3.9 SELF-CHECK

VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

1 Complete the sentences with the correct adjectives. The first letters are given.

During the festival this **p**icturesque village attracts many tourists.

1 They're planning a new **h**_____ development here. There will be more homes and a shopping centre.
2 At night, there is a **v**_____ atmosphere in the harbour. It's filled with colour and noise.
3 You can visit the **m**_____ castle in the old centre. Although it was built around 1450, it is still in good condition.
4 Every Tuesday and Saturday, there is a **b**_____ market in the village, where you can buy food and clothes.
5 If the village is beautiful, the **s**_____ around is even more so – the rolling hills and, in the far distance, the mountains.

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2 Complete the text with the correct prepositions.

If you're looking for a great place to visit on holiday, then come to Eyemouth, a small town on the border between Scotland and England. It's [1]_____ the coast, and one of the best places to stay is at the Beach Palace Hotel, which offers excellent views of the harbour and is within 100 metres [2]_____ the beach. If you don't fancy the beach, the hotel is also [3]_____ easy reach of the city centre. [4]_____ the town centre, you'll find narrow cobbled streets and many traditional buildings. To find the hotel, turn right [5]_____ the roundabout near the town hall and follow the road towards the harbour.

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3 Choose the correct answers A–C.

Is there any B parking where you live?

1 Noise __ is a big problem in the city centre. Many people don't want to live there for that reason.
2 We used to live in the city centre, but we recently moved to a house on the __ of town.
3 Although the city now is mostly modern buildings, the centre still has some beautiful __ architecture which dates back to the 14th century.
4 My daily __ to the office takes about 40 minutes. I drive to the station and then catch a train into the city centre.
5 Ibiza is known for its __ nightlife, and many world famous DJs come to the island to work in the clubs.

	A	B	C
	off-side	(B) on-street	by-road
1	pollution	nuisance	disturbance
2	outside	outskirts	outdoor
3	medieval	ancient	Middle Ages
4	trip	travel	commute
5	busy	quaint	vibrant

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4 Complete the sentences with the Future Continuous, Future Perfect Simple, or Future Perfect Continuous forms of the verbs in brackets.

By the end of next year our local authorities will have built (build) over 100 new houses for the community.

1 The garden is a real mess so Tom's going to deal with it tomorrow, starting at 9 a.m. By lunchtime, he _____ (work) in the garden for over 3 hours.
2 I feel really excited about going on holiday. In a few weeks' time I _____ (enjoy) long walks on the beach.
3 My family has lived in this house for generations. By the end of next year, my family _____ (own) the property for exactly 150 years.
4 We're getting a new carpet. At this time tomorrow, they _____ (fit) it in my bedroom. I can't wait to see it!
5 We're off on holiday tomorrow morning. By 7 p.m. tomorrow evening, we _____ (arrive) at the hotel if the flight is on time.

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5 Complete the sentences with the words in the box. There are two extra words.

any	~~couple~~	deal	either
neither	no	none	plenty

Only a couple of Sarah's friends knew why she was moving house.

1 I'd be happy to live in _____ of the flats because they're both in good condition and the right location.
2 I'm afraid _____ pets are allowed in this tower block.
3 As far as I know, _____ of the houses in the new development have more than three bedrooms.
4 The house is in a great location, but it needs a great _____ of work before we can live in it.
5 Madrid is famous for its squares. There are _____ of them, so you can always find somewhere to sit and enjoy the sunshine.

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6 Choose the correct option.

Have you heard that the Wards bought *every* / (*each*) / *either* of their five children a house?

1 Very *few* / *several* / *most* of our neighbours are originally from this town. Most have moved here in the past five years.
2 In our street, people are proud of their small front gardens – you can tell as *all* / *either* / *every* one of them is well kept.
3 Out of the five students, only two managed to get a place in halls of residence. I don't know if *another* / *others* / *the others* have found somewhere to live yet.
4 I spent *the whole* / *all the* / *a couple of* day sorting my bedroom out, but it was worth it as it looks amazing now!
5 I've looked at so many cookery magazines for recipes that I'm not sure if I can be bothered to read *another* / *other* / *no* one.

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7 Complete the sentences using the prompts in brackets. Do not change the order of the words. Change the forms or add new words where necessary. Use up to six words in each gap.

I don't think we'll have any problem finding a new house, as *there are plenty of houses* (there/plenty/house) on the market at the moment.

1 The architects say they _____ _____ (finish/housing development) soon, most likely by the end of the month.
2 I can't believe it – _____ (spite/remind) them three times to buy bread at the supermarket, they still forgot!
3 The builders _____ (build/garage) while we are away on holiday next week.
4 Katia _____ (teach/children) for over thirty years when she retires next month.
5 I've had a clear-out and given away _____ _____ (deal/stuff) so the house is looking much better.

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8 Complete each pair of sentences with the same word.

Are there any underground car *parks* near here where I can leave the car?
The hundred largest public *parks* in the UK cover an area equivalent to almost 56,000 football pitches!

1 My _____ town is Manchester, which is where I was born and where I still live.
We live in Madrid, but we have a second _____ on the coast where we spend every summer.
2 Ella is always very _____ . She's never let me down in the past.
I bought a car because there isn't a _____ network of buses where I live.
3 The old cottage didn't have _____ water, so we couldn't have a shower.
I go _____ as a way to get rid of stress. Maybe I'll do a marathon one of these days.
4 In the school holidays, our parents let us run _____ as long as we were home for meals.
You can't get out of the vehicle during the safari, as there will be _____ animals around.
5 There are four people in our _____ , my parents, my sister and me.
When we move, we'll need to buy some _____ appliances, such as a new fridge.

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9 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first. Use the words in capitals.

Although the bigger flat was expensive, we bought it because it was in the right location. **OF**
We bought *the bigger flat in spite of* the cost, because it was in the right location.

1 The burglar won't be here any more when the police arrive. **ESCAPED**
By the time the police arrive, the burglar _____ _____.
2 This house might be worth buying, but other houses had no potential. **OTHERS**
This house might be worth buying, but _____ had no potential.
3 We are moving to our new house on Monday next week. **LIVING**
We _____ in our new house next week.
4 Ruth gave me some ideas on how to go about finding good places to stay in Wales. **COUPLE**
Ruth gave me _____ on how to go about finding good places to stay in Wales.
5 I think both dark red and deep blue would work well. **EITHER**
I like both dark red and deep blue. I think _____ would work well.

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10 Complete the text with one word in each gap.

Books, books, books

Sitting down with a good book is second *nature* to me – I'd far rather be immersed in a great story than watch TV. It's true that reading is not everyone's [1] _____ of tea, but it is mine! That's why I love the picturesque town of Hay-on-Wye – it's somewhere all book lovers should visit! It's [2] _____ the border of England and Wales, and it's famous for having nearly 40 second-hand and antiquarian bookshops. Apart from bookshops specialising in particular fields and those offering more general stock, there are a [3] _____ of other places full of books, including pubs, a fire station and a cinema.

What's more, every May and June, thousands of book lovers gather in Hay-on-Wye to take part in the Hay Festival, during which all the streets and parks become a giant reading site. [4] _____ reason to go is the opportunity to meet authors and listen to readings and lectures.

It's also amazing that with advancements in technology and many more people now reading e-books, the town still attracts those who prefer paper versions. Soon, I'll [5] _____ been visiting Hay-on-Wye every May for over twenty years, and I hope I'll be visiting for many years to come.

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