CLASS

7 Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation, and Practical English

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GRAMMAR

1 Write *can* or *can't* to complete the dialogues.

Example: **A** Can I park here? **B** No, you *can't*.

- A Can we take photos in the museum?
 B No. But we _____ buy postcards.
- 2 A _____you come to my party next Friday? B Yes. I can come.
- 3 A Where _____ I park?

B You can park in the restaurant parking lot.

- 4 A Can your son walk? B No, he _____. He is only six months old.
- 5 A We can't use our dictionaries when we take the test.

B Really? _____ we use our notes?

2 Unscramble the words to write questions.

Example: do people boat trips where take Where do people take boat trips?

- 1 do where go you swimming
- 2 I pictures take here can
 3 does a museum your town have
 4 relax do how you
- 5 you to what go restaurants usually do

VOCABULARY

3 Match the verbs with the things or places.

go to visit go watch play do

Example: <u>do</u> homework.

- 1 _____golf
- 2 _____museums
- 3 _____bed

- 4 _____ice-skating
- 5 _____movies
- **4** Underline the correct verb to complete the sentences.

Example: You can **swim** / **skate** at the beach.

- 1 You can **use** / **talk** your cell phone here.
- 2 You can't **text** / **drive** fast on this street.
- 3 You can **play** / **do** soccer in the park.
- 4 You can **use** / **visit** museums in my city.
- 5 You can take / watch photos here.

Vocabulary total

10

PRONUNCIATION

- **5** Under<u>line</u> the stressed syllable. Example: <u>Fe</u>|bru|a|ry
 - 1 Au|gust
 - 2 No|vem|ber
 - 3 Jan|u|ar|y
 - 4 A|pril

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Grammar total

5 Sep|tem|ber

PRACTICAL ENGLISH

6 Look at Marci's birthday list. Complete the sentences.

Example: John's birthday is March second.

Mary Ann	8/21
Rebecca	7/22
Bernie	1/6
Ruth	6/4
Luisa	4/10

- 1 Mary Ann's birthday is _____
- 2 Rebecca's birthday is _____.
- 3 Bernie's birthday is _____.
- 4 Ruth's birthday is _____.

Grammar, Vocabulary, Pronunciation, and Practical English total

5 Luisa's birthday is _____

30

READING

1 Read the blog and check (\checkmark) True or False.

A different life

Sara Huntingdon works for a children's organization in Africa. Every day, she writes her blog for an online news website.

Wednesday, July 25

Every morning, I get up at six o'clock and go to the camp. One thousand families live there. They don't have much food or water.

I sometimes work in the school. It is in a big, old house near the camp, and it is open to children from five to twelve years old. It's usually hot inside. I teach classes for five hours.

When the children get to school at a quarter after seven, they go into the house and meet their friends. They talk and play games. They like games! Then we start classes at a quarter after eight. I teach English. The children can speak English, but they can't write in English. They have a lot of questions. They have questions about my life in the United States – and about my boyfriend! I cook some food, and they eat it before they go home. They go back to their families in the afternoon, and I send email to my family and my boyfriend. I eat dinner, and I go to bed at about ten o'clock.

Example: Sara works for a children's organization. True \checkmark False

- 1 Sara works in India.
 - True False
- 2 Sara goes to the camp every day. True False
- 3 The children's school is in a new house. True False
- 4 The children's school is big and hot. True 🗌 False 🗌
- 5 Sara teaches for six hours. True False
- 6 The children play games. True False

- 7 The children can speak English. True False
- 8 The children don't ask questions. True False
- 9 The children go home in the afternoon. True 🗌 False 🗌
- 10 Sara sends email to her family and her boyfriend after school.

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True False
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- 2 Read the blog again and complete the sentences with numbers and times.
 - 1 Sara gets up at ____
 - 2 _____ families live at the camp.
 - 3 The children get to school at _____
 - 4 They start classes at _____.
 - 5 Sara goes to bed at about _____

Reading total	15

WRITING

1 You have a new email friend, Tomas. Read the list of topics. Choose five. Write your own information about those topics in your email to Tomas. Then ask Tomas five questions about any of the topics.

Job	Family	Weekend Activities
Food	Birthday	Address and phone
Work	Usual schedule	Favorite sport

Hi Tomas!

Nice to meet you. Let me tell you about myself:

Now let me ask you some questions!





LISTENING

- 1 Listen to Erin and Bill. Check (✓) True or False.
 - 1 Erin likes boat rides.
 - True False
 - 2 Erin can't skate.
 - True False
 - 3 Erin wants to see photos of September 11th, 2001. True 🗌 False 🗌
 - 4 Erin can check her email at the New York Public Library.
 - True False
 - 5 People can get lunch at a coffee shop in the museum. True False
- **2** Listen to five conversations. Check (\checkmark) A, B, or C.
 - 1 Barbara's birthday is... A 10/12 B 12/10 C 10/20
 - 2 American Independence day is ... A in May B in June C in July
 - 3 On January 1st, people visit special places and relax A at restaurants B at home C at stores
 - 4 Brenda doesn't like ... A summer B cold months C movies
 - 5 Bruce gets up ... A at 10:00 B early C at 9:30

Listening total	10

SPEAKING

- 1 Ask your partner these questions.
 - 1 Can you drive a car?
 - 2 Where can you play soccer in your town?
 - 3 Can you talk on your cell phone at school or work?

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- 4 When is your birthday?
- 5 What is your favorite month?
- 2 Now answer your partner's questions about you.
- **3** Your partner has information about Rosa's town. Ask your partner questions about the town and complete the fact file.

What / name of the town

When / summer concert

What | good restaurant

What / visit

Where / shopping

Name of town:
Date of summer concert:
Good restaurant:
Place to visit:
Shopping:

4 Read the information about Ron's town and answer your partner's questions.

Jamestown
Summer concert: June 8
Good restaurant: Mario's Italian Table – It's on 6th Street.
Attraction: Jamestown Art Museum
Shopping: downtown

Speaking total	15

Listening and Speaking total 25