

Vocabulary

1 Complete the sentences, replacing the underlined words with a suitable word or expression.

- From the first time they met, Carol and Megan were immediate friends.
From the first time they met, Carol and Megan _____.
- My tennis match is at the same time as the TV programme.
My tennis match _____ with the TV programme.
- We have a new place to play football.
We have a new football _____.
- I have no problem expressing my point of view in a discussion.
I have no problem _____.
- It is too simplistic to say that all doctors are rich.
It is an _____ to say that all doctors are rich.
- She has an excellent relationship with her students.
She has an excellent _____ with her students.
- The speeches were translated as they were delivered.
The speeches were translated _____.
- There is very little feeling of friendship or trust between the players.
There is very little _____ between the players.
- Wendy was shy and unwillingly to join in the conversation.
Wendy was _____ to join in the conversation.
- Rugby players have to stop their opponents by trying to pull them to the ground.
Rugby players have to _____ their opponents.

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2 Complete the diary text.

I almost hit the ¹_____ with Henry this afternoon. He behaved really badly towards the new guy in the class debate. OK, the new guy was a bit pretentious but, you shouldn't ²_____ a book by its ³_____. While the new guy was talking, Henry ⁴_____ comments in David's ear and they laughed. If they wanted to ⁵_____, they should have left the room. Sally ⁶_____ the nail on the ⁷_____ when she pointed out that Henry was probably jealous of him. It's not that Henry said a lot, but it was more his body language, and his hostile looks that created a bad atmosphere – actions always ⁸_____ louder than ⁹_____. I'm afraid, Henry, I feel, would benefit from some lessons in social ¹⁰_____ and manners.

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Reading

3 Read the text. Are the sentences true or false?

Visiting a Japanese home

Before visiting a Japanese home it is important to know something about Japanese etiquette. A good starting point is the traditional greeting of bowing. A bow can range from a long bow, a 90 degree bend from the waist to show utmost respect to someone of a high social status, to a small nod of the head for informal situations. Handshakes are rare. When entering a Japanese home, after an initial greeting you usually leave your outdoor shoes at the doorway. You will be given slippers, but be prepared to take them off if you go into a room with straw mats on the floor.

If you have been invited to share a meal, then an understanding of table manners is essential. In many homes, meals are served on low tables so expect to sit on cushions on the floor. It is common to share several dishes, and, of course, everyone eats with chopsticks. While you are talking over dinner, never point with your chopsticks, and once you have finished eating, lay them down in front of you making sure that the tips point to the left. Eat up all your rice, as it's considered bad manners to leave any. Once you've finished eating you should move all the dishes back to the position they were in when you started the meal.

- In Japan, bowing is more frequent than any other form of greeting.
- You should bring along indoor shoes when visiting a Japanese home.
- If you eat in a Japanese home, don't expect to sit on a chair.
- There are customs for the use of chopsticks.
- Leaving some food on your plate is important.

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4 Read the text again and answer the questions with a complete sentence.

- What do you indicate with the length of a bow?

- When would you remove your slippers in a Japanese home?

- How do the Japanese typically eat their meals?

- What is considered bad manners at the table?

- How do you show that you have finished eating?

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Grammar

5 Choose the correct options.

- 1 **Despite / While** living in Paris for ten years, I didn't meet many French people.
- 2 When **travelling / travelled** on the London underground, I was careful to follow the rules.
- 3 **Not wanting / Don't wanted** to wake up her mother, Jenny left the house very quietly.
- 4 Switch off your mobile on public transport **because of / since** speaking loudly in public is considered rude.
- 5 Students **found / being found** to be cheating in exams will be expelled from school.
- 6 Having sent the manager three emails, I decided not **write / to write** to him again.
- 7 **Since / After** taking exercise, it's advisable to stretch your muscles and drink water.
- 8 **As / If** learning English in England, you should try to meet some English people.
- 9 When on public transport only speak when **speaking / spoken** to.
- 10 If **stopping / stopped** by the police in the street, you need to present you documentation.

Marks: __ /10

6 Rewrite the sentences using present participles. Start each sentence with the correct form of the underlined word.

- 1 As I didn't want to be a lawyer, I changed my degree subject.

- 2 Tom felt very satisfied because he had finished the painting.

- 3 I asked for directions as I didn't know where I was going.

- 4 Ian shouted loudly because he realized that the boy was about to jump in the river.

- 5 Philip decided to phone home because he felt homesick.

- 6 Katie's best achievement last year was when she was awarded her swimming certificate.

- 7 The footballer left the stadium by the back entrance as he thought this was the best thing to do.

- 8 As I didn't want to see Jane, I didn't go to the party.

- 9 I asked for some help with my homework because I didn't understand it.

- 10 Joan was speaking on her mobile when she entered the café.

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Language skills

7 Complete the dialogue.

- Sue How's your brother Pete?
- Rita Oh. I'd almost forgotten about him, out of sight out of ¹_____. He's gone to London for a training course. It's on group dynamics and how to build ²_____ between people.
- Sue It sounds challenging, but he'll love London. I adore it ³_____ lived there for two years. Though it's really expensive. My father nearly hit the ⁴_____ when he realized how much I was spending. Then there's the public transport. Not ⁵_____ the rules can get you into trouble.
- Rita That's a bit of an ⁶_____, don't you think? I think it's good that they have some sort of travel ⁷_____ but I'm sure Pete won't even notice.
- Sue Do you miss him?
- Rita Definitely not. As you know we don't really ⁸_____ it off and we've never had much ⁹_____. Besides, ¹⁰_____ having to listen to him playing his guitar is a real treat.

Marks: __ /10

8 Complete the mini-dialogues.

- Dialogue 1
- A ¹_____ running?
- B Yes, he did. He had a lot of friends in the film business.
- A ²_____ big?
- B He did for a few years and even won an Oscar.
- A ³_____?
- B Unfortunately, his career hit the buffers after a while.

- Dialogue 2
- A We don't need all these people to prepare the food for the party.
- B I agree. ⁴_____.
- A Well, you could use another proverb to say the opposite.
- B Yes. ⁵_____!

Marks: __ /10

Writing

9 Write some advice to a foreigner visiting someone's home in your country. Write about 200 words and organize your writing into three paragraphs:

- Write about the importance of visiting someone's home in your culture.
- Give advice about things that are essential when visiting someone's home.
- Write about any other pieces of advice a foreigner should remember.

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TOTAL: __ /100