

Use of English

Time: 60 minutes

Task 1

For items 1 – 10, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. **DO NOT CHANGE** the word given. **DO NOT USE SHORT FORMS**. **The number of words you should write is specified in each sentence**. Write down the needed words on your answer sheet. The first example (0) is done for you.

Example: 0. I consider him my worst enemy.

look

I _____ my worst enemy. (4 words)

0. I *look upon him as* my worst enemy.

1. The poor harvest led to many families leaving the island for good.

reason

The poor harvest was _____ leaving the island for good. (5 words)

2. They would never make a decision so quickly again.

minds

Never again would they _____ so quickly. (4 words)

3. Jeremy usually plays football on Saturdays.

habit

Jeremy is _____ football on Saturdays. (5 words)

4. Bryan could not explain how the stolen computer got into his car.

loss

Bryan _____ to explain how the stolen computer got into his car. (4 words)

5. This film stands a very good chance of winning an award.

highly

It is _____ will win an award. (4 words)

6. Davina cannot even make tea and so she certainly could not bake a cake.

alone

Davina cannot even make tea _____ a cake. (3 words)

7. Mary only complained because of the slowness of the service.

never

Had the service not been slow Mary _____. (4 words)

8. The price of this toy has risen over the past two months.

now

This toy _____ it did two months ago. (4 words)

9. Cathy did not imagine for one moment that her best friend was lying to her.

did

Not for one moment _____ her best friend was lying to her. (3 words)

10. Paul was not able to leave the house all day because of the terrible weather.

impossible

The terrible weather _____ Paul to leave the house all day. (4 words)

Task 2

For items 11-20, read the text below and look carefully at each line. Some of the lines are correct, and some have a word which should not be there.

If a line is correct, put a tick on your answer sheet. If a line has a word which should not be there, write the word on your answer sheet. There are two examples at the beginning (**0** and **00**).

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00	<i>V</i>

CHILDHOOD MEMORIES OF PARIS

0	When I try to remember the glorious, the marvellous, the lost and luminous city of Paris, I find it hard to separate from the city that exists in the mind from the actual city whose streets I once trod.
00	In Paris my mother first took me to the opera, a matinee of La Boheme - a Parisian tale.
11	And there in Act One, behind the garret window, and again, in Act Four, was a painted vista of Paris rooftops just like any you could see through and perhaps still can around the old quarters of the city.

12	It had never struck me before that reality and romance could so poignantly collude with each other; so that ever afterwards I saw Paris as a palpable network of 'scenes', down to the subtle lighting of a smoky-blue winter's morning; the incarnation of something already imagined.
13	My mother must have been moved by the same ambiguous, uncanny reality as me, because I can never recall her, only days after our arrival, saying in a rapturous, if half startled, voice,
14	'Look darling, this is Paris, darling,' (I knew it was Paris, we were in Paris, we were strolling down the Champs Elysees), 'isn't it divine?'
15	And that word, through the refining filter of Paris, is all I need to conjure up my mother: as she licked from her lips the residue of some oozing cream cake; as if she held up to herself, like some flimsy, snatched-up dancing partner, a newly bought frock: 'Isn't it just divine!'
16	I cannot summon my father so easily. Perhaps because he was always a distant and sombre figure, outshone, first to his much delight, then to his consternation, by my mother's heedless brightness.
17	Yet I remember him once attempting to draw out near or so I think was his intention. He was standing by the fire, waiting for my mother before they left for another of his official functions.
18	'The thing is', he suddenly said, slowly, with an air of weighed wisdom and of speaking aloud some uncontainable thought, 'when you are out on an adventure, you want to be at home by the fire, and when you are at home by the fire, you want to be out on an adventure'.
19	He seemed have taken aback, himself, at his own words, as if he had not known they were stored inside him. He looked self-consciously at his watch: 'Whatever can your mother be up to?'

20	Perhaps it was on that same evening that I asked him, point-blank, what we were about doing, and what he was doing, here in Paris. And he replied, with a sort of jocular self-effacing gravity, ‘Oh - sorting out the world. You know, that sort of thing’.
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Task 3

For items 21-30, solve the crossword using the definitions of the required word given in brackets. **The first example (0) is done for you.**

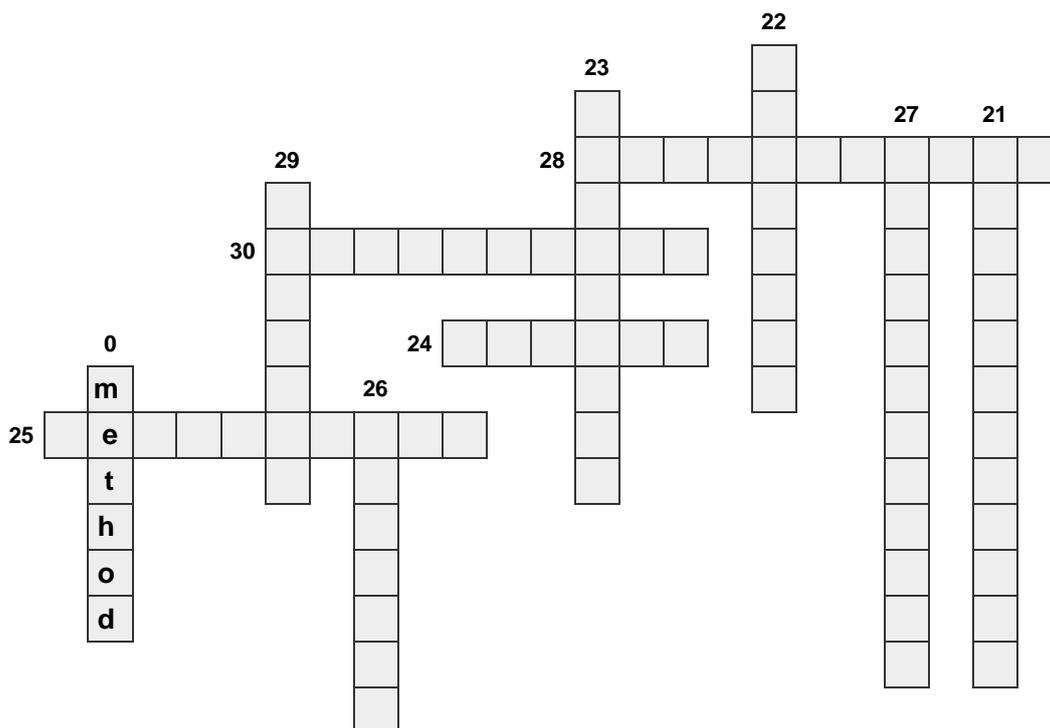
Example: 0. method

GRADING

Grading is a (0) ... (*a particular way of doing something*) widely used in schools today. Almost every school keeps a record of each student’s (21) ... (*things that somebody has done successfully, especially using their own efforts and skills*) in order to have some basis for measuring his or her progress. The record (22) ... (*provides for*) information for reports to parents. Universities and colleges often use this information to help (23) ... (*decide by choice of alternatives*) whether they should admit a student.

For a long time, the most (24) ... (*occurring or appearing frequently*) method of recording progress was by (25) ... (*a part of a whole expressed in hundredths*). The minimum grade for a pass is usually 70 per cent, and for (26) ... (*typical, normal*) work, about 80 per cent. Today, the letters A, B, C, D, E, and (27) ... (*sometimes, but not often*) F, are much more frequently used. A stands for (28) ... (*outstanding*) progress, while E and F mean failure.

A few schools use no (29) ... (*checking and correcting*) system at all. Instead, each teacher writes a detailed letter to the parents. Such letters report student’s progress, attitude, activities, and social (30) ... (*a change in the way a person behaves or thinks*).



Task 4

For items 31-40, match the names of famous buildings (column 1) with their descriptions (column 2). Some descriptions are not needed. **The first example is done for you.**

0. Transamerica Pyramid

0. F

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0. Transamerica Pyramid	A. This massive hunk of brick in London isn't just a building, it's a mission: the idea behind it was to take a gorgeous, disused old power station and turn it into something that would make people care about modern art. And it worked! It's not just an incredible bit of architecture, filled with stunning spaces and beautiful art, it's a tool for converting non-believers, making art-lovers out of everyone who visits.
31. Chrysler Building	B. The building is a railway station in the borough of Westminster, London. It stands just south of Buckingham Palace. It is actually two 19th-century stations combined into one unit. The eastern portion was built for the London, Chatham and Dover Railway, and the western side was created for the London, Brighton and South Coast Railway.
32. Grand Central Terminal	
33. Sydney Opera House	
34. The Capitol	

35. The Empire State Building	The two railways were partially merged in 1899, and the station was remodeled over the next decade.
36. The Guggenheim	C. The American president H. Hoover opened the building in 1930 by symbolically switching on its lights from the White House. Observation decks on the 85th and 86th floors allow a superb view of the city. King Kong fought his last battle for survival from the top of this building.
37. The Tate Modern	
38. Walkie Talkie	
39. Westminster Abbey	D. The building houses an art museum and is located at 1071 Fifth Avenue on the corner of East 89th Street in the Upper East Side neighborhood of Manhattan, New York City. It is the permanent home of a continuously expanding collection of Impressionist, Post-Impressionist, early Modern and contemporary art and also features special exhibitions throughout the year.
40. Willis or Sears Tower	E. The skyscraper at 20 Fenchurch Street has such a nickname due to its unusual shape resembling an old-school portable radio transceiver. The building was designed by Uruguayan architect, Rafael Vinoly, and was completed in 2013. The building has frequently been called the worst building in the UK despite the fact that it cost over 200 million pounds in construction. F. Built in 1972, it is 260 meters high and easily recognizable by its peculiar shape. The largest floor at the base is ten times wider than the top floor. Together with the Golden Gate it is the most famous landmark of the city. G. This building is a commuter rail station at 42nd Street and Park Avenue in Midtown Manhattan in New York City, United States. It is the largest train station in the world by number of platforms: 44, with 67 tracks along them. They are on two levels, both below ground, with 41 tracks on the upper level and 26 on the lower, though the total number of tracks along platforms and in rail yards exceeds 100. H. The building was designed by Sir Christopher Wren to replace the one destroyed in the Great Fire of London in 1666. Constructed during the years from 1675 to 1710 it is the fourth religious building on the site. The first was built in

604 which was destroyed and rebuilt following Viking raids and subsequent fires.

I. This building is located in Washington, D.C. The building occurred between 1792 and 1800. It comprises various sections which include the executive residence, executive office building. It has around 132 rooms, the most famous of which include the press conference room and the oval office. Other less known rooms include a bowling alley and a chocolate shop.

J. Built between 1928 and 1930, it was financed by a multimillionaire car maker. It is 319 m high including the spire, which pierces the sky. It is in Art Deco style and the spire looks like a radiator grille.

K. The building is home to the state's legislative branch. The construction of the original building was finalized in 1800. However, it has gone through modifications which includes the addition of the enormous dome and enlargement of chambers. It has a plain exterior. It is famous for its neoclassical style and large white dome. The building contains about 600 rooms.

L. A UNESCO World Heritage Site since 2007, it is one of the most famous buildings on the planet. Designed in 1957, pre-cast concrete 'shells' form the roof, while the walls are clad in pink granite. The building covers 4.4 acres in total, and is supported on 588 concrete piers sunk 25m below sea level. It's a multi-venue performing arts centre.

M. The building houses an art museum in Trafalgar Square in the City of Westminster, in Central London. Founded in 1824, it houses a collection of over 2,300 paintings dating from the mid-13th century to 1900. Its collection belongs to the government on behalf of the British public, and entry to the main collection is free of charge. It is among the most visited art museums in the world.

N. The building houses a modern art museum located in San Francisco, California. A nonprofit organization, it holds an internationally recognized collection of modern and

contemporary art, and was the first museum on the West Coast devoted solely to 20th-century art. The museum's current collection includes over 33,000 works of painting, sculpture, photography, architecture, design, and media arts. It is one of the largest in the world for modern and contemporary art.

O. This building started as a Benedictine monastery established during the period of 960-980. Between 1042 and 1052 King Edward the Confessor began to rebuild and develop it as a royal burial church. Although it was consecrated in 1065 shortly before Edwards's death, it was not completed until the 1090's. It was the first church in England to be built in the shape of the cross. It is one of the United Kingdom's most notable religious buildings and the traditional place of coronation .

P. Standing at 527 meters and 110 stories high, it dominates the city which saw the first skyscrapers. From 1973 to 1998 it was the tallest building in the world. You can enjoy a fantastic view of Lake Michigan from its Skydeck.

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