Exam practice B2 level First Certificate **Key word sentence transformations**

Start time:

Finish time:

1 The school has postponed the trip to London until next week.

OFF

The school trip to London \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ until next week.

2 Meri accidentally crashed her father's car.

MEAN

Meri did \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ her father's car.

3 It was wrong of you to copy the homework from your friend.

COPIED

You should \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the homework from your friend.

4 You may not find it easy to understand phrasal verbs.

MIGHT

It \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for you to understand phrasal verbs.

5 The best surgeon in town did Paolo's operation.

HAD

Paolo \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the best surgeon in town.

6 In my opinion you'll be a fantastic teacher!

NO

I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ you'll be a fantastic teacher!

7 I last visited London 7 years ago.

NOT

I have \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ seven years.

8 'I'll be home by midnight,' said Isadora.

GET

Isadora promised she \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ midnight.

9 Teachers from the British Council started this school.

SET

This school \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ teachers from the British Council.

10 Chiara spent years trying to pass the First Certificate exam.

TOOK

It \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the First Certificate exam.

ANSWERS

1 The school trip to London has been put off until next week.

 2 Meri did not mean to crash her father's car.

 3 You should not have copied the homework from your friend.

4 It might not be easy for you to understand

5 Paolo had his operation done by the best surgeon in town.

6 I have no doubt that you'll be a fantastic teacher!

7 I have not visited London for seven years.

8 Isadora promised she would get home by midnight.

9 This school was set up by teachers from the British Council.

10 It took Chiara years to pass the First Certificate exam.

Complete the text using **one** word in each space.

Start time:

Finish time:

Fast food

The concept of “fast food” is very important in English-speaking countries (0) for one major reason: the working day starts at around the same time (1) \_\_\_\_\_ in European countries, but finishes (2) \_\_\_\_\_ earlier, typically at about five o'clock in (3) \_\_\_\_\_ evening when the offices, banks and many of the shops begin to close. As a result, there's not much time for lunch, (4) \_\_\_\_\_ many people bring something from home to eat at their desks, (5) \_\_\_\_\_ with a cup of tea or instant coffee made with the office kettle, (6) \_\_\_\_\_ than going out to a restaurant for a “proper” lunch as do many European office workers, (7) \_\_\_\_\_ usually finish work much later in the evening. For (8) \_\_\_\_\_ who prefer to get out of the office to have a break or (9) \_\_\_\_\_ fresh air, there are the various fast-food options (10) \_\_\_\_\_ as sandwiches, Cornish pasties, burgers, kebabs, or fish and chips, many of (11) \_\_\_\_\_ can be eaten “on the move”, (12) \_\_\_\_\_ even the need to sit down! Only on special occasions is a British office worker likely to eat lunch in a restaurant. (13) \_\_\_\_\_ someone's birthday, promotion, engagement or retirement, for example, a group of colleagues will eat together in a pub or restaurant. It is for this reason (14) \_\_\_\_\_ foreign visitors are often surprised (15) \_\_\_\_\_ the lack of affordable, good quality, places to have lunch in the major British cities.

ANSWERS

(1) as (2) much/far (3) the (4) so (5) together/along (6) rather (7) who (8) those (9) some (10) such (11) which (12) without (13) On (14) that (15) by/at

Use the word given in capitals at the end of some of the lines to form a word that fits in the gap on the same line

Start time:

Finish time:

Float your troubles away

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| Nowadays, anyone who is trying to ease pain or reduce their level of (1) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ can try a treatment which is known as flotation therapy. Experts have claimed that this can (2) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a significant number of medical conditions. The patient is asked to lie (3) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in a large tank, which is filled with warm, salty water. When the patient is in the water, it is so (4) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that he or she becomes (5) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ relaxed. | ANXIOUSRELIEFMOTIONPEACEEXTREME |
| As well as being of (6) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ value in dealing with the patient’s mental state, flotation is said to lead to a reduction in high blood (7) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and to ease long-term physical pain. Even people whose level of (8) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is said to be good are certain to find that it is worth taking the time to float. Studies have shown that the therapy can be of considerable (9) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in giving up smoking, losing weight and finding effective (10) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to difficult problems. All of this is achieved by the simple method of freeing the patient’s brain from the many (11) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ aspects of everyday life. In future years, this may become a standard method of dealing with stress-related problems. | PRACTICEPRESSFITASSISTSOLVEPLEASURE |

ANSWERS

1. ANXIETY, 2. RELIEVE, 3. MOTIONLESS, 4. PEACEFUL, 5. EXTREMELY, 6. PRACTICAL,

7. PRESSURE, 8. FITNESS, 9. ASSISTANCE, 10. UNPLEASANT