Unit 1 Test | Group A

Name: _____ Class: ____

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LISTENING

1 Track 01 Listen to an interview with a young fashion blogger and complete sentences 1–5.

1 Some teenagers often choose to wear _____ so as not to look different from others.
2 Angie thinks that people with _____ or greasy hair do not look stylish.
3 Angie has always admired people who _____ to express themselves through their appearance.
4 Angie often finds cheap designer clothes in _____.
5 Angie buys _____ clothes to promote a new brand and boost the local economy.

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READING

2 Read the text and match headings a–f with paragraphs 1–4. There are two extra headings.

As you walk along the street, you can easily spot people wearing unusual items of clothing, often with nose and lip studs and original hairdos. Some of them will have tattoos as well.

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Some 50 years ago, the people who had tattoos were those who defined themselves as social outcasts. You know, the muscular, often scarred types, like gangsters or prisoners. But today, tattoos are popular among various kinds of people, from rebellious types to rich and elegant men and women from the higher social classes. Thus, seen on the streets and on TV, tattoos have become a widely accepted feature of personal appearance in our society. So, no wonder the streets of our big cities are now swarming with prospering tattoo studios.

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Some might say that the recent growth in the popularity of tattoos mirrors their widespread appeal in ancient times. Tattoos were common in a number of cultures, from the Far East through Europe to North and South America, for a number of reasons, the most common of which were either ethnic, ritualistic or even health driven motives. Despite their popularity sometimes going up and down since ancient times, the art of tattooing has survived up to modern times and is now doing well.

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As tattooing is now so popular, it was only a question of time that some companies, desperately looking for new ways of reaching their audience, would start exploiting the idea of tattooing for advertising. Nowadays, a lot of businesses, including some well-known clothing companies, are paying people to have tattoos as part of their promotion campaigns.

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However, despite the modern-day popularity of tattoos, not everyone feels ready to mark their body in such a permanent way. Despite this, they do have a chance to get their bodies decorated with less durable substitutes. For example, henna is an extremely popular option and is used to both colour the hair and paint patterns on a person's skin. Henna tattoos take about two days to dry and disappear after about two weeks.

a Trendy for centuries
b Unusual features
c Becoming increasingly fashionable
d A short-term alternative
e Tattoos help to sell products
f The tattoos of a subculture

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LANGUAGE FUNCTIONS

3 Complete the sentences with the correct words.

1 He comes _____ as being someone quite original in style.
2 His scruffy clothes _____ him look like a beggar.
3 The people in the photo look _____ if they're having a lot of fun.
4 _____ the background, there's a large building.
5 I _____ this idea really appealing.
6 _____ I possibly borrow your dress for the party, please?

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VOCABULARY

4 Complete the sentences with the correct words. The definitions have been given in brackets to help you.

1 My uncle has a thick _____ (**hair that grows on a man's upper lip, under the nose**) and long beard.
2 She's tall and blonde, with a pale _____ (**the natural colour of the skin on a person's face**).
3 I have to wear a suit and tie in the office, but as soon as I get back home, I change into some _____ (**informal and comfortable**) clothes.
4 Sue's new boyfriend is really _____ (**good-looking**) – tall and well-built.
5 My grandad is completely _____ (**with no hair on his head**).
6 Ann's got quite long hair and usually has it in a _____ (**tied up at the back of her head**).
7 The only piece of jewellery she wears is a silver _____ (**jewellery that you wear on your wrist**).

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5 Complete the sentences with the missing words. The first letters have been given.

1 I don't like tight-**f**_____ clothes. I prefer loose clothes that are more comfortable.
2 She was wearing a knee-**l**_____ skirt and trendy top.
3 My dad is a strong, broad-**s**_____ man.
4 After her illness, she looked terrible. She was a skinny, hollow-**c**_____ woman who looked 20 years older than she actually was.

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6 Complete the sentences with the correct words.

1 The workers decided to _____ action against the company to improve their working conditions.
2 Some people pay a high _____ for careless driving as they get killed or injured in road accidents.
3 After the shocking news about the company, a lot of customers decided to _____ it and stopped buying its products completely.
4 A lot of people buy their clothes in well-known _____ stores that have outlets all over the country.

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GRAMMAR

7 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Use the present simple or present continuous.

1 Thanks for the explanation. I _____ (**understand**) the idea now.
2 We _____ (**not eat**) out very often but we _____ (**go**) out to a restaurant tonight because it's my dad's birthday.
3 **X:** What about you? You haven't got your PE kit today?
Y: It's not that. I _____ (**not do**) PE this month. I've got a problem with my knee.
X: Oh. Is it bad?
Y: No, not very bad. I mean, it _____ (**not hurt**) me all the time, but I can't do any serious exercise yet.

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8 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Use verb + *-ing* form or infinitive.

1 I didn't manage _____ (**get**) the tickets for the concert last week.
2 They were whispering to prevent anyone from _____ (**hear**) their conversation.
3 My cousin has invited me _____ (**spend**) next weekend with her.
4 Do you fancy _____ (**see**) a film tonight?
5 She was still angry with me and refused _____ (**come**) to my party.

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ENGLISH IN USE

9 Read the text and choose the correct answers.

Unfortunately, my parents are extremely strict about what I wear. I always have to wear clean, neatly ironed clothes, no **1** ___ jeans or high-heeled shoes. And my shoes! My dad is absolutely crazy about shoes, so he makes me **2** ___ mine every other day. I feel that the rules are getting more and more difficult to follow. I try to rebel from time to time, but in the end they always **3** ___ me to change my mind.

So, as you can imagine, I'm really looking forward to starting university. I **4** ___ to study in another city and finally gain some degree of independence. I want to wear make-up and start buying some designer clothes. I finally want to decide about my own appearance, and I've promised myself that if I ever have children in the future, I'll **5** ___ them dress the way they want.

1	**a** skin	**b** suit	**c** skinny
2	**a** to clean	**b** clean	**c** cleaning
3	**a** persuade	**b** manage	**c** afford
4	**a** plan	**b** am planning	**c** planning
5	**a** let	**b** allow	**c** agree

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WRITING

10 Read the instructions and do the writing task.

Odbywasz dłuższą podróż pociągiem, podczas której poznajesz ciekawą i nietypową osobę. Napisz o tym e-mail (100–150 słów) do koleżanki z Irlandii i:

- poinformuj, dokąd podróżujesz i z jakiego powodu;
- opisz, jak poznałeś/poznałaś wspomnianą osobę i jakie zrobiła na Tobie pierwsze wrażenie;
- krótko opisz wygląd i charakter tej osoby;
- zaproponuj koleżance wspólne spędzenie czasu podczas zbliżających się ferii zimowych z nowo poznanym znajomym / z nowo poznaną znajomą.

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