



Progress Test 4: Units 7–8

Use of English

Part 1 – Multiple choice

For sentences 1–15, choose the correct alternative and write it in the box.

- 1 My daughter's got a/an **dislocated/upset/sprained** stomach, so she's off school.
- 2 I fell over during the tennis tournament and **chipped/bruised/blocked** my tooth.
- 3 Anyone who cycles along those winding mountain roads is risking life and **soul/thrills/limb**.
- 4 My teenage daughter behaved so badly last year that I was on the **brink/limit/boundary** of a nervous breakdown.
- 5 I feel absolutely dreadful, I've got a **blinding/mild/minor** headache.
- 6 Parents are **encouraged/insisted/conceded** to drop in and help with pupils who have difficulty with reading.
- 7 The health minister **refused/denied/apologized** making the comments reported in the press.
- 8 Management have **threatened/objected/protested** to close down the whole factory.
- 9 A/an high **number/amount/figure** of school leavers are deciding not to go to university due to the increase in fees.
- 10 There's a small extra **charge/rate/price** if you require an early morning wake-up call.
- 11 If the product is faulty, we give customers a/an **full/intact/utter** refund as long as they have a receipt.
- 12 The local council has done **precious/veritably/precisely** little to resolve the housing shortage.
- 13 Getting a forest fire under control is a **daunting/heavy/scared** task.
- 14 All my assistants are expected to **overthrow/uphold/undertake** a small amount of research each term.
- 15 I turned down the offer of a job abroad as it would have entailed **uprooting/overturning/downplaying** my family.

Part 2 – Open cloze

For questions 1–8, read the text below and think of the word which best fits each gap. Use only one word in each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

Example: 0 **IN**

Facial recognition glasses coming soon

New software from Lambda Labs based (0) **IN** San Francisco raises the prospect of never forgetting a face (1) _____.

The software enables a camera to detect faces and then identify them via a screen which sits above the user's right eye and is visible (2) _____ to them. However, the company has come up (3) _____ pressure from American senators to answer questions the wearable computer raises over privacy.

The first version of the software allows users to take photographs and tag them with information on who is in them. Comparisons can then be (4) _____ between subsequent photos and those previously uploaded. Future versions may (5) _____ allow real-time recognition of faces.

The company already makes software that allows the recognition of faces in digital photographs, and claims it is in use by 1000 developers (6) _____ work generates 5 million attempts at recognition per month.

They emphasize that the product is not yet fit (7) _____ public consumption, and limit its uses to internet searches and finding directions. They argue that the software will remove the barriers (8) _____ social interactions currently formed by mobile phones.

Part 2 – Open cloze

For questions 1–10, read the sentences below and complete the gaps with a word derived from the one given at the end of each line.

- 1 The data is _____ automatically by the computer after it has been entered. **VALID**
- 2 The music was so _____ that I had to leave the festival. **DEAF**
- 3 The airline is taking steps to _____ safety on its aircraft. **SURE**
- 4 At 90, I've _____ most of my friends. **LIVE**
- 5 The presentations could be _____ with more digital media. **RICH**
- 6 He tried to _____ the story for the younger audience. **SIMPLE**
- 7 The strong police presence only _____ the tension among the crowd yesterday. **HIGH**
- 8 In our office the women _____ the men three to one. **NUMBER**
- 9 It is wrong to _____ or support any addict to become re-addicted to any drug. **ABLE**
- 10 One of the functions of the kidneys is to _____ the blood. **PURE**