

It's a mystery

Here's something to think about: How come you never see a headline like 'Psychic Wins Lottery'? Jay Leno, American comedian and television host

G auxiliary verbs, *the...*, *the...* + comparatives

V compound adjectives, modifiers

P intonation and sentence rhythm

1 GRAMMAR auxiliary verbs

a ~~Cross out~~ the unnecessary words.



- 1 My mum can drive, but my dad can't drive.
- 2 I loved that book, but my wife didn't love that book.
- 3 You weren't listening to the instructions, but I was listening to the instructions.
- 4 Some people believe in ghosts, but others don't believe in ghosts.
- 5 Gina's going to the party, but Robbie isn't going to the party.
- 6 I always lock the front door, but my partner doesn't always lock the front door.
- 7 I've never been to a fortune teller, but my sister has visited a fortune teller.
- 8 My friends had already heard the story, but I hadn't already heard the story.

b Complete the conversations with a question tag or an auxiliary.

- 1 A I sent you a message last night, but you didn't reply.
B I did _____ reply. I texted you straight away.
- 2 A I don't feel like cooking tonight.
B Neither _____ I. Shall we go out for dinner? I'd love a curry.
A So _____ I. Come on. Let's go.
- 3 A I've seen this film before.
B Well, I _____.
A Do you mind if I change channels?
B Yes, I _____ mind! I want to see the end.

- 4 A You're going to Sam's party, _____ you?
B No, I'm not.
A Why not? You haven't had another argument with him, _____ you?
B Yes. We aren't going out together any more.
- 5 A I'll be back a bit late tonight.
B _____ you? Where are you going?
A To a concert with some friends.
B You'll be back before 12.00, _____ you?
A Of course.
- 6 A You couldn't lend me some money, _____ you?
B No, sorry. Why?
A I've spent all my money this month.
B So _____ !!
- 7 A I didn't go out last night.
B Neither _____ I. I was too tired.
A So _____ !!
- 8 A You aren't from round here, _____ you?
B No, I'm from Australia.
A I don't suppose you like the British weather.
B Actually, I _____ like it. I prefer cool weather to hot weather.

c Respond to the statements with *So do I*, *Neither do I*, *I do*, *I don't*, etc., and say why.

- 1 I didn't go out yesterday.

- 2 I love the sea.

- 3 I've never been to Scotland.

- 4 I'd like to go on a safari.

- 5 I wasn't interested in history at school.

- 6 I'm good at languages.

- 7 I can swim quite well.

- 8 I don't do any exercise.
