

UNIT 1: FAMILY LIFE

A. PHONETICS

1. Choose the word that has the underlined part pronounced differently from the others.

1. A. responsible	B. <u>homemaker</u>	C. <u>mow</u>	D. <u>overworked</u>
2. A. <u>bathe</u>	B. <u>finance</u>	C. <u>program</u>	D. <u>cat</u>
3. A. <u>lifting</u>	B. <u>routine</u>	C. <u>split</u>	D. <u>divide</u>
4. A. <u>clothes</u>	B. <u>fold</u>	C. <u>groceries</u>	D. <u>iron</u>
5. A. <u>duty</u>	B. <u>clusters</u>	C. <u>rubbish</u>	D. <u>washing-up</u>

II. Pick out the word whose stress pattern is different from that of the others. Circle A, B, C or D.

1. A. Private	B. Provide	C. Arrange	D. Advise
2. A. Resurface	B. Knowledge	C. Technical	D. Export
3. A. Medical	B. Entertainment	C. Atmosphere	D. Suburb
4. A. Recipe	B. Cinema	C. Similar	D. Expertise
5. A. Indicate	B. Forefinger	C. Procedure	D. Enemy

B. VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

1. Match the two columns to make correct phrases.

1. set	a. the floor
2. mop	b. the houseplants
3. feed	c. the heavy lifting
4. water	d. the baby
5. do	e. the table

II. Choose the odd one out.

1. A. satisfaction	B. household chore	C. breadwinner	D. financial
2. A. mop	B. lawn	C. equity	D. resolution
3. A. split	B. bathe	C. overworked	D. tidy
4. A. housekeeper	B. housewife	C. houseplant	D. homemaker
5. A. conflict	B. marital	C. chore	D. finance

III. Choose the best options to fill in the blanks.

1. My mother is ____ for taking care of the home and the family.
A. responsible B. takes the responsibility C. take the duty D. Both B & C are correct.
2. Women usually manage ____ better than men do.
A. household finances B. household machines C. housewives D. houseplants

IV. Complete the following sentences using the given phrases. There are two phrases that you don't need.

<i>bathing the baby</i>	<i>mop the house</i>	<i>folding the clothes</i>
<i>watering the houseplants</i>	<i>doing the laundry</i>	<i>doing the shopping</i>
<i>take out the garbage</i>	<i>doing the cooking</i>	<i>feeding the cats</i>

1. My mother is not _____ because we are eating out today.
2. My grandfather is not _____. He'd better stay home since he's sick.
3. She is visiting her grandparents in the countryside tomorrow, so she is _____ and packing her stuff.
4. It's wet in the living room. My brother is _____.
5. Susan would like to have a washing machine. She's tired of _____ every day.
6. Sometimes, guests are expected to help _____ after parties.
7. It smells awful in the kitchen. Don't you _____?
8. It's dirty in your house. Why don't you _____?

V. Choose the best options to complete the following sentences.

1. As a homemaker, ____.

- A. she does a lot of online jobs at home to earn money
- B. she spends most of her time taking care of her family

C. she doesn't have time to look after her children

2. She is overworked, ____.

- A. so she doesn't earn enough money to support her family
- B. so she doesn't have time to take care of her home
- C. so she spends a lot of time with her children

3. Sweetie, get yourself prepared for dinner. ____.

- A. You are cooking dinner today.
- B. You should help me cook dinner.
- C. Wash your hands carefully before eating.

4. Let's lay the table. ____.

- A. It's time for lunch.
- B. We should call to reserve a table.
- C. We should do the washing-up before we leave.

5. Look! It's raining. Hurry and ____.

- A. put away the clothes
- B. fold the clothes
- C. iron the clothes

6. As the breadwinner of the family, ____.

- A. Sarah quitted her job to take care of her home
- B. Sarah works hard to support her family
- C. Sarah stays at home to educate her children

7. There is chore equity in Mr. and Mrs. Brown's family. ____.

- A. They share the equal amount of housework.
- B. Mr. Brown is the breadwinner and Mrs. Brown is the homemaker.
- C. Mrs. Brown does more housework than Mr. Brown.

8. Husbands should help do the heavy lifting such as ____.

- A. helping the children with Math problems.
- B. repairing the roof of the house
- C. cooking and watering houseplants

VI. Choose the right words to the pictures.

feed the cat

do the shopping

lay the table

cook

bathe the baby

do the washing-up



1. _____



2. _____



3. _____



4. _____



5. _____



6. _____

VII. Choose the sentence that best describes the picture.



- Bathing a newborn baby is never an easy task as it requires skill and experience.
- Mrs. Laura and her ten-year-old daughter go to the swimming pool every day.
- Shaking a baby is believed to have bad impacts on his/her development.



- The man is taking out the rubbish.
- Rubbish should be thrown away every day or it may cause awful smell.
- The child is setting the table for dinner.



- The girl is ironing her clothes.
- Clothes are being folded neatly.
- Susan is putting clothes in an airing cupboard.



- Mopping the garden path is David's favourite activity.
- Though David has a lot of spare time, he hardly helps his parents do the gardening.
- At the weekend, David usually helps his grandmother mow the lawn.



5. A. Many children are too lazy to help their parents with housework.
B. The girl is doing some cleaning with her mother.
C. The girl is doing the cooking while her mother is sweeping the kitchen floor.

VIII. Choose the correct options to complete the following sentences.

1. They ____ rugby twice a week.
A. play
B. are playing
2. ____ breakfast every morning?
A. Are you having
B. Do you have
3. It ____ , so they have to cancel the horse race today.
A. rains
B. is raining
4. Our tour guide ____ three languages.
A. speaks
B. is speaking
5. We ____ the way. I wish we brought a map.
A. don't know
B. aren't knowing
6. Listen! The DJ ____ my favourite song.
A. plays
B. is playing
7. ____ the food at this restaurant?
A. Do you like
B. Are you liking
8. I ____ , I ____.
A. am not laughing - am crying
B. don't laugh - cry

IX. Complete the sentences using the Present Simple or the Present Continuous.

1. I (leave) _____ home at 7 o'clock every morning.
2. She (work) _____ in the Sales Department in London, but at the moment she (do) _____ a training course in Bristol.
3. Linda (clean) _____ her house every weekend.
4. He (try) _____ very hard in every game that he (play) _____.
5. Excuse me. I think that you (sit) _____ in my seat.
6. (you, listen) _____ to the radio very often?
7. Don't talk to me now. I (write) _____ an important letter.
8. Why (they, drive) _____ on the left in Britain?
9. It usually (rain) _____ here a lot, but it (not rain) _____ now.

10. What are you doing? - I (bake) _____ a cake at the moment.

X. Decide whether the following sentences are correct or incorrect.

1. He's having a bath at the moment.

A. Correct B. Incorrect

2. He's hating doing the heavy lifting.

A. Correct B. Incorrect

3. My roommate and I always share the housework equally.

A. Correct B. Incorrect

4 Jenny usually eats out because she is not knowing how to cook.

A. Correct B. Incorrect

5. I usually do the laundry, but I'm sick today so my brother does it.

A. Correct B. Incorrect

6. She's believing that men have to do housework as well.

A. Correct B. Incorrect

7. We are painting the living room for Christmas. It's really hard work.

A. Correct B. Incorrect

8. We get up at seven every morning, and then we are having coffee and a small breakfast.

A. Correct B. Incorrect

9. Sometimes I am watching American films on TV, but I'm not understanding the words.

A. Correct B. Incorrect

10. You do not eat much today. Are you ill?

A. Correct B. Incorrect

XI. Fill in the blanks with the correct forms of the verbs given. Use negative form if necessary.

You can use a word twice.

have take out take split prepare shop do

1. I usually _____ the bus to school, but this morning I'm walking.

2. My mom is not at home. She _____ for groceries now.

3. I'm very busy, so I only _____ the laundry every Saturday morning.

4. They _____ housework among members in Ann's family. She has to do all the chores.

5. Kate always _____ her dog fed by her neighbor every time she goes on business trips.

6. I always cook, but today is Women's Day, so my husband _____ dinner in the kitchen.

7. The residents in my neighborhood _____ the garbage at 5 p.m. every day when the bin lorry comes.

8. Mary's wrist was broken once, so now she rarely _____ the heavy lifting.

XII. Find ONE mistake in each sentence and fill in the blank with the correct word(s).

1. As a single mom, she have to be both the homemaker and the breadwinner.

2. My younger brother is unhappy that he makes the washing-up by himself.

3. My mom is busy today, so I prepare the meal for the whole family.

4. My father drives me to school every morning, but this week I go by bus.

5. Typically, the elderly is sent to a nursing home if they cannot take care of themselves.

XIII. Choose the correct options to complete the following sentences.

1. Why ____ you always ____ over spilt milk? I am tired of what you say.

A. are - crying B. do – cry C. do - drink

2. We are all in the garden for the monthly family gathering. I am preparing some omelets and eel soup for the whole family. They ____ us healthy.

A. are keeping B. keep C. will

3. Look! That girl is very attractive. - Yeah, she ____ me of an old friend of mine.

A. reminds B. is reminding C. will remind

4. What ____ you ____? - Nothing. I am just trying to say that Laura won't be available this Sunday.

A. are - meaning B. do – mean C. are - meant

5. I will go to Frankfurt tomorrow. What time ____ the train from Berlin ____?

A. will – leave B. is - leaving C. does – leave

6. Which one do you prefer: the red or the black car? – I ____ the red car looks better.

A. am thinking B. think C. thought

7. Felix is very rich. He ____ a Mercedes.

A. is driving B. drives C. just drove

8. Only when he ____ truly sorry can I accept his apology.

A. feels B. is feeling C. will feel

9. Would you like some soup? - Wow. It ____ good. Can you get me some? Thanks.

A. is smelling B. is tasting C. smells

10. Will you accompany me to the graduation prom next Friday? - Yes, if nothing comes up. I _____.
A. am promising B. will promise C. promise

XIV. Complete the sentences using the Present simple or the Present Continuous.

1. The children must be in bed now. They (not watch) _____ TV because they are too tired.

2. Hi Betty. For what are you calling me now at 2 a.m.? - I (need) _____ your help now.

3. (you, have) _____ a map with you now?

4. Do you have a minute? - Sorry. I (not have) _____ time now.

5. In case someone (call) _____, tell them I am not home.

C. READING

1. Read the passage and do the tasks below.

While couples without a clear or equal chore division may encounter quarrels over who does what, a recent survey finds the divorce rate among couples sharing chores equally is about fifty percent higher than those in which wives do more or most of the housework, which can be a slap in the face for gender equality.

The researchers explain that modern couples organize their marriage and work out the tasks and duties, which may gradually turn their marriage into a business or contractual relationship. The woman may gradually feel less needed or happy and what's worse is that no one would care to help if something is not among their assigned chores. That seems to encourage conflicts rather than conflict resolution skills.

On the contrary, in families without equal task division women tend to be responsible for more chores than men. While they believe they can exchange their roles for their husbands', many women believe they are most naturally suited for certain tasks. They simply enjoy being involved in their children's activities, which means more chores for them. This group of women also report more marital satisfaction.

The survey also aimed to find out whether women's were happier if men shared more of the burden. In fact, they find that men report fewer family conflicts and greater well-being while women appear to be largely unmoved. This may be partly because **they** feel less guilty or simply learn how to have a quiet life.

Part 1. Choose no more than THREE WORDS from the reading text that have the same meaning as the given definition to fill in each blank.

1. process or result of dividing household responsibilities - _____

2. view that requires the same rights, benefits, etc. regardless of sexes - _____

3. tie or bond between people who agree on certain conditions - _____
4. ability to solve one's conflicts with other people - _____
5. subjective evaluation of how satisfied people are in their marriage - _____
6. general health and happiness - _____

Part 2. Choose the best answers for the following questions.

1. What is the best title for the above reading text?
 - A. The divorce rate among modern families
 - B. Factors that cause conflicts between husbands and wives
 - C. The share of chores and marital happiness
2. What may turn marriage into a contractual relationship?
 - A. Too much housework
 - B. The way couples organize their families and the clear-cut chore division
 - C. Task and duties that are unclearly assigned
3. What does it mean by "unmoved"?
 - A. happy
 - B. disappointed
 - C. unshaken
4. How do men feel when they do more housework than before?
 - A. Happier
 - B. Sympathetic towards women
 - C. Reluctant
5. What can be inferred from the reading text?
 - A. Chores themselves do not affect one's marital satisfaction.
 - B. Household chores should be done by women.
 - C. There should be equality in everything to gain marital happiness.
6. What does the word "they" in the fourth paragraph mean?
 - A. Women
 - B. Men
 - C. Women & men

Part 3. Decide whether the following statements are True (T), False (F) or Not Given (NG).

T F NG

1. There is an increasing divorce rate among couples in families with unequal chore division.
2. Couples in families with equal housework division know how best to solve conflicts.
3. Women in families without equal task division believe they can do things that men do.