

FOCUS REVIEW 1

VOCABULARY AND GRAMMAR

1 Choose the correct options.

- 1 She's always had a positive *outlook* / *approach* / *goal* on life.
- 2 Would you say that girls have a natural *thirst* / *attention* / *gift* for languages because they're more talkative than boys?
- 3 Do you think that success at school is down to being *diligent* / *gregarious* / *persistent* and spending hours studying?
- 4 Will you *memorise* / *recognise* / *familiarise* your school friends when you meet them at a school reunion?
- 5 Only those who have some kind of *inquisitive* / *sharp* / *innate* ability to get on well with people should become teachers.

2 Match verbs from box A with prepositions from box B to make phrasal verbs. Then use them to complete the sentences.

A	set	fall	put
	hand	soak	

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B	up	in	up
	off	behind	

- 1 The principal may _____ his resignation if many students fail.
- 2 Don't _____ doing your assignments until the last minute. You may miss the deadline.
- 3 Recently, several students wanted to _____ a committee to organise a charity event.
- 4 I was ill for three weeks and have _____ with school work.
- 5 It's often said that children will _____ information very quickly if they are left to discover things for themselves.

3 Complete the text with one word in each gap.

Last week I went to a school reunion and I was amazed at how different the school looks now. For a start, the building where we ¹ _____ to have PE classes has been demolished and a new sports centre has been built instead. I clearly remember how we ² _____ beg our sports teacher to allow us to play games every afternoon. Then I bumped into Caroline, who I ³ _____ always having arguments with. I hardly recognised her. She didn't ⁴ _____ to wear such elegant clothes. But one thing hasn't changed about her. She ⁵ _____ always talking about others behind their back. It's so unpleasant! The reunion also reminded me of the importance of discipline and punctuality that our head teacher talked about so often. I got used to certain things so much that even now I ⁶ _____ arrive at meetings at least fifteen minutes earlier than necessary!

4 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 If you can't find a prospectus, try _____ (look) online for the information you need.
- 2 The Music Academy exam board first listened to us all _____ (sing) and then they announced who was admitted.
- 3 I'm sorry, sir. I forgot _____ (check) if my essay is within the word limit you required.
- 4 Do you think our Chemistry teacher will let _____ (we/use) the lab to carry out our own experiments?
- 5 We were warned _____ (not touch) any of the exhibits.
- 6 My sister spent the whole night _____ (check) her students' homework and then she left it on her desk at home.

LANGUAGE IN USE

5 Complete the text with the correct form of the words in brackets.

Book reviews

MAKING SCIENCE POPULAR

By Nicholas Booker

Science is one of the most difficult subjects and even the most ¹ _____ (study) students sometimes struggle to solve scientific problems. If you want a book that makes science more ² _____ (access), I can recommend Bill Bryson's *A Short History of Nearly Everything*. Full of amusing anecdotes and stories about quantum mechanics, evolution, astronomy and chemistry, it's a book that will satisfy your thirst for ³ _____ (know) and help you to ⁴ _____ (vision) certain scientific processes. The author brings science to life by, for example, giving a graphic and entertaining description of the universe. This is both a well-written book and a highly enjoyable one. Not ⁵ _____ (surprise), it is considered a must-read by many.

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6 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first, using the word in capitals. Do not change the word in capitals.

- 1 I was in the habit of skipping early morning classes. **USED**
I _____ early morning classes.
- 2 Does it make sense to apply to university or should I take a gap year? **WORTH**
_____ to university or should I take a gap year?
- 3 Our English teacher took us to the cinema to watch foreign films once a month. **WOULD**
Our English teacher _____ the cinema to watch foreign films once a month.
- 4 Mark won't help me with my homework, so why should I ask him? **USE**
_____ Mark to help me with my homework. He won't help me anyway.
- 5 My best friend has a very irritating habit of chewing gum loudly. **ALWAYS**
My best friend _____ loudly.
- 6 I'm not sure if I've told my parents about the school trip. **REMEMBER**
I _____ my parents about the school trip.