

Test 7

Grammar and Vocabulary

1 Complete each gap in the sentences with the correct form of the words, as in the example.

Example

My teacher was a great inspiration to me and the rest of the class.

INSPIRE

1 She's such a _____ person to work with.

DELIGHT

2 As a tennis player you should never underestimate your _____.

OPPOSE

3 It's always important to look at information on the internet _____.

CRITIC

4 The scientist's _____ of the problem was very detailed.

ANALYSE

5 I'm afraid we'll need a _____ to deal with this – none of us have enough knowledge.

SPECIAL

6 The study of _____ people can help us understand ourselves better.

PREHISTORY

7 It was _____ to see such a nice person in such a terrible condition.

PITY

8 Her _____ to the project was what made it a success.

DEDICATE

9 Without making more money available, _____ will never disappear.

POOR

10 The situation is _____ – we will never survive this.

HOPE

2 Read the sentences. Complete the second sentence to give it the same meaning as the first sentence. Use between three to five words in each sentence. There is one example.

Example

The only place Kevin can be is in the gym.

Kevin must be in the gym.

1 It is possible that Mary is in the library.

Mary _____ the library.

2 Sam has definitely not had enough time to finish his homework.

Sam _____ his homework.

3 "Well Zoe, my advice is to have an early night," said Paul.

Paul _____ an early night.

4 When Eva leaves the house, she always leaves the door open.

When Eva leaves the house, she always _____ the door.

5 Everyone considered him to be the best person for the job.

He _____ the best person for the job.

3 Complete each gap in the text with the correct form of the words, as in the example.**Example**

Some months ago my brother Jake left school but managed to get a job at one of the local supermarkets. He can't bear (1) to work there but he doesn't really have any choice. It's not as if he (2) hard while he was at school and had left with lots of good qualifications – in fact, he had been asked to leave school early because he never (3) what the teachers asked him and he didn't care if he got detention. He (4) to be one of the laziest boys in the school and I can believe it! At the end of this month, Jake (5) at the supermarket for six months. In this time Jake (6) a lot and his attitude is much better than it used to be. Despite not liking his job, he does overtime whenever he can. Apparently, since he started the job, he (7) money in the bank every week to go to college. He says that by the end of the year he (8) over two thousand pounds. Also, he promised my mum that she (9) proud of him in the future. I really hope he can go to college because I don't want him (10) in the supermarket all his life.

GET	GO
STUDY	DO
CONSIDER	WORK
CHANGE	PUT
SAVE	BE
STAY	

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4 Read Tania's letter to her friend and choose the correct word for each space. Write the correct letter, A, B, C or D in each gap. There is one example.

Example

Hi Karen,

I've got some great news. I C for a summer job on an archaeological dig and yesterday I heard that I got it. It's for two months and I'll be at a (1) _____ site not far from London. I'm hoping to find an old (2) _____ or two that people used to use thousands of years ago in a different (3) _____. Of course, should we be lucky enough to encounter a treasure trove or any (4) _____ like that, we'll have to tell the dig supervisor but it'll be exciting anyway, don't you think?

Also, it's bound to help me with my (5) _____, which I'll be starting next year.

If you haven't got any plans for the summer, why don't you come too? It would be an interesting (6) _____ for you even if you don't know a great deal about archaeology. Most of the people on the dig will only have an (7) _____ interest so you won't be alone. And don't believe any of those stories about the discomfort of digging in (8) _____ rain or being bored in a ~~tent~~ all night. We go inside when it rains and you'd be (9) _____ in a modern building with a kitchen and games facilities all at a very (10) _____ price. So, what do you say?

Tania

A abandoned	B gained	C applied	D ensured
A previous	B prospective	C stranded	D prehistoric
A artefact	B album	C hubbub	D ordeal
A expedition	B tribute	C era	D vanguard
A finds	B temples	C assets	D sacrifices
A struggle	B doctorate	C originality	D leisure
A option	B theory	C sequence	D award
A ecstatic	B inaugural	C isolated	D amateur
A absorbing	B flamboyant	C torrential	D intact
A urged	B accommodated	C howled	D recommended
A aware	B muffled	C affordable	D fundamental

5 Complete the sentences with the correct words from the box. There is one example. There is one extra word.

flamboyant	poised	sponsor	dilapidated	impact	venue
bulky	licencee	priority	pitch	clap	generosity

Example

He got his driving licence shortly after his eighteenth birthday.

- 1 That building is so _____ that it is a real danger.
- 2 He was known for his _____ towards the poor – he was always giving.
- 3 First we saw the sky light up and then we heard a _____ of thunder.
- 4 I'm sure the stadium will be a fantastic _____ for the concert.
- 5 Her speeches, as well as her clothes, were always _____.
- 6 The bird of prey was _____ in the sky waiting for a mouse to appear.
- 7 Unless we find a _____ willing to donate a lot, we will have to stop playing.
- 8 The equipment is new but _____ so everyone will have to help carry it.
- 9 We should definitely make health a _____ over the next five years.
- 10 The _____ of the financial cuts was felt by all.

6 Write these words next to the correct definition. There is one example. There is one extra word.

graduate	artefact	nightmare	imitator	enhance	expedition
brooch	manufacture	innovation	haul	starvation	era

Example

a person who copies another person _____ imitator

- 1 to make, especially in a factory _____
- 2 a bad dream or bad experience _____
- 3 an article to wear on a dress _____
- 4 to make something better _____
- 5 a person who has finished at university _____
- 6 a long voyage to achieve a particular result _____
- 7 an object made a long time ago _____
- 8 a new idea or invention _____
- 9 a long period of time _____
- 10 to pull something very heavy _____

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Reading

I **Read the book review. Is the information in each sentence about the review true, false or not stated in the review? For each sentence, circle the correct answer. There is one example.**

The Warrior's Nightmare, reviewed by Alex Collins

Written by detective novel specialist Kingsley Price in 2012, *The Warrior's Nightmare* is his first historical novel, describing the adventures of Lord Blackfoot in his pursuit of the notorious Prince Fearless. It includes a combination of fact and fiction, but for lovers of true history, there are notes at the end of the novel which explain when the story moves away from fact.

Price, a student of history thirty years ago, uses his knowledge of fifteenth century life to make the story credible. Moreover, his characterisation of Lord Blackfoot and Prince Fearless is convincing. However, the novel lacks passion and it is easy to imagine a reader putting the book down long before the end. It is impossible to identify with many of the less important characters, who seem to be cardboard cut-outs rather than real people.

The story focuses on Lord Blackfoot's search for revenge after his father and brother are defeated and killed at the Battle of Haydon by the treacherous Prince Fearless. In the course of his adventures, Blackfoot encounters and falls in love with the beautiful Princess Priscilla, and together they hunt for the evil prince. The reader should be turning the pages to discover whether or not Blackfoot and Priscilla manage to capture

Prince Fearless and what they will do to him if he is caught, but the action moves so slowly that we do not feel as if we are being kept in suspense.

I have always admired Price, so I was disappointed when I read *The Warrior's Nightmare*. More used to writing detective novels, in my view, Price struggles with this genre. The excitement he creates when writing about crime is sadly missing here and it remains to be seen whether or not his usual readers will be enthusiastic enough to make this book a success.

It could be, however, that this novel, and others like it if he writes more in the future, will appeal to a different kind of reader. Those who are interested in fifteenth century history and want to learn more about it through reading a novel may well be intrigued. If it does become a success, it could also be a good story to be made into a film. The battle scenes will attract lovers of action films, especially if well-known Hollywood actors play the leading roles.

The Warrior's Nightmare will be available from next month for £12.99 from book shops and £8.99 online. Published by Congo Ltd © Kprice.

Example

Kingsley Price has written one novel.

True False Not Stated

- 1 *The Warrior's Nightmare* is more fact than fiction. True False Not Stated
- 2 The characterisation of less important characters is meticulous. True False Not Stated
- 3 The deaths of family members inspired Lord Blackfoot to take action. True False Not Stated
- 4 Alex Collins thinks readers are not kept in sufficient suspense. True False Not Stated
- 5 Kingsley Price will always struggle to write historical novels. True False Not Stated
- 6 *The Warrior's Nightmare* has been made into a Hollywood film. True False Not Stated

2 Read the letter to a newspaper and complete it by putting the letter A–I of the correct phrase in the correct part of the text. There is one example. There is one extra phrase.

Phrases:

A according to the latest research	B Clearly, neither of these arguments hold water.
C although I agree with him	D However, the important thing was
E in his article last week	F Not only did he say this
G who is of the opinion that	H Another point I'd like to make is that
I To sum up	

Dear Sir

Example

I am writing to question the views of Mr Simon Taylor, G competitive sport should not be part of the school curriculum. He claimed, (1) _____, that competitive sport was responsible for children feeling bad about themselves in their lives in general. (2) _____, but also that children lost confidence if they lost in sports competitions. (3) _____ Together with most people of my age, I was brought up at a time when competitive sport was considered to be a good thing. Of course, sometimes I lost at football or tennis and sometimes I won.

(4) _____ that it taught me how to accept defeat and to ~~try~~ harder next time. If you never experience losing, or winning, you will never know how to react when you ~~encounter~~ disappointment.

(5) _____ doing competitive sport at school will ~~help~~ your body develop and become stronger and healthier. Believe it or not, (6) _____, more than thirty percent of teenagers in this country suffer from obesity, usually because they get too little exercise. (7) _____, I think it's time we changed our attitude towards competitive sport in school and returned to the days when youngsters played sport instead of computer games.

Yours faithfully

K P Noonan

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3 Read the headlines A–H and the news articles 1–8. Choose the letter for the correct headline to match each article and write it in the gaps in the table, as in the example.

Example	
Article 1 goes with headline C	Article 2 goes with headline _____
Article 3 goes with headline _____	Article 4 goes with headline _____
Article 5 goes with headline _____	Article 6 goes with headline _____
Article 7 goes with headline _____	Article 8 goes with headline _____

Headlines:

A Change of venue for summer concert
C Over a million copies sold
E Sensational result in scintillating semi-final
G Amazing find at dig

B Innovation of the year
D Fundamental changes to the curriculum
F Spectacular pyrotechnic show
H Stranded at home

Article 1	Article 2	Article 3
Best-selling author Barbara Peters' most recent novel <i>Life in the Sticks</i> has exceeded its target of 250,000 sales within the first month of publication, selling four times that number. The one millionth copy was sold yesterday and the lucky buyer was given an extra free copy signed by Barbara herself, who was in the store promoting the novel.	Sensational jewellery and artefacts have been discovered at the Marburgh archaeological dig in Scotland. As well as brooches and gold rings, many other kinds of valuable items were found by Tim Huxton yesterday. Tim, a student at the local university, was ecstatic about his discovery. "It's what every amateur archaeologist dreams of," he said.	In one of the most exciting basketball matches this year, Harlow beat Fenchurch to reach the final of the national cup competition. Harlow, who are at the moment struggling to win any matches, suddenly discovered their true ability and surprised everyone with a 98–94 point win. The venue for the final has not been decided yet.

Article 4	Article 5
A team of scientists at the Technological Institute of Bickton has developed a new mobile phone that automatically takes a photo of the thief and calls the police as soon as it has been stolen. Victims of phone theft need only shout "Cheese" within twenty-five metres of the phone to get the phone to take a picture. Police believe that it will be a great help in the fight against crime.	Ledbury Live is having financial problems and will need to look for a smaller stadium for the event this year. Last year's event was a great success with over twenty groups taking part over two days. This year, however, ticket sales have been slow because of the economic situation. People with tickets will be told of the new location next month.

Article 6	Article 7	Article 8
It was Prince Michael's birthday yesterday in the kingdom of Cortland. The prince turned thirty in style with a concert in the square and dancing in the streets. The highlight of the day, however, was the firework display in the evening, which was described as the most magnificent show of its kind ever to take place in Cortland.	Fundamental changes in the way the government deals with floods were recommended yesterday as the floods in the south of the country became worse. Families were unable to leave their homes in some villages and the army had to step in to help. In Marton, an old lady and her dog were airlifted from the roof of their house by helicopter in a dramatic rescue.	From next year, things are going to be very different in schools across the country. Students who have until now refused to do PE will be made to do at least two hours of physical activity a week. This is an attempt by the government to address the growing problem of obesity among the young. At least one foreign language will also have to be studied until the age of eighteen rather than the present fourteen.

Listening

1  Listen to the people describing the festival. Choose the correct title from titles A–H to match the conversations 1–8. There is one example.

Conversations 1–8:

1	C	2		3		4		5		6		7		8	
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Example

Titles:

A What a hopeless exhibition!	B It should have been outside
C The backers made it happen	D A dubious choice of music
E A great sacrifice	F Painstaking preparation
G Let's be more ambitious next time	H An abundance of musical talent

2  Lucie and Gustav are discussing the costs of university. Listen to the conversation and fill in the missing information with three words or fewer. There is one example.

Example

For Lucie's parents university was cheaper.

- 1 Gustav's parents only used to pay for _____.
- 2 The cost of the most expensive courses has risen by _____.
- 3 Gustav hates the idea of _____.
- 4 If Lucie were from a poor background, she would _____.
- 5 It is claimed that university degrees improve your _____.
- 6 Lucie's friend who works as a cleaner has a _____.
- 7 Before going to university Gustav is considering taking _____.

3  Listen to the news story. For each question, circle the correct answer A, B or C. There is one example.

Example

What happened to the prehistoric tool yesterday?

A It was stolen. B It was put on display. C It was found.

- 1 How old is the tool claimed to be?
A 100,000 years B 200,000 years C 500,000 years
- 2 Who helped the police locate the stone?
A an archaeologist B a geology student C a history teacher
- 3 What was James Roberts doing at the market?
A buying prehistoric tools B buying old jewellery C buying stolen goods
- 4 What happened to James Roberts?
A He was questioned by police. B He went to prison. C He was given some money.
- 5 When must the stone have been stolen?
A between 8am and 9am B between 9am and 6pm C between 6pm and 8am
- 6 How will the museum try to increase security?
A with more cameras B with more guards C with more police

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Speaking

I Role Play

Student 1: You have one minute to read Task 1 card A which your teacher will give you.
Prepare for a role play which you will perform with Student 2.
Your teacher will tell you when to start and stop.

Student 2: You have one minute to read Task 1 card B which your teacher will give you.
Prepare for a role play which you will perform with Student 1.
Your teacher will tell you when to start and stop.

2 Presentation

Student 1: You have one minute to look at picture A and prepare the presentation as shown on Task 2 card A.
Your teacher will tell you when to start and stop.

Student 2: You have one minute to look at picture B and prepare the presentation as shown on Task 2 card B.
Your teacher will tell you when to start and stop.



Writing

I Write an email to a newspaper to complain about an expensive recent development in your town or city. Write 160–180 words.

In your letter:

- ▶ describe the development you are complaining about;
- ▶ explain exactly what the problem is;
- ▶ suggest how the money could have been better spent.

Write your answer here.

If you need more space, use another piece of paper.

2 Write the scene from a story in which a pet dog rescues its family from a terrible ordeal. Write 160–180 words.

In your scene:

- ▶ describe the situation the family are in;
- ▶ say how the pet dog manages to rescue the family;
- ▶ explain how the family later showed their appreciation.

Write your answer here.

If you need more space, use another piece of paper.