

Unit test 4

1a

Read the letters to a problem page. Complete the gaps with a modal verb from the boxes.

(4 marks)

can can't mustn't need to

I have had a girlfriend for five months but her mother thinks I am not good enough for her. What should I do?

If you want a relationship with this girl, then you
1 prove to her mother that you are good enough for her. This is something that you
2 only do over time. If the problem is something that you 3 change, like your job or your interests, then be as respectful to her mother as possible. You 4 apologise for being what you are as then she will feel her opinion is justified. Good luck!

1b

must shouldn't can don't have to

My mum and I are always arguing. I think she prefers my older sister to me because every time we quarrel, she says that she never had these problems with her. How can we get on better? It takes two to quarrel, so actually you 5 argue. You 6 easily decide to keep calm. Are you starting arguments to get your mother's attention? If so, you 7 stop doing this. It's true that she 8 compare you to your sister, but if she sees you trying to avoid arguments, she will do the same.

2 Choose the correct form.

(8 marks)

- 1 I *might have gone* / *could have gone* to the party but I decided not to in the end.
- 2 A: My son isn't answering his mobile!
B: Well, I suppose he *might have left* / *should have left* it in his room.
- 3 In the past you *didn't have to wear* / *shouldn't have worn* a seat belt when driving a car, but the law was changed in 1985.
- 4 You must drive more carefully than that. You *could have killed* / *should have killed* somebody!
- 5 You *didn't have to speak* / *shouldn't have spoken* to your brother like that. It was very wrong of you.
- 6 I was so angry, I *could have hit* / *should have hit* him!
- 7 I *didn't need to worry* / *needn't have worried* about my little sister because when I arrived at the party she was obviously having a good time.
- 8 I *never had to let* / *ought never to have let* you go on holiday with him. I *should have known* / *could have known* you would get in trouble.

3 Match each adjective with the correct description.

(10 marks)

arrogant generous easy-going moody mean
spoiled patient jealous stubborn rebellious

- 1 He's really selfish, his parents always give him everything he wants.
- 2 Sometimes she's really kind and helpful, and at other times really unfriendly.
- 3 He only thinks of himself and never spends money on anyone else.
- 4 You can argue with her for as long as you like but she never changes her mind.
- 5 He's relaxed and friendly and never gets angry.
- 6 He seems to think he's much more important than anyone else and is often rude to others.
- 7 She's often angry because she thinks she should have things that other people have.
- 8 She's always kind to people and never minds spending money on them.
- 9 He causes a lot of trouble because he never wants to obey rules.
- 10 She doesn't get angry if she has to wait for something.

4 Match each person to the correct definition.

(8 marks)

guardian widower stepfather great-grandfather
nephew niece widow cousin

- 1 The daughter of your brother or sister.
- 2 The son of your brother or sister.
- 3 The man (not your father) who has married your mother.
- 4 The father of your father or mother's father or mother.
- 5 A woman whose husband is dead.
- 6 A man whose wife is dead.
- 7 The son or daughter of your uncle and aunt.
- 8 A person who looks after you if your parents are dead or absent.

5 Complete the sentences with the correct preposition. Sometimes two prepositions are necessary.

(6 marks)

- 1 People say I take my dad as we are both keen football players.
- 2 I don't get very well with my sister.
- 3 The best way to deal with bullies is to stand them.
- 4 We couldn't really be friends as we have so little common.
- 5 I think you have to face the fact that your girlfriend has found someone else.
- 6 Technology seems to be changing so quickly I can't keep it.