

Grammar

1 Circle the correct options to complete the sentences.

- 1 We must **hurry** / **to hurry**, or we'll miss our train.
- 2 Samantha enjoys **to take** / **taking** black and white photos.
- 3 Michael is trying **start** / **to start** his own graphic design company.
- 4 Joanna needn't **worry** / **to worry** about finding accommodation in London. She can stay with us.
- 5 We expected **having** / **to have** some time to relax before the guests arrived.
- 6 I don't mind if you borrow my clothes, but I'd appreciate **being** / **to be** asked first.
- 7 Sara has arranged **to meet** / **meeting** her cousin while she is in Rome.
- 8 Toni has exams this week, so she ought **to stay** / **stay** home and study.
- 9 Joan's older brother taught him **to play** / **playing** the guitar.
- 10 Most people can't afford **living** / **to live** in the city centre. It's too expensive.

2 Choose the correct option, A or B, to complete the sentences.

- 1 I was surprised Dominic at the football game. I didn't think he liked sports.
A to see
B seeing
- 2 I'm pleased you that you have been accepted onto the course.
A telling
B to tell
- 3 Are you interested in how to dance salsa?
A learning
B to learn
- 4 Sonal worked all afternoon on her essay without a break.
A taking
B to take
- 5 This time, Matt remembered the pizzas out of the oven so that they didn't burn.
A taking
B to take
- 6 I'll never forget into my cousin in New York City. It was such a surprise!
A bumping
B to bump
- 7 is an exciting, but dangerous, sport. You can get injured if you are not careful.
A Skiing
B To ski
- 8 Simon enjoys Indian food at the weekend.
A to cook
B cooking
- 9 The restaurant is definitely closed. I remember the sign when I walked past.
A to see
B seeing
- 10 John is quite capable of his own breakfast. He is just lazy.
A make
B making

3 Circle the correct options in the text.

It seems that (1) **cooking / to cook** is a dying art in our society. A recent survey indicated that most families cook a meal from scratch less than twice a week, preferring (2) **to purchase / purchasing** ready meals or use the vast range of takeaway services now available to them. Young people are now less likely to be taught (3) **to cook / cooking** by their parents, and many are unable (4) **preparing / to prepare** the simplest meals by themselves. This does not necessarily mean that people dislike (5) **cooking / to cook**. Its decline is at least partly down to people's increasingly busy lives. That, together with all the ways (6) **obtaining / to obtain** food quickly, means that it's no longer a skill that everyone wants (7) **mastering / to master**. However, I believe that people who do not cook are missing out on the pleasure that (8) **preparing / to prepare** your own meals can bring. For me, it is an opportunity to relax and leave the day behind, even though so many people just (9) **to turn / turn** on the television. My friends are always surprised (10) **hearing / to hear** that I haven't order a takeaway for over a year!

Vocabulary**4 Match the sentence halves.**

1 Swimming with dolphins in the Caribbean	a everything was a bit of a blur.
2 I was so happy sailing around the islands	b about getting lost in the mountains.
3 The wedding ceremony was	c I nearly jumped out of my skin.
4 When I walked out on stage,	d happening at once.
5 I remember my first day of school	e was a very special experience that I will never forget.
6 The three-hour exam	f over in a flash.
7 I still have nightmares	g that I wanted time to stand still.
8 The accident seemed to	h happen in slow motion.
9 That scene from the film was so scary that	i as if it were yesterday.
10 Everything seemed to be	j seemed to go on forever, until we were finally told to stop writing.

5 Complete the sentences by writing the missing letters. There is one space for each missing letter.

- 1 Suzie didn't want to come to the festival. We had to really t _ s t her _ _ m.
- 2 Some parents t _ n a b _ n d _ e to their children's bad behaviour, and act as if they aren't aware of it.
- 3 The students who were caught writing on the walls g _ o _ l _ h _ l y. They only had to apologise; they didn't even have to repaint them.
- 4 I have my final exams tomorrow. K _ p your f _ g _ s c _ s _ d for me!
- 5 I think Jack was p _ l _ g your l _ g when he told you that his father was a famous musician – he's a history teacher.
- 6 Because Anna's brother worked at the venue, we managed to j _ p the q _ u _ and get into the concert without waiting.
- 7 Stop criticising me – just b _ k o _ and leave me alone!
- 8 The bike accident was really scary. I still have f _ s _ b a _ s about it.
- 9 You have to be careful with Alina. She seems friendly, but she'll s _ b you in the b _ k if she doesn't get her own way.
- 10 The marathon will be a huge challenge, but I think I am u _ t _ i _.

6 Choose the correct option, A, B or C, to complete the sentences.

- 1 Skiing down the mountain gave me the biggest I have ever had.
A adrenaline rush
B stamina
C excitement
- 2 Taking part in a triathlon requires a great deal of You have to force yourself to keep going when your body is telling you to quit.
A thrill
B satisfaction
C stamina
- 3 Reaching the summit gave me a huge It had been hard work, but it was worth it.
A excitement
B stamina
C sense of achievement
- 4 Josie is very She has already done three sky dives.
A daring
B exhilarated
C terrified
- 5 The first time I went on the rollercoaster, I was I thought I was going to fall out.
A terrified
B self-confident
C exhausted

6 Having is very important when you are rock-climbing. You need to stay calm and focused.

- A steady nerves
- B excitement
- C a sense of achievement

7 Sam gets a lot of from completing a long bike ride. He enjoys setting himself new challenges.

- A satisfaction
- B thrill
- C concentration

8 We walked 20 miles in one day. By the end of it, we were utterly , but happy.

- A exhausted
- B fit
- C exhilarated

9 Playing in a chess tournament requires intense You need to stay focused, and not get distracted.

- A thrill
- B concentration
- C courage

10 Diego is addicted to the of surfing big waves.

- A satisfaction
- B strength
- C thrill