

PROGRESS CHECK 1

1 Sottolinea l'alternativa corretta.

0 This present is for *he / him / his*.

1 *This / These / Those* boys over there are *Holland / Dutch / Dutches*.

2 Let's go! It's 9 p.m. and it is *wrong / late / in a hurry*.

3 How *long / far / fast* is your house *to / for / from* your school?

4 "What is your town *about / how / like*?" "It's very lively."

5 *Their / Theirs / Them* friends have got / haven't / hasn't got a car.

6 *The / A / An* oranges on *that / those / these* stall are very big.

7 "*Who / Whose / How* is your cousin?" "He's that boy *about / with / of* the red T-shirt."

8 *Here is Michelle / Here Michelle is / Here are Michelle!* Who's the girl with *she / her / hers*?

2 Sally sta descrivendo la scuola frequentata da Lucy, la sua migliore amica. Completa il testo scegliendo l'alternativa corretta.

My best friend Lucy 0 a 16 years old and she is 1 ____ student at Miami School of Performing Arts. It is a very big school 2 ____ about 600 students. Here students can study music, dance and acting and they 3 ____ the possibility of becoming famous in the world of entertainment. Lucy is very good 4 ____ dance and music but 5 ____ is a little shy and she isn't 6 ____ on acting. She is studying hard to improve and her teachers are happy with her progress. Lucy 7 ____ seven classes every day and she loves it. She isn't at all fed up 8 ____ school like many kids of her age.

In the school premises there's a huge auditorium and 9 ____ students can rehearse for 10 ____ shows. At the end of the year the students all perform in a big show and a lot of famous stars come to see it.

0 a. is

1 a. the

2 a. of

3 a. have got

4 a. about

5 a. she

6 a. wrong

7 a. have

8 a. to

9 a. how

10 a. their

b. has

b. a

b. without

b. haven't got

b. for

b. her

b. ashamed

b. has got

b. for

b. what

b. they

c. has got

c. an

c. with

c. has

c. on

c. hers

c. keen

c. is

c. in

c. here

c. theirs

d. are

d. x

d. to

d. hasn't got

d. at

d. he

d. late

d. hasn't got

d. with

d. whose

d. them

3 Completa la seconda frase in modo che abbia lo stesso significato della prima. Non puoi usare più di tre parole.

- 0 My friend Pierre is French.
My friend Pierre *is from* France.
- 1 There are famous paintings on the walls of the Ritz Hotel.
The Ritz Hotel _____ famous paintings on its walls.
- 2 What's the matter with your sister?
What's _____ your sister?
- 3 I really love Italian pasta.
I _____ on Italian pasta.
- 4 How large is your house?
_____ is your house?
- 5 My children are really afraid of bats and mice.
My children _____ bats and mice.
- 6 Has the Sports Centre got a swimming pool?
_____ swimming pool in the Sports Centre?

4 Completa la seconda frase in modo che abbia lo stesso significato della prima. Devi usare la parola data senza modificarla e per completare la frase puoi utilizzare da due a cinque parole.

- 0 I've good marks in Latin.
at: I'm *good at* Latin.
- 1 The height of Mount Everest is approximately 8,000 metres.
high: Mount Everest is _____.
- 2 This is my mobile phone.
mine: This _____.
- 3 I'm afraid of driving when there is fog.
foggy: I'm afraid of driving when _____.
- 4 Kelly is really happy about her exam results.
pleased: Kelly _____ with her exam results.
- 5 I hate winter because roads are icy and I'm afraid of driving.
ice: I hate winter because there _____ on the roads and I'm afraid of driving on them.
- 6 There is a certificate that shows the English origins of that table.
England: The certificate says that table _____.

5 Correggi le seguenti frasi solo se necessario. Se la frase è corretta, scrivi "correct".

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| 0 Pop corn is an American snack popular all over the world. | <i>correct</i> |
| 00 The capital of Hong Kong it's Victoria. | <i>The capital of Hong Kong is Victoria.</i> |
- | | |
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| 1 How high is her boyfriend? | 5 Whose are those expensive rings? |
| 2 How many childrens has she got? | 6 Your Americans friends are very nice. |
| 3 Maggie has got two hundreds phone cards. | 7 Are there a book and a dictionary on the desk? |
| 4 The pink skirt is mine, the red one is hers. | 8 They haven't their umbrella with them. |

- 6** Colin sta scrivendo un breve articolo sui nuovi sistemi di telecomunicazione. Leggi il testo e nello spazio accanto a ogni riga scrivi "correct" se la riga non presenta errori, oppure scrivi la parola che dovrebbe essere eliminata dalla riga.

0	Every year in England there is a very strange race, the bed race.	correct
00	It is 3.27 km deep and the record time is 12 minutes and 9 seconds.	deep
1	The mobile phones are popular all over the world and especially young	_____
2	people love them. Mobile communication is a great invention and it represents	_____
3	an old dream: the possibility to be in two places at the same time. However,	_____
4	are they really necessary? Mobile phones are indispensable for these	_____
5	businessmen or managers but are they indispensable for a children and teenagers?	_____
6	Young people communicate with text messages on their mobile phones and normal	_____
7	letters are a dead system of communication. It is not also difficult to	_____
8	understand these messages because they use synthetic and complex language	_____
9	or there are a strange symbols or words. Some experts say that mobile	_____
10	phones are also bad for our health. What is your opinion about this?	_____

- 7** Leggi questa breve recensione su una collana di racconti per bambini e completala inserendo una parola in ogni spazio.

Goosebumps is the name **0** of a series of children's books written by R.L. Stine. These children's "best sellers" **1** _____ very popular in America and **2** _____ is also a television series. The books are **3** _____ a group of children who are eight years **4** _____ and **5** _____ a lot of incredible adventures together. The stories **6** _____ based on a fantasy world and are unrealistic: the children meet monsters and other horrible things. Yet, they are never **7** _____ of these ghoulish characters and in the end the children always win and come back to **8** _____ parents and their homes. These books give us an idea about what children are **9** _____ today. They are keen **10** _____ frightening stories and terrifying monsters are their best friends!

- 8** Sarah ha litigato con il suo ragazzo e ne parla con la sorella maggiore Jane. Leggi il consiglio che le dà Jane e completa il testo inserendo in ogni spazio una parola formata a partire da quella data a fianco. Non puoi utilizzare la parola così come ti viene assegnata, ma devi modificarla.

It's not easy to be a perfect partner. The secret for a good 0 <u>relationship</u>	RELATION
is respect and good 1 _____ . When you have got a problem, talk to	COMMUNICATE
your partner and find a 2 _____ together. The ideas and opinions	SOLVE
of your partner are always important. Respect them even when they are	
3 _____ from yours. Remember you aren't always right.	DIFFERENCE
In a relationship it is normal and 4 _____ to have contrasts	NATURE
but it is 5 _____ to solve them and to find a compromise.	IMPORTANCE
Difficult moments are useful to grow and make your relationship	
lively and 6 _____ . We are human creatures and so we love	INTEREST
dynamic conditions. We are 7 _____ of radical transformations	FRIGHTEN
but we are 8 _____ with small , day-to-day changes.	PLEASE

9 Completa il brano, tratto da una rivista di viaggi, inserendo le frasi mancanti al punto giusto.

Florida, on the east coast of the United States, is famous for its beautiful beaches and its attractions. The State isn't very big and half of it is covered in forests, but **0** e. Families go to Orlando, where **1** _____. People fond of nature go to the Everglades, **2** _____. Young and old people go to Miami, **3** _____. Miami is the capital of fun. Young people can find discos, pubs, wonderful beaches and every other form of enjoyment. At the same time, **4** _____ and for a lot of old people it is the perfect place to live in winter **5** _____. The best time to visit Florida is between December and May because it's warm and dry, **6** _____ and there is short but torrential rain. The only serious problem of Florida is the hurricane season. Actually, every year there is a hurricane and **7** _____.

- a** they visit Disneyworld, the great theme park all the children love
- b** while in summer it's very wet
- c** even if the reason of their journey is different
- d** every two years there is a big one with victims and serious damage
- ✓ **e** millions of tourists visit it every year
- f** an enormous natural area full of wild plants and crocodiles
- g** and escape the cold of the North
- h** it has a mild temperature all the year round

10 Joe, esperto conoscitore di guide turistiche, consiglia agli amici quella della Pan-American. Completa la sua descrizione con le parole nel riquadro.

suggestions • have got • these • thousands • ~~help~~ • sections •
are • comfort • expensive • about • they • isn't • high

The Pan-American guide is a great **0** help to travel in the United States. In it there **1** _____ different **2** _____ where you have useful **3** _____ about places to visit and activities to do in the United States. A useful section is the one **4** _____ hotels and restaurants. They are divided into three categories: reasonable, moderate, expensive. Reasonable hotels and restaurants **5** _____ good quality and service and they are not very **6** _____. In moderate hotels and restaurants quality and service are very good even if **7** _____ aren't very cheap. Expensive hotels and restaurants have got **8** _____ quality service. Their price is very high but when you are in one of **9** _____ hotels or restaurants you really have every form of **10** _____. The list of hotels and restaurants **11** _____ complete. It is only a selection of the **12** _____ of places to stay that you can find in the States.

11 Traduci le seguenti frasi.

1 Nick ha un amico spagnolo. Il suo nome è Pedro e viene da Madrid. Ha 15 anni ed è molto alto. **2** "Com'è il tempo nella vostra zona (*area*)?" "In (*In*) estate è caldo e secco. In inverno è freddo e umido." **3** Di chi sono quei due cani neri? Non sono al guinzaglio (*on a lead*) e io ho paura dei cani. Non hanno un proprietario (*owner*)? **4** Nel mio libro ci sono centinaia di esercizi, ma sono difficili e io non sono brava in grammatica (*grammar*). **5** "Quanto è profondo l'Oceano Pacifico in questo punto?" "È profondo circa (*about*) 350 metri." **6** I miei amici sono laggiù (*over there*) ma non ci sono i tuoi. Dove sono? Perché (*Why*) non sono qui con noi? **7** È pronto (*ready*) il pranzo (*lunch*)? Non ho molto (*much*) tempo. Vado di fretta. **8** "Fa caldissimo e abbiamo sete. Cosa c'è in frigo?" "C'è dell' (*some*) aranciata (*orange juice*)."
9 Mio zio ha una fattoria con molti (*a lot of*) animali. Ha tre cavalli, due buoi, quattro gatti e tre oche. **10** Chi è quel bambino senza sciarpa (*scarf*)? Perché non ne ha una? Non avete una sciarpa per lui?