

File Test 5

GRAMMAR

1 Choose the correct word(s).

Example: **A lot of / Many of** people cheered when they heard the news.

- I was going to have a cookie, but there aren't **any / none**.
- There are **very few / very little** modern buildings in this town.
- They don't have **plenty of / much** money, but they're still very generous.
- I don't like living in the city. There's too **much / many** traffic.
- There are **not / no** enough seats for everyone.
- Very **little / few** money is being invested in the public health system.

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2 Complete the e-mail with an article: *a, an, the*, or – (no article).

Dear All,

We're having a fantastic time in San Francisco. We arrived yesterday afternoon, so we had time to find ¹ _____ nice little hotel and relax after our trip.

We woke up early this morning because ² _____ sun was shining in through the window. We had a delicious breakfast and then went out to explore ³ _____ city.

Later, we're meeting Kathy's friend Peter, who's ⁴ _____ artist studying here. He's going to take us to ⁵ _____ best restaurant in town (at least he says it is!). It serves all natural foods from local farms. After that we're going to see ⁶ _____ Golden Gate Bridge and then do some more sightseeing. You know, ⁷ _____ cities like San Francisco are great places for a vacation!

We'll be back ⁸ _____ next Saturday. See you soon!

Love,
Stacy

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3 Complete the sentence with the *-ing* form, the infinitive, or the base form of the verb in parentheses.

Example: She left without saying (say) good-bye.

- I love _____ (not have) to get up at 5:30 a.m. anymore.
- Ian doesn't seem _____ (enjoy) his job very much.
- I've given up _____ (try) to learn how to dance salsa. I'm hopeless!
- Natalie said I should _____ (learn) to do yoga to relieve stress.
- Would you mind _____ (turn) your music down? I can't concentrate.
- Kate went to the store _____ (get) a newspaper.

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Grammar total 20

VOCABULARY

4 Write the verb or noun.

Example: discuss discussion

- | verb | noun |
|------------|------------|
| 1 propose | _____ |
| 2 organize | _____ |
| 3 _____ | relaxation |
| 4 survive | _____ |
| 5 _____ | reaction |
| 6 move | _____ |
| 7 _____ | decision |

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5 Complete the sentence with the correct preposition.

Example: Are you listening to me?

- I'm sorry. I just don't agree _____ you.
- I borrowed this book _____ the library.
- He's really good _____ telling jokes.
- We talked for hours _____ food and restaurants.
- I'm interested _____ starting my own company.
- Susie's really afraid _____ heights.
- How long have you been working _____ the television company?

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6 Complete the sentence with the correct word(s).

Example: My current job is _____. It's only a one-year contract.

- A permanent B full-time
C temporary

- I love being _____. I don't have a boss to tell me what to do.
A part-time B temporary
C self-employed
- She doesn't have _____ hours. She often works at night.
A regular B full-time C working
- Jason's _____ for the finance department.
A in charge B responsible C accountant
- You need at least two years of work _____ to work for this company.
A contract B qualifications C experience
- _____ is a person who repairs things such as toilets, water pipes, etc.
A A plumber B A lawyer
C An accountant
- Most people choose to _____ when they're 65.
A promote B be fired C retire

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Vocabulary total 20

PRONUNCIATION

7 Write the word with the same sound.

enough laugh **that** think though ~~work~~

Example: bird work

- up _____
- phone _____
- mother _____
- cat _____
- thumb _____

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8 Which is the stressed syllable? Choose the correct answer.

Example: A accountant B accountant

- A government B government
- A unemployed B unemployed
- A discussion B discussion
- A daughter B daughter
- A interview B interview

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Pronunciation total 10

Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation total 50

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READING

Read the article. Choose the correct answer.

How I got my dream job

Are you still looking for your dream job? Don't give up. Here's how three people achieved their goals.

Mario Mendes, 29

I'm doing something I really enjoy. I'm part of a team that develops new technologies. I work with intelligent, interesting people and occasionally get to travel to other countries. I won't pretend it was easy getting my dream job, but it was worth the effort. My advice? Decide exactly what your dream job is and what it involves. Learn about the job. Contact companies that could offer your chosen career. Make sure they know your strengths. You may just get that dream job.

Andy Collins, 46

As a student, I earned \$295 a week in cash working at a beach cafe. At the time, it was my dream job! Later I became a chef. It was hard work; I was often in a hot kitchen for twelve hours a day, six days a week. And, I didn't get much of a vacation. But you have to know the meaning of hard work if you want to achieve your goals. I now own five restaurants around the US. My best advice is to find out what your skills and talents are. Talent is something you're born with. Skills are things you've learned to do. People like doing things that come naturally to them, so work and enjoy!

Sarah Cooper, 38

I'd been working as a secretary for three years when I decided to change my career. My work was often boring and always busy. I started studying to become a teacher. It certainly wasn't easy. I continued working full-time to pay for my training at night school. I was exhausted most of the time, but after five years, I finally got my teaching degree and quit my job as a secretary. I'm now an elementary school teacher, and it's as good as I'd imagined. So don't wait! Write a list of the things that are stopping you from getting your dream job. Make a plan to deal with each thing. There's always an answer.

Example: Mario is _____.

- A very interesting B self-employed
C very happy with his job

1 Mario sometimes _____.

- A enjoys his job B travels to other countries
C works in a team

2 Mario thinks he got his dream job because _____.

- A he's intelligent B it was easy
C he did a lot of preparation

3 When Andy was young, his dream job was to _____.

- A become a chef B have his own restaurant
C work in a cafe at the beach

4 When he was a chef, Andy _____.

- A earned \$295 a week B didn't enjoy his job
C didn't get much time off

5 Andy says it's important to know _____.

- A your goals B what you're good at
C how to run your own business

6 It took Sarah _____ years to get a teaching degree.

- A two B three C five

7 Sarah's job as a secretary wasn't very _____.

- A hard B exciting C easy

8 Sarah studied _____.

- A full-time B in evening classes
C during the day

9 Sarah advises people to _____.

- A plan how they can achieve their goals
B become elementary school teachers
C continue working while in school

10 _____ has become a successful businessperson.

- A Andy B Mario C Sarah

Reading total **10**

WRITING

Read the ad. Write a cover letter to apply for a job at All New Media Promotions. Write 140–180 words.

Are you creative? Good at making quick decisions?

Do you enjoy working as part of a team?

All New Media Promotions is looking for enthusiastic, ambitious people to work in their busy marketing department. There are vacancies in the following areas:

- Administration
- Promotions
- Sales
- Website Design

All applicants must have the appropriate qualifications and a good level of English is essential.

Send your résumé and a cover letter to:

Human Resources, All New Media Promotions
PO Box 1084, Seattle, WA 98101

Writing total **10**

Reading and Writing total **20**

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LISTENING

1 **AEF3 T10** Listen to Denise describe her lifestyle. Choose the correct answer.

- 1 Denise used to spend **thirty minutes / one hour / hours** traveling to work.
- 2 Denise **rarely / often / never** saw her friends during the week.
- 3 In the evening, Denise **cooked a good meal / bought take-out food / ate at the gym**.
- 4 During the week, Denise was too **busy / lazy / tired** to go to the gym.
- 5 Nowadays, Denise **travels less / works harder / earns more** than when she worked in an office.

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2 **AEF3 T11** Listen to two people talking about a work questionnaire. Match each conversation (1–5) to the statement (A–E) they are discussing.

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

- A I enjoy telling other people what to do.
- B I prefer having my own office.
- C I find it easy to do more than one thing at a time.
- D It's important for me to have a high salary.
- E I'm good at working with other people.

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Listening total		10
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SPEAKING

Work in pairs.

Student A, look at Speaking Test A.

Student B, look at Speaking Test B.

Speaking total		20
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Listening and Speaking total		30
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SPEAKING – Student A

1 Make questions and ask your partner.

- 1 / think / work–life balance / equal? Why (not)?
- 2 How much time / spend / family and friends? What / do together?
- 3 / think modern life / more stressful than in the past?
- 4 / like / live / “slow city”? Why (not)?
- 5 If / have more time, what / do?

Now answer your partner’s questions.

2 Talk about the statement below, saying if you agree or disagree. Give reasons.

“A good work–life balance is very important.”

3 Listen to your partner talking about men and women. Do you agree with him / her?

Speaking total	20
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SPEAKING – Student B**1** Answer your partner's questions.

Now make questions and ask your partner.

- 1 / happy / your work–life balance? Why (not)?
- 2 How much time / spend / relaxing on a weekday?
What / do?
- 3 / think / clock rules our lives? How?
- 4 If / change something about / lifestyle, what / change?
- 5 How / make / city a “slow city”?

2 Listen to your partner talking about work. Do you agree with him / her?**3** Talk about the statement below, saying if you agree or disagree. Give reasons.

“Men and women have very different interests.”

Speaking total	20
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AEF3 T10 Listening 1

Denise When I was in my thirties, I worked for an advertising company in Los Angeles. I worked at least 50 hours a week and spent hours traveling to and from work. I didn't have any time for myself and I hardly ever saw my friends during the week – once or twice at most. I just got up, went to work, came home, and slept. I didn't even have enough time to go out for lunch. I usually ate a sandwich at my desk. I never had enough time to cook, so I ate take-out food every evening. I didn't exercise much either. I joined a gym, but I was too busy to go during the week and far too exhausted on weekends.

But now my life has changed. I work from home, so it's easy to plan my day so that I have enough time to go to the gym or go swimming. I don't waste hours commuting. I'm busy, but I don't work too hard, and, although I don't earn a lot of money, I enjoy life more than when I worked in an office every day.

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AEF3 T11 Listening 2

- 1
- Keith** Let's look at the first one. OK. So, what's your response, Jenny?
- Jenny** Hmm... Interesting. Well, nobody ever says no to money, and I did apply for my current job because it pays more than my last one. But I think things like the people you work with and the work you do are what really matter.
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- Keith** OK, the second one. What do you think?
- Jenny** Well, it's important. But I'm not sure what my answer is. I get along well with my boss and most of the people in the office. So, I must be OK. But sometimes I get a little frustrated with the administration staff. I'd say that I'd prefer to do everything myself if I were honest.
- 3
- Keith** And the next one? Oh, I think you're good at this.
- Jenny** Yes, I think so, too. In my opinion, it's my strength. In my job, I have to make phone calls, write e-mails, plan meetings, and give instructions all at the same time. And I think I do it pretty well.
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- Keith** What about number 4?
- Jenny** Well, I used to share with two other coworkers before I was promoted. It was nice to have someone to talk to, but you don't get much work done. Yes, it's a lot better having my own space, especially because I have to make private calls.
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- Keith** And the last one?
- Jenny** Hmm... Well, I wouldn't say that I liked it, but there are four people that I have to manage. I'm always giving them orders and if they don't have enough work to do or if they have too much, they have to report to me. So, yes, I'm comfortable with being the boss at times, yes.

GRAMMAR

- 1** 1 any
2 very few
3 much
4 much
5 not
6 little
- 2** 1 a
2 the
3 the
4 an
5 the
6 the
7 —
8 —
- 3** 1 not having
2 to enjoy
3 trying
4 learn
5 turning
6 to get

VOCABULARY

- 4** 1 proposal / proposition
2 organization / organizer
3 relax
4 survival / survivor
5 react
6 movement / mover / move
7 decide
- 5** 1 with
2 from
3 at
4 about
5 in
6 of
7 for / at
- 6** 1 C
2 A
3 B
4 C
5 A
6 C

PRONUNCIATION

- 7** 1 enough
2 though
3 that
4 laugh
5 think
- 8** 1 A
2 B
3 B
4 A
5 A

READING

- 1 B
2 C
3 C
4 C
5 B
6 C
7 B
8 B
9 A
10 A

WRITING

Student's own answers.

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

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

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

LISTENING

- 1** 1 hours
2 rarely
3 bought take-out food
4 busy
5 travels less
- 2** 1 D
2 E
3 C
4 B
5 A

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. (10 points)

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

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