

PROGRESS TEST I

A Vocabulary cloze

Decide which word, A, B, C or D best fits each space. There is an example at the beginning (0).

HOPES AND DREAMS

Some years ago, my daughter was studying English at a university on the south coast. One evening she phoned to (0) tell me that what she really wanted to do was (1) _____ round the world, so she was looking (2) _____ the possibility of working in another country. She had seen several (3) _____ in the newspaper for student teachers of English abroad, and she was (4) _____ in one in Italy, which she was desperate to visit. She decided that this would be a good (5) _____ to achieve her ambition, so she was writing to (6) _____ for the job. The reply (7) _____ a long time to arrive, but eventually she received a letter asking if she (8) _____ go for an interview in London the following week. She was so excited that she immediately (9) _____ in touch with the school owner and agreed to attend the interview. She was determined that nothing would prevent her (10) _____ doing what she had set out to do. A (11) _____ days before the interview she had a very strange dream in which she (12) _____ birth to a beautiful baby. She was a little nervous and (13) _____ about the dream and phoned to ask me what I thought it might (14) _____. As I knew something about dreams, I was able to assure her that it only symbolized her (15) _____ to do well in the interview.

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| 0 A say | B talk |
| C tell | D speak |
| 1 A journey | B travel |
| C voyage | D trip |
| 2 A up | B over |
| C into | D round |
| 3 A notices | B posters |
| C advertisements | D announcements |
| 4 A interested | B keen |
| C attracted | D enthusiastic |
| 5 A path | B route |
| C manner | D way |
| 6 A claim | B inquire |
| C request | D apply |
| 7 A was | B took |
| C spent | D passed |

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| 8 A should | B would |
| C must | D will |
| 9 A got | B came |
| C went | D became |
| 10 A of | B from |
| C in | D about |
| 11 A some | B several |
| C few | D little |
| 12 A made | B had |
| C gave | D produced |
| 13 A bored | B worried |
| C offended | D annoyed |
| 14 A intend | B mean |
| C interpret | D realize |
| 15 A desire | B request |
| C want | D demand |

B Open cloze

Think of ONE word which best fits each space. There is an example at the beginning (0).

AN ENVIABLE CAREER

Henry Adams is probably the luckiest person I know. I normally envy very (0) few of my friends' jobs because I am happy with what I do, but Henry Adams is one of those rare people (1) _____ job I would really like to have myself. Henry, (2) _____ had always been interested (3) _____ both science and animals, wanted to be a vet, and we were both students (4) _____ university at the same time.

When his course finished, (5) _____ went to Aberdeen, where he looked (6) _____ domestic animals (7) _____ as cats and dogs. He always said that he would like to move around because he didn't believe (8) _____ staying in any job for too long. So I wasn't very surprised when he gave (9) _____ that job and went to work in a zoo. He stayed there for two years, and in the evenings he studied hard to get some higher qualifications. When he had succeeded (10) _____ passing all his exams, he applied for a job (11) _____ a warden on a game reserve in Africa (12) _____ 1994. He is now responsible (13) _____ the well-being of thousands of animals. In addition, he is in charge (14) _____ a special programme to protect species (15) _____ are in danger of extinction.

C Key word transformations

Rewrite the sentences using the word in bold.

- 'Can I bring a friend to the party?' Jane wanted to know.
asked
Jane _____ a friend to the party.
- Simon gave up cigarettes when he was thirty.
stopped
Simon _____ when he was thirty.
- Few people speak Gaelic in Ireland.
many
There _____ speak Gaelic in Ireland.
- Running a big car like that can't be cheap.
must
It _____ a big car like that.
- Jennifer started teaching six years ago.
for
Jennifer _____ six years.
- 'Could you please close the window?' the teacher asked Paul.
mind
The teacher asked Paul _____ the window.
- Tell me where you found this box of old books.
come
Where _____ this box of old books?
- I'd rather go to the cinema than watch TV tonight.
instead
Let's go to the cinema _____ TV tonight.
- 'Don't shoot!' said the captain to his soldiers.
ordered
The captain _____ shoot.

- There was too much information for me to understand everything at once.

take

I wasn't _____ all the information at once.

D Word formation

Complete the text with the correct form of the words in capitals. There is an example at the beginning (0).

NOT SUCH GOOD NEIGHBOURS

The families in our street are slowly being driven mad by the (0) refusal of the inhabitants of No. 13 to have any form of (1) _____ with them. The trouble started over what is known as noise (2) _____. Every evening, the (3) _____ neighbours used to turn up the volume on the TV so loud that no one in the (4) _____ was able to hear anything else. Not knowing what (5) _____ to take, local residents held a meeting to see if anyone had any (6) _____ as to how to deal with the problem. A (7) _____ was made to send a number of people to talk to the family in No. 13 and ask them (8) _____ to turn their music down after six in the evening. Unfortunately the visit did not turn out to be (9) _____, as the inhabitants of No. 13 refused to talk to them. So, on the (10) _____ of local police, the matter is now in the hands of the court.

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| 0 REFUSE |
| 1 COMMUNICATE |
| 2 POLLUTE |
| 3 THINK |
| 4 NEIGHBOUR |
| 5 ACT |
| 6 SUGGEST |
| 7 DECIDE |
| 8 POLITE |
| 9 SUCCESS |
| 10 ADVISE |