

Progress Test Files 6–10 Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation B

GRAMMAR

1 Underline the correct word(s).

Example: I can't ski / to *ski*. How about you?

- 1 Slow down! We've got *plenty of time* / *loads of times*.
- 2 The business won't succeed *if* / *unless* we don't find an investor.
- 3 I don't mind *to walk* / *walking* but I'd rather take the bus, wouldn't you?
- 4 I refuse *eating* / *to eat* at such a dirty table. Come on, let's move.
- 5 She told *me* / – she was ill but I didn't listen.
- 6 Do you know where the new James Bond film *is being shot* / *is shooting*?
- 7 I'd lock the door if I *were* / *would* you. There are thieves in the neighbourhood.
- 8 I've read *loads of* / *lots* his books. They're great.
- 9 Don't worry, *I'll do* / *I do* the washing up when I get home later.
- 10 The painting *hasn't been seen* / *must be seen* for years.

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2 Put the sentences into reported speech using *said* or *asked*. You can use *he* or *she* in your answers.

Example: 'Do you want to sit down?'

He asked me if I wanted to sit down.

- 1 'Where do you work?'

- 2 'I'm going to the library for a while.'

- 3 'I'll open the door for you.'

- 4 'I might go the gym later.'

- 5 'Do you know the way to the sports hall?'

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3 Complete the sentences. Use the correct form of the verb in brackets.

Example: I'm not very good at talking (talk) in front of a group.

- 1 'If you examine the evidence,' said the author, 'I think you _____ (solve) the mystery easily.'
- 2 Try _____ (not break) anything.
- 3 If you see her, please tell Millie I _____ (look) for her.
- 4 It's easy _____ (forget) internet passwords unless you use the same one every time.
- 5 The detective told him _____ (not go out) on his own.
- 6 I'd learn Russian faster if I _____ (not learn) German at the same time.
- 7 My dad's motorbike _____ (steal) last weekend. He's very upset.
- 8 _____ (wait) for the bus is really boring.

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- 9 Most cinema tickets _____ (buy) online these days, so there aren't many workers in cinemas.
- 10 If we'd known you were coming, we _____ (buy) more food for this evening.

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4 Write the sentences in the negative form.

Example: There's some tea in the cupboard.

There isn't any tea in the cupboard.

- 1 You live in London, don't you?

- 2 We've got lots of bread.

- 3 If you practise, you'll succeed.

- 4 I'd have to commute every day if I lived in Watford.

- 5 I'd have enjoyed the holiday if the hotel had opened the pool.

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5 Complete the sentences with one word.

Example: Bryony might get a promotion soon but she's not certain.

- 1 Their online videos, _____ regularly get thousands of views, are about film stars.
- 2 I buy _____ DVDs than I used to. I use video streaming instead.
- 3 You'll call me from the station, _____ you?
- 4 He can't _____ the murderer! I thought he was a good character.
- 5 That _____ be Seb's dad. They have very similar faces, don't they?
- 6 The artist, _____ paintings sold for millions of dollars, lived in a tiny cottage.
- 7 That's the shop _____ I bought my new phone.
- 8 There aren't _____ hours in the day. I need more time!
- 9 You _____ finished that book already, have you?
- 10 You wouldn't resign, _____ you?

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VOCABULARY

6 Circle the correct word to complete the sentences.

Example: Franz has a *resigned* / *redundant* / (permanent) job in finance.

- 1 I don't believe in *lucky* / *luck* / *luckily*, do you?
- 2 Veronica was *sacked* / *unemployed* / *temporary* for nearly a year. But she has a good job now.
- 3 My brother was *curly* / *blonde* / *narrow* until he was around 7 years old.
- 4 Please be *careful* / *careless* / *care* because the streets are icy today.
- 5 We watched an old *history* / *horror* / *scientific* film last night. It was hilarious!
- 6 The audience waited *patiently* / *fortunately* / *luckily* for the start of the show.
- 7 The police say it's *fortunately* / *fortunate* / *unfortunately* that we were there.

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7 Complete the sentences with one word only.

Example: The film was directed *by* Kathryn Bigelow.

- 1 The movie is _____ on a true story about a group of friends.
- 2 Who was responsible _____ organizing Fern's present?
- 3 My town is _____ the north coast of France, near Dieppe.
- 4 Leon was _____ from his school because he cheated in an exam.
- 5 Nina has a degree _____ astrophysics.
- 6 Last week, our English teacher _____ us all do extra vocabulary homework.
- 7 The girl has blue hair, lanchi, but please don't stare _____ her!

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8 Complete the sentences with the words in the box. There are three words that you don't need.

bargain boss company detective finger
groceries murder musicals online outskirts
receipt ~~refund~~ shoulders trailer

Example: The train was 2 hours late. I'd like a refund, please.

- 1 If the pool is really cold, try keeping your _____ under the water.
- 2 I like my _____. She really cares about her employees.
- 3 These shoes are a _____! This is a great sale.
- 4 I live on the _____ of Cardiff. It's about 4 miles from the city centre.
- 5 Thaniel carefully placed the ring on his fiancée's _____.
- 6 I enjoy watching _____ in the theatre. But I'm not so keen on them as films.
- 7 Have you seen the _____ for Jennifer Lawrence's new film?
- 8 I usually buy my _____ in a supermarket, but I'd prefer to use a market.
- 9 'Would you like a _____ in case you need to bring it back?' 'Yes, please.'
- 10 Who is your favourite fictional _____?

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9 Match 1–11 with a–k.

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| 1 nod <u>i</u> | a a new job |
| 2 clap ____ | b a mystery |
| 3 press ____ | c a new business |
| 4 dubbed ____ | d your legs |
| 5 set up ____ | e your hands |
| 6 kick ____ | f into English |
| 7 shoot ____ | g a device |
| 8 apply for ____ | h at work |
| 9 plug in ____ | i your head |
| 10 solve ____ | j on location |
| 11 get promoted ____ | k a button |

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10 Write the nouns.

Example: translate translation

- 1 complain _____
- 2 choose _____
- 3 succeed _____
- 4 deliver _____
- 5 smile _____
- 6 employ _____

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PRONUNCIATION

11 Circle the word with the different sound.

Example: cough account laptop off

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| 1 | air line | unfair | contain | stairs |
| 2 | balcony | publicity | cy cle | ce iling |
| 3 | throug h | school | tru e | student |
| 4 | la ugh | daught er | passw or d | charg er |
| 5 | ci tizen | spec ial | spac io us | music ian |
| 6 | pup il | univ er sity | r u de | k ne w |
| 7 | ca ught | draw n | bo ard ing | to ugh |
| 8 | scr ipt | co ntact | co sy | terr ac e |
| 9 | ste ak | repa ir | pl an e | em ai l |
| 10 | st udy | sub ti tl es | edu ca tion | th u mb |

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12 Write the words in the correct column.

mouth touch narrow powerful photo eye
stomach might soundtrack tongue

<i>/ʌ/</i>	<i>/aɪ/</i>	<i>/əʊ/</i>	<i>/aʊ/</i>
<i>up</i>	<i>bike</i>	<i>phone</i>	<i>owl</i>

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Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation total		100
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READING**1 Read three people's reports about a plastic detox and tick (✓) A, B, or C.****Sean**

A few months ago I saw a news programme which showed a whole river in Indonesia being blocked by plastic waste. It was truly shocking. And that's when I decided to try a one-month plastic detox. I knew almost immediately that things weren't going to be easy. At my local supermarket it is impossible to buy even a loaf of bread without some plastic packaging. I thought I'd be able to persuade the shop assistants to, you know, *assist*. But when I asked if they could put some fish, or some sausages, into the containers I'd brought instead of plastic bags, they said they weren't allowed to. So I took the easiest route and turned vegetarian for a month, which isn't something I want to continue. Having a full-time job means there's simply no way I can spend hours each week visiting market stalls and boutique bakeries in my quest to reduce plastic. On the other hand, completing the detox has really opened my eyes to the amount of plastic waste I produce. From now on, I'm concentrating on recycling the plastic I use rather than cutting it down.

Cora

I knew completing the plastic detox would be difficult in our busy family home. Children seem to require a lot of plastic. Their toys, their clothes, their food. Have you ever tried to find plastic-free crisps? But I was very motivated to try and I'm glad I did. I discovered an excellent health food shop in our town that sells lots of plastic-free or easily recyclable products, like washing powder in cardboard boxes. Although I won't be able to get everything from there, if I shop there once a month in addition to my weekly supermarket trip I'll be cutting down my plastic use considerably. I've also set up a WhatsApp group with other parents at my children's school. We've divided into smaller groups who live close to each other and we buy plastic-free products online together. It's cheaper that way and it also cuts down on the number of deliveries made to our streets.

Dominic

The key to reducing plastic, I've found, is to think about things in advance. I never leave home without my reusable coffee cup! Luckily for me, as a freelance worker I have more control over my working hours than some people. So it's quite easy for me to visit the street market, or buy meat at a butcher's shop. It's definitely true that these smaller shops, where staff have more time and flexibility, will help you to reduce plastic packaging more effectively than a supermarket. At the start of my detox month I looked carefully at the plastic waste I produce. I discovered that if I made just two or three changes my waste would be significantly reduced. Today I buy milk in glass bottles (ordered online and delivered to my door by an excellent local dairy), meat from the butcher's, and fruit and vegetables at the market. Job done!

Example: Sean was inspired to complete the plastic detox by a documentary film.

A True B False C Doesn't say

- 1 Sean can't have enjoyed being a vegetarian during the challenge.
A True B False C Doesn't say
- 2 Sean thinks that people with plastic-free lives must spend a lot of time on shopping.
A True B False C Doesn't say
- 3 Sean gave up half way through the challenge because it was too difficult.
A True B False C Doesn't say
- 4 Being a parent creates a lot of plastic in Cora's home.
A True B False C Doesn't say
- 5 Cora was surprised to learn that clothing contains a lot of plastic.
A True B False C Doesn't say
- 6 Cora's local health food store doesn't sell bathroom products.
A True B False C Doesn't say
- 7 If Cora hadn't set up the WhatsApp group, her plastic-free shopping would be more expensive.
A True B False C Doesn't say
- 8 Dominic's work routine made the detox harder.
A True B False C Doesn't say
- 9 Dominic and Cora both worry about the number of home deliveries that their shopping creates.
A True B False C Doesn't say
- 10 Dominic found that most of his plastic waste came from only a few shopping decisions.
A True B False C Doesn't say

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2 Write S for Sean, C for Cora, D for Dominic.

Example: The staff wouldn't let me use my own packaging. S

- 1 I think about the amount of plastic waste I create in cafés. _____
- 2 I use smaller shops and the supermarket too. _____
- 3 If I hadn't tried the detox, I wouldn't have decided to improve my recycling. _____
- 4 The staff in smaller shops will be able to help you. _____
- 5 Planning with other people makes plastic-free shopping simpler. _____

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WRITING

Write about your own experience of giving something up or cutting down on something (100–150 words). Answer the questions:

- What did you give up/cut down on?
- How did you try to do this?
- How easy/difficult did you find it?
- Were you successful?
- What advice would you give to someone trying something similar?

Writing total		10
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Reading and Writing total		25
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LISTENING

1 Listen to a conversation and complete the sentences. Write two words only.

- Megan thinks the Japanese film might _____.
- Asha doesn't ever _____ on the Mumsnet website.
- Megan thinks the health advice on the site is _____ and _____.
- Justine Roberts' first international holiday with her _____ was a disaster.
- Justine saw a gap in the market but she didn't have enough _____ to set up the website on her own.

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2 Listen to five conversations. Tick (✓) A, B, or C.

- According to the research, if scientists _____ they'll be more creative.
A have offices close to each other B disagree C drink plenty of water
- _____ is an important part of a 'monk morning'.
A Talking to colleagues B Avoiding technology
C Staying focused on a task
- Fiona would contribute more creative ideas if she _____.
A had fewer meetings B could email them to Julie
C knew more about the business
- Romesh says that if companies _____, workers would be more creative.
A used workers' ideas B let workers have more fun
C let people work fewer hours
- The actors are getting ideas for the rest of the scene using _____.
A mime B a pack of question cards C a soundtrack

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Listening total		10
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SPEAKING

1 Make questions and ask your partner.

- What / favourite / world landmark? Why?
- If / meet any actor or actress, who / would / like to meet?
- How often / check emails / the evenings?
- If / be an extra / any famous film, which film / would / be?
- If / live / any city in the world, where / would / live? Why?
- What personality / make / good boss?
- What / last film / saw? Did / enjoy it?
- Do / follow / blogs or YouTubers? Why?
- What / favourite subject / primary school? Why?
- If / won lottery, what / would / do first?

Now answer your partner's questions.

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

‘There is too much violence in films.’

‘There should only be one type of school for all children.’

‘Fashion models don’t represent the real world, and that’s OK.’

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