

Life Vision Pre-intermediate Unit Test 2 B

A Grammar: Past continuous

Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

- 1 What _____ (you / do) when I called you yesterday morning?
- 2 At five o'clock yesterday, we _____ (wait) at the bus stop.
- 3 It _____ (rain) all morning last Saturday.
- 4 At 7.30, my brothers _____ (not / have) breakfast. They were sleeping.
- 5 Kate wasn't at the party last night. _____ (she / work)?
- 6 I _____ (not / walk) to school at 8.30. I was already there.

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B Grammar: Past simple and past continuous

Complete the sentences with the correct past simple or past continuous form of the verb in brackets.

- 1 I _____ (have) a bath when you called me.
- 2 What _____ (Ben / do) at eight o'clock last night?
- 3 George and Claire _____ (cook) dinner for their parents last night.
- 4 Molly _____ (not / clear) the table after dinner. Dad wasn't happy!
- 5 We _____ (not / play) video games – we were working!
- 6 _____ (you / finish) your homework last week?

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C Grammar: Past simple and past continuous

Complete the sentence with the correct form of the word in brackets.

- 1 I was doing my homework and my brother _____ (talk) on the phone.
- 2 We _____ (eat) breakfast and our mum was drinking coffee when the post arrived.
- 3 Zak ate lunch and read his book, then he _____ (tidy) up his bedroom.
- 4 I was sleeping and my sister was studying when a bird _____ (fly) through the open window.
- 5 We bought a new game, but we _____ (not / play) it when we went home.
- 6 Yesterday morning, I was reading a book and my brothers _____ (watch) a movie.

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D Vocabulary: Recognizing collocations

Choose the correct words from the box to complete the sentences. There are three words you do not need.

lay put away do load iron decorate water sweep take out

- 1 Please take those dirty clothes and _____ the washing machine, Zak.
- 2 Let's _____ the cake for the party this evening.
- 3 In my family we _____ the housework together at the weekend.
- 4 Please _____ the rubbish and leave it in front of the house.
- 5 We need to _____ the floor because it's dirty.
- 6 Could you please _____ the table so we can have lunch?

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E Vocabulary: Recognizing collocations

Choose the correct words from the box to complete the sentences. There are three words you do not need.

clean dry dust fold clear make put away wash water

- 1 How often do you _____ the books on the top shelf? I can see spiders!
- 2 My sister doesn't _____ her clothes – they're all over the floor!
- 3 If you clear the table, I'll _____ the cooker.
- 4 We have to _____ the plants more in summer.
- 5 I never iron my T-shirts, but I _____ them before I put them in the cupboard.
- 6 Max doesn't like drying the dishes. He prefers to _____ them.

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F Vocabulary: Understanding topic vocabulary

Choose the correct words from the box to complete the text. There are three words you do not need.

frame running water fresh air luxury heating tent basic rugs electricity

In the past, life was very different. Houses didn't have ¹ _____, so there weren't lights, and they used fire because there wasn't ² _____. Now we have showers, but they didn't have that ³ _____ because they didn't have ⁴ _____, so they washed outside. Houses were ⁵ _____ and had very few things in them. In fact, people often didn't have beds and slept on ⁶ _____ on the floor.

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G Reading: Reading comprehension

Read the article about an unusual lifestyle and choose the correct answer for each question.

Travelling

By Henry Chambers

Imagine giving up your home and spending your life travelling. Two years ago, I did exactly that. Many people told me it was impossible. My friends certainly thought I would come back. But the moment I set off, I knew travelling was the life for me.

So why did I make the decision? I graduated from university with a degree in business studies and found my dream job at an IT company. The job was well-paid and the work was interesting. My ambition was to work hard and buy myself a luxury apartment. However, after a few months, the work started to feel boring.

I have always loved being outdoors, so I joined several clubs and tried different sports. This gave me something else to think about, but I was still unhappy at work. I considered leaving and working as a sports coach instead. One day, I noticed a van parked outside the office window. It had curtains at the windows and I could see that someone was living there. I decided to buy a similar van, leave my job, and go travelling.

How would I earn money? I thought I could find jobs in cafes and other places, and for the rest of the time, I could do things online. I spoke to my boss and she promised to give me some online work. When I was confident that I would have enough money, I began my journey.

So far, I have travelled around eight European countries. I try to spend at least two months in each place I visit, unless I feel uncomfortable. Even then, I learn about the culture and customs before I leave, and eat a plate of traditional food in at least one restaurant. I also try to learn as much of the language as I can, although I don't always achieve this.

Do I miss my old friends? Sometimes I feel lonely, but I have met so many incredible people, it's impossible to feel that way for long. Do I miss living in a house? The van is small, but that's not a

problem for me. I suppose it would be nice to have a proper kitchen, but generally, I'm very happy in my van.

1 How did the writer feel when he started his journey?

- A ☐ He thought he would change his mind.
- B ☐ He thought he would enjoy it.
- C ☐ He thought it would be difficult.

2 How did the writer feel about his first job?

- A ☐ He liked it at first.
- B ☐ He wanted to earn more money.
- C ☐ He was never happy.

3 What did he like about the clubs he joined?

- A ☐ They helped him enjoy his job more.
- B ☐ They gave him the chance to train as a coach.
- C ☐ They helped him forget about work.

4 What plans did he make before he left?

- A ☐ He did some IT courses online.
- B ☐ He got work from his employer.
- C ☐ He found a job in a cafe.

5 What does he do in every place he visits?

- A ☐ He studies the language.
- B ☐ He stays for two months.
- C ☐ He tries a local dish.

6 What does he miss the most?

- A ☐ Having somewhere to cook
- B ☐ The size of his old house
- C ☐ His friends from home

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H Listening: Identifying purpose

 Listen to four people talking about where they live. Match the statements below to one of the four speakers (A, B, C or D).

- 1 Speaker ___ complains about fixing things.
- 2 Speaker ___ describes why they wouldn't live somewhere.
- 3 Speaker ___ recommends talking to someone who can help.
- 4 Speaker ___ describes a plan to sell a house.
- 5 Speaker ___ describes a situation in a house they now live in.
- 6 Speaker ___ thinks they should have done things differently.

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I Speaking: Selecting vocabulary for the context

Choose the best sentences to complete the dialogue. There are three sentences you do not need.

Teacher So, James, how can I help with your show?

Student ¹ ____

Teacher Sure. I'll talk to her later.

Student ² ____

Teacher Right. I'll ask her about that, too.

Student Thanks. ³ ____

Teacher OK. Could you please be careful with it?

Student ⁴ ____ We'll look after it.

Teacher Is there anything else?

Student Yes. ⁵ ____

Teacher Sure! Shall we do it this week?

Student ⁶ ____ I've got exams. But we can do it next week.

Teacher That's fine with me. I'll see you on Monday.

- A Do you mind mentioning that we'd like to use the stage?
- B Would you mind helping me make a playlist for the show?
- C Could you please put away the chairs after the show?
- D Yes, of course.
- E Would you mind asking the head teacher if we can use the school hall?
- F Could you open the window, please?
- G Can you help us sell tickets on Thursday?
- H No, sorry, I can't.
- I Do you think you could lend us one of the school computers?

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J Writing: Using appropriate verb tenses

Read the text and choose the correct answer.

When I ¹ ____ in Singapore, my neighbour had a small garden. There ² ____ much in it, just some long grass and a tree. One day, when I ³ ____ home I saw something bright lying in the garden. I ⁴ ____ it was a child's toy, so I picked it up. But I suddenly ⁵ ____ that it was a snake! I dropped it and it quickly disappeared. When I got inside, I ⁶ ____ and completely white!

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| 1 A ☐ live | B ☐ was living | C ☐ is living |
| 2 A ☐ wasn't | B ☐ isn't | C ☐ hasn't |
| 3 A ☐ got | B ☐ get | C ☐ was getting |
| 4 A ☐ was thinking | B ☐ thought | C ☐ think |
| 5 A ☐ realize | B ☐ was realizing | C ☐ realized |
| 6 A ☐ shakes | B ☐ was shaking | C ☐ shook |

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