

INTERMEDIATE (B1)
MID-TERM TEST - 2025

USE OF ENGLISH

1. Choose the correct option.

I remember it very clearly. It was a cold night and it 1) **rained / was raining** heavily outside. I 2) **did / was doing** the washing-up in the kitchen when my daughter 3) **called/was calling** through from the living room with the result: Barack Obama 4) **became / had become** the first African-American president of the United States. We 5) **were following / had followed** his campaign closely and we were really happy when we 6) **had heard / heard** the news. Whether you agreed with his politics or not, it was a very important event for world politics.

2. Match 1-10 with a)-j) to make sentences.

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| 1. We were having lunch | a) she'd lost her keys. |
| 2. I was late for school because | b) when somebody called. |
| 3. While Suzanne was collecting the dirty dishes, | c) until I went to Japan. |
| 4. When she got to her car she realised | d) and ordered a cappuccino. |
| 5. I got out of bed and | e) because my girlfriend had split up with me. |
| 6. Frank met Paula | f) when they were working together at the pizza parlour. |
| 7. It was a beautiful day, | g) she dropped a glass on the floor. |
| 8. I'd never tried sushi | h) I'd missed my bus. |
| 9. I sat down in the café | i) the sun was shining and the waves were crashing on the beach. |
| 10. I felt terrible | j) jumped in the shower. |

3. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

1 We (meet) some interesting people while we (travel) in Thailand.

2 As soon as I (get) home I (go) to bed.

3 She took her phone out and (see) that she (miss) twenty-two calls.

4 Somebody (steal) my bag while I (have) lunch in a café.

5 When I (arrive) at the restaurant, the others (eat).

6 He (switch) the TV o before he (go) to bed.

7 In the meeting, Paulette (realise) she (forget) her folder.

8 When I (open) the curtains, I saw it (snow) in the night.

4. Underline the correct alternatives to complete the conversations.

Conversation 1

A: How was your holiday last month, Pam? **Did you go / Have you been** anywhere nice?

B: Yes, we **went / 've been** to Paris for wo weeks.

A: Oh, I **went / 've been** to Paris.

B: Really? When **did you go / have you been** ?

A: Last summer. We **went / 've been** there by Eurostar.

B: That sounds nice. I **didn't travel / 've never travelled** by Eurostar.

Conversation 2

A: Which film shall we watch tonight then, The Wanted 2?

B: Nah, **I saw / 've seen** that.

A: Really? When **did you see / have you seen** it?

B: Oh, I don't know. Ages ago.

A: But it only **came out / has come out** yesterday!

B: Ah, that's right. I meant I **already saw / 've already seen** the flrst one.

5. Put the sentences of the story (a-k) into the correct order.

1 _____, 2 _____, 3 _____, 4 _____, 5 _____, 6 _____, 7 _____, 8 _____, 9 _____, 10 _____, 11 _____

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| a) The people in my carriage were really friendly so I started talking with them. | g) When I finally arrived at my destination, the headteacher was already there waiting for me at the station. |
| b) I had quite an adventure when I was travelling in Italy for work last summer. | h) Fortunately, another passenger told me where to get off and what train to catch from there. |
| c) He also called the school I was visiting and spoke to the headteacher to explain what had happened. | i) So, when a train arrived at my platform a minute early I thought it was the one I wanted and I got on it. |
| d) Before long, I found out that the train didn't stop at the place I was going to. | j) I was in a new town so I checked on the train and waited at the platform I needed. |
| e) Anyway, I had no idea that there was a delay with the previous train that was due at the same platform. | k) Well, you can imagine that this was quite worrying. |
| f) She introduced herself with a big smile and we laughed about my little adventure before getting into her car. | |

6. Complete the sentences with the **past simple or **present perfect** form of the verbs in brackets.**

- 1 She _____ (never / study) Turkish before. This is her first class.
- 2 I _____ (see) Lucas when I was on the bus this morning.
- 3 He _____ (finish) cleaning the bedroom and now he's going to start the lounge.
- 4 They _____ (open) their first shop in 2020.
- 5 I _____ (drive) more than 1,000 kilometres already this week.
- 6 A: Have you ever been up a mountain?
B: Yes, I _____ (climb) Ben Nevis last summer.
- 7 A: _____ (ride) a motorbike before?
B: I don't think so. This is her first time.

7. Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

**characters ending fairytales hero performances
plot storyteller TV shows**

- 1 There are lots of _____ about cooking. They're on all the channels.
- 2 I prefer films that finish with a happy _____.
- 3 Children love _____ because of the magic and unusual animals.
- 4 In most action films, the _____ stops something terrible from happening.
- 5 The _____ of the book was hard to follow because too many things were happening.
- 6 My uncle was a brilliant _____. I loved it when he read to me.
- 7 There are two main _____ in the book and they're called Jimmy and Jan.
- 8 There will be music and dance _____ every day at the music festival.

8. Complete with the correct TYPE OF FILM

1. I saw a wonderful _____ film about someone looking for treasure in the Amazon jungle.
2. This _____ tells the story of a teacher working in a very difficult situation.
3. I saw a _____ last night. It was about a couple falling in love and it was quite funny.
4. The hero always solves the problem at the end of _____ films.
5. It was an _____ film so there were chase scenes and lots of fighting.
6. Most _____ films are too frightening for me.
7. This _____ tells the story of the most famous guitar player in the world.
8. I'm watching a _____ about oceans. It's great because I've learnt a lot.
9. Modern _____ films are usually made with computers so the pictures are amazing.
10. The jokes in some old _____ films are really funny.

9. Choose the correct option

1. Sorry I'm late. I got ____ in a meeting.
 A held up
 B lost
 C off
 D the wrong day
2. I'm really sorry. The traffic was ____.
 A terrific
 B terrifying
 C terrified
 D terrible
3. I had to ____ an urgent call.
 A do
 B get
 C have
 D make
4. I'm afraid I made a _____. I went to the wrong address.
 A fault
 B mind
 C mistake
 D problem
5. I didn't talk to anyone at the party. It was pretty ____.
 A bored
 B boring
 C excited
 D exciting
6. The children are ____ because they can't have any more sweets.
 A disappointing
 B disappointed
 C exhausting
 D exhausted
- 7 He forgot his words during the school play so he was very ____.
 A embarrassed
 B embarrassing
 C terrifying
 D terrified
- 8 I was really ____ when she broke my mug. I nearly shouted at her.
 A annoyed
 B annoying
 C excited
 D exciting
- 9 That story is too ____ for children. They'll have bad dreams!
 A boring
 B bored
 C frightened
 D frightening
- 10 Our safari holiday was _____. We saw lots of wonderful animals.
 A amazed
 B amazing
 C surprised
 D surprising
- 11 My apologies. My flight ____ cancelled.
 A did
 B got
 C had
 D made