

Unit 8 Progress Test B

Grammar

1 Rewrite the sentences keeping the meaning the same. Use emphatic forms or *whatever, whoever, etc.*

- 1 It was particularly good about the novel was its use of very original characters.

- 2 I know that whichever you do in the future, you'll be good at it.

- 3 Mike's really good-looking, but he's arrogant is the problem.

- 4 There was a lot of nice food on the table, but it I really wanted was a glass of water.

- 5 Whatever you look at it, it's wrong to listen in on people's private phone calls.

- 6 Yes, Lucy knows the rumours. I saw her and told her herself.

Mark: ____ / 6

2 Choose the correct words to complete the email.

Hi Danny. This is just a quick email to say I'm really looking forward to your visit.

I'm glad that you're coming to our city to do a cookery training course at Cuisine Classique. You certainly ¹ choose the right city to learn how to cook southern food. The ² is that Tucson is one of the best food cities in America – a real foodie's paradise. You can find great food ³ you go here – from world-class Mexican cuisine to Native American dishes that you can't get anywhere else, like cactus-leaf salad. ⁴ anyone visits us here, they put on a few pounds!

You said that you were arriving on the 17th, but the ⁵ is what time? We're all away that day because I'm in a junior league game in Flagstaff, but we'll be back in the evening. ⁶ we can do if you come before then is to leave a key with a neighbour. That way you can get into the house ⁷ and settle in.

Anyway, you're going to have a great time here – ⁸ hard they work you on that course. And I'm sure we'll still have lots of time to go around and have fun. ⁹ Skype me when you have time, and we can make some plans.

Justin

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| 1 a all | b yourself | c did |
| 2 a fact | b problem | c question |
| 3 a whenever | b wherever | c whatever |
| 4 a Wherever | b Whoever | c Whenever |
| 5 a question | b truth | c fact |
| 6 a It | b What | c Ourselves |
| 7 a whenever | b it | c yourself |
| 8 a whenever | b however | c goodness knows |
| 9 a Do | b Whenever | c Yourself |

Mark: ____ / 9

3 Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first, using the words in brackets.

- I really don't know what that sound was. (earth)
_____ that sound?
- The newspaper closed down after the scandal. (it)
_____ the newspaper closed down.
- Did you build the whole house alone, without any help. (yourself)
Did you _____, with no help from anyone?
- To be honest, I lied about my past when we first met. (truth / be)
_____ about my past when we first met.
- My main criticism of your playscript is that it has a weak ending. (trouble)
_____ has a weak ending.

Mark: ____ / 5

Vocabulary

4 Choose the correct words to complete the mini-dialogues.

- Amaya This mustn't go any ¹**out / further**, but Rob's going to split up with Harriet.
- Reese Really? Are you sure? I thought they were very happy together.
- Amaya Well, apparently it's true. But you mustn't tell anyone. If word ²**lets / gets** out before Rob has a chance to tell Harriet, it'll be awful.
- Ben Have you heard the ³**hearsay / latest**? People are saying that our boss has managed to ⁴**broker / call in** a deal with another company
- Mia Brilliant! That should ⁵**remain / restore** the company's fortunes a bit – and keep our jobs safe!
- Ben Yes, exactly. But ⁶**bite your tongue / let on** and don't tell anyone until the boss has made an announcement.
- Kate I'll tell you some gossip, but you mustn't ⁷**breathe / quote** a word of it.
- Bruce My lips are ⁸**bitten / sealed**, Kate. So what's going on?
- Kate Well, it's just ⁹**rumour / hearsay**, but people are saying that Carl cheated to win the art prize – apparently he just copied a picture that he'd found online.

Mark: ____ / 9

5 Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

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- 1 Several things in our suitcase were broken, but the airline were really awkward when we tried to make a _____ for the damage.
- 2 Cyber criminals tried to _____ into the company's computer system and download sensitive documents.
- 3 How did you _____ that information? Who told you?
- 4 My neighbours tried to sell off their old furniture online when they moved, but most of it didn't reach the _____.
- 5 Tom doesn't _____ much resemblance to his sister.

Mark: ____ / 5

6 Rewrite the sentences using the words in brackets or a word formed from that word. Make any other necessary changes.

1 Langston Hughes was a great poet, but his work wasn't widely read during his lifetime. (exposed)

2 Keep this to yourself, but I think Roberta fancies Max. (between you)

3 In the event of an emergency, listen to security staff and obey their instructions. (comply)

4 We need to modernise the company's computer systems. (up)

5 We just don't know what happened to the plane. It simply disappeared. (remains a)

6 Tony and Chrissie decided they couldn't go out any more after they'd had a big argument. (frank)

Mark: ____ / 6

Use of English

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

Toby In my view, stories about celebrities in the media are just gossip.

Helen That isn't necessarily ¹ _____. In some cases, the stories can be in the public's interest. The principal ² _____ for this point of view is that when famous people do something like charitable work, for example, they are helping to promote that cause.

Toby I'm ³ _____ so sure about that. I think a lot of celebrities do charity work simply because it's become the fashionable thing to do

Helen It isn't ⁴ _____ the case though. Jude Law has been doing a lot of work for refugees but it hasn't been publicised in the media. And ⁵ _____ give you another example, the public only discovered that George Michael had helped the homeless after his death.

Toby I ⁶ _____ concur with that. You do get some celebrities who do charity work for the right reasons though. As well as that, I ⁷ _____ say that some famous people think they are doing something good, whereas local charities would disagree. For example, high profile figures have adopted children from developing countries, and this has ⁸ _____ in a lot of children that aren't orphans being sold to Westerners.

Helen That's a fair point, but ⁹ _____ so, I still feel that places like Malawi would never have received any attention if it weren't for celebrities like Madonna.

Toby I think we'll have to ¹⁰ _____ to disagree!

Mark: ____ / 10

Listening

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

Conversation 1: You hear two people talking about a friend's summer job.

- 1 The boy says that Ben left his job because ...
 - A he didn't get on with the other people there.
 - B he didn't get much money for doing the job.
 - C he didn't obey a rule.
- 2 The girl says she will ...
 - A speak to Ben about it.
 - B keep the information secret.
 - C end her friendship with Ben.

Conversation 2: You hear two people talking about new neighbours.

- 3 The boy says that his new neighbours ...
 - A don't work.
 - B must be wealthy.
 - C are builders.
- 4 He mentions a rumour about ...
 - A the woman's job.
 - B a problem with the house.
 - C an accident.

Conversation 3: You hear two people talking about a concert.

- 5 The boy says that if Jake found out what he thought about the band ...
 - A he'd never be invited to another concert.
 - B he might lose a friend.
 - C he wouldn't speak to the girl again.

Reading

A It was completely by chance that workers in Nevşehir, Turkey recently discovered underground tunnels while digging foundations for a housing project. As a result, archaeologists were called in. They discovered that the tunnels lead to underground living quarters, store rooms, churches, wells and air shafts and miles of interconnecting passages. What they had found was an underground city, dating back about 1500 years.

Cappadocia is a region known for its surreal, chimney-like rock formations and for the many dwellings and churches carved out of the volcanic rocks over nearly two millennia. The region is also home to 36 large underground complexes, called 'underground cities', which were used in times of trouble. Whenever enemies appeared, and the people of Byzantine Cappadocia had plenty of those, the shelters provided a hiding place where people, animals and supplies could remain for months.

What is most impressive about the new site is its scale. Initial surveys suggest it may cover four square kilometres and go down over 110 metres! This makes the Nevşehir complex much bigger than other underground cities in the region – including the one at Derinkuyu, which could house up to 20,000 people!

B A drawing has come to light which many experts are attributing to Leonardo Da Vinci. If confirmed, it will be one of Leonardo's earliest drawings, produced in about 1473. The beautiful red chalk drawing shows the profile of an old man, and whoever the subject is, he appears deep in thought.

The drawing had been hidden for centuries, glued between the cover and first page of a book that passed through many different hands; sold with the house and library in which it belonged. It was only in 1940 that someone came across the drawing and framed it. It then hung in the house for decades, but nobody realised its significance. Only recently did an antiques dealer buy the picture and decide to investigate it.

However much the materials used are consistent with Leonardo's studio practice, what really suggests that the drawing is by the master himself, and not one of his pupils, is the beautiful, confident style and technique. Additional evidence comes from the Codex Atlanticus – the bound collection of Leonardo's drawings and writings held in Milan. This contains a blank space where a drawing has been removed. It is a space which perfectly matches the dimensions of the newly-discovered drawing.

C In April 2016, divers came across the wreck of a wooden ship off the coast of Israel. What they didn't realise at the time was that the ship was 1,600 years old – an ancient Roman cargo vessel. Later dives revealed a precious cargo still sitting in the ship's remarkably well-preserved hold. Among other things, bronze heads and statues were discovered – a rare find because most Roman bronze-work was melted down and used again by later civilisations. Another significant find was two large lumps of metal that weighed eighteen kilograms. These turned out to be piles of coins which had fused together over time. The coins bore the head of Emperor Constantine, who ruled the Eastern Roman Empire in the 4th century AD.

According to Israeli archaeologists, anchors found near the ship show that whoever was on board tried to stop the vessel from drifting as it neared the Roman port of Caesarea – probably battling to save it in heavy seas. Whatever actually happened, the location helped to protect the vessel's cargo. The metal artefacts were quickly covered in sand, which kept them in near-perfect condition.

D Experts may have just solved the greatest mystery in aviation – the disappearance of Amelia Earhart. Pioneer aviator Amelia Earhart was the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic – a journey which made her a household name in 1932. After breaking several more aviation records, Earhart attempted to fly around the world in 1937 with navigator Frederick Noonan. On July 2nd, their plane took off from New Guinea to fly 2,556 miles to Howland Island in the Pacific. They were never seen again.

It was long assumed that they ran out of fuel and crashed into the sea due to missing Howard Island. However, in 2016, aviation experts released studies conducted on a skeleton found on Nikumaroro Island, Kiribati. DNA and skeletal studies reveal that the bones belonged to a woman of approximately Earhart's age, height and ethnic origins. They also showed that the skeleton had unusually large forearms – something which is apparent in historical photos of Earhart.

Only one skeleton was found which was near to the remains of meals and camp fires. If the bones do belong to Earhart, this suggests that she was the sole survivor of a crash near the island. All she could have done then was try to survive – and wait for help that never came.

9 Read about four discoveries. Match texts A–D with questions 1–5. Each text can be matched with more than one question.

Which text mentions ...

- 1 an attempt to save something from disaster?
- 2 a possible navigation error?
- 3 something which was usually recycled?
- 4 an object passing between different owners?
- 5 something which protected people in bad times?

Mark: ____ / 5

Writing

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

Your class recently had a discussion about whether allowing the police to stop people for random ID checks would be a good thing or not. You have made the notes below.

Help to identify criminals & terrorists.

Bad for civil liberties.

Need ID cards that can't be forged.

Police could unfairly focus on some social groups.

People would feel safer.

Write an essay discussing TWO of the possible effects of introducing random police checks. You should explain which arguments are more important, giving reasons. You may make use of the notes above, but use your own words as far as possible.

Mark: ____ / 10

Total: ____ / 70