THINKING SPACE

LEVEL 5
END-OF-TERM TEST 1 STANDARD

Name _____ Class _____ Date _____

Vocabulary

1 Complete the sentences with a word from the list.

demanding | insecure | outgoing | rebellious | self-centred

1 My little sister can be very _____ at times – she needs a lot of attention.
2 Teenagers are often said to be _____ as they tend to challenge authority.
3 My mum says that my dad is too _____ and should think about other people more.
4 _____ people aren't afraid to meet new people and make friends.
5 One of my classmates is so _____ that she thinks people are laughing at her all the time.

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2 Circle the correct answer.

1 That boy has *turned / made* my life miserable since I started my new school.
2 You shouldn't *lose / let* sleep over things you can't do anything about.
3 I *fell / went* over rather badly and cut my leg.
4 The football team has a mascot to *bring / push* them luck during matches.
5 She *got / found* the giggles during the careers talk and was asked to leave the room.

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3 Match the sentence halves.

1 My brother turned	a for another year.
2 I loved the job so I stayed on	b to in hospital.
3 My dog ran	c down the opportunity to move to Paris.
4 I hit my head then came	d back before we got too cold.
5 I was snowing but we turned	e away for a week.

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4 Choose the correct answer: a, b or c.

1 My grandad always nods _____ in front of the TV after dinner.
a over b in c off
2 After the party there was rubbish all _____ the house and we had to clean it up. a over b on c in
3 'You're _____ luck – there are two tickets left for the concert.
a as b in c on
4 If you set _____ now, you will arrive this afternoon.
a out b up c off
5 Joking _____, you have to start studying or you'll fail your exams.
a off b out c aside

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Grammar

5 Complete the sentences with a verb from the list.

prefer | tend | use | will | wish | would

1 I _____ have been on time if you'd given me a lift.
2 Parents _____ to spend a lot of time telling their children what to do.
3 When my grandmother was a child she didn't _____ to watch TV.
4 I _____ it wouldn't rain so much!
5 They'd _____ you called before you arrived at their house.

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6 Circle the correct words.

1 Sleeping well is *way / nearly* more important than chatting online until late.
2 *Annoyingly / Admittedly* I did well in the test because my brother helped me study.
3 Teenagers need *far / extensively* more sleep than adults.
4 *Surely / Honestly* you got the joke the second time you heard it!
5 She's *nothing / nowhere* near as rebellious as her big sister.

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7 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

1 It's time you _____ (get) your beauty sleep; it's nearly 1am!
2 If I _____ (not fall) over, I wouldn't have a sore leg now.
3 He tends _____ (lie) in on Sundays so don't call him yet.
4 Suppose you _____ (burst) out laughing in class, what would your teacher do?
5 My dad _____ always _____ (laugh) at something – he finds everything funny!

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8 Choose the correct answers: a, b or c.

1 _____ makes me laugh most is watching a comedy film starring Will Ferrell.
a It b All c What
2 Be patient with your siblings when they annoy you, _____ it'll just make things worse.
a unless b otherwise c provided
3 My favourite book genre is _____ historical fiction.
a literally b clearly c undoubtedly
4 _____ he wants to do is make my life miserable!
a All b That c Certainly
5 I'll come to the comedy show with you _____ you pay for the tickets.
a unless b as long as c otherwise

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Reading

9 Decide if the sentences are T (true) or F (false).

The keys to creativity

What is luck? Is it a supernatural force dictated by gods or forces that we cannot control or is it just coincidence – being in the right place at the right time? Societies all over the world have always had this idea. The Ancient Romans even had a goddess of luck called Fortuna! Even today when we are surrounded by technology and advanced scientific ideas people still talk about it as a real force. Personally, I think you can shape your own future with the things you do and the decisions you make. We are not passive beings – we can make our own luck!

So what do I mean by this? Well, it is no coincidence that people who study hard pass exams or those who eat well and get enough sleep, are generally healthier than those who do not. Obviously, we can increase the chances of being happy, healthy and successful through the choices we make.

It is often said that some things cannot be controlled and I would have to agree with that. But when bad things happen to us, is it always down to 'bad' luck? This idea is often exaggerated. For example, suppose you were on holiday in an area that is prone to tropical storms and the weather was bad, that would be no surprise – you just didn't do your research carefully. Next time, choose another destination or a different time of year!

Another example is the idea of beginner's luck - when you first start a new sport or hobby, you often seem quite good at it but then later, you find it more difficult and may make more mistakes. How can this be explained? Well, I'd say that any progress made when you start something new seems fantastic, but later, when you have to do more difficult things and there is an expectation you will be better than you are, you feel that you are out of luck – that's just not true! You need to practice more to keep improving.

To sum up, people who sit around complaining about their 'bad' luck need to take responsibility for their own lives and decisions and try to accomplish something. Those are the ones who will have the last laugh.

1 Humans have only talked about the concept of luck in recent times. _____
2 The Ancient Greeks had a goddess called Fortuna. _____
3 The writer is suspicious of the idea of bad luck. _____
4 The article states that if you sleep and eat well you won' t get ill. _____
5 The writer admits that people can't prevent all bad things which happen to them. _____
6 According to the writer, you can predict bad weather on holiday. _____
7 Beginner's luck describes the idea that the longer you do something, the better you will get at it. _____
8 The author believes the key to doing well at sport and hobbies is always hard work. _____
9 The writer suggests that people who talk about bad luck are more likely to experience it. _____
10 The writer of the article believes that we cannot change our lives. _____

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Writing

10 Write a review of a film or TV programme that made you laugh (220–260 words). Include the following information:

- some facts about the plot and actors
- three boosting adverbs
- five vocabulary items relating to 'laugh' and 'laughter'
- a clear recommendation

TOTAL SCORE 100

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