

Cumulative Test Units 1–10 A

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Grammar

1 Choose the correct answer A–D to complete the sentences.

- 1 When you've filled in your application form I'll _____ with you, if you want.
A tear it up B go through it C come across it D set it off
- 2 _____ students, we find it really worrying to hear rumours like this about our exams.
A Like B Looks like C As D We were like,
- 3 Do you think your parents will let _____ to a music festival this summer?
A to go B you to go C you go D you going
- 4 I can't imagine New York is _____ more dangerous than London, is it?
A a mile away B an awful lot C more and D very far
- 5 I'm surprised the director is here. It's rare _____ a premier – even in London.
A that he does attend B for him attending C for him to attend D he's attending
- 6 Police just couldn't work _____ how the fraudsters got the information.
A through B up C over D out
- 7 _____ been so surprised and delighted with a birthday present.
A Rarely did they B Rarely had she C Never is he D Never was she
- 8 I'd go round and see her, but I _____ to bother her when she's working.
A wouldn't want B would guess C would D would like
- 9 I think in our neighbourhood _____ rude to make noise after 10pm.
A it's generally considered B is being considered C is going to be considered D was being considered
- 10 The woman _____ dog Max rescued just phoned. She wants to give him a reward!
A whom B whose C that D which

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2 Rewrite the sentences using the words in capitals. Do not change the meaning of the sentence.

- 1 My cousin Grace calls me all the time to tell me how great her life is. (FOREVER)

- 2 I love watching crime thrillers. My mum hates them. (UNLIKE)

- 3 I really wish I had done a bungee jump when I had the opportunity. (REGRET)

- 4 You've still got a chance to get onto the course, but you have to apply today. (AS LONG AS)

- 5 It is vital that all participants wear the appropriate safety equipment. (FOR)

- 6 "You really must deliver this letter by hand. Promise me that you will!" said Dave, urgently.
(INSIST)

- 7 If you're in China, the Terracotta Army in Xian is a great thing to see. (WORTH)

- 8 If you are thinking of going somewhere fancy, I would suggest wearing a tie. (OUGHT)

- 9 The newspapers reported that someone stole the jewels in broad daylight. (STOLEN)

- 10 They can say anything they want about it, I just don't believe that he's guilty. (EVER)

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Vocabulary

3 Complete the sentences an appropriate word.

- 1 Wow! That's certainly an eye-_____ hat you're wearing.
- 2 The film is supposed to be a tense _____ thriller, but I found it quite predictable.
- 3 When the referee _____ the winner, everyone was surprised – including the boxers.
- 4 Oh dear. I didn't realise you were allergic _____ seafood. I'd have cooked something else!
- 5 My uncle lost his job because he blew the _____ about the fraud that was going on at his company.
- 6 She tried to _____ off the bad reviews of her performance, but she found it difficult not to care.
- 7 The government has _____ a law making it illegal to sell factory-farmed eggs. It comes into effect next month.

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4 Complete each sentence with the correct form of the words below.

classic space culture rely economy prejudice

- 1 My sister decided not to rent the studio flat – she's looking for something a little more _____.
- 2 I asked Mike to help me move, but he's so _____. He didn't even turn up.
- 3 I've started buying refilled printer ink cartridges – it's much more _____.
- 4 *Rear Window* is a _____ Alfred Hitchcock film. I can't believe you haven't seen it!
- 5 The jury are supposed to be impartial, but you could tell they were _____ against the man from the beginning.
- 6 I really like my neighbourhood. It's totally _____ – you can hear so many different languages on the street. And you can get food from anywhere in the world!

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- 1 The car had been parked in the full sun all afternoon, and it was _____ inside. We had to open all the windows to cool it down.
- 2 Did you hear Melanie talking about the election? She's certainly _____ her _____ since we were at school. She used to be such a committed Scottish nationalist!
- 3 I think when John sent that email to the coach he really _____ his _____. He'll never get back on the rugby team now.
- 4 Thank you for your letter. We regret _____ you that your application was not successful.
- 5 I really enjoyed my work-experience week. I would go and work for that company at the _____.
- 6 I can't really explain what gave me the idea for the story – it just came to me _____.
- 7 I was over the moon when I heard I'd got into university. It really is a dream _____.

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Use of English

6 Complete the sentences with an appropriate word.

- 1 Dad's old car is so embarrassing. I'd really like to see the _____ of it!
- 2 Judging by the _____ that you're still here, I assume you missed the bus.
- 3 Student numbers for next year are about a third higher than last year – give or _____ a percent.
- 4 You just have to look at the rubbish on the beaches to see that tourism has had a detrimental _____.
- 5 He knows the chances of winning the lottery are very slim, but in _____ of this, Dave buys a ticket twice a week.
- 6 I entirely _____ the argument that nuclear weapons bring peace. It's clearly nonsense!
- 7 OK yes, I go _____ with that, but have you thought about how much it will cost to maintain it?
- 8 I like the idea of going to London, but what _____ me off are the crowds.
- 9 The most obvious difference _____ his story and mine was the ending.
- 10 I understand that medical advances help lots of people – but where will it _____?

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Listening

7 Listen to a news report. Choose the best answers.

- 1 The news report is about
A an on-going investigation into a disappearance.
B a case of mistaken identity.
C the end of a story that had captivated the public.
D the arrest of a British man in Germany.
- 2 Judging by his behaviour when he was found, police suspected that
A the man's navigation system had caused him to become lost.
B the man might have experienced some kind of tragic or terrifying event.
C the man had been attacked and his clothes were damaged.
D the man was trying to evade being traced by international police forces.
- 3 It was his drawings that
A gave police the idea to contact orchestras all over the world.
B showed he was a talented artist.
C provided the final clue to his possible identity.
D prompted staff to give him access to a piano.

4 It took months to establish the man's identity

A despite a fantastic response to the appeal.

B because the orchestras were slow to respond.

C because privacy laws meant they could not show photos of the man.

D due to fears for the man's safety.

5 The news story concludes that

A the hospital will be glad to see the back of him.

B the "piano man" may never remember his own name.

C the story has ended well for the "piano man".

D the hospital broke the law by concealing the man's identity.

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Reading

8 Read the text. Decide whether the statements are True (T) or false (F).

4000 miles

How often do you see your grandparents? Many families like to get together at least once a year for an important birthday, a festival or a family event. It's a chance to catch up on news, share joyful experiences and strengthen family bonds. Now imagine that your grandmother, aunts, uncles and extended family live 4000 miles away in a country you have never visited. This is a challenge faced by migrants the world over, as they watch their children growing up without a sense of their roots and family. Going 'home' can be a rare and expensive treat, with air fares costing hundreds of pounds per ticket.

In Birmingham, England there are more Kashmiri expatriates than anywhere else outside Pakistan. Many people emigrated from the city of Mirpur in Kashmir in the 1960s when a large engineering project forced them from their homes. Mirpur is often referred to as "Little Birmingham" – a reference to the close family ties between the two cities. And now they are to be linked by something more tangible: a regular bus service!

The idea of the fortnightly service has been proposed by Mr Tahir Khokher, a transport minister in Kashmir, as a way of forging stronger links between the two communities, and making the journey more affordable. At £130 a ticket, it would be a good deal cheaper than going by air.

But Mr Kokher admits that his vision has yet to be put into practise. There are diplomatic and bureaucratic details to be ironed out. There is the weather to take into account, and for some, there are a few questions about security. The proposed route crosses 7 countries, including Serbia, Turkey and Iran, and includes a stop-over near to the Afghan border where insurgent activity makes travel dangerous. The plan is that the coaches will travel in convoys of four – there is safety in numbers.

Despite the risks, and the prospective discomfort of 12 days on a bus – or even a luxury coach – the idea has been well received by people in both Birmingham and Mirpur. Older members of the community concede that the journey will probably now be attractive to the young and adventurous, but remind us that the idea is not a new one. In the 1970s and 80s they would regularly undertake the long journey by road, and the route became popular with migrants, hippies and backpackers alike, embarking on the long journey with a sense of adventure and excitement.

Scheduled to start in the spring, for now we will have to wait to find out how travellers rate the number 20 to Mirpur.

- 1 The text identifies an issue which is a problem for many people living in foreign countries.
- 2 There are so many English people in Kashmir, that one of its towns has been given an English nick-name.
- 3 People emigrating from Mirpur in the 1960s chose Birmingham because there was a regular bus service.
- 4 There are both political and geographical difficulties with the route that Mr Kokher has proposed.
- 5 The reaction to the proposed route has been cautious, especially amongst older people.

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Writing

- 9 Write an opinion essay of 200–250 words to express your views on this question: *Should people be arrested for insulting or racially abusive comments that they make on social media websites?*

Paragraph 1: Summarise the issue and give your position on the topic.

Paragraph 2: Present arguments for one side of the issue and give examples.

Paragraph 3: Present arguments for the other side of the issue and give examples.

Paragraph 4: Restate your opinion and summarise your reasons.

Make sure your essay contains all the points listed and is written in an appropriate style for an opinion essay.

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