

GRAMMAR

- 1 Complete the sentences with the present perfect simple or continuous form of the verb in brackets.

Example: Have you ever had (you / ever / have) an operation?

- How long _____ (your sister / have) her bike?
- Mark _____ (not talk) to me recently. I don't know why.
- How long _____ (you / learn) English?
- I'm tired because I _____ (paint) the house all day.
- Sorry, I can't come out. I _____ (not do) my homework yet.
- I _____ (just / see) Eva in the library.

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- 2 Order the words to make questions and sentences.

Example: you / the / enjoy / didn't / meal / ?

Didn't you enjoy the meal?

- speak / you / better / practise / , / more / the / you / will / the / .
- more / uncomfortable / hotter / it / , / the / the / I / is / feel / .
- instrument / play / can / a / you / musical / ?
- class / many / how / your / students / in / are / ?
- what / about / you / are / thinking / ?
- where / could / tell / you / me / cinema / the / is / ?
- year / holiday / go / last / you / did / on / ?
- film / a / isn't / this / fantastic / ?

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- 3 Complete the sentences with one word.

Example: Your sister speaks Spanish, doesn't she?

- A I'm going to the theatre tonight.
B So _____ I.
- A Fred doesn't like me any more.
B He _____ like you! He told me yesterday.
- I eat meat, but my sister _____.
- A Will you be at the party?
B No, I _____. I wasn't invited.
- A I'd love to be famous.
B _____ you? I'd hate it.
- You've been to Italy, _____ you?

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VOCABULARY

- 4 Underline the correct word.

Example: My new boyfriend is definitely Mr **Good** / Right / **Correct**. He's my perfect partner.

- My sister's unhappy because she broke **out** / **up** / **away** with her boyfriend last week.
- My cousin is a pain in the **chest** / **head** / **neck**. He really annoys me.
- Don't give Luke any nuts. He's allergic **to** / **for** / **with** them.
- Susie is incredibly **calm** / **vain** / **wise**. She even carries a mirror in her handbag!
- I hate **speaking** / **chatting** / **talking** up girls in bars. I never know what to say.
- Tom isn't my **kind** / **match** / **type**. He's too young and he's very silly.

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5 Underline the odd word out.Example: bruise blister cough rash

- 1 painkillers drugs medicine blister
- 2 bleed ache dizzy faint
- 3 flu a cold injection asthma
- 4 cough temperature stitches rash
- 5 wound X-ray scan operation
- 6 heart attack stroke food poisoning bandage

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6 Complete the words in the sentences.

Example: Sally doesn't like sharing her friends. She's very possessive.

- 1 Harry wants a good job and lots of money. He's very a_____.
- 2 Simon's i_____. He often says things that he doesn't mean.
- 3 Some people say I'm r_____ because I don't like showing my feelings.
- 4 Sean is really s_____. He never changes his opinion, even when he's wrong.
- 5 I like people who are o_____ - _____. They're always prepared to accept new ideas.
- 6 Kate is very i_____. She often acts without thinking.
- 7 My sister is so i_____. She behaves like a child all the time!
- 8 Richard's a c_____ person. He always in a good mood.

 8Vocabulary total 20

PRONUNCIATION

7 Underline the stressed syllable.Example: cheerful

- 1 eccentric
- 2 operation
- 3 antibiotics
- 4 arrogant
- 5 unconscious

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8 Match the words with the same sound.

pressure ~~allergy~~ ache ~~check-up~~ cough specialistExample: jazz allergy

- 1 key _____, _____
- 2 shower _____, _____
- 3 chess _____

 5Pronunciation total 10Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation total 50

READING

Read the article and tick (✓) A, B, or C.

Increasingly, these days, people lead busy professional lives in which they have little time for lunch, let alone time to meet the next possible Mr or Ms Right. The emphasis in our lives is on using time we have left outside of work well, spending 'quality time' with our family and friends. So, it's no surprise that speed dating has become so popular. An activity in which busy men and women go to an organized event, have three-minute chats with more eligible members of the opposite sex than they would normally meet in a year, and then decide who might or might not be a potential partner, is a great example of perfect time management.

Speed dating is a relatively new phenomenon. Its first event was staged at Pete's Café in Beverly Hills California in 1998, and organized by a group of Jewish students who wanted to meet other singles of the same religion. They were sure it was a good idea and expected that large numbers of people would enjoy it, but not immediately. Within a very short time, however, it had spread everywhere, and its popularity was confirmed when a speed dating story line appeared in the hit American comedy series *Sex and the City*.

It hasn't taken sociologists very long to take an interest, either. An American study, carried out in 2005, discovered that it took hardly any time at all for men and women to choose who they would like to meet again in the future. Just seconds, in fact. This study would appear to completely undermine the argument of all those romantics who wonder how three minutes can possibly be enough to decide whether somebody might be 'the one'. It seems that we know instantly. Interestingly, women have a greater instinct for this than men. In a 2006 study, carried out by a Scottish university, over 40 per cent of women, which was twice the percentage figure for men, had made their minds up about the person they were chatting to within thirty seconds.

Other studies have looked into how to increase your chances of success when attending a speed dating event. They have produced some interesting results. For example, what you smell like could be vital. And I'm not talking about remembering to wash before you go. Women are attracted to men with a similar background and interests but a very different scent. There's no greater turn off than a guy with an identical natural body smell, it would seem. Height, too, seems to be important to attraction, although short men shouldn't lose all hope. The important thing is to be a few centimetres taller than the woman you're trying to chat up – being too tall can be just as bad as not being tall enough.

What you talk about can make all the difference, too. You'd think that speaking intelligently about the latest movie or play would impress the girls or the guys, but nothing could be further from the truth. No-one likes someone who's too clever. According to a recent study, it's life experiences that attract the opposite sex, so don't forget to tell them about all those places you've been to and things you've seen.

Example: People are busier now than in the past.

A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☒

- 1 People try to spend free time with family and friends.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 2 Speed dating is a good type of event for busy working people.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 3 The owner of Pete's Café first had the idea of a speed dating event.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 4 Speed dating didn't become popular until quite a long time after the first event.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 5 According to a 2005 study, three minutes is not enough time to decide if you like a member of the opposite sex.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 6 Only half the men in a Scottish study were able to choose whether they wanted to see someone again within thirty seconds.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 7 Your natural body smell might affect how attractive you are to the opposite sex.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 8 Men who want to attract a woman must be much taller than the woman.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 9 At a speed dating event, you should try to not talk about your family.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐
- 10 When speed dating, it might be better to talk about where you've travelled to rather than the cinema.
A True ☐ B False ☐ C Doesn't say ☐

Reading total 10

WRITING

Write an email to a friend describing someone you have got to know recently. Write 140–180 words. Include the following information:

- how you met
- a description of the positive and negative aspects of your new friend's personality
- what you have in common in terms of personality and interests

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Reading and Writing total 20

LISTENING

- 1 Listen to Claire and her friend Mark talking about their answers to a personality quiz. According to the quiz, which personal qualities does Claire have? Tick (✓) the **five** personal qualities mentioned or described.

Claire is _____.

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| 1 creative <input type="checkbox"/> | 6 unselfish <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2 talkative <input type="checkbox"/> | 7 insincere <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3 honest <input type="checkbox"/> | 8 loyal <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4 stubborn <input type="checkbox"/> | 9 sociable <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5 unimaginative <input type="checkbox"/> | 10 unkind <input type="checkbox"/> |

- 2 Listen to five conversations. Tick (✓) A, B, or C.

- How long has Jenny been waiting?
A since one o'clock ☐ B since two o'clock ☐
C since three o'clock ☐
- What is Laura's younger sister like?
A ambitious and kind ☐
B generous and career-minded ☐
C kind and stubborn ☐
- What has Paul done to his hand?
A He's cut it. ☐ B He's burnt it. ☐
C He's broken a finger. ☐
- What does Sally say about the man she met on a blind date?
A He wasn't very good-looking. ☐
B She kept in touch with him. ☐
C He wasn't the kind of man she usually likes. ☐
- Jeff has _____.
A a nosebleed ☐ B cut himself ☐
C broken his nose ☐

Listening total ☐ 10

SPEAKING

- 1 Answer your partner's questions.

Now make questions and ask your partner.

- What kind of person / you?
- Where / the best place to go on a first date? Why?
- When / last ill? What / the matter?
- What / your idea of perfect happiness?
- / you / believe psychics / special powers? Why/Why not?

- 2 Talk about the statement below, saying if you agree or disagree. Give reasons.

'Speed dating is the best way to meet your future husband or wife.'

- 3 Listen to your partner talking about personality and relationships. Do you agree with him / her?

Speaking total ☐ 20

Listening and Speaking total ☐ 30