UNIT 6

I. Rewrite these sentences, using be + adjective + (of + noun/pronoun) + to-infinitive.

1. Learning how to live in space is difficult.

It is difficult to learn how to live in space.

2. I learned that I had been promoted. I was delighted.

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3. He shouldn't press the emergency button. It was stupid.

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4. Having interests outside work is necessary.

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5. John gave them £100. It was very generous.

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6. They saw the driver was a six-year-old boy. They were astonished.

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7. Thank you for visiting me in hospital. It was very kind.

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8. Being in good health is very important for athletes.

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9. We heard that your father's in hospital again. We're sorry.

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10. Why did he make that remark? It was very rude.

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II. Underline the correct word.

1. There has been a **considerable / considerably** rise in the number of people moving to Ho Chi Minh City.

2. The educational system has **slight / slightly** been improved to meet the demands of employers.

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3. Vietnam has **gradual / gradually** built up a reputation as a major exporter of rice.

4. Living standard in rural areas has witnessed a **significant / significantly** upgrade over the past 10 years.

5. Vietnam has changed **dramatic / dramatically** over the last two decades.

6. Vietnam is experiencing **rapid / rapidly** demographic and social change.

7. It was **noticeable / noticeably** how a few people managed to impose their will on the others.

8. The death toll was **initial / initially** reported at around 250, but was later revised to 300.

9. You will find it **convenient / conveniently** getting around Nagoya by bus and subway.

10. There has been a **gradual / gradually** rise in the number of Vietnamese students studying in the U.S.

III. Fill in the blank with the past perfect form of the verb in brackets.

1. After the war (end)_____, Vietnamese people focused on dealing with domestic matters.

2. How long (they/ be) _____ married before he died?

3. Before the invention of Internet, most people (read) _____newspapers to update current events.

4. Why didn't you want to watch the film? (you/ see) _____it before?

5. She (not have) _____any experience in business communication, so we offered her a training course.

6. Before the introduction of low-cost airlines, Vietnamese (mostly/ travel) _____ by coach.

7. (you/ learn) _____ about Vietnam war before you made the presentation about it?

8. Ethan suddenly realised that he (leave) _____ his laptop on the train.

9. My house was very dirty because I (not clean) _____ it for weeks.

10. She couldn't get access to the Internet because she (not pay) _____ the bill.

IV. Complete the sentence with the past simple or past perfect form of the verb in brackets.

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1. They (live) _____ in Paris for 10 years before they (move) _____ home.

2. As soon as I (download) _____ the document, I knew I (make) _____ a mistake.

3. Mary (ring) _____ John's doorbell at 8:15 yesterday but John (already/ leave) _____ the house.

4. By the time the firemen (arrive) _____, the fire (destroy) _____three houses.

5. Our economy (not stand) _____a chance of developing before the government (adopt) _____ the open-door policy.

6. When I last (speak) _____to her, she still (not finish) _____ her assignment.

7. Nobody (come) _____ to the meeting because Angela (forget) _____ to tell them about it.

8. She (go) _____to Disneyland three times when she (be) _____ a little girl.

9. After I (complete) _____the form, I (give) _____it to the secretary.

10. Sarah (drive) _____three hundred miles by the time she (arrive) _____in Tacoma.

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