Progress Test 1

Units 1 & 2

Name: _____

Date: _____

Mark: _____ / 80 marks

Reading

A **Read Claire's family story.**

It's amazing how sometimes there is a family story that no one talks about. One summer when I was about 10 years old, I found out something that really surprised me. At the time, I was staying with my grandparents on their farm. I loved spending time with them, but Grandad was pretty busy working every day and Grandma didn't always talk very much. I know they loved me by the way they smiled at me all the time, and they always told me that I took after my dad. However, I don't think they were always comfortable being around an energetic girl. So I had to find ways to entertain myself.

I used to love going up to the attic. I would spend hours looking through all the old stuff stored up there. There were boxes of books and papers and a lot of other interesting things. My mum had told me I would probably inherit most of it someday. One day, while I was looking around in the corner of the room, I came across a chest full of old-fashioned dresses. They looked expensive – the kind of thing a woman would wear to a fancy party. A lot of them were made of silk. 'Who do they all belong to?' I wondered. For the next few days, I kept thinking about the clothes. I finally told my grandmother what I had found. For a moment, she sat there not saying anything. Grandad looked up from his newspaper and smiled. 'Well, you can't keep it a secret,' he said. Grandma looked down at her hands and sighed. 'I guess you're right,' she said.

This is what she said. 'When I was young, I liked to sing and people said that I had a good voice. My mother had told me many times. When I was about 17 years old, I decided I wanted to become a professional singer. But there was a problem. I had fallen in love with your grandfather. I didn't want to be separated from him, but I had to leave to become a successful entertainer. I finally decided that if I didn't do it, I would always regret it. I was away for four long years.' Grandad looked up and said, 'I only saw her once when I went to see her perform. She didn't know I was in the audience; I told her about it later. I didn't want her to think about coming back until she was ready.' 'About six months after his visit, I was ready,' Grandma said. I went over and hugged Grandma. 'That's so sweet!' I said. 'I want to know more about it!' Grandma smiled at me and replied. 'Maybe I'll tell you more another day.' That was fine with me, but the next day I was back up in the attic looking at all Grandma's wonderful clothes and thinking about what her life must have been like then.

B **Complete the *Exam Task*.**

Exam Task

Look at the sentences below. Read the text to decide if each sentence is correct or incorrect. Write **T** (True) or **F** (False).

1 Claire says her grandad was a hard-working man. ☐
2 Claire's grandparents thought Claire and her father were similar. ☐
3 Claire found some casual, modern dresses in the attic. ☐
4 When Claire saw the dresses, she was sure they were her grandmother's. ☐
5 People paid Claire's grandma compliments about her singing. ☐
6 Claire's grandma didn't want to leave town because she was too young. ☐
7 Grandad tried to help Grandma make an important decision. ☐
8 A year after Claire's grandma returned, she had her wedding. ☐

(___ / 8 marks)

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Vocabulary and Use your English

A Circle the correct words.

1 Mike takes after / for his mum – they both like playing music and reading books.
2 My older brother took / passed down his old clothes to me.
3 Add two eggs and put the mixing / mixture in the oven. Your cake will be ready in 20 minutes.
4 My mum says I shouldn't be choosy / choice and I must eat the food we have.
5 Her grandmother brought / passed away last year.
6 Tom found out / up amazing things about his uncle when he read his journal.
7 Daisy's brother is very popular at school. Everyone says he looks after / like Zac Efron.
8 I was looking for / up my granny's old photos and instead I found the letters she wrote to my grandad when they were engaged.
9 I won't tell you what Martin said because you can't keep / get a secret.
10 Mum always says that we brighten / bright her life with our laughter. (___ / 10 marks)

B Circle the odd one out.

1	divorced	married	middle-aged
2	ancestors	traditions	twins
3	easy-going	unkind	friendly
4	height	slim	overweight
5	find out	take after	look like
6	honest	reliable	young
7	thirst	hunger	vitamin
8	dish	bite	plate

(___ / 8 marks)

C Match the words in bold in the sentences 1–6 with their meanings a–f.

1 She was very sad because her grandfather **passed away**. ☐
2 He **looked after** his sister. ☐
3 Jack **fell to pieces** when Fiona told him she wanted a divorce. ☐
4 You must **have sympathy** for other people and their problems. ☐
5 My great-grandmother **passed down** this beautiful ring to me. ☐
6 My cousin **took after** his very tall father. ☐

a give to a younger relation
b get really upset
c looked similar to
d show understanding
e did everything for
f died

(___ / 6 marks)

D Complete the dialogue with these words.

bowl waiter delicious dessert protein spoon starter dinner

Anna: I can't wait to have **(1)** _____! I'm really starving.
Ben: So am I. That pizza looks **(2)** _____.
Anna: Yes, it does but let's have a **(3)** _____ of soup first. It's my favourite **(4)** _____.
Ben: Ok. Then we'll have the pizza. Do you think there's a lot of **(5)** _____ in pizza?
Anna: There must be some, but I don't know how much. Can you ask the **(6)** _____ for another set of cutlery? I don't have any.
Ben: Ok. You'll need a big **(7)** _____ to eat the soup.
Anna: I sure do. What should we have for **(8)** _____?
Ben: I don't know about you, but I'm having ice cream.
Anna: That sounds like a wonderful idea. (___ / 8 marks)

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Grammar

A Circle the correct words.

1 Water is freezing / freezes at 0° Celsius.
2 We are going / go to the cinema after dinner this evening.
3 Why does Sue smell / is Sue smelling the cheese?
4 My mobile phone is ringing / rings. I have to answer it.
5 My grandparents aren't having / don't have a new car.
6 The weather is getting / gets hotter with each passing day.
7 The Nelsons are visiting / visit France every summer.
8 Most people are believing / believe that junk food is bad for our health.
9 What are you doing / do you do every day after class?
10 Peter is working / works as a waiter this summer to save some money.

(___ / 10 marks)

B Complete the sentences with these words.

a few a little a number of any much

1 There weren't _____ children on the street.
2 _____ snow fell this morning, but it didn't even cover the ground.
3 Did it take _____ time to get to school this morning?
4 _____ my relatives live in Australia.
5 Only _____ of the children came to the party.

(___ / 5 marks)

C Complete the dialogue with the correct form of the Past Simple or the Past Continuous of the verbs in brackets.

Paul: Hi Mandy.
Mandy: Hi Paul. **(1)** _____ (you / do) anything after school yesterday?
Paul: No, I **(2)** _____ (not do). What about you?
Mandy: Well, after I got home, I **(3)** _____ (check) my messages on Facebook. I **(4)** _____ (have) one from Roland. He asked me to meet him at the mall.
Paul: Did you go?
Mandy: Yes, I did. When I got there, Roland **(5)** _____ (wait) for me. We **(6)** _____ (decide) to see a movie instead of going shopping.
Paul: How did you get home?
Mandy: It **(7)** _____ (not rain) so we walked home.
Paul: Did you play computer games when you got home?
Mandy: No, we couldn't. My sister **(8)** _____ (use) the computer, so we **(9)** _____ (watch) a football game on TV instead.
Paul: Did Roland go home after the game?
Mandy: No, he didn't. While we **(10)** _____ (watch) the game, my mother asked Roland to stay for dinner, so he did.

(___ / 10 marks)

D Complete the sentences using the correct form of *used to, be used to, get used to* or *would*.

1 After living in India for five years, I eventually _____ eating curry.
2 Jenny _____ cooking her own meals now. Her mum taught her before she left home.
3 Linda has been living in Finland all her life so she _____ the cold weather.
4 My mum _____ invite all my cousins to my birthday parties. They were great fun!
5 When my dad was a student he _____ own a computer. He used to type his assignments.

(___ / 5 marks)

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Writing

Complete the *Exam Task*.

Exam Task

Write an **email** to a friend describing a surprise birthday party you gave for your grandad.
In your email you should:

- write about the preparations you made
- write about the food you served

(100 words)

(___ / 10 marks)

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