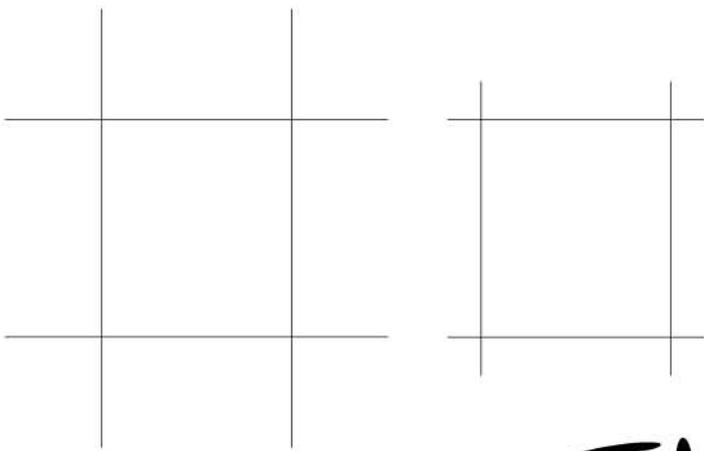
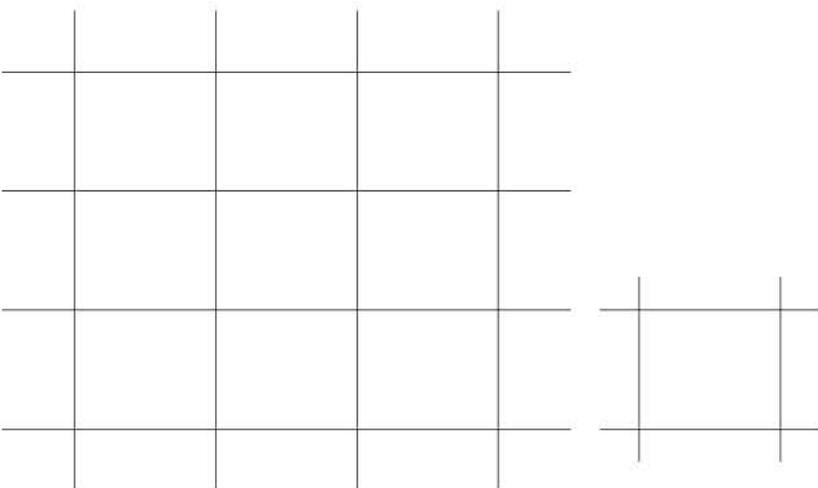


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Exercise A: Numbers 1 to 10

Listen to Harry and Ann talking about their Christmas holiday. For numbers, 1 to 5, choose the correct word or phrase to fill each gap. Mark its letter, A, B or C, on your Answer Sheet.

1. Both Harry and Ann think that the trip to Paris is
A. cheap B. expensive C. boring
2. Ann has found a double room in a four-star hotel in Florence which costs a night.
A. 60 euro B. 16 euro C. 300 euros
3. Harry and Ann are going to Florence by
A. boat B. plane C. bus
4. They will leave for Florence on Tuesday,
A. December 23rd B. December 28th C. December 21st
5. The whole trip to Florence will cost about
A. 700 euros B. 550 euros C. 1600 euros

Now for questions, 6 to 10, decide whether the statements are true or false. On your Answer Sheet, mark A if the statement is True and B if it is False.

6. Harry and Ann will be able to watch TV in their hotel room.
7. Harry likes Italian food.
8. Harry doesn't want to go to Florence by plane.
9. Harry and Ann are planning to visit another city while they are in Florence.
10. The trip to Paris costs less than the trip to Florence.



Exercise B: Numbers 11 to 20

You will hear two people, Cathy and Daniel, talking about how they gave up a bad habit of theirs. For questions, 11 to 13, decide whether the statements are true or false.

On your Answer Sheet, write A if the statement is True and B if it is false.

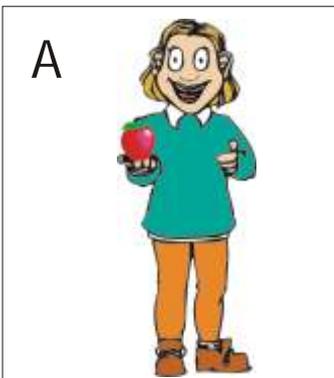
11. When Cathy was 17 years old, she was quite thin.
12. Cathy felt very unhappy about her weight.
13. Cathy decided to give up eating chocolate after high school.

For questions, 14 and 15, find the pictures that show what Cathy did during the 2nd and 3rd week in order to stop eating chocolate.

Mark its letter, A, B or C, on your Answer Sheet.

14. 2nd week

15. 3rd week



Now, listen to what Daniel did to give up a bad habit of his.

For questions, 16 to 18, decide whether the statements are true or false.

On your Answer Sheet, mark A if the statement is True and B if it is False.

16. Daniel started smoking because a friend of his told him he would look older.
17. Daniel didn't cough at all when he tried smoking for the first time.
18. His coach told him that he could go on smoking.

Now, for questions, 19 and 20, find the pictures that show what Daniel did during the 2nd and 3rd week to give up smoking.

Mark its letter, A, B or C on your Answer Sheet.

19. 2nd week

20. 3rd week



Exercise C: Numbers 21 to 30

You will hear ten short conversations.

For questions, 21 to 30, decide whether the statements are true or false.

On your Answer Sheet, mark A if the statement is True and B if it is False.

21. Tom will throw the empty can of coke in the litter bin.
22. Mary isn't going to watch the film.
23. Jerry remembered to buy his sister a present.
24. Steve is not going to sell one of his paintings.
25. Mike has had an accident.
26. Bob has agreed to visit his parents.
27. Katy doesn't want to post her friend's letter.
28. Jim doesn't recommend the book to his friend.
29. Tom thought that his mother's dress was old-fashioned.
30. Paul has decided to stay in because it's windy.



Exercise A: Numbers 1 to 10

Read the passage below and then do the exercises that follow.

What a Day!

“Hurry up, Liz! Everybody is in the car!”

“I’ll be down in a minute, mum. I’m looking for my CDs. Do you know where they are?”

“No, I don’t. Your brother has taken twenty CDs with him. He can give you some to listen to.”

“But we don’t listen to the same kind of music!”

“Come down, right now. Your father is getting impatient.”

“OK! OK! I’m coming!”

I got in the car. “How could I enjoy the picnic if I couldn’t listen to my favourite music?” I thought as I sat quietly in the back seat. My dad turned on the car radio and started singing. I didn’t like the music he was listening to, so I told him I had a terrible headache and I asked him to turn the radio off. “A headache? There’s a chemist’s shop round the corner. I’ll get you some aspirin,” he said. He parked the car outside the chemist’s. When he came back, he said it was closed. I was happy because I don’t like taking aspirin at all.

“The car won’t start!” my father said. “Good! Who wants to go on a picnic without their favourite music?” I said to myself. “I’ll call Express Service,” he said. Unfortunately, Express Service came quickly and they fixed the car. “Let’s go!” my father said happily. We arrived at the park at 10 o’clock. My mother took the picnic basket out of the car and gave my brother and me some fruit to eat. “Your father and I will sit under this tree and read a book. You can play in the park,” she said to us. “I don’t want to play. I’ll sit here, too and read my magazine,” I said to her.

I sat under a tree and read my magazine for a while, and then my brother came and asked me to play football with him and some friends. At first I said no, but then I joined in. It was really great. We laughed and we had a lot of fun. Then we ate our picnic and dad said that I was really good at football.

When we returned home, I ran upstairs to my room. I wanted to phone my friend and tell her what had happened at the picnic. Right outside my room, I stepped on a toy car and fell. I tried to get up but I couldn’t. “My leg! It really hurts.” They took me to hospital. The doctor said it was broken. When my brother saw me later he said, “You won’t be able to play football with us for a while. My friends thought that you were very good.” I had broken my leg, but I felt really happy because, in the end, it had been a really lovely day.

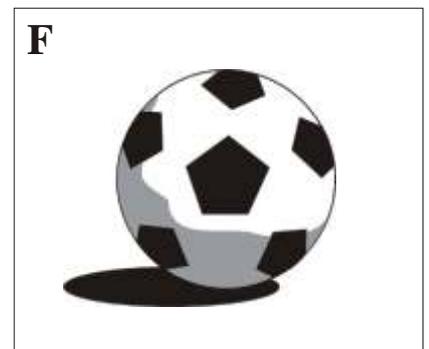
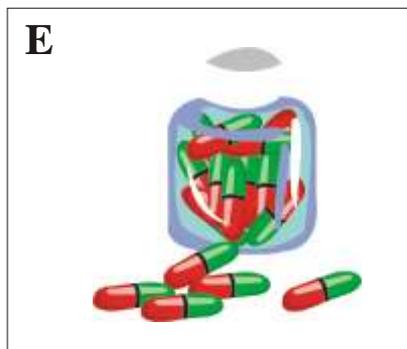
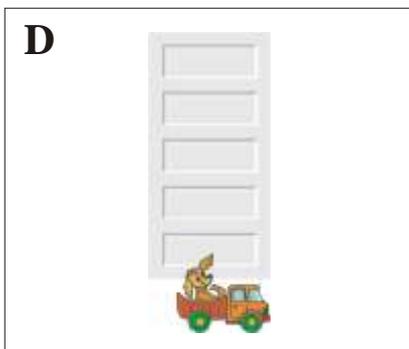
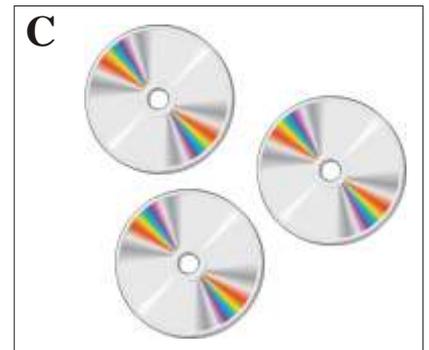
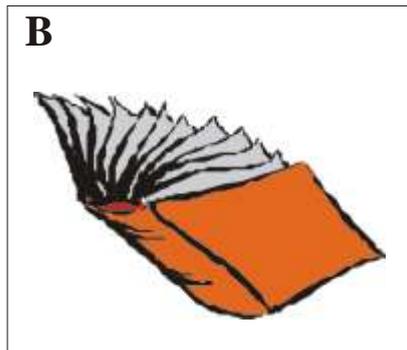


**Choose the correct word or phrase to fill each gap.
Mark its letter, A, B or C, on your Answer Sheet.**

1. Liz and her brother listen to kinds of music.
A. the same B. different C. modern
2. Why did Liz tell her father to turn the radio off? Because she
A. had a headache B. didn't like the music C. wanted to sleep
3. Liz's father called Express Service because he
A. couldn't start the car B. didn't want to drive C. hadn't fixed the car
4. Liz's brother in the park.
A. didn't enjoy himself B. read magazines C. played with his sister
5. Liz was taken to hospital because she had
A. run to her room B. broken a toy C. had an accident

**Now, read the passage again and match a picture with each statement below.
Mark its letter, A to F, on your Answer Sheet. You will use ONLY FIVE of the letters.**

6. These are what Liz wanted to take with her.
7. This is what Liz doesn't like to take when she has a headache.
8. This is what Liz read under a tree in the park.
9. This is what Liz's brother played with in the park.
10. This is what Liz stepped on.



Exercise B: Numbers 11 to 20

Read the following texts about Lauren and her mother. Then do the exercises that follow.

Text A

My name is Lauren. I'm 17 years old and I live in a small town. People say that children who live in a small town have less stress than those who live in a big city. Well, I don't agree with them. We, town children, have the same problems as city children. Some of us have heard our parents and teachers tell us how unbelievably lucky we are because we don't have a lot of responsibilities. Okay, we don't have to worry about making money to pay the bills as our parents do. However, we have to worry about our future. We have to study hard to pass our exams for university, but we are not sure if the subject we have chosen is what we really want to do. If we haven't chosen the right one, we will follow the wrong career and we won't be happy in the future.

Text B

My name is Mary. I'm a working mother. I have one daughter who is finishing high school this year. I know she has to study a lot for school and prepare herself for the university entrance exams, but I don't understand why she feels so much stress. The only thing that she has to worry about is doing well at school. She doesn't have to worry about getting to work on time, doing the housework or making enough money to pay the bills and pay for her education. Her father and I do everything we can to make her happy. However, she still feels we don't understand her. She worries a lot about what she is going to do in the future and she isn't enjoying her life at the moment. I often tell her that she is young and that if she makes the wrong decision, she will have a lot of chances to make it right in the future.



Look at both texts.

Choose the correct word or phrase to fill each gap.

Mark its letter, A, B or C, on your Answer Sheet.

11. Lauren believes that town children have city children do.
A. less stress than B. more problems than C. the same problems as
12. Lauren says that her parents consider her lucky because she
A. works very hard B. has few worries C. will pass her exams
13. Lauren, like most children of her age, worries about
A. housework B. bills C. her future
14. Mary thinks that her daughter's only worry is to
A. make money B. do well at school C. understand her
15. Mary and her husband try to make their daughter
A. happy B. worried C. responsible

Now, decide whether the statements are true or false.

On your Answer Sheet, mark A if the statement is True and B if the statement is False.

16. Lauren's parents worry about having enough money to pay the bills.
17. According to Lauren, children of her age don't care about their future.
18. Lauren believes that her future happiness depends on the choices she will make.
19. Mary doesn't understand why her daughter feels so much stress.
20. Mary thinks her daughter should worry more about the future.

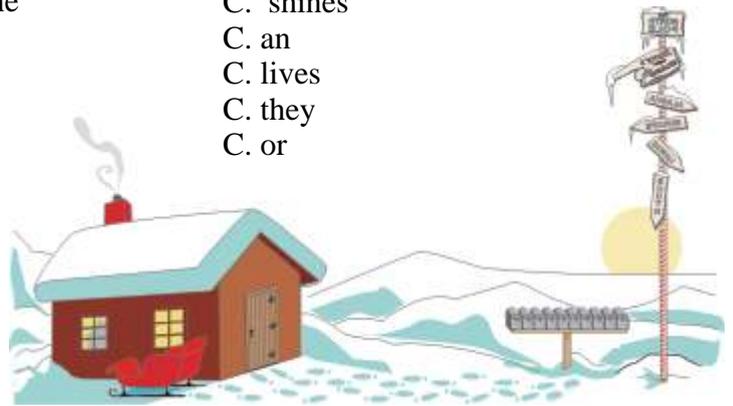


Exercise C: Numbers 21 to 30

**Choose the correct word or phrase to fill each gap.
Mark its letter, A, B or C, on your Answer Sheet.**

In winter time, the places which are close to the North pole ...21... have a lot of sunlight. The days are shorter ...22... the nights, so ...23... is very cold during this time ...24... the year. However, for ...25... weeks in summer, it is warm because the sun ...26... twenty four hours a day. At this time, the sun's rays come down onto ...27... earth in a straight line. If you ...28... there with the Eskimos, ...29... wouldn't see the sun rising ...30... setting. As it is everywhere else, though, the sun always comes up in the east in the morning and goes down in the west in the evening.

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| 21. A. don't | B. didn't | C. doesn't |
| 22. A. from | B. of | C. than |
| 23. A. there | B. it | C. weather |
| 24. A. of | B. from | C. at |
| 25. A. a little | B. any | C. a few |
| 26. A. was shining | B. has shone | C. shines |
| 27. A. its | B. the | C. an |
| 28. A. lived | B. is living | C. lives |
| 29. A. he | B. you | C. they |
| 30. A. but | B. so | C. or |

*Exercise D: Numbers 31 to 35*

**There is a mistake in every sentence.
Find the mistake and mark its letter, A, B or C, on your Answer Sheet.**

31. I have recently finished University and I would like to working for your company.
A B C
32. I do not have some working experience, but I am prepared to work hard.
A B C
33. I wouldn't mind working a lot of hour. I could also work on Saturdays.
A B C
34. I am sure that I will be able to work in a team very good.
A B C
35. I would to be happy to meet with you to discuss my abilities and your needs.
A B C

Exercise E: Numbers 36 to 40

Read this passage about a girl's dream. Choose the best word to fill each gap. Mark its letter, A to F, on your Answer Sheet. You will use ONLY FIVE of the letters.

A. where B. and C. why D. or E. but F. when

Jane is twelve years old and wants to be a dancer ...36... she grows up. She loves dancing and goes to a dancing school four times a week. Her teacher says that she is very talented. They teach all kinds of dancing at the school, but Jane dreams of being a ballerina. She doesn't mind how hard she works and loves every minute of her lessons. Her friends don't really understand ...37... she spends so much time dancing. On Saturdays, they all go to a sports and leisure centre. They play games, listen to music ...38... enjoy themselves. There is a cafeteria at the centre ...39... they can buy snacks and drinks. They spend the whole morning there, laughing and having fun. They are always asking Jane to go with them, ...40... she doesn't want to go and prefers to move and dance to the music at her ballet class. She hopes to be a famous dancer one day and make her dream come true.

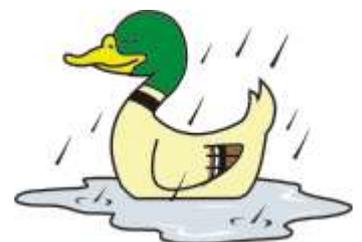
Exercise F: Numbers 41 to 45

Read this passage about two boys and their duck. Choose the missing part to fill each gap. Mark its letter, A to F, on your Answer Sheet. You will use ONLY FIVE of the letters.



Bill and Tim found a duck in their garden two days ago. They asked their mother if they could ...41... as a pet. However, their mother told them that the duck would be very unhappy in their house and ...42... to the small lake outside the village. At first, the boys wouldn't hear of it, but they soon realised that their mother was right. So, the next morning they ...43... in their mother's car and off they drove to the lake. When they got there, Tim started crying. He didn't want to ...44... go and join the other ducks on the lake. Bill, who was older than Tim, explained to him that the lake was the duck's home and that it ...45... there. So, Tim let the duck go.

- A. asked them to take it
- B. let the duck
- C. driven it
- D. would be happy
- E. keep the duck
- F. put the duck



Exercise G : Numbers 46 to 50

The people in the pictures had a very bad week.

Match a picture with what happened to each person.

Mark its letter, A to F, on your Answer Sheet. You will use ONLY FIVE of the letters.

46. Mark broke his leg while he was playing football.
47. Tina had a high fever and had to stay in bed for the whole week.
48. Bob had a toothache and he went to the dentist.
49. Paul was playing with matches and he burnt his finger.
50. Jason cut his arm while he was playing with a knife.

Exercise H: Numbers 51 to 55

What do they need?

Read the short dialogues and decide what each speaker needs.

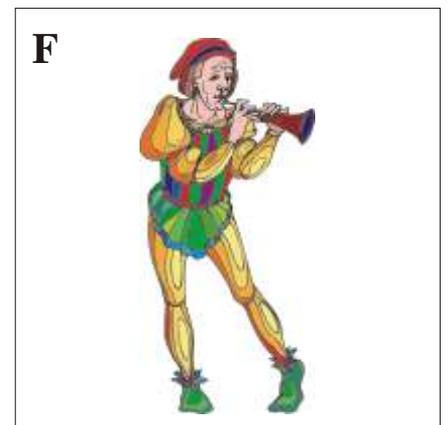
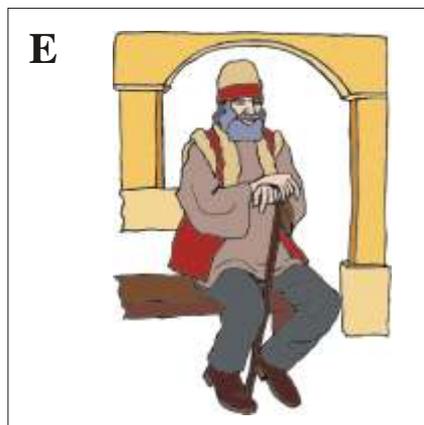
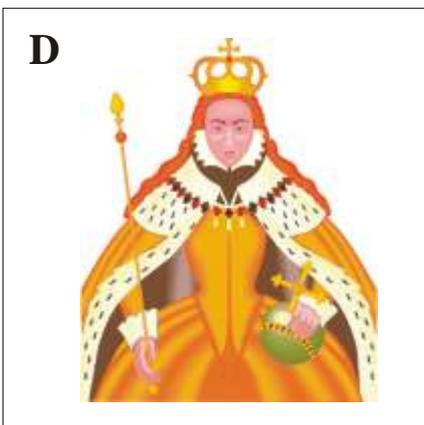
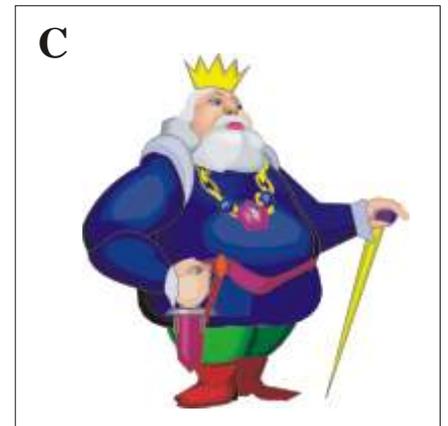
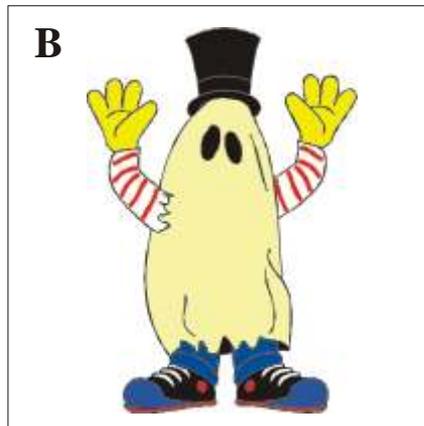
Mark its letter, A, B or C, on your Answer Sheet.

51. "What's wrong?"
"I have a terrible headache." I need
A. an aspirin B. a cushion C. a glass of wine
52. "Your hands are very cold."
"Yes, it's freezing outside." I need
A. a pair of trainers B. a pair of scissors C. a pair of gloves
53. "Would you like to eat something?"
"No, thank you. I'm not hungry. I'm just thirsty." I need
A. a glass of water B. a piece of cake C. a salad bowl
54. "Have you decided which hobby you would like to take up?"
"I'd like to take photographs of old buildings." I need
A. a stamp B. a camera C. a video game
55. "What would you like me to buy you for Christmas?"
"I like listening to music." I need
A. a programme B. a violin C. a walkman

Exercise I: Numbers 56 to 60

Here are some short dialogues about some actors.
Match a picture with each dialogue.
Mark its letter, A to F, on your Answer Sheet.
You will use ONLY FIVE of the letters.

56. "I thought John was perfect for that role."
"I did, too. He played the king very well."
57. "Did you like the queen?"
"No, I didn't. She didn't speak loudly enough."
58. "What did you think of the man who played the role of the old man?"
"He was great. I think he is a famous actor."
59. "What about the man who played the ghost? He scared me."
"He did? He was only wearing a white sheet!"
60. "I think the woman who danced at the end of the play was great."
"Yes, she was. And the music was very nice too."



**You must do only ONE task. Choose either Topic A or Topic B.
Do your task in about 120 words.**

Topic A

Your English teacher has asked you to write a short **essay** about the problems teenagers have. In your **essay**, you must say

- what kind of problems teenagers have
- who they prefer to discuss their problems with
- what they can do to solve their problems



Topic B

Last month, you decided to give up a bad habit of yours. Write a **letter** to your friend in England telling him/her about your bad habit.

In your **letter**, you must say

- what your bad habit was
- the reason you gave it up
- what you did to give it up

Do not write any addresses.

