

Unit test 3A

1 Choose the correct verb form.

Boy walks to school at three in the morning

An eight-year-old boy (1) *was making / had made / made* headlines yesterday after he (2) *walked / was walking / had been walking* to school in the middle of the night in Germany. The boy, named Jonas, (3) *was being found / was found / had found* and picked up by a police car as he was walking back to his house through deserted streets, clutching his school bag at 3 a.m.

Jonas told officers that he (4) *had been / was going / had been going* to school, but (obviously!) had found it (5) *was closed / had closed / has closed* and so decided to return home. His parents were still asleep when he arrived home and had no idea their son (6) *had been leaving / was leaving / had left* the house. Jonas said he (7) *had woken up / was waking up / has woken up*, misread the time on his alarm clock, and thought he was late for school. Other children at the school (8) *were delighted / were being delighted / delighted* by the melodrama, not to mention the TV crews and cameramen who turned up the next day at school!

1 point for each correct answer 7

2 Complete the text with appropriate past tense forms of the verbs in brackets.

Back in 2013, Thomas Jenkins (1) *was* (be) not a happy young man. He (2) _____ (work) in the same furniture store for three years and (3) _____ (need) a change. One day he (4) _____ (buy) stamps in his local post office, when by chance he (5) _____ (see) a hand-written note about a local allotment to rent. Thomas (6) _____ (make) an impulsive decision and that weekend he (7) _____ (become) the tenant of a small plot of land where he could grow fruit, vegetables and flowers. Thomas (8) _____ (not grow) anything before, but he (9) _____ (discover) a real passion for horticulture. By 2014, he (10) _____ (take) a course in beekeeping and shortly afterwards he (11) _____ (introduce) three beehives to the allotments. Although Thomas (12) _____ (continue) to work in retail, he (13) _____ (begin) making honey and other wax products, like candles. Today, he has ten hives and gives talks in schools on the benefits of bees. Last month his home-grown honey (14) _____ (award) a regional Produce Prize.

1 point for each correct answer 13

3 Complete the conversations with appropriate past tense forms of the verbs in brackets.

Conversation 1

A I (1) *went* (go) to an immersive theatre performance last night. It (2) _____ (be) in an office building, not a theatre, and the people in the audience (3) _____ (follow) the actors around an imaginary crime scene.

B An immersive whodunnit? That sounds really cool. (4) _____ you _____ (allow) to speak to the actors at all? I know that sometimes happens in an immersive play.

A No. But while the detective character (5) _____ (look) at clues, we (6) _____ (give) extra information about the suspects on our phones.

B It sounds fascinating. Who (7) _____ it (write) by?

A The actors (8) _____ it (write) themselves.

Conversation 2

A How about you, Sascha? (9) _____ you ever (met) a celebrity?

B Actually, yes. A couple of years ago now, I (10) _____ (arrive) five minutes late for a performance of Hamlet because my train (11) _____ (delay). The doors into the stalls (12) _____ already _____ (close) by the theatre staff.

A How annoying. What (13) _____ (happen)?

B Well, I (14) _____ just _____ (decide) whether or not to buy a drink in the bar when who should arrive but ... Andrea Fanshawe – you know, the singer! Her train (15) _____ (delay) too! So we (16) _____ (sit) in the bar together until the interval. She was lovely!

A Brilliant!

1 point for each correct answer 15

Unit test 3A**4 Rewrite the sentences in the passive.**

- 1 We published the book after the author had died.
The book was published after the author had died.
- 2 They made a number of last-minute changes to the script.
- 3 Have they released the trailer for *Mission Impossible 10* yet?
- 4 The critics didn't review the new novel very favourably.
- 5 People have adapted plays into films and vice versa.
- 6 Two days later, they had sold all the tickets for the matinée.
- 7 After they had found an actor for the starring role, they decided not to make the film.
- 8 We run backstage tours at least twice a month.

1 point for each correct answer 7**5 Are these sentences about a book (B), a film (F), or could they be either (E)?**

- 1 It's received very positive reviews from the critics.
E
- 2 For a musical, it's unusually under-stated. _____
- 3 It's an impressive debut from a young director with something to say. _____
- 4 The sequel is currently only available in hardback.

- 5 The plot combines drama and romance. _____
- 6 I don't generally like thrillers but this was a real page-turner. _____
- 7 It's set in the 17th century. _____
- 8 I prefer arthouse titles – blockbusters are always the same. _____

1 point for each correct answer 7**6 Complete the sentences with the adverbial form of the adjectives in the box.**easy final extreme definite
especial continuous urgent
unfortunate immediate safe

- 1 She didn't want to do the course at first, but I finally persuaded her that it would be good for her future career.
- 2 The stuntman landed _____ and the watching cast and crew members applauded.
- 3 They argued _____ about who should take over when the manager left.
- 4 When I realized that he had taken offence, I _____ apologized.
- 5 When war broke out, I _____ needed to find a way for my children to leave the country.
- 6 The animation was, _____, rather second-rate but the plot was excellent.
- 7 I like crime novels, _____ whodunnits.
- 8 The market has been slow, but things are _____ improving now.
- 9 When he's more experienced, he'll be able to do his job more _____.
- 10 That was an _____ scary movie! I could hardly look at the screen.

1 point for each correct answer 9**7 Combine and expand the sentences using the words in brackets. More than one answer is possible.**

- 1 I go to the cinema. I don't go as much as I used to. (often, at the weekend, but)
At the weekend, I often go to the cinema, but I don't go as much as I used to.
- 2 Horror films are popular. I don't like them. (although, undoubtedly, personally)
- 3 My ex-partner liked horror films. I had to watch them. (however, so, occasionally)
- 4 And I used to make him watch musicals. It wasn't a very clever thing to do. (frequently, which, possibly)
- 5 We split up. We had so little in common. (last year, finally, because)

2 points for each correct answer 8

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8 Match the underlined words in the text with the synonyms below.

On an empty street in downtown LA, Mehmali Kasaar prepares for his next scene. As a highly trained professional, Mehmali is well-prepared for each stunt. He gives his equipment a critical gaze while the make-up artist checks his wig. (Today, he's standing in for a blonde Hollywood A-lister ... and Mehmali has black hair.) I ask him if he's ever lost his courage during a stunt? 'Not during, no!' he says. 'Sometimes before we start, I have lots of nervous energy. But when I'm riding a speeding bike, or clutching a balcony seven floors up, I have other things to think about!' Mehmali clearly loves the movie industry. I wonder, has he ever wanted to be a star in his own right? 'Oh no!' he says. 'Let those guys have the attention. At the end of my scene, I get to disappear and live my life – they're always on show, with the gossip and the paparazzi. I wouldn't want that.' But does he ever watch himself on screen? 'Definitely! I don't think that buzz will ever wear off!'

- 1 courage nerve
- 2 _____ vanish
- 3 _____ dangerous act
- 4 _____ a deserted
- 5 _____ chat
- 6 _____ fade
- 7 _____ limelight
- 8 _____ holding tightly to
- 9 _____ look

1 point for each correct answer 8

9 Circle the correct phrase.

- 1 I didn't want to hurt him.
 - a Did you?
 - b** Didn't you?
 - c I hurt him?
- 2 We've never seen such a bad movie.
 - a Such a bad movie?
 - b Haven't you?
 - c You never have.
- 3 I've got something important to tell you.
 - a An important thing? What's that?
 - b Have you? What is it?
 - c It's important, isn't it?
- 4 He got a huge gas bill this month.
 - a He got it this month?
 - b Really? How come?
 - c A gas bill, really?

1 point for each correct answer 6

10 Write appropriate replies to the news, using a suitable form of the word given.

- 1 A The man was trapped in the cave for days.
B happen Where did that happen?
- 2 A I saw Barack Obama walking down the street.
B kid _____
- 3 A She didn't get the job.
B shame _____
- 4 A Did you hear that Ryan and Donna split up??
B believe _____
- 5 A There's been a terrible plane crash.?
B how _____

1 point for each correct answer 4

11 Correct the mistakes. There are two errors in each item.

- 1 'I'd pulled a muscle at football training last night.'
'Were you? Oh no! How exactly?'
- 2 It says here what the airport was closed for three hours. Apparent there was a drone.
- 3 I'd been feeling slightly unwell, so that evening I'd been staying at home and watched a document on TV.
- 4 'I'm exhausted.' 'Are you exhausted? How to come?'
- 5 When I first meet Iris she wanted to be a novelist, not a playwriter.
- 6 The man was driving dangerous and was crashing into a house.
- 7 As soon as I've finished the book, I've watched the film adaptation.
- 8 We were stood at the bus stop for 45 minutes when the bus final arrived.

1 point for each error corrected 16

TOTAL 100