

## Grammar

- 1 Complete with *a/an, the*, a possessive adjective (*my*) or  $\emptyset$  (no article).

**A hairy experience**

We all knew something was different in <sup>0</sup> my brother's life because he had been incredibly happy for days. He had a smile on <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ face all the time and he was always walking around singing <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ songs and looking cheerful. But then one day, everything changed. We had already started eating dinner when he came to <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ table. He was walking very strangely – like <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ duck. My mother asked him "What's wrong? Have you injured your back?"

At first, he said nothing and started to eat but it was obvious that he was in terrible pain. Finally, he had to tell us what had happened. He had started going out with <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ new girlfriend and that was why he was so happy. They had met at <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ college and started going out a month ago.

Everything was fine, except that my brother was very shy because he has very a hairy back and legs. So he went to see <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ expert who had a hair removal clinic. It was a place where they remove hair using <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ hot wax. Unfortunately, afterwards it was hurting so badly that he couldn't walk. His legs were red – in fact, he said it was <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ most painful experience of his life. Honestly! And they say that <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ girls are obsessed with their image! I think boys are much worse....

Score [\_\_\_\_/10]

- 2 Rewrite as indirect questions using the word in **bold**.

0 Help me with my homework. **could**  
*Could you help me with my homework?*

- 1 Take the rubbish out. **mind**  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Should we ask your mother for help?  
**wondering**  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Go to the supermarket for me. **do**  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 I can help you with your homework. **would**  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 Are the shops open on Sunday? **know**  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Score [\_\_\_\_/5]

- 3 Complete the sentences with the verbs.

- 0 You've made the same mistake again! If only you would listen to me! (*listen*)
- 1 We've lost! If only we \_\_\_\_\_ that goal! (*score*)
- 2 If someone had told me about the meeting yesterday, I \_\_\_\_\_ there. (*be*)
- 3 If we \_\_\_\_\_ more time, we would done a better job. (*have*)
- 4 I wish you \_\_\_\_\_ that noise! You do it all the time and it's really annoying! (*not / make*)
- 5 Everyone's really angry with me. I wish I \_\_\_\_\_ that email. (*never / send*)

Score [\_\_\_\_/5]

## Vocabulary

- 4 Write the words for illnesses.

- 0 I need some medicine for my c o u g h .
- 1 He's a got a high t \_ m \_ \_ \_ a \_ \_ \_ e: 38°C!
- 2 If you've got a cold, you s \_ \_ \_ z \_ a lot.
- 3 Kim always thinks she's ill. She's a complete h \_ p \_ c \_ \_ \_ d \_ \_ \_ c!
- 4 I hate being in hospital. I hate being a p \_ \_ i \_ \_ \_ .
- 5 He feels hot in bed and cold out of it. I think he's got a f \_ v \_ \_ .

Score [\_\_\_\_/5]

## 5 Circle the correct option.

- 0 You shouldn't be jealous by / of other people. Be happy with who you are.
- 1 Jake isn't bothered at all about / from failing his exams!
- 2 My mum's a doctor and she specialises in / on diseases of the skin.
- 3 My brother's allergic at / to mushrooms.
- 4 We're really grateful for / of all your help.
- 5 I dreamed about / from you last night.

Score [\_\_\_/5]

## 6 What is it?

- 0 It's hair that a man grows above his lips. moustache
- 1 It's a piece of metal that people put in their body for decoration, e.g. in the nose or eyebrows. p\_\_\_\_\_
- 2 It's a permanent picture that you put on your skin. t\_\_\_\_\_
- 3 It's a mark on your skin that you get after you cut yourself. It can be permanent. s\_\_\_\_\_
- 4 It's false hair that you wear if are bald. w\_\_\_\_\_
- 5 If a man doesn't shave, he gets it before he gets a beard. s\_\_\_\_\_

Score [\_\_\_/5]

## 7 Complete with one word from the box. There's one word you don't need.

aluminium	blunt	cardboard
heavy	leather	silk
		wooden

- 0 In my job, I have to wear a suit and tie, and formal leather shoes.
- 1 Many parents today prefer to buy their children traditional \_\_\_\_\_ toys.
- 2 This knife doesn't cut anything. It's completely \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 Grandma can't carry those suitcases. They're too \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 You can recycle those cans because they're \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5 I bought this \_\_\_\_\_ shirt in China, and I saw the worms in the farm that make the material. Amazing.

Score [\_\_\_/5]

## Reading

## 8 Read the text. True or False?

- 0 Hugo is used to swimming long distances. False
- 1 Hugo enjoys doing the exercise. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Hugo knew about the SwiMP3 before he started going to the pool. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 The inspiration for the SwiMP3 came from wild animals. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 The other swimmers were surprised when he used the SwiMP3. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 The SwiMP3 is the size as a swimming cap. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 Hugo loved the SwiMP3. \_\_\_\_\_

Score [\_\_\_/6]

### Gadget of the week: the SwiMP3

Hugo Reeve

It was my girlfriend Rachel's fault. In a moment of madness, I agreed to do the annual swim round the port. But when I got my application pack, I went white. The swim was 7½ km long! Rachel is triathlon-crazy so it's no problem for her, but me, well! So I've been going to the pool every day to get in shape.

I'm not used to swimming for a long time so I was getting pretty bored while I was doing the training. That was until I discovered this week's gadget: the SwiMP3. It's absolutely great. It's a little plastic MP3 player that you connect to your goggles. Using this, you can listen to music while you swim underwater.

The great innovation is that it doesn't use headphones. Instead, it has two metal pads that you wear next to bones in your head. The SwiMP3 vibrates them and allows you to hear. Apparently, they based the idea on how whales hear underwater. It works so well that I've been getting strange looks from everyone else in the pool, because they can hear it too!

Now, the technical details. The SwiMP3 is hardly new – it first appeared in 2004. Back then, it was a little box that you wore on the back of your head. Today,

you just have the two pads, about as big as a spoon, and you wear them directly on your face. It's much more convenient.

You store songs on the SwiMP3 using a special cable. The port on the device is protected from the water by a piece of rubber. It has a memory of 1 GB, which is plenty because you won't spend too long underwater (and it's not very effective in the open air).

So the SwiMP3 is a five-star product. The only problem for me was that I've got very big sideburns and it was a bit annoying having the gadget next to them, so it looks like it's time for a new look too...

9 Read the text again. Answer the questions. Write complete sentences.

0 Who is Rachel?

She's Hugo's girlfriend.

1 How did Hugo feel when he found out everything about the swim?

\_\_\_\_\_

2 Through which part of your body, do you hear the SwiMP3?

\_\_\_\_\_

3 Why is the SwiMP3 better today?

\_\_\_\_\_

4 What materials is the SwiMP3 made out of?

\_\_\_\_\_

5 Where can't you use the SwiMP3?

\_\_\_\_\_

6 How is Hugo going to change his appearance?

\_\_\_\_\_

Score [\_\_\_\_/6]

## Listening

10 **5.3** Listen to a conversation between two people. Complete the sentences.

0 Havel earned a lot of money by busking.

1 Havel was playing near a \_\_\_\_\_.

2 He can't sing at the moment because he's got a \_\_\_\_\_.

3 He busks for \_\_\_\_\_ every day.

4 Clare doesn't feel well – she's got a \_\_\_\_\_.

5 She has spent the day \_\_\_\_\_.

6 Clare's boss isn't in the office because she's got \_\_\_\_\_.

7 Havel tells Clare to stop using \_\_\_\_\_.

8 At school, Clare's haircut was a \_\_\_\_\_.

Score [\_\_\_\_/8]

## Speaking

11 In pairs, get a card from your teacher. Discuss with your partner.

Score [\_\_\_\_/10]

## Writing

12 Use this information to write a short biography of Spanish artist Picasso. Add any other information that you think is interesting.

- Pablo Picasso (Malaga, Spain 1881 – 1973 Mougins, France)
- Grows up in Barcelona, father teaches him to paint
- In Paris, meets French artist George Braque – together they invent Cubism
- In 1920s begins to paint classical art – monsters and figures from Ancient Greece
- After hears of attack on village in Spanish Civil War, paints Guernica, his most famous painting
- Lives in France till death in 1973, but always seeks new ways of painting/drawing art
- Also makes sculpture and drawings
- Marries twice and has four children

