

## Progress Test Files 6–10

### Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation A

#### GRAMMAR

##### 1 Underline the correct word(s).

Example: She's having / She has her lunch at the moment.

- 1 **A** Where is yesterday's newspaper?  
**B** I *threw it away* / *threw away it*.
- 2 Andreas *shouldn't* / *ought not* to drive so fast. It's dangerous.
- 3 The teacher warned them *to don't cheat* / *not to cheat* in the exam.
- 4 *Does* / *Is* he like travelling so much for his job?
- 5 **A** Why isn't she answering the door?  
**B** I think she *can* / *must* be out.
- 6 He asked me why I *haven't* / *hadn't* been to the gym the day before.
- 7 Aysel needs to get *renewed her passport* / *her passport renewed*.
- 8 Tomorrow is a public holiday. You *needn't* / *don't need* get up early.
- 9 The exam ended but I hadn't finished *to answer* / *answering* all the questions.
- 10 She ran to catch the train, but the doors *had already closed* / *already closed*.
- 11 Do you think Maisy takes *her mother after* / *after her mother*?
- 12 Our washing machine is *being repaired* / *repairing* so we can't use it at the moment.

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##### 2 Order the words to make sentences.

Example: reception Agata our couldn't to wedding come  
Agata couldn't come to our wedding reception.

- 1 want our to go We university daughter to  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 2 think you When we do arrive should ?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 3 having whitened Ruth tomorrow her is teeth  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 4 They of out have cheapest sold the tickets  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 5 able be to exam retake the won't You  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 6 back he like took jacket the so it didn't Damien  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 7 been year working last here Aneta's since  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 8 nails do often your done How have you ?  
\_\_\_\_\_

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#### 3 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

Example: Marina is going to have her car serviced tomorrow. (have)

- 1 I'd love \_\_\_\_\_ play the piano. (be able to)
- 2 Are you looking forward to \_\_\_\_\_ your girlfriend's parents? (meet)
- 3 Our grandmother made us \_\_\_\_\_ all our toys. (put away)
- 4 You \_\_\_\_\_ buy a programme. You can share mine. (not have to)
- 5 All phones must \_\_\_\_\_ during the exam. (switch off)
- 6 She's finally succeeded in \_\_\_\_\_ her driving test. (pass)
- 7 The play \_\_\_\_\_ by the time we arrived so we had to wait until the interval to go in. (start)
- 8 They just can't afford \_\_\_\_\_ a lot of money at the moment. (spend)
- 9 He asked me if I felt like \_\_\_\_\_ out. (go)
- 10 If I'd known she was a vegetarian, I \_\_\_\_\_ chicken for dinner. (cook)

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#### 4 Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first.

Example: They are building a new theatre at the moment.

A new theatre is being built at the moment.

- 1 I hate it when I can't pay by credit card.  
I hate not \_\_\_\_\_ pay by credit card.
- 2 I think you should complain to the manager.  
I think you ought \_\_\_\_\_ the manager.
- 3 I didn't get the email so I didn't reply.  
If I \_\_\_\_\_ the email, I would have replied.
- 4 The children said they wouldn't do it again.  
They said, 'We \_\_\_\_\_ again.'
- 5 You needn't go to the shop. There's enough milk in the fridge.  
You don't \_\_\_\_\_ to the shop. There's enough milk in the fridge.
- 6 Somebody fixed our air-conditioning.  
I had \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7 'Do you want to go to the cinema with me?' asked Larissa.  
Larissa asked me \_\_\_\_\_ to go to the cinema with her.
- 8 That factory makes seven hundred cars every day.  
Seven hundred cars \_\_\_\_\_ in that factory every day.
- 9 It's impossible to revise everything in one weekend.  
You \_\_\_\_\_ everything in one weekend!
- 10 'Call me as soon as you arrive,' said Luca.  
Luca told \_\_\_\_\_ him as soon as I arrived.

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#### VOCABULARY

##### 5 Complete the sentences. Write one word in each gap.

Example: Our tickets were for seats high up in the circle.

- 1 It's safer to carry several glasses on a t\_\_\_\_\_.
- 2 That restaurant is popular so you need to b\_\_\_\_\_ a table.
- 3 Dinner's ready. Can you p\_\_\_\_\_ the wine?
- 4 I know you can shave your legs but I prefer w\_\_\_\_\_.
- 5 You have to r\_\_\_\_\_ your card before you can take your money.
- 6 There wasn't enough time to get drinks from the theatre bar during the i\_\_\_\_\_.
- 7 Max left a large t\_\_\_\_\_ because he liked the waitress.
- 8 Amelia hasn't been on holiday. It's a fake t\_\_\_\_\_.
- 9 Please could you pass the salt and p\_\_\_\_\_.
- 10 My brother's helping me to p\_\_\_\_\_ up some shelves.
- 11 We sat in the second row, so we were very close to the st\_\_\_\_\_.
- 12 I don't want it all bleached. I'm just having some h\_\_\_\_\_.
- 13 Renata only passed that exam because she c\_\_\_\_\_. It's not fair.
- 14 When Julio and Fernanda got married, there were 80 guests at the r\_\_\_\_\_.
- 15 Bob's m\_\_\_\_\_ isn't so good now. He often forgets things.

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##### 6 Underline the odd word out.

Example: bunches a pony tail plaits a shave

- 1 mug teapot glass cup
- 2 light bulb spanner screwdriver hammer
- 3 manicure parting pedicure massage
- 4 select enter receipt insert
- 5 aisle dome crypt shield
- 6 rope tile wire string
- 7 best man invitation bridesmaid pageboy
- 8 press-ups stretches weights sit-ups
- 9 plate course meal food
- 10 opponents spectators fans crowd

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##### 7 Write the American word for the British word.

Example: mobile phone cell phone

- 1 petrol \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 cinema \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 tap \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 autumn \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 pavement \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 wardrobe \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 trainers \_\_\_\_\_

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#### 8 Complete the sentences with the correct word(s).

Example: I haven't taken the exam yet. It's next week.

made got taken

- 1 Laura's going to put my hair \_\_\_\_\_ for the party.  
on up out
- 2 Where's the wedding being \_\_\_\_\_?  
had held taken
- 3 Jonah can't \_\_\_\_\_ up his new home cinema system on his own.  
set put tie
- 4 May I \_\_\_\_\_ your order, madam?  
do take ask
- 5 Javier mostly \_\_\_\_\_ the rowing machine at the gym.  
uses does goes
- 6 My company has been taken \_\_\_\_\_ by a much bigger organisation.  
away over after
- 7 I'm going to have my hair \_\_\_\_\_ red. It's time for a change!  
curled permed dyed
- 8 You borrowed Suzie's jacket a long time ago. You should \_\_\_\_\_ it back.  
give get pay

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#### PRONUNCIATION

#### 9 Underline the stressed syllable.

Example: com|pli|ment

- 1 ta|ble|cloth
- 2 ga|lle|ry
- 3 a|ccu|rate|ly
- 4 for|get|ful
- 5 re|co|mmend
- 6 cu|sto|mer
- 7 e|le|va|tor
- 8 e|mo|tion|al
- 9 e|lec|tri|cian
- 10 per|for|mance

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### Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation A

#### 10 Match the words with the same sound.

business cheated **crypt** destroyed failed  
 machine reminded **result** sport thesis  
 wardrobe

Example: invitation crypt

defeat 1 \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
 practise 2 \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
 mended 3 \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
 audience 4 \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
 lived 5 \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

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**READING**

- 1 Read the text and choose the answer (A, B, C, or D) which you think fits best according to the text.**

**The Hen Weekend**

For any British bride, the term 'hen weekend' will be instantly recognisable and your gut reaction is probably a mixture of excitement and a little bit of **trepidation**. Since it is the bridesmaids' job to organise the event which marks the end of the bride-to-be's single life, you can never be completely sure what's going to happen. For our readers who are less familiar with this pre-wedding custom, please read on.

Nobody seems to know for sure exactly when or how the tradition came about. What we do know is that it's a huge and dynamic industry nowadays. While twenty years ago the bride-to-be might have been content with two or three close friends spending an evening together locally, recent surveys indicate that the average number of participants is now thirteen and two days is the norm. The destinations and choice of activities have changed **radically** too.

Figures from 2018 showed that spending on hen parties was up by more than a quarter compared with five years previously, with the average cost being around £400 per person. Some go abroad but around 70% decide to stay in the UK and we can pinpoint exactly where. Hosting 20% of British hen parties, Liverpool leads the list of top destinations, followed by Brighton and Bournemouth at 18% and 10% **respectively**, which is no surprise as these cities benefit from being on the coast and the seaside is certainly a **draw** for hen celebrations. This is reflected in the leading overseas locations: Barcelona, Benidorm and Marbella in Spain and Albufeira in Portugal. No matter what the destination, the boom time for hen weekends is, and has always been, the month of May.

Regrettably, hen parties have developed a reputation for noisy, **obnoxious** behaviour which often makes them unwelcome visitors. Even if they conduct themselves well, they do tend to stand out due to the current trend for wearing matching outfits and the fact that the future bride has to wear a wedding veil, with a copy of a learner driver sign attached.

They probably attract most attention when dining out in a restaurant and, later, dancing the night away at a club – both of which are practically compulsory on hen weekends. The other classic pastime is to go to a spa for relaxation and pampering treatments such as having your nails done or getting a facial. However, 2019 data revealed that the popularity of spa days fell by 60% compared to 2017 and saw a growing trend for more challenging and unique entertainment. White water rafting, high ropes courses and escape rooms are the new favourites and a surprising 68% of hen parties now enjoy treasure hunts. This makes the whole hen party experience far more active than it used to be.

There are even specialised companies who promote hen weekends as being good for you health-wise. After all, even without doing extreme activities, up to 180 calories can be burned in half an hour of dancing (which can at least make up for the cake and cocktails participants usually consume). Add to that the widely agreed belief that laughter has medicinal benefits and the chance for further bonding with and support from your friends and perhaps it's not too ridiculous to think that a hen weekend can boost a bride-to-be's health before the big day.

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### Reading and Writing A

Example: In Britain, the hen weekend is something which \_\_\_\_\_

- A** happens after a wedding. ☐  
**B** is understood by most brides. ☐  
**C** always involves the same things. ☐  
**D** is arranged by the bridesmaids. ☒

- 1 Which aspect of hen parties has NOT changed recently?  
**A** The number of women in the group. ☐  
**B** The most popular time of year to go. ☐  
**C** The amount of money spent. ☐  
**D** How long the party lasts. ☐
- 2 The figure for hen parties taking place in other countries is  
**A** 70%. ☐  
**B** 20%. ☐  
**C** 10%. ☐  
**D** 30%. ☐
- 3 Hen party groups \_\_\_\_\_  
**A** are something local people love to see. ☐  
**B** are usually easy to spot. ☐  
**C** always wear fancy dress costumes. ☐  
**D** don't like going to the beach. ☐
- 4 Statistics show that \_\_\_\_\_ hen parties.  
**A** fewer spa experiences are being booked for ☐  
**B** treasure hunts are part of almost all ☐  
**C** eating out rarely happens these days on ☐  
**D** participants prefer to relax on ☐
- 5 According to the writer, hen weekends \_\_\_\_\_  
**A** help the participants to lose weight. ☐  
**B** may really be good for a future bride's health. ☐  
**C** sometimes involve eating out and dancing. ☐  
**D** can cause friendship issues. ☐

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## 2 Match the **highlighted** words / phrases with **five** of the definitions.

- 1 trepidation \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 radically \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 respectively \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 draw \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 obnoxious \_\_\_\_\_

- A** appeal or attraction  
**B** extremely or very much  
**C** alter or change  
**D** nervousness or worry  
**E** in the same order as mentioned  
**F** very unpleasant or rude

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## WRITING

Choose one question and write 140–180 words.

- 1 Write an article about the following topic.  
'Saving money with DIY'  
Include the following information:
  - give examples of jobs and repairs which people can do themselves
  - explain ways in which DIY saves money
  - suggest situations when employing a professional is necessary or preferable
- 2 Write an email to a friend telling him / her about a restaurant you've been to recently.  
Include the following information:
  - explain where and why you went and who you went with
  - describe the restaurant, food and service
  - say why you would or would not go there again
- 3 Write a report with the title  
'Live entertainment in (*add name of your town/city*)'  
Include the following information:
  - say what kinds of live entertainment are available
  - suggest one or two theatre, music or sports events to see
  - offer some advice to readers about visiting the event(s)

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## Progress Test Files 6–10 Listening and Speaking A

### LISTENING

#### 1 Listen to a woman talking about a heritage organisation. Choose the correct answer.

- 1 Similarities between English Heritage and The National Trust are that \_\_\_\_  
 A the state owns all their properties. ☐  
 B they both have properties throughout Britain. ☐  
 C they are both charities. ☐
- 2 When Charlotte started working for Historic Houses the annual visitor figures were \_\_\_\_  
 A 14 million. ☐  
 B 40 million. ☐  
 C 26 million. ☐
- 3 According to Charlotte, \_\_\_\_  
 A all Historic Houses properties open to the public. ☐  
 B many Historic House owners find it hard to maintain their homes. ☐  
 C the Historic Houses' experts and advisers are expensive. ☐
- 4 Properties such as Blenheim Palace and Chatsworth House \_\_\_\_  
 A exploit many commercial opportunities. ☐  
 B only operate as wedding and special events venues. ☐  
 C do not need to raise money. ☐
- 5 Charlotte believes that the most important aspect of their work is \_\_\_\_  
 A to maintain historic architecture. ☐  
 B to help families live in homes they've been in for generations. ☐  
 C to provide public access to important historic buildings. ☐

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#### 2 Listen to five people talking about events they've been to recently. What does each person mention in a positive way?

- A their fellow spectators
- B the food and drink
- C the tickets
- D the staff
- E the venue
- F the performances

- Speaker 1 ☐  
 Speaker 2 ☐  
 Speaker 3 ☐  
 Speaker 4 ☐  
 Speaker 5 ☐

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### SPEAKING

#### 1 Make questions and ask your partner.

- 1 / you like / do / DIY? Why / Why not?
- 2 What / you think / best way / keep healthy?
- 3 / it easy / you / remember / pin numbers and passwords? Why / Why not?
- 4 Tell me about / important / event / history / your country.
- 5 How often / you / go out to eat? Why?

**Now answer your partner's questions.**

#### 2 Talk about the statement below, saying if you agree or disagree. Give reasons.

'There are many things that students can do outside the classroom to improve their English.'

#### 3 Listen to your partner talking about learning a language. Do you agree with him / her?

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