



Learn English Through Stories.

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**Vocabulary.**

**Eight tests.**

**A. Complete using the words in the box.**

Apologise   defend   introduce   recognise   rent   respect   trust

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**C. Complete by changing the form of the word in capitals.**

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2. Karen apologised, so I..... her immediately. **FORGIVE**
3. Susie is so.....She's always breaking things! **CARE**
4. Andrea has got a great.....You'll really like her! **PERSON**
5. Tony said his dad is a millionaire, but he's such a..... **LIE**
6. I'm not sure I've got the.....to sing in public! **CONFIDENT**
7. Lots of..... people live full and happy lives. **ABLE**
8. I hate people who are.....**HONEST**

**D. Complete each second sentence using the word given, so that it has a similar in meaning to the first sentence. Write between two and five words.**

1. We gave my dad a surprise party on his fortieth birthday. **was**  
My dad.....a surprise party on his fortieth birthday.
2. After the play, they introduced us to all the actors. **we**  
After the play,.....to all the actors.
3. They've caught the person who stole your bike! **has**  
The person who stole your bike.....caught!
4. No one had told me that Jill was coming! **been**  
I..... that Jill was coming!
5. Our English teacher and our German teacher are husband and wife. **married**  
Our English teacher.....our German teacher.
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Our dog.....a neighbour while we're away.
7. Use a sharp knife to cut the cake. **should**  
The cake.....a sharp knife.
8. I'm not interested in what you think! **care**  
I.....what you think!
9. My parents don't let me watch much TV at Home. **allowed**  
I..... to watch much TV at home.
10. They're going to invite over a hundred people to the wedding reception. **going**  
Over a hundred people..... to the wedding reception.

### E. Choose the correct answer.

We can choose our friends, but we can't choose our (1).....That doesn't mean, though, that members of our family can't also be our friends. Many children have such a good relationship (2).....their parents that they see them as friends. Of course, when you're a teenager, you'll have (3)..... with your parents. There will be times when you don't (4).....on very well with them. That's only natural. There will be times when you want to be (5)..... and solve your problems (6).....yourself. You'll also (7).....your parents down sometimes. After all, nobody's perfect and we all make mistakes. But your parents understand that. And as you grow (8)..... and become an adult, you'll probably realise you have lots of things in (9).....with your mum and dad and become even (10)..... to them.

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|---------------|--------------|-------------|-----------------|
| 1. A couples  | B guests     | C strangers | D relations     |
| 2. A by       | B for        | C with      | D from          |
| 3. A moods    | B arguments  | C lies      | D dishonesty    |
| 4. A get      | B take       | C put       | D set           |
| 5. A divorced | B single     | C grateful  | D independent   |
| 6. A on       | B by         | C for       | D with          |
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| 9. A private  | B common     | C contact   | D love          |
| 10. A fonder  | B more proud | C closer    | D more ordinary |

**F. Rewrite each sentence using the word in brackets.**

1. People started to gradually enter the room. [**DRIBS**]
2. Jack's commitment to work went up and down throughout the year. [**WAXED**]
3. Have a few days' rest, and you'll be fully recovered in no time. [**ABOUT**]
4. I've often told him not to leave his car unlocked. [**TIME**]
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2. It was **downright** .....of him not to say hello to the secretary.
3. I've been hoovering and dusting all day, so now my flat is **spotlessly** .....
4. Most of the facts were wrong in that news report. It was **wildly** .....
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People started to enter the room **in dribs and drabs**.

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I've told him **time after time** not to leave his car unlocked.

Or: I've told him **time and time again** not to leave his car unlocked.

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The work required a lot of **blood, sweat and tears**, but it was worth it.

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The whole team's been **at sixes and sevens** since Kay resigned.

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I keep dropping things today - I'm **all fingers and thumbs**.

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My mum and I are like **chalk and cheese**, but we get on well.

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