

Grammar activity answers

1A have: auxiliary or main verb?

- a 2 I've been reading 3 ✓ 4 Don't you have
5 already have 6 I'll be having 7 didn't have to
8 have the jacket dry-cleaned 9 ✓ 10 I had
- b 2 haven't 3 got/had 4 had 5 been 6 taking
7 hasn't 8 have/take 9 having 10 've
11 to 12 have

1B discourse markers (1): linkers

- a 2 consequently 3 so as not to 4 in case 5 though
6 Although 7 but 8 As a result 9 so that
10 However 11 Despite 12 As 13 so as to
14 so that 15 because of

2A pronouns

- a 2 It's 3 themselves 4 it's 5 you 6 you
7 there's 8 their 9 themselves 10 one another
11 they 12 there's
- b 2 there 3 They 4 one 5 It 6 you 7 they
8 yourself 9 they 10 you 11 there 12 it

2B the past: habitual events and specific incidents

- 2 didn't have 3 was playing 4 interrupted
5 had / 'd wanted 6 had been allowed
7 would / used to get 8 used to / would feed
9 didn't want 10 used to be / was 11 was taking
12 bit 13 dropped 14 wasn't / didn't use to be
15 used to cry / cried 16 had gone
17 was explaining 18 had happened 19 spoke
20 I'd ever experienced / 'd experienced

3A get

- a 2 ✗ get to the point 3 ✗ got broken 4 ✗ get a bus
5 ✓ 6 ✗ get paid 7 ✓ 8 ✗ get Elena to look
9 ✗ got the kitchen painted 10 ✗ got to the closest
petrol station
- b 2 Paying a lot to get your hair cut is a waste of money.
Paying a lot of money to get your hair cut is a waste.
3 The best way to get rich is to work hard.
4 Getting hurt is usually a learning experience.
5 People get wiser as they get older.
6 Cheating is fine if you don't get caught.
7 Giving presents is better than getting them.
8 School doesn't help you to get anywhere in life.

3B discourse markers (2): adverbs and adverbial expressions

- a 2 Obviously 3 that is to say 4 Besides
5 in other words 6 By the way 7 Anyway
8 Basically 9 On the one hand 10 To sum up

4A speculation and deduction

- a 2 might / may have left 3 can't be 4 might /
may be 5 might / may be trying 6 shouldn't be
7 must have fallen out 8 must have (done)

- b 2 the disease is likely to 3 you probably won't be able
4 is unlikely to be 5 we are bound to
6 it's very unlikely that 7 she's bound to be
8 she'll / will definitely

4B adding emphasis (1): inversion

- a 2 Not 3 when 4 Never 5 Only 6 Scarcely /
Hardly 7 but 8 Hardly / Scarcely 9 until
10 Rarely 11 again 12 No

5A distancing

- a 2 It seems (that) men are more at risk...
3 It appears (that) she has changed her mind...
4 It seems (that) you are unable to deal...
5 It seems (that) the weather is about to improve.
6 It appears (that) the robbers were wearing...
- b 2 A spokesman is expected to make an
announcement...
3 More than half of the population are believed to
suffer from headaches.
4 St Petersburg is said to be one of the...
5 At least 70 people are thought to have been injured...
6 The economy is expected to grow...

5B unreal uses of past tenses

- 2c 3b 4c 5a 6c 7a 8b 9b
10c 11a 12b 13b 14a 15c

6A verb + object + infinitive or gerund

- a 2 to take 3 to be offended 4 ✓ 5 being able
6 you to feel 7 ✓ 8 for our children to go 9 ✓
- b 2 to retake 3 do 4 to get 5 to attend
6 stopping 7 using 8 to leave 9 not to arrive
10 taking

6B conditional sentences

- a 2 could 3 lacks 4 won't be 5 did
6 wouldn't be losing 7 had built
8 might not have lost 9 would still be working
10 hadn't messed up 11 were
12 would have noticed 13 aren't 14 'll / will call
- b 2 You can borrow my laptop on condition (that) you
look after it.
3 I'm going to go to the party whether I'm invited
or not.
4 Supposing you hadn't found your passport, what
would you have done?
5 The exam will be fine providing (that) you do
enough revision.
6 I'm in favour of contact sports as long as nobody
gets seriously injured.
7 I would never wear fur, even if the weather was
very cold / it was very cold.
8 You can go out tonight provided (that) you're back
by midnight.

7A permission, obligation, and necessity

- a 2 X had better not ask her 3 ✓ 4 X mustn't download 5 ✓ 6 X ought to study 7 ✓ 8 ✓ 9 X ought to have thought
- b 2 shouldn't 3 ✓ 4 mustn't 5 don't need to 6 ✓ 7 should 8 allowed 9 should

7B verbs of the senses

- a 2 smells like garlic
3 as if she had
4 been hearing good things about you
5 ice cream really tastes of
6 see anyone leave / leaving the house
7 sounds like a violin
8 to have changed much
9 heard the bomb go off
10 looks as if he didn't sleep / hasn't slept very well
11 as though she was / were delighted
12 heard the couple arguing

8A gerunds and infinitives

- a 2 ✓ 3 X being spoken to 4 X to have been able
5 X to understand 6 ✓ 7 X inviting 8 ✓
9 X to be trying 10 ✓
- b 2 feeling 3 being told 4 have been informed
5 to do 6 to be searching 7 to be / to have been
8 not having been contacted
- c 1 h 2 e 3 a 4 c 5 f 6 g 7 b 8 d

8B expressing future plans and arrangements

- a The following should be underlined:
is to face, what is going to be, I'm about to become,
I'm going to show him, begins
- b 2 ✓ 3 X we're going / we're going to go
4 X due to go 5 ✓ 6 ✓ 7 X are you and Jennifer
doing / going to do 8 ✓ 9 ✓ 10 X they're going to
lose / they'll lose 11 ✓ 12 X I'm going to paint

9A ellipsis

- a The second paragraph has no ellipsis.
- b Nicky's father gave her his phone number and ~~he~~ said she could contact him whenever she wanted to ~~contact him~~. Nicky said goodbye, and then ~~she~~ hung up. At first, she was angry that he had got in touch and she wished that he hadn't ~~got in touch~~. But a few weeks later, she called him and ~~she~~ arranged to see him because she felt they needed to talk. She got on well with him, although she hadn't expected to ~~get on well with him~~. Nicky decided that she wanted them to meet regularly, and her father promised that they would ~~meet regularly~~. Five years later, when Nicky got married, no one imagined that her father would be leading her up the aisle, but he was ~~leading her up the aisle~~.
- c 2 I'm afraid **not**.
3 I guess **so**, though...
4 I suspect **not**.
5 I don't imagine **so**. / I imagine **not**.
6 I suppose **not**.

9B nouns: compound and possessive forms

- a 2 X other people's business 3 ✓ 4 X tin opener
5 X the flatmate of my cousin Jane, who works for the city council 6 ✓ 7 ✓ 8 X the high point of her career 9 ✓ 10 X kitchen cupboard
11 X champagne glasses 12 ✓ 13 X the middle of the room 14 ✓
- b Possible answers:
chocolate cake, birthday cake, lemon cake, etc.
coffee cup, tea cup, egg cup, etc.
bread knife, steak knife, fish knife, etc.
CD player, DVD player, football player, etc.
coffee machine, running machine, fruit machine, etc.
city centre, health centre, sports centre, etc.
surf board, chopping board, message board, etc.
story book, address book, physics book, etc.
car key, house key, back door key, etc.
mineral water, sea water, tap water, etc.
credit card, birthday card, identity card, etc.
picture frame, photo frame, window frame, etc

10A adding emphasis (2): cleft sentences

- a 2 The reason (why) he married her was for her money.
3 The person (who / that) she loves more than anyone else in the world is her niece.
4 The last time (that) I saw her was in October.
5 The person who / that really understands how I feel is my sister.
6 The reason (why) we retired early was in order to have time to enjoy life.
7 The place (where) I relax most is (in) the garden.
8 The first time (that) I met David was just after I graduated.
- b 2 What my son is crazy about is skateboarding.
3 All they want (to do) is to lie on a beach and relax.
4 What I'm desperate for is a nice cup of tea.
5 It was the atmosphere that made the restaurant special rather than the food. / It was the atmosphere rather than the food which made the restaurant special.
6 What I don't want is to be late for work tomorrow.
7 All she asked for was a glass of water.
8 It was Alec who was a professional footballer when he was young, not Darren.

10B relative clauses

- a 2 whose 3 who 4 which 5 where 6 which
7 What 8 who / that 9 which
10 who / that / whom 11 whose 12 who
13 What 14 whom 15 which