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Complete the text by putting the verbs in brackets into the correct forms. Write your answer in the space provided.

My girlfriend and I (1.) (not see) much of each other at the moment, because she (2.)..... (do) exams soon. She's in her final year and when she finishes, she (3.) (go) abroad to do voluntary work in India. I know I (4.) (miss) her a lot and life (5.) (not be) the same, but we hope to see each other in the holidays.

Help! It's 8.30 and I need to get ready for work. It (6.) (take) 20 minutes to get to the office, so I (7.)(continue) my blog later.

...../ 7pts

Choose the best answer (a-c) to complete each sentence. Put the LETTER of your answer in the space provided.

8. How often do you and your brother see?
a/ themselves b/ each other c/ yourselves

9. I thinkcomputers are the most important invention of the 20th century.
a/ the b/ — c/ a

10. Do you know Amy? She's a good friend of
a/ ourselves b/ our c/ ours

11. Where are the schoolbooks?
a/ childrens b/ childrens' c/ children's

12. I have a lot of friends.love sport.
a/ All of them b/ All c/ Everyone

...../ 5pts

Choose the correct word from the box below to replace the words in *italics* in the sentence. Write the word in the space given.

work out sort out break up break out of take up find out fall out make up
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13. I'd like to *start doing* yoga. _____

14. I've had a row with my best friend.

I hope we can *become friends again* soon. _____

15. My brother is thinking of getting divorced.

I hope he doesn't *end the relationship* with his wife. _____

...../ 3pts

Total points:/ 15 pts

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V O C A B U L A R Y

Underline the word in each sentence which best completes that sentence.

1. Why won't you *agree* / *admit* that you are wrong?
2. I woke up when I *heard* / *listened to* a really loud noise.
3. Please *buy* / *pay* for all your shopping at the cash desk.
4. What did the gang *steal* / *rob* from the bank?
5. Who *won* / *beat* the match and what was the final score?
6. I need a new *hammer* / *spade* to dig the garden.
7. Would you like a *peace* / *piece* of cake?
8. I *lent* / *borrowed* some money from the bank to buy a motorbike.
9. Will you *chop* / *peel* the herbs for the sauce, please?
10. We *rowed* / *rode* from one side of the lake to the other.

Total points:/ 10pts

LISTENING COMPREHENSION

You will hear Peter talking about his stay in Britain.

Listen carefully and circle the answer (a - b) which best fits the story.

1. When Peter first arrived in Britain, he

- a/ really loved living in London.
- b/ spent a year in London as a student.

2. What he found difficult in London was

- a/ finding opportunities to socialize.
- b/ making friends.

3. He avoided contact with other students because

- a/ they didn't let him borrow money from them.
- b/ he was embarrassed about not having enough money.

4. Peter thinks the other students thought he was

- a/ cold and unfriendly.
- b/ quite popular.

5. When he was at university in Bratislava,

- a/ he organized a lot of parties.
- b/ students thought he was unfriendly.

6. He moved to London again four years later

- a/ after he sold some houses and flats in Slovakia.
- b/ when he got a job at a small company.

7. He works in an office,

- a/ like he did when he was in Slovakia, too.
- b/ which he's never done before.

8. What he likes about British companies is the fact that

- a/ they pay for the extra hours you have to work.
- b/ they work from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

9. He visited the famous sights in the city

- a/ when he first lived in London as a student.
- b/ when he moved to London for the second time.

10. He's got a lot of friends and he especially likes

- a/ going out for meals or a drink with them.
- b/ spending summer evenings in a friend's garden.

Total points: / 5 pts (0.5 each)

READING COMPREHENSION

Read the story carefully. There are two (2) tasks to do on the next page.

Marriage without permission

The black motorbike rolled rapidly over the railway crossing and disappeared from view. Jennifer Newman ran and ran after it, screaming and yelling at the youngsters to stop. She kept running until she ran out of breath and had to stop, sweating and weeping in desperation. She stared at the railway crossing. Helplessness stung in her throat. 'The police,' she thought suddenly, 'I should call the police!'

She reached into her pocket for her mobile. 'I'm not thinking straight,' she realized. 'What am I going to tell them? That my Ann fell in love? She's 19 now. She doesn't need my permission to get married.' Jennifer felt defeated. Totally defeated.

She found it unbelievable that she'd lost her cherished daughter to the man her family loathed most in the world. 'Why a Williams?' The Williams could never see eye to eye with the Newmans. Their warring families had been living next door to each other and had hated each other for so long that no one could remember how their feud had started. But none of them wanted to give up fighting. On one occasion, a Newman – it was Jennifer's father-in-law, actually – even broke into the Williams' house to steal their new stereo. As he was standing in the other family's living room in the pitch-black darkness, he changed his mind. He went out the way he'd come in, through the kitchen window that had been left open. The Williams were sleeping upstairs – they never noticed a thing. 'I felt so angry with myself,' Jennifer's father-in-law said later. 'I should have gone through with it. If they'd been in my place, they wouldn't have hesitated.'

The two young people met only three months ago at a fancy-dress party at the local college. Despite her parents' opposition to the relationship, Ann Newman started seeing Ronnie Williams regularly. When her mother heard the terrible news and tried to confront Ann about it, she just said she was in love. Jennifer told Ann that she didn't know what love was, and said, 'Sure, Ronnie's good-looking and always well-dressed, but he's so badly behaved, so rude. He's not good enough for you – and he's a Williams!'

'Ann used to be such a good girl, so responsible and mature,' Jennifer thought now. 'She had a good future ahead of her. She could have married any man she wanted. I can't believe she would run away with him. It's completely out of character. I'm sure she'll never find happiness now.'

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According to the article, decide if the statements below are true (T) or false (F).

Circle your answer.

1. When the motorbike disappeared from view, Jennifer rang the police.	T	F
2. Ann didn't need her parents' permission to get married.	T	F
3. Both families have forgotten the reason they cannot get on.	T	F
4. The lovers met three months ago at a party at Ann's parents' house.	T	F
5. Jennifer thought it was typical of Ann to have run away with Ronnie.	T	F

...../ 5pts

Find words in the text which are similar in meaning to the following definitions.

Write the word in the space given.

6. the feeling of having lost a fight

7. loved very much and protected

8. hated passionately

9. a strong disagreement with someone

10. to speak to someone in order to make them face a difficult issue

...../ 5pts

Total points:/ 10pts

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