

**Exercise 1 - Couch-potatoes are getting fatter** Choose the best option.

An important (0) \_\_\_\_\_ has recently confirmed a (1) \_\_\_ national stereotype - people in the USA are fat. The researchers (2) \_\_\_ out that a third of people in the USA are more than 20% above their (3) \_\_\_ weight; Twenty years (4) \_\_\_ the proportion of over-weight adults was about one in four. Among young people the figures are even more (5) \_\_\_\_ .The research is a poor advertisement for the slimming industry in the United States which (6) \_\_\_ \$40 billion on marketing diet products every year. This (7) \_\_\_ in the country's waistline is the (8) \_\_\_ of an increasingly inactive lifestyle and the fact that food is (9) \_\_\_ available all day. The US food industry produces 3,700 calories per day for every US citizen, but a woman's energy (10) \_\_\_ is half of that, and a man can easily live on 2,500 calories. The experts say that television, use of cars and (11) \_\_\_\_\_ end of compulsory physical education in schools have all cut down the activity (12) \_\_\_ of people in the USA, and this situation is made even worse by people's habit of (13) \_\_\_ more while they are (14) \_\_\_ television

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| 0-  | a. study    | b. search   | c. course        | d. subject       |
| 1-  | a. ordinary | b. common   | c. extraordinary | d. rare          |
| 2.  | a. brought  | b. gained   | c. thought       | d. found         |
| 3-  | a. top      | b. happy    | c. ideal         | d. real          |
| 4-  | a. later    | b. ago      | c. previous      | d. after         |
| 5.  | a. worrying | b. anxious  | c. surprised     | d. entertaining  |
| 6.  | a. costs    | b. sells    | c. spends        | d. is worth      |
| 7.  | a. reason   | b. increase | c. add           | d. growing       |
| 8.  | a. reason   | b. result   | c. end           | d. answer        |
| 9.  | a. easily   | b. hardly   | c. rarely        | d. happily       |
| 10. | a. want     | b. wish     | c. need          | d. have          |
| 11. | a. a        | b. an       | c. -             | d. the           |
| 12. | a. amount   | b. slice    | c. level         | d. size          |
| 13. | a. to eat   | b. eating   | c. eat           | d. to eating     |
| 14. | a. Watch    | b. watched  | c. watching      | d. being watched |

**Exercise 2-How television was invented** Choose the best option.

Television owes its origins to many (0) \_\_\_\_\_. But it was the single-minded determination of an amateur inventor, John Logier Baird that led to the first (1) \_\_\_ television broadcast. Born in Scotland in 1888 and (2) \_\_\_ in Glasgow, John Logier Baird earned a living (3) \_\_\_ a razor-blade salesman. In the 1890s Galileo Marconi (4) \_\_\_ that sound could (5) \_\_\_ sent by radio waves. Baird became convinced that a similar system could transmit a picture. He (6) \_\_\_ most of his spare time working on his ideas in his tiny workshop without any commercial support. He (7) \_\_\_ to use his own earnings to continue his research. In 1924, Baird (8) \_\_\_ transmitted the general outline of a figure over more (9) \_\_\_ 3 metres. He continued to experiment and (10) \_\_\_ October 25, 1925 transmitted a recognisable image of a doll. He ran Down to the office on the ground floor and persuaded one of the office boys to come upstairs. (11) \_\_\_ boy became the first living image transmitted by television. Overnight, Baird became famous and the money (12) \_\_\_ he needed to continue his research was at last made available. In 1927 he made a transmission from London to Glasgow and in 1928 he (13) \_\_\_ another one from London to New York. He continued experimenting (14) \_\_\_ spent his last years exploring the possibility of colour television.

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| 0-  | a. inventions | b. invitations  | c. inventors  | d. invitor   |
| 1-  | a. alive      | b. live         | c. living     | d. lived     |
| 2.  | a. educated   | b. educating    | c. education  | d. educating |
| 3-  | a. like       | b. -            | c. as         | d. kind of   |
| 4-  | a. shows      | b. shown        | c. is showing | d. showed    |
| 5.  | a. be         | b. been         | c. -          | d. have      |
| 6.  | a. has spent  | b. spent        | c. spends     | d. was spent |
| 7.  | a. must       | b. could        | c. had        | d. has       |
| 8.  | a. succeed    | b. successfully | c. successful | d. success   |
| 9.  | a. then       | b. like         | c. -          | d. than      |
| 10. | a. on         | b. in           | c. at         | d. of        |
| 11. | a. a          | b. an           | c. -          | d. the       |
| 12. | a. where      | b. that         | c. who        | d. whose     |
| 13. | a. maked      | b. has made     | c. made       | d. was made  |
| 14. | a. but        | b. however      | c. although   | d. and       |

**Exercise 3** – Choose the best option for each blank.

When I met my ex boyfriend at the shopping mall, I was totally (0) \_\_\_\_ . He was as (1) \_\_\_\_ as in the past and he was (2) \_\_\_\_ a pop star. When he realized me, he stopped (3) \_\_\_\_ hello. He said he missed (4) \_\_\_\_ to me and invited me (5) \_\_\_\_ a cup of coffee. I thought for a while and accepted his offer. We decided (6) \_\_\_\_ to a cafe by the sea. We (7) \_\_\_\_ almost an hour there by (8) \_\_\_\_ about our present lives. We both avoided (9) \_\_\_\_ to the times we (10) \_\_\_\_ at university. After (11) \_\_\_\_ an hour at the cafe, we said good-bye to (12) \_\_\_\_ and walked away. It was really amazing (13) \_\_\_\_ him that day.

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| 0. a) <b>amazed</b>    | b) amazing          | c) surprising      | d) annoyed           |
| 1. a) more handsome    | <b>b) handsome</b>  | c) less handsome   | d) most handsome     |
| 2. a) look like        | b) as               | <b>c) like</b>     | d) look              |
| 3. a) say              | <b>b) to say</b>    | c) saying          | d) said              |
| 4. a) talk             | b) to talk          | <b>c) talking</b>  | d) to talking        |
| 5. <b>a) to have</b>   | b) having           | c) have            | d) to having         |
| 6. a) going            | b) to going         | c) go              | <b>d) to go</b>      |
| 7. a) have spent       | <b>b) spent</b>     | c) spend           | d) had spent         |
| 8. a) talk             | b) to talk          | <b>c) talking</b>  | d) to talking        |
| 9. <b>a) referring</b> | b) refer            | c) to refer        | d) to referring      |
| 10. a) date            | <b>b) had dated</b> | c) were date       | d) are dating        |
| 11. a) spend           | b) to spend         | <b>c) spending</b> | d) to spending       |
| 12. a) ourselves       | b) themselves       | c) himself         | <b>d) each other</b> |
| 13. a) meeting         | <b>b) to meet</b>   | c) meet            | d) to meeting        |

**Exercise 4** – Choose the best option for each blank.

I went to the cinema the other day after (1) \_\_\_\_ my homework. There was a movie on vampires and I decided (2) \_\_\_\_ that movie. (3) \_\_\_\_ I liked such films, I was a little bit (4) \_\_\_\_ . Before (5) \_\_\_\_ out, I called my friend (6) \_\_\_\_ invite her to the cinema. Fortunately, she agreed (7) \_\_\_\_ with me. It was a great relief. (8) \_\_\_\_, the movie was great and I thanked my friend for (9) \_\_\_\_ with me.

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| 1. a) to finish     | <b>b) finishing</b> | c) finish          |
| 2. <b>a) to see</b> | b) seeing           | c) see             |
| 3. a) But           | b) However          | <b>c) Although</b> |
| 4. <b>a) scary</b>  | b) scared           | c) scaring         |
| 5. <b>a) going</b>  | b) go               | c) to go           |
| 6. a) for           | <b>b) to</b>        | c) _               |
| 7. a) coming        | b) to coming        | <b>c) to come</b>  |
| 8. <b>a) Anyway</b> | b) By the way       | c) However         |
| 9. a) come          | b) to come          | <b>c) coming</b>   |

**Exercise 5** – Choose the best option for each blank.

(1) \_\_\_\_ a student here in this school is really (2) \_\_\_\_, so I am looking forward to (3) \_\_\_\_ holidays. I want to relax and recharge my batteries. That's why, I (4) \_\_\_\_ to spend my holiday in a (5) \_\_\_\_ place. I (6) \_\_\_\_ searched on the net and (7) \_\_\_\_ a couple of holiday resorts which (8) \_\_\_\_ my expectations. (9) \_\_\_\_, I have a small problem: I (10) \_\_\_\_ enough money. You know it is important (11) \_\_\_\_ it. You (12) \_\_\_\_ buy anything without money! (13) \_\_\_\_ I think I will ask for money from my parents.

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| 1. a) Be                        | <b>b) Being</b>       | c) To being          |
| 2. a) tired                     | b) tire               | <b>c) tiring</b>     |
| 3. <b>a) having</b>             | b) have               | c) have had          |
| 4. a) plan                      | <b>b) am planning</b> | c) will plan         |
| 5. a) noisy                     | b) busy               | <b>c) peaceful</b>   |
| 6. <b>a) have already</b>       | b) am already         | c) already will be   |
| 7. a) find                      | <b>b) found</b>       | c) will find         |
| 8. <b>a) will probably meet</b> | b) meets              | c) has already met   |
| 9. a) Although                  | <b>b) However</b>     | c) Because           |
| 10. a) haven't                  | b) have got           | <b>c) don't have</b> |
| 11. <b>a) to have</b>           | b) to having          | c) for having        |
| 12. a) can                      | <b>b) can't</b>       | c) mustn't           |
| 13. a) because                  | b) however            | <b>c) so</b>         |

**Exercise 6 – Choose the best option for each blank.**

Some people know (1) \_\_\_\_ show off their clothes. They spend hours in front of the mirror and (2) \_\_\_\_ their own favorite way of (3) \_\_\_\_ and standing. Actually they (4) \_\_\_\_ don't have enough money for (5) \_\_\_\_ expensive tastes, so some of them turn to crime and many have spent years in (6) \_\_\_\_\_. It is of course good to be (7) \_\_\_\_ and wear whatever you like, but (8) \_\_\_\_ fashion trends and (9) \_\_\_\_ crimes to afford designer labels ... well it's what I don't approve.

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| 1. a) how can they  | b) how to       | c) how they are  |
| 2. a) practice      | b) practicing   | c) to practice   |
| 3. a) speaking      | b) speak        | c) being spoken  |
| 4. a) maybe         | b) perhaps      | c) probably      |
| 5. a) so            | b) such         | c) such a        |
| 6. a) prison        | b) hospital     | c) torture       |
| 7. a) loose-fitting | b) well-dressed | c) old-fashioned |
| 8. a) follow        | b) following    | c) to follow     |
| 9. a) catching      | b) arresting    | c) committing    |

**Exercise 7 – Choose the best option for each blank.**

Before an important meeting or an exam, I often feel (1) \_\_\_\_ and sweat a lot. I can't sleep and eat properly. Also, I have difficulty in (2) \_\_\_\_ the words and things (3) \_\_\_\_ I have studied or planned to say. My friends have advised me (4) \_\_\_\_ some pills before (5) \_\_\_\_ an exam, for example. I don't know what (6) \_\_\_\_ ! Taking pills (7) \_\_\_\_ sound good to me. The last time I (8) \_\_\_\_ an important exam was two years ago. I was (9) \_\_\_\_ nervous that the proctor (teacher) kept (10) \_\_\_\_ me throughout the exam period. In the end, he got totally (11) \_\_\_\_ and (12) \_\_\_\_\_. I felt very bad in front of the other students, and of course, I failed!

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| 1. a) frightened  | b) nervous    | c) exciting    |
| 2. a) remembering | b) remembered | c) remember    |
| 3. a) who         | b) where      | c) –           |
| 4. a) taking      | b) to take    | c) take        |
| 5. a) sit         | b) sitting    | c) to sit      |
| 6. a) should I do | b) to I do    | c) to do       |
| 7. a) isn't       | b) doesn't    | c) can't       |
| 8. a) take        | b) did take   | c) took        |
| 9. a) such        | b) so         | c) such a      |
| 10. a) warning    | b) to warn    | c) to warning  |
| 11. a) hilarious  | b) furious    | c) curious     |
| 12. a) called by  | b) made up    | c) told me off |

**Exercise 8 – Choose the correct option for each blank.**

Last week I had a guest (1) \_\_\_\_ Tokyo. He was not a complete (2) \_\_\_\_\_, we were old friends –the graduates (3) \_\_\_\_\_ a well-known university. I wasn't a lazy student but he was extraordinarily (4) \_\_\_\_\_. He was determined and he (5) \_\_\_\_\_ studying to (6) \_\_\_\_\_ his goals at university. Anyway, (7) \_\_\_\_\_ a typical Turkish woman, I wanted to show our (8) \_\_\_\_\_ to him, i.e. I wanted him (9) \_\_\_\_\_ at home, and I (10) \_\_\_\_\_ it. He said he was very (11) \_\_\_\_\_ our company and he would visit us again.

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| 1. a) in             | b) from           | c) at          |
| 2. a) acquaintance   | b) friend         | c) stranger    |
| 3. a) of             | b) at             | c) in          |
| 4. a) succeed        | c) success        | c) successful  |
| 5. a) gave up        | b) kept           | c) confessed   |
| 6. a) achieve        | b) complete       | c) do          |
| 7. a) like           | b) similar        | c) as          |
| 8. a) achievements   | b) exaggeration   | c) hospitality |
| 9. a) feel           | b) to feel        | c) feeling     |
| 10. a) managed       | b) passed         | c) success     |
| 11. a) annoyed about | b) satisfied with | c) good at     |