

1 Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation

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GRAMMAR

- 1 Complete the sentences with *shall* / *going to* / *will* or the present continuous.

Example: I'm sure that Jess will help (help) you with your work.

- 1 A I went to see *Hamlet* yesterday at the theater. It's excellent.
B Oh good. I _____ (see) it next week.
A I think you _____ (love) it.
- 2 A I _____ (go) into town this morning. _____ (I / go) to the store on my way back?
B Yes, we need tea, milk and some fruit.
A OK. I _____ (get) all that, and some coffee, too.
- 3 A They said on the radio that the weather _____ (be) fantastic this Saturday.
B That's great, because my grandparents _____ (come) to stay with me.

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

Example: We're meeting (meet) Bob outside the movie theater at 7:30.

- 1 I _____ (have) lunch with my sister at 1:00 today.
- 2 We know that Karl _____ (hate) us! He's always giving us extra work to do.
- 3 Maria _____ (buy) a new car tomorrow.
- 4 I _____ (need) a lot more sleep at the moment to help me study better for my exams.
- 5 We never _____ (eat) together as a family any more.
- 6 Hi, Pete. Sorry, I can't speak now because I _____ (drive).
- 7 You look very serious! What _____ (think) about?

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- 3 Underline the correct form.

Example: We usually get up / *get up usually* early every morning.

- 1 Susan *doesn't work* / isn't working tomorrow, so we're going to the beach.
- 2 *Are you watching* / Do you watch the tennis match tomorrow night?
- 3 In spring, *we often bike* / we're often biking to school.
- 4 Harry *is taking* / takes a lot of vitamins every day.
- 5 *I don't usually have* / I'm not usually having pizza, but I'll have some tonight.
- 6 Tim buys a lot of take-out, but *I'm preferring* / I prefer home-made food.

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Grammar total

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VOCABULARY

- 4 Complete the sentences with the correct word.

Example: Jim's really shy. He hates meeting new people.
shy sensitive extroverted

- 1 David is always trying to pay for everything. He's very _____.
generous sensitive honest
- 2 In sports, boys are often more _____ than girls. They really want to win.
reliable competitive bossy
- 3 Marc is so _____ for a 14-year-old! He seems much older.
competitive mature sensitive
- 4 Debbie can seem so different on different days – she's really _____.
moody mean sensible
- 5 You must think about other people's feelings instead of being so _____.
independent spoiled selfish
- 6 Eduardo seemed very _____ yesterday. Do you think he's alright?
extroverted quiet confident
- 7 Wanda is just _____ because your score in the test was better than hers.
spoiled ambitious jealous

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5 Write the family word(s).

Example: a mother or father parent

- 1 your grandfather's / grandmother's mother _____
- 2 your father's new wife _____
- 3 your brother's / sister's daughter _____
- 4 someone with no brothers or sisters _____
- 5 your husband's / wife's brother _____
- 6 everybody in your family _____
- 7 your brother's / sister's son _____

 76 Underline the odd word out.Example: beans salmon spicy sausages

- 1 low-fat cook canned frozen
- 2 salmon crab beef squid
- 3 cucumber cabbage pepper cherry
- 4 lamb beans duck chicken
- 5 raw roasted fried boiled
- 6 frozen spicy jar fresh

 6Vocabulary total 20

PRONUNCIATION

7 Underline the stressed syllable.Example: tal|ka|tive

- 1 mush|room
- 2 re|be|llious
- 3 zu|cchi|ni
- 4 in|de|pen|dent
- 5 com|pe|ti|tive

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8 Match the words with the same sound.

fork box jar

plate fruit sugar

Example: train plate

- 1 carton _____
- 2 boot _____
- 3 horse _____
- 4 bull _____
- 5 clock _____

 5Pronunciation total 10Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation total 50

1 Reading and Writing **B**

READING

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

While multi-generational living is normal in many cultures, in some countries such as Britain and the US, it isn't very usual. However, homes where grandparents live with their children and their families in the same house are becoming more common in these countries because of the economic climate. Here, the members of one extended family explain how it works for them.

Georgina – Anna's grandmother

I was really pleased when my son wanted to move back home. I love spending time with Anna, my granddaughter. She's a sweet little girl at the moment – so happy and affectionate – everybody who meets her likes her. It will be wonderful to watch her grow up. I think even my unsociable husband is enjoying it! We eat together twice a week and, once a month, we have a family conference – my husband and I, my son and his wife – to discuss how things are going. We try to respect each other's space. Having my son here makes me less anxious about the future, too. At the moment, we're healthy, but in a few years we're going to need more help.

Esther – Anna's mother

Actually, it's all working out well! My mother-in-law remembers what it's like to have young children, so she's very patient with Anna and sympathetic to me when I'm tired. She often just says: "Go and rest. I'll look after her." I think she wants to give advice about what Anna eats and what time she goes to bed, but she usually says nothing! And occasionally I ask her opinion and find her ideas are really sensible. We are all learning to be very honest with each other, which I think is a good thing.

Chris – Anna's grandfather

I prefer a quiet life and a tidy house, and I think young people should be independent, but my wife loves having the family here. From a selfish point of view, it's good for me too because Georgina is quite talkative and now she can chat with her daughter-in-law. I think it's a very satisfactory situation for everyone concerned!

Alan – Anna's father

I was worried because my mother can be bossy, but actually, she is being sensitive and we're lucky to have a reliable babysitter in the house! My dad is sometimes moody, but he's very affectionate with Anna. We're planning to buy our own house in a couple of years, but I think we'll stay near my parents because the relationship between Anna and her grandparents is so special.

Example: More people live with their families in England because of the economic climate.

A True ☒ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐

- Georgina is looking forward to seeing Anna grow up.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- Georgina says that Chris isn't very sociable.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- Georgina doesn't think she will need her son's assistance in the future.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- Esther cooks for the family twice a week.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- Esther says that Anna often gets tired.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- Esther says that Georgina gives very good advice.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- Alan thinks his mother can't look after Anna.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐

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2 Write **G** for Georgina, **E** for Esther, **C** for Chris, and **A** for Alan.

Example: I was very happy about the family moving in. G

- It's good to have help when I'm tired. _____
- We'll stay for another two years. _____
- I try to be sensitive. _____
- I'm happy to see what an affectionate grandfather he is. _____
- I don't think it's good to be dishonest. _____
- I remember how tiring young children are. _____
- It's too noisy in the house for me! _____
- It's not a good idea for young people to be dependent. _____

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Reading total

15

1 Reading and Writing **B****WRITING**

Write about two people in your family or extended family (140–180 words). Answer the questions.

- What is he / she like?
- What does he / she like or not like doing?
- What is he / she doing at the moment?
- How do you get along?

Writing total		10
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Reading and Writing total		25
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1 Listening and Speaking **B**

LISTENING

- 1 Listen to a conversation about Tom's birthday. Complete each sentence with one word.
- Tom's grandparents, aunt, uncle, and _____ are coming for coffee.
 - Tom's mom, her husband, and Tom's _____ are going out for dinner.
 - Some of Tom's friends are going to put _____ on the birthday film.
 - Tom and Paul are going to watch _____ together.
 - There's going to be a party for Tom and a friend on _____.

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- 2 Listen to five conversations. Check (✓) A, B, or C.

- When are James and Lisa having lunch together?
A tomorrow ☐ B today ☐ C on Friday ☐
- What doesn't the customer order with the chicken?
A roasted potatoes ☐ B peas ☐
C cabbage ☐
- What does the customer ask for?
A salmon and tuna ☐ B eggs and tuna ☐
C salmon and eggs ☐
- What does Harry want to eat before dinner?
A an apple ☐ B a cookie ☐
C a cookie and an apple ☐
- What is the customer going to buy?
A half a pound of red grapes ☐
B some raspberries ☐
C half a pound of green grapes ☐

☐ 5Listening total ☐ 10

SPEAKING

- 1 Answer your partner's questions.

Now make questions and ask your partner.

- Where / eat / during the week?
- What / usually have / breakfast / on weekend?
- spend time with / family member / this Saturday?
- What / do / next weekend?
- move / away from or back to / where your family live?

- 2 Listen to your partner talking about healthy diets. Do you agree with him / her?

- 3 Talk about the statement below, saying if you agree or disagree. Give reasons.

"Big family get-togethers are important."

Speaking total ☐ 15Listening and Speaking total ☐ 25