

Vocabulary

1 Complete the sentences with ten of the words or phrases in the box.

catapulting catch on cobbler endorsements feud franchises outbidding pioneer resented thriving trademark unrivalled

- Neil Armstrong was a _____ of space travel and the first person to walk on the moon.
- I wonder if the fashion will _____ with older people or if only young people will like it.
- Dave worked as a _____ before he became a shoe designer.
- The economy is _____ and there are lots of job opportunities.
- A lot of footballers make _____ for sportswear and trainers.
- The shop offers an _____ range of prices that nobody can better.
- The _____ between the two brothers is over and they've settled their differences.
- You can't use their _____ on your products without the company's permission.
- They won the contract by _____ their rivals.
- The workers were angry and _____ having to work more for less pay.

Marks: __/10

2 Complete the text.

Although it's ¹ _____ black outside, you are lying ² _____-awake in your bed. You aren't sound ³ _____ because you're probably ⁴ _____ with worry about a problem. However, advertising is at hand to offer you an easy solution, ⁵ _____ the need to find a real answer to your problem. Advertisements for ⁶ _____ new health products fresh off the ⁷ _____ lines suggest they will quickly make sick people ⁸ _____ fit and reduce children's ⁹ _____ hot temperatures. However, if you listen, you'll see that apart from ¹⁰ _____ the products forcefully on to the market, the adverts actually only offer to 'help' or 'combat' symptoms and never 'cure' them.

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Reading

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

A partnership that changed the world

Although Steve Jobs and Steve Wozniak didn't actually invent the first personal computer, with their Apple I they set the standard for what people believed a personal computer should be like. Then with the Apple II they introduced the first personal computer that could display colour graphics, a development which helped convert two computer-mad young men into the owners of a highly-respected brand.

Both Jobs and Wozniak had had the same obsessive hobby: they loved playing around with electronics at high school. A mutual friend introduced them and from the very beginning their friendship was based on a love of computers. They started building computers and computer components in Wozniak's bedroom before they ran out of space and had to move to the garage. With a growing list of local clients, the two computer geniuses decided to sell the few possessions that they had to set up a company: Apple.

As the company grew, Wozniak concentrated on software and hardware while Jobs proved to be very skilled at marketing. Success came quickly, and before long the two men were multi-millionaires. Today, despite Steve Jobs' death and Steve Wozniak's move into school teaching and education, Apple continues to be one of the world's leading developers of information and communications technology. Not a bad result for something that started out as a hobby!

- Apple I was the world's first personal computer. **T / F**
- Apple II improved the image of the company. **T / F**
- Jobs and Wozniak had been childhood friends. **T / F**
- They worked together at Wozniak's parents' home. **T / F**
- Jobs and Wozniak did different jobs at Apple. **T / F**

Marks: __/5

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

- What was special about Apple II?

- What did Jobs and Wozniak enjoy doing at high school?

- Why did they decide to work in a different place?

- Where did they get the money to start a company?

- What happened soon after they started the company?

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Grammar

5 Choose the correct option.

- 1 I've **known** / **been knowing** my best friend for ages.
- 2 Ewan has **made** / **been making** his bed and now he's going to tidy his bedroom.
- 3 Kira has **written** / **been writing** the report all day but she won't finish it until tomorrow.
- 4 Alex has **done** / **been doing** art classes a lot recently and he loves it.
- 5 We've **waited** / **been waiting** for Jody for ages but I don't think she'll come now.
- 6 We've **travelled** / **been travelling** to Paris three times in the last six months.
- 7 Jim has **had** / **been having** that bicycle since last year.
- 8 I've **written** / **been writing** five essays for English this term.
- 9 For the last three weeks Lola has **trained** / **been training** every day for next month's marathon.
- 10 Martha has **sent** / **been sending** an email to her teacher and she's doing her homework at the moment.

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6 Complete the sentences with the correct base form, past participle or -ing form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 I can't imagine _____ (live) in a foreign country.
- 2 We had our novel _____ (publish) last week.
- 3 Mike refused _____ (help) me with my homework.
- 4 Mr Rodgers didn't remember _____ (teach) my dad thirty years ago.
- 5 The driver failed _____ (stop) so the police followed and arrested him.
- 6 Our teacher made us _____ (do) extra homework.
- 7 John claimed _____ (play) for Manchester United!
- 8 We really love _____ (sing) in the school choir.
- 9 Our trainer demanded _____ (know) why we were late for training.
- 10 The lifeguard risked _____ (lose) his life to save the swimmers.

Marks: ___ /10

Language skills

7 Complete the dialogue.

- Ellie What's wrong with you?
- Melissa Oh, it's just my sister. She decided to speak her ¹ _____ and say the wrong thing as usual.
- Ellie Can it be that bad? I mean, everyone's got the right to ² _____ an opinion.
- Melissa I know, but if I suffer a ³ _____ at school she's always offering ⁴ _____ about things that she doesn't know anything about! And when I reply she doesn't ⁵ _____ attention anyway! She just likes taking ⁶ _____ of my life!
- Ellie It can't be that bad! I know it's difficult to ⁷ _____ disputes, especially within the family.
- Melissa It's just that she's ⁸ _____ idle. I'm always helping her but she never returns a ⁹ _____.
- Ellie Well, perhaps once she's settled at her new school and ¹⁰ _____ some new friendships, she'll be easier to live with.
- Melissa I hope so!

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8 Complete the mini-dialogues.

Dialogue 1

- A ¹ _____?
- B I think a good friend is someone that will listen when you have problems and perhaps give you some advice.
- A ² _____?
- B Yes, I think so. If someone does me a favour, I always try and return it when I have the chance.
- A ³ _____?
- B I think if you're trying to form friendships at a new school you need to find people with similar interests and also to be open-minded about doing new things.

Dialogue 2

- A How did you meet your best friend?
- B ⁴ _____.
- A If you suffered a setback, who would you speak to about it?
- B ⁵ _____.

Marks: ___ /10

Writing

9 Write an article about a region in your country. Write 200–250 words and organize your writing into four paragraphs:

- Introduce the region, say where it is and say what you can do there.
- Present the first town and describe it and mention some activities.
- Present a second town that offers different activities.

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TOTAL: ___ /100