

G R A M M A R

A. Complete the article by filling the gaps with proper verb form or verb tense. Write your answers in the spaces below the article.

Example: (00) fears

Cherie: I fear for my children in knife mad Britain

Cherie Blair thinks knife crime in Britain is now so bad that she **00 (fear)** for her children's safety. The wife of the former Prime Minister painted a bleak picture yesterday of the situation after 11 years of Labour rule. She claimed knife attacks are far more common than official figures suggest and **01 (call)** for tougher policing, including 'high visibility' operations **02 (flood)** hotspots with uniformed officers.

The mother of four **03 (give)** evidence to MPs on the Home Affairs Committee after serving as chairman of a 'commission' on street violence for Channel 4. She described how 11-year-olds told her they **04 (scare)** of moving to secondary school and risking **05 (stab)** or shot. She also warned that youngsters **06 (continue)** carrying knives as long as they saw little risk of serious punishment.

Critics reacted with astonishment last night, pointing out that Mrs Blair spent ten years living in Downing Street - **07 (marry)** to the man running the country – while violent crime levels **08 (rise)** sharply. Shadow Home Secretary Dominic Grieve called the remarks 'a sad indictment of ten years of failure.' LibDem Chris Huhne said: 'Young people do not feel safe on our streets but all the Government **09 (do)** is to posture on penalties that are not enforced because the offenders **10 (catch, not)**.

Criminologist Dr David Green, of the Civitas think-tank said: 'It **11 (be)** better if she had expressed these concerns five years ago, when the Government **12 (find)** it hard to ignore such a devastating critique'. Mrs Blair's admission comes amid deepening anxiety over the toll from knife and gun crimes, which **13 (claim)** the lives of 17 teenagers in London alone this year, and 31 across the country.

Violent offences recorded by police have more than doubled since Labour **14 (come)** to power. Mrs Blair told the MPs: 'As a parent I am concerned about what's happening when my children are on the street, and I know I am not unique in that by any means.' She said crime figures **15 (understate, significantly)** the problem, as the British Crime Survey ignores victims who are under 16.

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08 **Total Points:/15pts****V O C A B U L A R Y****Read the article below. Use the word given in CAPITALS at the end of each line to form a word that fits in the space in the same line. Write your answers in the spaces provided.**

Amanda has a lot to thank her brother for. Her father
 screwed up her – **00** – to art school and threw it in the **APPLY** 00 ...application....
 bin. Her brother rescued it, ironed it and then sent it off.
 The rest is history. About to take part in Cambridge Open
 Studios, which sees hundreds of artists invite – **01** – into **VISIT** 01
 Their homes and workshops, Amanda is a – **02** – **PROFESSION**02.....
 Illustrator and graphic – **03** - . **DESIGN** 03
 Looking round her – **04** – kitchen, yellow-painted walls **COLOUR** 04
 filling the room with a warm glow, it's clear Amanda is
 not the only one - **05** – to her brother – the rest of us owe **DEBT** 05
 him a thing or two, too. The – **06** – is adorned with a host **DRESS** 06.....
 of Amanda's hand-decorated mugs, plates and bowls:
 jewel-like, all are patterned with her – **07** – bright palate. **TRADE** 07
 featuring chilli peppers and cacti, they are designed – **08** – **EXPRESS** 08.....
 to make us smile. Amanda was banned from taking art
 O-level at school – for being too - **09** – . By the age of **DISRUPT** 09
 24, Amanda had realised her heart lay in the arts. Living
 in Mexico at the time, she'd filled – **10** – sketch books **NUMERABLE** 10
 and had started making her own pierced tinwork.

Total Points:/10pts

R E A D I N G C O M P R E H E N S I O N

Read the article on Britishness. Decide which of the sentences (A-M) below best fits into each of the numbered gaps (1-10) in the article. There are three extra sentences.

- A it lay in the Henley regatta
- B to be associated with football hooliganism
- C in what manner and with what effects
- D has exercised some of the finest minds
- E that it is about warm beer
- F to explore English identity at ID Fest
- G is complicated by mass immigration
- H to have outstandingly “English” characteristics
- I residents have an English ethnic background
- J many aspects are embedded in Englishness
- K raising troubling questions about national identity
- L concentrated largely in city centres
- M they are living in the same country

A “crisis of Britishness” is prompting growing numbers of people to redefine themselves as “English”, 01 and the extremes of home-grown Islamic radicals and the far right.

The question of what it is to be an Englishman 02 To Geroge Orwell it was “solid breakfasts and gloomy Sundays, smoky towns and winding roads, green fields and red pillar-boxes”, while the American-born poet T S Eliot argued 03, Wensleydale cheese and the music of Elgar.

Academics and film-makers aware of this nationalist trend are gathering in Derby this week 04, a new film festival exploring English identity.

Jeffrey Richards, professor of cultural history at Lancaster University thinks that there is a crisis of Britishness because of things like devolution, the EU and the crises in parliament – and, in the past, the monarchy – some people have felt the need for a separate identity from Britishness.

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Earlier this year, the Arts and Humanities Research Council cited a resurgence of interest in English folk music and dance as evidence of this. The experts also admit English is not as well established as Scottish, Irish or the Welsh identities. If flying the flag is an important symbol of national identity for our neighbours, the St George's cross has come 05

“The English have never really had to assert their identity, as they are the senior party in the UK,” said Professor Richards. But the problem of defining the national identity of a country of more than 51 million people 06, which has made England one of the most multicultural countries in the world.

“It's the elephant in the room of national identity,” said Robert Colls, professor of English history at Leicester University. “England is much more tolerant, and open to difference. On the other hand ...major changes in the nation-state have left many wondering in what sense 07”

While some believe English identity lies in morris dancing and brass bands, the literature of Chaucer and Shakespeare, and an obsession with cups of tea and the weather, others see this as reductionist. The poet Ian McMillan said, “You can either take the John Major view of Englishness, 08; or the idea of radical Englishness – that we've been invaded so many times Englishness is a construct, and can comprise a multiplicity of language and cultures.”

In the quest to find out what it really means to be English, people travel to two very different locations – Ripley in Derbyshire and Bradford in West Yorkshire – both of which have been described as among the most English places in the country.

Eighty-eight per cent of Ripley 09, while 97.8 per cent of the area is white. It is a world away from the multicultural city of Bradford. Despite the high proportion of British Asians living there – estimated to reach 26 per cent in 2011 – Bradford was found 10, with a high number of tea rooms and cricket clubs.

L I S T E N I N G C O M P R E H E N S I O N

You will hear Joanna Lumley talking about her love of travel. Listen carefully and decide whether the statements are true (T) or false (F).

1. Joanna said she might be fixed to one place.
2. Joanna prefers the quickest way to get to her destination.
3. Joanna and her husband reconstructed a cottage in Wales.
4. Joanna wears a strong perfume to cover the smell.
5. Joanna never misses her wedding anniversary due to her idea of postponing the celebration.

VOCABULARY: PROGRESSIVE TEST

List as many American idioms as you can. You will score 1 point for every 5 correctly spelled answers.

Total Points:pts

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