

UNIT TEST 3

SECTION A: GRAMMAR

1 Complete the text with *for* or *since*.

I haven't been enjoying my job ¹_____ I got a new boss. I've been working in the company ²_____ more than six years and I loved it, until last month, when Katie Myers took over as the boss. Several staff members who have been with the company ³_____ it was established are thinking of leaving. Sid Latham has been the financial director ⁴_____ a very long time, but he resigned last week and is leaving next month. ⁵_____ the past half hour I've been thinking about handing in my resignation, too.

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2 Complete the text with the present perfect simple or present perfect continuous form of the verbs in brackets. Use the present perfect continuous where possible.

For the last three months the company ¹_____ (focus) on its advertising campaign for the amazing robot which it ²_____ (develop) to detect some diseases and illnesses. Over the last ten years it ³_____ (do) a huge amount of research and the first robot is ready to be launched next month. Scientists ⁴_____ (test) the device for the last three months and the results ⁵_____ (be) very satisfactory. Unfortunately, over the last couple of days, a fault in the software ⁶_____ (put) the launch at risk. The programmers ⁷_____ (work) through the night to solve it, but they still ⁸_____ (not find) the cause of the problem, so the company ⁹_____ (take) the decision to delay the launch for another month. It ¹⁰_____ (be) a very difficult week for the company.

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SECTION B: VOCABULARY

3 Complete the text with the correct prepositions.

We've been looking ¹_____ someone to take over my job for the past month and haven't found anyone suitable ²_____ it yet. We want someone with at least five years' experience ³_____ working in an advertising agency. They are expected ⁴_____ bring in new contracts and will be responsible ⁵_____ overseeing the contract from beginning to end. Fluency ⁶_____ Spanish and French is essential, as well as a good knowledge ⁷_____ international marketing. There are excellent prospects ⁸_____ promotion.

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4 Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

- 1 The new job is extremely *glamorous* / *challenging* / *privileged*, but I enjoy pushing myself to do new and difficult things.
- 2 Doing administrative work is *tedious* / *flexible* / *satisfying* and makes me want to go to sleep.
- 3 I found voluntary work overseas was very *time-consuming* / *prestigious* / *rewarding* and I was able to add to my skills.
- 4 It's important to have a good *work-life* / *lifestyle* / *time* balance to avoid stress.
- 5 Paying attention to detail is essential, but it's very *time-consuming* / *experienced* / *suitable* work.
- 6 I hated working in a factory. The work I was doing was so heavy and *stimulating* / *repetitive* / *flexible* that I injured my hands.
- 7 Most people think that I have a *monotonous* / *competitive* / *glamorous* job filming wildlife, but spending weeks sitting in a river to get one good shot is far from that.

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SECTION C: INTEGRATED SKILLS

5 Number the sentences (a–e) in the correct order (1–5).

Apprenticeship schemes in UK

- a And finally, perhaps the most important benefit is that apprentices can be earning money while they are working and studying.
- b They are available in a wide range of industries, from agriculture to information technology, from healthcare to travel and tourism and they last between one and four years, depending on the level.
- c Secondly, an apprentice gains work-specific skills as well as a work-related national qualification, which can be very attractive to employers.
- d Apprenticeships in England are available for anyone who is allowed to work in the country and who is not in full-time education.
- e The advantages of doing an apprenticeship are, firstly, that you work alongside experienced staff, so you benefit from their knowledge.

- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____
- 5 _____

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6 Complete the covering letter with one word in each gap.

Dear Mr Walsh,

Re: Leisure management apprenticeship

I have just gained three A levels in Geography, Business Studies and Spanish at Westerley Sixth Form College in York. I am ¹ _____ to apply for an advanced level apprenticeship in leisure management with your company, which is ² _____ on your website.

I have been interested ³ _____ working in the leisure industry for several years. During the holidays over the last three years, I have worked in a hotel and done guided tours around my home town. I get on well with people and believe that I have the necessary qualities to work in customer care and management. I also have a good working knowledge of Spanish and French. I am ⁴ _____ for interview at any time convenient to you.

I look ⁵ _____ to hearing from you soon.

Yours sincerely,
Miranda Evans

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