

1st year summer practice

1 Complete the dialogue with phrases A–E.

- Tom** ¹_____ what happened at the party last night? Someone stole my guitar!
- Tara** Oh no! ²_____ ! You loved that guitar, didn't you?
- Tom** I did. ³_____ I should do? Should I buy a new one, or do you think it might be found?
- Tara** ⁴_____ put some posters around the school to see if anyone had found it.
- Tom** ⁵_____ ! Will you help me with them?
- Tara** Yes, of course, Tom. Let's hope we can find it!

- A That's a shame
- B If I were you, I'd
- C That's a good idea
- D Have you heard
- E What do you think

2 Complete the text with the correct words (a–d).

A history of newspapers

Newspapers have existed ¹_____ a lot longer than most people think. In fact, the first newspaper ²_____ in Rome in 59 BC! In the seventeenth century, the first real newspapers appeared in most European capitals, including Stockholm, ³_____ capital city of Sweden, where they published a newspaper called Post-och Inrikes Tidningar for the first time in 1645. It ⁴_____ today, which means that it's the oldest newspaper in the world.

By the early eighteenth century, daily newspapers ⁵_____ popular and common. In Britain, the first daily newspaper was called the Daily Courant. The newspaper had already been sold as a monthly publication on the streets of London for over eighty years before its owners decided ⁶_____ it a daily newspaper in 1702. Reading the news was becoming more popular because more and more people were learning to read.

In the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, newspapers were a way of life for many people. However, recently, things have changed. There are now ⁷_____ different ways of ⁸_____ the news, so newspapers aren't as popular as they were fifty years ago.

- 1 **a** than **b** when **c** for **d** since
- 2 **a** was publishing **b** published **c** had published **d** was published
- 3 **a** a **b** an **c** the **d** -
- 4 **a** is still being published **b** still publishes **c** is still publishing **d** still published
- 5 **a** were become **b** has become **c** had become **d** becomes
- 6 **a** to make **b** make **c** to making **d** making
- 7 **a** much **b** a little **c** a lot of **d** any
- 8 **a** hear **b** hearing **c** to hear **d** to hearing

3 Complete the dialogue with phrases A–E.

- Richard** ¹_____ ? My favourite programme starts in a minute.
- Adam** ²_____ . What programme is it?
- Richard** _____ It's a documentary about teenagers who do extreme sports. You aren't keen on extreme sports programmes, are you?
- Adam** Not usually, but I'm looking at a TV site online, and ³_____ , it's really interesting.

Richard So, ⁴ _____ with me?

Adam ⁵ _____. I was thinking of taking up snowboarding!

- A Sure, go ahead
- B would you like to watch it
- C Is it OK if I switch on the TV
- D judging by this review
- E That's a good idea

4 Complete the sentences with one word.

- 1 Most people are afraid _____ monsters, dogs and death.
- 2 It's my mum's birthday, so I need to get her a birthday _____ and write something nice.
- 3 I don't really like to _____ crosswords because I never know the answers.
- 4 I enjoyed my time volunteering abroad and I got _____ with many of the other volunteers.
- 5 Let's go and see the new exhibition at the art _____ in town.
- 6 We waited at the _____ station for half an hour, but the train never came.
- 7 Most parents hope _____ a good future for their children.
- 8 Many place names in the US were borrowed _____ the UK.
- 9 You shouldn't throw everything _____ – you can recycle some of it.
- 10 They only sell energy-_____ light bulbs in my country now.
- 11 We live in a two-_____ house – the kitchen and living room are downstairs and the bedrooms and bathrooms are upstairs.
- 12 I always have to _____ the table before dinner.
- 13 Immigration can bring _____ a lot of problems for a family.
- 14 When we were driving along Canning Stock Route, our car suddenly broke _____ .

5 Put the words in brackets into the correct noun, verb, adjective or adverb form.

- 1 There's something wrong with my _____ (see) – I think I need to get new glasses.
- 2 We enjoy going to Spain. The food there is very _____ (taste).
- 3 It rained all week, but _____ (fortunate) there was plenty to do in the indoor leisure centre.
- 4 _____ (surprise), life in the 1940s wasn't easy.
- 5 My sister was _____ (embarrass) when she couldn't get on her horse.
- 6 The wildlife in Costa Rica was _____ (amaze).
- 7 We had an _____ (excite) time during our rafting trip down Rio Negro.
- 8 The _____ (develop) of the frontal cortex happens last.
- 9 Teenagers sometimes do risky things to make an _____ (impress) on their friends.
- 10 They had no _____ (intend) of coming to my party.

6 Answer the questions.

- 1 What do you call a piece of plastic or paper that shows who you are?

- 1 Which of these words can you use with *do*: **a journey / good / a choice / exercise**? _____
- 2 What three compound nouns can you make with the word *shopping*?

- 3 Which phrasal verb means *to escape*? _____
- 4 What is the antonym of *wide*? _____
- 5 Where can you go to report a crime? _____
- 6 What are the five senses? _____
- 7 What do you call the distance that food travels to get to our homes?

- 8 Which of these things do you normally keep in a tube: **soda / tissues / crisps / toothpaste**? _____
- 9 What do you call household items that help us to save time?

- 10 Which phrasal verb means *learn more information*? _____
- 11 What is the strong form of *silly*? _____

7 There is one word missing in each sentence. Rewrite the sentences adding the word in the correct place.

- 1 How many times you volunteered abroad?

- 1 The garden in this house is not big for us.

- 2 I'm a couch surfer and at the moment I staying with a family in Colombia.

- 3 How many countries you visit when you were travelling?

- 4 We were really tired when we going up the mountain.

- 5 I normally have few apples a day.

8 Rewrite sentence b so that it has a similar meaning to sentence a. Use the words in brackets. Do not change the given words.

- 1 a She finished the race a few minutes ago.
b _____ (just)
- 2 a She's never at work on Mondays.
b _____ (go)
- 3 a I only have a few glasses of water a day.
b _____ (many)
- 4 a I was getting off the bus when I noticed that everything fell out of my bag.
b _____ (as)
- 5 a Cibo is an Italian restaurant. We went there for my birthday.
b _____ (where)
- 6 a We moved to the UK in 2007.
b _____ (since)
- 7 a Our house costs the same as our neighbour's house.
b _____ (expensive)
- 8 a This house is too small for us to buy.
b _____ (big)

9 Complete the text with the correct words (a-c).

For brother and sister Kate and Dan Suski, April 21 started like every other day during their dream holiday on 1_____ St. Lucia. They got up, 2_____ sun was shining and the wind 3_____, so they decided 4_____ on a fishing trip.

5_____ trip was going well, but 6_____ Dan was reeling in a huge marlin, the electric system suddenly 7_____. Water started getting into the boat and flooded the engine room. The captain tried 8_____ help. But as more water 9_____ into the boat, he yelled, 'Jump off, jump off!'

Kate, Dan, the captain and his mate all jumped into the water. 10_____ they were drifting in the water and waiting for the rescue team, their boat sank. They waited for an hour, but then they decided 11_____ to the shore. They were worried about sharks and getting hypothermia. They were also worried that they would get lost. It started raining and it was getting 12_____. Suddenly, Kate and Dan couldn't 13_____ the captain and his mate. They wondered if they should 14_____, but they knew that they had to carry on 15_____ because it was no longer light 16_____.

All of a sudden, they saw a plane and a helicopter 17_____ appeared in the distance, but 18_____ noticed them. After swimming for twelve to fourteen hours, they saw the shore, but it was impossible to get out of the water because there were 19_____ rocks. Finally, they saw a bit of sand and got on to the shore. They spent the night sleeping under some leaves. In the morning, they agreed 20_____ and find help. Eventually, they were rescued. They also found out that the captain and mate were safe.

- 1 a the b 0 c a
- 2 a the b 0 c a
- 3 a blew b was blowing c blown
- 4 a to go b to going c going
- 5 a A b The c 0
- 6 a while b since c when
- 7 a broke up b broke out c broke down
- 8 a to get b getting c get
- 9 a getting b was getting c gets
- 10 a When b As c Because
- 11 a getting b to get c get
- 12 a more cold b the coldest c colder
- 13 a see b seeing c sight
- 14 a turn up b turn back c turn out
- 15 a to swim b swimming c swim
- 16 a more b enough c too
- 17 a when b whose c that
- 18 a anyone b no one c someone
- 19 a much b many c a lot of
- 20 a to go b go d going

10 Choose the correct answers a, b or c.

- 1 A modern household _____ over one tonne of rubbish per year.
a grows b transports c throws away
- 2 You should reduce your _____ by walking instead of taking the bus.
a carbon footprint b food miles c global warming.
- 3 It's usually my job to _____ the table before dinner.
a make b lay c load
- 4 They _____ him for the crime and he went to court.

- a** spent **b** charged **c** committed
- 5 Letting children under six walk alone to school is _____ .
- a** irresponsible **b** impossible **c** imperfect
- 6 The sky in the painting wasn't nice; it actually looked rather _____ .
- a** drab **b** pretty **c** blue
- 7 It's been _____ that Earth's population will be over nine billion in 2050.
- a** increased **b** calculated **c** decreased
- 8 The _____ decided to leave the company and start his own business, but he first wanted half of everything.
- a** customer **b** founder **c** partner
- 9 When we first moved to England, I couldn't understand much because my friends at school used a lot of _____ .
- a** slang **b** dialect **c** accent
- 10 Kristin Duquette was congratulated _____ her many successes, including her flight for the rights of disabled people.
- a** for **b** on **c** at
- 11 Jane has lived on her own since she turned nineteen. She's very _____ .
- a** brilliant **b** confident **c** independent
- 12 I love reading about all the celebrities in the _____ .
- a** broadsheets **b** gossip columns **c** reviews

11 Complete each pair of sentences a and b with the same word.

- 1 a Vancouver is full of _____ , glass, high-rise buildings.
b A typical _____-day family in the US has two children and lives in the _____ suburbs.
- 2 a My two little brothers always _____ into trouble at school, so my _____ parents get called in to see the teacher.
b My parents have been talking about moving into the country because they want to _____ away from the busy city life.
- 3 a You won't _____ any progress if you don't work hard.
b I need to _____ an excuse, so that I can leave the meeting early.
- 4 a Our teachers told us to _____ out everything about the universities we _____ wanted to apply to.
b Never give up and try to _____ a way to solve your problems.
- 5 a Don't forget to buy a _____ for John and Mary's anniversary.
b At _____ not many teenagers in my country go abroad to do volunteer _____ work.
- 6 a When I did an internship at our local newspaper, I was asked to _____ a story.
b My uncle is a detective and he's helping the police to _____ a crime.

12 Put the words in brackets into the correct noun, verb, adjective or adverb form.

- 1 Leaving my family and going to study abroad was a very difficult _____ (decide) for me.

- 2 You shouldn't use that kind of language – it's very _____ (polite).
- 3 I'm very _____ (hope) that I'll get a job with our local newspaper.
- 4 You didn't have to send me a card, but it was very _____ (think) of you.
- 5 It was very difficult to _____ (solution) the problem, but in the end we did.
- 6 I was _____ (surprise) that my dad enjoyed the rollercoaster ride.

13 Choose the correct answer a, b, or c to replace the underlined phrases.

- 1 The Chinese made the first toothbrush in 1498.
 - a The first toothbrush has been made
 - b The first toothbrush made
 - c The first toothbrush was made
- 2 My mum says it's very important that I do my homework.
 - a I must
 - b I don't have to
 - c I have to
- 3 He might live in another country when he finishes university.
 - a He must
 - b He'll certainly
 - c He'll probably
- 4 I don't eat much meat.
 - a eat a little
 - b eat a few
 - c eat a lot
- 5 She said that video game addicts often get bad results at school.
 - a She told
 - b She said me
 - c She told me

14 There is one word missing in each sentence. Rewrite the sentences adding the word in the correct place.

- 1 She just finished climbing Mt. Everest.

- 2 The students told that they didn't multitask.

- 3 The first video on YouTube uploaded in 2005.

- 4 My brother and I used do lots of chores when we were younger.

- 5 When we got to the football stadium, the team already finished their practice.

15 Choose the correct answers a, b or c.

Chasing dreams

Johnny Hunt 1 _____ at six every day. He showers, gets dressed, has a quick snack and by seven he's already on the tennis court hitting one ball after

another. He then spends six hours at school and after all his lessons, he rushes back onto the court for more practice. Today is slightly different because before he had his morning tennis lesson, he 2_____ a weightlifting session at the gym. Johnny 3_____ in a big tournament at the weekend, so he 4_____ much harder. But Johnny hates all of this. So why does he do it? Well, Johnny has 'pushy parents'.

'Pushy parents' think that if they 5_____ younger, they 6_____ things differently. But because things can't ever be like they 7_____, they want their own children to fulfil their failed dreams and ambitions. They see their children as an extension of themselves, sometimes not realizing how unhappy they are. Unsurprisingly, a study 8_____ a few months ago, has revealed that the majority of parents who didn't manage 9_____ their own dreams, want their children to succeed in those things. But the main problem with this is that these children lose their autonomy and never have their own dreams.

Back on the court, Johnny misses the last shot and loses the match. 'If he 10_____ a bit more, he 11_____ a champion,' says his dad. But Johnny knows that this 12_____ ...

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| 1 a wakes up | b woke up | c is waking up |
| 2 a did | b had done | c was doing |
| 3 a is going to take part | b takes part | c will take part |
| 4 a might work | b doesn't have to work | c has to work |
| 5 a were | b are | c will be |
| 6 a do | b would do | c will do |
| 7 a use to be | b used to be | c used be |
| 8 a has carried out | b carried out | c had been carried out |
| 9 a achieving | b achieve | c to achieve |
| 10 a works | b will work | c would work |
| 11 a would become | b will become | c becomes |
| 12 a will never happen | b never happens | c is never going to happen |

16 For each question, complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first. Use no more than three words.

- We were informed about the meeting at the last minute.
They _____ us about the meeting at the last minute.
- An inept employee caused the error.
The error _____ by an inept employee.
- The car was too expensive for me to buy.
I did _____ money to buy the car.
- This spring has been much cooler than last year.
Last spring _____ as this year.
- The exam wasn't as easy as I'd expected.
The exam was _____ I'd expected.
- Jennifer feels lonely. She's always by herself.
Jennifer feels lonely. She's always _____ own.
- There are few new students in my class.
There aren't _____ in my class.
- What's the length of the river Thames?
How _____ the river Thames?
- They never meet during the summer.
They never see _____ during the summer.

10. There is plenty of food in the fridge.
There is a _____ in the fridge.
11. Shall I make some tea?
Do you want _____ some tea?
12. May we play football in the park?
Are we _____ football in the park?
13. Perhaps John is at home.
John _____ at home.
14. She cut her finger while she was cutting onions.
She was _____ she cut her finger.
15. You are the most generous friend I've ever had.
I've never had _____ friend than you.
16. When I was a child, I always spent my summer holidays at my grandparents'.
When I was a child, I _____ my summer holidays at my grandparents'.
17. It's two days since they left.
They left _____.
18. The last time I saw Paul was three weeks ago.
I _____ Paul for three weeks.
19. They were all nervous before the exam.
Everybody _____ before the exam.
20. They have never been to the theatre before.
It's the first time _____ to the theatre.
21. Shall we go to another place?
Shall we _____ else?
22. I won't leave the office before receiving your email.
I won't leave the office until _____ your email.
23. There's a possibility of rain tomorrow.
I think _____ tomorrow.
24. The weather was so bad that we couldn't leave the hotel for two days.
We couldn't leave the hotel for two days _____ was very bad.
25. Don't come home late. Dad will be angry,
If you _____, dad will be angry.
26. Is it necessary for us to spend the night here?
_____ to spend the night here?
27. Our car was broken so we were obliged to travel by train.
We _____ by train because our car was broken.
28. You'd better not go to work today.
I don't think _____ to work today.
29. They offered Jane a job in Manchester.
Jane _____ a job in Manchester.