

FOCUS ON GRAMMAR

1. Complete the following sentences. Put in "a" or "an".

- 2) I've got _____ answer-phone so you can leave _____ message if I'm not at home.
- 3) Catherine is _____ aeronautical engineer . She works for _____ company in Birmingham.
- 4) Pollution is _____ enormous problem and there isn't _____ easy answer to.
- 5) I've got _____ temperature . Have you got _____ aspirin?
- 6) Dave plays football three times _____ week . He always has _____ match on Saturdays.
- 7) There's _____ interesting programme about _____ recent archeological discovery in Mexico on the TV tonight .
- 8) Has the hotel room got _____ en-suite bathroom?
- 9) "I've got _____ four-bedroom house , _____ interesting job, _____ wife and four children. I'm _____ member of my local golf club. What am I worried about ? Money! Life is expensive. It's _____ hard life! "
- 10) She hasn't got _____ comfortable house . Her home is _____ pile of cardboard boxes in _____ park or _____ underground station. She hasn't got _____ job . She hasn't got _____ family. She's _____ homeless person. Money is _____ problem, _____ real problem. No money = No food !

2. Fill in the blanks with a , an , the or / (nothing).

- 1) I've got _____ bad pain in my stomach . _____ doctor told me to stay in _____ bed , and to take this medicine twice _____ day.
- 2) _____ Mrs White is _____ widow. She's _____ cleaner and she works nine hours _____ day. What _____ life !
- 3) She sat in _____ sun for _____ hour without _____ hat . Now she's hot _____ terrible headache and _____ temperature!
- 4) My mother is _____ psychoanalyst. _____ psychoanalyst is _____ person who helps _____ people who have _____ problems with _____ their relationships and emotions.
- 5) Tom's got _____ long legs , big feet and _____ funny face.
- 6) I'm _____ nurse . It's such _____ hard job. You have to work such _____ long hours and _____ salary isn't very good.
- 7) Have you got _____ cold ? You've got _____ red nose and _____ red eyes.
- 8) Chris and Patrick are _____ students at _____ University of Manchester . When they finish their course they want to be _____ scientists.
- 9) My father is _____ farmer . _____ farmers have to work on _____ land seven days _____ week.

3. Complete the following text by choosing the correct word.

(1) _____ 85% of British schoolchildren know how to use a computer and they spend about four hours (2) _____ day playing or working on one. Scientists from (3) _____ Canterbury University in the south –east of (4) _____ England see this as a positive thing . Playing computer games helps (5) child's eye and hand co-ordination , of course, children gain confidence when they win a game. There is also (6) _____ important aspect of computers that parents and teachers often forget : children find it easier to make friends if they can use _____ modern technology .If , for example, a child takes his gameboy to the park he may find himself chatting to other children about (8) _____ best way to win the game. As one father who is _____ computer programmers says , " _____ technology is here to stay, and there's no harm in kids playing with their computer games at school and comparing strategies with their friends . In the future this is the sector in which the majority of people will work so it's important to get (11) _____ practise when you are young".

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4. Change each of the singular nouns below into plural nouns

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| 1) book _____ | 10) body _____ | 19) quiz _____ |
| 2) watch _____ | 11) man _____ | 20) mouse _____ |
| 3) baby _____ | 12) tomato _____ | 21) party _____ |
| 4) shelf _____ | 13) child _____ | 22) thief _____ |
| 5) tooth _____ | 14) day _____ | 23) foot _____ |
| 6) fish _____ | 15) glass _____ | 24) woman _____ |
| 7) potato _____ | 16) person _____ | 25) sheep _____ |
| 8) table _____ | 17) monkey _____ | |
| 9) fox _____ | 18) car _____ | |

5. Find the plural form of the words in the box and then fill in the gaps :

bus family child boy knife foot city person woman

- You've got very big _____. What size are you ?
- There are a lot of lovely _____ in Italy but Perugia is my favourite.
- These are my _____, Louise and Michael. She's three and he's five .
- All the _____ are dirty . Please do the washing –up!
- My great-grandmother had 14 sons . Nowadays _____ are much smaller.
- I catch two _____ and a train to go to work!
- There are always too many _____ on this bus in the mornings.
- I think _____ are more intelligent than men!
- There are twenty _____ in this class and only three girls.

6. Transform each sentences into plural form

Ex: She is a good waitress *They're good waitresses.*

- It is an old house _____
- He has a credit card _____
- Is it a knife or a fork? _____
- The lady is in the Hotel Majestic _____
- His front tooth is missing. _____
- A person's going out. _____
- The policewoman is in the police station _____
- His cousin is famous. She's a singer _____

7. A. Complete the following text with the correct subject pronoun (I, you, she, etc).

Hi! _____ 'm James and _____ live in Australia. _____ 've got two brothers. _____ 're called Pete and Mike. My mother works at the hospital. _____ 's a doctor . My father works in a sports shop. _____ works very hard. The shop makes a lot of money and _____ 's always full of people.

B. Now fill in the blanks with the correct object pronoun (me, you, her, etc).

On Saturdays I work for my father .I help _____ in the shop , and he gives _____ some money. On Sundays we go to the beach . We have two dogs , and we take _____ with us . We also take a ball and they play with _____ while we swim.

C. This is the last part of the text: complete it with the correct subject or object pronouns.

At the moment I'm at university . I'm studying business . _____ 's an interesting subject. Two of my school friends are at university with _____. Our teacher are good but _____ give _____ a lot of work to do. Next week _____ are all taking our first exams .I want to get good marks in _____ .

8. Rewrite the sentences below substituting the underlined words with the correct subject or object pronouns.

- Mary and I like that restaurant.

- Chris and Pete have got your email address.

- Sue and I know Sandra.

- 4) Dave is phoning his parents.
- 5) The taxi is waiting for Nick and me.
- 6) The students are listening to John Clark
- 7) Veronica wants to see you and Helen.
- 8) Can Julie and I watch this film, please?
- 9) Our cat likes cheese.

9. Insert the correct possessive adjectives (my, your, her, etc)

- 1) That's John and that's _____ wife.
- 2) A: Is this Cathy's mobile phone ? B: No, it isn't. _____ phone is black.
- 3) We're American but _____ grandparents are Russian.
- 4) This is _____ phone number. Call me tomorrow!
- 5) There's a good restaurant in the centre of Hove . _____ name 's " The Sea Bass".
- 6) Excuse me ,sir. Can I see _____ passport, please ?
- 7) Chris and Amy are nice but _____ friends are unfriendly.
- 8) Mark's here with _____ children.

10. Put the correct subject /object pronoun or possessive adjective.

- 1) Here's a present for _____ , mum.
- 2) We're hungry. Is there anything to eat for _____ ?
- 3) You've got a nice dog. What's _____ name?
- 4) Are the children in the park with _____ baby sitter?
- 5) Do you love _____ , Barbara? No, _____ don't love _____ .
- 6) Keith and Luke are my friends. _____ 're very nice and I like _____ . _____ go out together every Sunday.
- 7) Where's Susy? There's a message for _____ . And _____ 's urgent.
- 8) That's their house and this is _____ dog . I don't like _____ . It barks all night .

11. Write sentences with the following prompts. Use the possessive 's.

Ex. It/is/twins/birthday/ tomorrow *It is the twins' birthday tomorrow*

- 1) It/is/twins/birthday/ tomorrow _____
- 2) John /is /James /brother _____
- 3) Those /are /the girls/bikes _____
- 4) Helen /is/Fiona/daughter _____
- 5) These /are/ the students /books _____
- 6) Chris /is /John /cousin _____
- 7) This /is/the children/bedroom _____
- 8) David/is/Mr and Mrs Colenutt/son _____

12. Substitute the words in brackets with the correct possessive pronouns (mine, yours, hers, etc).

- 1) My car is comfortable but (your car) _____ is fast.
- 2) Harry's jacket is not blue but (my jacket) _____ is grey.
- 3) My country is hot but (his country) _____ is cold.
- 4) John's shoes are dirty but (our shoes) _____ are wet.
- 5) Our umbrellas are dry but (their umbrella) _____ are wet.
- 6) Your book is new but (my book) _____ is old.
- 7) Their dog is brown but (our dog) _____ is black.

13. Complete the letter with the correct subject /object pronoun or possessive adjective/pronoun.

Dear Helen ,

This is my first e-mail to _____. My name's Paola Verdi and _____ 'm 15 years old. _____ live in a small town near Naples, in Italy. There are four of _____ in _____ family. Dad is 43 years old and _____ works in a bank in the centre of Naples. _____ hobbies are football and playing chess. Mumy' s 42 and _____'s a nurse at the local hospital. In _____ free time _____ likes going to the gym with some friends of _____. My sister is 20 and _____'s a university student.

I attend the second year at high school. _____ 's quite modern and very well equipped . _____ 's got quite a number of laboratories and good sports facilities. _____ best friend is Barbara , a classmate of _____. We both like music and _____ favourite band is The Corrs. Do you like _____ ? What's _____ favourite band?

We've also got two dogs. _____ kennels are in the garden. _____ sleep there during The night , but _____ like sleeping on the sofa during the day. What about you?

Write to _____ soon and tell _____ about _____ and _____ family.

Love,

Paola

14. Put “ whose” or “who’s”.

- 1) _____ boyfriend is that boy over there? He's Susan's.
- 2) _____ that woman over there? Isn't she your mother?
- 3) _____ shoes are there? They're mine
- 4) _____ cousin is Charles? He's yours.
- 5) _____ umbrella is this? Isn't it their umbrella?
- 6) _____ that boy? He 's our new classmate.

15. Look at the underlined words and write questions using Who , What , Which , Where , When, Why, Whose and How

Ex. Pavia is near Milan Where is Pavia?

- 1) We're hot because it's 30°C outside
- 2) Tom's from London
- 3) I'm free tomorrow morning
- 4) The red jeep is mine.
- 5) I prefer the yellow skirt , not the black one
- 6) Lara's 15 years old.
- 7) A football match is on TV tonight.

16. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb Be.

I _____ from France, but my parents _____(not) French, they _____ Spanish. In fact, my mother _____(not) really Spanish. She _____ Portuguese. I live in Lyon. It _____ in the south of France. My father _____ a businessman and my mother _____ a doctor. I _____ fifteen, and I have two sisters, Maria and Pilar. Maria _____ at school with me. Pilar _____(not) at school. She _____ a teacher. It _____ very hot at the moment in France. My parents _____(not) at work today because it is a holiday. They _____ in the garden, I think. my sisters _____ in the park with their friends. We _____ penfriends now so I hope you will write soon.

17. Present simple : put in the correct form of the verb HAVE GOT as suggested (positive form, x negative form, ? question form).

- 1) We _____ a new teacher
- 2) Mickey _____ blond hair
- 3) The students _____ an English lessonx.
- 4) Isabel _____ a cat.
- 5) I _____ a CD player.
- 6) Our school _____ a gym.x
- 7) I _____ a computer. x
- 8) _____ Tom _____ a sister ?
- 9) _____ Jim and Dave _____ a band ?
- 10) _____ our teacher _____ a car ?

18. Make the following sentences in the negative form (N.F.), in the question form (Q.F.) and give short answers (S.A.).

- 1) **You are sad**
 NF. _____ Q.F. _____ ?
 S.A. Yes, _____ No, _____
- 2) **Lara's got a new cat**
 NF. _____ Q.F. _____ ?
 S.A. Yes, _____ No, _____
- 3) **Tim and Lara have lunch at 11.30 a.m.**
 NF. _____ Q.F. _____ ?
 S.A. Yes, _____ No, _____

19. Complete the following sentences with the correct form of THERE IS or THERE ARE . If it is necessary, give short answers.

- 1) _____ a doctor on the plane ? No, _____
- 2) _____ some people in the house
- 3) _____ any children in the kitchen? Yes, _____
- 4) _____ two mice in the kitchen
- 5) _____ any post for me? Yes, _____
- 6) _____ any information about the concert ? No, _____
- 7) _____ some cheese on the table .
- 8) _____ any sugar in our tea .
- 9) _____ any flowers in the garden No, _____

20. Read the examples below and write micro- dialogues.

Ex: Who/men/over there?// my uncles

A: Who are those men over there ?

B: Those men? Oh, they're my uncles.

- 1) Who/girl/over there ? // my sister
 A: _____
 B: _____
- 2) Who/children/over there // my cousins
 A: _____
 B: _____
- 3) Who/man/here// my father
 A: _____
 B: _____
- 4) What / strange animal/ here// anteater
 A: _____
 B: _____
- 5) What /things/over there//ostrich eggs
 A: _____
 B: _____
- 6) Who/woman/over there //my teacher
 A: _____
 B: _____

21. Transform each sentences into plural form

- 1) That glass is full of wine _____
- 2) This bus is red _____
- 3) That child is very nice _____
- 4) This book isn't interesting _____
- 5) That church is very old _____
- 6) This watch isn't expensive _____

22. Fill in the blanks with SOME, ANY or NO

- 1) He has _____ dogs , but he has two cats.
- 2) Does your uncle have _____ time for swimming ?
- 3) My father has _____ wine in the house, but not much .
- 4) Are there _____ CDs on the shelves?
- 5) My aunt has _____ important information for you .
- 6) I have _____ luggage, just one small bag.
- 7) He hasn't got _____ hair, he is bald.

23. Fill in the blanks with MANY, MUCH, A LITTLE or A FEW.

- 1) She hasn't got _____ money , she has only got _____ .
- 2) I haven't got _____ videos, I 've only got _____ .
- 3) There aren't _____ sheep in the field , there are only _____.
- 4) Mum hasn't got _____ time , she's only got _____.
- 5) There isn't _____ milk , there is only _____ .
- 6) He hasn't got _____ teeth , he's only got _____ .
- 7) I haven't got _____ homework, I've only got _____ .

24. First make the following sentences in the negative form (N.F.) and then in the question form (Q.F.)

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| 1) There is a lot of sugar in my coffee | |
| NF. _____ | Q.F. _____ ? |
| 2) There are a lot of people at the cinema. | |
| NF. _____ | Q.F. _____ ? |
| 3) They've got a lot of friends . | |
| NF. _____ | Q.F. _____ ? |
| 4) There's a lot of traffic in this town . | |
| NF. _____ | Q.F. _____ ? |
| 5) Mrs Sullivan has got a lot of work to do. | |
| NF. _____ | Q.F. _____ ? |
| 6) Harry has got a lot of presents for his birthday- | |
| NF. _____ | Q.F. _____ ? |
| 7) There are a lot of eggs in this cake | |
| NF. _____ | Q.F. _____ ? |

25. Write in letters the following times (It's...).

- 10.05: _____
- 7.25: _____
- 3.55: _____
- 4.15 _____
- 11.45 _____
- 6.35 _____
- 11.00 _____
- 12.00 _____ 24.00 _____

26. Read the example and translate the following dates:

Ex: 12 settembre 1999

12th September, 1999

- 1) 22 agosto 1953 _____
- 2) 29 maggio 1984 _____
- 3) 31 gennaio 1936 _____
- 4) 23 ottobre 1943 _____
- 5) 3 dicembre 1987 _____
- 6) 1 marzo 1945 _____

27. Put in AT, IN, ON.

1) There is a football match _____ at three o' clock. 2) The history test is _____ Monday. 3) It's very cold _____ winter. 4) Mary's party starts _____ seven o' clock. 5) I receive a lot of presents _____ Christmas. 6) He gets up _____ 5 o' clock _____ the morning. 7) We eat chocolate eggs _____ Easter day. 8) My parents usually go on holiday _____ summer. 9) She was born _____ 1982. 10) I never go to bed late _____ night. 11) The weather is usually nice _____ spring. 12) Are you going to the pub _____ lunch-time? 13) Peter's birthday is _____ 30th November. 14) Are they going to the mountains _____ the weekend?

28. Complete with the correct simple present form of the verbs in brackets

1. Mary (like, not) _____ baseball.
2. (wash, Peter) _____ his face every morning?
3. (watch, you) _____ TV every day?
4. I (eat, not) _____ meat.
5. Bob's brother (play, not) _____ football on Sunday. My father (work, not) _____ in the evening.
6. (come, Bob) _____ on his bike?
7. (go, Jane) _____ to the mountains in the winter?
8. My friends (live, not) _____ near my house.

29. Complete the text with the correct simple present form of the verbs in brackets.

My next door neighbour _____ (have) three young children. They _____ (not/go) to school, so every day she _____ (take) them to the park and _____ (play) with them. She _____ (tell) them the names of the trees and plants in the park. Then, because they _____ (not/know) how to count she _____ (teach) them. She _____ (use) a stick and she _____ (write) some numbers on the ground. She always _____ (carry) a big bag. There _____ (be) some water in the bag, a few biscuits and some toys, especially for the baby. He's only fifteen months old and he _____ (not/walk) very well. Sometimes she has coloured chalk and she _____ (draw) pictures for them. Then she _____ (give) the chalk to the children and _____ (ask) them to draw something. She _____ (try) to guess what object is. It _____ (not/be) always easy but she _____ (have) great imagination. When it _____ (rain) she _____ (not/go) to the park but she _____ (take) them to the local supermarket. There is a special place for children to play and she can do the shopping. The children _____ (be) always very happy and all the neighbours _____ (admire) this young mother.

30. Fill in the blanks with the correct simple present form of the verbs from the box.

go (x3)	not like	work	not do	come	live	listen	prefer
not watch	get up	not go out	think	watch			

We _____ in Leeds. Leeds is a big industrial city in the north of England. My mum and dad are nurses and they _____ in a hospital. I've got a brother and his name's Roy. We all _____ very early every morning. I _____ to school by bus and Roy _____ by car with my parents. He _____ school because he _____ is boring. He _____ TV every afternoon and _____ his homework. I _____ TV every day. Instead, I _____ reading books. After school, my friend Laura sometimes _____ to my house and we _____ to music. We _____ in the evening during the week, but on Saturday night we always _____ to the disco together.

31. Complete the following micro-dialogues with the correct simple present form.

- 1) A: When _____
B: He watches TV in the afternoon.
- 2) A: _____ do ?
B: My sister is a nurse
- 3) A: Where does Alan work?
B: _____ bank.
- 4) A: How do you go to school?
B: _____ bus.
- 5) A: _____ jazz?
B: No, I don't. I only like rap music.
- 6) A: What _____ ?
B: School finishes at 4 p.m.
- 7) A: _____ Eminem ?
B: Yes, she does. He's her favourite singer.
- 8) A: _____ ?
B: They live in the United States.
- 9) A: How _____ work ?
B: Turn it on, then press the button.
- 10) A: Who does this book belong to?
B: _____ me.

32. Rewrite the sentences and put the frequency adverb, in brackets, in the correct position.

- 1) The sun rises in the east. (always) _____
- 2) The sun rises. (once a day) _____
- 3) It gets dark early in winter. (usually) _____
- 4) It is very cold in winter in Scandinavia. (always) _____
- 5) Do you get up late (usually) _____
- 6) It is hot in southern Europe in summer (often) _____
- 7) Do you go away at the weekend? (ever) _____

33. Write questions for these answers. Ask about the underlined words.

Example: *My parents work in a factory. Where do my parents work?*

- 1) I go to school at 8.00 a.m. _____
- 2) They practice surf twice a week. _____
- 3) This bread costs £2 a kilo. _____
- 4) Tom goes swimming on Tuesday. _____
- 5) They listen to classical music. _____
- 6) He travels by plane. _____
- 7) Tom's thirteen. _____
- 8) She drinks two cups of tea every day. _____
- 9) This bag belong to Mary. _____
- 10) Jill spends her money on CDs. _____

34. Fill in the blanks with the correct present continuous form of the verbs in brackets .

- 1) A: What _____ (mum/do) at the moment?
B: She _____ (drive) dad to the station.
- 2) A: Where _____ (you/go)? _____ (you/go) home?
B: No, I _____. I _____ (not/go) home. I _____ (wait) for Nail.
- 3) A: How _____ (Silvia/spend) her holiday in London?
B: She _____ (have) a very good time. She _____ (make) a lot of new friends.
They _____ (take) her to a lot of places. And she _____ (improve) her English.

- 4) **A:** Where's Mark? _____ (he/study)?
B: No, he _____. He _____ (help) his brother repair his scooter and they _____ (try) to finish before dinner.
- 5) **A:** Why _____ (you/not/sleep)?
B: Because I _____ (revise) for tomorrow.
- 6) **A:** _____ (you and your friends /have) a good time?
B: No, we _____.

35. Write sentences with the following prompts . Use the present continuous tense.

- 1) She/not do/her homework. _____
- 2) She/write /an e-mail/to her friend. _____
- 3) "Lisa /wear / a dress/ tonight/?" "No/she". _____
- 4) "What/dad/do?". " He/wash/the car in the garden". _____
- 5) "They/go/to the party/with you/?" "Yes/they. _____
- 6) I/have/a shower. _____
- 7) "Lee/not play /tennis with Mark / ? " Yes/she". _____

36. Translate into English the following sentences. Use the present continuous tense.

- 1) Tim sta lavando il cane. _____
- 2) Sto leggendo un libro molto interessante. _____
- 3) In questo periodo mio padre lavora all'estero. _____
- 4) La nostra squadra sta perdendo, ma la partita non è finita. _____
- 5) Studi molto in questi giorni? _____
- 6) Max non sta lavorando al computer. _____

37. Complete the sentences with the Simple Present or Present Continuous of the verbs in brackets..

- 1) **A:** Why can't we play outside ? **B:** Because it _____ (rain). That's why!
- 2) **A:** I _____ (do) aerobics twice a week. **B:** Which gym _____ (you/go) to?
- 3) **A:** It _____ (get) very hot in Greece in August. **B:** I _____ (know)!
- 4) **A:** Why _____ (you/wear) your coat indoors ? **B:** Because I'm cold.
- 5) **A:** I _____ (not/enjoy) this pizza. It's terrible . **B:** Tell the waiter.
- 6) **A:** Where _____ (the bus 98 /stop)? **B:** Opposite to the station.
- 7) **A:** _____ (you/like) this film? **B:** No, I _____ (not /understand) the plot.
- 8) **A:** What _____ (you/usually/do) at the weekends?
B: It _____ (depend). I _____ (sometimes/go) to the cinema.
- 9) **A:** Who _____ (you/write) to?
B: I _____ (write an e-mail to a Spanish friend. He _____ (live) in Barcelona .
- 10) **A:** You _____ (not/eat) your dinner. Why not?
B: I'm not well . I _____ (have) a headache.
- 11) **A:** What _____ (Anita/do) at work these days?
B: Nothing . She's on leave for a month.
- 12) **A:** Tea _____ (come) from India.
B: That's right . They _____ (grow) tea in Ceylon too.

38. Complete using the correct Majority Comparative (comparativo di maggioranza) of the adjectives in brackets .

- 1) I think you're _____ (friendly) than him.
- 2) It's _____ today than yesterday .
- 3) This holiday is _____ (exciting) than the last one but it's _____ (expensive) .
- 4) Mike is _____ (good) at English than me but he's _____ (bad) at Maths.
- 5) My homework is _____ (long) and _____ (difficult) than yours.
- 6) Italy is _____ (small) than France but I think it's _____ (beautiful).
- 7) The hotel is _____ (comfortable) and _____ (big) than that one.
- 8) You're _____ (attractive) than your brother but he's _____ (nice).

39. Complete using the correct Superlative form of the adjectives in brackets.

- 1) This is _____ (old) and _____ (interesting) building in town.
- 2) Who's _____ (good) _____ (student) in the class? And who's _____ (bad)?
- 3) It's _____ (hot) and _____ (humid) day of the year.
- 4) This is _____ (noisy) and _____ (exciting) party of the year.
- 5) Mr Jackson is _____ (rich) and _____ (young) businessman in town.
- 6) Paul is _____ (fat) boy in the class but he's _____ (nice) and _____ (clever).
- 7) What's _____ (large) country in the world ? What's _____ (small)?
- 8) What's _____ (quick) way of getting to the centre ?

40. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs from the box.

don't mind /do don't like/listen love/collect hate/go can't stand/ wear ~~love/play~~

Example: I love playing tennis . It's my favourite sport.

- 1) Most of my friends _____ to classical music, but I love it.
- 2) My brother _____ football cards. He's got thousands of them!
- 3) I really _____ make-up. I hate it .
- 4) I _____ shopping with my parents. It's so boring.
- 5) I _____ exams . It's not a problem if you revise for them.

41. Andrew and Susan are throwing (stanno organizzando) a party. Complete the dialogue with the correct words from the box.

much something many (x2) enough none some any (x2) a lot (x2) a few
everyone anything

- Andrew :** We don't need to get _____ plastic plates. I 've got _____ from the last party. Look!
- Sue:** Are there _____ plastic cups?
- Andrew:** No, there are _____ .
- Sue:** Ok, let's buy _____ because they are always useful.
- Andrew:** How _____ food are you going to cook?
- Sue:** Well, _____ is bringing _____ to eat , so I don't need to cook _____ !
- Andrew :** What about drinks ? How _____ bottles do you want to get ?
- Sue:** _____ of my friends are bringing wine, so let's just get _____ bottles of cola.
- Andrew:** How _____ bottles ?
- Sue:** About six . Do you think that is _____ ?
- Andrew :** Yes, I guess it's ok. So let's go shopping!

42. Insert How much .. or How many...

- 1) _____ sisters have you got?
- 2) _____ money can you give me?
- 3) _____ students are there in your class?
- 4) _____ coffee do you drink in a week?
- 5) _____ homework do you do every day?
- 6) _____ languages do you speak ?
- 7) _____ bread is there in the tin?

43. Complete the dialogue with the correct simple past form of the verb BE.

Sue: Hi Jane. You and Sally _____ at home last week. Where _____ you both?
Meg: We went to Cornwall for a short holiday .
Sue: How nice ! What _____ the weather like?
Meg: It _____ dreadful . Rain , rain and more rain.
Sue: What a pity! What did you do ?
Meg: We went for walks , but when all our shoes and all aou clothes _____ wet, we came back to the hotel.
Sue: _____ there any nice people staying there?
Meg: That _____ another problem. There _____ hordes of noisy children.
Sue: Well, you _____ lucky!!
Meg: No, not at all. I _____ glad to get home!!

44. Rewrite the following sentences with the correct simple past form of the verb BE .

- 1) The music is loud _____
- 2) There are a lot of boring people here . _____
- 3) The food isn't very nice. _____
- 4) Sue's friends aren't very friendly _____
- 5) Tom's new trousers are horrible. _____
- 6) I'm too tired to dance. _____
- 7) Your new shoes aren't very comfortable. _____
- 8) Are you there with your mum? _____
- 9) Is Greece expensive. _____
- 10) Is it very hot ? _____

45. Make questions to the following answers. Ask about the underlined words.

Example: Where were you yesterday evening? We were at the cinema yesterday evening.

- 1) _____ ? My favourite actor was Brad Pitt.
- 2) _____ ? They were born in 2002
- 3) _____ ? Yes, she was a Maths teacher
- 4) _____ ? Tom was at home yesterday
- 5) _____ ? Maths was my favourite subject when I was a child
- 6) _____ ? Yes, the music was too loud.
- 7) _____ ? Lara was born in 2012.
- 8) _____ ? No, I wasn't at home last night.

46. Put in: there was /there were – there wasn't /there weren't-was there? /were there?

- 1) _____ two skiers on the mountain.
- 2) _____ a concert at the stadium on Saturday.
- 3) _____ a lot of people at the party ?
- 4) _____ any guitarists in the band.
- 5) _____ a lesson yesterday ?
- 6) _____ any food in the fridge.
- 7) _____ some dancers on the stage.

47. Complete the text with the correct simple past form of the verbs in the box

sit be(x 2) take have not eat feel get not go break leave

Max _____ my neighbour. He _____ England to move to Spain two years ago, because his dad _____ a good job there. His cat _____ to Spain and Max was very worried about it. I _____ sorry for the cat so I offered to adopt it. That was a big mistake! We _____ lots of problems with it. It _____ mum's favourite vase, it _____ its food, but _____ our food from the kitchen and, then, it _____ on my father's favourite armchair. My family _____ furious!

48. Insert the correct simple past form. Then make the sentences in the negative form (N.F), in the question form (Q.F) and give the short answers (S.A) as suggested.

- 1) The Beatles _____ (come) from London. (x)
N.F. _____ Q.F. _____
S.A. _____
- 2) Shakespeare _____ (write) Romeo and Juliet. ()
N.F. _____ Q.F. _____
S.A. _____
- 3) Agatha Christie _____ (create) Sherlock Holmes. (x)
N.F. _____ Q.F. _____
S.A. _____
- 4) They _____ (have) a good time at the concert last night. ()
N.F. _____ Q.F. _____
S.A. _____

49. A. Complete Bob's letter using the correct form of the simple present, the present continuous or the simple past

Dear Mum and Dad,

3rd, June 2015

Sorry I(not write) to you last week but I.....(be) too busy.
I(like) my new house here in Cardiff very much. I(share) it with an Australian boy and his girlfriend, an Irish girl. They.....(be) really very nice. Mike (work) in a bookshop and Julie..... (study) at University. They..... (meet) two years ago.
Unfortunately, I(not like) my new job very much but I (try) to find a better one. Ah, I.....(have) a girlfriend, Lisa. She..... (not work) at the moment because she..... (take) a course at university. She.....(live) with her family in a house not far from here, so we can meet every day! Last weekend we.....(go) to Brighton with a couple of friends. We.....(spend) some very good days together. Next weekend, instead, we.....(drive) to London and we.....(visit) some museums.
What about you? Hope you're well and can come and see me soon.

B . Answer the following questions about the previous text:

- 1) Why didn't Bob write to his parents last week?

- 2) Where does he live?

- 3) Who does he share his house with?

- 4) Why is he trying to find a new job?

- 5) Does his girlfriend work? Why?

- 6) What did he do last weekend?

FOCUS ON VOCABULARY

Personal details and physical description

1. Underline the correct word for each sentence.

- 1) How **old /age** is Susan?
- 2) Where do you **stay/live**?
- 3) What's your date of **birthday/birth**?
- 4) What's your **address / house**?
- 5) Where do you **come/live** from?
- 6) What's her **work/job**?
- 7) What **country/nationality** are you?
- 8) Are you married or **only/single**?

2. Choose the correct option.

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|---|-----------|-----------|---------|
| 1) What does David look like ? –He's | A tall | B high | C big |
| 2) Charles.....glasses. | A carries | B wears | C uses |
| 3) Tom's only ten. He's | A young | B elderly | C old |
| 4) How many brothers or sistersyou got? | A are | B do | C have |
| 5) What colour.....your hair? | A is | Bare | C has |
| 6) He.....fifteen years old | A gets | B has | C is |
| 7) John hasa beard. | A carries | B wears | C got |
| 8) What does she like? | A watch | B do | C look |
| 9) How much do you? | A weigh | B wear | C be |
| 10) Patrick lookshis father . | A like | B high | C alike |

3. Complete each sentence with a correct word from the box.

shoulders wavy eyes complexion hair girl plump man teenager blue tall built middle-aged

- 1) Our science teacher is tall _____ called Mr Thorpe.
- 2) Do you know that _____? – Yes, her name's Mary.
- 3) Now that I'm thirteen, I'm a _____.
- 4) Tom's got _____ hair and _____ eyes.
- 5) Donald is from Kenya, Africa. He's got dark _____.
- 6) Anne is _____ and slim. She's got curly _____ and big blue _____.
- 7) David is well-_____ and has got broad _____.
- 8) Mr Johnson is in his fifties . He's _____.
- 9) Susan isn't fat . She's just a bit _____.

4. Underline the correct adjective.

- 1) He was too **mean/generous** to give any money to charity.
- 2) The doctors are very **pessimistic/optimistic**. They think Jane won't get better.
- 3) She manages to stay **miserable /cheerful** even in the midst of a disaster.
- 4) I was very **relaxed/nervous** about driving again after the accident.
- 5) Tom is such a **lazy /hard-working** person . He lies in bed for hours.
- 6) He was too **self-confident/shy** to ask her to dance with him.

Family members and jobs.

5. Who are these people? Put in the correct word or words concerning each definition.

- 1) Your father's (or your mother's) parents _____
- 2) Your mother's (or your father's) sister _____
- 3) Your mother's (or your father's) brother _____
- 4) Your husband's son from a previous marriage _____
- 5) The sister of the person you marry _____
- 6) Your brother's (or sister's) male child _____
- 7) Your brother's (or sister's) female child _____
- 8) A child with no brothers or sisters _____

6. Match each job to the correct past action .

1. The vet	a. made his new suit.	1.
2. The carpenter	b. sent the thief to prison.	2.
3. The mechanic	c. treated my dog.	3. ...
4. The judge	d. brought me a drink on a tray.	4.
5. The tailor	e. repaired the table and the chairs.	5.
6. The steward	f. repaired my car.	6.
7. The gardener	g. sang beautiful songs.	7.
8. The singer	h. cut the grass.	8. ...

Daily routine and household chores

7. Match accurately the words of the box A to the words of the box B

	B	A	B
1. I wake up	a. to the bathroom	11. We have	k. my homework
2. I lie	b. a shower	12. I go back home	l. To bed at about 10.00
3. I get out	c. early	13. I have lunch	m. asleep
4. I go	d. in bed for a few minutes	14. I hang out	n. at home
5. I have	e. home at 7.30	15. I do	o. a break at 10.30
6. I get	f. of bed	16. I listen	p. at 1.30 p.m.
7. I have	g. dressed	17. I have dinner	q. with my friends
8. I leave	h. school at 8 o' clock	18. I watch	r. with my family at about 7.00
9. I take the bus	i. breakfast	19. I go	s. to music
10. I start	j. to school	20. I fall	t. TV

1___ 2___ 3___ 4___ 5___ 6___ 7___ 8___ 9___ 10___ 11___ 12___ 13___ 14___ 15___ 16___ 17___ 18___ 19___ 20___

At school

8. Underline the correct option.

- 1) If you don't understand a word, **look it up/look it out** in a dictionary.
- 2) Tom tried hard but he **failed /passed** the biology exam.
- 3) Miss White **teaches/learns** us Maths.
- 4) I find it hard to **keep on/keep up** with my classmates.
- 5) What does this word **mean/say**?
- 6) I'm sorry, but I don't **understand /know** the question.
- 7) Stop talking and **hear/ listen** to what I'm saying.
- 8) Some teachers don't **say /explain** things very well.
- 9) Could you **retell/repeat**, please?
- 10) Sometimes I **share/divide** books with my desk mate.
- 11) Check over your work before you **hand it on/hand it in**.
- 12) David **completed /graduated** at London University in 2005.
- 13) If the teacher speaks too fast can't **make /write** down what he's saying .
- 14) We **have/do** six lesson a day
- 15) You can borrow books at the **bookshop/library**