

ADVANCED 2 (C1-C2)

MID-TERM TEST

USE OF ENGLISH UNIT 6

1) Complete the text with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

Last Friday, I ¹_____ (sit) outside a café in central Berlin, feeling pretty let down. I ²_____ (look forward) to meeting up with my best friend who ³_____ (fly) across to Berlin for a business meeting the previous day, but she ⁴_____ (cancel) at the last minute as the meeting ⁵_____ (bring) forward. So, imagine this. I'm sitting there, hugging a coffee – it was freezing last Friday – and this woman ⁶_____ (come) up to me. She ⁷_____ (look) a bit harassed and she ⁸_____ (clutch) a notebook. 'Would you like to be in a film?' she asks. 'Only, we're in the middle of filming a scene and one of the actors has had to go to hospital. You're the spitting image – you only need to stand by a car for a few moments.' Well, to cut a long story short, I ⁹_____ (go) along with her, ¹⁰_____ (spend) a couple of hours in the company of some big names, and also got paid a hundred euros. Bonus!

2) Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

- 1 In the opening scenes we are **dropped** / **plunged** into a chaotic world, which is extremely confusing.
- 2 The romantic story is **put** / **set** against the backdrop of the French Revolution.
- 3 The book's main themes will **resonate** / **respond** with anyone who grew up in the early 2000s.
- 4 The main plot line **revolves** / **circles** around an older man and his three daughters.
- 5 This is an exciting writer who is **cutting** / **breaking** new ground with every novel she writes.

3) Complete the short texts with the words in the boxes. Each box has two extra words you do not need.

Text A

like mean random so some sort stuff

¹_____, I was working away and the phone rings and it's ²_____ guy trying to sell me something I didn't know I wanted. You know what I ³_____ – insurance, insulation, ⁴_____ like that. And he was ⁵_____, 'this is not a sales call.' Oh yes, I kid you not. I just hung up on him in the end.

Text B

know OK one sort stuff things this

It was ¹_____ of those days, you know, when just about everything that could go wrong, goes wrong. ²_____, maybe not everything, but nearly everything. So, I decided to have a long soak in the bath and read my book. Well, I was ³_____ of drifting off when there was ⁴_____ loud splash and I'd only dropped the book in the water. I know you'll say – well, it was just one of those ⁵_____, but – it was my friend's book, and it was a first edition! Ouch.

4) Which word(s) have been omitted from the sentences?

- 1 People found guilty of trespassing will be fined. _____
- 2 Must have been a nightmare, getting through the town centre this evening. _____
- 3 Not done the essay yet, I'd better get started. _____
- 4 The colours I'd chosen just didn't suit the room. _____

5) Complete the sentences with the correct prepositions.

- 1 The government is committed ____ reducing carbon emissions over the next ten years.
- 2 Teachers should be mindful ____ the amount of homework they give their students.
- 3 A reliance ____ fossil fuels needs to be addressed.
- 4 There has been no hint ____ a change in regulations to encourage more foreign students.
- 5 Is it common ____ banks to phone their customers?
- 6 If you're ____ a loose end this weekend, we can go for a drive in the countryside.
- 7 How many followers does she have ____ present?
- 8 You'll need to apply soon if you want to benefit ____ the government subsidy.
- 9 People who struggle ____ insomnia should contact their doctor.

6) Complete the sentences with the correct words.

- 1 Don't sit on the f _ _ _ _ – just say what you think.
- 2 We're s _ _ _ _ _ for choice with streamed series at the moment – it takes me ages to decide what to watch.
- 3 Can you advise me? I'm in a q _ _ _ _ _ _ about whether to enter the competition or not.

4 In any argument, my dad always takes the **p _ _ _** of least resistance because he likes a quiet life.

5 Try to **n _ _ _ _ _** down your options to a manageable number and then make a decision.

6 The college wanted to cancel extra classes, but we dug our **h _ _ _** in and finally they dropped the idea.

7 If you keep **c _ _ _ _ _** and changing your mind, you'll never get anything done.

8 It's a good idea, but I'll **s _ _ _ _** on it and let you know what I think tomorrow morning.

7) Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in the box.

cast dip flick plough read scrutinise skip

1 I _____ through the brochure quickly, but couldn't see anything I liked.

2 I love to _____ into a Gabriel García Márquez novel and just marvel at the beautiful language.

3 If you could _____ a quick eye over the essay I've done, I'd be very grateful.

4 She _____ up on the history of the city before visiting so she now knows what she wants to see.

5 The report was so long that I just _____ to the end to see what recommendations had been made.

6 I _____ through what seemed like a hundred emails this morning and it took ages.

7 Emilie _____ the letter to find any mistakes, but there were none.