

GRAMMAR PRACTICE 1 BACH

1. Choose the correct answer.

1. She lived during an age (**when / which / where**) women didn't have the right to vote.
2. The speaker told the listeners that he'd been in Africa (**last month / the next month / the previous month**).
3. My eyes are tired. I (**have read / have been reading / was reading**) for hours.
4. Jack's arm and leg are in plaster. He (**could have / must have / should have**) had an accident.
5. The wedding invitations (**are being printed / are printing / are printed**) today.
6. He (**hadn't apologised / didn't apologise / wouldn't have apologised**) to you if he hadn't felt ashamed.
7. I wish I (**wouldn't / didn't / don't**) share a room with my sister because we always fight.
8. Mary asked me when (**we will see / we would see / would we see**) each other again.

2. Rewrite the following sentences using the words in brackets so that their original meanings do not change.

1. I haven't got enough money to buy a new car. (If)

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2. They haven't chosen the team yet. (The team)

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3. "Let's invite the Smiths over this evening." (Jane suggested)

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4. It's a shame that you can't come to our wedding. (I wish)

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5. I waited for two hours and then I left. (After)

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6. They were angry because you didn't apologise. (If)

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3. Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

Most of us 1. (never / be) close to snakes except in zoos, where they 2. (keep) safely in cages. If we saw one anywhere outside a cage, we 3. (be) terrified. But Graeme Gow from Australia isn't scared of snakes. If he was, he 4. (not do) his job. Gow is a researcher whose job 5. (involve) handling all kinds of snakes, even poisonous ones. He 6. (say) to be Australia's greatest snake expert. Incredibly, Gow 7. (bit) 146 times. Some of the bites weren't too serious, but others 8. (can / be) fatal. Luckily, the doctors identified the types of poison. Gow explained that if they 9. (not identify) the poisons, they wouldn't have been able to treat his bites. Gow 10. (tell) us that one of his few fears is being bitten one day by an unfamiliar snake. That could put a very nasty end to his career.

4. Correct the mistakes in the following sentences. Write the complete sentence again.

1. If I was you, I wouldn't spend so much money.

2. She announced that she is leaving the following day.

3. Our old car, that we want to sell, has got a puncture.

4. They said that the house had totally destroyed in the fire.

5. We'll go for a trip as soon as you will feel strong enough.

6. That mustn't be John. He's travelling in Australia this month.

7. I don't like these shoes. I wish I wouldn't have bought them.

8. In my opinion, children couldn't watch violent films.

RELATIVE CLAUSES PRACTICE

1. Choose the correct answer.

1. We went to see the house (**that / where**) we had lived as children.

2. He opened the drawer (**in which / that**) the money was hidden.

3. I'm friendly with Johnny Collins, (**whose / who**) father is our family doctor.

4. The French film, (**that / which**) lasted three hours, wasn't very good.

5. Do you remember the day (**when / which**) we first met?

6. The tennis club (**which / where**) I belong to is in this neighbourhood.

2. Combine each pair of sentences with a defining or non-defining relative clause. Use commas when necessary, and brackets when the relative can be omitted.

1. His latest album is amazing. It came out last week.

2. Joe Harris has been elected again. He's been mayor for twenty years.

3. The village has become a popular resort. We spent our honeymoon there.

4. It's a new sport. I know absolutely nothing about it.

5. The Browns were making a lot of noise. Their flat is directly above ours.

3. Correct the errors in the following sentences.

1. This is the drawer which in I keep all my old letters.

2. Mark's flat, that is very small, is on the first floor.

3. John, who sister is my best friend, is a gym instructor.

4. This is a moment when I'll never forget.

5. I'll meet you on Monday, where I'll have more free time.

ACTIVE / PASSIVE PRACTICE

1. Complete the passage with the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Use the active or passive.

Many people use the Internet, or the Net as it 1..... (call). Some people consider it as an encyclopaedia, which 2..... (can / use) to get information. However, when it 3..... (invent), the Internet had a different purpose. Until then, people 4..... (communicate) by radio and telephone, but these means of communication 5..... (not consider) safe ways of sending private messages. A new way of sending private or secret information 6..... (need).

Researchers in the American Defence Department studied the problem, and in 1969 they 7..... (establish) the Internet. Since then, the Net has grown and changed. In recent years, it 8..... (use) for e-mail, shopping and chatting to people all over the world. Millions of people 9..... (connect) to it. Perhaps, in the future, phones 10..... (replace) entirely by e-mail, but for the time being, there are still many people who prefer to chat on the phone.

MODALS PRACTICE

1. Rewrite each sentence using a modal or modal perfect. There may be more than one answer.

1. It isn't necessary for them to finish the job tonight.

They

2. It's possible that I took your jacket by mistake.

I

3. That man knows how to speak four languages.

That man

4. I didn't wear a sunhat, and now my head hurts.

My head hurts. I

5. It rained last night so the grass is wet.

It The grass is wet.

6. The man you saw wasn't Jack. He's been abroad since the summer.

You

CONDITIONALS PRACTICE

1. Complete each sentence with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

1. He'll call us before he (leave).
2. you (go) to the party if he had asked you?
3. If the phone rings, I (answer) it.
4. You would feel better if you (eat) healthier food.
5. Her parents (not be) angry if she had called.
6. If I had more free time, I (exercise) more often.
7. As soon as the guests (arrive), we'll begin the lecture.
8. They won't be able to hear you unless you (speak) louder.

2. Complete the passage with the words below.

when ■ had ■ hadn't ■ were ■ would ■ if ■ will ■ should ■ have ■ could

My wife and I seldom travel. In fact, if we 1..... received a wedding invitation from family in Cape Town, we wouldn't 2..... thought of travelling. But my wife was very excited. "Let's make a holiday of it," she suggested. "3..... we go, we 4..... do some touring." And that is what we did. If you have the opportunity, you 5..... travel to South Africa. You can rent a car 6..... you're there, but if I 7..... you, I would also include a train trip. Our relatives suggested that we take the famous Blue Train for the journey north. If we 8..... stuck to our original plan, we 9..... have missed this wonderful experience. The Blue Train travels from Cape Town to Zimbabwe. It has luxurious compartments, private bathrooms and wonderful food. If you decide to take the train, you 10..... have the pleasure of seeing wonderful scenery while relaxing in a luxury hotel on wheels.