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GRAMMAR

1 <u>Underline</u> the correct word(s).

- 1 I'd seen / 'd been seeing that documentary before, so I watched a movie last night.
- 2 We were given **so big** / **such big** meals in New York we could hardly finish them.
- 3 I tried some herbal sleeping pills because I'd slept / 'd been sleeping so badly.
- 4 You'll have **such a good** / **a so good** time in Rome with Anna.
- 5 Josh **had been swimming** / **had swum** and his hair was still wet.
- 6 I'd been writing / 'd written my report for three hours when my computer crashed!

2 Order the words to make sentences.

- Example: want / because / go / incredibly / I / to / out / tired / don't / I'm <u>I don't want to go out because I'm incredibly</u> <u>tired.</u>
- 1 my / speak / slowly / friends / I / I'm / Russian / more / with / always / when
- 2 the / be / an / in / on / you'll / beach / sitting / hour / half
- 3 hardly / to / find / tennis / we / ever / time / together / can / play
- 4 taxi / fast / drove / early / we / fortunately / driver / incredibly / arrived / the / and
- 5 was / the / the / wounded / owner / apparently / seriously / restaurant / fight / in
- 6 it / bored / this / with / finished / I'm / I'm / nearly / extremely / glad / movie's / because

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- **3** Complete the sentences with the present perfect simple or continuous form of the verbs in parentheses.
 - Example: The man came out of his house and <u>ran</u> (run) down the road.
 - 1 When I woke up and looked out of the window it _____(snow) very heavily.
 - 2 We _____ (not sit) in the living room when you took that photo we were in the kitchen.
 - 3 Joe was sad you weren't there he _____(look) forward to seeing you for a while.
 - 4 The train (come) as soon as we got on the platform.
 - 5 We _____ (cook) breakfast when Jeff finally got up.
 - 6 I got to the supermarket and realized I _____ (forget) to bring the shopping list.
 - 7 I_____(driving) for ten minutes when I noticed that my lights weren't on.
 - 8 We (not come) to the award ceremony because we hadn't been invited.

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Grammar total	20

VOCABULARY

4 Complete the sentences with the correct word(s).

Example: Richard's an experienced pilot – he's <u>even</u> flown a jumbo jet. ever even hardly

- 1 Every train I've been on today has arrived ______ lately in the end late
- 2 Jessie kept talking about the movie, so _____ I bought it for her.
 - in the end especially at the end
- 3 Ilike foreign movies, _____ French ones. specially actually especially
- 4 She's written a lot of poetry, but she's writing a novel

lately actually at the moment

5 Dad! Are we there _____? I want to get out of the car!

yet nearly still

6 We <u>recognized Bill he'd changed so much.</u> hard even hardly

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Example: You'<u>d gone</u>/'d been going out when Katie called.

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5 <u>Underline</u> the correct word.

Example: When you get **off** / <u>**on**</u> the plane, the cabin crew will tell you where your seat is.

- 1 Have you filled **in / through** your customs form?
- 2 I like flying, but I always feel nervous as the plane takes up / off.
- 3 I'll wait outside Arrivals, and you can pick me **out** / up there.
- 4 If you drop me off / out outside Arrivals, you could then go and park the car.
- 5 I love that wave of really hot air you feel as you get off / on the plane in a hot country.
- 6 I checked **out** / **in** online, so I already know my seat number.
- **6** Complete the words in the sentences.

Example: The **c***abin* crew's job is to look after the passengers on the plane.

- 1 Have your **b**_____ pass ready to show at the gate.
- 2 Is this the baggage **c**____ ____ for passengers arriving from Amsterdam?
- 3 I don't mind having an **a**______ seat, but I'd prefer to sit by the window.
- 4 I don't like flying long distances, but I enjoy short-**h**_____flights.
- 5 You can't take large bottles of liquid through **s**__
- 6 I find jet **l**____ _____worse when I fly from New York to London.
- 7 There were very long lines at passport **c**_ last night.
- 8 Wel_ on the runway so smoothly I didn't even feel it.

Vocabulary total	20

PRONUNCIATION

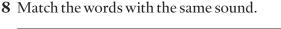
7 <u>Underline</u> the stressed syllable. Example: es|pe|cai|lly

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- 1 il|le|gal
- 2 a|ppa|rent|ly
- 3 tur|bu|lence
- 4 ba|si|ca|lly
- 5 de|par|tures

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READING

Read the article about a man who flew regularly. Five sentences have been removed. Which sentence (A-F) fits each gap (1-5)? There is one extra sentence you do not need to use.

The Ultimate Frequent Flyer

Mr. Vroom's adventure began in 1988, when a friend told him about a unique opportunity. (---- 2 ----) For a fee of \$350,000 plus interest, the ticket-holder and one companion could fly first-class anywhere, whenever they wanted, and as much as they wanted. On top of that, the ticket holder could also collect frequent flyer miles each time they flew. Although they were expensive, American Airlines sold a total of 40 tickets before they stopped issuing them in 2004.

The pass was designed mostly for business use, but Jack Vroom decided to use it all the time. The AAirpass quickly paid for itself. He would fly across the US to watch his son play football in college, or to pick up his father-in-law from Washington DC so he could babysit his children. (---- 3 -----) He would also go abroad, too, often just for a few hours. He flew to Milan to pick up some parts for a motorbike and to Guadalajara, Mexico, just to buy some belts. Mr. Vroom flew so often that he knew the planes better than most of the cabin crews. All the crew at his local airport knew him by name, and he didn't even have to show his pass to anyone.

His adventure came to an end, though, in 2009 on a flight back from London. He had used his companion pass to fly his daughter's friend back to the US, but when they arrived at Heathrow airport, Mr. Vroom was taken to the VIP lounge and was given a letter saying that he could never use the ticket again. Although he believes he hadn't done anything wrong, American Airlines disagreed. When they checked who he was flying with, they noticed he booked trips with people he had never flown with before. They also noticed he would fly to far-away destinations in Europe and Asia but only stay for a few hours. (--- 4 ----) His frequent flying was also costing the airline millions of dollars a year.

Mr. Vroom disagrees with the decision and believes there was nothing written anywhere which said he wasn't allowed to gain compensation from his companion ticket. (-5 - -)

These days, Mr. Vroom stays on the ground, working as a teacher and giving lectures in his house in Dallas.

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- A He told friends it was cheaper than paying for a local babysitter.
- B Even more amazingly, he did this without paying for any of the flights.
- C They accused him of selling his companion ticket, which was against the rules.
- D The pass was sold to wealthy passengers only.
- E American Airlines was selling an unlimited, life-long first-class travel pass called the A Airpass.
- F He believes that any money made was for his business services or simply because friends wanted to pay him for the flight.

Reading total 10

WRITING

Write an article about the following topic:

"How people's lives will change in the future."

Write 140–180 words. Include the following information:

- how people's lives will change
- why their lives will change
- explain why you think these changes will be good or bad

Writing total	10
Reading and Writing total	20

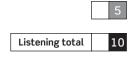
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CLASS

3 Listening and Speaking

LISTENING

- 1 Listen to five travel announcements. Choose from the list (A–F) what each speaker says about the train or train station. Use the letters only once. There is one extra letter you do not need to use.
 - A some platforms may be unsafe today
 - B the train will not be running today
 - C the new platform opens today
 - D the train is not running on time today
 - E not all platforms are open today
 - F the place the train will leave from today has been changed
 - Speaker 1:
 - Speaker 2:
 - Speaker 3:
 - Speaker 4:
 - Speaker 5:
- 2 Listen to a woman talking about an adventure vacation she has been on and <u>underline</u> the correct answer.
 - 1 Kim doesn't enjoy **trying new things / spending** too much time in the sun / meeting new people.
 - 2 The **weather** / **distance** / **price** stopped Kim from choosing the vacation she really wanted.
 - 3 Kim's favorite activity on her holiday was **sailing** / **horseback riding** / **kayaking**.
 - 4 The first part of Kim's vacation was spent in national parks / in the mountains / on the coast.
 - 5 People who had the same interests / were the same age / had similar abilities were put together in groups.



SPEAKING

1 Answer your partner's questions.

Now make questions and ask your partner.

- 1 Where / spend / last vacation?
- 2 What / the most frightening experience / ever have when / travel?

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- 3 Is / better / go / on vacation / own country / abroad? Why?
- 4 Which / prefer: traveling by train or plane? Why?
- 5 What / the best short story / ever read? / What / it about?
- **2** Talk about the statement below, saying if you agree or disagree. Give reasons.

"People should fly less because it causes pollution."

3 Listen to your partner talking about air travel. Do you agree with him / her?

	Speaking total	20
Listening an	d Speaking total	30