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Vocabulary

1 Match the personality adjectives to the sentences they describe.

calm considerate creative modest outgoing selfish
talkative untrustworthy

- Linda is a really good pianist and violinist, but she never boasts about it. _____
- Liz is one of those people who can chat for hours. _____
- Daniel only ever thinks about himself. It's really annoying. _____
- Monica always comes up with interesting ideas for stories and songs. _____
- Javi is the life and soul of the party. He's always singing, dancing and having fun. _____
- Julia doesn't get stressed or lose her temper with anyone. _____
- I'm not sure about Louis. I don't think he tells the truth all the time. _____
- Filippo always thinks about other people and how they are feeling. _____

Score __/8

2 Complete the idioms with one word in each gap.

- My little brother is a real pain in the _____. He's always taking my tech stuff without asking and damaging it.
- Graham's such a big _____. He always tells people information that should be kept private.
- My neighbour is a real party _____. She is always out at discos or having friends round to sing and dance all night.
- I was always a bit of a _____ at school. I didn't say much at any of the social events.
- Alex, the new boy in our class is a real live _____. He never sits still and is full of energy.

Score __/5

3 Read the interview and use the words given to form a word that fits in the gap.

Pierre: When did you know that you wanted to become a
1 _____ (music)?

Edita: I knew from a very young age that
2 _____ (create) was going to be a part of my life, even though I had no
3 _____ (involve) in music until I was a teenager.

Pierre: Can you tell us how you write your music?

Edita: My 4 _____ (prefer) is to be somewhere quiet. In fact, I do most of my writing in the mountains. I have a small cottage in the Alps where there are no 5 _____ (distract) and I can find a 6 _____ (connect) with nature. I feel there is a sense of 7 _____ (free) in the mountains that I don't feel in the city, and that inspires me greatly.

Pierre: That's really interesting.

Score __/7

Grammar

- 4 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. Use between two and five words.

- 1 They pay more attention when they aren't distracted.
LESS

They _____ when they are distracted.

- 2 Complimenting and criticising take the same amount of effort.
EASY

Criticising someone _____ complimenting them.

- 3 If you keep on arguing, you'll just get more stressed.
ARGUE

_____, the more stressed you'll get.

- 4 The teacher can read a lot faster than the students.
AS

None of the students can _____ the teacher.

Score __/8

- 5 Complete the text with *a, an, the* or *(-)*.

Women who helped change the world

1 _____ history of science is mostly about men. But the contribution of women has been vital to 2 _____ discoveries and inventions that 3 _____ humans have made.

Ada Lovelace was 4 _____ mathematician, and she worked with 5 _____ inventor of the mechanical computer, Charles Babbage, in the 19th century. While working for Babbage, she made a series of notes, which some experts think was the first computer program ever written.

Not many people realise that 6 _____ woman helped discover DNA. Her name was Rosalind Franklin and she was 7 _____ chemist and her photographs helped Francis Crick and James Watson identify 8 _____ DNA in 1953.

Finally, not many people knew at the time that the calculations of Katherine Johnson, 9 _____ African American mathematician, ensured the Apollo 11 space rocket was able to get the first men to the Moon in July 1969. But she was as important as any of the scientists who worked on this project.

Score __/9

- 6 Complete the sentences with the words and phrases in the box.

being able to can could couldn't didn't manage to
managed to succeeded in will be able to

- 1 When she was fifteen, Mia _____ running her first marathon.
2 Matteo _____ swim quite well by the time he is ten.
3 Although she was strong, Alejandra _____ carry the boxes all the way up the stairs.
4 Since moving to the coast, Sergio loves _____ swim every day.
5 Dita says she _____ help me fix my bike this weekend.
6 _____ you hear the birds singing every morning when you lived in the countryside?
7 Juan was happy that he _____ find his keys and open the door before it started raining.
8 I _____ speak English very well until I moved to the US when I was 12.

Score __/8

Use of English

7 Complete the text with the best words (A, B, C or D).

A dream that came true

In 1985, 1 _____ rock concert the world had ever seen took place in stadiums in London and Philadelphia. It was called Live Aid, and it was organised to raise money to fight poverty and famine in Africa. All of the world's most famous groups and musicians of the time played, including U2, Elton John and Sting, but not all of the performers were as well known 2 _____ them. In fact, the first singer on stage wasn't famous at all. His name was David Weinstein, and he had just left high school. David 3 _____ play the guitar quite well and had written some of his own songs, but he was not a professional.

David travelled from his home in Miami across 4 _____ country to Philadelphia, with the simple goal of playing the first songs at the Live Aid concert. When he arrived in Philadelphia ten days before the concert was going to take place, he quickly found the organiser, Bill Graham, and gave him

5 _____ recording of his songs. Mr Graham 6 _____ as impressed with the songs as David had hoped, but he didn't give up. The next time he saw Bill Graham, David 7 _____ play a couple of songs for him. And soon after that, Mr Graham agreed.

So, on 13th July 1985, this 18-year-old singer, with no professional experience, succeeded 8 _____ making his dream come true when at 8.51 in the morning, he played the first song at the biggest rock concert in the world.

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| 1 A largest | C a large |
| B the largest | D the larger |
| 2 A as | C to |
| B like | D for |
| 3 A managed to | C could |
| B can | D couldn't |
| 4 A the | C a |
| B this | D to |
| 5 A the | C this |
| B some | D a |
| 6 A wasn't | C didn't |
| B was | D felt |
| 7 A succeeded | C was able to |
| B were able to | D managed |
| 8 A to | C with |
| B in | D of |

Score __/8

Listening

8 Listen to five people talking about a person in their life and tick (✓) the correct sentence.

Who are they all talking about?

- 1 Someone who they would like to meet. ☐
- 2 Someone who has inspired or helped them. ☐
- 3 Someone who has taken care of them. ☐
- 4 Someone who they've grown up with. ☐

Score __/2

9 Listen again. Choose from the list (A–E) who each speaker (1–5) is talking about.

- A a relative
- B a musician
- C a teacher
- D a neighbour
- E a manager

Speaker 1 ☐Speaker 2 ☐Speaker 3 ☐Speaker 4 ☐Speaker 5 ☐

Score __/5

10 Listen again. Choose the best answer.

- 1 Speaker 1 is talking about someone ...
 - A whose lifestyle inspired her.
 - B who taught her at university.
 - C someone who she met while on holiday.
- 2 Speaker 2 is talking about someone ...
 - A whose teaching inspired him to study the same subject.
 - B who he became close friends with.
 - C whose actions inspired his choice of study.
- 3 Speaker 3 is talking about someone ...
 - A who gave them a job.
 - B who became an important role model in her career.
 - C who gave her a promotion at work.
- 4 Speaker 4 is talking about someone ...
 - A whose life was easy.
 - B who helped the speaker start his own business.
 - C who taught him to stay positive and not give up.
- 5 Speaker 5 is talking about someone ...
 - A who the speaker knew well.
 - B who kept something the speaker gave him for a long time.
 - C who was unkind to the speaker.

Score __/5

Reading

Extraordinary stories of survival

A

In June 1972, Dougal Robertson and his family were sailing across the Pacific Ocean, 17 months into a round-the-world voyage, when something terrible happened. Orcas hit their wooden yacht, which quickly sunk, leaving the family to survive on two small boats. After six days, their food and water ran out, so they survived by eating turtles and fish they managed to catch. After 17 days, one of their boats became unusable, so the six of them had to move into the smaller boat. Things got worse when sharks circled them, and Dougal had to hit them with his hands to protect his family. But eventually, 38 days after their yacht sank, they were rescued by a Japanese fishing ship, very thirsty, hardly able to speak, but alive.

B

In late June 2018, 12 boys and their coach from a football team got trapped inside a giant cave in Thailand. They had gone exploring after football practice one afternoon, but heavy rain soon filled up the cave and blocked their way out. Cave divers and rescue experts from around the world flew in to help the Thai army to organise the rescue. But the caves were quickly filling with water, and no one knew where the boys were. Nine days later, two British divers found the boys and their coach alive almost 3 km down in the caves. But the danger wasn't over yet, as the divers had to quickly find a way to get the boys out of the cave before it filled with water. On 7th July, two weeks after the boys had gone missing, the rescue began. Over 100 divers worked for three days to bring the boys safely out.

C

When a passenger plane crashed over the Peruvian rainforest on Christmas Eve 1971, 17-year-old Juliane Koepcke was the only survivor. With a broken bone in her neck and cuts to her arms, amazingly, she was able to walk.

With some knowledge of how to survive in the rainforest, Juliane looked for water and soon found a stream. This provided her with fresh water to drink and a natural path in the thick forest, and she also knew that it would eventually lead to a larger river and people. For nine days, she walked and swam until she found a hut and a boat. Soon, some men found her and helped look after her before taking her down the river in their boat to a place where she could be flown to hospital.

D

On 31st March 2016, after taking a few wrong turns in her car, Ann Rodgers, a 72-year-old woman from Tucson, Arizona, found herself on a tiny road in the Arizona desert, with no fuel and no mobile phone signal. After spending the night in her car, she decided to leave it and look for help. For the next nine days, she was alone in the desert. Fortunately, Mrs Rodgers had taken lessons in survival. She drank water from a pond, found plants to eat, and even cooked a turtle over a fire. She also made a large sign with sticks and stones that said 'HELP'. It was this action that saved her life, as it was spotted by a pilot flying over the area, and nine days after she went missing, Mrs Rodgers was rescued alive and well.

11 Read the four texts that tell true stories of survival and complete the sentences below. Write one to two words in each gap.

- The Robertson family spent 17 days at sea in two _____.
- A Thai football team got stuck in a cave after deep water _____ their way out.
- Juliane Koepcke was the only person to survive a _____.
- Ann Rodgers got lost while driving in _____.

Score ____/4

12 Read the text again. Choose the correct text (A, B, C or D).

Which text ...

- describes a person who had suffered an injury? _____
- describes someone who had been travelling for a long time? _____
- describes what the person did to find help? _____
- talks about an event that required international support? _____
- describes a person who went the wrong way? _____
- describes a situation that required the rescue team to act fast? _____
- describes a situation that lasted the longest? _____
- talks about a person who was with other people before but left alone after the incident? _____

Score ____/8

- 13 In your opinion, who do you think was the luckiest person to survive in the four texts? Give three reasons for your answer.

Score __/3

Writing

14 Read the announcement and write your article in 140–190 words.

Writing competition

Lost!

Imagine you are on a small tropical island with one other person. Who would you choose to be your island companion? They can be someone famous or someone you know.

Write an article explaining who you would choose, why you think they would be a good companion and how they would be able to help you both survive.

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Score /10

Speaking

15 Work in pairs. Give a presentation to your partner about a person that you know well that you admire today. Explain what your relationship is to them, how long you've known them and why you admire them.

Score /10

Vocabulary __/20
Grammar __/25
Use of English __/8
Listening __/12
Reading __/15
Writing __/10
Speaking __/10
TOTAL __/100