

12 Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation **A**

GRAMMAR

1 Put the words in the correct order to make questions.

Example: book wrote who this

Who wrote this book?

1 2011 which actor Oscar an in British won ?

2 are exam how the students many taking ?

3 house in who that lives ?

4 World Cup which hosted last country the ?

5 buses how go town many to centre the ?

6 happened what last Bill to night ?

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2 Complete the email. Use the verb in brackets in the past simple or past perfect.

Hi Leon

Did you have (you / have) a good New Year's Eve? Jenny and I ¹ _____ (go) to Edinburgh. We ² _____ (not be) there before. When we ³ _____ (arrive) everything was white because it ⁴ _____ (snow) earlier in the day. It ⁵ _____ (take) three hours to find somewhere to stay, because we ⁶ _____ (not book) a hotel. We ⁷ _____ (spend) New Year's Eve with some of Jenny's friends. She ⁸ _____ (not see) them for a long time so they had a lot to talk about!

Happy New Year!

Mike

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3 Write the sentences in reported speech.

Example: 'I love you.' He told me that *he loved me*.

1 'I'm going to wash the car.'

She said that _____.

2 'We've finished our homework.'

They told her that _____.

3 'The train will be late.'

He said that _____.

4 'My sister can speak French.'

She told him that _____.

5 'Mark didn't phone me.'

He said that _____.

6 'We're moving to Wales.'

She told me that _____.

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Grammar total 20

VOCABULARY

4 Complete the sentences with the correct form of *say* or *tell*.

Example: Louise *told* us that she was going to get married.

1 What will you _____ when you see him?

2 'It's hot!' _____ Angela.

3 Can you _____ me what time the next train leaves?

4 Mel _____ her friends that she was looking for a new job.

5 I see Jaume every day and he always _____ hello to me.

6 Tessa _____ she was selling her car.

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12 Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation A

5 Choose the correct word(s) to complete the sentences.

Example: The prisoners were **freed** / **belonged** / **went** from prison.

- 1 Does this bag **leave** / **belong** / **be** to you?
- 2 I often **go** / **get on** / **have** a swim before breakfast.
- 3 Who are you going to **leave** / **realize** / **be** your dog with when you go on holiday?
- 4 It's time to **be** / **get out** / **put** of the swimming pool now.
- 5 Will you **put** / **go** / **free** those bags on the trolley?
- 6 I didn't **get into** / **realize** / **have** that there was someone in the pool.
- 7 We have to **get up** / **out of** / **off** the bus opposite the museum.

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6 Complete the sentences with the past participle of the verb in brackets.

Example: Tom said he'd been (be) asleep for hours.

- 1 There were no sandwiches. We had _____ (eat) them all.
- 2 She was angry because I'd _____ (break) her favourite cup.
- 3 They said the bull had _____ (attack) two people.
- 4 She wore a necklace that her mother had _____ (give) her.
- 5 He'd _____ (send) three letters to the police, but had not received a reply.
- 6 The museum said that the thieves had _____ (steal) three paintings.
- 7 Lucian said that he'd _____ (buy) a new laptop.

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Vocabulary total 20

PRONUNCIATION

7 Underline the word which has a different sound.

Example: gossip sorry bottle going

- 1 offer sorry robber old
- 2 uniform hurry rubbish summer
- 3 miss write bitten different
- 4 happy married football baggage
- 5 letter message umbrella bitten

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8 Underline the stressed syllable.

Example: luggage

- 1 a|ddress
- 2 go|ssip
- 3 su|ggest
- 4 bu|tter|fly
- 5 um|bre|lla

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Pronunciation total 10

Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation total 50

12 Reading and Writing **A**

READING

1 Read the article and tick (✓) A, B, or C.

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James Goodman, age 35

'Unfortunately, I think gossiping is in our genes. And I don't think it's a positive thing. People gossip to make themselves feel more important. They don't think about the effect it has on the people they gossip about. For example, one of my neighbours gossiped about me after I divorced my wife. She said that I had treated my wife badly. Another neighbour told my work colleagues that my wife was going to move to Germany with the children. These are both lies. I've found it difficult to meet someone else because people believe the gossip, not me.'

Eric French, age 28

'We shouldn't feel guilty about a bit of gossip. I believe that gossiping is good for you. We are people, and people enjoy sharing news – both good and bad – so that they can form and improve their social relationships. I'll give you an example ... I'm quite shy and I don't make friends easily. My girlfriend told me that I didn't go out enough, and that I should have a better social life. She complained about this to her best friend, Susan. Then, one night, I got a phone call from Danny, Susan's boyfriend. He asked me to go out with him to see a band. I had a brilliant night. Since then, Danny and I have seen a band every week. He's a good friend now and I feel much happier.'

Example: Lesley told her best friend ____.

- A a lie B a secret
C some gossip

- Lesley started ____ Tony after Alice gossiped to her friends.
A going to the cinema with
B going to class with C going out with
- Tony waited for Lesley ____ one day.
A after class B after work
C after the cinema
- James thinks people gossip because they want to ____.
A feel more positive
B look more important
C feel more important
- James's neighbours told ____ about him.
A funny stories B lies C secrets
- Eric thinks that gossip improves ____ relationships.
A old B social C working
- Eric has ____ because his girlfriend gossiped.
A made a new friend
B made a big mistake
C met a new neighbour

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2 Write **L** for Lesley, **J** for James, or **E** for Eric.

Example: I liked a boy in my class. L

- I went to see a band. ____
- I think people are programmed to gossip. ____
- I've found it hard to meet a new partner. ____
- I don't make friends easily. ____
- I'm divorced. ____
- I was too frightened to ask someone out. ____
- I think gossiping is a negative thing. ____
- I went to the cinema. ____
- I think people enjoy sharing gossip. ____

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Reading total **15**

12 Reading and Writing **A****WRITING**

Describe a place you visited abroad. Answer the question. (100–150 words)

- Where did you go?
- Why did you decide to go there?
- What did you do there?
- Who did you go with?
- Did anything strange or unusual happen? What?

Writing total	10
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Reading and Writing total	25
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12 Listening and Speaking **A**

LISTENING

1 Listen to the conversation. Underline the correct words(s).

- 1 A postman married his cat because it was going to **die** / **run away**.
- 2 The postman paid a **waitress** / **an actress** to marry them.
- 3 An English postman was taking letters out of a **postbox** / **van** when a snake bit him.
- 4 He **went to hospital** / **sucked the poison out**, then he went back to work.
- 5 In Sierra Leone, **five** / **four** hundred snakes made their home in a police station.

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2 Listen to five conversations. Match the conversations with the topics (A–G). There are two answers you don't need.

- Conversation 1
- Conversation 2
- Conversation 3
- Conversation 4
- Conversation 5

- A discovering the world is round
- B a picture in a newspaper
- C a film that was adapted from a novel
- D a song about a painting
- E a painting by Van Gogh
- F a film review in a newspaper
- G a song by the Beatles

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Listening total 10

SPEAKING

1 Ask your partner these questions.

- 1 Do you think gossiping is good or bad? Why?
- 2 Do you enjoy sharing news about other people?
- 3 Do you think some people feel bad after gossiping?
- 4 Have you ever gossiped about anyone?
- 5 Have you ever heard any gossip about you?

Now answer your partner's questions.

2 Read the information about Simon and answer your partner's questions.

Simon – thinks gossiping is bad

Reason: shouldn't share news about people
– it's private

Example: lost my job – colleagues gossiped (told lies) – can't get a new job

Feels: unhappy – can't find another job

3 Now make questions and ask your partner about Victoria.

- think / gossiping / good or bad?
- why / think so?
- give / example?
- how / feel now?

Speaking total 15

Listening and Speaking total 25

12 Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation **B**

GRAMMAR

1 Write the sentences in reported speech.

Example: 'I hate my boss.'

She told me that *she hated her boss.*

- 'I'm moving house.'
She told us that _____.
- 'Jill didn't phone me.'
She said that _____.
- 'Our children can swim.'
They told us that _____.
- 'The bus won't be late.'
He said that _____.
- 'I've finished the ironing.'
She told her mum that _____.
- 'We're going to the shops.'
They said that _____.

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2 Put the words in the correct order to make questions.

Example: picture painted who this

Who painted this picture?

- happened what last Sarah to week?

- trains how go many to Bradford?

- last which Olympic Games hosted country the?

- apartment in who that lives?

- 2000 which writer Nobel Prize a in Chinese won?

- are test how the people many taking?

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3 Complete the email. Use the verb in brackets in the past simple or past perfect.

Hi Elaine

Did you go (you / go) anywhere interesting for New Year's Eve? Alan and I ¹ _____ (decide) to go to Dublin because we ² _____ (not go) to Ireland before. When we ³ _____ (arrive) there everything was wet because it ⁴ _____ (rain) earlier in the day. It ⁵ _____ (take) two hours to find a place to stay, because we ⁶ _____ (not book) a hotel. We ⁷ _____ (spend) New Year's Eve with one of Alan's university friends. They had a lot to talk about because they ⁸ _____ (not see) each other for a long time.

Happy New Year

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Grammar total 20

VOCABULARY

4 Choose the correct word to complete the sentences.

Example: We sometimes **have** / **go** / **get on** a swim in the evening.

- Silvia didn't **realize** / **get into** / **have** that there was someone in the room.
- Are you going to **be** / **get out** / **put** of the swimming pool now?
- I usually **be** / **realize** / **leave** my cat with my parents when I go away.
- Go** / **Put** / **Free** those bags on the trolley, please.
- Who do these glasses **leave** / **be** / **belong** to?
- Where do I have to get **off** / **out of** / **to** the bus?
- They **belonged** / **freed** / **went** the men from prison.

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12 Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation **B**

5 Complete the sentences with the past participle of the verb in brackets.

Example: I was annoyed because Gerry had broken (break) my mobile phone.

- Oscar said that he'd _____ (speak) to Mark's parents.
- The police said that the bank robber had _____ (steal) around £4 million.
- He wore the tie that his wife had _____ (buy) for him.
- She'd _____ (send) three letters to the school, but no one had replied.
- Cheryl said the food on the plane had _____ (be) awful.
- There was nothing to eat. The children had _____ (eat) everything.
- The farmer said the dogs had _____ (attack) his sheep.

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Example: 'It's snowing!' said Maxine.

- They _____ they were selling their house.
- Could you _____ us when the flight will arrive?
- We see Natalie every day and she never _____ hello to us.
- Lucy _____ her sister that she was going to get divorced.
- What will you _____ when you meet your cousin?
- Andrew _____ his parents that he didn't want to go to university.

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Vocabulary total 20

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- lu|ggage

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- umbrella letter bitten message
- summer uniform hurry rubbish
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C some gossip

- Lesley started going out with Tony after Alice gossiped to ____.
A her sister B her friends C Tony
- Tony waited for Lesley ____ one day.
A after work B after the cinema
C after class
- James's neighbours didn't tell ____ about him.
A the truth B secrets
C funny stories
- James thinks that people ____ what he says.
A don't believe B don't hear
C don't understand
- Eric's girlfriend wanted him to have a better ____.
A working life B routine
C social life
- Because of the gossip, Eric has ____.
A got a new girlfriend
B made a new friend C got a new job

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2 Write **L** for Lesley, **J** for James, or **E** for Eric.

Example: There was a boy in my class I liked. L

- We all like gossiping. _____
- I'm not married any more. _____
- I think it's difficult to meet someone new. _____
- I find it difficult to make friends. _____
- I didn't ask someone out because I was scared. _____
- I see live music every week. _____
- I don't think gossiping is a good thing. _____
- I think gossiping helps us connect with others. _____
- I have a new partner. _____

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Reading total

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LISTENING

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- 2 **An actress** / **A waitress** married them, because officials said they wouldn't do it.
- 3 A snake bit an English postman on his **leg** / **hand**.
- 4 He sucked the poison out, then **continued working** / **went to hospital**.
- 5 Four hundred snakes in Sierra Leone made their home in a **police station** / **post office**.

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- Conversation 5

- A a book that was made into a film
- B a painting about a song
- C a popular song
- D a film that nobody likes
- E finding out the world isn't flat
- F an emotional photograph
- G a picture that you see everywhere

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Listening total 10

SPEAKING

1 Answer your partner's questions.

Now ask your partner these questions.

- 1 Do you agree that we are programmed to gossip? Why?
- 2 Do you think men or women gossip more?
- 3 How do you think people feel after gossiping?
- 4 Would you ever gossip about anyone?
- 5 Do you think gossiping can be a positive thing?

2 Make questions and ask your partner about Simon.

- think / gossiping / good or bad?
- why / think so?
- give / example?
- how / feel now?

3 Now read the information about Victoria and answer your partner's questions.

Victoria – thinks gossiping is good

Reason: helps us to build connections with others

Example: moved house – neighbours gossiped – got to know my neighbours

Feels: happy in new house – knows her neighbours

Speaking total 15

Listening and Speaking total 25

Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation

GRAMMAR

- 1** 1 Which British actor won an Oscar in 2011?
2 How many students are taking the exam?
3 Who lives in that house?
4 Which country hosted the last World Cup?
5 How many buses go to the town centre?
6 What happened to Bill last night?

- 2** 1 went
2 hadn't been
3 arrived
4 had snowed
5 took
6 hadn't booked
7 spent
8 hadn't seen

- 3** 1 she was going to wash the car
2 they had finished / they'd finished their homework
3 the train would be late
4 her sister could speak French
5 Mark hadn't phoned him
6 they were moving to Wales

VOCABULARY

- 4** 1 say
2 said
3 tell
4 told
5 says
6 said

- 5** 1 belong
2 have
3 leave
4 get out
5 put
6 realize
7 off

- 6** 1 eaten
2 broken
3 attacked
4 given
5 sent
6 stolen
7 bought

PRONUNCIATION

- 7** 1 old
2 uniform
3 write
4 football
5 bitten

- 8** 1 address
2 gossip
3 suggest
4 butterfly
5 umbrella

Reading and Writing

READING

- 1** 1 C
2 A
3 C
4 B
5 B
6 A

- 2** 1 E
2 L
3 J
4 E
5 J
6 L
7 J
8 L
9 E

WRITING

Student's own answers.

Task completion: The task is fully completed and the answer is easy to understand. (4 marks)

Grammar: The student uses appropriate structures to achieve the task. Minor errors do not obscure the meaning. (3 marks)

Vocabulary: The student uses a sufficient range of words and phrases to communicate the message clearly. (3 marks)

Listening and Speaking**LISTENING**

- 1**
- 1 die
 - 2 an actress
 - 3 postbox
 - 4 sucked the poison out
 - 5 four

- 2**
- 1 B
 - 2 G
 - 3 A
 - 4 E
 - 5 C

SPEAKING**Interactive communication and oral production:**

The student communicates effectively with his / her partner, asking and answering simple questions, and where necessary initiating conversation and responding. The student uses appropriate strategies to complete the task successfully. (5 marks)

Grammar and Vocabulary: The student uses a sufficient range of vocabulary and structure to communicate clearly. Minor occasional errors do not impede communication. (5 marks)

Pronunciation: The student's intonation, stress, and articulation of sounds make the message clear and comprehensible. (5 marks)

Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation

GRAMMAR

- 1** 1 she was moving house
2 Jill hadn't phoned her
3 their children could swim
4 the bus wouldn't be late
5 She had finished / she'd finished the ironing
6 they were going to the shops
- 2** 1 What happened to Sarah last week?
2 How many trains go to Bradford?
3 Which country hosted the last Olympic Games?
4 Who lives in that apartment?
5 Which Chinese writer won a Nobel Prize in 2000?
6 How many people are taking the test?

- 3** 1 decided
2 hadn't been
3 arrived
4 had rained
5 took
6 hadn't booked
7 spent
8 hadn't seen

VOCABULARY

- 4** 1 realize
2 get out
3 leave
4 Put
5 belong
6 off
7 freed
- 5** 1 spoken
2 stolen
3 bought
4 sent
5 been
6 eaten
7 attacked
- 6** 1 said
2 tell
3 says
4 told
5 say
6 told

PRONUNCIATION

- 7** 1 suggest
2 butterfly
3 address
4 umbrella
5 luggage
- 8** 1 football
2 write
3 bitten
4 uniform
5 going

Reading and Writing

READING

- 1** 1 B
2 C
3 A
4 A
5 C
6 B
- 2** 1 E
2 J
3 J
4 E
5 L
6 E
7 J
8 L
9 L

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Listening and Speaking**LISTENING**

- 1**
- 1 postman
 - 2 An actress
 - 3 hand
 - 4 continued working
 - 5 police station

- 2**
- 1 F
 - 2 C
 - 3 E
 - 4 G
 - 5 A

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FILE 12

Listening 1

Adult woman and man

- Martha** I can't believe some of the stories you read on the internet ...
- Bob** What do you mean?
- Martha** Well, I read a story last night about a German postman who got married to his cat!
- Bob** You're joking!
- Martha** No, I'm serious. The postman bought the cat in 2000. He said that the cat had been his best friend since then. He wanted to marry the cat because the cat had become ill and was going to die. Officials had told the postman that it wasn't possible for him to marry a cat, so the postman paid an actress to marry them.
- Bob** That's a strange story, Martha.
- Martha** Well, it's true. And there's another one about an English postman. He was bitten by a snake when he was taking the letters out of a postbox.
- Bob** Oh, that's awful!
- Martha** The snake had decided to sleep in the postbox. The postman opened the box and the snake bit the postman's hand. He sucked the poison out. Then he continued working.
- Bob** What happened to the snake?
- Martha** Oh, I don't know!
- Bob** Have you read any other strange stories about postmen?
- Martha** No, but I read a horrible story about snakes. Four hundred snakes were found in a police station in Sierra Leone.
- Bob** What were the snakes doing in the police station?
- Martha** The snakes had made their home there. The police and soldiers had to use water to flood them out. And many of the snakes were killed. Ugh! That's frightening.
- Bob** OK, Martha, that's enough scary stories for one night. Let's watch something funny on the TV.
- Martha** All right!

FILE 12

Listening 2

- 1**
- Nicki** Have you seen the photo of the little girl on the front page of the newspaper? It's amazing. Her face says so much.
- Mark** Let me see ... Oh, yes, it's really emotional.
- Nicki** Who said 'A picture is worth a thousand words'?
- Mark** I don't know. Maybe Napoleon. Why?
- Nicki** Well, it's so true, looking at that picture.
- 2**
- Grant** Which band do you think has made the most money?
- Sheena** It must be The Beatles.
- Grant** Yes, I think you're right. And which Beatles song is the most popular?
- Sheena** I read somewhere that it's *Hey Jude*.
- Grant** Oh, really? That's my favourite one, too.
- 3**
- Jim** Ivy, who discovered that the world was round, not flat?
- Ivy** I think it was the Greeks, starting with Pythagoras.
- Jim** I thought it was Ferdinand Magellan.
- Ivy** Well, I suppose Magellan was the first person to test the idea. He sailed round the world and didn't fall off!
- 4**
- Oliver** Dora, who painted that picture on your wall? I've seen it everywhere, but I can't remember the artist's name.
- Dora** It's *The Starry Night* by Vincent Van Gogh.
- Oliver** Of course, it's Van Gogh. Now I remember. So which painter cut part of his ear off, then?
- Dora** That was Van Gogh, too.
- 5**
- Rich** Who directed the film *One Day*?
- Sandy** It was Lone Scherfig. Have you heard of her? She's from Denmark, I think. The film is actually adapted from a novel.
- Rich** Oh, I didn't know that. So, who wrote the novel, then?
- Sandy** David Nicholls. It was a bestseller.