

Section 2

Words easily confused

Use the correct form of the words in the boxes to complete the sentences in each group A-I below. You may use some of the words more than once. In some cases more than one word may be correct.

A borrow lend let hire rent

- 1 My friends and I _____ a car to travel around the island.
- 2 Can you _____ me some money? I'll pay you back on Friday.
- 3 Some of the rooms in the country house were _____ to tourists for the weekends.
- 4 I _____ money from the bank to buy a house.
- 5 My parents _____ a tutor to help me with Maths.
- 6 The first thing I did when I went to Crete was _____ a house by the sea.

B spend waste save afford

- 1 I have been _____ a lot of money lately on things I don't really need. I usually _____ all my income and don't _____ any money for a rainy day.
- 2 John _____ too much time on the computer and doesn't pay enough attention to his homework. Of course, he can't _____ to be _____ time, especially now that he's got exams.

C bill fare fee fine ticket receipt account discount tax

- 1 The _____ department expects all customers to get a _____ with every purchase they make, otherwise they will have to pay a(n) _____.
- 2 I had to complain to the telephone company about my extremely high phone _____, which I was not prepared to pay. In the end they gave me a(n) _____ and I paid less.
- 3 When he had his wallet stolen, he didn't have any money to pay for his bus _____.
- 4 I bought an airline _____ for Madrid with British Airways.
- 5 _____ is automatically withdrawn from my pay every month.
- 6 Most universities require that tuition _____ should be paid at the beginning of each academic year.
- 7 Sheila got a parking _____ for parking on the pavement.
- 8 My parents have a(n) _____ with the local shop and pay the amount they owe every month.

D salary wage payment income bonus allowance award reward donation

- 1 My _____ gets paid into my bank account every fortnight.
- 2 Steve's parents give him a weekly _____, which he can use any way he likes.
- 3 Some people give _____ to charity organisations.
- 4 Young workers under the age of 21 get the minimum _____ set by the law.
- 5 My _____ from my job isn't sufficient to cover my weekly expenses. Only when I get a(n) _____ as a(n) _____ for excellent results can I afford something special for myself.
- 6 Your car _____ are due on the 10th of each month.
- 7 I received a Young Achiever's _____ for getting the best exam score in the school.