

Part A • Grammar, Vocabulary and How to ...

GRAMMAR

1 Choose the correct option (a, b or c).

- Hirsch ____ lose the match. He can't possibly win now.
a is likely b is going to c might
- The concert is ____ start at 7.15 p.m. so we need to get there for 7 p.m.
a due to b could c won't
- She ____ to get the job because she doesn't have enough experience.
a 's likely b isn't likely c unlikely
- Computers and robots are ____ to do more of our jobs in the future.
a certain b definitely c due
- I ____ work tomorrow because I don't feel very well.
a not probably b won't probably c probably won't
- We ____ be able to solve the problem of climate change if we don't change our behaviour.
a could not b may not c not likely
- Jamie ____ come for dinner this evening because he's got to work late.
a 's likely to b is going to c isn't going to
- There ____ be some changes to the plan because we haven't looked at all the details yet.
a will probably b probably will c probably won't
- I'm sure they ____ to fail the exam because they haven't done any work.
a will b 're due c 're going
- They're ____ send people to Mars in the next five years because they haven't got the right technology.
a likely to b unlikely to c not likely

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2 Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

- They were disappointed because **few** / **a few** people attended the talk.
- We didn't have **any** / **some** coffee so I went to the shop.
- There is **a little** / **a lack of** opportunities for young people in my town.
- We were **the majority** / **in a minority** so we had to accept their decision.
- Most of our colleagues went home, but a **handful of** / **several of** us stayed to finish the job.
- I've got **little** / **a little** time now if you want me to help you.
- The **majority** / **large number** of my neighbours are unhappy about the amount of crime in the area.
- Every** / **Several** of the parents gave the teacher a present at the end of term.
- You've left **any** / **all** the lights on again. Can you turn some of them off, please?
- I've got **no** / **not any** energy. I feel like staying in bed.

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VOCABULARY

3 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the words in brackets.

- Many of the things he said were quite ____ (predict), really.
- We need to do a careful ____ (analyse) of the problems before we can make any recommendations.
- The students who couldn't come to the class were allowed to connect ____ (virtual).
- I'd like to see more ____ (science) evidence before I decide.
- My cousin works as a ____ (research) at the university.
- I was wondering if you've got any technology ____ (predict) for next year.
- If you're good with numbers, you could be a data ____ (analyse).
- Einstein was one of the greatest ____ (science) that ever lived.

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4 Complete the sentences with the words and phrases in the box.

coastline open space river bank scenery
sunlight track

- The problem with my apartment is that I don't get much ____ in the morning.
- Although Britain is quite small, it has a long ____ because it's an island.
- There is a lot of different ____ in Spain, including mountains, deserts and beaches.
- We sat down on the ____ and fed the ducks that were swimming around.
- Sometimes I need to get out of the city into the wide ____ of the countryside.
- You need to walk up the little ____ to get to the top of the mountain.

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5 Complete the sentences with extreme adjectives.

- That's **inc** _ _ _ _ _ news. I can hardly believe it!
- I'll never sell my grandmother's wedding ring. It's too **pre** _ _ _ _ _ to me.
- It was **ast** _ _ _ _ _ to hear her. I had no idea she could sing that well.
- In my opinion, this is the artist's **fi** _ _ _ _ _ work of art.
- A **mi** _ _ _ _ _ castle is situated at the top of the hill.
- That was a **mag** _ _ _ _ _ meal. It was one of the best I've eaten.

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HOW TO ...

6 Complete the sentences with the words and phrases in the box.

100 percent sure bet bound doubt fact
get harsh no way obviously tedious

- 1 I _____ the impression that she's not going to be happy.
- 2 I'm not _____, but I'd say we're going to have nice weather this weekend.
- 3 I know for a _____ that you're not telling the truth.
- 4 The conditions on the adventure weekend were _____. We had to sleep outside in the cold with hardly any food.
- 5 As a chef, he's _____ to cook something nice for dinner.
- 6 There's _____ that you'll finish it on time.
- 7 I _____ he'll play football this Saturday. He's injured his leg.
- 8 She's _____ exhausted. She hasn't been sleeping well lately.
- 9 I _____ you don't know what that star is called.
- 10 My last job was really _____. I had to do the same thing every day.

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Part B • Listening, Reading and Writing

LISTENING

1 [Audio UT2.01] Listen to a podcast about digital wellbeing. Tick the ideas that are mentioned.

- 1 Some people are too young to remember life before smartphones existed. ____
- 2 Some people worry too much about the negative effects of smartphones. ____
- 3 We need to do more research into the problems related to mobile phone use. ____
- 4 People working in technology have suggested some unusual ways of reducing mobile phone use. ____
- 5 Digital wellbeing apps on mobile phones may not be as helpful as they seem. ____
- 6 The majority of people have too many apps on their mobile phones. ____
- 7 It's a good idea to turn your phone off at certain times of day. ____

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2 [Audio UT2.01] Listen again. Are the statements True (T) or False (F)?

- 1 The speaker's son wonders how people managed to organise things before they had smartphones. T / F
- 2 Some aspects of mobile phone use have made people's lives better. T / F
- 3 Digital wellbeing has only been discussed in recent years. T / F
- 4 Using smartphones too much can lead to a range of health problems. T / F
- 5 A technology company has created a phone which is made out of paper. T / F
- 6 Digital wellbeing apps are popular with users because they are fun to use. T / F
- 7 Digital wellbeing apps may encourage users to look at their phones more often. T / F
- 8 The speaker recommends removing all the apps from your phone. T / F

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READING

3 Read the article about the future of country life. Tick the topics which are mentioned.

- 1 Identity ____
- 2 The environment ____
- 3 Employment ____
- 4 Wildlife ____
- 5 Technology ____

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The future of country life

Rural communities all over the world have experienced an astonishing decrease in population since the 1960s. In most cases, people are leaving the countryside for financial reasons. As agricultural machinery has improved, the need for workers has been reduced. At the same time, people are attracted to the well-paid jobs which they can find in the cities. As a result, some rural villages are like ghost towns now. So, what is the future of country life? We hear two different views.

Moira Holt

I've got plenty of friends who have moved to the countryside in recent years. The majority of them made the change because they wanted a better quality of life. It's true that you're likely to earn more money if you work in the city and, of course, there are schools and leisure facilities. The problem is that cities can have a negative effect on your health. The busy lifestyle can affect your mental health while air pollution is bad for your physical health. In contrast, life in the countryside is more peaceful and the air is cleaner. Not only that, but there is more of a sense of community because you know all your neighbours and you tend to look out for each other.

While the number of people leaving the countryside has risen continually for a number of years, this trend is likely to be reversed in the future. The possibility of working remotely means they'll be able to carry on doing their old jobs while living in villages. They won't need to commute, either, which means their lives will probably be less stressful. It will also help to reduce traffic and pollution in urban and rural areas. What's more, as the countryside becomes repopulated, there are bound to be better services like shops, schools and libraries. The countryside will be the place to live for people looking for a better quality of life.

Damien Ngo

I must admit that I've thought about moving out of the city. I think anyone who lives in an urban area dreams about living amongst woodland and open fields, but the reality of living in the countryside is rather different. The biggest problem is a lack of work for younger people, which means they're all moving away and some villages are becoming deserted. I know for a fact that many of them don't even have a school or doctor's surgery anymore. When you look at that aspect of country life, it doesn't seem quite so attractive. There's no doubt that city life can be stressful, but there are also benefits, like good schools, reliable healthcare, and a wide choice of cultural activities.

I'm not 100 percent sure, but I'd imagine that country life is going to become more difficult for a lot of people. I get the impression that jobs are being destroyed in farming because robots can do the work more efficiently. Other areas like forest management will also be less dependent on people as drones will be used to manage forests and national parks. I suppose people who work remotely might choose to live in the countryside, but it won't be the dream they imagine. With no communities and no services, people will feel isolated from the rest of the world.

4 Read the article again. Choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D).

1 According to the article, fewer people live in villages nowadays because

- A it's too expensive to live there.
- B there isn't enough work for everyone.
- C agricultural work isn't popular anymore.
- D cities are more attractive than in the past.

2 Moira knows several people who have moved to the countryside in order to

- A earn more money.
- B spend less time working.
- C find better schools for their children.
- D have an improved lifestyle.

3 Moira believes people will stop leaving the countryside because

- A many of them won't need to work in the cities.
- B cities are likely to become more polluted.
- C there will probably be more traffic in urban areas.
- D it will become too stressful to move.

4 Damien wouldn't live in the countryside because

- A he's not interested in experiencing nature.
- B he can't see any problems with urban living.
- C he believes the city offers a better lifestyle.
- D he wouldn't be able to find work.

5 Damien thinks country life will get more difficult because

- A there will be fewer opportunities for young people.
- B new people will be arriving from the cities.
- C farming will become less important than in the past.
- D there will be fewer forests and national parks.

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WRITING

5 Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

- 1 **However** / **While** some people enjoy working from home, others prefer going out to work.
- 2 **Although** / **Despite** she wanted me to bring a notepad, she didn't tell me why.
- 3 **Despite** / **However** having left early, we still didn't arrive on time.
- 4 I've never read your blog. **However** / **Although**, people have told me how good it is.
- 5 **Despite** / **While** the fact that he was exhausted, he decided to carry on walking.

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6 Write a for-and-against essay on the use of technology in our free time.

Write 140–190 words.

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Total: /50

Part C • Speaking

SPEAKING

1 Make questions and ask your partner.

- 1 Do / have / enough / free time?
- 2 Why / think / so many people / play video games?
- 3 Would / rather / live / in the country / or / the city?
- 4 How / think / your life / change / in the future?
- 5 Do / think people / live on Mars / in your lifetime?

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2 Answer your partner's questions.

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3 Describe the picture to your partner. What do you think the people might be doing?



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