

PROGRESS TEST 2

A Reading comprehension

Choose the best answer.

- 1 We were both completely taken by the car salesman, who turned out to be a crook.
A out B up C in D down
- 2 I thought this dress looked really nice in the shop, but now I wish I it.
A wouldn't buy B had bought
C would buy D hadn't bought
- 3 The good thing is that the village is very quiet, but on the other there aren't any shops.
A way B side C point of view D hand
- 4 The we get going, the sooner we'll finish.
A quicker B quickest C quickly
D most quickly
- 5 Sheila succeeded getting the manager's approval for the new project.
A at B for C to D in
- 6 There's a man standing on the corner who looks very suspicious.
A avenue B path C road D street
- 7 She is charming that everybody likes her.
A so B such C very D too
- 8 Before going to India, my father for an American bank for three years.
A has worked B has been working
C worked D works
- 9 You'll never who I met in the street today. Mrs Jackson!
A suppose B guess C know D find
- 10 Jane is a very good friend. I her for a long time.
A have known B knew C know
D had known
- 11 I find it much easier to speak French Arabic.
A than B to C that D then
- 12 He was going to reply to her letter, but for various reasons he never got it.
A up to B round to C over D out of
- 13 They tried to prevent me going with them because they thought I had measles.
A to B from C by D for

B Use of English

Fill each of the numbered blanks in the following passage. Use only *one* word in each space.

Developments in technology have had an effect not only on the office but also on the home. As the average number of hours people work per week (1)..... down, manufacturers and advertising agencies are becoming more and more interested (2)..... the ways in which people spend (3)..... leisure time. One recent report stated that, (4)..... the number of different hobbies had not increased, each hobby (5)..... become more and more specialized.

A second finding is (6)..... nowadays many managers would (7)..... not work in their holidays (8)..... stay in the office every day doing overtime. Spending time with one's family is seen to be as important (9)..... working, and some companies (10)..... been insisting that bosses (11)..... take the four or five weeks off that they are allowed, because they have found that people work better if they (12)..... a break. Even in Japan, (13)..... holidays were rather disapproved of, there has (14)..... a move towards taking time off, and managers now go away more often than they (15)..... to.

On the (16)..... hand, there are exceptions (17)..... this, one of which is among schoolchildren and students. As the standard of exams gets higher and higher and competition increases, they are finding that they (18)..... to work (19)..... hard that in many cases they work longer hours (20)..... their parents.

C Sentence transformations

Finish each of the following sentences in such a way that it means exactly the same as the sentence printed before it.

- 1 The play was so good that she went back to see it again.
It
- 2 Nella and I haven't seen each other for two years.
It's two
- 3 Although she had terrible pains in her legs, Ann climbed the mountain.
In spite of
- 4 You're allowed to eat at the restaurant without wearing a tie.
You don't
- 5 I'm not going to go to the dance because I haven't got a partner.
If I
- 6 It wasn't possible for them to get home because of the floods.
The floods
- 7 She finds it strange to stay at home all day.
She is not used
- 8 I go to the dentist less often than I should.
I don't
- 9 I regret not keeping in touch with her.
I wish
- 10 'I'm so sorry I broke the vase,' Michael said to Daphne.
Michael apologized

D Vocabulary 1: word groups

Complete each sentence with a word connected with *health* or *sickness*.

- 1 Susan is studying at university because she is going to be a doctor.
- 2 Unless you are very, it is not advisable to run extremely long distances or lift heavy weights.
- 3 He needed an to remove the bullet from his leg.
- 4 Nowadays many diseases can be if they are diagnosed and treated early enough.
- 5 I was seriously on holiday because of some fish I had eaten, and I had to go to hospital.

E Vocabulary 2: word groups

Complete each sentence with a word connected with the idea of *giving* or *receiving*.

- 1 The bank has agreed to give the company a of £50,000 which must be repaid by the end of next year.
- 2 There were a lot of under the Christmas tree, wrapped up in beautiful paper.
- 3 I don't suppose you could me your bike for a couple of hours, could you?
- 4 You can bring the sweater back if there's anything wrong with it, but you must bring the with you to prove that you bought it here.
- 5 I'm playing squash this afternoon, but my racket's broken. Could I yours?

F Vocabulary 3: word groups

Complete each sentence with a word connected with *films*.

- 1 Sean Connery as James Bond in some of the best Bond films.
- 2 At the end of the film I saw the other day, there's a wonderful where the young girl finds the rest of her family.
- 3 The is so complicated that you need to see the film twice to understand what happens.
- 4 Before television became popular, people had to go out to the if they wanted to see a film.
- 5 The disadvantage of watching films on TV is the small size of the