

Progress test 8 – Things

GRAMMAR

1 some, any

Write either *some* or *any* to complete the conversations. (8 marks)

Example: Are there _____ biscuits in the cupboard?
Answer: any

- 1 **A** Would you like _____ of these strawberries?
They're delicious!
B I've had _____ already actually, but thanks anyway.
- 2 **A** I haven't got _____ milk left.
B It's OK, I think I've got _____. Yes, here you are.
- 3 **A** Do you have _____ roast chickens?
B I'm afraid there aren't _____ left. I sold the last one two minutes ago.
- 4 **A** Can I offer you _____ of this cake to try? It's on offer today.
B Er ... yes, I'll try _____. Mmmm, it's really good.

2 Passive

Complete the sentences with the present simple or past simple form of the verb in brackets. (7 marks)

Example: Tennis _____ on a tennis court. (play)
Answer: is played

- 1 The cathedral _____ at the start of the 14th century. (build)
- 2 Spanish _____ in many South American countries. (speak)
- 3 All the goals _____ during the first half of the match. (score)
- 4 I read today that more than 2,000 new plants _____ each year! (discover)
- 5 Archaeologists believe the wheel _____ over 10,000 years ago. (invent)
- 6 Sixty extra workers _____ by the company last year as a result of the new contract. (employ)
- 7 Every day the BBC World Service _____ to by millions of people around the world. (listen)

VOCABULARY

3 Describing objects

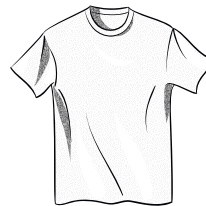
Complete the description of the objects in the pictures. (10 marks)

Example:



a b_a_k handbag
made of l_a_h_r
Answer: black, leather

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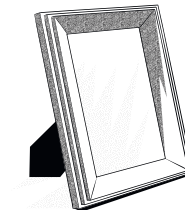
a l_g_t b_u_ T-shirt
made of c_t_o_

2



a s_o_e statue which
w_i_h_ about 50 kilos

3



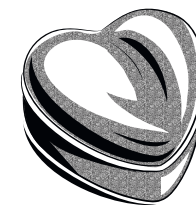
a picture frame measuring
15cm ___ 12cm and made
of w_d

4



a salad bowl made of really
t_i_k g_a_s

5



a m_t_l box shaped
l_k_ a heart

4 Talking about a possession

Complete the expressions about possessions. (5 marks)

Example: I've had it since I was a child.

Answer: I've had it

1 My favourite thing is my watch. It was a present from my parents.

2 I love listening to my MP3 player. I usually relax when I'm walking home.

3 This necklace reminds me of my ex-boyfriend. He gave it to me.

4 I never go anywhere without my laptop. I need it for my work.

5 These earrings were given to me by my daughter for my birthday.

PRONUNCIATION

5 Contrastive stress

Write the syllable which has contrastive stress in the second sentence of each conversation. (3 marks)

Example: **A** Is your name Mike Thomas?

B Actually, it's Mark Thomas.

Answer: Mark

1 **A** Sorry, did you say you live in Park Road?

B No, it's Park Street.

2 **A** Would you like to try the black shoes on?

B Actually, I think I prefer the red ones.

3 **A** How much did you say it was? Thirty pounds?

B No, thirteen pounds.

KEYWORD by

6 Uses of by

Rewrite the sentences, adding *by* in the correct place. (4 marks)

Example: I usually go to work bus.

Answer: I usually go to work by bus.

1 She'll be back the time we get home.

2 Can you pass me that pen? The one over there the phone.

3 Is it OK to pay credit card?

4 You can make it taste better adding a few fresh herbs.

EXPLORE SPEAKING

7 Describing what you mean

Complete the expressions in the sentences. (3 marks)

Example: You write names, addresses and emails in it when you need to remember them.

Answer: You, write

1 I need one of those things for putting holes in paper.

What is it called?

A hole punch!

2 I'm looking for a thing for my car, but I don't know

the name. It's a key

oil stick for checking the oil level.

3 What's the English word for those things you use

to reduce friction in machines? You know,

they are little silver balls.