Solutions Intermediate Unit 7

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Complete the sentences using the correct form of the words in brackets.

1 My sister thinks Taylor Lautner is _____ (attractive) actor she's ever seen, but I don't think he's that good-looking.

2 People usually have _____ (little) free time when they're adults than when they're teenagers.

3 The more you practise, the _____ (good) you'll be able to speak English.

4 Facebook is one of _____ (popular) social-networking sites in the world.

5 It's now November, and the days are getting _____ (short) and _____ (short).

Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

1 I wish Jess _____ (fancy) me, but she doesn't.

2 I want to apologise to Jane. If only she _____ (answer) her phone.

3 It's raining, so I'd rather we _____ (not go) out tonight.

4 If I knew Leah's email address, I _____ (ask) her out on a date.

5 I'd rather _____ (not tidy) up my room tonight. I'm expecting friends any minute.

Choose the correct answers.

1 I don't really get on well **to** / **with** my brother's girlfriend.

2 Darren and I had a big row, but we **made up** / **fell out** yesterday so we're happy again.

3 I don't think I'll get **married** / **divorced** to anyone soon.

4 Have Angie and Gareth split **out** / **up** again?

5 I think Gillian likes you. Do you think she **gets engaged** / **fancies** you?

6 If I liked someone a lot, I'd **ask** / **chat** them out on a date.

7 I'm sorry I lied to you. Do you want to get **on** / **back** together with me?

Complete the sentences with prepositions.

1 It is natural to feel an attraction _____ people you spend a lot of time with.

2 If you give up too quickly, you'll have no chance _____ success.

3 If only I had a more positive attitude _____ life! I wouldn't be so unhappy all the time.

4 Is Martha going on a date _____ Jason?

5 Naomi and her friends have a shared interest _____ classical music.

6 Some of the survey results are useful, but they don't always take account _____ all the important factors.

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Use of English

1 Complete the text. Choose the correct answers, A, B, C or D.

A new study has suggested that parents shouldn't stay in an unhappy marriage for the benefit of their children. [1]____ , for many people, the question still remains: Can unhappy couples who get divorced bring up children more successfully than those who stay together for their children? Some people argue that it is [2]____ to make a child choose between each of their parents. [3]____ contrast, others claim it is worse for children whose unhappy parents [4]____ to stay together.

It is [5]____ that children learn both good and bad patterns of behaviour from their parents. Depending on how parents deal with their divorce, it is hard to [6]____ that there is likely to be some psychological effect on their children. [7]____ the other hand, if unhappy couples don't get divorced, do their children have happier lives?

Dr Joshua Coleman says, "It is not essential to you or your children's happiness for you to have a great marriage." Dr Coleman argues that staying in a relationship which isn't perfect allows each parent to love and care for their children full-time.

[8]____ , Robert Emery, director of the Centre for Children, Families and the Law at the University of Virginia, says, "[9]____ a great many young people from divorced families report painful memories and continuing troubles with family relationships, the majority are psychologically normal."

[10]____ summary, not all experts agree on the results of this recent study. I think most people would argue that the right decision depends on the different situations in each family.

1	**A** As a result	**B** Nevertheless	**C** So	**D** Therefore
2	**A** cruel	**B** messy	**C** scared	**D** tired
3	**A** At	**B** For	**C** In	**D** To
4	**A** opt	**B** disagree	**C** refuse	**D** compete
5	**A** clear	**B** visual	**C** open	**D** opposite
6	**A** choose	**B** deny	**C** find	**D** view
7	**A** At	**B** By	**C** In	**D** On
8	**A** To sum up	**B** However	**C** Finally	**D** Whereas
9	**A** Although	**B** As	**C** Because	**D** However
10	**A** For	**B** In	**C** On	**D** To

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Complete the text with the missing sentences A–F. There is one sentence you do not need.

The game of love

With the rise of social networking sites and online communication of all kinds, the idea that we can meet and interact with people online is becoming more and more acceptable. Across the globe, people can share hobbies and interests – or even meet that 'special someone'. [1]_____ If you are careful and follow a few sensible rules, it's a relatively safe way to meet a romantic partner. And, these days, more and more people are taking virtual dating a step further.

Online gaming has become very popular in recent years. Thousands of people spend hours each day having adventures in virtual fantasy worlds. Missions or quests within the game often require characters to work together to solve problems and progress through the game's levels. [2]_____ Using this technology, friendships can sometimes form between players through their virtual characters or 'avatars'.

Online games are now so sophisticated that players are not restricted to a single path and game progression as they were in earlier games. Since the development of 'go anywhere' gameplay, characters can wander around and explore the fantasy landscape however they like. Or they can just sit together next to a virtual waterfall and chat. And they do! Friends who meet up to kill a dragon may sit down later to talk about their lives and dreams. [3]_____

But is it really possible to form an accurate impression of a person through the way he or she behaves in an online game? [4]_____ And they may create avatars who have characteristics they don't have in real life. However, psychologists say that most gamers create avatars that are surprisingly true to themselves. Of course, they may not really be a 6-foot warrior, but there is a stronger connection to reality than people might expect. And their interactions with others are sometimes more frank and honest than they might be if they were on a date in the real world.

[5]_____ Gamers, online daters and users of social networks have to be cautious. In the twenty-first century we are all learning what it means to be connected to the rest of the world – and we need to be very careful when we choose how connected we want to be. However, growing numbers of people are choosing to meet, chat, date – and even get married in the virtual world!

A In a virtual world, people do amazing things in exciting situations.

B Of course, meeting strangers can be dangerous.

C This has prompted many players to say that you can learn as much about a person through gaming as you can in real life.

D Millions of people have now found love on internet dating sites.

E Most games have a chat function, or even voice communication software.

F Make sure to tell your friends what you are doing, or even take one of them along with you.

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