep well to work well. Have you ever had a large lunch and felt so sleepy that you couldn't think? It's better to eat small amounts of food several times a day than to eat two or three large meals. A large meal at night can have a bad effect on your sleep quality and on your ability to think. It's important to not only get

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enough sleep but to also get good quality sleep.

Exercise is important too. In fact, exercising can make you feel more awake than having a cup of coffee. In addition, exercise makes you feel happier, and happy people work better!

Finally, do the right work at the right time. Certain experts say you should do your most difficult piece of work first. After you've finished that, you'll feel ready to do almost any other job on your to-do list. But other experts say the opposite; they suggest starting with something simple. Doing that will make you feel successful and ready to do your next job.

1. What is the writer's main purpose in writing this text?

- a) to explain how people can become more intelligent
- b) to say how food can make us feel sleepy
- c) to help busy people organize their work better

2. According to the writer, the best time to do more difficult work is

- a) early in the day after a good night's sleep.
- b) late in the evening when it is quiet.
- c) different for each person.

3. What may be the result of eating large meals?

- a) It might be difficult to think about work later.
- b) You will have more time for working.
- c) You can sleep better at night.

4. What does the writer say about exercise?

- a) He likes to do it after drinking coffee.
- b) It can have a positive effect on how people feel.
- c) You must do it in the morning.

5. When selecting which job to do, the main thing is

- a) to decide quickly and begin.
- b) to do something that is not easy.
- c) to choose a simple task.