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1) What's my line?

Skills aims

- Predicting content of short listening texts; listening for details
- Asking for and giving personal information; expanding when answering questions
- Reading short texts for gist; understanding text cohesion
- Writing an informal letter/email to practise informal register usage, punctuation and organizing and developing points

Vive in!

A Work in pairs. What job do these people do?



















B Which adjectives for describing people are important for the jobs in A?

hard-working • imaginative • organized • outgoing patient • responsible • sociable

Choose one of the jobs for your partner.
Why would it be a good job for him/her?
Use the adjectives in B to help you.

Reading

You are going to read about the jobs three teenagers would like to do. Skim the text and match a job from the photographs with each name.





Career choices

Confused about a career? You're not alone. Few young people know what they want to do when they leave school.

Three teenagers wrote in and told us how.

Three teenagers wrote in and told us how they made up their minds.

A Jim

completed an online careers recently questionnaire. According to the results, I'm not very good at science or maths (which is true, because I get terrible school reports!), but I'm imaginative and I love to create. I have lots of patience, but I'm also a bit of a perfectionist. Well, that's very accurate. My family is always complaining that I take too long to do things, but I want things to be just right. The website suggested quite a few careers. Some of them, like writer or architect, I don't really find interesting, 1...: model maker. It had never occurred to me, but model makers work in all sorts of places - TV and film, architects' offices and museums to name only a few. Making models, you see, is my hobby. In fact, 2... of the Parthenon with 3,000 matchsticks. Tomorrow I'm adding the last few details and it will be ready!



l've always been good at languages. I love French and German and I go to a language school two evenings a week, but this year I'm also having lessons at home to prepare for exams in the summer. I know ³... often become teachers, but I don't want to teach. You have to be very patient to be a teacher, and I'm not really patient enough. My dad is a teacher and he comes home very tired every day. A translator is another job for people with language skills, but that doesn't appeal to me either. You have to work long hours on your own translating books. It sounds dull! I'm quite outgoing and I like to have company, so that wouldn't suit me. I spoke to our careers officer at school 4...: interpreter. Interpreters meet people and travel. My mum says that interpreters can earn a lot too. It sounds great! Anyway, I'd better stop. My French lesson starts at six!

C Neil

A few weeks ago, I was watching a programme about zoos and I realized that a zoo-keeper would be a good occupation for me. I don't get on with people very well, but I adore animals. I own five pets 5... with them. In fact, while I'm writing this on my computer, Dean, my pet hamster, is walking all over my desk and Spike, my cat, is keeping my feet warm! Anyway, I've known for ages that I wanted to work with animals. My mum is a vet, so she's given me a love of animals. I thought about being a vet, 6... at university. I'm not very hard-working at school (my parents are always moaning about that!), so I don't think I'd get the grades you need to become a vet. Zoo-keepers, on the other hand, don't need to study so hard. You just need to love animals!

Steps to success

EXAM

STATE

When you do Reading B3:

- Skim the text quickly to get the gist of each section.
- Make sure that the sentence part you think is the answer fits LOGICALLY and GRAMMATICALLY in terms of what comes before and what comes after. Look for any linking expressions that might help you.

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- E These sentence parts have been removed from the text. Choose from sentence parts A-G the one which fits each gap 1-6. There is one extra sentence part you don't need to use.
- A and I spend most of my free time
- B these days I'm making a model
- C but that needs lots of study
- **D** and she came up with a great idea
- **E** but one suggestion was perfect
- **F** that I really enjoy playing
- G that people who study languages
- F Find the key words in these questions.

Who ...

- 1 was influenced by something on the Internet?
- 2 is patient?
- 3 can speak other languages?
- 4 would like to earn a good salary?
- 5 is sociable?
- 6 was influenced by something on TV?
- G Now read the text again. For questions 1–6 in F choose a teenager A–C.

Words in context

- H Match the words and expressions in bold in the text with a definition.
 - 1 very boring
 - 2 I had never thought about it.
 - **3** job
 - 4 someone who rewrites books from one language into another
 - 5 for a long time
 - 6 someone who gives advice about jobs
- 7 someone who helps speakers of different languages communicate
- 8 does not seem nice

Quick chat

What job would you like to do in the future? Why?

Grammar 1



See page 164 for information about present simple and present continuous.

Match these extracts with the uses of each tense.

- 1 My family are always complaining ...
- 2 ... my pet hamster, is walking all over my desk ...
- 3 Interpreters meet people and travel.
- 4 My French lesson starts at six!
- 5 Tomorrow I'm adding the last few details ...!

Present simple is used to talk about:

- a a general truth or habit
- **b** a timetabled future event

Present continuous is used to talk about:

- **c** an activity taking place around or exactly at the time of speaking
- **d** a plan for the future something already decided
- e an annoying habit

A Choose the correct option.

- 1 Careers officers help / are helping young people choose a suitable career.
- 2 Sally arrives / is arriving home every day at six o'clock.
- **3** We **stay** / '**re staying** in Paris for a few months this year.
- 4 My mum tells / is telling wonderful stories about her childhood.
- **5** Someone **climbs** / 's **climbing** that building!
- 6 Penguins don't get / aren't getting cold feet.

B Complete with the present simple or present continuous.

- 1 John! ... you ... (listen) to me?
- 2 This week we ... (not have) normal lessons. We ... (prepare) the school Christmas show. It's great fun.
- **3** Hurry up! The train ... (leave) in half an hour.
- 4 ... you ever ... (play) chess?
- 5 We ... (meet) cousins from Rostov tomorrow.
- **6** Teachers ... (not work) during the summer holidays.

C Complete this job advertisement using the present simple or continuous form of verbs from the box.

give • look • make • play • search • speak take place • wait • (not) work

Wanted! Summer Camp Leaders

- ★ (1) ... you ... great English?
- ★ (2) ... you ... team sports like basketball and football?
- ★(3) ... you ... friends easily?
- ★ (4) ... you ... for some excitement this summer?

If you answered yes to all the above, then we want to hear from you.

We (5) ... for teenage group leaders for our summer camp programmes. We'll keep you busy, but it's not all hard work. You (6) ... after seven o'clock any evening, and we (7) ... you two free days each week.

Interviews (8) ... in two weeks from now, so don't delay. We (9) ... to hear from you.



See page 164 for information about be used to.

D Complete the sentences with words or phrases from the box.

danger • noisy places • speaking waking up • working

- 1 Doctors are used to ... long hours.
- 2 Postal workers are used to ... early.
- 3 Builders are used to
- 4 Firefighters are used to
- **5** Lawyers are used to ... in court.

E Complete these sentences using be used to.

- 11....
- 2 My parents
- 3 Our teacher



Vocabulary **Describing people**

A Look at the adjectives. Which are positive and which are negative?

1 aggressive 7 efficient 2 arrogant 8 energetic 3 big-headed 9 moody 4 bossy 10 reliable 5 cheerful 11 selfish

6 creative 12 well-organized

B Complete the texts with suitable words from A.



Nancy

My mum works in an office ith another woman called Nancy, and Mum hates her! Nancy is always telling other people what to do, and Mum hates 1 ... people. Nancy is a very 2 ... person. She's always busily running around the office doing lots of things, but she's also very

3 She argues and shouts until she gets what she wants. The worst thing, though, is that Nancy is always complaining about my mum's desk. You see, my mum isn't 4 ... and her desk is always a terrible mess. That drives Nancy mad ... and Nancy drives my mum mad!



Aiden

Aiden is my best friend. He's a brilliant student at school, but he isn't 5 In fact, despite being the best in the class, he's very modest. Even better, he isn't at all 6 I mean, he doesn't mind helping other kids if they don't understand

something. Aiden is a very ⁷ ... boy – he always seems to be smiling and laughing. Other boys of his age are often miserable and 8 ... , but not Aiden. He's a great friend.

Use a prefix, un-, im-, in-, ir-, dis-, to make the negative form of these words.

1 ...ambitious 5 ...polite

2 ...attractive 6 ...responsible 3 ...considerate 7 ...organized

4 ...imaginative

D Complete the sentences with the words from C.

- 1 Alex is so He never thinks of anyone except himself.
- 2 Isn't it ... to let your dog walk around the streets on its own?
- 3 I think too much make-up is very
- 4 Laura's clever, but she's very Her room is a terrible mess.
- 5 My dad thinks it's ... to start eating before everyone is sitting at the table.
- 6 My grandpa was a great footballer, but he was He never wanted fame and fortune.
- 7 This writer is very There's nothing different or unusual about her books.
- Match the adjectives with the nouns. Some adjectives can match with more than one noun.

curly • dark • fair • long • pointed • round • straight thick • thin • turned-up • wavy

- 1 hair
- 2 skin
- 3 face
- 4 lips
- 5 nose
- 6 legs / arms
- F Work in pairs. Use the words from this page to describe a friend or a member of your family. Talk about their physical appearance and their character.

My best friend isn't very tall. She's got a very round face and dark, wavy hair. I like her because she's a very cheerful and energetic person. For example, she ...

Ouick chat

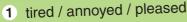
What kind of person do you need to be to do these jobs? Tell a partner your opinion.

nursery school teacher • police officer receptionist · soldier

Listening

A These pictures show a girl called Mina with different people in her life. Choose the word that best describes how the other people are feeling in each picture.







2 frightened / jealous / sorry







4 confused / excited / upset



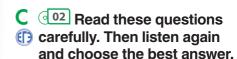
B (02) Now listen. What relationship does each person have to Mina? You do not need all the words.

aunt • brother • father • friend • mother • neighbour sister • teacher • uncle

Steps to success

The questions in Listening A8-A14 will give you some clues about what you will hear. Always read them carefully before listening and try to guess what the conversation will be about.

Listening A8-A14 → p194



- **1** Mina is talking to a woman. What does Mina offer to help her with?
- A preparing a meal
- **B** going shopping
- C tidying the house
- 2 Mina is talking to a boy. What has the boy done?
- A broken something
- **B** lost something
- C given something to someone else
- **3** Mina is talking to a man. What are they talking about?
- **A** history
- **B** geography
- C maths
- 4 Mina is talking to another boy. Why is the boy sad?
- A His pet has died.
- B He has lost something valuable.
- C He has fallen out with his friends.
- 5 Mina is talking to another man. What does he think about Mina?
- A She has hurt herself.
- **B** She is in trouble at school.
- **C** She has got a tattoo.

Ouick chat

Parents sometimes get annoyed with their children. What makes your parents annoyed?



Speaking

- A Sort the questions for getting to know someone into the categories below.
- a Likes and dislikes
- **b** Family and friends
- c Home
- d Free time
- e Education
- f Work
- **q** Holidays and travel
- 1 Do you like living in a city?
- 2 Does your family go away every summer?
- 3 What sort of food do you like?
- 4 Where do you usually go on holiday?
- 5 Have you got any brothers or sisters?
- 6 Is it difficult to find work where you live?
- 7 Who is your best friend?
- 8 Where do you live?
- 9 What do you usually do at the weekend?
- 10 Would you like to go to university?
- 11 Do you enjoy reading?
- 12 What is the thing you like most about school?
 - B 03 Listen to Maria and Victor. Find the questions from A that they answer.
 - C Complete these questions with a question word.
 - 1 ... do you do at the weekend?
 - 2 ... do you go to school?
 - 3 ... is your birthday?
 - 4 ... is your favourite singer?
 - 5 ... do you spell your surname?
 - 6 ... do you want to be a pilot?
- Take turns asking and answering some of the questions from A and C.

HELPFUL HINTS

When you are asked a *yes/no* question, don't simply answer with yes or no. Expand your reply with a little more information. For example:

Are you good at languages? No, not really, but I enjoy learning them. Have you ever flown?

Yes, I have. I flew to Italy last year with my family.

Work in pairs. Ask and answer these *yes/no* questions. Make sure that you expand your answers a little. Use the Language chunks to help you.

Have you got any brothers? Do you live close to school? Do you like animals? Is English your favourite subject? Does your family often go to the cinema? Have you ever tried skiing?

Language chunks

Ways to expand

Have you got ...? Yes, I have. In fact, I've got ... / No, I haven't, but ...

Do you ...?

Yes, I do. <u>I usually</u> ... / No, I don't, <u>because</u> ...

Yes, it is, and actually ... / No, it isn't. Although ...

Yes, she does, and she's ... / No, she doesn't, and the reason is that ...

Have you ever ...?

Yes, I have. It was ... / No, I haven't, but I'd love to because ...

Say it right!

Silent h

5 honest

F Find and copy down the words that have a silent h.

10 honestly

1 head 6 have 2 hour 7 honour 3 hear 8 hourly 4 horrible 9 happy

G 04 Now listen and check.

Grammar 2



See pages 164 and 165 for information about stative verbs.



Match each example of a stative verb with a category.

a feelings

b senses

c mental

processes

d relationships

e appearance

- 1 I love you.
- 2 I hate Monday mornings.
- 3 This tastes delicious.
- 4 Does this contain meat?
- 5 She doesn't believe you.
- 6 Don't you remember me?
- o Don't you remember in
- 7 This **belongs** to you.
- **8** There **appears** to be a problem.
- 9 You don't seem very well.
- 10 You sound strange.

A Find the sentences where the underlined verb has a stative meaning.

- 1 That pie smells delicious.
- **2** The room was so dark I had to <u>feel</u> my way to the light switch.
- **3** The chef always <u>tastes</u> the food before he sends it out to customers.
- 4 Do you know how much a whale weighs?
- **5** You have to <u>think</u> very carefully when you play chess.
- 6 That looks like a very interesting book.
- 7 This material feels like wool.
- **8** If you <u>look</u> through this window, there is a beautiful view.

B Two of the sentences are correct. Which ones? Find and correct the mistakes in the other sentences.

- 1 I'm not wanting any more tea, thanks.
- 2 Did you hear that Duffy is appearing at the Odeon theatre next week?
- 3 Aren't you recognizing me?
- 4 Your piano is sounding awful.
- **5** My dog's smelling your bag. What have you got in there?
- 6 I'm not needing this anymore. You can have it.
- 7 The radio is seeming to work OK now.

C Use the notes to make dialogues. Use the present simple or continuous.

- 1 A: This milk / smell bad
 - B: Yes, / I / think / it's gone off
- 2 A: Why / you / taste / the soup?
 - B: I / think / it / need / some more salt
- 3 A: This / material / look / like wool
 - B: Yes, / but / it / not / feel / like wool
- 4 A: What / make / that strange noise?
 B: I / not / know
- 5 A: you / believe / in ghosts?
 - B: No. / I / think / that's nonsense
- **6 A:** Why / you / weigh / those apples?
 - B: I / make / a pie

D Put the verb into the correct form. Use either the present simple or continuous.

- 1 Please turn off the radio. I ... (study).
- 2 How many languages ... (you speak)?
- **3** George says he got all the questions right, but I ... (not / believe) him.
- **4** Hurry! The movie ... (start). I ... (not / want) to miss it.
- 5 You can borrow my bicycle. I ... (not / need) it at the moment.
- **6** I am glad we invited Grandpa to the birthday party. He ... (really enjoy) himself.
- 7 ... (you come) to the party tonight?
- **8** Megan ... (write) a composition for her class tomorrow.
- **9** Robert ... (play) guitar in a rock band every weekend.
- **10** ... (you think) Dynamo will win the championship this year?
- **11** Matt can't come to the phone right now. He ... (work) in the garden at the moment.

1

Practise your English

A Read the text quickly and answer these questions.

- 1 What is physiognomy?
- 3 What do thin lips mean?
- 2 Why are long heads good?
- 4 What is the philtrum?

Steps to success

For Grammar and Vocabulary B11–B16 make sure that you:

- read the whole text so that you understand the gist;
- think about the meaning of the whole sentence with the gap;
- identify the part of speech of the missing word;
- check whether the missing word should be in the plural or singular form;
- check whether the missing word should be in the negative form.

Grammar and Vocabulary B11-B16 → p196

You can judge a book by its cover



Should we form an opinion about someone's personality only from their looks? They say that you can't judge a book by its cover. Well, apparently you can! In fact, the art of judging character from a person's 1... has been practised for over 3000 years. It's called physiognomy or 'face reading' and, according to the experts, it's as 2... as any science.

So what can physiognomy tell us? Let's start with the shape of the head. People with wide heads are generally ³... and want to achieve a lot. Long-headed people are careful and trustworthy, and those with short heads can be ⁴.... They don't do things properly.

What about the eyes, nose or mouth? What do they reveal? Well, 5... – people who want everything just right – tend to have eyes that are close together. Pointed noses can show intelligence, while 6... people, those who think only of themselves, sometimes have small mouths and thin lips. Even that little square below the nose, the philtrum, has a meaning. Lively, 7... people have a strong, thick philtrum. People with a weaker philtrum are sometimes 8... or depressed.

But is this just a lot of nonsense? Well, think about the people in your life and judge for yourself.

C Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence. Use the word given.

1 You never remember your pencil case.

ALWAYS

You're ... pencil case.

2 I don't really want to be a doctor.

APPEAL

Being a doctor ... me.

3 I don't normally get up early and I find it difficult. USED

I ... up early.

4 We've decided to spend next weekend in Paris.

SPENDING

We ... weekend in Paris.

5 Is this yours? BELONG

... to you?

6 Jane's been living on her own for years now. It's not a problem for her. USED

Jane ... on her own.

7 My mum isn't a very organized person.

IS

APPFAR

RELY

AMBITION

RESPONSE

PERFECT

CONSIDER

ENERGY

MOOD

My mum ... person.

8 Why don't you like swimming so much?

HATE

Why ... swimming?

9 That wasn't a very polite thing to say.

WAS

That ... thing to say.

10 Alison has a bad habit of leaving the bathroom light on.

IS

Alison ... the bathroom light on.

Your voice

Give a 2-minute talk on your best friend.

Remember to say:

- what your best friend looks like
- why you like him / her

- when and how you met
- what you have in common with him / her

(1) Writing: Informal letter / email

A These photos show jobs that young people sometimes do in the summer holidays.

Match the words with the photos.

shop assistant summer camp leader tour guide waiter / waitress



Quick chat

Would you like to do any of these jobs in your summer holiday? Why / Why not? What sort of people would be good at jobs like these?

B You have received a letter from your English-speaking pen-friend Sven who writes:

...We're all OK here in Stockholm, although it's not as warm as where you are! I'm interested in working this summer, and I'm wondering what kind of job would suit me. I thought you could help me. I know you're at a summer camp, but where is it, exactly? How many hours do you work each day and what sort of things do you do? What sort of person do they want? In other news, I recently got my driving licence ...

- C Read Maria's reply to Sven's letter. There are some problems with it, but don't worry about those now. Did she enjoy her summer job?
 - A Dear Sven,

I am most grateful for your letter. Naturally, I am pleased to be of assistance to you.

- B The camp is on the island of Sardinia. I work about five hours a day, with an hours' lunch break. we do all sorts of things, such as help in the kitchen? we also organize activities for the children.
- You need quite good English because that's how everyone communicates. You also need to be sociable because you work with children all day.
- D That's great that you recently got your driving licence. Was the driving test difficult? Are you going to buy a car soon? What will you use it for?
- E Let me know what you decide about working this summer.
- F Bye for now, Maria



Skills development

Organization

Match each paragraph in Maria's letter with its function.

Answers to Sven's first and second questions Finishing off

Three questions to Sven regarding his news Introduction

Answer to Sven's third question Conclusion

Register

When we write to a friend, we use informal register. Register is shown through the vocabulary, grammar and punctuation that we use. For example:

·	Formal	Informal
	register	register
Punctuation	Your help is not required.	Your help isn't required.
Grammar	Your help is not required.	I don't require your help.
Vocabulary	Your help is not required.	I don't need your help.

- E Read paragraph A again. What's wrong with it?
- F Rewrite paragraph A of Maria's letter in a more informal style. Use the phrases in the box.

It was nice to hear from you again. Just ask!

Of course, I'm happy to help you with anything you need.

Thanks for your letter.

Punctuation

All your writing must be punctuated correctly. This is true for formal and informal writing.

G Paragraph B has a number of mistakes with punctuation. Find the mistakes and rewrite the whole paragraph correctly in your notebook.

Planning and writing

Steps to success

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- Use the three questions in the prompt letter to organize your reply.
- Remember to ask three questions about the last line in the prompt letter.
- · Try to think of something you would personally like to know about the topic introduced in the last line.

Writing C1 → p197

H Now write your own reply to Sven. Write between 100 and 140 words. Use the Language chunks and the Planner to help organize your work.

Planner | | | | | | | | | | | |

Paragraph 1: Thank Sven for his letter.

Paragraph 2: What is your job? What does the job involve? Do you enjoy it?

Paragraph 3: What special skills do you need? What sort of person could do the job?

Paragraph 4: Ask three questions about Sven's news. Paragraph 5: Conclude with a closing expression.

Paragraph 6: Finish off.

Language chunks

Starting an informal letter / email

Thanks for your message. How are things? Great to hear from you.

Closing expressions

Let me know ... Well, got to go now. Say hello to ...

Finishing off an informal letter / email

Take care, Bye for now. All the best,

Quick check!

Be sure to ...

- ➤ write in an informal style
- > check your punctuation
- make it sound natural, as though you really know this person

2 A place to call home

Skills aims

- Listening to a radio programme for gist
- Comparing pictures; expressing opinions and observations while speaking
- Predicting content of a long text; reading for gist, key words and details
- Writing an article to practise organizing ideas, paragraph formation, layout features and linking words



A Work in pairs. Which of the following things could you *not* live without for a week?

- chocolate
- mobile phone
- hairdryer
- bathroom
- TV
- electricity

Reading

B Read the advertisement. What do you think happens on wilderness survival camps?

- hunting
- · learning to cook
- sleeping in tents
- sports
- staying in a hotel
- sightseeing
- C You are going to read about a camping experience. Read the article quickly to check your predictions in B.

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Steps to success

- To answer multiple choice questions in Reading A15–A21 read the question, but not the options, and find the information in the text
- Then look at the answer options and choose the best one.

Reading A15-A21 → p196

Paragraph Read the text again and find the answers to the following questions.

- 1 Why did the writer decide to go to a wilderness survival camp?
- 2 What did she not learn to do on the camp?
- **3** What shocked the writer on the first day of the camp?
- 4 What was the rest of the week like?
- **5** At the end of the camp, what did the writer realize?
- 6 How does the writer feel about her experience at the camp?



Wilderness survival camp: a home away from home?

How long can you live without everyday luxuries? Not for very long, as I found out on my wilderness survival camp experience.

I had heard about wilderness survival camps from some classmates who went to one last summer. They were very excited about their experience and I was curious. So during last month's term break I decided to go to one. After everything I'd heard, I was really looking forward to it.

On the first day our instructor, James, **reassured** us that the woodland would provide us with everything we needed, well almost. James was going to show us how to find water, food and how to light a fire. We were also shown how to build a **shelter** with only branches and leaves.

The water was easy to find because the camp is in one of the wettest parts of the country, but the food was not. To my horror, I discovered that we had to find our own. This meant **hunting**, but we couldn't face it on the first day. We went out

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in groups and managed to find some berries and mushrooms. One of the boys in the group was able to light a fire (without matches!) and we proceeded to prepare a meal. However, as we were cooking the mushrooms, they caught fire. I was able to save most of them, but they tasted strange!

The woodlands are very green, but they are also damp, so you can imagine how cold it gets at night. But the cold is not the only problem. On the first night, we were kept awake by strange animal noises. Owls, squirrels and who knows what else! The next morning I woke to find Sheila, one of the girls in our group, looking at me in horror. 'There is something crawling on my stomach,' she said, pointing. And indeed, unbuttoning her pyjamas, I saw a small black spider making its way across her body. The

woodland is full of creepy-crawlies!

The rest of the week went by without any major dramas. We looked for food, lit fires, cooked and basically survived the week in the wild. We had to eat some unusual dishes, such as mushrooms with wild strawberries and barbecued fish! We also had the opportunity to take part in water sports and go rock climbing, both of which I have never done before.

But it definitely wasn't a home away from home. I realized by the second day in the camp that it is not easy to live without the things we have grown accustomed to in our everyday lives. It makes you appreciate even the smallest of luxuries chocolate, for instance, or your own private bathroom. Would I recommend it? Yes, I probably would. It is a chance to get in touch with the natural world – even if it is only for a few days.

E (1) Now choose which option (A, B, C or D) best answers the questions in D.

1

- A to see if she could live without everyday luxuries
- **B** to satisfy her curiosity about such camps
- C to learn to survive in the natural world
- D to do some sightseeing

- 2
- A find food
- **B** light a fire
- C build a house
- **D** find water
- 3
- A that she had to look for water
- **B** that it was cold at night
- C that the woodland is full of spiders
- **D** that she had to find food to eat
- 4
- A It was full of dramas.
- B They didn't work at all.
- C It was not problematic.
- **D** She enjoyed trying various interesting dishes.
- 5
- A Living without everyday luxuries is difficult.
- **B** It is important to connect with nature.
- **C** She will take chocolate with her next time.
- **D** She wants her own bathroom.
- 6
- A She thinks it was worth it.
- **B** She did not enjoy it.
- **C** She thought it was dangerous.
- **D** She can't wait to do it again.

Words in context

F Match the words in bold in the text with a definition.

- 1 things that are nice, but not necessary
- 2 a wild place that is not inhabited by people
- 3 spiders, worms or other small scary animals
- 4 understand the importance of something
- **5** a place that gives protection from the weather, etc
- 6 be used to
- 7 looking to find
- 8 said something to make us feel better

Quick chat

Would you like to go to a wilderness survival camp? Why / Why not?

Grammar 1



See pages 165 and 166 for information about past simple and past continuous.

Match these extracts with the descriptions.

- 1 I was really looking forward to it.
- 2 ... I was curious.
- 3 ... some classmates who **went** to one last summer.
- 4 ... as we were cooking the mushrooms, they caught fire.
- 5 We looked for food, lit fires, cooked ...

Past simple is used to talk about:

- a repeated actions in the past
- **b** a completed action at a specific time in the past
- **c** a state in the past

Past continuous is used to talk about:

- **d** an action that was in progress when something else happened
- **e** a temporary situation in the past

A Complete with the past simple or past continuous.

- 1 Last year, while I ... (stay) with friends on their farm, I ... (ride) a horse for the first time.
- 2 When I was a child, we ... (move) house at least five times.
- **3** Ben ... (watch) TV when he ... (hear) a strange noise coming from the flat next door.
- **4** John lives in New York, but he ... (grow up) in Chicago.
- **5** Christine ... (know) she couldn't live in that place forever.
- **6** I ... (not live) there, I ... (only stay) there while my house was being renovated.
- 7 What ... (do) when I ... (call) you earlier?

B Choose the correct answer.

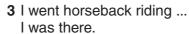
- 1 It snowed / was snowing a lot last year.
- 2 He was talking / talked on the phone for hours with his girlfriend.
- 3 Did you go / Were you going to the theatre last night?
- **4** I was hearing / heard a strange sound and went downstairs to see what it was.
- **5** As I was jogging / jogged in the park in the morning, I saw my friend Tim.
- 6 My father **cooked** / **was cooking** dinner when he realized that we had run out of salt.

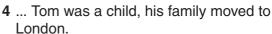
Check time expressions in the past

See page 166 for information about time expressions in the past.

C Complete with a time expression.

- 1 ... I was living in Paris, I ate croissants every day.
- **2** Sarah was able to relax ... her visit to the countryside.





- **5** Twenty years ... there were more people living in the country than there are now.
- **6** I haven't been back to my village ... many years.

Check used to and would

See page 166 for information about *used to* and *would*.

D Choose the correct option.

- 1 Did you **used to / use to** walk everywhere before you got a car?
- **2** We **used to** / **use to** enjoy walking in the countryside.
- 3 Jason would / used to prefer living in the city.
- 4 My friends didn't used to / use to go out a lot.
- 5 Mum use to / would take us on picnics when we were younger.

Four of these sentences contain mistakes. Find them and correct them.

- **1** Jane used to living with her parents, but now she lives alone.
- 2 I would live in that house.
- **3** Paul used to came over a lot, but he doesn't anymore.
- **4** I would play with the children next door every day after school.
- 5 Didn't you used to live in my street?
- **6** Most big cities used to be less polluted than they are today.

F Work in pairs. List five ways life used to be different 100 years ago.

Vocabulary Town and village

A Where would you find these places – in urban areas, in rural areas or both?

block of flats • multiplex cinema multi-storey car park • shopping centre/mall skyscraper • country house • farmhouse public garden/park • garden • gym/sports centre field • industrial area

B Decide if these adjectives are positive, negative or both. Then work with a partner to describe your area.

busy • dangerous • depressing • dull • exciting • green historic • interesting • lively • lovely • modern • noisy peaceful • pleasant • polluted • quiet • safe

My town is a very lively place. There are lots of shopping centres and multiplex cinemas. Unfortunately, it's polluted and noisy.

House and home

C Complete with house or home.

- **1** Most people don't leave ... until they're at least 18.
- 2 The ... with the red shutters is for sale.
- **3** Our football team always wins when we play at
- **4** Please deliver it on Friday. There'll be nobody ... tomorrow.

Make compounds with *house* and *home*. Which word can take both?

 1 ... hold
 5 ... town

 2 ... less
 6 ... warming

 3 ... made
 7 ... wife

 4 ... ick
 8 ... work

E Complete with a compound from D.

- **1** We had a ... party when we moved into our new flat.
- 2 New York is not my I moved here when I was 18.
- 3 ... ice cream is delicious.
- 4 I always get ... when I'm away from home for more than a week.
- 5 Does every ... have a computer?

F Complete the collocations. Then answer the questionnaire. Compare your answers with a partner.

do (x 5) • clear / lay • load • make take • tidy • walk • water

Do you ever ...

- 1 ... your bed?
- 2 ... the cooking?
- 3 ... the dishwasher?
- 4 ... the household shopping?
- 5 ... the rubbish out?
- 6 ... the ironing?
- 7 ... your room?
- 8 ... the washing-up?
- 9 ... the table?
- 10 ... the plants/garden?
- 11 ... the laundry?
- **12** ... the dog?

Phrasal verbs

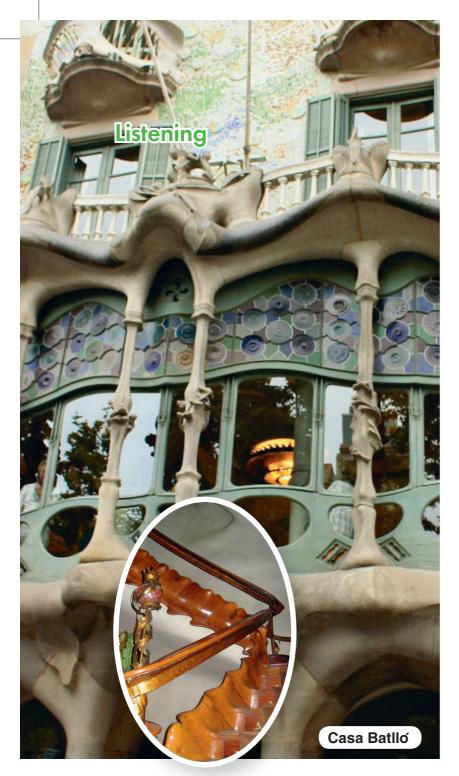
- G Choose the correct option. In one sentence both options are correct. Then match the phrasal verbs with their definitions.
- 1 Our house was run down so we did it **up / down**.
- 2 I don't want to go out. I'll just stay in / on and watch TV.
- 3 I need to throw **out** / **up** some of the old clothes in my wardrobe.
- 4 Come over / on to my house tonight!
- 5 If you're in the neighbourhood, drop by / in and see us.
- a to remain at home
- **b** fixed
- **c** visit without an appointment
- d visit
- e get rid of

Your voice

Give a 2-minute talk on where you live.

Remember to say:

- where your home is (in the urban area, rural area, etc)
- what the neighbourhood is like
- · what your home is like
- what chores you like and dislike doing and why



A Look at these pictures of two buildings. What makes them unusual? Use these words and phrases to help you describe them.

Parts of a building

the outside the roof the walls the ceiling the staircase a room

Talking about a building

colourful
impressive design
a lot of detail
rich design
decorative features
amazing

The roof of the first building has got a lot of detail.

B Listen to a radio programme about the two buildings. Which parts of the buildings are mentioned?



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Steps to success

In Listening A1–A7 the questions are in the same order as you hear them in the recording.

Listening A1–A7 → p194

- C 05 Listen again. Decide if each statement
- is true, false or if the information is not stated.
- 1 All Gaudí's buildings can be found in Barcelona.
 - A True B False C Not stated
- 2 The rich design makes Gaudí's buildings special.
 - A True B False C Not stated
- **3** Gaudí was happy to design and built the Casa Vicens.
 - A True B False C Not stated
- **4** The ceilings in the Casa Vicens aren't flat like in most buildings.
 - A True B False C Not stated
- **5** It took Gaudí five years to design the Casa Vicens.
 - A True B False C Not stated
- **6** The Casa Batllo is Gaudi's only building that reminds us of animals.
 - A True B False C Not stated
- **7** The roof of the Casa Batllo looks like an elephant.
 - A True B False C Not stated
- **8** A one-day Gaudí walking tour starts at eight in the morning every Friday.
 - A True B False C Not stated
- 9 Visiting the Casa Milá is free of charge.
 - A True B False C Not stated

Quick chat

Do you like Gaudí's buildings? Why/Why not?

Do you know of an extraordinary building in your town or area? What makes it special?

Speaking

- 1 What do the pictures show?
- 2 What similarities are there between the pictures?
- **3** Which of the places would the speaker prefer to visit?
- B Look at the pictures described on page 193. Did the speaker do well?
- C 06 Listen again and match the comments in the Language chunks box.

Language chunks

Impressions

It looks like ...
It's a very ...
I get the impression ...
It makes me think of ...
I think it's probably ...

that the first place is in a wet country ... it could be a farm ... a dangerous place to visit. peaceful place. the Amazon rainforest.

HELPFUL HINTS

When describing pictures, use phrases that make it clear you're talking about your opinions and impressions.

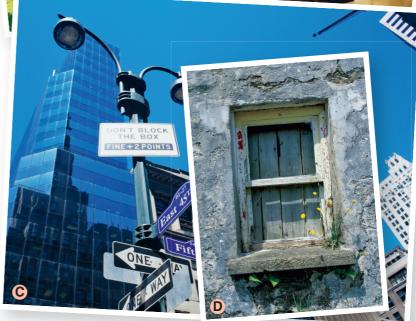
D Work in pairs. Copy the checklist in your notebook. Speak for one minute each. Listen to your partner and complete the checklist. Then give feedback.

Student A: Compare pictures A and B. Which place would you like to live in?

Student B: Compare pictures C and D. Which place would you like to live in?

Checklist:		No
1 Talks about the similarities.		
2 Talks about the differences.		
3 Answers the question about their preference.		





- Work in pairs. Which of these things are important when choosing where to live?
- a garden
- · space for parking
- · parks or public gardens nearby
- a good school nearby
- shops within walking distance
- good public transport
- · a variety of entertainment facilities

Say it right!

Sounds [t], [d] and [Id]

F © 07 Copy the table into your notebooks. Listen and put the verbs in the correct column.

[t] wished	[d] discovered	[ɪd] decided

Grammar 2



ভিভেম *a/an, the*, the zero article

See page 166 for information about articles.

Find and correct the mistakes in these sentences.

- 1 Nile is the longest river in the world.
- 2 A lot of the European cities are built on a major river.
- 3 What is capital of Austria?
- 4 I live in beautiful village.
- 5 I've lived in a same house my whole life.
- **6** The George is my next-door neighbour.

A Complete the text with a, an, the or -.



Tatami rooms

A Tatami room is 1 ... room in 2 ... Japanese house which has one or more tatami mats. These mats, which are 3... traditional type of Japanese flooring, are associated with 4 ... Japanese tea ceremony. Made of straw, they measure 90 cm by 180 cm. In Japan, ⁵ ... size of a room is typically measured by the number of tatami mats it can fit. There are certain rules that must be followed with regard to 6 ... number and layout of 7 ... tatami mats. 8 ... mats must not be laid where 9 ... corners of three or four mats touch. If you do not follow these rules, it is believed you will have

10 ... bad luck.

B Read this sequence and answer the questions.

There's a boy sitting on a chair. The chair is in a room. The room is in a house. The house is in a street. The street is in a city. The city is in Ireland.

- 1 Where's the boy?
- 2 Where's the room?
- 3 Where's the city?

Work in pairs. Write similar sequences beginning with these sentences. When you've finished, compare your sequences with another pair.

There's a bee on a flower. There's a fly on the wall.

@hedix possessive pronouns and possessive adjectives

See page 166 for information about possessive adjectives and pronouns.

Choose the correct option and then complete the rules.

- 1 This is my / mine house.
- 2 This house is my / mine.

Possessive pronouns or possessive adjectives?

- a ... (my, your, his, her, its, our, their) are followed by nouns.
- **b** ... (*mine*, *yours*, *his*, *hers*, *ours*, *theirs*) are not followed by nouns.

D Choose the correct answer.

- 1 A friend of ... spent a week in a wilderness survival camp.
 - **a** my
- **b** mine
- 2 ... grandmother lived in five different countries before settling here.
 - a My
- **b** Mine
- 3 Is that ... car over there?
 - a your
- **b** yours
- 4 No, that's Frank's. This is
 - a mv
- **b** mine
- 5 This is ... and this is Sam's.
 - **a** your
- **b** yours
- 6 ... chemistry teacher moved here from Saratov.
 - a Our
- **b** Ours

Practise your English

A Choose the best answer.

1 I was doing my homework when the phone

A was ringing C ringed B rang D did ring

2 What ... between the time you got home and the time you went to bed?

A you did C you doing B did you D were you doing

3 I ... live in a very small house by the sea.

A did C used to B used D would

4 Every night my father ... home from work and sit in that chair.

A used come C was coming B would come D comes

5 I ... her many times.

A visited C was visiting B visit D am visiting

6 The only ... I don't mind doing is the ironing.

A homework C household B housework D home life

7 Who ... your bed every morning?

A made C did B makes D does

8 Which is the tallest ... in the world?

A field C house B apartment D skyscraper

9 Can you please tell John to ... the rubbish out?

A get C take B do D make

10 This place is so There's nothing to do in the evenings.

A polluted C modern
B exciting D dull

B Discuss these questions in pairs.

Can the colours in your bedroom affect your sleep?

Can the position of your bed in your bedroom affect your sleep?

C Read the text quickly to find answers to the questions in B.

The power of Feng shui

Is there a room in your home that everyone likes to spend a lot of time in? What about a space that no one seems to use very much? Are you finding it 1... to sleep at night? These questions can easily be answered using the art and science of ancient Chinese Feng shui (pronounced fung shway). Feng shui, which literally means the wind and the water, teaches us how to create harmony and balance around us by making changes in our work and 2... spaces. By arranging our furniture and décor in a way that aligns with nature, we draw harmony and good health into our lives. According to this ancient philosophy, the placement of everything from the front door to the toilet can affect our overall well-being. The Chinese believe in this philosophy so 3... that they employ a Feng shui master before building or buying a home.

Here is a story to illustrate its power. A few years ⁴... Ken Taylor bought a luxurious apartment that had a large light-filled bedroom. After living in the apartment for a few months, he noticed that ⁵... its beauty he was not comfortable in the bedroom and as a result he was not sleeping well. A few weeks later, after learning about Feng shui, he understood why. He needed to rearrange the ⁶..., including his bed. In Feng shui, it is believed that in order to get a restful sleep, you need to place your bed where you can see the entrance. That's what Ken did. He also changed the colour of the walls and curtains from dark to light ⁷.... After making these necessary changes, he began sleeping soundly, started feeling happy and comfortable at home, and began to experience more happiness in his life.

1	A easy	B difficult	C easily	D depressing
	A living	B open	C existing	D personal
	A hardly	B widely	C strongly	D lively
		B before	C earlier	D later
	A ago	B although	C however	D in spite of
	A despite	_	C items	D furniture
	A room	B house	C shadows	D paints
7	A colours	B shades	C SHauows	D pairies

D (F) Read the text again and choose the correct answer.

Steps to success

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In Grammar and Vocabulary A22-A28:

- Read the text without thinking about the gaps to get a general idea of the overall meaning.
- Before you look at the answers, think about the *type* of word you need (noun, verb, etc) and the general *meaning*.

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Quick chat

Would you follow a Feng shui master's advice and rearrange the furniture where you live? Why/ Why not?

Writing: Article

- A Match the pictures with the descriptions. Which words helped you decide?
- 1 This building is known for its odd, pickle shape. Designed by Norman Foster and completed in 2003, it is located in London's busy financial centre and has become an iconic symbol of the city.
- 2 This structure, located in central Italy, is famous for the curious way it stands. Completed in 1372, the building leans because the ground on one side is too soft to support it properly.
- 3 These tall, deep terra cotta red-painted structures stand in front of the Neva River. The ship bows and anchors that decorate the structures represent Russia's influence on the seas.



The Sydney Opera House

Quick chat

Have you visited any of the places above?
Which of the places would you like to visit?
Why/Why not?

B Read this article about the Sydney Opera House. Why is it the writer's favourite building?

The Sydney Opera House is considered the most important landmark in Sydney. As soon as people see it, they think of the city. It is on Bennelong Point on the harbour close to another important landmark, the Sydney Harbour bridge.

It was designed to look like the sails of a boat, which is appropriate (1) as / because of it is situated right on the water's edge. It's covered in white, shiny tiles that glimmer in the sunlight. (2) Whether / Either you are looking at it close-up or from a distance, it's very impressive.

- (3) Since / For it was completed, in 1973, it has been used mainly as an opera house.
 (4) But / However, it's also used for other shows, like theatre productions and concerts.
- What I like most about the building is its original design and the fact that it can be seen from many parts of the city. (5) And / Moreover, its history is also fascinating. (6) Because of / Because an argument between the architect, Jørn Utzon, and the government, Utzon, who lived in Denmark, never saw it completed!



Skills development

Organization

C Each paragraph in the article focuses on one topic. Match the topics to the paragraphs.

What it looks like Why it's my favourite Where it is What it is/was used for

Linking ideas

- D Read the article again and choose the correct linking word or phrase.
- E Complete the sentences with a linking word or phrase from the box. Do not use a word or phrase more than once.

as • because • because of • however moreover • since • whether

- 1 ... you like modern buildings or not, you will find this one impressive.
- 2 I like this building ... the fact that it's so old.
- **3** ... it is so unusual, most people know about the Sydney Opera House.
- **4** The Parthenon has been standing ... the fifth century BC.
- **5** I find it impressive, ... it is one of the tallest buildings in the world.
- **6** It is not considered to be a beautiful building. ..., most people find it interesting to look at.
- 7 The Winter Palace is probably the most famous palace in the world. ..., it is one of the biggest palaces ever built.

Language chunks

Talking about a building

It is situated in ...
It was built by ...
It was completed in ...
It was designed by ...

Planning and writing

F Read this writing task. Choose a building from A or one that you know something about and complete the planner.

Do you have a favourite building either in your country or anywhere else in the world? We want to hear about it!

Write an article of between 120 and 180 words.

Planner

Title

Paragraph 1: Where is it?

Paragraph 2: What does it look like?

Paragraph 3: What is/was it used for?

Paragraph 4: Why is it your favourite building?

G Write your article. Use the Language chunks and the Planner to help organize your article.

HELPFUL HINTS

To make your piece of writing look more like an article, give it a title.

Quick check!

Be sure to:

- ✓ write four paragraphs
- ✓ talk about one topic only in each paragraph
- use linking words or phrases to link your ideas
- ✓ use an informal or neutral style
- ✓ make it interesting
- ✓ give your article a title



Learn about geography



A Read the introduction below. Which of these regions have you visited? Do you live in one of these regions? Which one?

Russia has nine main ecoregions spanning its borders. In southwestern Russia lies the Caucasus mixed forest ecoregion, which extends through the Caucasus mountains. Also in this part of Russia is the Crimean Submediterranean forests complex, relatively small ecoregion located along the shores of the Black Sea. A large grassy region, the Pontic-Caspian steppe stretches north of the Black and Caspian seas. The Kazakh steppe, less grassy than its neighbour, is a flat, semi-arid region that stretches into Kazakhstan. Mostly located in Mongolia and China, the Mongolian-Manchurian grassland just barely crosses over into southeastern Russia. The East Siberian taiga ecoregion is found deep in the heart of Siberia. In the northwest part of Russia near Poland lies the Romincka Forest. The Sarmatic mixed forests stretch through central parts of European Russia, and the Scandinavian and Russian taiga extends through northern parts of European Russia.

The Arctic desert

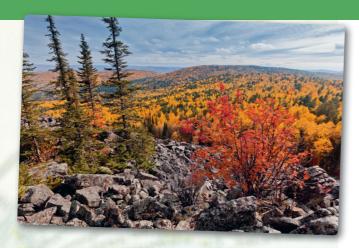
We associate deserts with hot, dry climates, so it's surprising to learn that they exist in the Arctic, where snow and ice are abundant. Looks can be deceiving, though; in Russia's Arctic desert, for instance, precipitation per year is less than 20 centimetres and plant life is almost nonexistent. In addition to that, darkness rules the land for around nine months out of the year. This peculiar desert resides on Russia's northernmost islands, which are anywhere from 100 to 800 kilometres from the mainland. Not much goes on up there, aside from a few polar bears trying to subsist in the harsh climate. Most of what little plant life that does exist only grows a few centimetres tall.

Temperatures remain below 10 degrees Celsius during even the warmest months, and naturally, no human beings make their home in this region.

The taiga

The taiga isn't a very well-known ecoregion, despite being the world's largest. The region encompasses most of northern Russia, Canada, the US and parts of Scandinavia and Japan. It is characterised by dense pine forests and freshwater lakes, cold, blustery winters and short summers with moderate rainfall. Along Arctic and tundra regions, which are farther north and typically have harsher, longer winter seasons, the taiga region generally experiences even lower temperatures, going below -50 degrees Celsius, with the lowest recording being in Russia. With such a punishing climate, it's hard to believe that the world's largest congregation of forests resides in this ecoregion. Because of its dense vegetation, a wide variety of flora and fauna exist, including fruit-bearing trees and

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shrubs, several species of deer and thousands of species of insects. Hundreds of thousands of people reside in this region, with the largest cities being Arkhangelsk, Tobolsk, Yakutsk and the port city of Murmansk.

The subtropics

Subtropical climates are those regions of the world between temperate climates with typical seasonal changes and tropical climates characterised by constant warmth and humidity. A subtropical ecoregion, while generally warm and humid, will experience winter temperatures of almost freezing cold, if only for a very brief period. The city of Sochi happens to be in a region that falls in this category. Situated on the shores of the Black Sea with the Caucasus Mountains as a backdrop, Sochi receives a great deal of moisture from the sea and is protected from harsh, northerly weather by steep mountain ranges. The region is lush in vegetation, even dotted with palm trees, and Sochi is regarded as a winter getaway destination. Other notable subtropical regions in the world are the Deep South in the US, the Po river valley of Italy, southern China and the region of Buenos Aires.



B Now read about different ecoregions of Russia and answer the questions.

- 1 Which region do you imagine covers the smallest area in Russia?
- 2 Which region is likely the most difficult to access? Why?
- **3** What flora exists in the region of Sochi that is more likely found on a tropical island?
- **4** Why is it surprising that the lowest of temperatures occur in the taiga?
- 5 In which region would you likely find yourself all alone?
- **6** Why doesn't Sochi ever experience blizzard-like weather?
- 7 Which region covers the greatest amount of land?
- **8** In which region would you have difficulty finding something eat?

Project:

Ecoregions of Russia

Choose one of the main ecoregions of Russia and write a short profile. Include a picture of the ecoregion.

- Caucasus mixed forests region
- Crimean Submediterranean forest complex
- Pontic-Caspian steppe
- Kazakh steppe
- · Mongolian-Manchurian grassland
- East Siberian taiga
- Romincka Forest
- Sarmatic mixed forests
- Scandinavian and Russian taiga



TRADITIONAL DWELLINGS AROUND THE WORLD

A Read the introduction below. Then take a moment to think about where you live. What kind of home is it? What is it made of, both externally and internally?

The houses in urban or rural areas around the world have many differences. In some areas there are lots of blocks of flats, in others there are actual houses. Some constructions are grey or painted concrete, whereas in others, they are made of brick, logs, mud or a wooden frame covered with canvas. There are reasons to explain these differences — weather or environmental conditions, space constraints or even family economics, local traditions.



B Now read about different types of houses around the world. For each different type, explain why this kind of house is used.

The Russian izba

Log houses (izby) dotted the Russian countryside for centuries. Even now, many peasants' houses in Russia retain the spirit of izby and remain part of the cultural landscape.

The izby were primarily made of interlocking pine tree logs. The type of izba varied depending on the region, eg, in Central Russia, a fence enclosed the peasant's house, the cattle-shed, haylofts and stables. In the North, however, because of its harsh climate, agricultural buildings were often joined under a single roof with the family's living space.

The size of an izba depended on the wealth and size of the household. But however big or small it was, its most important part, the hearth, was the stove. It played the key role in peasants' everyday life: it was used for heating as well as cooking; in

winter peasants used to sleep on top of it to keep warm. The 'red corner', another important part of the izba, where the table and benches were placed and the icons were hung, was located diagonally across from the stove. At the long wooden family table, the head of the household took seat nearest the icons. The stove corner, in contrast, was for women – they cooked, spun and did other work there.

The decoration of the izba reflected the artistic taste and skill of the Russian peasants. The roof of the izba was often crowned with a beam (konyok) that was carved in the shape of a horse's head. This signified that the animal was giving its life to the home so that the home could live. The most striking feature of an izba is the wood carvings that surrounded the windows and hung from the roof overhangs and transformed izby into remarkable works of folk art.

Fortunately, many original izby have been preserved and restored and are now regional open-air museums, one of the richest ensembles gracing the island of Kizhi on Lake Onega.

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The Masai of Kenya are a semi-nomadic tribe. They live in an area of wild beauty. Their life involves caring for their cattle and looking after their family or tribe members. Although the Masai move around less now than they used to, they still build their houses in the old traditional way. They only use materials that they can find around them and their dwellings are not really permanent.

The small houses, which are only built by women, are circular buildings. They have a frame of wooden poles which are stuck together and made waterproof with mud, dung from their cattle, ash, sticks and urine. The houses are never more than three metres by five, and one and a half metres high. Everything happens in these small houses - the masai cook, eat, sleep and sometimes keep their animals in there. The houses are easy to build and provide a shelter. These houses are usually built as part of a group of other houses. A fence of thorny acacia trees protects the small Masai village and their cattle from the wild animals that roam around at night outside the enclosure.

C Answer the questions.

- 1 In your opinion, which house would cost almost nothing to build? Why?
- 2 What is remarkable about the interior of the Russian izba?
- 3 What crowned the roof of the izba and why?
- 4 What is the construction of the mud hut like?
- 5 Why is it necessary to have a fence around the Masai homes?
- 6 Which feature of the ger construction is the most important and why?
- 7 Why does the ger remain the most popular dwelling in Mongolia?

The Mongolian ger

The Mongolian ger has been used for thousands of years by the nomads of Central Asia. Very similar to a yurt, the first written description of this dwelling was recorded by Herodotus, the 'father of history', who lived in Greece between 484 and 424 BC.

The traditional ger is a tent-like structure made from a wooden frame and felt walls. An outer layer covering the ger is made from waterproof canvas. The whole construction is easy to assemble, dismantle and carry. This feature is of essential importance, as nomadic herders move at least three or four times a year in the search for good grazing lands.

The ger is a comfortable place to live in both during severe winters and hot summers. Due to the opening in the centre of the roof, called the crown, fresh air circulates through the ger. The central woodburning stove provides even distribution of heat in cold months. When it's hot, the lower end of the soft covering is slightly raised.

The constructive principle of the ger has changed little since Genghis Khan's times. Only a few elements were adapted to newly developed technology, such as carpentry. This made it possible to craft a wooden crown similar to a wheel in place of a simple piece of wood bent into a circle. Even more obvious are the use of a wooden door instead of a felt curtain, and of course the iron stove with a chimney in place of an open fire.

The unique design, structure and practical features make the ger the most common type of habitation in Mongolia. Surprisingly as it might seem, almost half of the population of Ulan Bator still lives in gers.

D Match the words in the box to the type(s) of houses they describe. Then use the context to explain the meaning of each word.

carvings • felt • crown • konyok • nomadic semi-nomadic • cattle • waterproof • stove fence • bench • red corner

E Your voice Hold a group discussion of an ideal house. Consider the following: climate, risk of natural disaster, location, number of inhabitants, building materials, special features.

Progress check 1

A Choose the correct option.

- 1 I get really tired / annoyed when people are late!
- **2** My sister is so **selfish** / **aggressive**. She only thinks of herself.
- **3** We had a **housewarming** / **homewarming** party to celebrate moving in to our new place.
- 4 After the fire, they were left houseless / homeless.
- **5** Our **house** / **home** is bigger than yours.
- **6** Heather is really **bossy** / **moody**. She has to control everybody.
- 7 When I fell over I was so embarrassed / anxious that my face went bright red!
- **8 Come over / Come on** to my house at about six o'clock.
- **9** Let's **stay in / stay on** tonight. There's a good film on TV.
- **10** Is there anyone **house** / **home**? I've been knocking for ages.

B Complete with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

- ... this hot chocolate ... (contain) any sugar?
 I can't have sugar.
- 2 You ... (look) tired. What have you been doing?
- 3 My grandparents ... (come) from Slovenia.
- 4 At the moment, I ... (learn) a new language.
- 5 Hurry! The bus ... (leave) at five o'clock.
- **6** This weekend the whole family ... (get) together.
- 7 I ... (do) the washing-up when she called.
- 8 At ten o'clock, I ... (hear) a strange noise coming from next door.
- **9** We ... (have) dinner, then we ... (go) to the cinema and then we ... (come) home.
- **10** When I ... (be) a child, we ... (live) in the country.

C (1) Read and complete the text using the correct form of the words in capitals.

Louise: a case study

Louise Little is a clever girl. However, she is ¹ When she left school she didn't go to university, she got a full-time job as a sales ² ... at a clothes store. Her parents aren't happy about her choice. They think she is ³ Neither do they want her to move out and live on her own. They say that if she is too ⁴ ... to tidy her room, how can she look after a place of her own. Louise is popular, though. She is a very ⁵ ... girl and she is always ⁶ ... with others. Her family don't understand that she is just a simple girl who wants a simple life. 'I do my job well and I'm very ⁷ Honestly, I can't see what all the fuss is about.'

AMBITION

ASSIST

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D Complete with a/an, the or -.

Guggenheim – Bilbao

One of ¹ ... most interesting buildings in ² ... world is undoubtedly ³ ... Guggenheim Museum in Bilbao. It has ⁴ ... very characteristic design, which is easily recognizable. ⁵ ... building itself is made of ⁶ ... glass, limestone and ⁷ ... metal known as titanium. ⁸ ... titanium panels reflect ⁹ ... light and make ¹⁰ ... building look as if it is covered in fish scales, which is fitting as it is situated right on ¹¹ ... waterfront. If you are ever in ¹² ... Spain, ¹³ ... Guggenheim Bilbao is well worth ¹⁴ ... visit.

E Choose the best answer.

1 Kelly and I were best friends ... years.

A during C while B for D as

2 Louis and I sat next to each other ... we were in primary school.

A during C while B for D as

3 My dad ... staying up so late. He gets really sleepy.

A isn't used to C used to

B is used to D didn't used to

4 My family ... live in that house.

A would C use to B am used to D used to

5 A cousin of ... is getting married this weekend.

A my C me B mine D I

6 ... sister is taller than my brother.

A You're C You B Yours D Your

7 Denise has got the most fabulous ... red curly hair.

A thin C fair B thick D straight

8 Tom is such a(n) ... person. He's never without a smile on his face.

A energetic C cheerful

B creative D efficient

F Complete each gap with one word.

Should children help out around the home? Of course they should. ¹ ... I was growing up, I ² ... to have to help with ³ ... housework. I would have to ⁴ ... the supermarket shopping, ⁵ ... my bed and ⁶ ... my room. I must admit I hated doing these things, but I had no choice in ⁷ ... matter. Now that I am ⁸ ... grown-up, I understand that this was a good way to teach responsibility. Now I'm used ⁹ ... doing my fair share of household chores. I'm even thinking of doing ¹⁰ ... the house.

G Complete the second sentence so that it has the same meaning as the first sentence. Use the word given.

1 Sally doesn't usually get up so early. USED

Sally ... up so early.

2 I never thought she would get so upset. OCCURRED

It had ... that she would get so upset.

3 Jasmine came round every day after school. COME

Jasmine ... every day after school.

4 Didn't you live in Smith Street?
TO

Didn't you ... in Smith Street?

5 Sam usually forgets his mobile phone. It's annoying.

ALWAYS

Sam ... mobile phone.

6 What is your occupation? JOB

What ... do?

7 You keep mixing up their names! ALWAYS

You ... mixing up their names!

8 The flight is at four o'clock. LEAVES

The ... at four o'clock.

9 Do you have any plans for this weekend? YOU

What ... this weekend?