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REVIEW TEST: UNIT 26**GRAMMAR****PART 1**

Choose the correct answers to complete the paragraph.

I definitely try **(1) to not / not to / not** procrastinate when it comes to doing housework. I actually quite enjoy **(2) doing / to do / do** it. I can't stand **(3) looking / to look / look** at an untidy house. I never forget **(4) throwing out / to throw out / throw out** old food in my refrigerator whenever I clean. I rarely put off **(5) washing / to wash / wash** the dishes after a meal. I must **(6) admitting / to admit / admit** that I hate to clean the bathroom and **(7) washing / to wash / wash** my clothes when they're dirty, but I never put off **(8) to do / doing / do** these chores.

PART 2

Complete the paragraph. Write the gerund or infinitive form of the verb in parentheses. In one blank you also need to use *not*.

When Nick Politz, also known as the "Prince of Clean," was here last week at our studio, he offered **(1) _____ (give)** our cleaning staff some advice about cleaning. He suggested **(2) _____ (buy)** a new vacuum cleaner. He arranged **(3) _____ (have)** his favorite one sent to us and warned us not to forget **(4) _____ (empty)** it after each use. He showed the cleaning staff his method of **(5) _____ (dust)**. One member of our cleaning staff, Ernie, said he has been cleaning buildings for 25 years and regrets **(6) _____ (know)** about Politz's dusting technique earlier. Politz promised **(7) _____ (visit)** again soon to see how the staff is doing.

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READING

PART 3

Read the magazine article. Then choose the correct answers.

How can you stop procrastinating right now? We all know that people often procrastinate to avoid having bad or uncomfortable feelings and never start doing things. There are some useful and practical strategies to stop procrastinating. If you are a procrastinator, then follow what the experts say:

Make a List: First, you need to break down all your big assignments into specific tasks. Stop thinking of how much time you still have left or how less time you need to complete your tasks. Try to be realistic when you write down the tasks and always increase the estimated time you think you need.

Immediate Rewards: Finding a way to provide yourself with immediate benefits or rewards after you accomplish doing a small part of the tasks. In this way, you will always feel good in the short-run and find it easier to avoid procrastinating. For example, only watch your favorite TV show while you are running on the treadmill. Or only go to your favorite coffee shop when you need to get your tough work done.

Better Than Nothing: You may sometimes end up spending a week thinking about what you should write for an essay assignment but take one all-nighter to actually jot things down and regret not writing it perfectly. Try not to think too much and don't worry about being perfect. Start from Day 1 and keep editing it to keep you moving forward and feeling less pressured. It's always better than nothing!

The most important thing is to practice them and follow them constantly in order to break the bad habits and build new ones.

- 1 According to the article, a procrastinator would _____.
 - A think there is a lot of time left to complete the tasks
 - B quit thinking how less time they need to complete the tasks
 - C make a list of specific tasks and plan ahead
- 2 Imagine a person who worries about doing a job absolutely correct all the time. According to the article, what is the best advice for that person?
 - A Think about doing the task well and complete it.
 - B Start doing it right away without thinking too much.
 - C Reward him/herself immediately after finishing a small task.
- 3 Which of the following solutions can help stop procrastinating?
 - A watch a great movie before starting doing your tasks
 - B spend a lot of time thinking carefully of how to do a task perfectly
 - C calculate the time you need to complete the tasks and double the time for yourself

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LISTENING**PART 4****Listen to the radio show. Then choose the correct answers.**

- 1 Which sentence best summarizes the radio show?
 - A Ed asks Niki to help him find better ways to do his school assignments.
 - B Ed and Niki discuss the common things that cause procrastination.
 - C Ed shares his problem, and Niki tries to offer some basic solutions.

- 2 What is the purpose of Pablo Jimenez's talk show?
 - A to give advice to students in Chicago
 - B to help improve the lives of people in Chicago
 - C to discuss issues in the Chicago area

- 3 Niki says that _____.
 - A no one can force you to change your habits
 - B making a schedule for small tasks can help
 - C it can be difficult to change your habits

- 4 What is Ed's main issue?
 - A He reads his assignments too late.
 - B He is always trying to rush things.
 - C He takes a lot breaks when working.

- 5 According to the show, Pablo, the radio host, likely failed to become a doctor because he _____.
 - A wasn't smart enough to be a doctor
 - B wanted to be a radio host instead
 - C often put off doing his schoolwork

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SPEAKING**PART 5**

Lots of people have messy homes, like in the picture below. Imagine that this picture was taken in your friend's home. Give him/her advice on how to clean the mess. Also, tell him/her how to prevent this mess in the future. Consider using these verbs in your response: *decide, forget, need, plan, stop, start*, etc.



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WRITING

PART 6

Think about your biggest goal in life. Write a short essay about your goal in life. Briefly describe what your goal is and why you want to achieve it. Then focus on what you have to do in order to achieve your goal.

Include the following information:

- What do you want to do? Would you like to start your own company, buy a house, or learn something new?
- What steps do you need to take in order to achieve this goal?
- What habits do you need to change?

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