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Can you remember how to complete these questions?

51 It's not possible that he ran away with the stolen goods.

RUN He ..... with the stolen goods.

52 He has always supported the idea of nuclear disarmament.

FAVOUR He has always ..... nuclear disarmament.

53 She had taken an umbrella so she wouldn't get wet.

AVOID She had taken an umbrella ..... wet.

54 We must try not to lose contact with each other.

KEEP We must try ..... each other.

55 She got the part even though she didn't have much acting experience.

OF In ..... much acting experience, she got the part.

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BY The concert had already finished ..... I arrived.
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HEART "You have to ....., " the teacher said to us.
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Answers on the next page.



## ANSWERS

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MAY They ... **may not have been informed** ..... about the change of plan.
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FACT She cleaned the house, ..... **despite the fact (that)** ..... she found it tiring.
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BY The concert had already finished ..... **by the time** ..... I arrived.
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HEART "You have to ..... **learn this poem by heart** ....., " the teacher said to us.
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VIEW He studied history ..... **with a view to becoming** ..... a teacher.

# Language

## Writing a Review



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***Look at these phrases which ones are generally positive and which ones are generally negative?***

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tremendous soundtrack

historical events



## ***Positive***

Interesting locations  
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Complete this review with words and phrases from the previous exercise.  
(photocopy)

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Here is another review  
you have to fill in the gaps  
with a word below just like in  
RUOE part 1.

***although***

***a***

***in***

***be***

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***would***

***this***

***because***



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**Exam practice**

# Listening part 4





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For questions **24–30**, choose the best answer (**A**, **B** or **C**).

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| <p><b>24</b> What is Ryan's main task early in the morning?</p> <p><b>A</b> to give instructions to other members of staff</p> <p><b>B</b> to check the building has been properly cleaned</p> <p><b>C</b> to find out what his boss wants him to do</p><br><p><b>25</b> During the day, his most important duty is</p> <p><b>A</b> to check that everything is working properly.</p> <p><b>B</b> to ensure the safety of visitors to the castle.</p> <p><b>C</b> to make sure that nobody steals anything.</p><br><p><b>26</b> He believes that employees at the castle must be</p> <p><b>A</b> experts in history.</p> <p><b>B</b> retired police officers.</p> <p><b>C</b> physically fit.</p> | <p><b>27</b> What does Ryan say about his uniform?</p> <p><b>A</b> It looks ridiculous in the 21st century.</p> <p><b>B</b> It had to be specially made for him.</p> <p><b>C</b> It reflects the history of the castle.</p><br><p><b>28</b> What happened in the castle one night?</p> <p><b>A</b> There was a fire in one of the rooms.</p> <p><b>B</b> Some visitors were trapped inside.</p> <p><b>C</b> Two people tried to steal a painting.</p><br><p><b>29</b> Ryan likes working at the castle because</p> <p><b>A</b> there's always something new to learn.</p> <p><b>B</b> the other staff are always cheerful.</p> <p><b>C</b> it never gets cold inside the building.</p><br><p><b>30</b> How does he feel about living in Frankby village?</p> <p><b>A</b> He says it's too close to where he works.</p> <p><b>B</b> He feels that he's lucky to live there.</p> <p><b>C</b> He thinks that it's a rather boring place.</p> |
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# *Homework*

Write a review using the photocopies from class.

Look at the presentation of Lesson 13 again!

