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1 ▷Listen to an extract from a talk about rice. Write the number of stressed words you hear in sentences 1–5.

1 Rice comes from the seed of a grass species. ___
2 It is a widely consumed basic food around much of the world. ___
3 It's especially common in Asia. ___
4 Rice is grown in fields called 'paddy fields'. ___
5 Paddy fields require a lot of work to maintain them and plenty of water. ___

2 points for each correct answer | | 10

2 ▷Listen to an extract from a talk by a medical professional and complete the sentences with words that the speaker stresses.

Interest in the [1] _____ benefits of [2] _____ has increased recently after [3] _____ on the cocoa-drinking peoples of Central [4] _____.

[5] _____ observed that that the Kuna [6] _____ of Panama, who drank [7] _____ as their drink of choice, had very low [8] _____ pressure, which as we know is a leading cause of [9] _____ disease and can also lead to [10] _____.

1 point for each correct answer | | 10

3 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using participle clauses.

1 Because I'm not a great cook, I really struggle to prepare a three-course meal.
_____, I really struggle to prepare a three-course meal.
2 We were disturbed by Ben's music for several hours, so eventually we asked him to lower the volume.
_____ for several hours, we eventually asked him to lower the volume.
3 There were many fans who queued up to meet the band after the concert.
There were _____.
4 Several paintings which cost over £5,000 each were destroyed in the fire.
_____ were destroyed in the fire.
5 Katya has lived in Switzerland, so it's quite likely that she speaks some German.
_____, it's quite likely that Katya speaks some German.

2 points for each correct answer | | 10

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4 Read the text about the history of the vacuum cleaner and choose the correct option a–d to complete the sentences.

Until about 250 years ago, households did not take dirt as [1] _____ as they do now. It was a fact of life and that was that. Cleaning often [2] _____ of no more than an annual clean called 'spring-cleaning'. This was when the furniture was moved aside, and other [3] _____ in the house, such as curtains, were cleaned. Carpets and rugs were taken outside, hung on ropes and had the dust [4] _____ out of them. It was an exhausting and messy process.

The industrial revolution brought about a major change. As new [5] _____ became available to make homes cleaner, a corresponding interest in [6] _____ hygiene developed. This, in turn, led to the [7] _____ of new machines, one of which was the vacuum cleaner.

Legend has it that when one of the first vacuum cleaners was [8] _____, a kindly scientist took the proud inventor aside, offering a bit of advice that was to become crucial to the future of the product – 'make it suck, not blow'.

The first vacuum cleaners appeared in the US. They were operated by hand pumps and were almost as much hard work as spring-cleaning. It was only when electric motors had become sufficiently [9] _____ to be moved around that vacuum cleaners became common household items. Most of today's major [10] _____ first appeared in the 1920s, but have had their designs changed slightly through the decades.

1 a importantly
b crucially
c seriously
d considerately

2 a consisted
b made
c included
d meant

3 a devices
b products
c materials
d objects

4 a beaten
b sucked
c taken
d cleaned

5 a ideals
b creations
c inventions
d inspirations

6 a house
b homely
c internal
d domestic

7 a appearing
b establishment
c manufacture
d planning

8 a established
b seen
c revealed
d demonstrated

9 a scientific
b advanced
c technological
d forward

10 a brands
b marks
c symbols
d types

1 point for each correct answer | | 10

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5 Complete the sentences with a word from the box. There are three words that you don't need.

critical	family-focused	open-minded
realistic	self-centred	tech-savvy
well educated	well-informed	

1 The security consultant's report was _____ of the building's safety and made several suggestions for improvement.
2 If you have any problems with your new tablet, just ask Paul. He's quite _____, so he'll know what to do.
3 Most people in my family are _____. Everyone has a degree, and several have also completed a Master's.
4 I'm certain that Suzana isn't at all interested in her sister's problems. She's very _____, you know!
5 Let's be _____! In this traffic it won't be possible to get home in under two hours.

2 points for each correct answer | | 10

6 Complete the sentences . The first letter of each missing word has been given.

1 Internet **s**_____ is a priority these days to prevent criminals from accessing personal details and bank accounts.
2 Nowadays even young children learn how to use smart **d**_____ like phones and tablets.
3 Unfortunately my account was **h**_____ and a lot of sensitive information was stolen.
4 With all the **a**_____ in technology, who knows what we'll be able to do in a few years' time!
5 Due to the laws on **d**_____ protection, I cannot discuss any details of the case with you.

2 points for each correct answer | | 10

7 Complete the mini-dialogues. The first letter of each missing word has been given.

1

Aga What a **s**_____ view!

Irina Yes. It's breathtaking, isn't it?

2

Rick This curry is delicious – nice and spicy!

Helga It's actually a bit too hot for my **l**_____!

3

Cal Well, that show was way beyond my expectations – just brilliant!

Matsumi For me the **h**_____ was the opera singer. What an amazing voice!

4

Harry What did you think of the firework display?

Aysan To be honest, I wasn't that **i**_____ by it. I've seen a lot better.

5

Mia Did you enjoy your holiday?

Kosta Yes, I did, thanks, and what I **p**_____ loved about it was the fact that everything was included in the price.

2 points for each correct answer | | 10

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8 Choose the correct preposition a–c to complete the sentences.

1 Sarah has been responsible ___ the design of the project since February.
a with b for c of
2 I think having a few really good friends is preferable ___ knowing lots of people less well.
a to b as c about
3 Conroy is very good at making a type of bread which is known locally ___ a 'fruit soda'.
a by b on c as
4 My elderly grandmother doesn't like being dependent ___ others for help with her housework.
a in b on c with
5 They obviously weren't aware ___ the dangers, otherwise they would never have entered the cave.
a to b of c about

2 points for each correct answer | | 10

9 Complete the review. Use one word in each space.

The Pullman art exhibition came to town last week, and my wife, being the keen art fan that she is, had two tickets bought for us weeks in advance. She was dying to go, but I hadn't really been looking forward to it. In [1] _____, I'd go as far as to say that I wasn't interested in it at all and almost gave my ticket to my colleague. Luckily I didn't, as it [2] _____ out to be quite incredible! It was an interesting mixture of Pullman's oldest pieces and his latest ones, which meant that there was a [3] _____ deal of variety. And [4] _____ missed his last few exhibitions, there was obviously a lot that I hadn't seen. I thoroughly enjoyed it, as [5] _____ most people who visited, judging by the excellent reviews.

2 points for each correct answer | | 10

10 Use the prompts to write sentences with relative clauses. Use commas where necessary.

EXAMPLE:

would be great / have / car / can clean itself

It would be great to have a car that can clean itself.

1 my elder sister / lives in Mexico / has decided / set up own business
2 main reason / I don't want go / the bad weather
3 Mr Tilbury / is the owner / a local company / manufactures computer equipment
4 Stefan / brother I told you about / often calls by / on way home from work
5 The man to / I was speaking / just moved / into this area

2 points for each correct answer | | 10

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