

Section 2

Words easily confused

Use the correct form of the words in the boxes to complete the sentences in each group A-H below. You may use some of the words more than once. In some cases, more than one word may be correct.

A like alike unlike likely as same similar common

- 1 It's very _____ to see people asleep on the train when travelling to work. When I'm tired I do the _____.
- 2 My cousin John looks just _____ his father. They even have _____ habits.
- 3 Jonathan is very polite _____ his brother who is really rude.
- 4 Dora and Mary look _____ and often I can't tell one from the other.
- 5 He's as white _____ a ghost. It's very _____ that he is going to faint.
- 6 They are _____ to be late, so let's start eating dinner.

B suit fit match combine compare

- 1 You must _____ strength with will-power to become a successful weightlifter.
- 2 The red tie doesn't _____ you and it doesn't _____ your clothes either.
- 3 My trainers are too small and don't _____ me anymore.
- 4 You can't _____ a Ferrari to an ordinary car.

C punctual accurate correct exact sharp

- 1 The _____ answer to the maths problem is 2.43 not 2.53.
- 2 Be here at 8 o'clock _____, otherwise I'll leave without you.
- 3 Barometers are the most _____ way of measuring atmospheric pressure.
- 4 Jason is a very _____ person. He is never late.
- 5 The _____ distance from Burwood to the city centre is 17.4 km.

D remain reveal review revise relieve release

- 1 The journalist wouldn't _____ her source no matter how much pressure I put on her.
- 2 My family were _____ to hear that my grandfather's operation went well. He then had to _____ in hospital for four weeks before he could be _____.
- 3 We had to _____ all ten units for the maths test.
- 4 My editor asked me to _____ a new play by John Astor.
- 5 The 'New Rockers' have _____ their new album and the reviews have been excellent so far.