

Insight Pre-intermediate Unit Test 8 A

A Grammar: Past perfect simple and past simple

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

- 1 Linda had to wait for her mother to get home because she _____ (forget) her keys inside.
- 2 Sorry I'm late. I met a friend that I _____ (not see) for a long time.
- 3 _____ (it / stop) raining by the time you left school?
- 4 When Emma arrived at the concert, she realized she _____ (leave) the tickets at home.
- 5 We _____ (not book) a room and all the hotels were full, so we had to go home.
- 6 By the time he left school, James _____ (publish) two books.

B Grammar: Used to

Choose the correct verb from the box. Complete the sentences with the correct form of *used to* and the verbs in the box. There are three verbs you do not need.

not go enjoy be play become not have live not stay belong

- 1 Ben's uncle _____ football as a professional, but wasn't very famous.
- 2 That house _____ to my family, but my parents sold it.
- 3 We _____ on holiday much when I was younger.
- 4 That girl _____ on my street, but she moved away.
- 5 Oscar _____ long hair. I think I like it better now!
- 6 Priya's grandmother _____ as a teacher. She retired last year.

D Vocabulary: Understanding topic vocabulary

Complete the sentences with *of*, *in* or *for*.

- 1 Aisha has always dreamed _____ becoming a famous influencer.
- 2 I think the main role of school is to prepare young people _____ adult life.
- 3 Sam is very determined: he'll succeed _____ anything he wants to do.
- 4 We really need to fight _____ the things we believe in.
- 5 Claire talked in class about the importance _____ protecting bees.
- 6 James and Ben are competing _____ the role of class president.

E Vocabulary: Recognizing affixation

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

distant confident violence distance patient confidence patience important
violent importance

- 1 He is _____ that he can fix the cupboard without any help.
- 2 We aren't very _____ on car journeys; we want to get to places quickly.
- 3 I don't have the _____ to speak in front of lots of people.
- 4 My parents always taught me the _____ of being kind.
- 5 What is the _____ between the Earth and the Moon?
- 6 Are you listening? These instructions are very _____.

F Vocabulary: Understanding topic vocabulary

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

economy president monarchy civil servant empire election politician
community government

- 1 I want to work as a _____ in the Education Department.
- 2 Do you know who won the _____? I missed the results.
- 3 People vote to choose who will form the _____ in some countries.
- 4 As a _____, my mother has helped our local area for five years.
- 5 In countries that have a _____, the king or queen is the head of the nation.
- 6 Holding the Olympics can help a country's _____ and create jobs.

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G Reading: Distinguishing between fact and speculation

Read the text and choose the correct answer.

From: Ajay
To: Anjali
Subject: Hi!

Hi!
I watched that TV series you recommended, and I see what you meant about the acting! I know the advert said it was a drama, but I think it was also quite funny because of the actors, which was surprising.
Anyway, ...

- 1 Which is a fact about the TV series?
A ☐ It's surprisingly funny.
B ☐ It's got funny actors.
C ☐ It's a drama on TV.

Memory

Scientists believe that losing your memory is usually bad because it is often a sign of a more serious problem. However, recent studies have shown that forgetting things can be positive: often, when people forget things, they are choosing to only keep their useful memories. People who do this are good at making decisions.

- 2 According to the text, which is an opinion?
A ☐ Forgetting things can be a positive thing.
B ☐ Losing your memory is usually a bad thing.
C ☐ Forgetting can be good for making decisions.

Sleep better!

This new app is going to change your life!

How does it work?

It uses the latest technology to check how you are sleeping and wakes you up easily when you are ready. Many people believe it has changed their lives.

3 Which is an opinion?

- A ☐ The app changes people's lives.
- B ☐ The app checks people's sleep.
- C ☐ The app wakes people up easily.

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Art in the mountains

By Louise

I thought the rock paintings looked very impressive where they were! I had never seen anything so big before. They were painted simply, but they showed how people lived in the past, and what was important to them, and I think we can learn a lot from them.

4 Which is a fact?

- A ☐ The paintings looked very impressive on the rocks.
- B ☐ The paintings are something we can learn from.
- C ☐ The paintings showed how people used to live.

Molly,

I'll be home at 11 p.m. I've left dinner in the oven. I think you should do your homework before dinner, so you can relax after.

Love,

Dad x

5 Which is a fact?

- A ☐ Molly can relax after dinner.
- B ☐ Molly does homework before dinner.
- C ☐ Molly's dinner is in the oven.

Singing at a concert?

A man was asked to leave a concert last night because he was singing loudly. The crowd said the man was extremely annoying so, after the first song, he left.

6 Which is an opinion?

- A ☐ The man left after the first song.
- B ☐ The man was extremely annoying.
- C ☐ The man was singing loudly.

H Listening: Recognizing specific information

 Listen to a travel photographer talking about some of the places he has visited. Choose the correct answer for each question.

- 1 Who did the speaker go to Egypt with?
A ☐ His friends
B ☐ His family
C ☐ A tourist group
- 2 What about the pyramids influenced the speaker most?
A ☐ How big they are
B ☐ How old they are
C ☐ How interesting they are
- 3 Why does the speaker think so many people visit the Taj Mahal?
A ☐ Because of where it was built
B ☐ Because of the reason it was built
C ☐ Because of how it looks
- 4 Why does the speaker say he will never forget visiting Angkor Wat?
A ☐ Because he enjoyed cycling around the sight
B ☐ Because it was the first place he visited for work
C ☐ Because of how many religious buildings there are
- 5 According to the speaker, who do archaeologists think lived in Macchu Picchu?
A ☐ A ruler
B ☐ A religious group
C ☐ Normal people
- 6 What does the speaker like so much about Macchu Picchu?
A ☐ It is in the centre of the mountains.
B ☐ It shows what people's lives were like.
C ☐ It is from a long time ago.

J Writing: Developing main points

Read the text and think of one word to complete each sentence.

Money does not make you happy

Many people say that money makes you happy. However, not everyone has the same opinion. I believe that money does not make you happy.

To ¹ _____ clear, I think that money can help you buy experiences that you can enjoy. However, I believe these only last a short time, and do not bring real happiness. For ² _____, eating at a nice restaurant is a nice experience, but you only enjoy it in that moment.

On the other ³ _____, there are many other things that can make a person happy. Many people who do not have a lot of money are not sad at all, because they have something else that is important, ⁴ _____ as friends and family. In ⁵ _____, people who feel they have achieved something feel positive about their life.

In ⁶ _____, money can only make you feel good for a short time, and for me, this is not the same as happiness.

I Speaking: Giving opinions

Six sentences are missing from this text. Choose the correct sentence for each gap. There are three sentences you do not need.

Dave Have you seen this? That new footballer is getting paid 500,000 euros per week! That seems a lot.

Max I know. ¹ _____

Dave What do you mean by that?

Max ² _____ Their work is harder, and it's really important. They should get paid more for that.

Dave That's true, but sportspeople have a very difficult job too. And they entertain us. That's important!

Max ³ _____ And there are cheaper ways to entertain people.

Dave I suppose that's true.

Max And what about dangerous jobs? ⁴ _____ For example, firefighters are in danger every day. I think we should support them more.

Dave That's a good point. The sports industry makes a lot of money from advertising though, and the industries you mentioned don't make money in the same way. There wouldn't be a way to pay the people who work in them such a high amount.

Max ⁵ _____ The government could give those industries more money, for example.

Dave Maybe ... I think it's more difficult than that. It's hard to find enough money for everyone who needs it.

Max ⁶ _____ Maybe they should make the football industry give money to people who deserve it more!

Dave Now that's not a bad idea!

- A I'm not sure I agree that it's difficult.
- B In my view, people should get paid more for doing jobs that are helpful for society.
- C That's a good point, and maybe they should.
- D OK, you have a point. Perhaps the industries that make money should take more responsibility for others.
- E For me, all jobs are equally important – there's no doubt about it.
- F In my opinion, footballers should get paid a lot more than doctors.
- G You can't deny that some jobs are more dangerous than others.
- H Well, it seems to me that a doctor's work is more important than a footballer's.
- I I see what you mean, but I think there are other ways of dealing with the problem.