

Unit test 3B

1 Choose the correct verb form.

Woman's bizarre night-time shopping habit

Mimi Perrier, a 32-year-old woman from Montreal, spent over \$3,000 last month on purchases that she didn't know she ¹ had made *was making / had been made* while she was "asleep". The first items to arrive ² *were being / were / had been being* several pieces of large furniture and a TV. "I ³ *was eating / had been eating / had eaten* breakfast yesterday," she said, "when the doorbell ⁴ *was rung / was ringing / rang* and a delivery van ⁵ *waited / had waited / was waiting* outside, containing a sofa and two armchairs, and a huge flat-screen TV. I told the man that there ⁶ *had been / was being / was* a mistake, and refused the delivery. But during the day, another three deliveries ⁷ *were arriving / had arrived / arrived*, one after another." Puzzled and alarmed, Mimi investigated her purchase history and realized that all the orders ⁸ *had been made / had made / were making* by her during the night. Mimi hadn't realized she was a somnambulist (otherwise known as a "sleepwalker") until this happened!

1 point for each correct answer

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2 Complete the conversations with appropriate past tense forms of the verbs in parentheses.

Conversation 1

- A Who ¹ were (be) the people on the boat?
- B A group of activists. The group ² _____ (detain) on board the boat by the coast guard team that ³ _____ (arrive) by helicopter.
- A Where ⁴ _____ they _____ (take) by the coast guard?
- B To a local court where they ⁵ _____ (charge) with piracy.
- A What ⁶ _____ the spokesperson for the group _____ (say) in their defense?
- B She ⁷ _____ (tell) the court that they ⁸ _____ (be) innocent.

Conversation 2

- A What ⁹ _____ (happen) to the young girl?
- B She ¹⁰ _____ (attack) and injured by two dogs.
- A When ¹¹ _____ the incident _____ (take place)?

- B The girl ¹² _____ (walk) home through the park, when the dogs ¹³ _____ (appear) out of nowhere and attacked her.
- A What did the owner say ¹⁴ _____ (happen)?
- B He said that he was taking his dogs for a walk when they suddenly ¹⁵ _____ (break) loose.

1 point for each correct answer

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3 Complete the text with appropriate past tense forms of the verbs in parentheses.

A 16-year-old teenager, who was described by his mother as a "good boy", ¹ pleaded (plead) guilty to stealing thousands of dollars worth of goods from a department store in Springfield on Friday, November 10th.

He ² _____ (make off) with jewelry, designer clothes, and electronic goods.

The judge at Springfield Central Court said the teenager ³ _____ (chose) that particular store because he thought it would be an easy target. He ⁴ _____ (convict) of a number of other shoplifting offenses previously, though nothing on such a large scale as this offense.

The boy ⁵ _____ (flee) the scene with his baggy overcoat and one large bag stuffed with stolen goods, and then ⁶ _____ (go) home and continued with his life as if nothing ⁷ _____ (happen). A week or so later, his father ⁸ _____ (notice) the booty hidden under the boy's bed, and at this point, he ⁹ _____ (contact) the police and took his son down to the local police station.

The prosecutor told the court that the shoplifting ¹⁰ _____ (carry out) at around midday on Friday, November 10th, when the defendant ¹¹ _____ (see) entering the store wearing a baggy black coat and chunky sneakers. Evidence from security cameras ¹² _____ (present) in court, which clearly showed that the boy ¹³ _____ (remove) items from the shelves and then concealed them in his jacket and bag. The boy initially denied stealing any of the things, but later admitted what he ¹⁴ _____ (do). When his father took him to the police station, he ¹⁵ _____ (make) a full confession.

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4 Rewrite the sentences in the passive.

- They had never made a movie like this before.
A movie like this had never been made before.
- A lot of people watched the movie premiere.

- The critics wrote some bad reviews.

- Someone had driven them to a secret location in the Hollywood Hills.

- They had to pay the top Hollywood actor \$50 million to appear in the movie.

- How much time did she waste trying to adapt the novel for the screenplay?

- We dealt with the technical problems last week, and everything's OK now.

- How many times did she have to rewrite the script?

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5 Are these sentences about a book (B), a movie (M), or could they be either (E)?

- The box office sales were huge. M
- I couldn't put it down. _____
- I skipped some boring scenes. _____
- This is a must-see thriller. _____
- It's a rather dull biography. _____
- It's a real page-turner. _____
- It's set in Hollywood. _____
- I didn't think the plot was very original. _____

1 point for each correct answer

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6 Complete the sentences with the correct form of a verb from the box. Verbs are in their dictionary form. There are two extra verbs.

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plunge recover risk ~~swirl~~

- The leaves were swirling around in the wind.
- The pilot lost control and the plane _____ into the sea.

- While he _____ my hand, I was keeping my eyes tight shut.
- We had seen the girl _____ to the side of the boat in the middle of the storm.
- He was emaciated, and didn't look like he _____ from this terrifying sickness.
- Did they really think it was worth _____ their lives for? I don't think it was.
- There were many stories being told in our town about how that house _____.
- The bird _____ on the windowsill before flying away.
- She _____ at him silently, with an intensity which suggested some secret attachment.

1 point for each correct answer

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7 Translate the sentences.

- What's the name of the author who wrote that amazing biography of Charles Dickens?
- There's a news bulletin coming in now saying that the police have arrested two men in connection with a murder inquiry.
- I was surprised at how the story played out – I wasn't expecting it to have an unhappy ending.
- That book was so badly written that I wasn't able to finish reading it.
- What type of books do you usually read on vacation, page-turners or more classical stuff, like Jane Austen or Henry James?
- They were stuck in a traffic jam for six hours due to snowdrifts which couldn't be cleared.
- After I had read a synopsis of the plot, I decided that I probably didn't want to see the movie.
- The cameraman stopped filming and cried out in disbelief when he saw that the stuntman had plunged over the cliff.

2 points for each correct answer

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8 Circle the correct word.

- Christopher loves high-risk sports like rock climbing and mountaineering, but his sister is much more skeptical / ~~cautious~~ / modest.
- We were expecting the restaurant to be busy since it was a Friday night, but when we got there it was remote / sinister / deserted.

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- 3 I know you didn't particularly enjoy the movie, but I thought it was thoughtfully written and quite *injured* / *haunting* / *violent*.
- 4 It's not clear whether the female lead character has any *maternal* / *charismatic* / *ultimate* feelings for her lost son.
- 5 The movie provides flashes of insight into the workings of the killer's *twisted* / *unwilling* / *remote* mind.
- 6 What's the *famous* / *ultimate* / *clear* goal of romantic comedies? Should the couple always live happily ever after?

1 point for each correct answer

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- 9 Match the underlined words in the movie review with the definitions below. The definitions are given in their dictionary form. There are two extra definitions.

Bend it Like Beckham

Soccer's ability to bring a nation together is celebrated in this sweet, positive youth movie. The movie tells the story of Jess, a modest girl whose two greatest loves in life are David Beckham and kicking a soccer ball. Unfortunately, her family clings to traditional values, and while they're willing to tolerate her obsession with soccer, they are skeptical of their daughter's idea to join a local girls' team. Together with her new best pal, Jules, the team beats the competition and the girls transcend differences and gossip to build a strong friendship.

While actresses Parminder Nagra and Keira Knightley are both sublime in their performances, credit should also go to the writer and director for getting the balance right between humor and drama, sport and romantic action, not to mention negotiating the tricky business of filming soccer scenes.

- 1 **drama** a serious play, TV show, or movie
- 2 _____ an event to find out who is the best
- 3 _____ care for
- 4 _____ not talking much about your own abilities
- 5 _____ talk that is unkind or untrue
- 6 _____ hold on to
- 7 _____ having doubts that something is true
- 8 _____ lose enthusiasm
- 9 _____ the action of one part of a book, play, or movie

- 10 _____ to be or go beyond the usual limits
- 11 _____ of very high quality
- 12 _____ a person or thing someone thinks too much about

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10 Circle the correct phrase.

- 1 Your brother didn't mean to draw on your picture.
 (a) Didn't he? b Did he? c Your picture?
- 2 We absolutely loved the movie.
 a We loved it? b Did you? c No, I didn't!
- 3 I'm really sorry.
 a Aren't you really sorry? b I'll say sorry, too.
 c You're sorry? How come?
- 4 This time tomorrow, he'll be flying to the Seychelles.
 a This time? Oh, wow! b Tomorrow? Lucky him!
 c He'll be? I wish I was!
- 5 They had a terrible day.
 a A terrible day? Why's that?
 b They had it? Oh, no! c What a terrible day!
- 6 I'm sitting on the porch enjoying a tall, cold drink.
 a A cold drink? That sounds nice!
 b Why are you doing it? c You're sitting? Oh dear!
- 7 We're going to miss the flight.
 a Oh, no, you'll miss it! b How interesting!
 c Oh, no, that's awful!

1 point for each correct answer

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11 Write appropriate replies to the news, using a suitable form of the word given.

- 1 A The test lasted five hours.
 B long **Really? That's so long.**
- 2 A Did you hear that Owen is getting married?
 B kid _____
- 3 A We have some fantastic news.
 B what _____
- 4 A The burglars managed to get away.
 B believe _____
- 5 A They won't be able to go on vacation this year.
 B shame _____
- 6 A My sister's having a baby.

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- B amazing _____
- 7 A I'm afraid I've had an accident.
B how _____
- 8 A They were immediately rushed to the hospital.
B happen _____

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