

Unit 9 Progress Test B

Grammar

1 Rewrite the sentences without changing the meaning. Use the word provided.

- 1 Shopkeepers had been promoting their products online.

WHO

It _____

- 2 I know for a fact that Tokyo has some amazing shopping malls.

IS

One thing _____

- 3 The company has closed some of its smaller stores.

IS

What _____

- 4 Save the Children benefitted from the sponsored swim.

THAT

One charity _____

- 5 Clara only needed to save a hundred euros.

DO

All _____

- 6 Christina bought the laptop for a bargain price.

WHO

It _____

- 7 I really admire the leader of the Green Party.

IS

One person _____

- 8 David only knew three words of Japanese.

WAS

All _____

- 9 Simone walked all the way to the shopping centre by herself.

DID

What _____

- 10 Agnes has lost her credit card.

IS

The only thing _____

Mark: ___ / 10

2 Rewrite the sentences. Start each sentence with a participle clause.

- 1 If you decorate it with fruit, the kids will love it.

- 2 Sue was disappointed with her results so she wrote a letter to complain.

- 3 As I was cycling down the hill at top speed, I started to feel dizzy.

- 4 Before she reached the first bend, Larissa was ten metres behind the leaders.

- 5 While Tom was sitting in class, he began to daydream.

Mark: ___ / 5

3 Complete the sentences. Use a preposition and the correct form of a verb from below. Use each word once.

after before on since while

cook hear play start watch

- 1 _____ my new job a week ago, everybody in the office has been kind to me.
- 2 _____ tennis, I twisted my ankle.
- 3 _____ lunch, I went to the supermarket and bought all the necessary ingredients.
- 4 _____ the horror film, I had nightmares.
- 5 _____ the alarm, all the citizens raced to the shelters.

Mark: ___ / 5

Vocabulary

4 Complete the sentences with the correct words. The first letter of each word has been given.

- 1 I went online and filled my basket with a number of i_____ that I selected by clicking on them.
- 2 Once I had selected what I wanted to buy, I went to the c_____ to complete the purchase.
- 3 I was r_____ off by the shopkeeper who charged me twice as much as I should have paid.
- 4 Stay within the b_____ you set yourself. Don't spend more than you have.
- 5 My grandparents gave me lots of money at Christmas, so I s_____ out on new clothes in the sales. I spent lots of money!
- 6 It's important not to o_____ at Christmas. You really don't need to buy so much stuff.
- 7 It's important to s_____ around to make sure you buy the product you want at the best price.
- 8 I was able to t_____ my online purchase from the warehouse to the final delivery.

Mark: ___ / 8

5 Complete the text with the correct words.

Mary ¹ _____ a fortune from selling a family business, and now she is very rich and living in the ² _____ of luxury. Despite this, she's still careful with her money. She won't buy anything she thinks is a ³ _____-off, and refuses to pay through the ⁴ _____ for anything. In some ways, she's a bit mean. She bought a dirt ⁵ _____ jacket in the sales last week even though she has enough money to buy a much nicer designer jacket, and she refuses to help friends who are ⁶ _____ up and living hand to ⁷ _____.

Mark: ___ / 7

6 Match the words below with the definitions.

commercial consumer endorsement jingle slogan

- 1 a person who buys products _____
- 2 a song advertisers use to sell a product on the radio _____
- 3 support for a product from a celebrity _____
- 4 a type of recorded advertisement on the radio _____
- 5 a short, memorable phrase used to advertise a product _____

Mark: ___ / 5

Use of English

7 Complete the dialogue with the words below.

argued one opinions reasons suppose sure that thing think view

Abbie Do you think it's better to have a clothes swap party or to take your old clothes to a charity shop?

Fran That's an interesting question. I'm not ¹ _____ about that. Let me ² _____. It could be ³ _____ that having a clothes swap party is better because it's a good way of recycling your old clothes. Another ⁴ _____ is they are a great way to socialise. Not only ⁵ _____, but if there are any clothes left at the end, they are given to a charity shop anyway. So, for those ⁶ _____, I think having a clothes swap party is better.

Abbie I don't have any strong ⁷ _____ either way. However, I think taking your clothes directly to a charity shop is better. For ⁸ _____ thing, they'll be able to make more money, as you're taking more clothes instead of giving away half of them first at the party.

Fran In my ⁹ _____, the clothes you collect at the end of the party will probably be better quality than the clothes you are just throwing away. However, you're right. There might be fewer clothes to take to the charity shop. Thinking about it, I ¹⁰ _____ that they are both good ways of recycling.

Mark: ___ / 10

Listening

8 9 You will hear three texts. Choose the correct answers.

Text 1

- 1 What does the speaker say about the use of pop songs in commercials?
 - A It is something that first became popular before the 1970s.
 - B They weren't used in the 1970s even if the words were altered.
 - C They were less common than jingles in 1970s' commercials.
- 2 Why did the use of pop songs in commercials change in the 1980s?
 - A Pop stars at that time realised that having their song in a commercial was good for their career.
 - B Advertising companies had bigger budgets to use to pay for the rights to certain songs.
 - C Record companies demanded less money from advertisers to use a pop song in a commercial.

Text 2

- 3 In the expert's opinion, to what extent have TV commercials changed over the last fifty years?
 - A They definitely haven't changed very much.
 - B They use more direct selling techniques.
 - C They can be more entertaining or informative.
- 4 According to the expert, what makes people watch a commercial through to the end?
 - A People prefer watching commercials with a clear and direct message.
 - B People like commercials that are technologically creative.
 - C People are happy when it isn't immediately obvious which product is being promoted.

Text 3

- 5 What does the speaker invite you to do?
 - A purchase something by Emily McCarthy
 - B see Emily McCarthy in person
 - C apply for a job in Emily's agency

Mark: ___ / 5

Reading

9 Read the text divided into three parts. Match questions 1–5 with paragraphs A–C.

Lottery stories

A For every millionaire who gets into debt, there are many more who invest wisely, use their money to change the world, or even give it all away to help others. Take Allen and Violet Large from Canada, who won over \$10 million in 2010. Since they were in their seventies at the time, and already pretty secure financially, they decided to share what they had won, not just with their grown-up kids, to whom they were very generous, but with causes they had always supported. Many institutions, ranging from hospitals to the local fire department, benefitted from the couple's generosity. When they had first been presented with all the money, it had been a real source of concern for them. Uncomfortable with being so rich, hating all the press coverage, and worried that people would look at them in a different way, they were keen to quickly get rid of it all.

B It's not just in Canada that lottery winners have been keen to share their winnings. Colin and Christine Weir, a couple from Scotland, used their money to support a promising young artist and help out one of their neighbours, a teenage single mother. They actually gave the young mum a house they owned so she would have somewhere to live. Unlike the Larges, however, they also bought things they had never thought they would ever own. They renovated a hundred-year-old mansion and purchased a yacht so they could take up sailing. In another story of remarkable generosity, American lottery jackpot winner John Kutey donated a portion of his winnings to constructing a water park near where he had grown up. Loving the media spotlight, Kutey told journalists the construction of the park was a childhood dream.

C Aware that with sudden wealth comes many pressures, not least the pressure of being asked for money by jealous friends and relatives desperate to get their hands on your cash, American Brad Duke decided, at first, not to tell anyone about his lottery win except for his parents and his lawyer. He also kept both his old job and his ordinary apartment. In fact, while others might have blown their money on yachts, mansions and holidays, there was just one thing Brad was keen to buy, and that was a brand new, state-of-the-art mountain bike. Being a keen biker, that was all he really wanted. In time, he reluctantly told the world he was a millionaire, but what has helped him stay normal and happy has been the hobby he had before he was rich. Brad still goes mountain biking every weekend. In the end, there's no point being a millionaire unless you can keep doing the things you love.

In which paragraph is it stated that a lottery winner or lottery winners ...

- 1 made sure their family members had all the money they needed? _____
- 2 enjoyed attention from the press after winning the lottery? _____
- 3 kept up with a hobby they had always enjoyed? _____
- 4 were left with nothing soon after winning the lottery? _____
- 5 handed over something other than money to another person or other people? _____

Mark: ___ / 5

Writing

10 Read the task below. Write a letter.

A newspaper recently published an article revealing that many social networking sites routinely share their users' information with advertisers. Write a letter to the editor expressing your opinion of the article, and arguing in favour of or against this practice.

Mark: ___ / 10

Total: ___ / 70