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A  Listen to the podcast. Then read the questions and choose the correct answers.

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| <p>1 What does Natalie say about her writing group?</p> <p>A They all liked to write the same kind of stories.</p> <p>B They met in her house every week to write.</p> <p>C They sometimes wrote on their own and sometimes together.</p> <p>2 What problem did the group have at the beginning?</p> <p>A They could not agree on the final story to write.</p> <p>B They spent a lot of time talking instead of writing.</p> <p>C They could not concentrate because of the alarm clock that Natalie used.</p> | <p>3 What does Joe say about working at the festival?</p> <p>A Selling drinks was more difficult than selling souvenirs.</p> <p>B Volunteers could stop working for two hours to listen to the music.</p> <p>C He was paid \$10 for the work he did.</p> <p>4 What does Joe think about the experience?</p> <p>A It may help him when he tries to get a job in the future.</p> <p>B It was a great way to see his favorite bands without paying anything.</p> <p>C He is disappointed that he only got a certificate.</p> |
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B  Listen to the podcast. Circle *True* or *False* for each statement.

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| <p>1 Tom starts his talk by telling a story.</p> <p>2 Tom says it is better to talk about how a product developed than to describe it in detail.</p> <p>3 Tom says that telling a personal story is a good way to get along with people.</p> <p>4 People like most to hear stories about people who became successful easily.</p> | <p>True / False</p> <p>True / False</p> <p>True / False</p> <p>True / False</p> |
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C Complete the table with the words in the box.

business cotton engineering fare ferry highway ~~horror~~ musical
political science romantic comedy wood wool

Kinds of Movies	Materials	College Subjects	Things Related to Transportation
horror			

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D Circle the correct answers in the email.

Hello from Hannah

Hi Jacob,

I just heard that you are leaving the company. I was very ¹*surprising* / *surprised* to hear this. You have always been one of our most ²*reliable* / *fancy* workers. I know you were ³*breaking down* / *having problems* with the boss, but I didn't realize you were so unhappy.

Well, I just wanted to tell you that I am ⁴*grateful* / *annoyed* for all your help. Also, you ⁵*got back* / *left behind* some books in your office. If you want, we could meet up, and I could ⁶*search* / *return* them to you.

Let me know.

Best wishes,

Hannah

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E Complete the conversation with the words in the box.

beautifully damaged device goal knock light modern safely sync tiny

Matthew Look, Emma. I just bought a new phone!

Emma Wow! It's ¹_____! I've never seen a phone so small. It looks really ²_____ too, not like those enormous old-fashioned phones they used to make. They designed it ³_____!

Matthew Thanks. Feel how heavy it is.

Emma That's not heavy! That's really ⁴_____!

Matthew I know. It has a strong case made of plastic too, so if you drop it, it won't be ⁵_____.

Emma I always ⁶_____ my phone with my computer, so if I ⁷_____ it off the table and break it, then I still have all my photos stored ⁸_____ on another ⁹_____.

Matthew That's what happened with my last phone. My ¹⁰_____ for this one is to have it for three years and not break it!

_____ / 10 (1 point each)

F Circle the correct answers to complete the conversation.

Melissa Scott, I'm meeting ¹*up / down / off* with an old friend for lunch. Could you tell me a good place to eat?

Scott Of course! *Shorty's* is a good place. You won't be ²*disappointing / disappointed / amused* with the food. They make great pizzas, and the people who work there are really ³*brave / selfish / helpful*. They always ⁴*have / make / do* their best to explain the different ⁵*options / purposes / results*. For example, you can get one giant pizza to share, and that is usually cheaper than two smaller ones.

Melissa Thanks, Scott. You're the best!

_____ / 5 (1 point each)

G Complete the conversation with the words in the box.

a already few lot the When Where yet

Eduardo Excuse me. ¹_____ is the nearest hostel?

Fernando There's one on this street. If you continue walking, you'll come to ²_____ monument. Walk past ³_____ monument, and the hostel is on the right. It's a white building.

Eduardo Ah, yes. I can see it. Thanks. Can I ask another question? Are you from Mexico?

Fernando Yes! I was going to ask you the same thing. ⁴_____ did you come here?

Eduardo About six weeks ago. I've seen a ⁵_____ of Mexicans in this area.

Fernando It's true. Have you had lunch? If you haven't eaten ⁶_____, I know a great Mexican restaurant near here.

Eduardo I've ⁷_____ had something to eat, but thanks.

Fernando No problem. Anyway, keep walking straight, and you'll be there in a ⁸_____ minutes.

_____ / 8 (1 point each)

H Complete the second sentence with one word so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence.

1 "You can have an apartment in September," the receptionist told us.

The receptionist told us that we _____ have an apartment in September.

2 The company paid for my ticket to the event.

The ticket to the event _____ paid for by the company.

3 Only one or two of my friends don't have smartphones.

Almost _____ of my friends have smartphones.

4 It is essential to have a shower before you enter the pool.

You _____ have a shower before you enter the pool.

5 Taylor played football frequently when he was younger.

When he was younger, Taylor _____ to play football frequently.

_____ / 5 (1 point each)

I Circle the correct answers.

Waiter ¹May / Must I take your order, please?

Paul Sorry, just one minute. We're still deciding ... OK ... I ²have / 'll have a cheeseburger and I think my mom ... wait, she's still thinking. I know what she ³would / is going to have. She always has a salad. You ⁴should / would try a cheeseburger, mom. They're fantastic here.

Mom For me, the salad. ⁵Can / Must I take anything I want from the salad bar?

Waiter Not anything. What you choose ⁶has to / might fit on one plate. Have you decided ⁷what / which you would like to drink?

Paul Just some water, thanks. I knew she would have the salad!

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J Circle the correct answers to complete the conversation.

Jason That was a great sandwich! Do you like working here?

Melissa Yes, this is a great business to work for. The owners, Phil and Michelle, ¹set up it / set it up / set up them 40 years ago today. They started by selling sandwiches to the workers in the area. They ²used to walk / have walked / should walk around with a suitcase full of sandwiches at 1 o'clock and they always ³have sold / sold / were selling everything before they reached the first corner.

Jason Really! Do you know when ⁴they did open / they opened / did they open their first sandwich shop?

Melissa About two years after they started. Their first shop, Michelle's Deli, was downtown next to the movie theater. The deli is beautiful inside. ⁵Were / Did / Have you ever been there?

Jason I don't think so, but if the sandwiches are as good as this, then I ⁶will / would / have go there soon.

Melissa You ⁷don't / can't / won't be disappointed. Michelle still works there! And the turkey sandwiches are the best!

_____ / 7 (1 point each)

K Complete the conversation with the words in parentheses (). Use the present perfect, simple past, past continuous, or present perfect continuous.

Stephanie Hi Scott. I haven't seen (see) you all day. What ¹_____ you _____?

Scott I've been working on my final project. I ²_____ (start) three weeks ago, and I think I'm going to finish it today!

Stephanie That explains why you ³_____ (smile) when I walked in!

Scott I guess it does. These last few days, I ⁴_____ (work) really hard. For example, last night when you were at the movies, I ⁵_____ (study).

Stephanie You were? I'm surprised. But you ⁶_____ (not finish) yet, have you? If I ⁷_____ (be) you, I would stop talking and get it finished. Then we can go to the movies together!

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L Read the story. Then read the questions and choose the correct answers.

Luke found his seat on the train and put his bag down.

"Where are you going?" the woman next to him asked.

"Boston," Luke replied, relaxing in the comfortable seat.

He was thrilled because this was his first trip to Boston. He had a table on the train, so he decided to do some work. He had an important project to finish, and the five-hour trip would give him just enough time. However, the woman next to him had two boys with her, and they were shouting and screaming so much that Luke couldn't concentrate on his work.

"What terrible children," he thought.

He decided to move to the quiet car, a part of the train where people were quiet, and cell phones were not allowed. When the train arrived in Boston, he was happy because he had finished his work. Then he remembered something.

"Oh no! My bag!"

He remembered that his bag was in the other part of the train. He walked as fast as possible but when he reached his original seat, his bag wasn't there. The train started to move again, so Luke jumped off, without his bag.

"Oh no. My clothes! And my money!"

He felt miserable as he thought of a week in Boston wearing the same pants and shirt. He didn't have enough money to buy new clothes. He was about to leave the station when a voice shouted from behind him.

"Excuse me, sir."

He turned around to see one of the two noisy boys from the train. And the boy was holding Luke's bag!

"What a relief!" he thought as he thanked the boy.

1 Why was Luke excited when he got on the train?

- A He had time to finish an important project.
- B He had never been to Boston before.
- C He had a space to do his work.

2 Why did Luke move to the quiet car?

- A He didn't like the woman who was near him.
- B The seats were more comfortable there.
- C It wouldn't be as noisy as his original seat.

3 When Luke got off the train,

- A he was sad because clothes cost a lot of money in Boston.
- B someone stole his bag.
- C he was happy when he saw one of the children from the train.

4 Which title best describes the story?

- A The Lost Bag
- B The Magnificent Train Ride
- C My Visit to Boston

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M Read the email. Then read the questions and choose the correct answers.

Subject: **END-OF-YEAR EVENT**

Dear Coworkers,

Usually at the end of the year, we go for a meal at a Chinese restaurant. Some people have commented that it's difficult to be sociable when you are having a meal. This is because you can only speak to the people who are sitting near you.

Here are some ideas for this year. Please email me back before Friday to tell me which one you like best.

Company Show

This idea has two parts. First: a show where different coworkers perform in front of everybody. We already have a DJ, a pop singer, and a jazz group who have volunteered. After the show, we would have a party with dancing. There would be no food, so you would have to eat before you come. Please tell me if you want to volunteer because we need more performers for this option to work.

Bring-Your-Own-Food Party

This idea is much cheaper than booking a restaurant and gives people a chance to show their cooking skills. Don't worry if you can't cook – you can still bring drinks and snacks to the party. We would have a list of food, and people could decide what to make. I would need to organize this carefully since we don't want everybody making chocolate cake!

Funny Costume Party

Each person has to come wearing a costume. No normal clothes! We could let everyone choose their own costumes. Or we could choose one idea – for example, "black and white," and have everyone wear black and white clothes. "Pop stars" is another possibility – everyone dresses like a famous pop star. We could take some great photos!

Please email me back with your favorite idea. If I don't hear from anyone, I'll book the Chinese restaurant again! But don't blame me for it!

Thanks for your help,

Robert

- 1 Why is Robert sending the email about the end-of-year event?
 - A to get some new ideas from his coworkers
 - B to make some suggestions for the event
 - C because no one likes Chinese food
 - 2 If they have a show,
 - A the company will hire a professional singer.
 - B there won't be anything to eat.
 - C not all the volunteers will be able to perform.
 - 3 If they have a bring-your-own-food party,
 - A Robert will have to organize what people bring.
 - B No one can make chocolate cake.
 - C Everyone has to cook something.
 - 4 If they have a funny costume party, everyone
 - A Must wear a specific color for the event.
 - B Must take photos and share them.
 - C Must wear something different from usual.
 - 5 If no one answers Robert's email,
 - A Robert will be angry with his coworkers.
 - B The event will be the same as last year.
 - C The coworkers will all blame Robert.
- _____ / 10 (2 points each)