

GRAMMAR

Circle a, b, or c.

- We'll miss the train if we ____.
a don't hurry b won't hurry c didn't hurry
- If you help me with the dishes, ____ in five minutes.
a we'll finish b we finish c we finished
- I won't get into college unless ____ good grades.
a I'll get b I get c I don't get
- If we moved to a bigger house, we ____ a dog.
a can have b could have c will have
- I'd be sad if my brother and his wife ____.
a break up b 'll break up c broke up
- If I had a job, I ____ live with my parents.
a won't b wouldn't c didn't
- If I won a lot of money, ____ a big house.
a I'd buy b I'll buy c I buy
- Tom's really good at ____ problems.
a solve b solving c to solve
- ____ clothes online saves a lot of time.
a Buying b To buy c Buy
- I wouldn't ____ that car if I were you.
a get b getting c to get
- It's really important ____ the receipt.
a keep b to keep c keeping
- He said he ____ to his lawyer tomorrow.
a will speak b spoke c would speak
- I asked Gina if ____ coming to the party.
a she is b she was c was she
- The little girl ____ that she was lost.
a told b said us c told us
- Ming-Na asked me where ____.
a did I work b I was work c I worked

VOCABULARY

a Complete with one word.

- The US school year has two ____.
- Children under five can go to ____ school.
- US high schools are divided into ____ or age groups.
- Children who ____ very badly at school may be suspended.
- A school that parents pay for is called a ____ school.

b **Circle** the correct word.

- We live in a residential area *in / on* the outskirts of Boston.
- The *roof / ceiling* in our apartment is very low, be careful!
- Close the *gate / door* or the dog might run out of the yard.
- Our apartment is *in / on* the fifth floor of the building.
- On the shelf above the *chimney / fireplace* there are some photos.

c Complete the words.

- I worked a lot of ov _____ last week – two hours extra every day.
- He works the night sh _____ at the local factory.
- It's only a t _____ job, from March to September.
- I'd like to s _____ up a small business making children's clothes.
- Lewis loves being s _____ - _____ because it means he is his own boss and he can choose the hours that he works.

d Complete the sentences with a noun formed from the **bold** word.

- I don't like shopping in supermarkets because there is too much _____. **choose**
- My roommates and I have an _____ about who does what in the house. **agree**
- I'm sure the new company will be a _____. **succeed**
- I made a _____ about the service in the hotel. **complain**
- We went to a _____ to support the unemployed. **demonstrate**
- The new company cafeteria is a great _____ on the old one. **improve**
- If you want to get a job, you need good _____. **qualify**
- My sister has been working as a _____ for the UN. **translate**
- Some _____ say that drinking coffee may be good for us. **science**
- I want an _____ for what happened yesterday. **explain**

PRONUNCIATION

a Practice the words and sounds.

Vowel sounds



boot



bull



chair



train

Consonant sounds



key



snake



shower



nose

b **P p.166–7 Sound Bank** Say more words for each sound.

c What sound in **a** do the **pink** letters have in these words?

- ceiling
- email
- repair
- roof
- spacious

d Underline the stressed syllable.

- se|mes|ter
- un|em|ployed
- de|li|ve|ry
- a|pp|ly
- a|chieve|ment

CAN YOU understand this text?

- a Read the article once. Choose the best title.
- 1 **IT'S GOOD TO...**
 - 2 **LOOK, BUT DON'T...**
 - 3 **PAY LESS IF YOU DON'T...**
- b Read the article again. Fill in the blanks with the best word or phrase for the context.
- 1 break / create / obey
 - 2 value / weight / cost
 - 3 able / interested / prepared
 - 4 choosing between / depending on / thinking of
 - 5 less / longer / shorter
 - 6 encourage / tell / don't allow
 - 7 buying / finding / losing
 - 8 colleagues / shoppers / sales assistants

▶ CAN YOU understand these people?

🔊 8.22 Watch or listen and choose a, b, or c.



- 1 Philomena's math teachers _____.
 - a made her want to become a teacher herself
 - b were very inspiring
 - c weren't as good as her history teacher
- 2 Adina likes to buy ____ online.
 - a anything
 - b most things
 - c food and clothes
- 3 Daniel remembers being annoyed with a waiter who _____.
 - a didn't want to serve his table
 - b complained about the tip
 - c wasn't polite
- 4 Julie _____.
 - a lives in a city
 - b doesn't have sidewalks where she lives
 - c likes the location of her house
- 5 Shrenik thinks having time for yourself is _____.
 - a not important
 - b important
 - c not as important as having a good job

CAN YOU say this in English?

Check (✓) the box if you can do these things.

Can you...?

- 1 ☐ describe the schools you went to (or have been to) and say what you liked or didn't like about them
- 2 ☐ describe your ideal vacation house
- 3 ☐ say a) what will you do if you don't pass your English exam at the end of the course, b) what would you do if you won a lot of money
- 4 ☐ report three questions that somebody has asked you today and say what you answered



IF YOU want to save money when shopping, ¹ _____ the simple rule that you've probably shouted at the kids 100 times: don't touch anything! Touching anything, from a banana to a Ferrari, makes your brain automatically place more ² _____ on an item.

This has been revealed in a study from Ohio and Illinois state universities, which investigated how much people were ³ _____ to pay for an item before and after touching it. The item was a cheap coffee mug, but just a few seconds of contact made people want to pay more for it than those who had looked but not touched.

The study, published in the journal *Judgment and Decision-Making*, tested 144 people and examined how much they were prepared to pay in an auction for the mug, ⁴ _____ how long they had held it. The ⁵ _____ people held the mug, the more they were prepared to pay, with those holding it for ten seconds valuing it at \$2.44 and those who held it for 30 seconds valuing it at \$3.91.

Some kinds of stores have been using these tactics for years; for example, car showrooms ⁶ _____ customers to test drive new cars and pet stores give people animals to hold. But Waleed Muhanna, the author of the study, was surprised at how quickly people felt that, once they had touched something, it was theirs. "People become attached and are prepared to pay more to avoid ⁷ _____ the object," he said. He hopes that understanding how quickly they can get attached to something may help ⁸ _____ to make better decisions about what to buy.

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