

## GOLD EXPERIENCE 2<sup>ND</sup> TEST

### GRAMMAR

**A) PAST TENSES: using the verbs in brackets, complete the sentences with an appropriate past tense.**

- 1) By the time we ..... (get) home, Briony ..... (already/go) to bed.
- 2) We ..... (have) our lunch in the park when it ..... (start) to pour with rain.
- 3) It was lovely to see Joana because we ..... (not/see) her for ages.
- 4) While we ..... (come) home from the swimming pool, we saw a boy fall over.
- 5) Victor ..... (play) on his computer when his mother called him down for lunch.
- 6) We were leaving the house when I realised I ..... (leave) my bag upstairs.
- 7) The police ..... (arrest) him because he ..... (carry) a gun.
- 8) When she ..... (hear) the neighbour knocking on the door, she ..... (hide) under the bed.

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**B) In the following sentences, use *WOULD* whenever you can. When it isn't possible, use the correct form of *USED TO*.**

- 1) Whenever I couldn't do my homework, I ..... (always/ask) my big brother for help.
- 2) They ..... (often/do) the washing up after eating their dinner.
- 3) I ..... (live) in a house with a garden, but now I'm in an apartment with a balcony.
- 4) As children, we ..... (spend) hours playing hide-and-seek in the woods.
- 5) My sister ..... (know) the names of all the players in the Premier league.
- 6) There ..... (not/be) a supermarket here. When did it open?

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**C) Correct the mistakes with comparative and superlative forms in the following sentences. Underline the part that is wrong and write the correction in the space provided.**

- 1) That has to be the most ridiculous film I've never seen!  
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- 2) Julio and Erica are just as annoying than each other.  
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- 3) The food in that restaurant was worse that the food in Paul's Café.

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4) My teacher said I had to work more harder if I wanted to pass the course.

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5) *Sapiens* is one of the more interesting books I've read recently.

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6) My dad usually drives more careful than my mum.

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7) They asked us to speak quietlier because the children were sleeping.

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**D) Complete the second sentence so that that is has a similar meaning to the first sentence using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use the same number of words as there are spaces. Contractions count as TWO words.**

1) I enjoyed the barbecue a lot more than I thought I would.

FAR

The barbecue was ..... than I thought it would be.

2) David speaks German better than anyone I know.

WELL

No one I know speaks German ..... David.

3) I haven't tasted many things that are more disgusting in my life.

ONE

It was ..... things I've ever tasted.

4) Steven didn't use to be so nervous.

THAN

Steven is ..... to be.

5) My mum's car was too small for all of us to fit in.

ENOUGH

My mum's car ..... for all of us to fit in.

6) You'd think the journey to school is longer than it is.

LONG

The journey to school ..... you'd think.

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**E) REVISION EXERCISE: present perfect simple or continuous?**

1) Sorry, I'm late! How long ..... (you/wait)?

2) Who ..... (eat) my special bread? There's only a little bit left.

3) They ..... (score) four goals and it's only half-time!

- 4) I ..... (learn) English for three years and soon I'm going to be using it at work.
- 5) A: Are you OK? B: Yeah, I'm fine! I'm not crying. I ..... (peel) onions!
- 6) Finally! We ..... (sell) our house!
- 7) I ..... (clean) the windows all day without any help! Two more and I can have a rest.

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## VOCABULARY

**F) Use the word given in capitals at the end of some lines to form a word that fits in the gap in the same line.**

### Moon landing

When the Apollo 11 spacecraft landed on the moon in 1969, around 600 million people were (1) ..... watching it on their TVs. This was a dangerous mission, but (2) ..... this would be the first time men set foot on the moon. The landing went well and some (3) ..... pictures of the astronauts' first steps on the moon were sent back to Earth.

**NERVE  
HOPE  
AMAZE**

However, it wasn't long before some people started to doubt the truth of the moon landings. They became (4) ..... about some of the photographs, saying that they were tricks. They argued that NASA, along with a whole team of film directors and writers, were (5) ..... for it. According to them, there were problems with the light and shadows in the pictures and that in (6) ..... they had been taken in a studio.

**SUSPICION**

Over the years, NASA has (7) ..... managed to convince most people that the moon landings did take place. However, (8) ..... they haven't convinced everyone and these stories continue to appear on the internet.

**RESPONSE  
REAL  
SUCCESS  
FORTUNE**

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**G) Complete the adjectives in these sentences. Use the context to help you.**

- 1) I felt **r**..... wearing that lion outfit. It looked really silly.
- 2) I can't walk across that old bridge. It looks absolutely **t**.....!
- 3) That new cake shop is **a**.....: It's got more types of cake than you can imagine.
- 4) They're building a **m**..... skyscraper in the city centre. It's going to be fifty storeys high.
- 5) I tried to make a curry, but it was **d**..... and I had to throw most of it away.
- 6) That book was **a**..... - one of the worst I've ever read.

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**H) Complete the sentences with the correct form of these words.**

*crash drop find get hang have stare yell*

- 1) We were ..... at them across the street, but they still didn't hear us.

- 2) When I was younger, I used to ..... out with some kids from the next street.
- 3) I ..... to laugh when the dog ran off with my dad's shoe.
- 4) If you ..... at this picture for a while, it looks three-dimensional.
- 5) It took me a long time to..... my head around what the man was saying.
- 6) I ..... my phone earlier, but luckily the screen didn't break.
- 7) My grandmother has been driving for sixty years and she's never ..... the car.
- 8) I can never ..... my way around new places. I always seem to get lost.

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**GRAMMAR:** ...../38

**VOCABULARY:** ...../22

**TOTAL:** ...../60