

File Test 8 Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation B

GRAMMAR

1 Complete the sentences with the *-ing* form or the infinitive (with or without to) of the verb in brackets.

Example: She left without saying (say) goodbye.

- 1 I asked Fran to go to the newsagent's _____ (get) a paper.
- 2 My boss refuses _____ (give) me a pay rise. I'm going to resign.
- 3 I really love _____ (not / have) to go to meetings any more.
- 4 Do you feel like _____ (go) out for an Indian meal?
- 5 We've given up _____ (try) to make Barry smile – he's totally miserable!
- 6 Don't tell me you forgot _____ (post) that letter!
- 7 I remember _____ (meet) Christina many years ago.
- 8 Would you mind _____ (turn) the TV down? I can't sleep.
- 9 Martha doesn't seem _____ (enjoy) opera at all.
- 10 I'm not very good at _____ (write) formal letters.

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2 Complete the sentences using reported speech.

Example: 'Did Mel arrive on time?'

He asked me if Mell had arrived on time.

- 1 'Have you been to Beijing?'
He asked me if I _____ to Beijing.
- 2 'We've bought some ice cream.'
They told me that they _____ some ice cream.
- 3 'I'll give you a ride to the station.'
She said she _____ give me a ride to the station.
- 4 'What are their names?'
She asked me what their names _____.
- 5 'We interviewed ten people this morning.'
They said they _____ ten people that morning.
- 6 'We're having a huge sale next month.'
They told us they _____ a huge sale the following month.
- 7 'Are you watching the tennis?'
My neighbour asked us _____ we were watching the tennis.
- 8 'Don't waste your money on that rubbish!'
The man told me _____ waste my money on that rubbish.
- 9 'We may not have that in stock at the moment.'
The shop assistant said they _____ have it in stock at the moment.
- 10 'I must be back by 9 p.m.'
She said she _____ be back by 9 p.m.

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VOCABULARY

3 Write the nouns for the verbs.

Example: demonstrate demonstration

- 1 retire _____
- 2 sell _____
- 3 pay _____
- 4 agree _____
- 5 respond _____
- 6 qualify _____
- 7 lose _____
- 8 choose _____

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4 Underline the correct word(s).

Example: My current job is *permanent* / *self-employed* / *temporary*. It's a one-year contract.

- 1 I'm too *well qualified* / *unemployed* / *redundant* for many of these jobs, so they won't give me an interview.
- 2 Congratulations! You've been *retired* / *sacked* / *promoted*!
- 3 My wife and I really enjoy being *temporary* / *part-time* / *self-employed* – we can choose when we work.
- 4 I think that people will have to *be sacked* / *retire* / *resign* when they are 70 in the future.
- 5 My paintings have sold well since I *worked* / *applied* / *set up* a website to advertise them.
- 6 Tom's sleeping late. He's working night *shifts* / *hours* / *jobs* at the factory this week.
- 7 Laura doesn't have *full-time* / *regular* / *working* hours. She often works late into the evening.
- 8 Giovanni is *responsible* / *in charge* / *boss* for the public relations department.

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5 Complete the sentences with the correct word(s).

Example: I don't enjoy shopping in the *sales*. It's too busy and they normally don't have my size.

season online sales

- 1 The dress looked a bit big for me so I _____ in the store.
tried it on wore it picked it up
- 2 This coat is exactly the right size. It _____ me perfectly.
suits enjoys fits
- 3 I'd like a _____ for this bag, please. I bought it yesterday and the zip broke today.
refund receipt discount
- 4 The new _____ has a good variety of shops.
department store outlet store shopping mall

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Vocabulary total		20
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PRONUNCIATION

6 Underline the stressed syllable.

Example: mountain

- 1 qual|li|fi|ca|tion
- 2 de|mon|strate
- 3 un|em|ployed
- 4 de|li|ver
- 5 tem|pora|ry

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7 Match the words with the same sound.

re ceipt	bargain	airline
complain	said	choose

Example: tree receipt

- 1 boot _____
- 2 train _____
- 3 computer _____
- 4 chair _____
- 5 egg _____

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Pronunciation total		10
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Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation total		50
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File Test 8
Reading and Writing B

READING

1 Read the blog posting and tick (✓) A, B, or C.

Sara's blog

Welcome to my blog where I talk about 'slow' fashion — the art of buying less and wearing more thoughtfully!

This week, we're focusing on the 10 x 10 challenge, which was originally created by ethical fashion blogger 'Style Bee' in 2015, and is now a global trend online. The rules are simple: choose ten items of clothing and wear them for ten days. You are allowed to add accessories, of course, but shoes are included in your choice of ten.

Planning the challenge was a lot of fun. I'd seen other bloggers' outfits from last year, and after that I was sure I'd be able to make it through the ten days. After all, I do have a lot of hats and scarves! Finally, I decided on a pair of skinny black jeans (obviously), two pairs of shoes (one flat and one with heels), one smart shirt, two more casual tops, a warm grey jumper, my favourite denim skirt, and my friend Beth lent me a pair of baggy brown trousers.

So, how did I get on? Well, you can see the outfits I wore each day (arranged on my sofa) on my Instagram feed. You can't see me, but the clothes tell their own story. Beth's trousers were easily my favourite item. I wouldn't normally wear something this shape, but they were very easy to style with different 'looks'.

Overall, I think I was successful but I made some mistakes, which you can avoid! I planned too much. It would have been better to leave one item free, as a 'wild card' to decide during the week itself. The weather in London was freezing. I would happily have swapped one pair of shoes for a proper coat. In the end, I cheated and wore exercise clothes after work to stay warm. (I'm not sure if they're included in the challenge. But Style Bee does say that having fun is more important than following the rules!)

I think people who complete the challenge will think differently about clothes. If you read my blog regularly you will know that I love exploring the charity shops in London. I love wearing old clothes and creating my colourful outfits (it's a buzz knowing that no-one else has the same thing). But the 10 x 10 challenge reminds us not to shop at all. Or at least, to think about the purpose of our clothes rather than just their individuality. Over the next year, I intend to only shop for accessories and to swap more clothes with my friends.

Example: Sara's blog is about _____ fashion.

A cheap B current C slow

- 1 Sara encourages her readers to _____.
A shop more B think more carefully about clothes
C wear lots of clothes
- 2 Sara enjoyed _____ her clothes for the challenge.
A giving away B taking pictures of C planning
- 3 Sara felt that her _____ would help her succeed.
A accessories B taste in clothes C blog readers
- 4 Sara has posted _____ as part of the 10 x 10 challenge.
A photos of herself B photos of her clothes C a photo story

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- 5 Sara advises other people to _____ before the challenge starts.
A plan more B choose three colours C only choose nine items
- 6 Sara had to _____ because of the cold weather.
A break the challenge rules B go to the gym C wear a coat
- 7 Style Bee says that _____ is a very important part of the 10 x 10.
A being fashionable B following the rules C having a good time
- 8 Sara obviously enjoys _____.
A shopping with Beth B having a personal style
C spending less money on clothes
- 9 Sara wants to think more about _____ of her clothes.
A the purpose B the creativity C the age

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2 Read the article again. Mark the sentences T (true) or F (false).

Example: The 10 x 10 challenge was created this week online. F

- 1 The challenge asks people to wear ten items of clothing for ten days. _____
- 2 Shoes aren't included in the list of ten items. _____
- 3 Planning the ten items in advance was an advantage. _____
- 4 The brown trousers weren't in Sara's usual style. _____
- 5 Sara added a coat to her ten items because of the weather. _____
- 6 Sara plans to swap clothes with her friends more often. _____

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Reading total		15
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WRITING

Write a blog post about a good / bad / unusual shopping experience. (140–180 words)

Writing total		10
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Reading and Writing total		25
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LISTENING

1 Listen to a conversation. Tick (✓) A, B, or C.

- 1 Aidan used to work _____.
 A as a sales assistant B for a chain of department stores
 C as a fashion designer
- 2 Aidan said he wanted _____ than he had at Kelly's.
 A a more responsible job B a bigger salary C a more creative job
- 3 Aidan's wife _____ about his decision to resign.
 A was positive B didn't know C was worried
- 4 Aidan spent his investor's money _____.
 A on a website B on his products C on the shop
- 5 The person who inspires Aidan _____.
 A is older than he is B also changed careers C is a fashion journalist

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2 Listen to five conversations. Match the conversations (1–5) with what the speakers were talking about (A–E).

- Conversation 1
 Conversation 2
 Conversation 3
 Conversation 4
 Conversation 5

- A Explaining why he / she can't have any overtime work.
 B Suggesting a way to make someone's job less busy.
 C Describing an experience of solving problems at work.
 D Explaining a job application process.
 E Asking for money for a business idea.

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Listening total		10
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SPEAKING

1 Answer your partner's questions.

Now make questions and ask your partner.

What would you do if you ...

- can do / any job you want?
- want / buy a bargain? Where / go shopping?
- set up / a new project for a year?
- can travel / six months / anywhere in world?
- can only go / one shop for a year? Which / choose?

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- 2 Listen to your partner talking about shopping. Do you agree with him / her?
- 3 Talk about the statement below, saying if you agree or disagree. Give reasons.

'A good work–life balance is very important.'

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