Use of English

Word power

Word families

1 Look at the word in bold in each sentence. Is it a *verb, noun, adjective* or *adverb*?

1 **Apparently** she's very friendly when you get to know her. .....
2 That colour really **suits** you. .....
3 That wasn't a very clear **explanation**. .....
4 It's a very **attractive** dress. .....

2 Complete the table with words formed from those given.

Verb	Noun	Adjective	Adverb
1	2	apparent	apparently
choose	3		
4	suitability	5	6 .....
explain	7		
notice	8	9	10 .....
attract	11	12	13 .....
admit	14		

Negative prefixes

3 Make negative adjectives from the words, using the prefixes below.

un- dis- im- il- ir- in-

1 regular .....
2 pleasant .....
3 patient .....
4 popular .....
5 sociable .....
6 honest .....
7 secure .....
8 organised .....
9 legal .....
10 correct .....
11 possible .....
12 sympathetic .....
13 responsible .....
14 logical .....

4 Rewrite the sentences using negative adjectives from Ex.3 so that the meaning becomes the opposite.

1 Mellie is a really pleasant person to be around. That's why she's so popular.
2 Sean is both responsible and honest.
3 If you are organised with your work, it's more likely that it'll be correct.
4 I thought the Maths teacher was extremely sympathetic and quite patient.
5 The explanations were very logical and made all the exam questions possible to do.
6 The company's finances look very regular, so I think all their activities are legal.

Exam guide ✓

Part 3 tests vocabulary and word-building. First decide what part of speech is missing: a noun, an adjective, an adverb or a verb. The missing word can be positive, negative or plural.

Reading and Use of English Part 3

5 Word formation. For questions 1–8, read the text below. Use the word given in capitals at the end of some of the lines to form a word that fits in the gap in the same line.

Chiara's Overseas Blog

All about the Brits

► Greetings from the UK! I'm having a great time, but I still haven't been out of London. Have you ever been to Britain? Even though I have, I've still got lots of questions about British culture. Why do the Brits adore queuing up? They're never **(1)** .....**PATIENT**. I'd heard that everyone sat in **(2)** .....**SILENT** on the Tube, and it's true! Are people too **(3)** .....**SOCIABLE** to talk to each other? The son in my host family is going to help me find some answers. Josh has just come back from Milan, so he's got some questions about Italian culture too.

The Brits love **(4)** .....**SPICE** food and there's lots of **(5)** .....**CHOOSE** from different cultures here. We went out for a Malaysian meal last Friday and it was a really **(6)** .....**MEMORY** experience. **(7)** .....**APPEAR**, Indonesian food is really good too. I haven't tried much British food yet.

I've already decided I want to come back next year, but it's expensive, so my parents are **(8)** .....**LIKELY** to agree.

