

2ND QUIZ INTER 10

1. Complete the missing words based on the context of the professions and the reviews in the text.

1. She was a famous a_____ who designed lots of amazing, modern buildings.
2. The smartphone looks great and comes at a very reasonable price, but the b_____ life is terrible; it only lasts two hours.
3. Surprisingly light, but d_____ enough to take on even the longest and roughest journeys.
4. My favourite f_____ on this suitcase is the zipper, which never lets you down.
5. The bike tyres are great for the countryside, but the instructions were quite c_____ and hard to understand.
6. He was a famous p_____ who wrote brilliant books about power, freedom, and human rights.
7. It fits perfectly in my living room and for that low price, it's a real b_____!
8. This family car doesn't have quite as much s_____ as you'd expect, but it's very smooth to drive.
9. I had a few problems when I tried to i_____ the software on the audio system.
10. Looks good, and turns on a_____ if you walk near it because it has a motion sensor.

2. Complete the dialogues or choose the best functional response

1. A: Can I give you a hand with your heavy suitcase?

B: (Accepting) _____, thank you!

- **a) Don't worry. I'm OK.**
- **b) Would you mind?**
- **c) I'd rather do it myself.**

2. A: Feel free to help yourself from the fridge.

B: (Accepting) _____.

- **a) That'd be great, thanks!**
- **b) It's OK, I can manage.**
- **c) No need, really.**

3. A: Shall I take your coat for you?

B: (Declining politely) _____.

- **a) Please.**
- **b) Thanks for the offer, but I'm fine.**
- **c) Would you like me to?**

4. A: Need any help?

B: (Declining) Don't worry. _____.

- *a) I'm OK.*
- *b) That'd be lovely.*
- *c) Yes, please.*

5. Which phrase is used to offer help?

- *a) It's OK. I can manage.*
- *b) Would you like me to give you a lift?*
- *c) That's very kind, but I'm full.*

6. A: I'll make a list of the action points from the meeting.

B: (Accepting) Oh, _____.

- *a) I'd rather not.*
- *b) That'd be lovely.*
- *c) There's no need – really.*

7. A: Are you sure you don't want me to give you a clue for the puzzle?

B: (Declining) It's OK. _____.

- *a) I can manage, thanks.*
- *b) Would you mind?*
- *c) Let me check.*

8. A: Let me get you a fruit juice.

B: (Declining with a reason) _____.

- a) That's very kind, but I just had a coffee on the plane.
- b) Please, do it now.
- c) You're welcome to do it.

9. Complete the offer: "_____ I help you with those instructions?"

- a) Want
- b) Shall
- c) Would you mind

10.A: Do you want me to help you look for your keys?

B: (Declining) _____.

- a) That'd be great.
- b) It's OK. There's no need – really.
- c) Would you mind?

3 Choose the correct option to complete each sentence

1. If I _____ that you were in trouble, I would have done something to help you.

- a) knew
- b) 'd known
- c) have known

2. It _____ happened if I had been paying more attention to the road.

- a) might not have
- b) shouldn't to have
- c) wouldn't never

3. I have a regret. I _____ started working on the project much earlier.

- a) should have
- b) shouldn't have
- c) would have

4. You _____ told her my secret! Now she is very angry with me.

- a) shouldn't have
- b) should have
- c) might have

5. She bought a _____ handbag yesterday at the market.

- a) leather Italian red small
- b) small old red Italian leather
- c) red small Italian old leather

6. Look at that _____ car parked outside.

- a) new red sports
- b) sports red new
- c) red sports new

7. I _____ should have checked the instructions before assembling the bicycle.

- a) probably
- b) never
- c) more

8. If it hadn't been _____ your help, we would never have won the competition.

- a) with
- b) for
- c) about

9. He is wearing a _____ cotton T-shirt.

- a) yellow and green
- b) yellow green
- c) green yellow

10. We bought a lovely _____ table lamp for the living room.

- a) wooden
- b) wood
- c) of Wood

4. Each of the following sentences contains a grammatical error. Identify it and write the sentence correctly **REWRITE THE FULL SENTENCE**.

1. *If I would have known it was your birthday, I would have bought a cake.*

2. *We should have probably arrived earlier to get good seats.*

3. *I bought a wooden lovely table lamp last week.*

4. *If it hadn't been for the map, we might got completely lost in the forest.*

5. *You shouldn't have forced them to sign the contract if they didn't want to.*

6. *He drives a black big old German car.*

7. *I should have solved the problem another way instead of shouting.*

8. *If you had listened to me, this wouldn't have ever happened.*

9. *She bought a green and yellow beautiful silk scarf.*

10. *I probably should have told them the truth from the very beginning.*

Learning from the Past: Interviews and Innovations

Job interviews have changed dramatically over the years. In the past, managers would simply look at a candidate's CV and ask them to list their qualifications. Today, however, competency-based interviews are the gold standard. In these interviews, candidates are asked to describe real events from their past. For example, an interviewer might ask an applicant to describe a time they faced a major failure in education or work. According to experts, the secret to success is to explain the situation clearly, detail the action you

took, and remain positive by showing what lesson you learned from that failure. If candidates hadn't adapted to this new style, many excellent professionals would have failed to get their dream jobs.

This focus on learning from mistakes also applies to product design. Last year, a tech company released a new microwave that heated food in super-fast time. It was an instant hit because at £300, it was excellent value for money. However, their next product—a sleek new smartphone—received terrible reviews. Customers complained that although the price was low, the battery life was awful, lasting only a couple of hours.

The design team later admitted, "We probably should have tested the battery under realistic conditions before launch." Fortunately, their latest release, a beautifully designed smart speaker with deep sound quality, has fixed their reputation, even though some users found the setup instructions a bit confusing at first.

WRITE TRUE (T) FALSE (F) OR DOESN'T SAY (DS)

1. Competency-based interviews are less common today than they were in the past.
2. In a modern interview, you should talk about the actions you took in specific situations.
3. The text recommends being negative when describing a failure to show honesty.
4. The microwave mentioned in the text cost more than £400.
5. The smartphone was praised by customers for its excellent battery life.

6. The smartphone's screen was bigger than the previous model.
7. The design team regrets not testing the smartphone battery more realistically.
8. The new smart speaker has the main speakers located at the top of the device.
9. Some customers experienced difficulties when trying to install/setup the smart speaker.
10. The tech company went bankrupt after the smartphone failure.

5. CHOOSE THE BEST OPTION

1. What did interviewers focus on in the past?
 - a) Competencies and behavioral events.
 - b) Checking lists of qualifications and CVs.
 - c) Testing the candidates' psychological reactions.
2. What should a candidate do when describing a failure?
 - a) Hide it and talk about a success instead.
 - b) Blame other colleagues for the mistake.
 - c) Show how the experience improved their current performance.
3. Why was the microwave considered "excellent value for money"?
 - a) It was cheap and heated food incredibly fast.
 - b) It came with a free cookbook.
 - c) It was made of high-quality Italian leather.
4. What was the main defect of the smartphone?
 - a) The price was too high for regular people.
 - b) The battery only lasted a couple of hours.
 - c) The screen broke very easily.
5. What does the word "**their**" in paragraph 2 ("...their next product...") refer to?
 - a) The candidates.
 - b) The interviewers.

- c) The tech company.
6. The design team said: "*We probably should have tested the battery...*" This indicates:
- a) A future plan.
 - b) A past regret.
 - c) A present certainty.
7. What is true about the smart speaker's sound quality?
- a) It is quite deep and high-quality.
 - b) It is terrible because of the bottom speakers.
 - c) The text does not mention the sound quality.
8. What part of the smart speaker caused some minor problems for users?
- a) The price was too expensive.
 - b) Setting up/installing the system.
 - c) The physical weight of the device.
9. What would have happened if candidates hadn't adapted to competency interviews?
- a) They would have found jobs much faster.
 - b) Many wouldn't have gotten their dream jobs.
 - c) Companies would have stopped interviewing people.
10. What is the overall tone of the text regarding failures?
- a) Failures are permanent and destroy reputations completely.
 - b) Failures are valuable learning opportunities if analyzed correctly.
 - c) Failures should be avoided by never trying anything new.

6 [Track 120] You will hear five short extracts in which friends are giving Jo advice about her lifestyle. For questions 1–5, choose from the list (A–H) what each friend says. Use the letters only once. There are three extra letters which you do not need to use.

1. Speaker 1 ____

2. Speaker 2 ____

3. Speaker 3 ____

4. Speaker 4 ____

5. Speaker 5 ____

- A Do sport or dance to get fit.
- B You should consider joining a gym.
- C If I were you, I'd give more hugs.
- D You should do a training course.
- E Reading for pleasure would do you good.
- F You definitely need to give up coffee completely.
- G Try eating leafy greens at least once a day.
- H You ought to drink less of something.