

Gateway B1+ - Joaquin

Student name _____

Group/Class _____

Date _____ Score _____

VOCABULARY

- 1 Complete the email with a synonym of the words given. Use the words in the box. There are two words that you do not need to use.

attractive calm generous happy hard immature intelligent sociable

Hey Julia,

Why weren't you at Ben's party on Friday? I missed you. It was 1 hard (difficult) to find Ben's house at first, so I was late. Everyone was already there, and it was very loud. Ben's friends are more 2 sociable (outgoing) and chat more than me, so I felt a bit shy. I was so 3 happy (glad) to see Greg. He came over and talked to me as he could see I was nervous. He told me he's going to study medicine. He's so 4 intelligent (clever). Sometimes I don't understand what he's talking about! Greg introduced me to a friend of his, called Callum, who's very 5 attractive (good-looking)! Debbie was there too, being silly as usual. She's so 6 immature (childish) sometimes. She's a year older than us, but she doesn't seem it.

Let's meet soon,

Love Betsy

Score: / 6

- 2 Complete the dialogue with the words in the box. There are two words that you do not need to use.

arrivals delay information luggage platform service station taxi rank

Janet: What time does Lisa's train arrive?

Steve: I think it's about 10.30. Can you see it on the 1 information screen?

Janet: Yes, there it is. 10.34. But there's a 2 delay of ten minutes, so that means 10.44.

Steve: OK, so we still have 15 minutes. Which 3 platform does the train come into?

Janet: Number eight. It's over there.

Steve: Lisa says she's bringing a lot of **4** luggage , so I don't think we should take the bus home. It's not easy carrying bags on the bus.

Steve: You're right. There's a **5** taxi rank just outside the station, so we can go there when she arrives.

Janet: Great! Look, here comes the train!

Score: / 5

GRAMMAR

3 Choose the best answers to complete the dialogue.

Jenny: Hi Ben, **1** are you sitting on your own?

Ben: Yes, come and join me!

Jenny: What **2** are you eating ?

Ben: It's the chicken dish. It's not bad. Your salad looks nice.

Jenny: Yeah, it's a cheese salad. I **3** don't eat meat.

Ben: There's a new girl in our class. She's vegetarian, too.

Jenny: Really?

Ben: Yes, she's over there. She **4** 's wearing a blue jumper.

Jenny: Oh yeah, she looks friendly. **5** Does she play football? We need another player for the match after school.

Ben: No idea! Ask her. She's probably keen to make friends.

Jenny: Good idea. Come and watch us! The match **6** starts at 4 pm.

Ben: OK, sure. See you there.

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| 1 A are you sitting | B do you sit | C are we sat |
| 2 A do you eat | B is eating | C are you eating |
| 3 A eat | B don't eat | C 'm eating |
| 4 A wears | B 's wearing | C wear |
| 5 A Does she play | B Is she playing | C She plays |
| 6 A starts | B is starting | C starting |

Score: / 6

- 4 Complete the text with the correct present simple or present continuous forms of the verbs given.

My favourite person

My favourite person is my grandma. She is like a best friend to me. She

- 1 doesn't live (not live) far away. It's a five-minute walk, so I often 2 go (go) and visit her. She's a really likeable person. She's always smiling. Even though she's elderly, she's very energetic and 3 loves (love) trying new things. We 4 're learning (learn) Italian together at the moment. It's hard, but we 5 're making (make) good progress. She 6 wants (want) to take me to Italy next year. The best thing about my grandma is that she's always there for me when I 7 have (have) a problem.

Score: / 7

- 5 Complete the mini-dialogues with the correct past simple or past perfect form of the verbs in the box. There are two verbs that you do not need to use.

cancel leave meet miss not check in set off take off

- 1 **Ana:** I saw your brother in the café. He's so friendly.
Ben: Was it the first time you had met him?
- 2 **Ali:** Where did you start your trip?
Max: We set off from Paris.
- 3 **Lea:** Why are you so late?
Zoe: I'm sorry, but we missed the train and had to wait 20 minutes for the next one.
- 4 **Bob:** When I got home, I realised I had left my mobile phone on the seat in the bus.
Zac: Oh no. Did you call the lost property office?
- 5 **Amy:** I didn't check in the small bag. We can take it on the plane.
Sue: Good idea.

Score: / 5

- 6 Complete the text with the correct past simple, past continuous or past perfect form of the verbs in the box.

be fall get off hope leave miss stop travel

I 1 fell _____ asleep on the train once and missed my stop. It was two years ago when I 2 was leaving _____ college in London to go home. I 3 was travelling _____ on a train from Kings Cross to Newark-on-Trent about 125 miles away. It 4 had been _____ a long day in London, so I was very tired. I had done this journey many times but had never fallen asleep before. On this occasion, I woke up just as the train 5 was stopping _____ in Newark, so I got my bags and went to the door, but unfortunately, before I got there, the train set off again.

I 6 was hoping _____ to get off at the next stop, but the train didn't stop there. Finally, the train arrived in Doncaster, 35 miles north of Newark where I 7 got off _____. Luckily, I only had to wait ten minutes for a train going in the opposite direction, and I arrived back in Newark, only a little over an hour after I 8 had missed _____ my stop.

Score: / 8

READING

7 Read the text.

The importance of friendship

What makes a best friend?

We all know that friendship is one of the most important things affecting our well-being and happiness, and it can even reduce stress. Being with people who make us feel good about ourselves and are interested in what we have to say makes us feel more confident. But what is the definition of a true best friend?

We'd like to hear from you! What qualities do you look for in a friend and how do you form good friendships? Do you choose friends who have similar personalities to you? Let us know!

Replies:

Susan: I need to know that my friends are loyal and that they will always be there for me in good times and bad. I prefer to have a small group of really close friends. I know my best friend, Tania, will always support me. She's the first person I go to when I'm feeling down. I can tell her anything! She always offers lots of suggestions and does her best to help.

Josh: Generous people are often happier with their lives, and are likely to have more close friends. But being generous doesn't just mean that you buy your friends a coffee or lunch from time to time, or let them wear your favourite clothes for a party. It really means giving up your time for them, to help them fix their bicycle or go and see them when they're ill. This is what I look for in my friends – someone who really cares about me.

Lily: It's important to me that my friends are cheerful and optimistic. I don't like being with people who are negative and always see the glass half empty! Spending time with happy friends, who don't complain about things, helps me see the world in a positive light.

Reuben: I like friends who are reliable. They do what they say they are going to do, and arrive when they say they are going to arrive! It's very annoying when you make plans and your friends forget all about them or arrive really late. It shows that they don't respect you or value your time.

Dan: My best friends tend to be very easy-going like me. They want to have fun and be adventurous, but at the same time, they don't worry too much. You can't let your worries and fears stop you from doing stuff. Then life passes you by and you don't get to do all the things that you dream of doing! 'Just go with the flow.' That's what I always say, and my friends agree with me.

8 Match the people in the text to the friends they would choose from the personality profiles.

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Jo: I'm a really relaxed person. I never worry much about things. You need to enjoy every day. I like trying new things and always say yes when my friends suggest doing something.

Dan

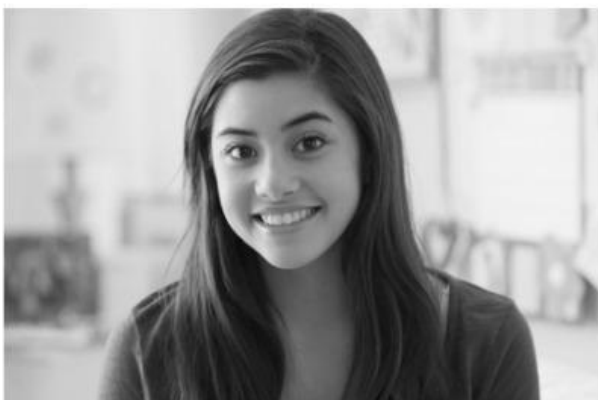
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Alfie: People describe me as having a sunny personality. I never really feel sad about things. I always look on the bright side of life. Things aren't always perfect, but there's no point in being so serious about it all.

Lily

3



Lisanne: My close friends are very important to me. I don't have a lot of friends, so I always have time for the friends I have. I'm a good listener and I don't mind hearing people's problems.

Susan

4



Jim: People describe me as being kind and giving. I often get messages from friends asking me to help them with something, as they know I don't mind. I like being there for other people – it makes me feel good.

Josh



Alison: I'm a very organised person. I always use a diary, as well as the calendar on my phone. I like to know what I'm doing a week in advance. I hate forgetting things and get very impatient with friends who are late.

Reuben

Score: / 5