

Unit 4 Progress Test A

Grammar

1 Complete the sentences. Use the future continuous or future perfect form of the verbs in brackets. Use continuous forms whenever possible.

**Paul's itinerary**

10 a.m.	Board coach to Wembley Stadium
1 p.m.	Arrive at Wembley Stadium
2.10 p.m.	Gates open at Wembley
3 p.m.	Cup Final match kicks off
5.30 p.m.	Board coach to return home

Paul's blog

I'm a big football fan and my team are playing in the Cup Final at Wembley Stadium next week. My dad, sister and I have got tickets and we can't wait! Next Saturday, at ten in the morning, we <sup>1</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (board) the coach to go to the match. It takes three hours to drive there, so hopefully by 2 p.m. we <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (arrive) at the stadium, and we <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (stand) in a queue to get in. By half past three, the match <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (kick off) and the teams <sup>5</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (play) for thirty minutes. I hope our team <sup>6</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (score) by then! By 6 p.m., we <sup>7</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (sit) on the coach, on the way home, and we'll be really happy. Why? Well, we <sup>8</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (win) the cup, of course!

Mark: \_\_\_\_ / 8

2 Rewrite the questions in the dialogues. Use the future continuous form.

- 1 Are you going to carry that bag on board as hand luggage, sir?  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
 Yes, it's got my laptop in it.
- 2 What subjects do you intend to take at university?  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
 Maths and physics.
- 3 Who is to accompany the children on their flight to Australia?  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
 Their grandfather.
- 4 Where are they staying on Sunday evening?  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
 In the Grand Hotel.

Mark: \_\_\_\_ / 4

**3 Complete the sentences. Circle the correct time conjunction and write the correct form of the verbs in brackets.**

- 1 Ben will phone Samantha **as soon as** / **until** he \_\_\_\_\_ (finish) eating his breakfast. Don't be impatient. Let him eat!
- 2 **If** / **When** Samira doesn't want to go to the cinema this evening, I \_\_\_\_\_ (not go) either. I don't want to go on my own.
- 3 We \_\_\_\_\_ (book) our holiday **once** / **in case** we've decided where we want to go.
- 4 This time tomorrow we'll be on the train to Edinburgh. We'll call you **while** / **by the time** we \_\_\_\_\_ (sit) on the train, and tell you what the scenery looks like from the window.

Mark: \_\_\_\_ / 8

## Vocabulary

**4 Circle the correct words to complete the sentences.**

- 1 I prefer to **enjoy** / **hang out** / **soak up** with friends on holiday. You know, go to cafés, amusement arcades, that sort of thing.
- 2 We managed to **put up** / **get off** / **take over** the beaten track while we were on holiday. We went to places few tourists ever visit.
- 3 When we got to the campsite, we put up our **cabin** / **cottage** / **tent** between two campervans, clambered into our sleeping bags and fell asleep immediately.
- 4 The resort was really attractive, but far too **inaccessible** / **overcrowded** / **breathtaking**. There were too many tourists, and we had to queue for all the attractions.
- 5 Everybody should travel. It **broadens** / **pampers** / **recharges** your horizons.
- 6 My room at the hostel was small and **dingy** / **unspoilt** / **remote**. It had a concrete floor, plain white walls and a narrow metal bed. I thought I was in prison!
- 7 The staff at the hotel were very **commercialised** / **mind-blowing** / **hospitable**. They all had smiles and made us feel very welcome.
- 8 I always travel **light** / **rough** / **away** when I go on holiday. I just take a few extra T-shirts, my phone and my toothbrush.
- 9 The great thing about a beach holiday is that you **see the sights** / **pamper yourself** / **get away from it all**. What I mean is that you leave your concerns behind, and don't have to worry about anything.
- 10 We stayed one night in a **time-share apartment** / **B&B** / **house swap** near the centre of the old town. The family who lived there were very welcoming, and Mrs Smith cooked us a delicious breakfast.
- 11 I don't think a **winter sports** / **cycling** / **package** holiday is my thing. I hate skiing, and I can't stand the cold.
- 12 The **cottage** / **campsite** / **caravan** was a small, cosy place built of wood, and located in the heart of the forest. We lit a fire outside each night.

Mark: \_\_\_\_ / 12

**5 Choose the correct answers to complete the text.**

**A unique hotel**

Last summer, we went <sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_ . It was a great holiday in which we travelled around, making our own decisions about where to go, and carrying all our stuff. One night, we <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_ a unique <sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_, which was a two-storey building with five large, dormitory bedrooms. At high tide, it is on an island off the south coast, but at low tide it becomes attached to the mainland. It takes <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_ twenty minutes to walk to the hostel from the nearby village at low tide, when the sea is out, but at high tide, the only way to get there is by boat. We decided to <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_ for the night, <sup>6</sup> \_\_\_\_ because the idea of staying at such a mind-blowing place appealed to us, but also because it only cost £15 to book a room for four people, which was a <sup>7</sup> \_\_\_\_ good price. The staff at the hostel were very friendly, and even made us a packed lunch when we <sup>8</sup> \_\_\_\_ on our travels after breakfast the next day!

- 1  
A backpacking    B on a package holiday    C to a holiday camp
- 2  
A came across    B pulled up    C got around
- 3  
A houseboat    B youth hostel    C cabin
- 4  
A rough    B roughly    C in a rough way
- 5  
A take in    B go off    C stop over
- 6  
A most    B mostly    C in the most
- 7  
A pretty    B prettily    C in a pretty way
- 8  
A set off    B got around    C took in

Mark: \_\_\_\_ / 8

## Use of English

- 6 Read the dialogue and find ten mistakes (an unnecessary word, a word missing or an incorrect word). Circle the mistakes and write the corrections.

James	I'm opting to a volunteering trip for my gap year.	1 _____
Sophie	Wow, that'll be such a great way to broad your horizons. Where are you going?	2 _____
James	I think I'll choose to go to Chile, main because there are so many environmental projects there.	3 _____
Sophie	That'll be amazing! Well, this time next year I'd be travelling around Tanzania!	4 _____
James	Are you going to make some volunteer work when you're there?	5 _____
Sophie	I don't want to plan anything in advance. I just want to be able to get onto the beaten track and try out lots of new experiences.	6 _____
James	I'm sure you'll probably find somewhere to volunteer for chance.	7 _____
Sophie	Yes, I hope so. I just want to go away from it all first and see what happens.	8 _____
James	I wouldn't go for a package tour either because you'll end up in the overcrowding tourist areas.	9 _____
Sophie	I agree. I wouldn't pick up the really remote places for the reason that I'm travelling alone. However, I do want to see some of the more unspoilt parts of Tanzania.	10 _____

Mark: / 10

## Listening

### 7 4 Listen to an interview with a traveller and choose the correct answers.

- 1 How does the presenter describe Colin?
  - A She says he's had a serious physical disability since birth.
  - B She says he's confessed to problems with alcohol addiction.
  - C She says he's shown more bravery than average travellers.
  - D She says he's been held back by his disability.
- 2 How does Colin describe the place he is in when the presenter speaks to him?
  - A He says it's not at all attractive.
  - B He describes it in positive terms.
  - C He says it has an unusual name.
  - D He says it's situated near Alice Springs.
- 3 How does Colin describe his own personality?
  - A He says that because of his limitations, he can lack confidence sometimes.
  - B He says he's always felt that he should have a go at things despite what others say.
  - C He says he's become more fearless as he's grown up and matured.
  - D He says he now has a better understanding of what he can and can't do.
- 4 What does Colin say about the preparations he makes for his journeys?
  - A He generally plans his holidays abroad with his mother and brothers.
  - B He usually stays in hotels that are more accessible rather than in hostels.
  - C He always has everything sorted out long before he sets off on a trip.
  - D He never uses public transport, so has to organise his own vehicle in advance.
- 5 What does Colin say about next year's trip to Canada?
  - A He will be travelling down the west coast.
  - B He expects it will be cheaper than other people's holidays.
  - C He'll book places to stay as he travels.
  - D He won't be going on his own.

<b>Mark: / 5</b>
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## Reading

### The teenage polar explorer

*You may not have heard of Parker Liautaud, but back in 2013 he was big news. Having announced that, at the age of nineteen, he was planning to break the record for skiing across Antarctica, the world's media were keen to get to meet the ambitious adventurer. What follows is just one of the many news stories written at the time.*

Have you any idea where you'll be waking up on Christmas morning? Well, if everything goes to plan, teenager Parker Liautaud will be spending the day at the South Pole. For now, though, the nineteen-year-old Californian is in London, completing his preparations and seeking publicity for his adventure. I set out to meet him in the tent he had pitched in a glass box full of snow not far from London's famous Tower Bridge. Inside the climate-controlled box, the temperature was well below freezing, and passing Londoners were all keen to climb inside to get a selfie with Parker. I was happier to chat out in the milder air of a September afternoon in the capital. Parker turned out to be not just a well-connected adventurer from a wealthy background, but a young man determined to raise the issue of climate change to a broader audience. While crossing the Antarctic ice from the continent's coast to its pole, Parker and his co-explorer Doug Stoop will be carrying out vital scientific experiments to investigate the impact of global warming.

Despite his youthful appearance, Parker is an experienced polar explorer. He grew up with an interest in the icy wastes and, even in his early teens, had a passion for protecting these last great wildernesses. That's why he took advantage of the fact that his family was rich to finance trips to the Arctic and Antarctic. He wanted to see what was happening for himself, and to publicise the problems for the world to see. He went on his first polar expedition at the age of fourteen and attempted, unsuccessfully, to walk across the Arctic to the North Pole at fifteen. By the age of eighteen, he had reached the North Pole on three occasions. As we finished our conversation, and he made his way back to the glass box, I wished him all the best. With luck, by the end of the year, he will have achieved his latest dream.

So, in the end, what happened to Parker's exhibition to the South Pole? Well, following a 560-kilometre trek on skis from the edge of Antarctica, the young man and his co-explorer Stoop reached their goal. It was the fastest human-powered trek from the coast to the South Pole, and Parker became the youngest man to ski to the Pole.

## 8 Read the text. Choose the correct answers.

- 1 In the introductory paragraph, the writer says that in 2013 ...
  - A media interest in Parker's story was not as big as it is now.
  - B a lot of journalists around the world showed an interest in Parker.
  - C the media were awaiting the announcement of Parker's next record attempt.
  - D there was just as much excitement about Parker's trip as there is today.
- 2 In the second paragraph, the writer says that when he met Parker, ...
  - A all his plans had already been finalised.
  - B he was trying to increase general awareness of his trek.
  - C he was hard to find among all his admirers.
  - D the adventurer had only just arrived in London.
- 3 In the second paragraph, the writer says that ...
  - A he had to interview Parker inside a specially-erected glass box in central London.
  - B he was surprised by how much interest Londoners were showing in Parker.
  - C he decided to have his photo taken with Parker in or near his tent.
  - D the general public wished to meet Parker Liautaud.
- 4 In the third paragraph, it is revealed that ...
  - A Parker had been to the Antarctic a number of times before the age of fourteen.
  - B Parker has only recently developed a concern for polar ecology.
  - C Parker's motivation for going to the poles wasn't only about having an adventure.
  - D Parker struggled to finance the early polar trips he made.
- 5 In the final paragraph, we find out that ...
  - A the trek to the Pole was further than Parker and Stoop had expected.
  - B it took longer to reach their final destination than Parker and Stoop had planned.
  - C the expedition broke at least two polar travel records.
  - D nobody younger than either Stoop or Parker had completed the trek.

Mark: / 5

## Writing

### 9 Read the task below. Write a letter of complaint.

Before flying to Wellington, the capital of New Zealand, you book a helicopter flight over the city. However, when you get there, you are told that the flight has been cancelled because of poor weather conditions, and you won't get your money back. Not only that, but you took a four-hour bus journey to get to the heliport, and the company didn't contact you to tell you about the cancellation, or put any information on their website. Write a letter of complaint to the company.

Mark: / 10

Total: \_\_\_\_ / 70