

Unit 5 Progress Test A

Grammar

1 Correct the sentences.

- 1 This is the first major film to made about the war in Liberia.

- 2 We had our passports checking three times at the airport.

- 3 Parliament was its power seized by the leader of the military coup.

- 4 We'd hate if they shut down the only cinema in town. We'd have to go to Coventry to see a film then.

- 5 Sue read the book after she had it recommend to her by a friend.

- 6 I don't know where the place in the photo is, but it could have taken somewhere in Nepal.

Mark: ____ / 6

2 Choose the correct words to complete the text.

Hi Hannah

I started my military service yesterday here in Kayseri. First we ¹ _____, then we ² _____ military ID cards and uniforms. After that, we didn't have to do anything except settle in. I didn't sleep well because I ³ _____ easy to sleep in a room full of other people, but I'm sure I'll get used to it.

The training started this morning, and ⁴ _____ up at 5.30 am was the first shock! ⁵ _____ took me a little longer than the others to get dressed and put on my army boots, so I ⁶ _____ by the sergeant and told that I ⁷ _____ given a punishment of extra duties if it happened again.

⁸ _____ shouted at is a new experience for me, but I'll get used to it, I suppose. I think I just have to view military service as something that happens to everyone here in Turkey, and count the months until I can leave. And luckily they didn't send me to the 1st Air Assault Brigade, which is also based here in Kayseri. If I'd gone there, I would regularly ⁹ _____ out of planes!

Irfan

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| 1 a took our photos | b had photographed | c had our photos taken |
| 2 a had given | b were given | c gave |
| 3 a don't find it | b it wasn't found | c had found it |
| 4 a being woken | b be woken | c to have woken |
| 5 a That | b It | c They |
| 6 a warned | b had myself warned | c was warned |
| 7 a would be | b will have | c was |
| 8 a Be | b Having | c Being |
| 9 a be pushed | b pushed | c have pushed |

Mark: ____ / 9

3 Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first. Write 2–5 words.

- I think it's wrong to post rumours about people online.
I see _____ rumours about people online.
- People say that Rachel and Mark are going out.
It _____ Rachel and Mark are going out.
- People have been fighting over the city for several years.
The city _____ for several years.
- Someone scratched Ryan's new motorbike.
Ryan had _____.
- I really don't like people talking loudly on their phones on public transport.
I hate _____ loudly on their phones on public transport.

Mark: ____ / 5

Vocabulary

4 Choose the correct words to complete the email.

Hi Ellen. Greetings from Zhangjiajie, China!

We've been here for two days, exploring the national park and taking photos of the fantastic landscape, which features amazing columns of rock and pine trees clinging to ¹**compulsively** / **ferociously** steep cliffs. The area was used to film *Avatar*, and it's a place that I'd really ²**recommend** / **propose** people going to see.

This morning our guide ³**observed** / **proposed** that we visit the park's newest tourist attraction – a 430-metre bridge with a glass floor that's suspended 300 metres above a deep canyon. I confess to having been really worried that I would be too scared to go across the glass bridge, and I nearly refused to go. But Darren ⁴**insisted** / **objected** that we all had to try it. To my surprise I was fine in the end, and I actually enjoyed walking across the glass and looking at the drop beneath my feet.

Mum and Dad were fine too, but Darren had problems on the bridge. He had ⁵**reminded** / **boasted** that he wouldn't be afraid, but you should have seen him stopped half-way across the bridge with a face as white as a sheet. He ⁶**advised** / **admitted** that he couldn't go any further, so we had to link arms and walk him across with his eyes closed. After his big words it was a bit funny, but I had sympathy for him too. I think that from now on we'll probably limit ourselves ⁷**in** / **to** less scary activities while we're here in China.

Anyway, we're off to Kunming tomorrow to see the 'stone forest'. See you when we get back next month.

Chloe

Mark: ____ / 7

5 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words in the box.

enquire argue resent warn fear concede

- 1 When we tried to talk to him in French, Matt _____ that he didn't speak the language very well.
- 2 We _____ having to do all the housework when you're just sitting and watching TV.
- 3 Kathy _____ that she should get more pay now because her job had changed.
- 4 We _____ about when the bus would leave, but the man standing next to it didn't know.
- 5 The policeman stopped us and _____ us that there was an accident on the road ahead.
- 6 Tom _____ that he wouldn't pass the exam, and was very relieved when he did.

Mark: ____ / 6

6 Rewrite the sentences using one of the two words in brackets, and making any other necessary changes.

- 1 Helen said she would report me to the teacher if I cheated again. (question / threaten)

- 2 I really regretted going to see that film because it was very scary from start to finish. (unrelentingly / compulsively)

- 3 The Second World War started with the occupation of Poland by foreign troops. (invasion / insurgency)

- 4 I can see why you wanted to protest about the changes, but I don't think you were right to take the law into your own hands. (justified in / in danger of)

- 5 The economic crisis will probably lead to a lot of people losing their jobs. (resort to / result in)

- 6 The war was fought by a group of seven countries. (ally / coalition)

- 7 The government has officially announced that special forces troops are operating inside a neighbouring country. (observe / confirm)

Mark: ____ / 7

Use of English

7 Complete the text with one word in each space. There may be more than one possible answer.

¹ _____ see, the photos are similar in that they both show people working with animals. The first photo shows a vet, who is using ² _____ of those things that you listen to the heartbeat with, to examine a cow. Her expression ³ _____ that she is concerned about the animal. My best ⁴ _____ would be that the cow is pregnant, but that there are some complications. The ⁵ _____ are that the cow ⁶ _____ given some medicine from the vet's bag in the front of the photo.

In contrast to the first photo, the second photo depicts a police officer with some dogs. My initial ⁷ _____ is that he's training them. There are some white bars that look a bit ⁸ _____ the things athletes jump over in races, and he's getting the dogs to jump over them. ⁹ _____ else? Well, he's holding a small bag and no ¹⁰ _____ it has some biscuits to reward the dogs for jumping.

Mark: ____ / 10

Listening

8 5 Listen to three conversations and choose the correct answers.

Conversation 1: You hear two people talking about a cultural difference.

- 1 The woman explains ...
 - A how she feels about Faysal.
 - B the reason why she did something.
 - C that she complained about something.
- 2 The man observes that ...
 - A Kate was very unfair to someone.
 - B both of Faysal's grandparents would object to Kate's behaviour.
 - C Faysal doesn't have sexist attitudes.

Conversation 2: You hear two people talking about a disagreement between two members of a band.

- 3 Jessica ...
 - A became angry about something that Scott said to her.
 - B is annoyed that she had to hide her true feelings about a song.
 - C thinks that Scott is jealous of her song writing.
- 4 The boy feels that ...
 - A the band will have to break up.
 - B she was wrong to tell Scott something.
 - C she shouldn't go to the next band practice.

Conversation 3: You hear two people talking about a family disagreement.

- 5 The boy agrees with Steph that ...
 - A it was unlucky that Sean found out.
 - B Sean overreacted.
 - C most people have private information on their tablets and phones.

Mark: ____ / 5

Reading

9 Read about Naomi Uemura and match gaps 1–5 with paragraphs A–F. There is one extra paragraph.

Naomi Uemura, the man who walked alone

It's difficult to think of any twentieth century adventurer who took as many risks as Naomi Uemura, let alone someone who faced those risks alone. Uemura completed epic journeys and climbed Earth's most challenging mountains alone. It was something that shaped – and ultimately ended – his life.

Uemura was born in 1941 in Hidaka, Japan. He grew up in a country which had been devastated by war and occupied by foreign troops. He was shy as a young boy, and nothing about him suggested that he would become a famous explorer one day.

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After climbing the toughest mountains that Japan had to offer, Uemura started going on expeditions abroad. By his mid-twenties, he had already climbed many of the world's highest and most challenging mountains, like the Matterhorn, in Switzerland and Mount Denali in Alaska.

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Uemura followed up his conquest of the world's highest mountain with a journey he later described as 'pure bliss'. For two months he rafted alone down the length of the Amazon, a journey of 6,000 kilometres. He followed this in 1976 by travelling 12,000 kilometres by dog sled from Greenland to Alaska, setting a record for the longest dog sled journey which still stands today.

Two years later, Uemura attempted to reach the North Pole by dog sled too. The journey was painfully slow because of all the ridges and cracks in the sea ice. Uemura recorded every stage using a special camera produced for him by National Geographic Magazine. One night a polar bear broke into his camp – something which could easily have resulted in Uemura being killed. On another occasion, the ice around him broke, leaving Uemura and his dogs to spend all night on an island of ice, surrounded by water. Uemura eventually used a small bridge of ice to cross the water, but he later admitted that he'd thought he would die.

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At the height of his fame, Uemura announced that he wanted to climb Mount Denali alone again: this time in winter. It was a very dangerous thing to attempt. Mount Denali is frequently hit by terrible winter storms, when temperatures of minus fifty centigrade and ferocious winds make it impossible to move.

In addition to such weather, deep cracks called crevasses lie hidden under fresh winter snow on the mountain. These can suddenly open under a climber's feet, plunging them to their death. But despite these dangers, Uemura was confident because he had prepared well.

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Setting off in February 1984, Uemura reached the 6,000 metre summit of Mount Denali on his 43rd birthday. The next day, people reported seeing him from a light aircraft, his bright red jacket standing out against the snow. Then a storm closed in, and nobody saw him again.

The chances are that Uemura tried to find shelter from the storm. But perhaps he was blown off the mountain, or his bamboo poles failed to save him from a crevasse. In all probability we'll never know. After the storm cleared, teams of climbers searched for days. They managed to find some of his equipment, but Uemura's body was never located

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Four years after Uemura's disappearance, Vernon Tajas became the first person to scale Mount Denali in winter, and return. He explained how one day on the mountain, sheltering in an ice cave, he felt Uemura's spirit beside him – so Tajas said 'hello' in Japanese.

- A With such difficult peaks conquered – usually alone – Uemura was ready to tackle Everest. He reached the summit in 1970, becoming the first person to leave the Japanese flag at the top. When later asked about the trip, Uemura was typically self-effacing, pointing out that this time he was only part of a team.
- B Uemura's death was a terrible blow in Japan, where he was a hugely popular figure. To honour his achievements, the Naomi Uemura Memorial Museum was built in Tokyo – a light, bright building where you can learn all about his expeditions.
- C It took Uemura 57 days to reach the North Pole, but he finally arrived on April 29th 1978. His achievement was reported in the media worldwide, making him an international celebrity. Back home, Uemura was also well known for his books – accounts of his adventures which are still read avidly by people in Japan today.
- D Uemura had food and supplies dropped by plane, and the journey was tracked using a transmitter on his sled and a NASA Nimbus 6 satellite orbiting 600 miles above him in a space. Other than that, he was alone with the dogs.
- E It was his shyness that indirectly led to this destiny. Uemura was taken on a climbing trip by a teacher and later decided to take up the sport as a way of gaining more confidence. He quickly developed his skills and conquered more and more difficult peaks. Then he walked the length of Japan – all 2,800 kilometres.
- F One of Uemura's preparations involved tying bamboo poles to his shoulders. The poles extended behind and in front of him, and Uemura hoped that they would form a kind of bridge, stopping him from falling into any crevasse.

Mark: ____ / 5

Writing

- 10 Read the task below and write a for and against essay (220–260 words). Remember to plan your paragraphs before beginning to write.**

Some people view nuclear power as a good alternative source of power to burning polluting fossil fuels like coal, oil and natural gas. Others think that nuclear power stations are dangerous and should be banned. Write an essay which presents the advantages and disadvantages of nuclear power.

Mark: ____ / 10

Total: ____ / 70