

### 3 All in a day's work

## USE OF ENGLISH 2

1 Match the sentence halves (1-8) with (A-H).

- 1 I think learning should be free. I don't believe
- 2 I don't want to be difficult, but if I don't agree
- 3 You'd be a great school rep. Why not apply
- 4 Count me out for this film. It doesn't really appeal
- 5 She's a great player, but you can't always rely
- 6 I'm so fed up with her. She didn't even apologise
- 7 Can't we invite both? It's too hard to choose
- 8 He's fine now, but the accident resulted

- A on her to come to practice.  
B with you, I'll say so.  
C between the two of them.  
D for using my racquet without asking.  
E for it and see what happens.  
F in him being off for a month.  
G in private education for anyone.  
H to me, but I'll come next time.

2 Complete the questions with the correct prepositions.

### WORK

- 1 Which job appeals ..... you most?  
*Being a professional musician.*
- 2 If you saw an ad for a job with animals, would you apply ..... it?  
*No way! I'm allergic to animals!*
- 3 If you had to choose ..... a huge salary or job satisfaction, what would you go for?  
*Honestly? I'd choose the money!*

### RELATIONSHIPS

- 4 Who do you agree ..... most about things?  
*My sister. She gives good advice.*
- 5 Who outside your family do you rely ..... for support?  
*My music teacher.*
- 6 What was the last thing you had to apologise ..... ?  
*Breaking my mum's shoes.*

3 e Read the text and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap.

## You're more skilled than you think

You need training and experience to succeed <sup>1</sup> ..... the world of work. But whatever sector you <sup>2</sup> ..... in, there are skills common to most professions. We often refer <sup>3</sup> ..... them as 'transferable skills' and here's a list that most employers <sup>4</sup> ..... on.

### Numeracy

Think of how you cope <sup>5</sup> ..... numbers in everyday life – saving for something you want, working out a discount, or getting your fair share of pizza.

### IT skills

How might the IT skills you use every day transfer to the world of work?

### Communication skills

A project <sup>6</sup> ..... from clear communication from people with good listening skills. Think of a time when you got your message across well ... and one when you didn't! What can you learn from this?

### Team work

Almost all work depends <sup>7</sup> ..... a team effort. What examples of working as a team can you give?

### Time management

Good time management <sup>8</sup> ..... to success. You'll have shown this every time you've worked out how to get your homework done and play basketball.

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|----------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| 1 A from       | B into     | C in       | D on          |
| 2 A specialise | B focus    | C select   | D concentrate |
| 3 A to         | B onto     | C for      | D on          |
| 4 A insist     | B demand   | C ask      | D require     |
| 5 A from       | B with     | C for      | D without     |
| 6 A progresses | B proceeds | C improves | D benefits    |
| 7 A from       | B of       | C on       | D by          |
| 8 A increases  | B ends     | C results  | D leads       |

## Extend

4 Write the missing prepositions.

- 1 apologise for doing something ..... a person
- 2 agree ..... a person ..... / ..... an issue
- 3 care ..... a person who can't look after themselves
- 4 ask ..... an object you want
- 5 play ..... an object

5 Complete the conversations with the correct prepositions.

- 1 A: Did you ask your parents ..... an electric guitar?  
B: Yes, Dad agreed ..... it but Mum said no!
- 2 A: She never apologises ..... being rude.  
B: I know, but she doesn't really care ..... other people.
- 3 A: I'm never picked to play ..... the first team. It's not fair!  
B: Why don't you complain ..... the coach about it?