

I. VOCABULARY

A) Underline the correct alternatives.

- 1 I like to save up/get a refund for things and exchange/pay in cash if possible.
- 2 I forgot to keep my receipt/look for bargains and so I couldn't exchange/deliver my kettle for something else.
- 3 The new iPhone gets a refund/goes on sale next week but I'm going to wait until I see a good deal/goods.
- 4 Look at this special refund/offer : two shirts for the price of one! I love shopping in the sales/exchange.
- 5 You may only cancel an order/look for bargains if the goods aren't delivered/exchanged on time.
- 6 You can save up/look for bargains online but usually you must pay a good deal/by credit card.

B) Match the strong adjectives in the box with weak adjectives 1–5.

exhausted furious gorgeous huge terrified thrilled

- 1 big _____
- 2 frightened _____
- 3 happy _____
- 4 angry _____
- 5 tired _____
- 6 beautiful _____

C) Match the sentence halves.

- 1 When I was at secondary school _____
- 2 Han isn't good at coursework, but he's doing _____
- 3 You don't have to pay _____
- 4 I think you should be allowed to study whatever _____
- 5 Gorka never spends any time _____
- 6 If you don't attend _____
- 7 No, I didn't pass my _____
- 8 Is it true you got the highest _____
- 9 The teacher said we all failed today's _____

- a grades in the school, Delia?
- b revising for tests but always passes them.
- c well at his exams.
- d I was a terrible student.
- e college on a regular basis, you get zero marks on your coursework.
- f subjects you like from an early age.

- g fees at state schools, but you do at private ones.
h history exam. I have to do it again.
i test. We have to do it again tomorrow.

D) Choose the correct option, a, b or c.

- 1 My father ___ me to call a mechanic instead of repairing the car myself.
a demanded b advised c promised
- 2 Helga ___ to be at the wedding on time but she was late as usual.
a promised b refused c warned
- 3 My mother ___ to give me any money for new clothes.
a warned b advised c refused
- 4 I ___ boiling the egg for 12 minutes, not 10. It's much better.
a demand b suggest c refuse
- 5 The instructions ___ using gloves, but I don't have any.
a promise b recommend c refuse
- 6 We ___ that the government do something about the poor state of our roads.
a demanded b promised c warned

II. GRAMMAR

A) Put the words in the correct order to make passive sentences.

- 1 local / vegetables / the / are / by / grown / farmers

_____.

- 2 in / documentary / the / black / filmed / being / and / white / is

_____.

- 3 wood / to / is / furniture / used / recycled / make

_____.

- 4 times / dogs / three / day / must / fed / be / a

_____.

- 5 done / in / will / by / the / jobs / future / all / robots / be

_____.

- 6 there / is / crime / committed / work / because / no / is / being

_____.

- 7 seen / wildlife / all / visitors / could / be / by

_____.

- 8 long / in / made / train / journeys / were / past / by / the / most

_____.

- 9 lot / been / a / written / cookery / books / about / have / of

B) Match sentences 1–6 with responses a–f.

- 1 I loved the play. _____
2 I didn't see the elephants. _____
3 Belinda loves television. _____
4 Bill and Todd have never been to Calais. _____
5 I don't like the desert. _____
6 My son doesn't like cheese. _____

- a I did too.
b So does Rick.
c Nor have I.
d Mine doesn't either.
e Oh, I do.
f Neither did I.

C) Write the questions as reported speech.

1 'How can you do that?' she asked Jake.

2 'How many times a day do you brush your teeth?' my dentist asked.

3 'Did Sophie leave the dinner party early?' I asked.

4 'Where has Tina been this week?' asked Laura.

5 'Whose camera is Shaun borrowing?' Lee asked.

6 'Could you tell me where the pharmacy is?' the woman asked.

D) Match the sentence halves.

- 1 The company recommends _____
2 Cillian suggested _____
3 My father promised _____
4 You should consider _____
5 The government has warned travellers _____
6 I recommend seeing _____
7 My sister is trying to persuade _____
8 They refused _____
9 Can you encourage him to _____

- a to give me a season ticket to see the football next year.
b me to give up sugar in my tea.

- c not to go near the area.
- d checking online for daily offers.
- e the film before reading the book.
- f to allow us into the club wearing shorts.
- g training for the race or you'll find it difficult.
- h taking lots of sunscreen with us.
- i take his shoes off before coming in.

III. READING

A) Read the article. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)?

What does traditional education mean to you?

Probably very teacher-centred lessons with little communication between the students. You might remember strict teachers and strict rules. You might also think of sitting exams and trying to get the highest marks. We explored two other types of schools to see if there was an alternative to the system we have. Each school has a unique method of teaching, which is far from traditional. Here they are!

Brooklyn Free School is for primary and secondary school students. In fact, its youngest students are only four. The school's philosophy is very different from traditional education. To give you an idea: imagine a school where the students make the rules and choose their classes. More surprisingly, they have a policy which means students don't have to go to class if they don't want to. They don't have to revise for tests because there aren't any! They don't have to hand in homework every day because they decide if they want to do it or not! This means that at the end of the year, there are no grades. If the child has a problem, he or she can ask for a meeting and discuss it with the entire school. If a student is bored of a subject, such as chemistry, he or she can get up and walk out, or go to the lounge and read a book all day. Some students spend years on 'independent study', where they can do any projects they like. The students are completely independent during this time. Others take classes like screenwriting, architecture or something related to sports. The key concept here seems to be freedom to choose.

Microsoft's School of the Future also breaks from tradition. Even the building looks like something out of the future! You might guess from the name of this school that every student needs a laptop to attend this public secondary school in Philadelphia. The system in this school prepares students for the digital world of work when they finish school. Instead of textbooks, students use their laptops, and new technologies are used in the classrooms. This school also encourages children to participate in arts and music. There's a school choir and band and students can continue with these activities if they show real talent. For students who attend classes and show good behaviour, there are rewards and events to show them that doing well in school can be fun. The fees aren't cheap, but you don't have to buy textbooks and by sending your children here, you're also helping the environment.

Like everything else in the world today, education is changing and perhaps these schools are leading the way!

- 1 At the Brooklyn Free School, students can help decide how the school works. _____
- 2 At the Brooklyn Free School, students are not allowed to do homework. _____
- 3 At the Brooklyn Free School, students can choose their classes. _____
- 4 At the Brooklyn Free School, the students get a grade based on a project they complete. _____
- 5 At Microsoft's School of the Future, students don't use textbooks. _____
- 6 At Microsoft's School of the Future, there are rewards for good behaviour. _____
- 7 It's expensive to attend Microsoft's School of the Future. _____
- 8 Students have less freedom in these schools than in regular schools. _____

V. LISTENING

A) Listen to a news report on a new park and ride service. Number the opinions in the order that you hear them.

- A Safety is important. _____
- b The location of the park and ride is perfect. _____
- c Park and ride is cheaper than parking. _____
- d Park and ride is better for the environment. _____
- e People drive too quickly. _____