

8 Test

Vocabulary

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

- 1 You can usually trust our national airline.
Our national airline is usually very r_____.
- 2 We got extremely wet watching the football match.
We got s_____ watching the football match.
- 3 We spent a lovely afternoon walking for pleasure in the park.
We spent a lovely afternoon s_____ in the park.
- 4 Travelling by car is generally more practical than going by train.
Travelling by car is generally more c_____ than going by train.
- 5 My father walked nervously up and down outside the door of the operating theatre.
My father p_____ up and down outside the door.
- 6 She's always talking with pride about her high salary.
She's always b_____ about her high salary.
- 7 Driving in the rush hour can cause you a lot of worry.
Driving in the rush hour can be very s_____.
- 8 The concert last night was excellent.
The concert last night was a_____.
- 9 They opened the gate and walked along the path through the country.
They opened the gate and walked along the t_____.
- 10 After losing, the players walked home with heavy steps.
After losing the match, the players t_____ home.

Marks: __ /10

2 Complete the text.

My dad often complains ¹_____ flying because he never has an easy trip. The last time he flew there was a strike by the ²_____ traffic controllers. When he arrived ³_____ the airport, the departures ⁴_____ was already showing a two-hour delay, but he went through passport ⁵_____ anyway. Eventually he boarded the plane, which then spent three hours on the ⁶_____ waiting ⁷_____ permission to take off. The airline apologized ⁸_____ the discomfort and the passengers were taken off the plane and driven to a hotel for the night. Another time he missed his flight because of a traffic ⁹_____ on the motorway. And the worst time was when the ¹⁰_____ stopped as he was going downstairs in the airport, causing him to fall down the steps.

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Reading

3 Read the text and complete the sentences.

Big is beautiful

Elephants are the largest land mammal now living and their lifespan is from 50 to 70 years. Apart from the occasional calf or weak individual taken by lions, their only predator is man. Of the two main groups of elephants, African elephants are larger

than Asian elephants and have much larger ears. Elephants are herbivores and spend up to sixteen hours a day eating plants. They use their trunks to cut and tear off the leaves, bark and fruit of trees. If the food they want is too high up, the elephant will wrap its trunk around the tree or branch and shake it loose. Sometimes they simply knock the tree down. The trunk is also used for drinking. Elephants suck up to fourteen litres at a time into their trunk and blow it into their mouth. Elephants also suck up water to spray on their body when bathing.

- 1 The elephants only predators are _____.
- 2 The two main groups of elephants are _____.
- 3 Elephants spend _____ feeding.
- 4 Elephants eat _____.
- 5 Elephants use their trunks for _____.

Marks: __ /5

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

- 1 How long do elephants live for?

- 2 How can you tell an African elephant from an Asian elephant?

- 3 How do elephants reach food that is too high for them?

- 4 How do elephants drink water?

- 5 How do elephants keep clean?

Marks: __ /15

Grammar

5 Complete the text with the correct passive form of the verbs in brackets.

The Red List ¹_____ (found) in 1948. It is the world's most comprehensive list of endangered species and it ²_____ (publish) once a year. The latest figures suggest that hundreds of species ³_____ (lose) within our lifetime. In recent years large areas of rainforest ⁴_____ (destroy) by humans, putting many mammals at risk. Many animals ⁵_____ (hunt) for food or medicine by local people. Marine animals ⁶_____ (affect) by commercial fishing as they get caught in the nets and die. In recent years thousands of Tasmanian devils ⁷_____ (kill) by a viral disease. The Indian tarantula ⁸_____ (add) to the list this year because of its popularity as a pet. But there is some good news: the African elephant ⁹_____ (remove) from the list. Previously, it ¹⁰_____ (classify) as 'vulnerable'.

Marks: __ /10

6 Complete the mini-dialogues with the correct indefinite pronoun.

- 1 A Why aren't they answering the phone?
B There isn't _____ at home.
- 2 A Where shall we go on holiday?
B I don't mind, as long as it's _____ hot.
- 3 A Where are you going tonight?

- B _____. I'm going to stay in.
- 4 A Why are you going shopping?
B Because there isn't _____ in the fridge.
- 5 A Who's at the door?
B It's probably _____ selling insurance.

- 6 A Why are you bored?
B Because I've got _____ to do.
- 7 A What's the matter?
B I can't find my mp3 player _____.
- 8 A Why have you stopped walking?
B There's _____ in my shoe.
- 9 A Who else is coming for dinner?
B _____. It's just the four of us.
- 10 A Why are you standing up?
B Because there's _____ to sit.

Marks: __ /10

Language skills

7 Complete the dialogue.

- Rob Do you prefer going into town ¹ _____ train or driving there?
- Ben I much prefer driving. It's more ² _____ than the train because it takes you from door to door. How about you?
- Rob I prefer the train. You can sit and read or talk to ³ _____ during the ⁴ _____. It's more relaxing, really.
- Ben That's ⁵ _____, but you have to get to the station first. I think the car is quicker.
- Rob I don't agree with you. You have to find ⁶ _____ to park when you arrive, and that can take ages.
- Ben You might be right, but the train is less ⁷ _____. Sometimes it ⁸ _____ delayed for some reason, and it can even ⁹ _____ cancelled if there's ¹⁰ _____ on the track. In general, you can rely on your car.

Marks: __ /10

8 Complete the mini-dialogues.

Dialogue 1

- A How are you and your brother getting to the station?
- B ¹ _____.
It's coming to pick us up at 6 a.m.
- A ² _____?
- B It takes about half an hour. We'll be at the station at about 6.30.
- A Have you got much luggage?
- B No. ³ _____.
It's more comfortable because you can carry it on your back.

Dialogue 2

- A Shall we drive or take our bikes?
- B Let's drive. ⁴ _____.
We're in a hurry.
- A But cycling is cheaper. ⁵ _____.
- B That's true. If we cycle, we won't use any petrol, so we won't pollute the atmosphere.

Marks: __ /10

Writing

9 Write a postcard to a friend about an awful holiday. Write about 100 words and organize your writing into one paragraph:

- Write about where you are.
- * Write about four problems you have had.
- * Write about what is going to happen next.

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TOTAL: __/100