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GRAMMAR

1 Complete the sentences using the correct form (present perfect simple or continuous) of the verbs in brackets.

1 I _____ ***(stay)*** at my grandmother's house for the last two weeks.
2 They _____ ***(see)*** the play yet but they hope to see it on Saturday.
3 Justin Bieber _____ ***(sell)*** more than 40 million records around the world.
4 I _____ ***(just/speak)*** to my mum and she said I can have you round for dinner.
5 I _____ ***(study)*** for my exam all morning but I still don't feel very confident about passing.

Score: /5

2 Complete the text with one word in each gap.

One of the biggest problems of life in any city is the traffic. The noise of the cars and the pollution caused by them can make life uncomfortable for many. In my city, the government **(1)** _____ been talking about this problem **(2)** _____ many years. However, they have only **(3)** _____ started to do something about it. They're building new cycle paths and they've **(4)** _____ changing the buses to electric ones. However, they **(5)** _____ done anything to limit the number of cars on the road and that is the main problem!

Score: /5

3 Complete the sentences with a question tag.

1 Let's go the music festival, _____? It'll be great fun.
2 Your sister was at the birthday party, _____?
3 It's not as beautiful as people say, _____?
4 You can't play the guitar, _____?
5 Open the door, _____? It's really hot in here.

Score: /5

VOCABULARY

4 Complete the sentences with a word or phrase from the box.

department store office block parking space suburbs the Tube

1 We moved out to the _____ because it's more peaceful than the city centre.
2 My mum can never find a _____ near our flat so she often leaves her car at work.
3 I went on _____ when I was in London but I didn't like it. It was hot and crowded.

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4 There is a huge _____ in the city centre. My mum works there.

5 Harrods is a famous _____ in London. There are lots of different sections selling everything you can imagine.

Score: /5

5 Complete the sentences with a preposition in each gap.

1 The food was horrible. The meat was covered _____ some strange sauce.

2 Anyone can enter the competition, regardless _____ their age.

3 Scientists hope to find a solution _____ the problem in the next five years.

4 It's important to dispose _____ your waste in a responsible way.

5 She didn't have any intention _____ giving the money back.

Score: /5

6 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words in the box.

able agree aware comfort secure

1 I'm not sure we're _____ of finding a solution.

2 She seems to have an _____ of the difficulties.

3 He's quite an _____ person. He seems to lack confidence in himself.

4 I'm in _____ with Brian. I also think we should get this bus.

5 This seat is quite _____. I'm getting a pain in my back.

Score: /5

WRITING

7 In your English class, you have been talking about the advantages and disadvantages of living in a rural area. Write the second paragraph (4–5 sentences) of your essay giving either the advantages or disadvantages.

What are the advantages and disadvantages of living in a rural area?

Score: /10

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