

# Progress Test Files 1-5

## Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation

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# American

# ENGLISH FILE 3

## GRAMMAR

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

Example: How many cups of coffee do you have (have) every day?

- 1 Jaime isn't in the office today. He \_\_\_\_\_ (work) at home.
- 2 I \_\_\_\_\_ (answer) sixteen emails since ten o'clock this morning.
- 3 They \_\_\_\_\_ (watch) a football game on TV when we arrived.
- 4 What \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ (give) Pete for his birthday last week?
- 5 I \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to the doctor's at 4:30. I'll see you at 5:00.
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_ he \_\_\_\_\_ (finish) his homework yet? Oh, that was quick!
- 7 Don't get a taxi. I \_\_\_\_\_ (meet) you after the class in the car.
- 8 \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ (see) the new James Bond movie next week?
- 9 We \_\_\_\_\_ (stay) with my parents at the moment while we look for an apartment.
- 10 \_\_\_\_\_ you ever \_\_\_\_\_ (drive) a sports car?
- 11 \_\_\_\_\_ David \_\_\_\_\_ (look for) me at 10:30? I was in a meeting.
- 12 We \_\_\_\_\_ (just finish) lunch when Joe arrived.
- 13 Sorry I'm late. \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ (wait) long?
- 14 Will you \_\_\_\_\_ (can) help us move next week?
- 15 The train \_\_\_\_\_ (not arrive) yet. It's an hour late.

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- 2 Underline the correct word(s).

Example: She wants / is wanting to be alone at the moment.

- 1 My sister's a science teacher / science teacher in a high school.
- 2 Tom was playing / used to play baseball when he was young.
- 3 You must not / don't have to pay for museums in the U.K. They're usually free.
- 4 I'm afraid you can't / couldn't speak to Mr. Jones. He's in a meeting.
- 5 My boyfriend drives more slowly / slowlier than I do.

- 6 I dropped my cell phone in the bath last month so I must / had to get a new one.
- 7 You shouldn't / don't have to eat so much salt. It isn't good for you.
- 8 Do you like / Are you liking going to hot places on vacation?
- 9 Have you been having / had that computer for a long time?
- 10 This summer wasn't as hot than / as it was last summer.
- 11 He doesn't need / isn't needing to do any work this evening.
- 12 What time do you go / are you going out tonight?
- 13 You listened to the instructions more / most carefully than I did.
- 14 She's been working with us for / since 2004.
- 15 We like going to restaurants / the restaurants on the weekends.

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- 3 Complete the second sentence with two words so that it means the same as the first sentence. Contracted forms, e.g. *isn't*, count as one word.

Example: I'm not sure who it is. Maybe it's his wife.  
I'm not sure who it is. It might be his wife.

- 1 All passengers must show their passports at the check-in desk.  
You \_\_\_\_\_ show your passport at the check-in desk.
- 2 That dress is beautiful!  
What \_\_\_\_\_ dress!
- 3 I didn't like exercise when I was younger, but now I go to the gym a lot.  
I didn't \_\_\_\_\_ like exercise, but now I go to the gym a lot.
- 4 Do you have time to finish the work before Friday?  
Will you be \_\_\_\_\_ finish the work before Friday?
- 5 This book isn't as interesting as the last one you lent me.  
This book is less \_\_\_\_\_ the last one you lent me.
- 6 Our wedding will be in July.  
We're \_\_\_\_\_ in July.
- 7 I was in the middle of my homework when you called.  
I \_\_\_\_\_ my homework when you called.

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8 Going to the theater is more expensive than going to the movies.

Going to the movies isn't \_\_\_\_\_ as going to the theater.

9 I've never read a funnier book.

That's \_\_\_\_\_ book I've ever read.

10 We met years ago.

We \_\_\_\_\_ each other for years.

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Grammar total 40

## VOCABULARY

4 Underline the odd word out.

Example: glass napkin knife eggs

1 melon peach beet pear

2 father nephew niece brother

3 captain track fan spectator

4 margarine carton box jar

5 moody bossy stubborn reliable

6 bus highway scooter van

7 frozen boiled roast fried

8 win play lose draw

9 inherit borrow throw earn

10 furious tiny hilarious hungry

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5 Write the opposite of the adjective.

Example: lazy hard-working

1 mature \_\_\_\_\_

2 shy \_\_\_\_\_

3 tiny \_\_\_\_\_

4 organized \_\_\_\_\_

5 freezing \_\_\_\_\_

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6 Underline the correct word.

Example: The trip took forever. I was really tired / tiring the next day.

1 I forgot to wear socks to work. It was so embarrassed / embarrassing.

2 We were really frightened / frightening during the hurricane.

3 She often feels very depressed / depressing in the winter.

4 I've left my cell phone at home again! It's so frustrated / frustrating.

5 Have you ever walked out of the theater because the movie was bored / boring?

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7 Complete the words in the sentences.

Example: He's very smart. He always knows the answers!

1 Karen isn't in the office right now. Do you want to l\_\_\_\_\_ a message?

2 It's difficult to choose b\_\_\_\_\_ these two vacations.

3 Which g\_\_\_\_\_ is our plane leaving from?

4 This is Dave, my r\_\_\_\_\_. We live in the apartment next door.

5 I don't want to cook tonight. Shall we get t\_\_\_\_\_?

6 We were two hours late because there was a terrible traffic j\_\_\_\_\_.

7 You must go to that new restaurant. The food is d\_\_\_\_\_.

8 I get along really well with Kate because we have a lot in c\_\_\_\_\_.

9 When his grandmother died, Jeff i\_\_\_\_\_ her house.

10 What's the speed l\_\_\_\_\_ on this road?

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

Example: I owe my dad \$100.

borrow owe invest

- 1 You have to be careful what you say to Sofia. She's very \_\_\_\_\_.  
sensible responsible sensitive
- 2 She's trying to cut \_\_\_\_\_ on coffee at the moment.  
She just has one cup a day.  
out down up
- 3 I still keep in touch with some of my \_\_\_\_\_ from high school.  
colleagues partners classmates
- 4 They \_\_\_\_\_ me \$10 to park my car at the train station.  
cost saved charged
- 5 I'm sorry, I'm busy right now. Can I \_\_\_\_\_ you back later?  
leave dial call
- 6 He's a cute child. He's very \_\_\_\_\_.  
affectionate moody aggressive
- 7 I don't like \_\_\_\_\_ food. I think food should be cooked!  
raw fried boiled
- 8 Did he apply \_\_\_\_\_ that job he was talking about?  
of to for
- 9 I told my friend what to do and she did the opposite.  
I was \_\_\_\_\_.  
filthy tiny furious
- 10 This new company pays me a better \_\_\_\_\_ than my old company.  
mortgage salary tax

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Vocabulary total 40

### PRONUNCIATION

### 9 Underline the stressed syllable.

Example: com|pe|ti|tive

- 1 spec|ta|tor
- 2 i|ma|gi|na|tive
- 3 un|der|ground
- 4 rasp|be|rries
- 5 a|fford
- 6 cir|cuit
- 7 pe|de|stri|an
- 8 in|de|pen|dent
- 9 mort|gage
- 10 am|bi|tious

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### 10 Match the words with the same sound.

charming inherit journey height injured  
selfish organized paid team gossip owe

Example: phone owe

- 1 fish \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 jazz \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 snake \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 tree \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 chess \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 egg \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 bike \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 clock \_\_\_\_\_
- 9 zebra \_\_\_\_\_
- 10 train \_\_\_\_\_

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Pronunciation total 20

Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation total 100

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## Reading and Writing

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### READING

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

## The transatlantic question

Charles Lindbergh's 33-hour flight from New York to Paris in 1927 made aviation history. Less known is the return flight to New York by two Frenchmen three years later. Taking just over three hours longer, Costes and Bellonte made an equally exciting journey from Paris to New York in their plane, the *Question Mark*. The first question they faced, Captain Costes remembered in an article at the time, was "Would the plane lift off the ground?" "That was our greatest **concern**. We had 5,200 liters of gasoline **on board**."

This fear passed quickly but was followed by other **hazards**. They **ran into** three storms. The third, and worst of all, was over Nova Scotia, in Canada. "In order to avoid it, we had to fly 100 miles **out of our way**. Time was passing and every minute meant the loss of more of our **precious** fuel."

They had another problem: "The sky was **overcast**, it was raining and we had to fly below those rain clouds." Sometimes they were extremely low which meant they had to fly as close to the water as thirty feet.

"There were many exciting moments during our trip, but I think the greatest **thrill** came when we first saw the coast of North America," said Costes. He decided that three was their lucky number. They had survived three storms – and at 3 a.m. French time, they saw land. But their adventures weren't over.

Suddenly, a mountain appeared out of the mist. "We were between the steep banks of a river. It was a tight place. Bellonte was at the controls at that time and he had to think fast. Fortunately, having flown thousands of miles, the plane was light." Bellonte managed to turn the plane just in time. But Costes said, "It is not pleasant to think how close we came to those cruel, **jagged** rocks."

Fortunately, they succeeded where many others before them had failed, and the **graceful** landing at the airport in New York was greeted by 10,000 cheering people. Among them was Colonel Charles Lindbergh who said, "I congratulate you!" as he shook the hands of the two heroes.

Example: Lindbergh traveled from New York to Paris in \_\_\_\_\_.

A a boat ☐ B a plane ☒ C a ship ☐

1 Costes and Bellonte flew from Paris to New York in \_\_\_\_\_.

A 1927 ☐ B 1930 ☐ C 1933 ☐

2 They were most worried that the plane was \_\_\_\_\_ to fly.

A too light ☐ B too small ☐  
C too heavy ☐

3 The storm in Canada was \_\_\_\_\_.

A quite small ☐ B very serious ☐  
C not worrying ☐

4 They were worried that the plane \_\_\_\_\_.

A was losing fuel ☐ B was flying too high ☐  
C was getting wet ☐

5 When it rained, they sometimes had to fly \_\_\_\_\_.

A above the clouds ☐ B close to the sea ☐  
C around the clouds ☐

6 The most exciting part of the journey was when \_\_\_\_\_.

A they flew close to the sea ☐  
B they saw the American coast ☐  
C they saw the third storm ☐

7 They saw the American coast when it was \_\_\_\_\_ in France.

A early morning ☐ B mid-afternoon ☐  
C midnight ☐

8 Costes thought they were going to \_\_\_\_\_.

A fly into the river ☐ B fly into a storm ☐  
C crash into a mountain ☐

9 They \_\_\_\_\_ the airport in New York.

A landed at ☐ B passed over ☐  
C missed ☐

10 Colonel Lindbergh congratulated them \_\_\_\_\_.

A on the phone ☐ B in a letter ☐  
C at the airport ☐

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

Example: dangers hazards

1 worry \_\_\_\_\_

2 not on our planned route \_\_\_\_\_

3 covered in cloud \_\_\_\_\_

4 excitement \_\_\_\_\_

5 light and controlled \_\_\_\_\_

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Reading total

15

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Answer one of the questions and write 75–100 words.

- 1 What advice would you give to someone moving to your country?
- 2 Describe an exciting sporting event you have seen or been to.
- 3 What is your favorite way of traveling and why?

Writing total		10
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Reading and Writing total		25
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## Listening and Speaking

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## LISTENING

### 1 Complete the sentences with **one** word.

- It's a good idea not to eat foods that have a lot of \_\_\_\_\_.
- On the "caveman diet" you mustn't eat products that are made from \_\_\_\_\_.
- Don't follow the "cabbage soup diet" for more than one \_\_\_\_\_.
- Blue sunglasses make your food look less \_\_\_\_\_.
- On the "reverse diet," you eat your meals in a different \_\_\_\_\_.

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

- Rob used to like eating a lot of \_\_\_\_\_.  
A curry ☐ B pizza ☐ C sweets ☐
- Lisa thinks that Mark \_\_\_\_\_.  
A has a lot of money ☐  
B isn't telling the truth ☐ C won the lottery ☐
- Paul was \_\_\_\_\_ at the end of his vacation in Iceland.  
A disappointed ☐ B exhausted but happy ☐  
C happy and full of energy ☐
- Anna tells Mark that he \_\_\_\_\_ tip taxi drivers.  
A must always ☐ B doesn't have to ☐  
C must never ☐
- Sam and Alice \_\_\_\_\_.  
A are getting married ☐ B have got engaged ☐  
C are no longer together ☐

☐ 5

 Listening total ☐ 10

## SPEAKING

### 1 Make questions and ask your partner.

- What / your favorite meal?
- Who / you / get along best / family? Why?
- ever buy / anything / online? What?
- When / you last feel frightened? Why?
- How / travel / school (university / work)?
- prefer / do / or / watch / sports?
- What new subject / like / learn? Why?
- often / use / cell phone in public?
- What / should / take / when / have / dinner / friends?
- like / win / a lot of money? What / would / do?

Now answer your partner's questions.

### 2 Talk about one of the statements below, saying if you agree or disagree. Give reasons.

- "Sports have become all about money."
- "It's better to have a few close friends than lots of friends."
- "Traveling is the best way to learn about the world."

### 3 Listen to your partner. Do you agree with him / her?

 Speaking total ☐ 15

 Listening and Speaking total ☐ 25