2 Making choices

Vocabulary

fail, pass, take, lose, miss, study and *teach*

1 **Complete the sentences with words from the box.**

fail learn lose miss pass set off
study take teach work

1 In my final year at university, I have to ..... six exams. If I ..... them all, I'll get my degree.
2 I was very nervous, so I thought I was going to ..... my driving test.
3 I only ..... part-time because I'm a student. I ..... at university in the mornings. Then I ..... little children maths in the afternoon. I think they ..... a lot with me.
4 I can't find my bus pass. I hope I didn't ..... it yesterday.
5 I ..... for work at 7 o'clock because if I leave later, I ..... the train.

do, earn, make, spend, take and *win*

2 **Exam candidates often make mistakes with vocabulary. Underline and correct one vocabulary mistake in each sentence.**

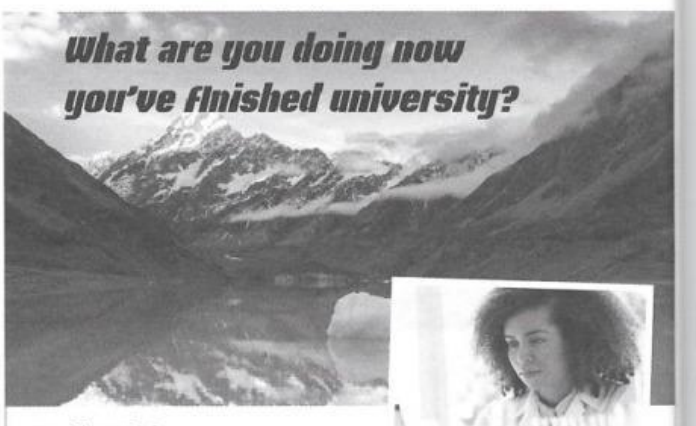
1 Karen prefers to spend the money she wins from her job on travelling rather than clothes.
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2 It's not easy for me to do new friends nowadays because I work from home.
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3 I earn a lot of money on travelling to work each month.
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4 Harry made his best, but he didn't get the job.
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5 I have to do a lot of time writing emails at work.
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6 The journey to work spent me a long time today because the traffic was terrible.
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7 It makes me a long time to get to the office.
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8 I was delighted when I earned first prize in the short-story competition.
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Reading Part 6

- Read the whole text first before you complete any of the gaps.
- The missing words are almost always 'grammatical' words, e.g. articles (*a, the*), auxiliary verbs (*have/has, is/was, do/does*, etc), pronouns (*it, them, him, my*, etc), prepositions (*in, at, for*, etc) or linking words (*but, when, if*, etc).

Exam advice

1 **For each question, write the correct word. Write one word in each gap.**



My first job

I got the job in environmental research a couple **(1)** ..... months after finishing my degree. I had applied **(2)** ..... several jobs in different companies, but this was the one I really wanted, so I was delighted.

Working in an environmental organisation is an amazing experience. I am a research assistant in the laboratory, working with a great team. Since I started here, I **(3)** ..... met a lot of interesting people who are studying the effect of climate change on our planet.

I think that protecting the environment is one of **(4)** ..... most important issues in our world today, and I want to help in any way I can, so this is a great opportunity for me. To begin with I don't have a very high salary, **(5)** ..... I'm happy to get the experience. They are also going to pay for **(6)** ..... to take some courses to learn more.

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