READY FOR C2 PROFICIENCY

TEST UNITS 5 & 6

1. Match sentence halves to make correct sentences.

1. This movie was by and	a. error because no one's perfect.
2. To be honest, my twins are like chalk and	b. tested way of getting people on side.
3. You can only succeed via trial and	c. cheese as far as character is concerned.
4. This recipe by my grandma is a tried and	d. large the best performance by the Bollywood actor.
5. What we must do today is look at the ins and	e. outs of the commercial viability of the product.
6. I prefer meeting in person rather than the back and	f. forth nature of online communication.
7. The injury was such that it was touch and	g. dried as people are making out.
8. This netball match is not as cut and	h. go for my aunt at times.

2. Choose the correct options to complete the sentences.

1. The ***ones*** / ***one*** that caught my eye the most were the paintings of daffodils.
2. The journalist revealed her sources, and in doing ***such*** / ***so***, was never trusted again.
3. ***Every*** / ***Each*** of my family members supports the others in whatever they choose to pursue.
4. ***Ours*** / ***Our*** isn't the best of the projects, but we did spend the most time on it.
5. It ***must*** / ***would*** have been the storm that knocked the tree down, nothing else could have.
6. ***Theirs*** / ***Their*** was the funniest performance of the night because they're both so naturally comical.
7. Could I have the ***ones*** / ***one*** that is covered with chocolate? It's my absolute favourite.
8. On the subject of sport, would you rather watch ***sport*** / ***it*** or play ***it*** / ***sport***?

3. Choose the correct options to complete the sentences.

1. Look, there's ***that*** / ***this*** girl from my class who hates sweets – how can you hate sweets?
2. ***That*** / ***This*** cat has got nine lives for sure. He's been missing for ten days and now see him strolling back in right as rain!
3. ***Those*** / ***These*** *who throw litter out of their car windows should be made to do community service.*
4. I'm not sure the committee has really thought through ***these*** / ***those*** sort of problems. They're more focused on the day-to-day issues.
5. Who asks ***that*** / ***this*** type of question in a family group? I wanted the ground to swallow me up!
6. ***These*** / ***Those*** who bought their car after 2015 are exempt from paying the emissions charge.
7. ***That*** / ***This*** house of ours is a crumbling wreck. Just look at the walls! It needs so much work, I'd rather move.
8. They talk about local investment, but how have any of ***those*** / ***these*** so-called investments helped the local community?

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Word formation

4. **Complete the gap in each sentence with the correct form of the word given.**

One day I was travelling overseas when I came across someone from my own village. This was something **(1)** _____ **(EXPECT)** to say the least. There are only around 300 **(2)** _____ **(INHABIT)** living there! So, when I saw the owner of the corner shop in an isolated mountain town in Canada, I could **(3)** _____ **(HARD)** believe my eyes.

I walked straight over and said hello. To my surprise and I'll admit, **(4)** _____ **(DISAPPOINT)**, he didn't have the foggiest who I was. How could this be? Someone must have got their wires **(5)** _____ **(CROSS)** and I felt sure it wasn't me.

So, when I got back, I made a point of **(6)** _____ **(HEAD)** straight for the shop to set the record straight. But again, he was **(7)** _____ **(CLUE)**.

Finally, he owned up and said he has an identical twin brother. It happens all the time, **(8)** _____ **(APPARENT)**! Good to know I'm not going mad!

Vocabulary

Expressions and phrases with *pay*

5. **Complete the sentences with the correct form of one of the words given.**

compliment	dividend	forward	lip	nose	price	respect	tribute

1. If you don't look after your teeth when you're young, you'll pay the _____ when you're older.
2. We were sick of paying through the _____ for a coffee so found a new meeting place.
3. I'd like to pay _____ to my uncle, whose guidance and good humour I couldn't have done this without.
4. Hundreds of mourners came to pay their _____ to the popular Head Teacher.
5. If a stranger does a good deed for you, it's always nice to pay it _____.
6. Although the musician liked it when people paid him _____ the unwanted attention made him feel embarrassed.
7. The manager stated they were in support of better resources, yet he's only paid _____ service to it thus far.
8. All those long runs at weekends paid _____ when it came to the marathon.

Rise and *fall*

6. **Choose the correct options to complete the sentences.**

1. Many supermarkets have ***waned*** / ***hiked*** prices, forcing more people to go to food banks.
2. Costs for the event are ***escalating*** / ***dwindling*** by the day so we need to acquire more funding.
3. Since the economy took a downward turn, house prices continue to ***swell*** / ***plummet***.
4. According to the Shadow Chancellor, household bills are ***soaring*** / ***spiralling*** out of control.
5. Hope for the dollar's recovery ***waned*** / ***escalated*** after the bank's pessimistic forecast.
6. The mass exodus from the town caused its population to ***hike*** / ***dwindle***.

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Conditional clauses

7. **Choose the correct options to complete the sentences.**

In the event that What if in any case so long as on condition that But for regardless of whether In case of

1. _____ the new CEO's bold approach, the company would have struggled in the downturn.
2. _____ fire, evacuate the building and call the emergency services.
3. I don't need an extortionate salary _____ I can cover my monthly costs.
4. _____ the lead actor falls ill, you will go on stage in her place.
5. We'll go on that cruise, _____ I can get leave as I can work remotely.
6. I will accept the apprenticeship _____ I get adequate sponsorship – it's impossible otherwise.
7. _____ you turned off your phone? Would that help you focus?
8. You shouldn't have to attend the meeting, but it's being recorded for absentees

Word formation

8. **Complete the gap in the sentence with the correct form of the word given.**

1. Her business partner ended up _____ **(INHERIT)** the business and its assets.
2. The _____ **(CONTRADICT)** statements from the chancellor left economists scratching their heads.
3. _____ **(ORDINARY)**, I wouldn't dare spend such vast sums of money.
4. It is his blatant _____ **(HONEST)** that I find so hard to stomach when we converse.
5. The company changed _____ **(DRAMATIC)** following the CEO's departure.
6. The proposed _____ **(SPHERE)** design divided opinion amongst the architects.
7. It was a _____ **(MEANING)** exercise, and one which none of the employees appreciated.
8. The effects of the cuts were _____ **(ESTIMATE)** by politicians, who don't appreciate what living in poverty is like.

Part 4 Key word transformations

9. **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. You must use between three and five words, including the word given.**

Example: The meeting should have taken place this morning, but the minister cancelled at the last minute.

MEANT

The meeting ***WAS MEANT TO HAVE BEEN*** held this morning, but the minister cancelled at the
last minute.

1 Due to her knowledge of stocks and shares, the investment banker was wealthy.

ROLLING

The investment banker was ..... her knowledge of stocks and shares.

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2 My cousin is a much more adept climber than me.

NEARLY

I am ……..... at climbing as my cousin.

3 Freia shouldn't be surprised at her son failing the exam.

COME

It ……..... to Freia that her son failed the exam.

4 I don't know how I'd have got home without Brian's help.

HAD

I wouldn't have got home ……..... Brian's help.

5 Going to the ballet was a spontaneous decision.

SPUR

We decided to go to the ballet …….....

6 No one has much spare cash in the current climate.

PINCH

Everyone …….....in the current climate.

7 If she hadn't given me that advice, I'd never have thought to change my mortgage.

BUT

……..... advice, I'd never have thought to change my mortgage.

8 Do you mind if I sit in on this lecture?

OBJECTION

Do you have ……..... sit in on this lecture?

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