

4 USE OF ENGLISH

Read the text and choose the correct word (a, b, c or d) for each space.

AFTER SCHOOL

When you're (1) at school, it's difficult to know what you'd like to do in life. What should your next step be after you leave school? Lots of people decide to carry (2) studying, so they go to university and try to get a degree. Other people think it's better to get some life (3) first. So they go on a gap year and do some travelling. It gives them the chance to become more independent and (4) up a bit away from their parents.

But then other people just want to get a job and start earning money as (5) as they can.

And sometimes, companies will train you (6) you're working. If you stay, you can become a manager, for example and build your career that way.

But whatever you choose to do, it has to be the (7) thing for you. Your school days are just a small part of your lives – you'll spend (8) years working than studying! So try and choose something that you enjoy and feel you're good at!

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|-------------|--------------|---------------|------------|
| 1 a already | b ever | c yet | d still |
| 2 a out | b over | c on | d off |
| 3 a change | b experience | c opportunity | d practice |
| 4 a grow | b bring | c set | d make |
| 5 a quick | b long | c soon | d well |
| 6 a whether | b except | c while | d so |
| 7 a true | b right | c exact | d real |
| 8 a more | b many | c much | d most |

Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first. Use one or two words.

- 1 What are your plans for next weekend, Mark?
What doing next weekend, Mark?
- 2 Tom's a good football player, isn't he?
Tom plays football very, doesn't he?
- 3 This book was a birthday present from my brother.
I this book from my brother for my birthday.
- 4 It's too cold to go swimming today.
It isn't warm to go swimming today.
- 5 This laptop is more expensive than all the others in the shop.
This is the expensive laptop in the shop.

1 Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first.

- 1 Harry's bike is smaller than mine.
My bike is than Harry's.
- 2 I'm older than my brother.
My brother isn't as as me.
- 3 Clara's clothes aren't as fashionable as Jane's.
Jane's clothes are fashionable than Clara's.
- 4 James is better at sport than me.
I'm not as at sport as James.
- 5 Tom is better at maths than anyone else in the class.
Tom is the in the class at maths.
- 6 No-one in my family is as serious as me.
I'm the serious person in my family.

2 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the past continuous.

- 0 Dan ... *was talking* ... (talk) on the phone when I saw him.
- 1 What (you / do) at 7 o'clock last night?
- 2 I (have) breakfast at 8 this morning.
- 3 Ned (not / swim) yesterday afternoon. He was at home.
- 4 Alex and Andy (play) football on Saturday morning.
- 5 Where (Anna / go) when we saw her?
- 6 Nick (not / watch) TV at midnight last night. He was asleep!

Choose the correct answer: a, b or c.

- 1 Maria is always really happy. She's never
a polite b miserable c careless
- 2 No-one really likes Luke because he's so to everyone.
a cheerful b polite c unfriendly
- 3 Jan is quite tall, with dark hair.
a curly b fair c bald
- 4 Lots of girls like my older brother because he's very!
a teenage b good-looking c rude
- 5 Mark's very and likes making everyone laugh.
a funny b serious c careful
- 6 My little sister is sometimes and quiet when she meets new people.
a confident b attractive c shy

Complete the sentences with the words in the box. There are more words than you need.

suit sandals necklace tracksuit sunglasses trainers jumper raincoat

- 1 I always put on my to protect my eyes when it's a sunny day.
- 2 You should take your There are dark clouds in the sky.
- 3 Sam got a new to wear when he's doing sport.
- 4 My dad always wears a and tie when he goes to work.
- 5 It's too hot for boots today. I'll wear my for walking around town.