

**Listening**

**1 Recording 3 Listen and match speakers 1–6 with topics a) –h). There are two extra answers you do not need.**

- 1 Mark   d
- 2 Sally   —
- 3 David   —
- 4 Karen   —
- 5 Anthony   —
- 6 Lola   —

- a) illegal immigration
- b) antisocial behaviour
- c) child labour
- d) ~~capital punishment~~
- e) drink-driving
- f) freedom of speech
- g) ageism
- h) the war against drugs

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**2 Recording 3 Listen again and write true (T) or false (F).**

- 1 Mark believes that if it made obtaining firearms more restricted, the U.S. would have a lower crime rate.   T
- 2 Sally thinks people who risk everything to escape their own countries deserve everything they get.   —
- 3 David acknowledges that the purchase of low-priced goods made in developed countries gives children the chance to pay for an education they'd otherwise not have.   —
- 4 Karen appreciates living in a country where there is no fear attached to saying what you think.   —
- 5 Anthony sees every reason for people to cause a nuisance or vandalise property when there are no jobs to be had.   —
- 6 Lola considers that we live in a fairly balanced society and is glad that the wisdom gained through life is not wasted.   —

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**3 Recording 4 Listen and underline the correct answer, a), b) or c).**

- 1 The couple have now   b  .  
a) been married for nearly thirty years  
b) become grandparents  
c) decided to go away somewhere different
- 2 For their wedding anniversary, they \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) took their family to the beach  
b) were given tickets to the Maldives  
c) chose to push the boat out and go on holiday
- 3 On their first visit, the island was \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) inhabited by friendly locals  
b) virtually deserted and the beach was pristine  
c) a quiet place where only local fishermen fished
- 4 They had stayed in a \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) small thatched dwelling by the beach  
b) hut that they had built themselves  
c) romantic hotel in a cave
- 5 When they returned there, they were \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) delighted that the beach was still so unspoilt  
b) expecting everything to have changed  
c) dismayed to discover the area had been developed
- 6 They now look back on their honeymoon \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) and cherish all the great memories from it  
b) with a sense of sadness and loss  
c) and regret that it was such a disastrous trip

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**Grammar**

**4 Choose the correct answer to complete the text, a), b) or c).**

If I didn't have my family to think about, <sup>1</sup> a in this case I do, I'd move out of the city in a flash and relocate to a secluded village <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_. I could enjoy a bit of peace and quiet. We've <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ in the city for ages now and over the last few years the increase in antisocial behaviour <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ quite noticeable. To be honest, I no longer feel safe. <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ a real pity, as <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ the choice, I'd much prefer to go into town with friends than be stuck at home alone. <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ constantly amazes me, though, how many of us seem <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ forgotten how to enjoy the simple things in life like walking in the countryside.

- 1 a) which      b) who      c) whom
- 2 a) since when    b) where    c) for which
- 3 a) been lived    b) living    c) been living
- 4 a) has become    b) becomes    c) is becoming
- 5 a) It's            b) What's    c) That's
- 6 a) doing          b) given      c) making
- 7 a) This            b) It          c) What
- 8 a) to having      b) having    c) to have

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5 Complete the second sentence with **no more than five words** so that it means the same as the first. Use the word in capitals.

- 1 We've got two cars and they're sports cars.  
**BOTH**  
We've got two cars, both of which are sports cars.
- 2 Fred lost his temper so I walked out of the room.  
**POINT**  
Fred lost his temper, \_\_\_\_\_ I walked out of the room.
- 3 Isn't that the man with the son who's in prison?  
**WHOSE**  
Isn't that the man \_\_\_\_\_ ?
- 4 We've got two computers but they're not working.  
**NEITHER**  
We've got two computers, \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5 Erik never goes back to the big, old house in the village. He was born there.  
**WHERE**  
Erik never goes back to the big, old house in the village \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6 I may have to work late so I'll call you if I do.  
**CASE**  
I may have to work late, \_\_\_\_\_ call you.

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6 Correct **two** mistakes in each sentence.

- 1 It's ~~the~~ **a** pity that your sister, ~~whose~~ **who** lives in Hawaii, can't make it to your wedding.
- 2 To approach the car from the front, I looked at the two front tyres, both of whom were flat.
- 3 A big group of people, many whom were from the village, watched in horror as the huge waves crashing against the side of the small boat.
- 4 It looks me as though I'll be late as there's a five-miles tailback on the motorway.
- 5 Since when are you interested in visiting old, beautiful Egyptian ruins?
- 6 I could hardly believe when my leather brown coat was stolen from work. I really thought it was a safe place to have left it.
- 7 Adam went on a twenty-miles-long run, the result for which was that he slept all afternoon.
- 8 It's not coincidence that he ran away on the night of the arson attack and isn't seen or heard of since.
- 9 For her birthday I baked a chocolate, large rich cake, who I then decorated with gold leaf.

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## Vocabulary

7 Complete the sentences. Use the correct form of the words in brackets.

- 1 The investigating team agreed that a *miscarriage* (carry) of justice had indeed occurred.
- 2 Having read all the positive reviews, I'd have to say that in my opinion the restaurant was completely \_\_\_\_\_ (rate).
- 3 The cottage, which had been \_\_\_\_\_ (habit) for nearly a decade, was in a very poor state of repair.
- 4 This is the only one of its kind in the whole world so it's \_\_\_\_\_ (place) and, therefore, priceless.
- 5 Although she was given the best treatment money could buy, her condition continued to \_\_\_\_\_ (generation).
- 6 Abbey Road has been \_\_\_\_\_ (mortal) by the music of the Beatles and will always have a place in the history of the 60s music scene.
- 7 The \_\_\_\_\_ (establish) march was a peaceful affair that aimed to demonstrate how disgruntled the general populace were at the government's mismanagement of the economy.

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8 Complete the sentences with the words from the box. There are **three** words you do not need.

congestion	convictions	deserted
freedom	gaudy	infrastructure
innocence	<del>punishment</del>	unexposed
uninhabitable	vicinity	

- 1 Some proponents of capital *punishment* are suggesting it should be brought back for crimes such as terrorism.
- 2 Although all the rooms were painted in bright, \_\_\_\_\_ colours and clearly hadn't been changed since the seventies, we saw the potential it had.
- 3 Government cuts will mean that much-needed improvements to the existing \_\_\_\_\_ will have to be curtailed for the time being.
- 4 In our legal system, previous \_\_\_\_\_ are not made public during a court case so that a fair hearing can be given to the defendant.
- 5 A new initiative to tackle homelessness aims to create homes from currently \_\_\_\_\_ old buildings.
- 6 Ironically, the prosecutor's use of CCTV footage provided proof of the defendant's \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7 Don't be surprised if the town square is completely \_\_\_\_\_ in the middle of the day. People take their siesta then, to avoid the midday heat.
- 8 If you were in the \_\_\_\_\_ at the time, how is it that you claim to have seen nothing of the incident?

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**9 Complete the sentences with one word.**

- 1 The judge severely condemned the man for having taken the law *into* his own hands.
- 2 His lawyer said the only course of action left to him was to appeal \_\_\_\_\_ the sentence he'd been given.
- 3 It was shocking to see how run-\_\_\_\_\_ grandfather's farmhouse had become in the years since his accident.
- 4 This government will not tolerate those individuals or gangs who are known to mete out their own type of rough \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5 The police were amazed that someone had the gall to \_\_\_\_\_ out a robbery of that scale in broad daylight.
- 6 Fortunately, education systems and local action groups are working to improve environmental \_\_\_\_\_, so most citizens nowadays do know about the issues that are affecting our planet.
- 7 Amnesty International has always been a fierce defender of and advocate for human \_\_\_\_\_ worldwide.
- 8 If we are to minimise cultural misunderstandings in relation to gender, we need to bear in \_\_\_\_\_ the role that women play in other societies.

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**Function**

**10 Replace the incorrect word in the sentences.**

- 1 Instead of going on holiday in the summer when everyone is doing the same thing, I'd much ~~prefer~~ *sooner* wait until the autumn when it's cooler and quieter everywhere, wouldn't you?
- 2 Taken the choice, I would much rather travel everywhere by public transport than by car. It's so much cheaper and less stressful.
- 3 Without a shadow of a dilemma, the economic situation is most definitely worsening as people are having to economise more and more.
- 4 No doubt would I speak to my parents like that! In my opinion, you were totally wrong to disrespect them in that manner.
- 5 I'm afraid it's totally out of the situation for you to take unpaid leave right now. We're incredibly busy and must have completed this order by the end of the month.
- 6 When push comes to jump, you really find out who your true friends are and which people are there when you most need help.

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**11 Complete the proposal with words and phrases a)–m) below. There are two options you do not need.**

I'd first like to give <sup>1</sup> f information. We're a group of teachers who have taught all around the world so we've built up a network of contacts. To <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_, we're going to talk briefly about our plan to create an online material bank and discussion forum for teachers around the world.

The <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ our proposal is to obtain sufficient funding for us to get this project off the ground, and the aim of the project itself is to build up a support network for teachers, which in effect will be created *by* them, *for* them.

OK, what <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ initially is to create lesson plans and relevant materials which can be used for set levels or stages and will cover a broad range of curriculum subjects. We're <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ with a menu of lesson options linked to each subject and provide information on the level and age that the materials would be most suitable for. What <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ that these materials are added to by other teachers who send in their own plans and resources, which we then publish on the site.

We know that this <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ because we've spoken to many other teachers around the globe who, as developers of their own resources, are keen to share their ideas and this site will provide them with this opportunity. It will give rise to many benefits: in <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_\_, teachers all around the globe will have a platform for sharing resources and ideas. This in turn will mean they have other ways to supplement their own banks of teaching materials. Secondly, there is <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ of increasing collaboration between other nations and cultures. We will be setting up subject-orientated discussion forums too so that teachers may ask questions and discuss aspects as they wish to.

So, to <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_, we're looking to provide an opportunity for greater international cooperation between teachers and for best practice to be shared in a more informal manner. You can be a part of this by helping to provide start-up funds for our site. Is there <sup>11</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ clarification?

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) the long-term benefit</li> <li>b) idea is feasible</li> <li>c) sum up</li> <li>d) main objective of</li> <li>e) looking to come down</li> <li>f) <del>you some background</del></li> <li>g) we're proposing is</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>h) going to come up</li> <li>i) that's our plan</li> <li>j) start with</li> <li>k) the first instance</li> <li>l) we plan to do</li> <li>m) anything needing</li> </ul> |
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**Reading**

**12 Read the email and choose the correct answer, a), b) or c).**

Dear Maggie

How are you and the boys? I hope everything's going well and you managed to sort out that misunderstanding with Jack. I'm sorry I didn't get to see you before I left but things were a bit frantic – you know me, leaving everything until the last minute.

I'm sitting on the balcony of my hotel room, overlooking the clear blue waters of the Black Sea. A few sailing boats are drifting by but otherwise there is just limitless blue as far as the eye can see. The sun is high in a cloudless sky while seagulls fly past on the warm, gentle sea breezes.

This is Sozopol, a picturesque Bulgarian seaside town. May is a very good time to be here because it's not yet high season. I don't think you've been to Bulgaria, have you? I've wanted to come here for a long time as I've read so much about the country and we only see a very one-dimensional picture on those awful property programmes on television.

All the streets here in the centre of the old town are cobbled and very narrow. The buildings are made of wood and stone and most of them have overhanging balconies so you could almost jump from one house to the next! You get the feeling that time has somehow stopped here. Many of the buildings are in a poor state of repair but the shabbiness adds to the charm. Just next door is a traditional restaurant with a huge terrace. The vines are heavy on the trellises that cover the outdoor area and offer shade from the heat of the sun. It's so atmospheric and peaceful. There are, of course, the inevitable and ubiquitous shops selling tourist stuff but if you're a little more adventurous you can find some fabulous glass and ceramics. This must be a haven for the local artists as the environment is certainly very inspiring. I'm going to buy a couple of paintings for the new house and perhaps some glassware as well.

My eyes have certainly been opened though. I would hesitate to come here at the height of the tourist season as it must be heaving. You know me and my dislike of crowds!

Anyway, tomorrow I'm heading inland to explore the mountains. I don't know whether there'll be any reception there but if there is, I'll write to you again next week.

Love,  
Fiona x

- 1 Fiona was c Maggie before she went on holiday.
  - a) thankful that Jack made up with
  - b) glad she managed catch up with
  - c) apologetic for not seeing
- 2 Fiona decided to visit Sozopol \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a) because Maggie recommended it
  - b) when it wasn't at its busiest
  - c) as she'd only heard good things about it
- 3 The houses are \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a) built pretty close together
  - b) well maintained
  - c) charming because of the way they've been modernised.
- 4 The nearby restaurant \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a) has a bright and sunny terrace
  - b) is always bustling with people
  - c) serves traditional cuisine
- 5 More curious visitors \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a) might be surprised by the lack of shops
  - b) can discover the work of local artisans
  - c) won't be able to resist the tacky souvenirs
- 6 Fiona imagines that Sozopol might be \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a) her kind of place when busy
  - b) quite an interesting place in the summer
  - c) best to avoid in the peak season

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**13 Read the letter again. Underline true (T) or false (F).**

- 1 Fiona admits she's not one to keep on top of things. T/F
- 2 She's writing on a calm, still day. T/F
- 3 In May, Sozopol is just entering the busiest time of year for tourism. T/F
- 4 Fiona's knowledge of Bulgaria comes solely from reading guidebooks. T/F
- 5 She thinks the country is largely misrepresented by TV programmes. T/F
- 6 The old town is full of character. T/F
- 7 The author remarks that all the local buildings are dilapidated and in need of attention. T/F
- 8 Fiona's hotel is located close to an eatery that has a wonderfully relaxed ambience. T/F
- 9 You have to be prepared to look beyond the obvious, typical souvenirs to find more interesting local products. T/F
- 10 Fiona feels that this place must really attract and influence artists in the area. T/F
- 11 Fiona doesn't recommend visiting in the summer because of the heat. T/F

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**Writing**

**14 Underline the correct alternative.**

- 1 In *effective/conclusion*, if we're to tackle social inequalities, we need to first understand what the principle barriers are to employment among the worst off.
- 2 The isolation of elderly people within our communities illustrates very clearly one of today's most important *issues/causes*, that is, the disintegration of our local communities and the loss of traditional family values.
- 3 Of course there should be a limit imposed on the number of climbers ascending Mount Everest, given the impact they are having on the natural environment. One possible *reference/solution* would be to restrict the number of climbers allowed access to the mountain per season.
- 4 One of the positive *consequences/anecdotes* of the proposed bypass through an area of natural beauty was that the community came together in protest and became more of a cohesive unit.
- 5 Some people are obsessed with sharing everything they think or do on social networking sites. This *refers/represents* a growing problem in terms of a lack of attachment to reality and of meaningful engagement with the society in which we live.
- 6 The recent social unrest has *caused/led* to a rise in vandalism, an increase in policing levels and general public dissatisfaction.

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**15 A description: Choose a place you know well and write a guidebook entry in 200–250 words. Include at least three of the topics below.**

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- food and drink
- history
- location
- nearby attractions
- the people

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