

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

GRAMMAR

1 Circle the correct words.

0 ~~Checked~~ / **Checking** her watch, Helen realised it was time to leave.

1 **Losing** / **Having lost** his job, Tony had become quite depressed.

2 **Running** / **Having run** for the bus, I fell over and hurt my ankle.

3 **Looking** / **Having looked** out across the city, I could see the pollution from the cars and factories.

4 **Started** / **Having started** the book, I decided to read the first chapter to see if I liked it.

5 **Parking** / **Having parked** the car, she let the children get out.

6 **Living** / **Having lived** in the countryside, we get plenty of fresh air.

7 **He turned off** / **Having turned off** the television and everyone went to bed.

8 **She promised** / **Promising** to return soon, she jumped on the train.

9 **Working** / **Having worked** evenings in a restaurant, I don't usually get home until midnight.

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2 Complete the second version of the sentences. Use the word in brackets.

0 I'm not so rich so I can't afford a big house in the country.

⇒ **If I were** rich, I could afford a big house in the country. (IF)

1 I wasn't late for work because you woke me up.

⇒ me up, I would've been late for work. (IF).

2 If you're ready to leave at 7 p.m., she'll pick you up.

⇒ She'll pick you up ready to leave at 7 p.m. (PROVIDED)

3 The doctor can only see you this afternoon if it's urgent.

⇒ The doctor can see you this afternoon urgent. (ON
CONDITION)

4 If you don't help him, he won't clean the car.

⇒ He won't clean the car him. (UNLESS)

5 You may only borrow the books if you return them on time.

⇒ You may only borrow the books them on time. (ON
CONDITION)

6 If only we had some savings, the bank would lend us the rest of the money.

⇒ The bank would lend us the rest of the money some
savings. (AS LONG)

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VOCABULARY

3 Circle the answer (A, B or C) that best completes each sentence.

0 Jade wasn't feeling well so I ____ a point of going to see her.

A went	<u>B made</u>	C had
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1 I've never been snowboarding, but I'd love to ____ a go one day.

A go	B make	C have
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2 The health campaign is going to ____ a difference to the lives of many people.

A go	B make	C have
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3 Their return journey ____ according to plan and they arrived home yesterday.

A went	B made	C had
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4 Circle the correct words.

0 Their house has got a lot of **character** / **stylish** because of the interesting details like the round windows.

1 The new factory has created a lot of jobs so **overcrowding** / **unemployment** in the area has fallen.

2 Their house is quite **exclusive** / **secure** as there are locks on all the doors and windows.

3 Levels of **literacy** / **housing** have been increasing thanks to better access to education.

4 I'd like a more **spacious** / **fashionable** apartment because the one I live in is far too small.

5 We are fighting to protect people's **civil rights** / **global warming** by protesting against this law.

6 We hope to achieve **justice** / **poverty** for the people who have been treated unfairly.

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5 Match (1–4) with (A–E) to make sentences.

0 Finding a house helped them get D

1 We love Jodie because she's got

2 They didn't get to where

3 It's hard now, but you'll get

4 He was anxious before, but he's getting

A such a big heart.

B to the other side and
you'll be happier.

C his confidence back
again now.

~~**D** their life back together.~~

E they are now by being
lazy.

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HOW TO ...

6 Complete the sentences with the phrases (A–G).

0 I'd like to F by saying that I don't think children have a loud enough voice in the community.

1 ____ I can see, we will need to work a lot harder to improve this situation.

2 The ____ I'd like to make is that the government have offered nothing new.

3 ____ suggests that climate change is becoming an increasingly serious threat.

4 The police tried to stop the party before it got ____.

5 A few things still need improving, but ____ the town is much better than it used to be.

6 The ____ of the spending cuts will be on the quality of services like health and education.

A As far as

B first point

C obvious impact

D on the whole

E out of control

F start off

G The evidence

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x 1.25 = ____ / 50

Part B • Listening, Reading and Writing

LISTENING

1 [Audio UT8.01] Listen to a talk about food banks. Number the topics (A–E) in the order they are mentioned.

0 D

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A Some difficulties faced in going to a food bank.

B The different ways food needs to be stored.

C The main reasons for setting up a food bank.

~~**D** The main reasons people need to use food banks.~~

E How food banks spread across Britain.

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2 [Audio UT8.01] Listen again. Complete the sentences with a WORD or SHORT PHRASE.

- 0** The number of people who need to use food banks has increased in recent years.
- 1** The Hendersons' organisation has set up over _____ food banks in Britain.
- 2** Steven spoke to local businesses to get _____ of food.
- 3** Tinned products and dry goods can be kept on _____ in a dry place.
- 4** You will need a _____ in order to deliver the goods to the clients.

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READING

3 Read the text about rural repopulation in Spain. Tick [✓] the topics that are mentioned.

0 People have been leaving the Spanish countryside for many years. —

1 The number of people living in cities like Madrid contributes to social problems.

2 People with little money can find it difficult living in a new place.

3 Investments by wealthy foreigners have improved the lives of rural villagers.

4 A TV show planned to help people understand the way of life in Spanish villages.

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Spain's abandoned villages

In recent years, Spain's rural population has been heading to the cities in **search of job opportunities, leaving thousands of deserted villages** across Spain. There are some villages where only a handful of elderly **inhabitants, who have lived there all their lives, still live. Lacking basic** amenities like shops and doctors, they lead increasingly isolated lives, but **are often unwilling to move away.**

At the same time, some of Spain's biggest cities, such as Madrid, are **experiencing bigger housing problems than ever before. Attracted by** the prospect of work, people arriving from rural Spain and other parts of the **world find that overcrowding is a major problem. Buying a house is out** of the question for many, and the cost of renting is so high that many people **are forced to share tiny apartments. Others, who are less fortunate,** may even find themselves on the streets.

One proposal for solving the problems of rural depopulation and urban overcrowding is to help people move from the cities to the countryside, **where rent is much cheaper. Various projects have been set up to** identify suitable accommodation for people moving to villages. However, **many already live in poverty which is why these projects help** newcomers find employment, too. While they have clearly helped some **people in need, it's too early to tell whether they will make a difference** in the long term.

Another proposal has been to sell entire villages to international investors extremely cheaply. While the concept of relatively wealthy foreigners buying Spanish property is nothing new, in the past they would have invested in a holiday apartment or villa. There is now a market for whole villages and with some going for as little as €350,000, people are keen to snap them up. While investment in Spain's rural communities may be welcome, it probably won't solve the problem of depopulation unless investors actually plan to move into their personal villages full-time.

A slightly more unusual way of highlighting the opportunities offered by rural life was a reality TV show that was due to come out in 2021.

Ambitious entrepreneurs were invited to set up businesses in struggling rural communities in an attempt to bring life into small villages.

The show's producers promised to pay the winners €3,000 to get their business going and hoped participants would leave the show with a new perspective on village life. Unfortunately, the show wasn't broadcast in the end, so we'll never know what impact it would have had.

One thing for sure is that the problem of rural depopulation has inspired a great deal of interest from different groups of people, united in their desire to protect Spain's villages from ruin. However, only time will tell whether any of these proposals will be successful.

4 Read the text again. Circle the answer (A or B) that best completes each sentence.

0 What does the writer say about villages in the first paragraph?

^A There is nothing for the elderly to do.	^B There is little access to essential services.
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1 What problem does the writer mention in the second paragraph?

^A Some people are unable to afford a place to live in Madrid.	^B The majority of Madrid's inhabitants live in tiny apartments.
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2 According to the writer, how have various projects helped people moving out of cities?

^A By giving them long-term support.	^B By finding them an acceptable place to live.
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3 What does the writer say about wealthy investors in the fourth paragraph?

^A They are unlikely to have an impact on the problem of depopulation.	^B They are more likely to invest in holiday apartments and villas.
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4 What do we learn about a reality TV show in the fifth paragraph?

^A It encouraged entrepreneurs to move to rural areas.	^B The participants were asked to establish a business.
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WRITING

5 Put the words in the correct order to make sentences.

0 from / look / I / you / forward / hearing / to

I look forward to hearing from you.

1 happy / require / would / be / any further / you / information / to provide / I

_____.

2 interview / I / at / available / be / convenience / can / your / for

_____.

3 positions / have / held / I / important / several

_____.

4 would / you / pleasure / It / a / be / meet / to

_____.

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6 Read the advert. Write an application email.

VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

‘Moving Forward’ is a national organisation which connects volunteers with local community projects. We have helped thousands of people find the perfect voluntary job in their local community. Whatever your ability or experience, we would like to hear from you.

Please tell us about your:

- background
- abilities
- experience
- availability for interview

Send your application email to Federico Sampson.

Write 140–190 words.

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Part C • Speaking

SPEAKING

1 Put the words in the correct order to make questions.

Ask your partner your questions.

0 make / of doing / in the / do you / What / a point / mornings?

What do you make a point of doing in the mornings?

1 was / the last / When / time / went wrong / that / something / for you?

2 prefer / spacious home / in a / Would / to live / you / or a stylish home?

3 is / the world / the biggest / What / faces / issue / today?

4 your life / to social media, / no access / be better / would / If you had / or worse?

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2 Answer your partner's questions.

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3 Describe the picture to your partner. Why do you think community might be important to these people?



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