

# First Certificate Language Practice

## Vocabulary about Money

Underline the most suitable word or phrase.

- a) I haven't got enough money, I'm afraid. Could you borrow/lend me some?
- b) This car is too expensive. We can't afford/pay it.
- c) There's a small flat to hire/let in Bridge Street.
- d) How much do you earn/gain in your new job?
- e) She's a good dentist, but she doesn't charge/spend too much.
- f) I bought this coat in the sales. It was decreased/reduced a lot.
- g) Jack made his fortune/treasure buying and selling property. h) How much do you reckon/value that house would cost?

Replace each word or phrase in italics with a word or phrase from the box which has the opposite meaning.

cash	<b>generous</b>	profit	well off	poverty
purchase	take out	worthless		

- a) I was surprised by how *mean* Charles was. ....generous....
- b) Janet says that she is very *hard up* at the moment \_\_\_\_\_.
- c) Last year their business made a huge *loss*. \_\_\_\_\_.
- d) I'd like to *pay in* £100 please \_\_\_\_\_.
- e) Most people in the city live in great *prosperity* \_\_\_\_\_.
- f) The manager insisted that I paid by *cheque* \_\_\_\_\_.
- g) Jean was able to make only one *sale* during the morning \_\_\_\_\_.
- h) The old painting I found in the loft turned out to be *valuable* \_\_\_\_\_.

Complete each sentence with a word from the box. Use each word once only.

safe	wealth	<b>pension</b>	rent	tip	credit card	loan	receipt
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- a) The old couple had only a small pension.... to live on.
- b) My uncle Sam acquired his considerable \_\_\_\_\_ selling cars.
- c) David never carries cash with him and pays for everything by \_\_\_\_\_.
- d) I wouldn't have been able to buy my boat without a bank \_\_\_\_\_.
- e) The shop won't change any goods without the original \_\_\_\_\_.
- f) Keith didn't like the waiter so he didn't leave a \_\_\_\_\_.
- g) The house is not in very good condition so the \_\_\_\_\_ is low.
- h) We keep all our money and valuables in this \_\_\_\_\_ in the floor.

Choose the most suitable word or phrase to complete each sentence.

a) I bought these shoes in the sale. They were a real C......  
A) cheap    B) economy    C) bargain    D) purchase

b) If you put your money in the bank, it will earn ten per cent ......  
A) interest    B) profit    C) deposit    D) investment

c) John asked his parents if they would pay off his ......  
A) rents    B) debts    C) accounts    D) credits

d) Adults have to pay £8 to get in, but children under fourteen get in ......  
A) free    B) nothing    C) penniless    D) open

e) I'm trying to save for my holidays so I'm ..... some money each week.  
A) putting in    B) putting aside    C) putting behind    D) putting up

f) Just a minute! You've forgotten to ..... your cheque!  
A) mark    B) make    C) place    D) sign

g) The blackmailer asked for the money in ......  
A) notes    B) cheques    C) paper    D) cash

h) I gave the assistant ten euros and she gave me four euros ......  
A) rest    B) money    C) coins    D) change

Use the word given in capitals at the end of each line to form a word that fits in the space in the same line.

Money! Money! Money!

Helen had always dreamed of becoming a (1) wealthy.. WEALTH  
woman, and imagined living in a (2) ..... LUXURY mansion,  
and how her friends would praise her (3) ..... GENEROUS  
when she gave them expensive presents. In reality she  
was usually hard up. She had some (4) ..... and a SAVE  
small life (5) ....., but her antique shop was not really INSURE  
very (6) ..... Every time she took money out of the bank, PROFIT  
the (7) ..... checked her account, and told her how little CASH  
there was in it! Helen had taken out a (8) ..... a month LEND  
before. How could she repay it? Then one day she noticed  
an old painting in her shop. She had thought it was (9) ..... WORTH  
but as she brushed away the dust, she saw the (10) ..... SIGN  
at the bottom. It said 'Renoir'! She was rich at last!

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