

# Stop and check 1A Units 1–4

## General revision

Read the email. Choose the correct answers. If there is a gap, write *one* suitable word – a preposition, an auxiliary verb, a modal verb, an adverb of frequency, etc.

To	Jo@hotmail.com
From	AlexB@btinternet.com
Subject	Hi

Hi Jo

How are things? (1) \_\_\_\_\_ you get that job that you (2) *talking / were talking / are talking* about last time we met? (3) *I've looked / I look / I've been looking* for a new job for a while. In fact, (4) *I think / I'm thinking / I thought* of changing career altogether, as (5) *I'm not / I haven't / I don't* enjoying being an accountant any more. It's a bit dull because I (6) \_\_\_\_\_ to do the same thing every day and (7) *I haven't / I don't / I'm not* allowed to organize my own work. My boss (8) *giving / gives / is giving* me a list of tasks at the start of every week, and she hardly (9) \_\_\_\_\_ gives us any praise. I get on well (10) \_\_\_\_\_ my colleagues, but I'm not (11) *paying / paid / pay* enough to put up with a boring job! I (12) \_\_\_\_\_ had a couple of interviews, but no success up to now.

Guess who I (13) *seen / see / saw* last weekend – Annie Fisher from our old school. She (14) \_\_\_\_\_ to be very shy, but she looks very different now. When I saw her, she (15) \_\_\_\_\_ wearing an executive suit and working on a high-tech laptop. She's (16) \_\_\_\_\_ working for an international law firm for five years. She (17) *is earned / earns / earning* a fortune!. Apparently, a school reunion is (18) \_\_\_\_\_ organized at the moment. (19) *Have / Should / Must* we go, do you think? It would be fun to see everyone again.

Anyway, I've (20) \_\_\_\_\_ to go now. Email me soon.

Alex

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## Present tenses

Complete the conversations with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

- A Hi, my name's Chiara Ponti. I **work** (work) for Global Solutions. (1) \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ (enjoy) the conference?
- B Yes, it's interesting, but there are so many talks I (2) \_\_\_\_\_ (not know) which ones to choose. I (3) \_\_\_\_\_ (want) to go to Doctor Fry's talk on computers in education later today.
- A (4) \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ (work) in a university?
- B Yes, but at the moment I (5) \_\_\_\_\_ (do) some research into learning and technology.
- C What (6) \_\_\_\_\_ you and your husband \_\_\_\_\_ (do) in your free time?
- D We (7) \_\_\_\_\_ (not have) very much free time, actually.
- C Oh, why is that?
- D Well, I (8) \_\_\_\_\_ (work) shifts at the hospital and Mike (9) \_\_\_\_\_ (travel) a lot for his job. He (10) \_\_\_\_\_ (fly) to a meeting in Munich right now!

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## Questions

Complete the questions for the answers.

**Example** What **is your favourite day of the week**?  
 I like Fridays best.

- How many \_\_\_\_\_?  
I work about 40 hours a week.
- Who \_\_\_\_\_?  
I'm waiting for my sister.
- Why \_\_\_\_\_?  
I like working here because the people are great.
- Do \_\_\_\_\_?  
No, I don't go to concerts but I listen to music at home.
- Why \_\_\_\_\_?  
They moved house because they needed more space.

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- 6 Where \_\_\_\_\_?  
He's learning English at a school in Dublin.
- 7 How often \_\_\_\_\_?  
We see our friends once a week.
- 8 Did \_\_\_\_\_?  
No, we didn't go to the cinema, we went for a drink.

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- 6 The number of female directors *is growing / is being grown*.
- 7 Most students *are studied / study* a second language at school.
- 8 The city centre *was redeveloped / redeveloped* last year.
- 9 Millions of trees *cut / are cut* down every year.
- 10 I can't send you an email as my computer *is repairing / is being repaired*.

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### Auxiliary verbs and short answers

Complete the conversation with the correct auxiliary verb.

E = Elena A = Adam

- E Oh, hi. Sorry I'm late. **Have** you been waiting long?
- A About half an hour. What happened? (1) \_\_\_\_\_  
your train arrive late?
- E No, it (2) \_\_\_\_\_. It was my fault. I left my mobile  
at home and I had to go back for it.
- A OK, never mind. (3) \_\_\_\_\_ you had lunch yet?
- E No, I (4) \_\_\_\_\_. Let's have something to eat now.  
(5) \_\_\_\_\_ you like Mexican food?
- A Mm, yes I (6) \_\_\_\_\_.
- E Well, there's a new restaurant near here.
- A (7) \_\_\_\_\_ you been there before?
- E No, I (8) \_\_\_\_\_ but it had a good review in the  
local paper.
- A OK, let's try there.

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### Active or passive?

Choose the correct forms.

**Example** I think most singers and actors *pay / (are paid)* too much.

- Leo's new job *involves / is involved* a lot of travel.
- How many people *are employed / employ* in your company?
- Football and tennis *play / are played* all over the world.
- Was breakfast included / Did breakfast include* in the price of the hotel room?
- A different city *is hosted / hosts* the Olympic Games every four years.

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### Past tenses

Complete the text with the correct past form of the verbs in brackets. Some of the answers are passive.

When I **was** (be) a teenager, I (1) \_\_\_\_\_ (used / love) art. I (2) \_\_\_\_\_ (spend) a lot of time drawing and painting. By the time I was fifteen, I was quite good, because my dad (3) \_\_\_\_\_ (teach) me all about colour and shapes when I was much younger. I (4) \_\_\_\_\_ (stop) painting when I (5) \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to university. I (6) \_\_\_\_\_ (not can) even remember where I (7) \_\_\_\_\_ (leave) my paints! Then while I (8) \_\_\_\_\_ (sort out) some stuff in my mum's house, I (9) \_\_\_\_\_ (come across) all my materials and some old paintings. I (10) \_\_\_\_\_ (look through) them for a few minutes before I realized that my girlfriend (11) \_\_\_\_\_ (stand) behind me. 'These paintings are really good!' she said. 'When (12) \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ (give up) art?' I explained that I (13) \_\_\_\_\_ (not do) any paintings for years. In the following months, my family (14) \_\_\_\_\_ (encourage) me to take it up again. After I (15) \_\_\_\_\_ (produce) about 15 paintings, I (16) \_\_\_\_\_ (hold) a small exhibition in the local gallery. While the visitors (17) \_\_\_\_\_ (look round), I (18) \_\_\_\_\_ (interview) by a journalist from the newspaper. In her article, I (19) \_\_\_\_\_ (describe) as 'a new local talent' and a few days later three portraits (20) \_\_\_\_\_ (sell) at the gallery. It was amazing!

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### **should/must/have to/be allowed to**

Rewrite the sentences with the correct form of the verb in brackets.

**Example** It's a good idea for you to get more exercise. (should)  
You should get more exercise.

- 1 It's illegal to carry guns. (must)  
You \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2 Women couldn't vote in the 1800s. (be allowed to)  
Women \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 It's isn't advisable to smoke. (should)  
People \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 It isn't necessary to confirm your order. (have to)  
You \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5 Is it necessary for visitors to leave their bags at reception? (have to)  
\_\_\_\_\_ visitors \_\_\_\_\_?
- 6 Wearing a seat belt is compulsory. (must)  
All drivers and passengers \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7 Can parents park outside the school? (be allowed to)  
\_\_\_\_\_ parents \_\_\_\_\_?
- 8 It was necessary for me to leave early. (have to)  
I \_\_\_\_\_.

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### **Vocabulary**

1 Choose the word that has a different pronunciation.

**Example** tooth truth foot boot

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|----------|---------|-------|--------|
| 1 caught | square  | floor | war    |
| 2 dear   | hear    | pear  | fear   |
| 3 good   | would   | food  | should |
| 4 paid   | weighed | said  | made   |

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2 Choose the word that has a different meaning.

**Example** boil herb roast fry

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|-----------|--------|---------|-----------|
| 1 paint   | sketch | draw    | pencil    |
| 2 eggs    | recipe | herbs   | olive oil |
| 3 digging | baking | weeding | planting  |
| 4 peel    | weigh  | chop    | saucepan  |

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3 Replace the words in *italics* with a pronoun.

**Example** She can't give up *chocolate*.  
She can't give it up.

- 1 Do you take after *your mother*?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Did you pick up *German* quickly?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Can you look after *my little boy* tomorrow?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 4 You should take up *golf*.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 5 I get on well with *all my colleagues*.  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 6 They brought *their children* up to be very polite.  
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- 7 Did you look up *the spelling* in your dictionary?  
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- 8 I'm really looking forward to *the party* next week.  
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