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1 Change the verbs to nouns.

- 1 complain _____
- 2 announce _____
- 3 introduce _____
- 4 confess _____
- 5 recommend _____

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2 What are the following ways of speaking? Use the words from Exercise 1.

- 1 'Every day this train journey gets 5 minutes longer.'

- 2 'Maria, this is James. James, Maria.'

- 3 'It was me who took your money without asking.'

- 4 'The train arriving at platform 3 is the 3.25 service to Birmingham.'

- 5 'I'd advise you to book your hotel at least two months in advance.'

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3 Complete the email with the words in the list.

asking | go | get | split | been

My brother is driving me crazy. He falls in love so easily. I think he's ¹ _____ out with ten different girls in the past year. He's not shy about ² _____ girls out on a date. They must like his confidence because they usually agree to ³ _____ on a date with him. But after a few weeks they ⁴ _____ up with him, and I don't know why. At least he doesn't take long to ⁵ _____ over them!

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4 Choose the correct answer to complete the sentences.

- 1 She's _____ better at singing than I am.
A nowhere B lot C much
- 2 It's not _____ as warm today as it was yesterday.
A near B nowhere C nearly
- 3 It's _____ cheaper to travel by train.
A far B lot C near
- 4 The people here are _____ as friendly as in my home town.
A much B just C nowhere
- 5 You're _____ near as clever as me.
A nowhere B nearly C a lot

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5 Complete the sentences with a '... and ...' expression and the correct form of the words in the list.

hard | good | popular | expensive | bad

- 1 She's getting _____ at playing the guitar. It's a real pleasure to listen to her.
- 2 It's becoming _____ to get a good job these days.
- 3 Why does everything in the shops get _____ every year?
- 4 Their band is becoming _____ – over 100 people turned up to their last gig.
- 5 I'm feeling _____ every day – it's horrible.

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6 Use a 'the ..., the ...' comparative expression to rewrite each sentence using the words in bold.

- 1 When the weather gets **hot** she gets **happy**.

- 2 As I get **old**, I become more **impatient**.

- 3 As she became more **anxious**, she drove **faster**.

- 4 We waited a **long** time and we got increasingly **bored**.

- 5 I studied **hard**, but I just got more **confused**.

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7 Choose the correct sentence.

- 1 A You're much more taller than I imagined!
B You're much taller than I imagined!
- 2 A It's getting more and more dangerous to ride on this road.
B It's getting the more and more dangerous to ride on this road.
- 3 A This cake is a far sweeter than I expected.
B This cake is a lot sweeter than I expected.
- 4 A The more I know him, the less I like him.
B The more I know him, the lesser I like him.
- 5 A He's not nearly as horrible as you said he was.
B He's not just as horrible as you said he was.

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8 Circle the correct word.

- 1 I managed to stay awake for the whole film, *even though / despite* I was exhausted.
- 2 It was hard work. *Although / Nevertheless*, we finished it in time.
- 3 All my friends thought it was a brilliant idea. *However / In spite of*, I disagreed.
- 4 *Although / In spite of* their difference in age, they got on very well.
- 5 *Although / However* he's very rich, he never gives money to charity.

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9 Rewrite the sentences with the words in bold.

- 1 A five-star hotel is much more expensive than a three-star one.
miles
A three-star hotel _____ than a five-star one.
- 2 I find Maths much harder than English.
whole
I find English _____ than Maths.
- 3 That was the most exciting match I've ever seen by far.
easily
That match _____ I've ever seen.
- 4 I'm a much faster runner than you.
nowhere
You're _____ at running as I am.
- 5 His recommendation was much worse than yours.
nearly
Your recommendation _____ as his.

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10 Complete the conversation with the words in the list.

easily | even | by | near | lot

- A How was your date last night?
- B It was far and away the worst date I've ever been on.
- A Was it ¹ _____ worse than your last one?
- B Oh, yes. That last one was bad, but nowhere ² _____ as bad as this one.
- A What went wrong?
- B Well, we went to the cinema to see what was ³ _____ the most boring film ever.
- A And then?
- B And then we went to a restaurant and had a meal that wasn't a whole ⁴ _____ better.
- A Oh dear.
- B It was the most boring night of my life, ⁵ _____ far.

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