

Straightforward Intermediate Progress Test 1

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Language section

Vocabulary

A Complete the text with words and phrases from the box.

uncomfortable	telling the truth	fidgeting	
easy to see	don't know	body language	straight

When you ask people to describe themselves, it is often a good idea to watch their

(1) _____ as well as listening to what they say. The reason for this is that people often feel
(2) _____ talking about themselves and sometimes tell lies. As you (3) _____
anything about the person, it can be difficult to tell if they are lying from their answers but
(4) _____ from their body language. When people aren't (5) _____, they
won't look you (6) _____ in the eyes and you'll notice a lot of (7) _____.

B Choose the correct word or expression a, b, or c to complete 8–4.

(8) Could you tell me where I can _____ the number 43 bus?

a) arrive b) catch c) set off

(9) Can you _____ near the university, please?

a) drop me off b) see me off c) run into me

(10) I live in a semi-_____ house in Manchester.

a) apartment block b) rented c) detached

(11) I often find it difficult to _____ up in the morning.

a) go b) make c) wake

(12) I _____ Joe tonight.

a) am seeing b) watch c) see

(13) Do you want me to _____ him anything?

a) telling b) tell c) speak

(14) What are you _____?

- a) do b) think c) thinking

Grammar

C Complete the text with the correct words or phrases.

I really love travelling and (15) *I went / I've been* to lots of different countries. Last month (16) *I visited / I've visited* South Africa and really enjoyed myself. I (17) *find / am finding* it a fascinating country and would like to go back again. One thing I found really strange there was driving because you (18) *have to / don't have to* drive on the left. When I was there, we (19) *drove / have driven* all the time because it's the best way to see the country. At the moment (20) *I plan / I'm planning* my next trip to South Africa. I'm hoping to go next month, but I (21) *must / mustn't* save up for the flight. That's why (22) *I work / I'm working* so much. So far (23) *I saved up / I've saved up* about £600. I think I'll have enough money by the end of next week.

D Correct the mistakes in the sentences. There is one mistake in each sentence.

(24) You are appearing to be telling the truth.

(25) What you think?

(26) I've seen her two days ago.

(27) I'm sorry, but you aren't let to smoke here.

(28) I'm often getting up at 6 o'clock.

(29) Remember, you mustn't come if you don't want to.

Functional language

E Complete 30–33 with words and phrases from the box.

to the train station, please? if I sit here?
one pound, please. go to the train station?

(30) Do you mind _____

(31) Does this bus _____

(32) Can I have a single _____

(33) That'll be _____

F Complete the conversation with the questions and sentences from exercise E.

Man: Excuse me! (34) _____

Bus driver: Yes, we go there.

Man: Great. Can I have (35) _____

Bus driver: Certainly. (36) _____

Man: Excuse me! (37) _____

Woman: No, no, not at all.

G Choose the correct response for each question.

(38) What does your boyfriend look like?

- a) He's tall and has wavy brown hair.
- b) Skiing and going to the cinema with me.
- c) He's clever and very polite.

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- b) Skiing and going to the cinema with me.
- c) He's clever and very polite.

Listening

Part 1

[Track 7] **You are going to hear five short recordings. Listen and choose the correct answer for each one.**

(1) Which of these is **not** true?

- a) She never lies. b) She's 17. c) She lies about her age.

(2) Which question is the speaker answering?

- a) What does he look like? b) What is he like? c) What does he like?

(3) Which of these sentences is **not** true?

- a) The train to Oxford leaves from platform 2.
b) The train at 12.40 is to Oxford.
c) The train on platform 1 goes to London.

(4) Which of these sentences is true?

- a) Guests can stay all night.
b) You're not allowed to smoke in the kitchen.
c) You have to turn off your TV at midnight.

(5) Who lives in the house?

- a) Linda b) Gary c) Stan

Part 2

[Track 8] **Listen to the conversation between Adam and Janet and decide if the sentences are true (T), false (F) or if there is no information (N).**

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| (6) Adam has a favourite place. | T | F | N |
| (7) He likes the fact that travelling is full of surprises. | T | F | N |
| (8) He didn't buy a ticket for the trip up river. | T | F | N |
| (9) Adam can speak Spanish. | T | F | N |
| (10) He had to walk through the jungle. | T | F | N |

Reading

Part 1

Read the article and complete 1–5 with phrases from the box. There are three extra phrases.

be myself	I could see	I couldn't believe	I don't see myself
I consider myself	I'm proud to be	make a first impression	people consider

Being famous can be a real problem. It's not that I don't like being famous, it's just that it means people have expectations about you, even when they've never met you before. Most people have a chance to **(1)** _____ but when you're famous you often don't have that opportunity. I mean, **(2)** _____ to be honest, reliable and friendly and yet that doesn't seem to be the impression that strangers have of me. I guess it's because they think of me more as the characters I play in films and that annoys me.

A woman once came up to me in the street and said, "You are really nasty." and then walked away. I just stood there completely shocked, but **(3)** _____ my wife smiling. All evening she kept on saying to me, "Now, don't be nasty." It's as though I lead a double life. On TV or in films I'm one person, and this is the public one that **(4)** _____ to be the real me, and then at home there's the other me, the one that only my close friends and family really know. I guess that's why my private life is so important to me and why I'm very close to my family. It's a shame really, but I've been thinking about moving to Los Angeles. At least there I won't be the only famous person and maybe people will leave me alone. It's a bit annoying because **(5)** _____ as being any different from most people. I have a family I love, a job I really enjoy and I just want to be left alone to live my life.

Part 2

Read the article below and decide if the sentences are true (T), false (F) or if there is no information given (NG).

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| (6) Charley Boorman realised that it was possible to ride from Europe to Alaska. | T | F | NG |
| (7) In the beginning they rode home every evening for the night. | T | F | NG |
| (8) On several occasions they slept alongside the road in tents. | T | F | NG |
| (9) Travelling in Mongolia was the most challenging part of the trip as there were no roads to ride on. | T | F | NG |
| (10) In Siberia their journey took them along the Road of Bones. | T | F | NG |

The Long Way Round

The Long Way Round tells the story of an epic journey and an amazing adventure. It follows Ewan McGregor and Charley Boorman as they try to ride all the way round the world on their motorbikes. Starting in London on 14 April 2004 they spend three and a half months travelling through Europe, Ukraine, Kazakhstan, Mongolia, Russia, across the Pacific Ocean to Alaska, and then down through Canada and across the USA all the way to New York.

The journey started as a dream when Ewan noticed that it was possible to ride from Europe through Russia all the way to Alaska. Picking up the phone he called his best friend and asked him to come over for dinner. Once Charley arrived, Ewan tried to persuade him to join him in the adventure of a lifetime. It didn't take much to persuade Charley to go.

After months of preparation they set off and rode through Belgium and Germany. In the beginning it was like any other bike ride except that rather than going home for the night they had more than 20,000 miles of road ahead of them. From Ukraine they crossed into Kazakhstan where they travelled across some of the most difficult roads they could imagine. However, worse was to come in Mongolia where the roads simply didn't exist and then in Siberia where they rode the length of the Road of Bones.

The programme captures some of the most interesting moments and gives us a good idea of what the journey was like. It shows Ewan and Charley riding through some of the most breathtaking scenery in the world and takes us with them on the adventure of a lifetime.

Writing

A friend of yours wants to visit England. Your uncle lives in London so you wrote and asked if your friend could stay with him. Your uncle agreed and said he would meet your friend at the airport, but he asked you to write and tell him about your friend first. Write a letter to your uncle. Include information about what your friend looks like, his/her personality, and his/her interests and preferences. Write about 120–150 words.