

Grammar

1 Choose the correct option to complete the text.

Sara: Frank! You're online! I ⁰ haven't seen you for ages!

Frank: Yeah, sorry, Sara. Lucia and I have been really busy. We ¹ _____ loads of DIY at the moment and we haven't got time to go out.

Sara: What ² _____ ?

Frank: 'Do It Yourself'. We ³ _____ our flat. We started last week and we're going to finish next week. It's a big job because the house is in very bad condition.

Sara: I remember. It's really old. How long ⁴ _____ there?

Frank: Since 2006!

Sara: Wow, that's a long time!

Frank: Yeah, well, we were thinking of moving to a new flat, but we didn't find ⁵ _____ that was cheap enough. We looked ⁶ _____, but it's impossible to find a flat these days.

Sara: According to a newspaper article that I ⁷ _____ yesterday, the average apartment in the city is now €1,000 a month to rent! That's crazy!

Frank: That's why we want to redecorate our old apartment. We ⁸ _____ it's expensive, but we're probably going to stay here for a long time. And also ... because I've got some news.

Sara: News? What?

Frank: Lucia and I are going to have ⁹ _____!

Sara: Really? Congratulations!

Frank: Actually, we're having a party next month to celebrate. I'm sending an invitation ¹⁰ _____ all our friends this afternoon. Can you come?

Sara: Yes, I think so. Wow, this is really exciting!

Frank: Exciting ... and a bit scary too!

- 0 a 'm not seeing b don't see **c haven't seen**
- 1 a are doing b do c did
- 2 a does DIY mean b means DIY c you mean DIY
- 3 a redecorate b are redecorating c have redecorated
- 4 a are you living b do you live c have you lived
- 5 a anything b nothing c something
- 6 a anywhere b everywhere c somewhere
- 7 a see b saw c have seen
- 8 a are knowing b know c have known
- 9 a a baby b baby c the baby
- 10 a by b for c to

Score [____/10]

2 Complete the second sentence, **b**, so it means the same as the first sentence.

- 0 a I was really bored in the lesson.
b That was such a boring lesson.
- 1 a I met Ricardo five years ago.
b I've _____.
- 2 a She borrowed Steve's bike.
b Steve _____.
- 3 a That holiday was terrible. I've never had a worse trip.
b That was _____ of my life!
- 4 a They finished their homework about two minutes ago.
b They've _____.
- 5 a Carol's still working.
b Carol hasn't _____.

Score [____/10]

Vocabulary

3 Complete with *non-* or *un-*.

- 0 I don't know why I buy lottery tickets. I'm really un lucky. I never win anything.
- 1 He never eats vegetables, just crisps, chocolate and burgers. It's really ____ healthy.
- 2 Helmut lost his job last week so now he's ____ employed.
- 3 I'd like a direct, ____ stop flight to Caracas, please.
- 4 You're not allowed to take any ____ essential items on the plane.
- 5 These trousers are really ____ fashionable now, but I used to love wearing them.

Score [____/5]

4 Match the sentence halves.

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| 0 Quite a lot of people in this country have cosmetic | a her hair. She's blonde now. |
| 1 Katja's got a new hobby. She's taken | b tap this afternoon. |
| 2 If you want to lose weight, you have to go | c on a diet. |
| 3 Denise has dyed | d up roller-blading. |
| 4 I'll fix that broken | e surgery. |
| 5 It's raining so we can't do | f the gardening. |

Score [____/5]

5 Read the sentences. Are the people happy (☺) or unhappy (☹)?

- 0 My brother's really angry with me! ☺ ☹
- 1 She's disappointed with her exam results. ☺ ☹
- 2 Everyone is stressed at work at the moment. ☺ ☹
- 3 The kids are very excited about the trip tomorrow. ☺ ☹
- 4 I'm really annoyed about this letter from the bank. ☺ ☹
- 5 We're delighted with our son's new girlfriend. ☺ ☹

Score [____/5]

6 Circle the correct option.

- 0 You can check in / on for your flight online.
- 1 Our flight's *delay* / *delayed* because of bad weather in Zurich.
- 2 Take all your coins, keys and things out of your pockets before you go *through* / *with* security.
- 3 We're going away *in* / *on* holiday next week.
- 4 Follow the signs to 'Baggage reclaim' to *pick* / *take* up your bags.
- 5 What time shall we set *away* / *off* for the airport?

Score [____/5]

Reading

7 Read the text. Find six more types of film:

- 0 drama
- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____
- 5 _____
- 6 _____

Score [____/6]

Films of 2009 — Abe Goldwater

One very memorable film this year was a drama, *The Road*, starring Viggo Mortensen. This film shows a terrifying image of the future, and I was thinking about it for days afterwards. For me, it was scarier than most horror films.

The new *Sherlock Holmes* movie with Robert Downey Jr. was a lot of fun, although I thought it was too much like an action film. Jude Law, as usual, was excellent as Doctor Watson. He really is becoming one of the finest performers of his generation.

If there's one big advantage to having kids, it's that you can really enjoy films for the younger generation. I went with mine to see Pixar's *Up*. We had a fabulous time – and what an unusual idea for a children's film! A comedy about an old man and his flying house! I also went to see *Hannah Montana the movie*, which wasn't as bad as I thought, and my youngest daughter loved it.

But all in all, the best film for me was *Earth*, with its amazing images of wildlife and forests. I found this documentary really refreshing, after all the computer-generated images of this year's other top films. If you haven't seen it yet, try to catch it on DVD.

Finally, as regular readers know, I'm not a fan of science fiction or thrillers but I'd like to give a special mention to *District 9*, a tale of aliens in South Africa. This was very enjoyable. In fact, I much preferred it to this year's mega-hit, *Avatar*.

8 Read the text again. Answer the questions.

- 0 Which film was very frightening?
The Road was very frightening.
- 1 Which actor does Abe really like?

- 2 What do you learn about Abe's family?

- 3 Which film has a surprising main character? Why?

- 4 Which film did he expect to hate? Did he enjoy it a lot?

- 5 What does Abe think of special effects?

- 6 What was Abe's film of the year? Why?

Score [____/6]

Listening

9 **4.1** Listen to a conversation between two people. Correct the information in **bold**.

- 0 Elka and Jordi were at **university together**.
Elka and Jordi were at High School together.
- 1 Elka's **working really hard at the moment**.

- 2 Elka's **old job was in a department store**.

- 3 The health spa is **in the city centre**.

- 4 In the future, Jordi wants **to be a lawyer**.

- 5 Jordi's course ends **in six months**.

- 6 Greg is **the best student on the course**.

- 7 Tina Jones is now **a magazine journalist**.

- 8 Jordi gives Elka **his mobile phone number**.

Score [____/8]

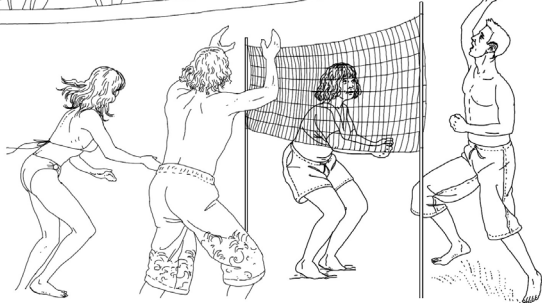
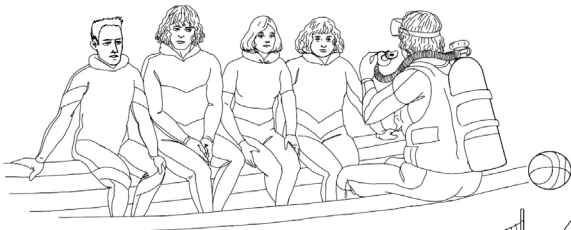
Speaking

10 In pairs, get a card from your teacher. Role-play the conversation.

Score [____/10]

Writing

11 Look at the pictures. They show a one-week holiday that you are on (today is the last day of the holiday). Write a travel blog, describing the best/worst parts of your trip. Write about 60–70 words.



Score [___ /10]

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