

Progress Test Files 1-6

Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation

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American

ENGLISH FILE 2

GRAMMAR

- 1 Complete the sentences. Use the correct form of the verb in parentheses.

Example: I *'ve* never read (read) a book in English.

- Be careful. We _____ just _____ (paint) that door.
- I _____ (see) your brother at the pool when I was swimming.
- We _____ (fly) to Malaysia at 10 o'clock next Tuesday.
- _____ you _____ (be) to Moscow before?
- My sister _____ (study) photography at the moment.
- _____ you _____ (wait) for your bus when I saw you yesterday?
- When they got to Paris, they _____ (go) out for a meal.
- I _____ (not be) late tomorrow. That's a promise.
- Let's eat Japanese food. I _____ never _____ (try) it.
- When _____ Pavol _____ (go) back to Warsaw? Is it tomorrow?

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- 2 Underline the correct form.

Example: When **have you finished** / **did you finish** your work?

- I **am going to** / **'ll** see you at the movie theater at six o'clock.
- What **did you do** / **were you doing** for your last vacation?
- My room is **more clean** / **cleaner** than my sister's.
- When **did he get** / **has he got** back from Russia?
- Katya didn't run **enough fast** / **fast enough** to win the race.
- Tai's girlfriend is someone **who** / **which** loves dancing.
- That's the **most** / **more** difficult question you've ever asked me.
- We've finished our homework, **but** / **so** we're going out for a walk.
- Who did you **see** / **saw** at the post office?
- Does your brother stay** / **Is your brother staying** with you this weekend?
- Megan **always is** / **is always** late to school.

- I **was sitting** / **sat** on a bench when the bus arrived.
- Mr. King **will meet** / **is meeting** someone at four, but he can see you at three.
- I don't think it **'ll snow** / **'s snowing** tomorrow.
- We haven't had **nothing** / **anything** to eat today – we're really hungry.

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- 3 Complete the sentences with one word.

Example: Sorry, what did you say? I didn't hear.

- I've _____ heard that joke. Kim told it to me yesterday.
- The concert wasn't as good _____ the one I saw last week.
- She had a party _____ it was her birthday.
- _____ it was raining, we went to the beach for a picnic.
- It was _____ worst movie I've ever seen!
- This hotel is less expensive _____ the last one.
- A passenger is someone _____ travels on a bus or train.
- We haven't been to the new museum _____. What's it like?
- I'm sure she _____ call me soon.
- Leo _____ the competition. His singing was the best.

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- 4 Put the words in the correct order.

Example: excellent I latest think his will book be
I think his latest book will be excellent.

- your how people are many in there family ?

- doesn't exercise get husband enough my

- next going are to what study year you ?

- as my older I sister isn't as am tall

- book is this the I've read best ever

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Grammar total

40

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VOCABULARY

5 Underline the odd word out.

Example: sneakers shorts boots shoes

- 1 generous mean funny friendly
- 2 cap T-shirt sweater top
- 3 polluted noisy crowded lazy
- 4 thin bald overweight slim
- 5 disgusting luxurious delicious comfortable
- 6 buy borrow rent sunbathe
- 7 necklace earrings leggings bracelet
- 8 shy talkative extrovert high
- 9 receipt check-in checkout customer
- 10 washing ironing sailing cleaning

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6 Write the opposite.

Example: teach learn

- 1 fix _____
- 2 win _____
- 3 start _____
- 4 sell _____
- 5 forget _____

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7 Complete the sentences with one word.

Example: Slim is the opposite of fat.

- 1 Did you _____ any souvenirs while you were in Bavaria?
- 2 I'm sorry, he isn't here. He's _____ work.
- 3 Bella's birthday is _____ New Year's Day!
- 4 I don't have enough _____ to do my work and help you.
- 5 It's really dark in here. Can you turn _____ the light please?
- 6 Students, please work in _____ and talk to your partners.
- 7 When we're on vacation, we _____ bikes to get around.
- 8 Can I _____ \$10 from you, please? I'll give it back tomorrow.
- 9 I wear _____ and gym socks when I play sports. If not, my feet hurt.
- 10 I didn't spend much _____ when we went out last night.

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8 Complete the sentences with the correct word(s).

Example: She tried on the dress in the store.
off on up

- 1 Have you _____ your bed this morning?
done made cleaned
- 2 They don't go _____ to eat very often.
off out up
- 3 The hotels are too expensive, so we're _____ at a campsite.
staying borrowing renting
- 4 How do you _____ this word?
repeat underline pronounce
- 5 We're seeing our cousins next week. We're really looking _____ it.
for forward to after
- 6 The downtown area was very _____. There were a lot of people.
quiet boring crowded
- 7 My university classes start _____ October.
in on at
- 8 We _____ at the hotel very late last night.
got arrived came
- 9 I _____ Victor some money last month, and he hasn't paid me back.
spent lent borrowed
- 10 Don't eat all that cake! It's really _____.
unhealthy uncomfortable polluted
- 11 What did you think _____ the play?
off for of
- 12 This class started _____ 9:15. You're late again!
on in at
- 13 I'm going to _____ Chris to our picnic this weekend.
meet invite stay
- 14 Don't worry _____ washing the dishes. I'll do it later.
about for on
- 15 Who's paying _____ the car parking fee?
to for on

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Vocabulary total

40

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PRONUNCIATION

9 Underline the stressed syllable.

Example: a|ddress

- 1 sun|bathe
- 2 ge|ne|rous
- 3 friend|ly
- 4 for|get
- 5 i|ro|ning
- 6 lu|xu|ri|ous
- 7 pro|nounce
- 8 ja|cket
- 9 de|li|cious
- 10 po|llu|ted

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10 Match the words with the same sound.

boring dress windy watch fat email
~~lazy~~ funny cloudy match sightseeing

Example: page lazy

- 1 said _____
- 2 shy _____
- 3 gloves _____
- 4 jacket _____
- 5 socks _____
- 6 talkative _____
- 7 crowded _____
- 8 touch _____
- 9 beach _____
- 10 dishes _____

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Pronunciation total		20
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Reading and Writing

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READING

1 Read the text and check (✓) A, B, or C.

CouchSurfing – a different kind of travel experience

by Emma Jackson

I love traveling abroad, but two years ago I didn't have much **cash** to spend on my vacation. At first, I was planning to go camping again, but then a friend suggested an **alternative**: CouchSurfing. I had no idea what that was, so she explained. "CouchSurfers" are people who stay as **guests** in other people's homes **for free**, and visit **the sights** in the local area. You can do the things that most tourists do, like sunbathe on the beach or go sightseeing downtown. Or your **host** could give you a language lesson, teach you how to cook local **delicacies**, or take you to places that visitors never find. It sounded much more fun than my other vacations, so I joined the website and sent emails to about twenty hosts in France and Spain **right away**.

A few days later, I already had ten replies. After a week or two of emails, I made arrangements with four hosts in three different cities. I'm really talkative and they seemed very friendly, so I wasn't **concerned** about spending time with strangers. Two weeks later, I was arriving in Paris, and meeting my first host, Claudette.

Over the next ten days, I stayed in four very different homes, **improved** my foreign languages, and made some great new friends. Sometimes the places where I stayed were basic – a sofa to sleep on, or even just a floor, but sometimes they were luxurious – much nicer than the hostels that I usually go to. I think it was probably the cheapest and most interesting vacation I've ever had!

I've done CouchSurfing again twice since then: in Italy, and here in the US. I'll definitely do it again. In fact, I'm going on a trip to South America next year. And I've had five visitors at my place, including Claudette. I've discovered that hosting is as much fun as **exploring** a new place. CouchSurfing is a fantastic experience. Try it some time!

Example: Emma started Couch Surfing because she wanted to save money.

A True ☒ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐

- It was her first vacation in another country.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- Emma's friend was a regular "CouchSurfer."
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- "CouchSurfers" can spend time with the homeowners.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐

- Half of the people who Emma emailed didn't reply.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- Two of the people she visited lived in the same city.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- Emma went on vacation about a month after joining the website.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- Emma is very shy.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- Emma had a nice bed to sleep in at all the places where she stayed.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- Emma has now had three CouchSurfing vacations.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- Claudette was Emma's favorite host.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐

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2 Match five of the highlighted words / phrases with the definitions.

Example: people who stay in a hotel or house for a short time guests

- worried _____
- made better _____
- finding and learning about something _____
- interesting things for tourists to visit _____
- different thing to choose _____

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Reading total 15

WRITING

Answer these three questions. Write 25–35 words for each question.

- Describe a town or city in your country.
- What plans or arrangements have you made for next weekend?
- Describe a good friend.

Writing total 10

Reading and Writing total 25

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Listening and Speaking

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LISTENING

1 Listen to Claire talking about her favorite photo. Check (✓) A or B.

1 The photo is of a 16th birthday party.

A True ☐ B False ☐

2 Lisa and Tom were at the party.

A True ☐ B False ☐

3 Claire's mom is popular with Claire's friends.

A True ☐ B False ☐

4 Jamie isn't talkative.

A True ☐ B False ☐

5 Claire has no younger brothers or sisters.

A True ☐ B False ☐

☐ 5

2 Listen to five conversations. Match them with places A–E.

Conversation 1 ☐

Conversation 2 ☐

Conversation 3 ☐

Conversation 4 ☐

Conversation 5 ☐

A at work

B at an airport

C at a restaurant

D at a party

E in a clothing store

☐ 5

Listening total ☐ 10

SPEAKING

1 Ask your partner these questions.

1 What school subject do / did you like most?

2 Why are you studying English?

3 Do you want to learn any other languages? Why?

4 What did you have for dinner last night?

5 What are your plans for your next vacation?

6 What is the best book you have ever read?

7 Do you like beach or city vacations? Why?

8 Which country would you most like to visit? Why?

9 Have you ever spoken English abroad? When?

10 What job would you most like to have? Why?

Now answer your partner's questions.

2 Write questions and ask your partner about a weekend trip he / she went on.

• Where / go?

• How / travel?

• What / do / afternoon?

• What / do / evening?

• Where / stay?

• How much / cost?

3 Read this information about a weekend trip you went on and answer your partner's questions.

Weekend trip to Brattleboro

Bus leaves Boston at 8:30 a.m. Saturday

Arrive in Brattleboro about 10:30 a.m.

Tour of the town: 12:00–4:00 p.m. Saturday

Dinner at Smith's Restaurant: 7:00 p.m. Saturday

Accommodation: Village Hotel

Free time for shopping

Return travel: leave Brattleboro Sunday at 3:00 p.m.

Arrive back in Boston at 5:00 p.m.

Cost: \$150 per person

Speaking total ☐ 15

Listening and Speaking total ☐ 25