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REVIEW TEST: UNIT 9**GRAMMAR****PART 1**

Write the correct form of the verb in parentheses to complete the email.

Hi Val,

Guess what? I have finally decided **(1)** _____ **(quit)** my job and go to law school! I have dreamed about this for years, but I always found an excuse **(2)** _____ **(not / do)** it. At first, the application seemed too difficult **(3)** _____ **(finish)**. Then, I was afraid **(4)** _____ **(apply)** because I thought I might be rejected. I was also hesitant **(5)** _____ **(not / earn)** a steady salary from my job. I finally realized that I was procrastinating; I was looking for excuses **(6)** _____ **(postpone)** my dream, so I became even more motivated. The law school sent me an email yesterday **(7)** _____ **(say)** I was accepted. My parents are happy **(8)** _____ **(hear)** about my plans, and I hope you are, too. I am writing **(9)** _____ **(tell)** you the good news, and also **(10)** _____ **(invite)** you to a party **(11)** _____ **(celebrate)**. I hope you are not too busy **(12)** _____ **(come)**. Everyone will be happy **(13)** _____ **(see)** you.

All the best,

Roxanne

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PART 2**Choose the correct answer to complete the sentence.**

- 1 When you look back on your life, you should feel proud ____ a goal or two.
A to accomplish
B have accomplished
C to have accomplished

- 2 You'll never forgive yourself if you quit a task because it seemed too difficult ____.
A to finish
B finishing
C to be finished

- 3 ____ to reach your goal is worse than trying and failing.
A Trying
B Never tried
C To never have tried

- 4 Many people are lucky ____ the opportunity to reach their dreams.
A to be giving
B to have given
C to have been given

- 5 It's better to be known as the one ____ taken risks than the one who played it safe.
A be
B to have
C have been

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6 Daniel arrived early enough _____ breakfast before his meeting.

- A to eat
- B for eating
- C to be eating

7 There aren't enough job opportunities _____ these days.

- A to apply for college graduates
- B college graduates to apply to
- C for college graduates to apply to

8 The class waited for the professor _____, but she never came.

- A arriving
- B to arrive
- C will arrive

READING**PART 3****Read the newspaper article. Then choose the correct answers.**

Procrastination has long been considered a bad habit; one that indicates laziness or a lack of motivation. Time management experts offer plenty of advice to combat it, while college counselors warn students that it can be an obstacle to reaching their goals. But the behavior of postponing unpleasant or difficult tasks is so widespread that it is considered by some experts to be more than just a bad habit. To procrastinate on a regular basis can lead to serious problems. Read on to understand the negative consequences this pattern of behavior can have on people's lives.

Imagine someone wants to ask a person on a date, but they hesitate for any number of reasons. Perhaps they wanted to build up more confidence or think of exactly the right thing to say. If they're lucky, they overcame their hesitation and got the date, but for most people, this scenario ends badly. A person might finally work up the courage to ask, only to find out the person they like is dating someone else. This anecdote illustrates one consequence of procrastination—not getting a date—but putting things off in other situations can lead to disappointing outcomes, too. Maybe a person always wanted to travel, but delayed their plans to save more money. Perhaps when they finally had enough money, they were too burdened by their career to travel. To have never traveled is something they will always regret. As with most situations in life, there's no perfect time to act. Sometimes it's best to simply dive in, and hope for the best.

Procrastination can also lead to problems in people's careers. Some people procrastinate searching for a job, thinking they can always do it "tomorrow." As each day passes, people are likely to lose motivation, and end up in prolonged periods of unemployment. This could have a domino effect—one bad thing leads to a chain of more bad things. Because of not searching for a job, one by one other parts of the person's life are

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affected. It may even reach the point where the person is unable to sustain their living standards. This long period of unemployment will also affect a person's future job prospects because employers will want to know why they didn't have a previous job, and procrastination won't be an acceptable reason.

There are those who argue that procrastination has its share of advantages. They prefer to work under pressure, and claim their end product is better as a result. Others argue that while they are putting off their work, they accomplish other tasks, such as doing the laundry or painting the living room. However, the truth is that the benefits of accomplishing minor tasks are far outweighed by the negative impacts of procrastinating. If someone does the laundry, they may feel a small sense of accomplishment, but the larger task still needs to be done, so that positive feeling is temporary. To complete a large project is much more gratifying and permanent.

The most severe impact of procrastination is the effects it can have on one's health. Putting off exercise can cause people to gain weight and lack energy, or damage their overall physical health. Not eating healthy food can lead to similar problems. Being in poor physical health could also lead to poor mental health. For example, a person who lacks energy may perform poorly in school or at work. Poor performance might lead to low self-esteem, and even depression.

If someone falls into the category of procrastinator, they should remember that they are not alone. They should ask a friend for help, or for a more neutral opinion, see a healthcare professional. There's a strategy out there that works for everyone. People owe it to themselves to be the most productive person they can be.

1 In which paragraph does the author suggest that procrastinating can damage your reputation at work?

- A Paragraph 1
- B Paragraph 3
- C Paragraph 4

2 The author referred to doing the laundry and painting the living room to demonstrate ____.

- A tasks that are less important than the main task
- B the common tasks that people often put off doing
- C postponing important tasks has a lot of advantages

3 Which of the following best summarizes the key concepts presented in the passage?

- A procrastination is a syndrome, you should talk to a doctor about it; it can be overcome
- B a lot of people procrastinate; it can be an obstacle to your goals; it can harm your health
- C it's hard to get ahead at work if you procrastinate; you won't get a date; you'll probably never travel

4 Which of the following best reflects the purpose of paragraph 5?

- A Procrastinating leads to poor self-esteem.
- B Eating unhealthy foods can affect your schoolwork.
- C Procrastinating can negatively impact your health.

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LISTENING**PART 4**

Listen to the news report. Then choose the correct answers.

- 1 Which of the following is suggested by the news report?
 - A The bridge was too expensive to repair.
 - B The mayor is responsible for the collapsed bridge.
 - C The city council caused delays to be made in repairing the bridge.

- 2 Which of the following implies the cause of the bridge collapse?
 - A However, those repairs never began.
 - B Sounds like it's time to examine that decision more closely.
 - C She told me that the city council couldn't agree on how much to spend on the repairs.

- 3 Which choice describes the sequence of events that occurred in the news report?
 - A a city council meeting was canceled; the bridge collapsed; Hamilton spoke to the mayor
 - B the bridge collapsed; the city council disagreed about money; the mayor hoped no one was injured
 - C the Channel 11 reporter was at the scene of the accident; Hamilton learned no one was injured; the mayor hoped no one was injured

- 4 Hamilton states, "Let's hope that doesn't happen in the future." What does she mean?
 - A Hamilton hopes there won't be another bridge collapse.
 - B Hamilton hopes public facilities repairs won't be delayed.
 - C Hamilton hopes a city council meeting won't be canceled again.

- 5 Which of the following can be inferred from the final line of the broadcast?
 - A People should listen to Channel 11 for updates about the daily news.
 - B People should listen to Channel 11 for updates about the bridge collapse.
 - C People should listen to Channel 11 to find out when they can go near the bridge.

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SPEAKING

PART 5

People often put off doing large tasks, such as applying for a job or changing unhealthy eating habits, but delaying smaller duties can also have negative consequences. Think of three activities that people often procrastinate. Describe the reasons for and the consequences of procrastinating in each particular situation. Use the examples below, or choose your own. Remember to use different kinds of infinitives in your response.

- going to the dentist
- cleaning your house or apartment
- calling a friend you had an argument with
- paying a household bill

WRITING

PART 6

Some people provide their own motivation as a reward for completing difficult tasks. For example, if you go to the gym, you reward yourself with a massage. If you get a job, you buy something special for yourself. Write an essay about the things that motivate you to reach your goals. Consider the questions when writing your essay. Remember to use different kinds of infinitives in your response.

- How do rewards motivate you to reach a goal?
- What kind of rewards do you give yourself?
- What are some advantages?
- Can giving yourself rewards have a negative effect? Are there any disadvantages?

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