

American English File 2 Test - Units 11 and 12

GRAMMAR

1 Choose the correct word. (5/ ____)

Example: Julie saw the Eiffel Tower when she flew onto / over / along Paris.

- 1 This is the wrong way. Turn **out** / **over** / **around** and go back.
- 2 I saw Erin as I was driving **along** / **under** / **around** Main Street.
- 3 It doesn't take long to get to the station if you go **into** / **over** / **through** the park.
- 4 The elevator wasn't working so we walked **across** / **down** / **along** the stairs.
- 5 Rafael walked **past** / **into** / **through** me without saying hello.

2 Complete the dialogues with one word. (5/ ____)

Example: A I was late this morning.

B So was I.

- 1 A I've seen this movie before.
B So ____ I.
- 2 A I didn't do well on the test.
B Neither ____ I.
- 3 A I can speak three languages.
B So ____ I.
- 4 A I'm not from New York.
B Neither ____ I.
- 5 A I bought a new car last year.
B So ____ I.

3 Complete the sentences with the correct words. (5/ ____)

Example: What are you doing? I'm looking for my keys.

looking my keys for looking for my keys

- 1 "This show is boring." "Well, turn ____."
off it it off
- 2 Will you ____ while I'm away?
look after my cat look my cat after
- 3 Thelma called. Can you call ____ this afternoon?
back her her back
- 4 What time do ____ during the week?
get they up they get up
- 5 Your glasses are here. Why don't you put ____?
them on on them

4 Put the words in the correct order to make questions. (5/ ____)

Example: book wrote who this

Who wrote this book?

- 1 2011 which actor Oscar an in British won ?

2 are exam how the students many taking ?

3 house in who that lives ?

4 World Cup which hosted last country the ?

5 buses how go many downtown ?

5 Complete the email. Put the verb in parentheses in the past simple or past perfect. (10/_____)

Hi Leon,

Did you have (you / have) a good New Year's Eve? Jenny and I went to Chicago. We

2 _____ (not be) there before. When we 3 _____ (arrive) everything was white because it 4 _____ (snow) earlier in the day. It 5 _____ (take) three hours to find somewhere to stay because we 6 _____ (not make) a hotel reservation. We 7 _____ (spend) New Year's Eve with some of Jenny's friends. She hadn't seen them for a long time, so they had a lot to talk about!

Happy New Year! Mike

6 Write the sentences in reported speech. (5/_____)

Example: "I love you." He told me that he loved me.

1 "I'm going to wash the car." She said that _____.

2 "We've finished our homework." They told her that _____.

3 "The train will be late." He said that _____.

4 "My sister can speak French." She told him that _____.

5 "Mark didn't call me." He said that _____.

6 "We're moving to Memphis." She told me that _____.

VOCABULARY

1 Match the sports to the sentences. (3/_____)

basketball cycling windsurfing golf auto racing rugby skiing

Example: You kick a ball over a goal. rugby

1 You ride a bike on a course. _____

2 You try to hit a small ball into a small hole. _____

3 You throw a ball through a net, which is high on the wall. _____

4 You move across water on a board. _____

5 You drive around a track. _____

6 You wear things on your feet to help you go down a mountain. _____

2 Complete the phrasal verbs. (7/_____)

Example: Tom's room is a mess. He never puts his clothes away.

- 1 Turn the TV _____. It's too loud.
- 2 Tarik doesn't get _____ with Adin. They argue all the time.
- 3 Can you help me to fill _____ this job application form?
- 4 The lesson will be _____ at three-thirty, then you can go home.
- 5 If they don't know a word, they can look it _____ in a dictionary.
- 6 How can I find _____ what time the museum opens?
- 7 When did you give _____ smoking?

3 Complete the sentences with the past participle of the verb in parentheses. (5/_____)

Example: Tom said he'd been (be) asleep for hours.

- 1 There were no sandwiches. We had _____ (eat) them all.
- 2 She was angry because I'd _____ (break) her favorite cup.
- 3 They said the shark had _____ (attack) two people.
- 4 She wore a necklace that her mother had _____ (give) her.
- 5 He'd _____ (send) three letters to the police, but had not received a reply.

READING

1 Read the article and choose A, B, or C. (6/_____)

Is gossip really good for you?

That's the question we asked some of our readers this week. Email us and tell us what you think.

Lesley Hartley, age 25

"There's a boy in my class at the university who I really like. He's named Tony. I was too scared to ask him out. I told my best friend Alice this secret. She said she wouldn't tell anyone. Alice couldn't keep the secret, though, and she gossiped to her other friends. Of course, her friends told Tony! Fortunately for me, the gossip was actually a good thing. Tony waited for me after class one day. He told me that Alice's friends had gossiped about me. And then he invited me to go out to the movies one night. We've been together since then! I think people are probably programmed to gossip. We need to gossip to build connections with other people."

James Goodman, age 35

"Unfortunately, I think gossiping is in our genes. And I don't think it's a positive thing. People gossip to make themselves feel more important. They don't think about the effect it has on the people they gossip about. For example, one of my neighbors gossiped about me after I divorced my wife. She said that I had treated my wife badly. Another neighbor told my work colleagues that my wife was going to move away with the children. These are both lies. I've found it difficult to meet someone else because people believe the gossip, not me."

Eric French, age 28

"We shouldn't feel guilty about a bit of gossip. I believe that gossiping is good for you. We are people, and people enjoy sharing news – both good and bad – so that they can form and improve their social relationships. I'll give you an example. I'm very shy and I don't make friends easily. My girlfriend told me that I didn't go out enough, and that I should have a better social life. She complained about this to her best friend, Susan. Then, one night, I got a phone call from Danny, Susan's boyfriend. He asked me to go out with him to see a band. I had a great time. Since then, Danny and I have seen a band every week. He's a good friend now, and I feel much happier."

Example: Lesley told her best friend ____.

A a lie **B a secret** C some gossip

- 1 Lesley started ____ Tony after Alice gossiped to her friends.
A going to the movies with **B going to class with** C going out with
- 2 Tony waited for Lesley ____ one day.
A after class **B after work** **C after the movie**
- 3 James thinks people gossip because they want to ____.
A feel more positive **B look more important** **C feel more important**
- 4 James's neighbors told ____ about him.
A funny stories **B lies** **C secrets**
- 5 Eric thinks that gossip improves ____ relationships.
A old **B social** **C working**
- 6 Eric has ____ because his girlfriend gossiped.
A made a new friend **B made a big mistake** **C met a new neighbor**

2 Write L for Lesley, J for James, or E for Eric. (4/____)

Example: I liked a boy in my class. L

- 1 I went to see a band. _____
- 2 I think people are programmed to gossip. _____
- 3 I've found it hard to meet a new partner. _____
- 4 I don't make friends easily. _____
- 5 I'm divorced. _____
- 6 I was too frightened to ask someone out. _____
- 7 I think gossiping is a negative thing. _____
- 8 I went to the movies. _____

LISTENING

1 Listen to five conversations. Match the conversations with the similarity or difference they talk about (A–G). There are two answers you don't need. (CD TEST American 2 – Track 22) (5/____)

- Conversation 1 _____
Conversation 2 _____
Conversation 3 _____

Conversation 4 _____

Conversation 5 _____

- A They love watching the children play volleyball.
- B They look exactly the same.
- C They drive the same car.
- D They do the same job.
- E They don't have the same tastes in sports.
- F They have nothing in common.
- G They aren't going out tonight with the class.

2 Listen to the conversation. Choose the correct words(s). (CD TEST American 2 – Track 23)
(5/____)

- 1 A mailman married his cat because it was going to **die** / **run** away.
- 2 The mailman paid **a waitress** / **an actress** to marry them.
- 3 An English mailman was taking letters out of **a mailbox** / **van** when a snake bit him.
- 4 He **went to the hospital** / **sucked the poison out**, then he went back to work.
- 5 In Sierra Leone, **five** / **four** hundred snakes made their home in a police station.

3 Listen to your teacher and answer (___/5.0) :

- A) _____
- B) _____
- C) _____
- D) _____
- E) _____

4 Listen to your teacher and write (___/10.0) :

WRITING

Describe a place you visited abroad. Answer the question. (15/____)

- Where did you go?
- Why did you decide to go there?
- What did you do there?
- Who did you go with?
- Did anything strange or unusual happen? What?
