

QUIZ 11-17TH CYCLE

GRAMMAR

1 Complete the sentences with the *-ing* form or the infinitive (with or without *to*) of the verb in parentheses.

Example: She left without saying (say) goodbye.

- 1 I asked Fran to go to the store _____ (get) a newspaper.
- 2 My boss refuses _____ (give) me a raise. I'm going to resign.
- 3 I really love _____ (not / have) to go to meetings any more.
- 4 Do you feel like _____ (go) out for a Mexican meal?
- 5 We've given up _____ (try) to make Tan smile – he's totally miserable!

2 Complete the sentences using reported speech.

Example: "Did Mei arrive on time?"

He asked me if Mei had arrived on time.

- 1 "Have you been to Beijing?"

He asked me if I _____ to Beijing.

- 2 "We've bought some ice cream."

They told me that they _____ some ice cream.

- 3 "I'll give you a ride to the station."

She said she _____ give me a ride to the station.

- 4 "What are their names?"

She asked me what their names _____.

- 5 "We interviewed ten people this morning."

They said they _____ ten people that morning.

VOCABULARY

3 Write the nouns for the verbs.

Example: demonstrate demonstration

1 retire _____

2 sell _____

3 pay _____

4 agree _____

5 respond _____

4 Choose the correct word(s).

Example: My current job is *permanent* / *self-employed* / *temporary*. It's a one-year contract.

- 1 I'm too *well qualified* / *unemployed* / *temporary* for many of these jobs, so they won't give me an interview.
- 2 Congratulations! You've been *retired* / *fired* / *promoted*!
- 3 My wife and I really enjoy being *temporary* / *part-time* / *self-employed* – we can choose when we work.
- 4 I think that people will have to *be fired* / *retire* / *resign* when they are 70 in the future.
- 5 My paintings have sold well since I *worked* / *applied* / *set up* a website to advertise them.

5 Complete the sentences with the correct word(s).

Example: I don't enjoy shopping when there's a *clearance* sale. It's too crowded, and they normally don't have my size.

season online clearance

- 1 The dress looked a little big for me so I _____ in the store.
tried it on wore it picked it up

2 This coat is exactly the right size. It _____ me perfectly.

suits enjoys fits

3 I'd like a _____ for this purse, please. I bought it yesterday and the zipper broke today.

refund receipt discount

4 The new _____ has a good variety of stores.

department store outlet store shopping mall

PRONUNCIATION

6 Underline the stressed syllable.

Example: moun|tain

1 qua | li | fi | ca | tion

2 de | mon | strate

3 un | em | ployed

4 de | li | ver

5 tem | po | rar | y

7 Match the words with the same sound.

receipt sweater airline

complain said choose

Example: tree receipt

1 boot _____

2 train _____

3 computer _____

4 chair _____

5 led _____

READING: READ THE BLOG POSTING AND CHECK (A, B, OR C).

Sara's blog

Welcome to my blog where I talk about "slow" fashion — the art of buying less and wearing more thoughtfully!

This week, we're focusing on the 10 x 10 challenge, which was originally created by ethical fashion blogger "Style Bee" in 2015, and is now a global trend online. The rules are simple: choose ten items of clothing and wear them for ten days. You are allowed to add accessories, of course, but shoes are included in your choice of ten.

Planning the challenge was a lot of fun. I'd seen other bloggers' outfits from last year, and after that I was sure I'd be able to make it through the ten days. After all, I do have a lot of hats and scarves! Finally, I decided on a pair of skinny black jeans (obviously), two pairs of shoes (one flat and one with heels), one dress shirt, two more casual tops, a warm gray sweater, my favorite denim skirt, and a pair of baggy brown pants that my friend Beth lent me.

So, how did it go? Well, you can see the outfits I wore each day (arranged on my sofa) on my Instagram feed. You can't see me, but the clothes tell their own story. Beth's pants were easily my favorite item. I wouldn't normally wear something this shape, but they were very easy to style with different "looks."

Overall, I think I was successful, but I made some mistakes, which you can avoid! I planned too much. It would have been better to leave one item free as a "wild card" to decide during the week itself. The weather in Philadelphia was freezing. I would happily have traded one pair of shoes for a warm coat. In the end, I cheated and wore exercise clothes after work to stay warm. (I'm not sure if they're included in the challenge, but Style Bee does say that having fun is more important than following the rules!)

I think people who complete the challenge will think differently about clothes. If you read my blog regularly you will know that I love exploring the thrift stores in Philadelphia. I love wearing old clothes and creating my colorful outfits (it's a thrill knowing that no one else has the same thing). But the 10 x 10 challenge reminds us not to shop at all—or at least to think about the purpose of our clothes rather than just their individuality. Over the next year, I intend to only shop for accessories and to trade more clothes with my friends.

- 1 Sara encourages her readers to _____.
A shop more B think more carefully about clothes
C wear a lot of clothes
- 2 Sara enjoyed _____ her clothes for the challenge.
A giving away B taking pictures of C planning
- 3 Sara felt that her _____ would help her succeed.
A accessories B taste in clothes C blog readers
- 4 Sara has posted _____ as part of the 10 x 10 challenge.
A photos of herself B photos of her clothes C a photo story
- 5 Sara advises other people to _____ before the challenge starts.
A plan more B choose three colors C only choose nine items