

Advanced Result: Progress Test 3

Units 7–9

1 Read the text below, then complete gaps 1–16 with the correct form of the word in brackets.

Rising crime?

In recent months, there has been a growing (1 perceive) among the general public that crime in this country is on the increase. (2 drama) newspaper headlines imply that somebody is being murdered around every corner, but the (3 evident) simply doesn't add up. The truth is that crimes such as (4 burgle) have declined considerably in the last year, suggesting that contrary to popular opinion, the nation is not as (5 moral) as some appear to believe, and not everybody is living next door to a violent (6 mug). There has been some fairly (7 decide) action by the police.

In a (8 controversy) move last year, they initiated a policy of getting tough on persistent young (9 offence), and they have had a (10 signify) amount of success in this area. Moreover, the (11 appear) of more policemen on the streets has almost certainly kept crime levels low. Nobody wants to (12 estimate) the impact of crime on its victims, but the simple truth is that crime is not (13 extend) in this country, by any means, and much of the fear of crime is (14 logic). If the public's (15 aware) of this fact were to increase, it would undoubtedly be extremely (16 benefit) for everybody.

(16 marks)

2 Find and correct one mistake in each of sentences a–k.

- a These days, I'm incapable for climbing the stairs, never mind a mountain!
- b We are on a loose end – I wonder whether we could come and see you.
- c The commission found that nobody was responsible of the accident.
- d Mark is impulsive – he's always taking decisions at the spur of the moment.
- e One of the principle arguments for the scheme is that it would save money.
- f In the very end of the book, the two lovers meet up one last time.
- g Don't be taken up by his charming manner – he's very untrustworthy.
- h The accused was charged of assault and causing criminal damage.
- i The fall of the Berlin Wall was one of the momentary events of the 20th century.
- j Have you managed to find a volunteer to set over the fireworks?
- k My neighbour was taken to custody by the police!

(11 marks)

3 For each of a–k circle the correct word (A, B or C) to complete the sentence.

- a Nobody expected Sally to resign. It came out of the
A sky B blue C dream
- b Frank received very little compensation the injuries he received in the accident.
A of B for C from
- c The construction of the stadium has already taken more than a decade, and there appears to be no end in
A sight B touch C hand
- d Although the new restaurant has had sensational reviews, we've been by its extremely high prices.
A set off B put off C given off
- e I wonder what the source all these startling revelations is.
A from B of C for
- f It won't help in the long run but it provides a useful short- solution.
A haul B term C form
- g Going to war was a(n) decision as so few people in the country were in favour of it.
A unsocial B controversial C trivial
- h The media are accusing the government of the public in what they say is a deliberate cover-up.
A underestimating B unfastening C misinforming
- i The government are trying to stamp down on behaviour such as vandalism.
A antisocial B momentous C dishonest
- j Daly was arrested for accepting a to deliberately lose the boxing match.
A bribe B blackmail C forgery
- k Someone ran in front of my car and I nearly had an accident.
A off B by C out

(11 marks)

4 Read the text below and circle the best option (A, B, C, or D) to complete gaps 1–12.

Traffic calming

The aim of this town council meeting is to discuss whether there is scope (1) the introduction of traffic calming measures in this area. Joy-riding is to blame (2) a significant reduction in the quality of life on the housing estates, and has directly led (3) the deaths of two young people. We must stop this menace before it gets out of control. The best interests of our community are (4) stake.

My personal view of the choices before us is that we should not give (5) to lawlessness on our streets, nor should we be put (6) by the costs of introducing stringent traffic calming measures. (7) the long run, I believe that the result (8) taking action now will mean safer streets for everyone. And, of course, if we take no action, we will more than likely end up (9) more deaths.

To (10) up, spending on traffic calming is vitally needed. By all means, weigh (11) the pros and cons. Having done so, however, I'm sure you will agree that, (12) balance, a little money spent today will prove to be a good investment.

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| 1 | A for | B of | C that | D to |
| 2 | A in | B on | C by | D for |
| 3 | A to | B into | C on | D by |
| 4 | A on | B at | C in | D for |
| 5 | A in | B over | C up | D away |
| 6 | A up | B off | C away | D down |
| 7 | A At | B On | C In | D For |
| 8 | A of | B for | C that | D with |
| 9 | A with | B at | C in | D by |
| 10 | A add | B sum | C total | D give |
| 11 | A out | B up | C over | D in |
| 12 | A in | B with | C by | D on |

(12 marks)

Total: /50

Advanced Result: Progress Test 3 Answer Key

- 1**
- 1 perception
 - 2 dramatic
 - 3 evidence
 - 4 burglary/burglaries
 - 5 immoral
 - 6 mugger
 - 7 decisive
 - 8 controversial
 - 9 offenders
 - 10 significant
 - 11 appearance
 - 12 underestimate
 - 13 extensive
 - 14 illogical
 - 15 awareness
 - 16 beneficial

(16 marks)

- 2**
- a incapable
 - b at a loose end
 - c responsible for
 - d on the spur of the moment
 - e principal
 - f At the very end
 - g taken in by
 - h charged with
 - i momentous events
 - j set off
 - k taken into

(11 marks)

- 3**
- a B
 - b B
 - c A
 - d B
 - e B
 - f B
 - g B
 - h C
 - i A
 - j A
 - k C

(11 marks)

- 4**
- 1 A
 - 2 D
 - 3 A
 - 4 B
 - 5 A
 - 6 B
 - 7 C
 - 8 A
 - 9 A
 - 10 B
 - 11 B
 - 12 D

(12 marks)