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4 Match the words

Match the 'funny' people below to the lists of words and phrases connected to them.

clown

stand-up comedian

cartoonist

satirist

1. a practical joke

slapstick

a red nose

a circus

2. a punchline

tell a gag

timing

audience

3. sarcasm

biting

criticism

political

4. humorous drawing

caption

strip

speech bubble

Part 4

For questions 35–42, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. **Do not change the word given.** You must use between **two** and **five** words, including the word given. Here is an example (0).

Example:

- 0 She started working at noon and she hasn't finished yet.

BEEN

She *has been working since* noon.

- 35 I last saw Helen before she left for Australia.

SINCE

I she left for Australia.

- 36 They're going to cancel the meeting.

CALL

They've decided the meeting.

- 37 My mobile rang during the nine o'clock news.

WATCHING

My mobile rang the nine o'clock news.

- 38 It was the best film I had ever seen.

NEVER

I such a good film before.

- 39 He learnt to use a computer when he was six years old.

WAS

He's known how to use a computer six years old.

- 40 At the moment, he is a reporter for the local newspaper.

AS

He a reporter for the local newspaper right now.

- 41 I started cooking about two hours ago.

HAVE

I two hours.

- 42 When did you meet Eric?

KNOWN

How long Eric?

score / 16

6.(5, 3/85)

3 Complete the article. Use one word in each gap.

The millennium bug

If you were around at the end of 1999, you've probably heard about the 'millennium bug' affecting the world's computer systems and its catastrophic effects. We waited and nothing happened. But what would ⁽¹⁾ *have* happened if there really had ⁽¹⁾ a millennium bug? Some experts claimed that it ⁽²⁾ have created chaos on the Internet, the whole system would have collapsed and all kinds of disasters would ⁽³⁾ followed: there ⁽⁴⁾ have been massive power failures, telephones would ⁽⁵⁾ stopped working, banks ⁽⁶⁾ have closed and so on.

What will happen if there ⁽⁷⁾ a similar bug in the future? Experts say that it is unlikely, but ⁽⁸⁾ it did happen, it ⁽⁹⁾ pose a serious problem. And if it happened unexpectedly, technicians ⁽¹⁰⁾ not have time to take the necessary action to prevent all possible problems. It is an unlikely scenario but ⁽¹¹⁾ we plan ahead, we may live to find out.

7.(8b, 3/138)

3 Report the questions.

0 'Where were you born?' I asked Emmy.

I asked Emmy where she had been born.

1 'How far is the stadium?' the man asked us.

2 'Who bought the Picasso painting?' she asked.

3 'What were they doing?' Mrs Fox asked.

4 'How long have you lived here?' Jo asked Ben.

5 'How often do you visit your cousins?' I asked Pam.

8.(7b, 3/119)

- 3** Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Use between two and five words. Do not change the word given.

0 Reports say that the plane has landed safely.

IS

It ~~is reported that~~ the plane has landed safely.

1 They say the country is on the verge of civil war.

SAID

The country on the verge of civil war.

2 People thought that the President was ill.

BE

The President ill.

3 The architect received £50,000 for his work.

WAS

£50,000 for his work.

4 People believe that he escaped.

HAVE

He is escaped.

5 They thought that he was the best actor for the part.

CONSIDERED

He the best actor for the part.

6 People thought she was very good at maths, but she failed her last test.

SUPPOSED

She very good at maths, but she failed her last test.

7 They decided to discuss the matter at the next meeting.

AGREED

It the matter would be discussed at the next meeting.

8 They showed the new science lab to the students.

WERE

The the new science lab.

9 Everything I know about art, I learnt from Mrs Robinson.

TAUGHT

I about art by Mrs Robinson.

10 They used a digital camera to take these photos.

WITH

These a digital camera.