

**I. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.**

- 1 It's your own fault that you're feeling so ill. You \_\_\_\_\_ that seafood! (eat)
- 2 I \_\_\_\_\_ through the woods when a huge dog jumped up at me. I was terrified! (run)
- 3 As soon as they \_\_\_\_\_ the experiment, they'll report their findings. (complete)
- 4 You \_\_\_\_\_ my phone anywhere, have you? I keep losing it! (see)
- 5 Look, it says here that the painting \_\_\_\_\_ to be worth more than €20 million. (think)

**II. Complete the sentences with the correct answer.****Making relationships work**

People usually want their relationships to be a long term success, but it <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ that millions are splitting up each year. Nobody <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ that to happen, so, what steps <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ when things start to go wrong?

Well, it <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ suggested that too few of us actually take the time to talk when there is an issue that is affecting us. But silence doesn't help anyone. <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ you really can't agree on anything, and always end up in confrontation, then talking things through is vital for happiness. This may be a challenge but chances are that as soon as you start to talk <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ often find common ground and can clear the air. However, you <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ think that you can solve everything straightaway. Resolving any issues takes time. Too many people <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ that after a couple of chats everything is OK, only to see their relationship fall apart. So stick in there. Don't end up thinking 'I <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ given it more time.' Actually do it. Regrets won't help. But remember, if things don't work out, you <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ feel bad about it. You <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ become a happier person anyway, even if you don't see eye to eye with the person involved.

**III. Underline the correct alternative.**

- 1 Is this kind of clothing *literally* / *typically* worn by young people where you come from?
- 2 We've been trying so hard to make *ends* / *things* meet since he took a drop in his salary.

- 3 It'll take a few months until we can publish our research *findings/samples*, but when we do it's going to change perceptions.
- 4 We chose to *measure* / *monitor* the population of wolves in the valley over a year to see if it grew.
- 5 He fought *bravely* / *cheerfully* to retain his world title, but was narrowly beaten on points.
- 6 Their latest report *thinks* / *confirms* that teenagers are definitely using screens up to eleven hours a day.
- 7 Look, this book is *outdated* / *overdue*. You should take it back to the library before you get fined.
- 8 After her separation, Mina spent more time with other people as she needed *a fair-weather friend* / *shoulder to cry on*.
- 9 He's got so many different social media accounts and email addresses. His digital *footprint* / *profile* is absolutely massive.
- 10 It's important to *feel comfortable in your own skin* / *get on like a house on fire*, despite the pressure to always be the best.

**IV. Complete the sentences with the words in the box. There are two extra words.**

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- 1 My daily \_\_\_\_\_ tends to be very similar. I'm a creature of habits, I suppose.
- 2 Although it is a challenge to get support for many arts projects, there are \_\_\_\_\_ available.
- 3 The weather suddenly got worse on the walk but we managed to find a \_\_\_\_\_ from the storm.
- 4 I think you need to have your \_\_\_\_\_ fixed – your laptop is far too slow.
- 5 This tent won't cope with the strong winds in this area, the material is too \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6 The use of graphene in their clothing range is completely \_\_\_\_\_ – nobody else in fashion is doing anything like it.
- 7 We need to work out the \_\_\_\_\_ of moving all those people from the flooded area.

8 There was a special ceremony going on at the \_\_\_\_\_ so access for tourists was restricted.

**V. Complete the sentences by putting the words in brackets into the correct form.**

1 Humans imitate animals in \_\_\_\_\_ ways. (count)

2 Although there is a huge \_\_\_\_\_ of plants, they all have certain features in common. (vary)

3 I've never understood the \_\_\_\_\_ of a beach holiday; I much prefer sightseeing! (attract)

4 I'm not surprised that Anna is doing so well at art school – she has always been very \_\_\_\_\_. (create)

5 Adam gets a lot of \_\_\_\_\_ from his Saturday job at the internet café. (satisfy)

6 The students were asked to hand in both \_\_\_\_\_ before the end of the week. (assign)

7 What was John's \_\_\_\_\_ when he heard that he'd lost his job? (react)

8 Although the idea was a good one, the manager felt that it would never be a \_\_\_\_\_ success. (commerce)

9 Beata found the instructions for the new camcorder surprisingly \_\_\_\_\_ – she learned how to use it really quickly. (help)

**VI. Reading 1 Choose from the sentences a–f the one which fits each gap 1–5. There is one sentence you do not need.**

a Instead we should aim to be realistic and start concentrating on what we want – and what we've got.

b A career choice, relationship or even an impulse buy that makes us happy one day might make us perfectly miserable the next.

c At the end of the day, how we choose to be happy is how we choose to be ourselves.

d In spite of this, happiness may not be within our reach.

e Moreover, achievements are often less important than we think.

f However, one person's definition of heaven might be another's idea of hell.



## HAPPINESS

Whatever anyone says, there doesn't appear to be any universal model for happiness. It is encouraging that happy people seem to have some characteristics in common. 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Thus Person A might be happiest when he / she is stressed at work, dealing with problems and meeting deadlines, whilst Person B prefers other activities, spending his / her leisure time painting and travelling. Just to add to the confusion, happiness tends to be related to a particular situation at a particular time.

2 \_\_\_\_\_ Bearing this in mind, maybe it's time to loosen our grip on the fantasy of the perfect life. 3 \_\_\_\_\_ Far from being the ultimate goal, happiness might simply be the product of a fulfilled, centered life. 4 \_\_\_\_\_ Whilst they may impress other people, they may not make us happy. 5 \_\_\_\_\_ Once we've sorted that out the rest should fall into place.