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Vocabulary/Grammar activities

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Unit 2

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A Circle the correct words.

- 1 Due to a lack of **highways** / **roadways** in ancient times, it was difficult to transport goods.
- 2 Most countries use road, sea and rail **networks** / **systems** to transport goods from place to place.
- 3 Countries benefit economically if they **export** / **import** more goods than they buy.
- 4 After years of absence in exile the man decided to return to his **origin** / **homeland**.
- 5 Globalisation can greatly **control** / **influence** our lifestyles and traditional values.
- 6 Ancient **civilisations** / **cultures** often maintained a strong sense of historical identity.
- 7 Traditional **customs** / **behaviours** often adapt to a change of outlook in modern lifestyles.
- 8 The sea **bays** / **ports** were blockaded by naval vessels during the war.

B Complete the sentences with the adjectival form of these countries.

America Brazil China Egypt India The Netherlands Sweden Switzerland

- 1 _____ precision-made watches are some of the best in the world.
- 2 Smorgasbord is a traditional _____ dish.
- 3 This month the _____ nation is hosting the 2016 Olympics.
- 4 The _____ cities are famous for their system of canals, waterways and dykes.
- 5 The _____ summer season is very hot until the monsoon rains arrive to cool the temperature down.
- 6 Inexpensive _____ electronic goods are available everywhere nowadays.
- 7 The famous gold mask of Tutankhamen, the Ancient _____ king, is on display in the museum in Cairo.
- 8 _____ fast-food burger restaurants are found all over the world.

C Complete the sentences with the present perfect simple, past simple or past continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 Bert _____ (never/be) abroad before and he felt really excited about it.
- 2 I _____ (call) my travel agent three times today, but he hasn't phoned back yet.
- 3 While I _____ (consider) the price of the accommodation, I nearly changed my mind.
- 4 Three weeks ago, I _____ (send) you an email to confirm my booking.
- 5 I _____ (use) to study Spanish when I was young, but now I don't.
- 6 The programme on globalisation _____ (feature) on TV last night.
- 7 We _____ (not/have) such a good meal, since we went to that Greek restaurant last year.
- 8 Dad _____ (not/visit) a good museum or an archaeological site since he was a student.
- 9 My passport was in my jacket pocket when I unpacked yesterday, but I _____ (not/see) it since then.
- 10 Recently, the music awards ceremony _____ (become) even more exciting with use of interactive media, computer graphics, laser lighting and holograms.
- 11 During Ted's travels across Asia, he _____ (gain) a greater understanding of different cultures.
- 12 The new tourist information office _____ (just/open) in our town.

Unit 3

A Complete the sentences with the phrasal verbs below.

catch on cater to come in for go round live up to
look down on nose about start out

- 1 If both parents are actors in the entertainment industry, it is sometimes difficult to _____ their expectations.
- 2 When the mini-skirt trend was introduced, nobody believed it would _____ so quickly.
- 3 Famous film stars can _____ a lot of criticism because of insensitive remarks that they make about other people.
- 4 There are specialist companies that _____ the needs and privileges of the rich and famous.
- 5 If you _____ as a busker, you could develop a career in the music industry in that way.
- 6 The paparazzi started to _____ the private details of the film star's life because of some unpleasant rumours that were circulating.
- 7 There are enough prizes for all the contestants here tonight. Please _____ and distribute them.
- 8 Some rich and famous celebrities _____ those who are less fortunate.

B Complete the sentences with the past simple, past perfect simple or past perfect continuous forms of the verbs given.

- 1 By the time we finally _____ (reach) the entrance to the cinema, they _____ (sell) out of all the tickets.
- 2 Her real acting career began after she _____ (give) up singing.
- 3 Many TV viewers _____ (complain) about excessive violence in a well-known TV series last night.
- 4 While the actors _____ (arrive) for the film premiere, there _____ (be) appreciative cheers from the crowd.
- 5 The football stadium was packed with fans who _____ (come) to support their team.
- 6 When Jane finally _____ (hear) that she _____ (be) successful in an audition, she was so excited.
- 7 Before the actor _____ (become) famous, he _____ (work) hard for many years in order to achieve success.
- 8 While he _____ (look) at a script for a thriller, he _____ (decide) to consider new film offers instead.
- 9 The teenage pop star _____ (tell) Teen Magazine that he _____ (not/have) time to relax in Hollywood.
- 10 Before his success, the famous celebrity _____ (not/think) about buying a private jet.

C Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words including the word given.

- 1 I have not visited London for eight years.
SINCE
It's been eight years _____ London.
- 2 While I was cooking in the kitchen, the phone rang that day.
WHEN
I was cooking in the kitchen _____ that day.
- 3 When I was young I had more energy, now I don't.
USED
I _____ more energy than I have now.
- 4 Lifestyles of people in our country have always been affected by globalisation.
AFFECTED
Globalisation _____ the lifestyles of people in our country.

- 5 Which lifestyle did the younger generation find more appealing in the past?
BEEN
In the past, which lifestyle _____ the younger generation?
- 6 While we were visiting museums, we also went sightseeing.
GO
Not only _____, but we also visited museums.
- 7 The young girls used to get excited when they attended a fashion show.
WOULD
The young girls _____ when they attended a fashion show.
- 8 The businessman attended the meeting for eight hours.
HAD
The businessman _____ the meeting for eight hours.

Unit 4

A Complete the text with these words.

commercial district industrial inner outskirts residential suburb urban

Henry and his family live on the second floor of a block of flats in the ¹ _____ city area. However, this ² _____ life does not suit him and his young family as there is constant noise pollution from traffic and sirens from emergency vehicles blaring out loudly, as well as car alarms going off at all hours of the day or night. Similarly, in this central ³ _____ they are surrounded by shops and other ⁴ _____ buildings that are covered with neon-lit billboards and advertisements, which makes it difficult to get a good night's sleep with so much light pollution coming through their windows. They would prefer to live in a quiet ⁵ _____ on the ⁶ _____ of the city. So they are looking for a house in a peaceful ⁷ _____ neighbourhood with a back garden where the children can play close to nature and far away from the ⁸ _____ or factory zones.

B Choose the correct words.

- 1 To our surprise, the **owner / tenant** increased the rent of our apartment by 30 per cent!
- 2 The **tenant / lodger** pays rent for a room to the person who owns the house.
- 3 The **landlord / squatter** is very generous and hasn't increased the rent due to the financial crisis.
- 4 The policeman asked who the **squatter / occupant** of the apartment was.
- 5 An **inhabitant / occupant** lives in a city.
- 6 My **tenant / flatmate** and I share all the costs because it's too expensive to rent a flat alone in London.
- 7 The house was empty and deserted for a long time and now a **squatter / lodger** is living in it.
- 8 A **tenant / inhabitant** does not have the same legal rights to the property as the owner.

C Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets. Use the future simple, future continuous, future perfect simple, future perfect continuous tense or *be going to*.

- 1 The weather reporter says it _____ (rain) tomorrow, so the humidity will increase.
- 2 You seem to be very tired, so _____ (I / make) you a cup of tea?
- 3 City life can be very stressful, I know. I've made up my mind I _____ (move) out to the countryside instead.
- 4 By the year 2050, the world's population _____ (increase) dramatically.
- 5 Next week, I will leave all my troubles behind and _____ (lie) on the beach, relaxing in the sun.
- 6 In rural areas, because there are few facilities and poor public transport services, many young people _____ (move) to the city in search of excitement.
- 7 The traffic congestion in the city is increasing daily, so I believe that air and noise pollution _____ (worsen).
- 8 Have you made up your mind what you _____ (study)?
- 9 In the future, companies _____ (make) clothes from recycled materials in order to reduce household and industrial waste.
- 10 By the turn of the century, we hope that scientists _____ (find) a cure for many diseases.
- 11 Trends show that many people _____ (shop) on-line as it is so convenient in order to save and money.
- 12 Architects _____ (design) new houses that are environmentally-friendly in the future.

A Complete the text with the correct form of the words in bold.

- 1 The car _____ plant has been upgraded and now robots are mainly used for the construction of vehicles. **ASSEMBLE**
- 2 Production of this latest model of phone has _____ been suspended due to high production costs. **TEMPORARY**
- 3 Many people who use social networking sites often complain about the _____ of their privacy. **LOSE**
- 4 If all mobile phones have access to the internet automatically, with such _____ devices, sending emails will become even easier. **TECHNOLOGY**
- 5 Interactive computer games are considered to be far more exciting and _____ by teenagers. **STIMULATE**
- 6 The _____ of nanoparticles is extremely difficult. **MEASURE**
- 7 There are some strange _____ at the science museum. **EXHIBITION**
- 8 With the aid of GPS many drivers can use these _____ systems to find out where they are and so they won't get lost. **NAVIGATE**
- 9 These high-tech machines are in _____ and only specially trained and qualified staff may use them. **OPERATE**
- 10 _____ between teenagers is aided greatly by the use of social media. **INTERACT**

B Circle the correct words.

- 1 That **can't / mustn't** be Anthony. He's gone on holiday to Spain for two weeks.
- 2 You **needn't / couldn't** have bought tickets for the science museum. I've already bought some.
- 3 Why did you play a computer game for so many hours? You **could / should** have strained your eyes!
- 4 According to the instruction manual, you **may / must** press this switch on in order for the 3D printer to work.
- 5 I'm not sure if I'll order the gadgets on-line. They **might / can** get damaged in the delivery process.
- 6 You **mustn't / can't** recharge the battery of your mobile phone all day as the charger may overheat and get damaged.
- 7 The science experiment failed. The scientist **can't / shouldn't** have been so careless when he took the measurements.
- 8 They **should / could** have upgraded the anti-virus software on their computer, but they didn't and now it has 'crashed' and there's just a blank, blue screen.

C Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence. Use the words in bold.

- 1 Perhaps life exists beyond Earth but so far nobody has produced definite scientific evidence.
MAY
Life _____ beyond Earth, but so far nobody has produced scientific evidence.
- 2 Is it necessary for us to bring all this photographic equipment?
HAVE
Do we _____ all this photographic equipment?
- 3 It would be a good idea for you to upgrade your computer software.
SHOULD
You _____ computer software.

- 4 I'm certain that it was exciting to build the International Space Station in space.

BEEN

It _____ exciting to build the International Space Station in space.

- 5 It wasn't easy for the older generation to learn how to use a computer.

HAVE

It _____ easy for the older generation to learn how to use a computer.

- 6 The computer started downloading updates a while ago, surely it has finished downloading them now.

OUGHT TO

The computer _____ downloading the updates now.

- 7 You can't get a decent job without computer skills in the future.

ABLE

You _____ get a decent job without computer skills in the future.

- 8 I was able to fix the faulty printer without any help.

COULD

I _____ the faulty printer without any help.

- 9 You didn't need to buy an extension cable for the computer, as I already have one.

NEED

You _____ an extension cable for the computer as I already have one.

- 10 We weren't able to reach our full potential without the help of modern technology.

COULD

We _____ our full potential without the help of modern technology.

- 11 Most smartphones have apps that may be useful to access certain information.

CAN

You _____ by using apps on most smartphones.

- 12 The farmer saw crop circles in his field and thought they were left there by UFOs.

BEEN

The farmer thought crop circles _____ there by UFOs.

Unit 6

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A Complete the sentences with the correct form of the phrasal verbs below.

feel up to get together run into show up sit around sit back sleep in turn down

- 1 Since there is no school to attend at the weekend, I really love to _____ until noon.
- 2 Let's _____ and go to the cinema tonight, shall we?
- 3 Tom was ill last week and didn't _____ attending the party.
- 4 You never know who you will _____ at the carnival parade.
- 5 Last week I felt bored with nothing to do, so I had to _____ doing nothing.
- 6 The film is about to start, so just _____, relax and have fun.
- 7 Emma was due to _____ for the New Year's celebration, but she didn't. I don't know what has happened to her.
- 8 I would never _____ the opportunity to enjoy myself and have fun.

B Circle the correct words.

- 1 Many **indoor / outdoor** sporting activities require specialised equipment such as safety harnesses, hiking boots and helmets.
- 2 Which country is **hosting / presenting** the next Olympic Games?
- 3 Chess is a strategy **board / field** game, which requires logical thought and planning.
- 4 I'm thinking of **doing / throwing** a party to celebrate my birthday.
- 5 Aerobics is a fun activity you can **do / play** in order to keep fit and healthy.
- 6 **Field / Course** events such as athletics require a great amount of stamina and endurance.
- 7 These days, lots of people enjoy **doing / playing** Sudoku puzzles to boost mental excitement and well-being, as well as just to pass the time.
- 8 For me, bungee jumping is a(n) **appealing / terrifying** sport. I'm afraid of heights, so I would never do it.

C Complete the sentences by adding an appropriate preposition and an -ing form or an infinitive of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 I'm really looking forward to _____ (go) to the fairground later today to have some fun.
- 2 Fancy _____ (eat) an ice cream as it is so hot today?
- 3 Let's _____ (go) and see the latest Star Wars film, shall we?
- 4 I would prefer _____ (take) up a challenging hobby like chess.
- 5 James intends _____ (enjoy) himself on his skiing trip to the mountains this year.
- 6 In my free time, I am really keen on _____ (collect) stamps.
- 7 Jane would rather _____ (see) the Star Wars trilogy than the Lord of the Rings trilogy.
- 8 Would you mind _____ (tell) me how much the cinema tickets cost?
- 9 Sue remembered _____ (have) so much fun at Mary's party last year.
- 10 They have decided _____ (try) aerobics as an activity to keep fit.
- 11 We had better _____ (leave) now if we want to see the start of the music concert.
- 12 That song competition was well worth _____ (watch) on TV.

Unit 7

A Complete the text with the correct word from the box.

accused goods	arrested clothes	confessed pleading	committing released	crime sentenced	evidence stolen
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The masked robber Billy Jones was suspected of committing a ¹ _____. It was thought that priceless jewels had been ² _____ by him. He was questioned by plain ³ _____ police officers. They ⁴ _____ him when they found ⁵ _____ in his flat. There was a hole inside the sofa and it looked as though the stolen ⁶ _____ had been hidden there. The police handcuffed him and took him into custody, where he was ⁷ _____ of the crime and formally charged. Then he was sent to stand trial, where he insisted on ⁸ _____ not guilty to the theft of the jewels. However, the jury found him guilty of ⁹ _____ the crime and he finally ¹⁰ _____ that he had done it. The judge ¹¹ _____ him to eight years in prison. However, Billy Jones was pardoned and ¹² _____ early from prison for good behaviour when he showed remorse for his crime.

B Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence. Use the words in bold.

- 1 They should install CCTV in shopping malls for security reasons.

BE

CCTV _____ in shopping centers for security reasons.

- 2 The jury found the thief guilty of the theft.

WAS

The thief _____ the theft by the jury.

- 3 A computer hacker is guilty of committing cybercrime.

IS

Cybercrime _____ a computer hacker.

- 4 During the riot they were setting vehicles on fire.

WERE

Vehicles _____ during the riot.

- 5 If they find someone guilty of a serious crime what should the punishment be?

IS

If _____ of a serious crime, what should the punishment be?

- 6 If the police catch a motorist for speeding, what should the fine be?

BEEN

If a _____ speeding, what should the fine be?

- 7 Should a judge always send a burglar to prison if he burgles houses?

BE

Should a _____ prison if he burgles houses?

- 8 The shoplifter was dropping the stolen goods as he ran out of the store.

WERE

The _____ by the shoplifter as he ran out of the store.

C Rewrite each sentence using the causative form and the words in bold.

- 1 There was a bomb threat and the police evacuated the airport building.

THEY

- 2 The suspect is being followed by an undercover detective.

WE

- 3 A thief broke our kitchen window during the burglary.

HAD

- 4 I forgot to lock the car door and our car was stolen last night.

WE

- 5 A new burglar alarm system will be installed by the technician tomorrow.

I

- 6 The thief changed his car registration number during the midnight robbery.

HE

- 7 The boy was caught spray painting graffiti on the wall and the teacher made him clean it up.

GOT

- 8 I have lost my credit cards, so I must inform the bank immediately to cancel my PIN numbers.

HAVE

Unit 8

A Choose the correct answer, a, b or c.

- 1 A serious concern for our planet is the gradual and constant increase in the Earth's surface temperature known as ___ warming or the Greenhouse Effect.
a coastal b torrential c global
- 2 The burning of fossil ___, such as coal used in power stations and petrol or diesel used in cars, causes air pollution which is then trapped in the atmosphere.
a fuels b flames c fumes
- 3 Similarly, ___ caused either by forest fires or the cutting down of trees for timber extraction, reduces the amount of oxygen released into the atmosphere.
a agriculture b deforestation c climate
- 4 As rainfall patterns reduce in some areas, this may result in ___ and famine.
a drought b draught c evaporation
- 5 As a result of global warming, sea ___ have risen, flooding some areas and in some places islands have started to disappear altogether.
a resources b levels c gases
- 6 Extreme weather patterns have been observed in the last decade, with an increase in the number of hurricanes that have huge wind speeds and cause torrential ___ and severe floods.
a rainfall b moisture c downpours
- 7 The planet's fragile ___ could be protected by using renewable sources of cleaner energy.
a ecosystem b greenhouse c desertification
- 8 Many species of fauna and flora are under threat of extinction and unless we do something now they may be ___ altogether.
a blocked out b worn away c wiped out
- 9 We must stop the overfishing of certain areas in the oceans in order to provide a safe ___ for the fish to breed in and replenish their stocks.
a delta b current c habitat
- 10 Cleaner sources of energy, for example, solar ___ from the sun should be used in cars and factories as a cleaner and safer alternative source of energy.
a wave b power c resource

B Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words in bold.

- 1 If you buy an aerosol can, make certain that it is _____ friendly. **ENVIRONMENT**
- 2 The _____ worked hard to protect the rare species of rhino. **CONSERVE**
- 3 _____-modified food has many more disadvantages than advantages. **GENE**
- 4 _____ energy from recycled domestic and industrial waste should be encouraged. **RENEW**
- 5 Many animal and bird species are under threat of becoming _____. **EXTINCTION**
- 6 The _____ warned of increased torrential rainfall as the hurricane approached. **METEOROLOGY**
- 7 An increase in _____ diversity will encourage the survival of species under threat. **BIOLOGY**
- 8 Soil _____ is often caused by reckless deforestation as there are no healthy tree root systems left to hold the top soil down. **ERODE**

C Circle the correct answers.

- 1 If we don't stop destroying the natural habitat of the white rhino, it soon **will become / would become** extinct.
- 2 Unless we do something now, the hole in the ozone layer **will get / is getting** bigger.
- 3 We must recycle waste and use clean renewable energy sources, if we **want / wanted** to save our planet.
- 4 If people cut down trees and destroy the rainforests, then the land **will become / would become** arid and useless.
- 5 Providing we **drove / drive** electric or hybrid cars, there would be less pollution.

- 6 The air quality in cities would have improved if **there was / had been** a reduction of greenhouse gases.
- 7 Providing we protect our dwindling fish stocks, they **will be / would be** overfished.
- 8 If you **switch / switched** off all your lights, you would conserve electricity.
- 9 If the huge meteor **hadn't hit / will hit** Earth, the dinosaurs might have survived.
- 10 We can't install solar panels on our roof unless we **would find / find** the money to invest in them.

Unit 9

A Complete the sentences with these words.

apply	commute	fill in	get	hold down	involve
	make	move on	possess	take on	

- 1 Our accountant's main responsibilities _____ analysing our sales figures.
- 2 He just wants to put minimum effort into his work and that explains why he can't _____ a job for more than a few months.
- 3 Mandy had to _____ for her colleague who was on sick leave.
- 4 This is a pressurised and stressful job with little time for relaxation, so you should think seriously before you _____ for it.
- 5 The sales manager couldn't pinpoint exactly why the company didn't _____ a bigger profit. He suspected one of the staff was to blame.
- 6 I am so bored with this job and I wish I could _____ to a more interesting position.
- 7 Living on the outskirts of the city can be stressful and hectic when you have to _____ long distances to work every day.
- 8 If you continue arriving late for work, you will _____ the sack.
- 9 Unless you _____ both scientific knowledge and years of experience in research, you are unlikely to get promoted.
- 10 These days when older members of staff retire, businesses tend to _____ fewer and younger employees to replace them at much lower rates of pay.

B Circle the correct words.

- 1 This is my updated CV **who / that** I have completed.
- 2 The boss **who / which** was hiring new employees required at least two references from previous employers.
- 3 This is the office **where / which** I will be working in.
- 4 The town **which / where** I was born, has become heavily industrialised.
- 5 Is this the only applicant **whose / who** applied for the position?
- 6 Unfortunately, the position **who / that** you applied for has now been filled.
- 7 This is the recruitment officer **whose / who** office is adjacent to mine.
- 8 The reason **why / which** I'm late is that I was caught in a traffic jam while commuting to work.
- 9 I'm looking forward to the day **which / when** I will set up my own business.
- 10 I do freelance part-time work from home and this is my desk **where / when** I work.
- 11 I was disappointed with the salary **which / who** they offered me in my new job.
- 12 All jobs nowadays **which / who** require computer experience are very competitively sought after.

C Rewrite each sentence using a suitable participle clause to replace the words in bold.

- 1 **The manager was talking** on his mobile phone when he entered the board room.

- 2 **The manager was unable** to provide the sales figures and his boss was dissatisfied.

- 3 **The ideal applicant had been selected** for the post and they then offered her the job.

- 4 **The career guidance counsellor gave James** some advice about choices of jobs and he opted to work as an engineer.

- 5 The man **who was shouting** in that office is the boss.

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6 The manager spoke to my colleagues, **who work** at a different branch of the bank.

7 **Mark arrived late** for work and was reprimanded by his supervisor.

8 **The employee asked** how complicated and difficult the task would be before she attempted to do it.

Unit 10

A Circle the correct words.

- 1 Have you considered taking off a gap year when you finish school, before you **get / pass** into university.
- 2 A careers guidance **counsellor / trainer** gave me some advice about which profession I should follow.
- 3 The testing system has become stricter over the years according to my driving **instructor / coach**.
- 4 Due to the financial crisis, most students apply for **apprenticeships / scholarships** in order to study overseas.
- 5 In the Australian Outback, many school children who grow up on vast sheep farms often attend **boarding / primary** schools as their homes are more than 200 km away from school.
- 6 When your sister finally completes her doctorate in biology, she will **distract / graduate** from university.
- 7 Some faculties at university have the most interesting courses on offer as well as accomplished **subjects / lecturers**.
- 8 Nowadays university or college **fees / degrees** are so high that many students have to apply for loans or grants.

B Complete each sentence with the correct form of the phrasal verbs below.

breeze through	brush up	drop out	figure out
go over	hand in	look up	pick up

- 1 I'm going to _____ an old school friend as I haven't seen her for a long time.
- 2 Candidates are required to _____ their exam papers at the end of exam period.
- 3 It is sometimes difficult to _____ which the best course is to follow at university.
- 4 It would be an excellent idea to _____ your assignment again to check that you haven't made any spelling mistakes.
- 5 Maria decided that she needed to _____ on her language skills before applying to work as a tour guide.
- 6 Having failed in his first year at university, he decided not to resit any of the exams but rather to _____ of university altogether.
- 7 Having studied psychology for my A-levels at school, I think that I'll _____ the first year psychology course at university.
- 8 Anne has a talent for languages and has managed to _____ Spanish very easily.

C Rewrite the direct speech as reported speech. Use the verbs in brackets.

- 1 'The lecture will be cancelled today,' the lecturer said to his class. (told)

- 2 'How does the electronic microscope work?' the student asked his physics tutor. (ask)

- 3 'You should study maths and physics,' my teacher told me. (encourage)

- 4 'Don't mix these two dangerous chemicals as they might explode!' the teacher said to me. (told)

- 5 'How about enrolling on a distance-learning course on-line,' the careers counsellor said. (suggest)

- 6 'Do you know what you want to study when you go to university?' he asked me. (ask)

- 7 'This is where you can return your overdue library books,' the librarian said to me. (told)

- 8 'I didn't borrow your book as I have one of my own,' Mary said. (deny)
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- 9 'You must study harder if you want to succeed later in life!' my parents said. (insist)
-
- 10 'We had studied this complex scientific formula last year,' the pupil said to his teacher. (told)
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- 11 'We have never been to the University of Cambridge before,' said John. (said)
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- 12 'Seeing that you are revising really hard for the exam tomorrow, I'll return these books for you to the librarian,' Tom said. (offer)
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Unit 11

A Complete the text with these words.

abroad agent backpacking boarding pass check in departure lounge
excess guest-house remote package tours sightseeing transport

I'm thinking of going ¹ _____ for my holiday because I haven't been out of my own country for a couple of years. So it's always a good idea to go online to find the most economical means of ² _____ and then book the tickets in advance. Ideally, I'm looking for a small cosy ³ _____ or hostel to stay in somewhere. I really want to find a place which is off the beaten track and much more ⁴ _____ than the usual resorts, far away from the crowded tourist areas. I don't fancy going on any organised ⁵ _____, as I relish the freedom to go where and when I please, without having any time limits regarding meal times. Once I arrive at my destination, I always try to sample the cuisine of the local restaurants and go ⁶ _____ around the area, too. I usually contact the car rental ⁷ _____ beforehand and travel around the scenic routes and visit interesting places in the country. I really don't enjoy ⁸ _____ as I feel safer and more secure travelling by car. Finally, when it is near the time to start the return flight home again, I go online to ⁹ _____. I also print out my ¹⁰ _____ to save time at the counter. In addition, I pay for any ¹¹ _____ baggage at the same time. At the airport, I never waste any time or money in the duty-free shops, but instead I head straight for the ¹² _____ with a good book to pass the time waiting to board the flight.

B Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence. Use the words in bold.

- 1 Don't you think that the hustle and bustle of New York is more exciting than Paris?

LESS

Don't you think that Paris is _____ the hustle and bustle of New York?

- 2 The more I travel abroad, the more I widen my horizons and learn about other cultures.

MORE

I learn _____ when I travel abroad and widen my horizons.

- 3 Many guests complained about the impolite manner of the hotel receptionist.

SO

The hotel receptionist _____ many guests complained.

- 4 The new departures lounge in this air terminal is larger than the older one.

NOT

The older departures lounge _____ the new one in this terminal.

- 5 Travelling by plane or train is far more convenient and economical than travelling by car.

LESS

Travelling by car is _____ travelling by plane or train.

- 6 India is the most interesting country I have ever visited.

MORE

I have never visited a _____ India.

- 7 I think that camping and backpacking holidays are more economical than organised package tours.

AS

I think that organised package tours _____ camping and backpacking holidays.

- 8 Eco-tourism is more attractive than agricultural tourism or adventure holidays.

NOT

Adventure holidays and agricultural tourism _____ eco-tourism.

C Circle the correct words.

- 1 The local cuisine in Italy was extremely **good** / **excellent**.
- 2 I was **really** / **absolutely** starving after having hiked 20 km to view the scenic gorge.
- 3 It is peak tourist season and it will be **really** / **virtually** impossible to find cheaper accommodation anywhere.
- 4 I went on an eco-friendly tour of the rainforest and I was **very** / **utterly** terrified when I saw a huge anaconda swimming in the river below.
- 5 Tim was **rather** / **slightly** upset when he saw that his flight had been delayed by six hours due to technical reasons.
- 6 From this mountain top you can get a(n) **really** / **absolutely** amazing panoramic view of the picturesque bay and harbour.
- 7 London is an **utterly** / **extremely** popular tourist destination to visit.
- 8 During my skiing trip the weather suddenly worsened and the temperature started to drop, so I felt **absolutely** / **extremely** cold.

Unit 12

A Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words in bold.

- 1 There has been a sharp increase in the number of young people who suffer from _____. **OBESE**
- 2 You had better get some rest in bed; you look _____. **FEVER**
- 3 Some people suffer from a nut _____ and so supermarkets label products as being 'free of nuts'. **ALLERGIC**
- 4 The patient with the _____ disease was placed in an isolated hospital ward. **INFECT**
- 5 I feel lethargic and listless; I need a wholesome _____ meal to boost my general appetite and energy level. **NUTRITION**
- 6 Michael fractured his leg in two places, so the orthopaedic surgeon had to carry out an _____. **OPERATE**
- 7 During the hot summer months, it is recommended that our water _____ should be at least one litre per day. **TAKE**
- 8 In order to have a _____ diet, we need to eat more fresh fruit, green vegetables and white meat, such as chicken and fish. **BALANCE**
- 9 She made a speedy _____ from the operation. **RECOVER**
- 10 If you are vaccinated against some diseases like polio, you have _____ to them. **IMMUNISE**

B Circle the correct words.

- 1 It takes some time to **pass out / get over** a major illness.
- 2 The pharmacist advised to **apply / put** this cream on the wound three times per day.
- 3 I feel rather unwell and so have **missed / lost** my appetite.
- 4 I'm on a diet so I think I am going to **miss / skip** breakfast.
- 5 The nurse **looked / took** at my temperature chart and called the doctor.
- 6 Get out of the freezing rain, so you won't **catch / get** a cold!
- 7 Yesterday I felt unwell, so I **lie / lay** down to rest in the afternoon.
- 8 Perhaps you should see a doctor if you're still feeling **up and about / under the weather** tomorrow.

C Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

- 1 It's high time people _____ (start) to exercise more and reduce their sugar intake, if they want to prevent the onset of obesity.
- 2 If you want to be fit and healthy, you had better _____ (go) jogging every day.
- 3 James prefers _____ (eat) junk food to nutritious food.
- 4 I wish he wouldn't _____ (consume) so many hamburgers.
- 5 Tom would rather _____ (cycle) than walk as a form of exercise.
- 6 Jane would prefer _____ (cook) her own meal than order a pizza.
- 7 If only you _____ (skip) breakfast, then you wouldn't feel so lethargic.
- 8 No sooner had she _____ (hear) the advertisement on TV than she went out and purchased the diet pills.
- 9 Under no circumstances must you _____ (go) on a crash diet as it's very unhealthy.
- 10 Should you join our yoga class, you _____ (get) a special discount offer of 20 per cent.
- 11 I'd rather you _____ (not/go) shopping today, since you are still recovering from your operation.
- 12 Anne regrets _____ (not/train) harder for the swimming competition.