


# Achievement test 2 (Units 5–8)

## 1 LISTENING

 Listen to a boy called Nathan and a girl called Holly talking about being creative. Are the sentences true or false?

- 1 Holly is completely satisfied with her creative efforts for the school art exhibition.
- 2 Nathan thinks the level of students' work in the exhibition was excellent.
- 3 Holly suggests that Nathan is lucky to have a creative family background.
- 4 Nathan and Holly agree that jobs in the creative arts are difficult to find.
- 5 Holly has decided that a career in design will be the right choice for her.

## 2 READING

Read the text. Choose the correct answer: a, b or c.

### Moving House

Recently, my family and I moved home – and it was quite a big change. We left behind our quiet flat in a small but modern apartment block near the city airport and went to a traditional 19th-century stone cottage right out in the countryside, in the middle of a big village with lots of friendly people around.

Soon after we arrived, Dad started trying to make the place as environmentally-friendly as possible. It was expensive to add things like solar panels to supply electricity, so we decided to wait and do that later. But the cottage already had a living 'green' roof and it wasn't long before we had our own vegetables growing outside around the house, in addition to the flowers that were already there.

I wasn't sure about the place when we first moved in. But it was certainly cosy and comfortable indoors, just as Mum and Dad promised. It was easy to get to school from there, too, as the bus passed right by the house. And under the house there was a room where I could play my guitar and drums and make as much noise as I liked – perfect!

My bedroom is up in the roof of the house, so the ceiling's a bit low and I feel quite far away from everyone else up there sometimes. On the plus side, though, I can look right out over the fields and see for miles and miles. I definitely didn't have that in our old home.

I've no idea how long we'll stay here. My two sisters are living with us at the moment, but they're both getting married soon, so they'll leave – and we'll have more space! My grandparents will be able to come and stay with us more often then. But the most likely thing is that Dad's office will send him to another branch far away and we'll all have to go with him. I hope that doesn't happen, though – I love this house already!

- 1 How is Dan's new home different to his previous one?
  - a It's easier to reach the airport from the new one.
  - b It's a much older building than he lived in before.
  - c It has far fewer neighbours nearby than his old home.
- 2 Soon after they moved in, Dan's family made changes to ...
  - a the energy supply.
  - b the roof.
  - c the garden.
- 3 What did Dan feel at first about living in the house?
  - a He was pleased that he had space to practise his music.
  - b He was concerned about transport links to his school.
  - c He was surprised that it was so comfortable inside.
- 4 What does Dan particularly like about his new bedroom?
  - a the spectacular view from the window
  - b the fact that it is up in the roof
  - c the distance between him and his family
- 5 Dan thinks his family might stay in their new home until ...
  - a his grandparents need to come and live with them.
  - b his sisters get married and move out.
  - c his father has to move again for work.

### 3 WRITING

Your teacher has asked you to write a story beginning with the following sentence:

*Henry and William slowly opened the door of the old house and went inside.*

Write your story in about 100 words.

### 4 USE OF ENGLISH

Choose the correct word (a, b or c) for each space.

- 1 My mum's been busy, so now she's looking ..... her holiday next week.  
a for                                      b like                                      c forward to
- 2 Amelia ..... along the beach when she found something valuable.  
a walked                                      b was walking                                      c has walked
- 3 You can ..... a lot of health problems by eating a good diet.  
a prevent                                      b suffer                                      c recover
- 4 These magazines are free, so we ..... pay for them.  
a shouldn't                                      b mustn't                                      c don't have to
- 5 The doorbell rang, but when I opened the door, there wasn't ..... there.  
a no-one                                      b anyone                                      c someone
- 6 The best place to go and hear live music is .....  
a in a recording studio                                      b on a video clip                                      c in a concert hall
- 7 Jack's football practice ....., so he's ready to go home now.  
a finished just                                      b has just finished                                      c hasn't finished yet
- 8 My house is at the end of this street, the ..... house on the right.  
a last                                      b final                                      c latest
- 9 I think living in a village is ..... than living in a city.  
a cheapest                                      b more cheap                                      c cheaper
- 10 Helena found ..... perfume bottle at the market.  
a a little old glass                                      b a glass little old                                      c an old glass little

### 5 USE OF ENGLISH

Complete the sentences. Use the word in capital letters to form another word that fits the space in the sentence.

- 0 Jed Smith is a great live performer on stage. **PERFORM**
- 1 While I was at the station, I heard an ..... that the train was late. **ANNOUNCE**
- 2 This new CD is the best ..... of the band's last concert. **RECORD**
- 3 The people in this store are always very ..... if you can't find what you want. **HELP**
- 4 We need to ..... the end-of-term school party, otherwise no-one will come! **ADVERT**
- 5 My favourite ..... is coming to play in the summer festival this year! **MUSIC**

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