

## GRAMMAR

## 1 Order the words to make questions and sentences.

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

Didn't you enjoy the meal?

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

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## 2 Complete the sentences with one word.

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

- 1 You've been to France, \_\_\_\_\_ you?
- 2 A Will you be at the party?  
B No, I \_\_\_\_\_. I wasn't invited.
- 3 I eat meat, but my sister \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 A Billy doesn't like me any more.  
B He \_\_\_\_\_ like you! He told me yesterday.
- 5 A I'd love to be famous.  
B \_\_\_\_\_ you? I'd hate it.
- 6 A I'm going to the cinema tonight.  
B So \_\_\_\_\_ I.

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## 3 Complete the sentences with the present perfect simple or continuous form of the verbs in brackets.

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

- 1 How long \_\_\_\_\_ (you / learn) English?
- 2 I'm tired because I \_\_\_\_\_ (paint) the house all day.
- 3 I \_\_\_\_\_ (just / see) Tess in the library.
- 4 Sam \_\_\_\_\_ (not talk) to me recently. I don't know why.
- 5 Sorry, I can't come out. I \_\_\_\_\_ (not do) my homework yet.
- 6 How long \_\_\_\_\_ (your brother / have) his car?

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## VOCABULARY

## 4 Complete the words in the sentences.

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

- 1 Josh is really s\_\_\_\_\_. He never changes his opinion, even when he's wrong.
- 2 Liz is very i\_\_\_\_\_. She often acts without thinking.
- 3 Some people say I'm r\_\_\_\_\_ because I don't like showing my feelings.
- 4 Harry wants a good job and lots of money. He's very a\_\_\_\_\_.
- 5 Ben's a c\_\_\_\_\_ person. He always in a good mood.
- 6 My brother is so i\_\_\_\_\_. He behaves like a child all the time!
- 7 I like people who are o\_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_. They're always prepared to accept new ideas.
- 8 Tim's i\_\_\_\_\_. He often says things that he doesn't mean.

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5 Underline the correct word.

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

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

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6 Underline the odd word out.

Example: bruise blister cough rash

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

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Vocabulary total	20
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## PRONUNCIATION

## 7 Match the words with the same sound.

pressure ~~allergy~~ ache check-up cough specialist

Example: jazz allergy

- shower \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_
- key \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_
- chess \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

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8 Underline the stressed syllable.

Example: cheerful

- arrogant
- unconscious
- antibiotics
- eccentric
- operation

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

- According to the writer we have less time to meet potential partners now.  
A True  B False  C Doesn't say
- Speed dating seems an unusual activity in today's modern society.  
A True  B False  C Doesn't say
- The first speed dating event aimed to bring together people of completely different backgrounds.  
A True  B False  C Doesn't say
- The people who arranged the first speed dating event thought it would become popular very quickly.  
A True  B False  C Doesn't say
- According to a 2005 study, when people meet for the first time, most only need a few seconds to decide if they like someone or not.  
A True  B False  C Doesn't say
- Women are more interested in speed dating than men.  
A True  B False  C Doesn't say
- Women find men whose body smell is similar to their own more attractive.  
A True  B False  C Doesn't say
- Women don't mind if a man is shorter than they are.  
A True  B False  C Doesn't say
- The more intelligent you are, the more attractive you are.  
A True  B False  C Doesn't say
- At a speed dating event, it's probably better to talk about movies you've seen rather than the countries you've visited.  
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 Mark and his friend Claire talking about their answers to a personality quiz. According to the quiz, which personal qualities does Mark have? Tick (✓) the **five** personal qualities mentioned or described.

Mark is \_\_\_\_\_.

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| 1 imaginative <input type="checkbox"/> | 6 stubborn <input type="checkbox"/>     |
| 2 immature <input type="checkbox"/>    | 7 bad-tempered <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3 sincere <input type="checkbox"/>     | 8 sociable <input type="checkbox"/>     |
| 4 unreliable <input type="checkbox"/>  | 9 assertive <input type="checkbox"/>    |
| 5 loyal <input type="checkbox"/>       | 10 helpful <input type="checkbox"/>     |

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

- 1 How long has Jenny been waiting at the doctor's?  
A for about an hour  B for about two hours   
C for about three hours
- 2 What is Laura's older sister like?  
A hard-working and unkind   
B ambitious and kind  C kind and stubborn
- 3 What does Paul have on his hand?  
A A burn  B A bruise  C A rash
- 4 What does Sally say about the man she met on a blind date?  
A She saw him more than once.   
B They got on very well.   
C She thought he looked attractive.
- 5 What has happened to Jeff?  
A He's broken something.   
B He has a nosebleed.  C He's cut himself.

Listening total  10

## SPEAKING

- 1 Make questions and ask your partner.

- How long / learn English?
- How / relax?
- How / feeling / today?
- What / earliest memory?
- What kind of person / make / a good boss?

Now answer your partner's questions.

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

'People are usually attracted to someone with a similar personality to their own.'

- 3 Listen to your partner talking about speed dating. Do you agree with him / her?

Speaking total  20

Listening and Speaking total  30