

I. VOCABULARY

A) Complete the text with the words or phrases in the box.

celebrating festival get together go out for a meal have a dinner party have fun public holiday

My friends and I love _____, so every _____, we _____ and do something. We might _____ at a nice restaurant or _____ at my friend Helen's place: her house is really big! Last year, we all went to a music _____. That was great, but expensive! Still, whatever we decide to do, we always _____!

B) Complete the sentences with the correct adjective form (-ed or -ing) of the words in brackets.

- 1 Did you feel _____ (worry) about the exam?
- 2 My job is _____ (tire), but I really love it.
- 3 I really love _____ (excite) movies!
- 4 I liked it, but my sister said it was _____ (bore).
- 5 Many people are _____ (interest) in this book.

C) Match adjectives 1–9 with descriptions a–i.

- 1 beautiful _____
- 2 cheap _____
- 3 clean _____
- 4 popular _____
- 5 lively _____
- 6 old _____
- 7 peaceful _____
- 8 modern _____
- 9 crowded _____

- a a place with lots of activity
- b a place with lots of people
- c a 600-year-old building
- d a place that isn't dirty
- e a place that isn't expensive
- f a two-year-old building
- g a view of the mountains
- h a quiet place
- i a place that people like to visit

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II. GRAMMAR

A) Choose the correct alternatives.

- 1 Paris is *small / smaller* than Rome and Berlin.
- 2 This area *is busier / more busy* than it used to be.
- 3 His new flat is *as large / larger than* his old one.
- 4 This shopping centre isn't as *good / better* as the one in the city.
- 5 Homes in this part of the city are *cheap / cheaper* than last year.

B) Complete the sentences with the superlative form of the words in brackets.

- 1 This shop usually has _____ (low) prices.
- 2 London is one of _____ (big) cities in Europe.
- 3 This is one of _____ (good) hotels in the city.
- 4 I think it's _____ (exciting) city in the world.

C) Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words in brackets.

- 1 He's _____ (be going to / send) some flowers to his mother on Mother's Day.
- 2 Sam _____ (want / invite) Jan to lunch.
- 3 They _____ would like / book) a room.
- 4 Julia _____ (not be going to / go) to the music festival in Berlin at the weekend.
- 5 He _____ would like / buy) a new hat.

D) Choose the correct responses, a or b.

- 1 He's busy now, so he can't speak to you. a OK, I'll call him later. b OK, I call him later.
- 2 This box is too heavy for me. a I'll help you carry it. b I help you carry it.
- 3 Please don't wake me up early. a Don't worry, I will. b Don't worry, I won't.
- 4 It's too expensive. a We'll buy it for you. b We buy it for you.

E) Complete the sentences with can, can't, have to or don't have to.

- 1 Oh! I have to leave. I'm late for work.
- 2 I can't meet today, but I can meet tomorrow.
- 3 We can use room A, so let's use room B.
- 4 Her voice is quiet, so I can't hear her.
- 5 Do you have to leave, or can you stay longer?

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III. READING

A) Read the article. Choose the correct alternatives.

The perfect celebration?

I'm spending the morning with Elena, an events organiser, at a top hotel in London. Elena is waiting for her first client. She has a folder full of event venues, price lists and ideas. I'm going to find out what she's going to plan and what she really thinks!

The client arrives 15 minutes late. It is clear that she is very rich. She is wearing expensive clothes and two diamond rings. She wants to plan a big celebration for her husband's birthday.

'I want the biggest and the best of everything!' she says. 'It has to be the party of the year. It can't be anything else! The party is in two weeks' time.' Elena and her client speak for two hours. Elena keeps smiling. Finally, the client leaves. Now I want to know what Elena really thinks.

'This client asked me to bake the best cake, find a big venue, book a famous DJ, send the most beautiful invitations, and she wants me to do this in two weeks!' laughs Elena.

'Can you do everything your client wants?' I ask.

'It's impossible! But I think I can book a good venue and prepare wonderful food. Then I'll tell her that everything is the best!' says Elena, and she gives me a big smile.

'Is it going to be OK, do you think?' I ask.

'Of course it will be OK. The party will be a lot of fun.' Elena picks up her folder, makes a phone call and then leaves.

A couple of days before the party, I visit Elena's client. I want to find out what she thinks. I ask her about Elena's planning.

'It's great!' she says. 'It's going to be the best celebration with excellent food, in an amazing place.'

I ask the client if she thinks Elena has organised everything well.

'Very well,' she says. 'It is important to me that the celebration is perfect. I know that Elena can organise this!'

I can see that Elena is very good at her job. She's doing everything she can to make this celebration a night to remember!

- 1 The writer meets Elena in the *morning/evening*.
- 2 The writer *leaves before/stays when* the clients arrives.
- 3 The client wants Elena to arrange *a better party than the one last year/the best party this year*.
- 4 Elena *is/isn't* able to do everything the client asks for.

IV. WRITING

A) You're going to make an invitation to the graduation party of level 6 and write two replies. (140 words)

V. LISTENING

A) Listen to a discussion about a celebration. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)?

- 1 The event is next week. ____
- 2 They're planning an evening-only celebration. ____
- 3 The company is 50 years old. ____
- 4 They would like a small venue for the celebration. ____
- 5 Everyone thinks that cricket is a good activity. ____