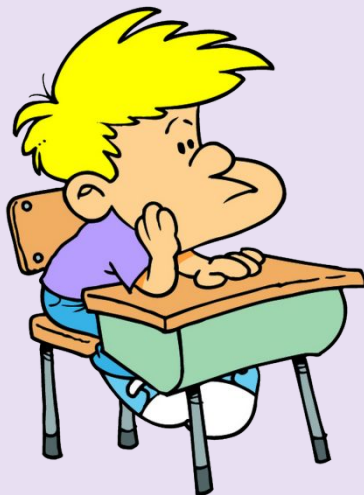




I just hate Latin!



Really? Why?

It's a dead language. It killed the ancient Romans and now it's killing me.





# What are we going to learn today?

1. Family relationships
2. Crime and punishment
3. School grades
4. Dead languages
5. Something else





# The languages of the British Isles







## Use your English!

Use the words given in capitals to form a word that fits in the space in the same line.

### British accents and dialects

Before I went to the UK for the first time, I'd never (1) ..... about different accents and dialects. People's (2) ..... varies across the (3) ..... and breadth of Britain, sometimes making (4) ..... difficult, even for native speakers. This is because their (5) ..... of vocabulary differs from region to region, and also because the way they (6) ..... say words differs. I met someone from Glasgow. The (7) ..... of his accent made it (8) ..... to work out what he said. So I asked a friend from London who was with me, and he hadn't (9) ..... either! Luckily, (10) ..... English doesn't have the same kind of problems as spoken English.

**THINK**  
**SPEAK**  
**LONG**  
**COMMUNICATE**  
**CHOOSE**  
**ACTUAL**  
**STRONG**  
**POSSIBLE**  
**UNDERSTAND**  
**WRITE**





## ANSWERS

1. thought
2. speech
3. length
4. communication
5. choice
6. actually
7. strength
8. impossible
9. understood
10. written







2. What percentage of Wales speak modern Welsh?
3. Is there anywhere else in the world where Welsh is spoken?
4. What percentage of Ireland speak Irish Gaelic?
5. Which speakers of different languages have no difficulty in communicating?
6. Which language has no native speakers left?
7. Which language has regular news broadcasts?
8. Which language is the most recent to the British Isles?



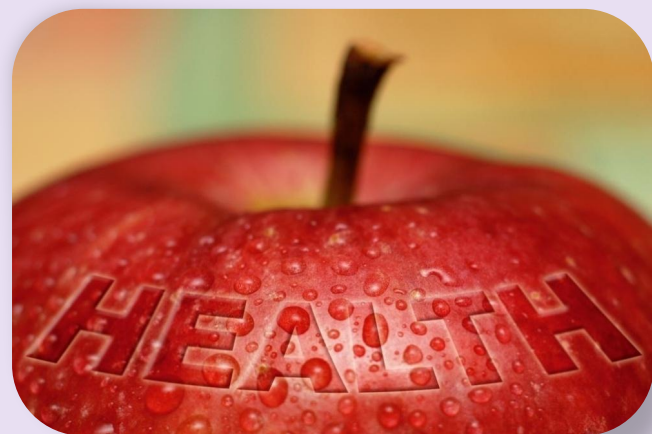


Stand up and look around

Shake your head and turn around

Stamp your feet upon the ground

Clap your hands and then sit down



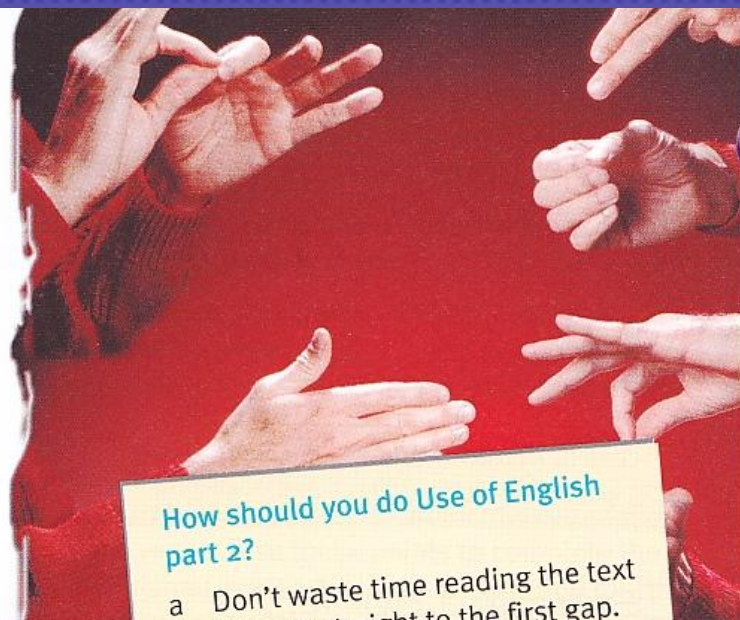




## Use of English

**A** Read the text in Exercise B quickly, and decide whether these statements are true or false.

- 1 Sign language was invented recently.
- 2 The same sign language is used all round the world.
- 3 Sign languages are real languages.
- 4 It's impossible to express emotions with sign language.
- 5 It's easier to learn sign language than other languages.



### How should you do Use of English part 2?

- a Don't waste time reading the text first; go straight to the first gap.
- b Quickly read the whole text through to get a general idea of what it's about before filling the gaps.

**B**

**exam practice**

### Use of English part 2

Read the text below and find the word which best fits each space.

#### Sign Language

Despite the fact (1) ..... sign language has been used for thousands of years in one form or another, (2) ..... much is known about its history. Today, thousands (3) ..... deaf people around the world use sign language (4) ..... communicate. However, (5) ..... are many different sign languages, and a signer (6) ..... uses British sign language may well not be able to understand a signer (7) ..... another country.

Even (8) ..... some people believe that sign languages are not real languages, linguists who have studied (9) ..... say that they are. The only difference is that (10) ..... of using speech or writing to express meaning, signers use (11) ..... hands. (12) ..... fact, anything that can be expressed through spoken language (13) ..... also be expressed through sign language. Learning sign language is like learning any (14) ..... language – it (15) ..... time and practice.







# ANSWERS

## Exercise B

### Exercise A

1. F
2. F
3. T
4. T
5. F

1. THAT
2. NOT
3. OF
4. TO
5. THERE
6. WHO
7. FROM
8. THOUGH

9. THEM
10. INSTEAD
11. THEIR
12. IN
13. CAN
14. OTHER
15. NEEDS/  
TAKES/  
DEMANDS





## Phrasal verbs: communication

**B** Match each phrasal verb to do with communication to the correct meaning.

- 1 Could you **turn the TV on**? I want to watch the news.
- 2 I keep trying to **log on** to check my e-mail but it isn't working.
- 3 Members of the audience are requested to **turn off** all mobile phones.
- 4 As the politician spoke, the journalists **took down** what he said.
- 5 Could you **put me through** to Mr. Thorpe, please?
- 6 I don't think you should **bring the argument up** again when we see Ray and Scott.
- 7 I couldn't hear anybody on the line so I decided to **hang up**.
- 8 Oh, this show is rubbish! Why don't you **turn over**?

- a connect someone on the phone
- b stop a TV, etc, from working by pressing a button
- c write what someone says
- d put the phone down
- e change channel on a TV
- f start a TV, etc, working by pressing a button
- g mention in a conversation
- h connect to the Internet







# ANSWERS

1. f
2. h
3. b
4. c
5. a
6. g
7. d
8. e





## Synonyms for 'get'

**D** Use these verbs in their correct form to replace the words in bold.

arrive • become • buy • find • receive • take

- 1 I think we should **get** a satellite dish so that we can **get** more channels.
- 2 I'd like to **get** a job in the media and learn more about current affairs.
- 3 When the journalist **got** home, she turned on the TV to watch the news.
- 4 Georgia didn't want to be late for the interview so she **got** a taxi.
- 5 Mike **got** annoyed when he was given a low mark for his essay on the media.







## ANSWERS

1. buy.....receive
2. find/take
3. arrived
4. found/took
5. became





## Self-assessment

1. Have you done all exercises correctly or made some mistakes?
2. Have you managed to do them by your own or with someone's help?
3. Will you mark your work yourself?

