

## LANGUAGE - CLOZE

A new study from the Pew Research Center has (1) \_\_\_\_\_ that most adults under 30 years old are now living with their parents. The study says the number of 18- to 30-year-olds who live at home has (2) \_\_\_\_\_ an 80-year high. Around 52 per cent, or 26.6 million, of young people are at home with one or both of their parents. Researchers say that (3) \_\_\_\_\_ since 1940 have so many of the younger generation lived with their parents. Only in the Great Depression (4) \_\_\_\_\_ the 1930s was the percentage higher. The researchers say there has been a recent (5) \_\_\_\_\_ in the number of young adults moving back in with their parents. A contributory factor to this (6) \_\_\_\_\_ is the economic downturn and a rise in unemployment caused by coronavirus.

Regarding the economy, financial analyst Jeremy Sopko said: "You have to take into (7) \_\_\_\_\_ two huge factors: massive student loan debt and a lack of available work." He added: "It's a difficult situation that's been (8) \_\_\_\_\_ by the pandemic and it may take ...the better (9) \_\_\_\_\_ of a decade for younger demographics to recover and be financially stable enough to leave home." Another commentator said the trend could have adverse effects (10) \_\_\_\_\_ the property rental market. She said: "With a lot of young people not renting, not moving into cities...there is a lot of (11) \_\_\_\_\_ coming onto the market." Mr Sopko concluded: "For the (12) \_\_\_\_\_ part, nobody wants to be living at home with mom and dad."

### Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- |     |                 |                 |               |                |
|-----|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|----------------|
| 1.  | (a) levelled    | (b) rebelled    | (c) revelled  | (d) revealed   |
| 2.  | (a) satisfied   | (b) taken       | (c) landed    | (d) hit        |
| 3.  | (a) none        | (b) not         | (c) no        | (d) none       |
| 4.  | (a) by          | (b) on          | (c) of        | (d) at         |
| 5.  | (a) arise       | (b) raise       | (c) rise      | (d) riser      |
| 6.  | (a) spike       | (b) spoke       | (c) pocks     | (d) speck      |
| 7.  | (a) budget      | (b) account     | (c) balance   | (d) statistics |
| 8.  | (a) exacerbated | (b) exaggerated | (c) expunged  | (d) expurgated |
| 9.  | (a) role        | (b) part        | (c) bit       | (d) leave      |
| 10. | (a) of          | (b) at          | (c) on        | (d) as         |
| 11. | (a) invention   | (b) invalid     | (c) inventory | (d) inviolate  |
| 12. | (a) some        | (b) more        | (c) many      | (d) most       |

# "Delivery of COVID vaccine needs 8000 jumbo jets"

## GAP FILL

Whenever scientists create a vaccine for COVID-19, governments worldwide will be (1) \_\_\_\_\_ for cargo aircraft. Distributing the vaccine will be one of the biggest (2) \_\_\_\_\_ operations ever. Aviation experts have forecast that transporting the vaccine across the globe will require around 8,000 747 (3) \_\_\_\_\_ planes. This is sufficient to ship 7.8 billion doses of any vaccine - one (4) \_\_\_\_\_ for everyone on Earth. The International Air Transport Association (IATA) has (5) \_\_\_\_\_ governments they must start planning for the "(6) \_\_\_\_\_ of the century". It said: "Even if we (7) \_\_\_\_\_ that half the needed vaccines can be transported by land, the air cargo industry will still (8) \_\_\_\_\_ its largest single transport challenge ever."

*dose*  
*scrambling*  
*assume*  
*warned*  
*freight*  
*face*  
*logistical*  
*mission*

IATA has warned governments that many (9) \_\_\_\_\_ must be overcome to ensure the (10) \_\_\_\_\_ distribution of a vaccine. One critical element of this is the creation of temperature-controlled cargo (11) \_\_\_\_\_ and warehouses. It is essential the vaccine be kept at the same temperature throughout its journey. This would require (12) \_\_\_\_\_ training of staff worldwide, who must quickly become expert in safely (13) \_\_\_\_\_ and moving the vaccine. IATA said a further challenge would be security and cross-(14) \_\_\_\_\_ controls. It said: "Vaccines will be highly (15) \_\_\_\_\_ commodities. Arrangements must be in place to ensure that shipments remain secure from tampering and (16) \_\_\_\_\_."

*border*  
*theft*  
*hubs*  
*valuable*  
*obstacles*  
*handling*  
*effective*  
*extensive*

**Fill in the correct form of the verb given: Present Tense Simple or Progressive**

1. Dad \_\_\_\_\_ us to school every morning. **(DRIVE)**
2. Max \_\_\_\_\_ at an Internet café this summer. **(WORK)**
3. We \_\_\_\_\_ abroad this year because of the pandemic. **(NOT GO)**
4. It never \_\_\_\_\_ in the Atacama Desert in Chile. **(RAIN)**
5. Marty \_\_\_\_\_ to the fitness centre on Mondays. **(NOT USUALLY GO)**
6. What is that? - I \_\_\_\_\_ sounds that are not there. **(HEAR)**
7. We \_\_\_\_\_ of leaving Britain next year. We might go to America. **(THINK)**
8. I \_\_\_\_\_ my ex-husband next Monday. **(SEE)**
9. This box \_\_\_\_\_ a lot. What is in it? **(WEIGH)**
10. What \_\_\_\_\_ under the table? - Is there anything wrong? **(YOU DO)**
11. She never \_\_\_\_\_ to anyone about her problems. **(TALK)**
12. Mary \_\_\_\_\_ very sad. What's happened to her? **(LOOK)**
13. They \_\_\_\_\_ a few days in Stockholm next month. **(SPEND)**
14. You can't go in. They \_\_\_\_\_ a meeting. **(HAVE)**
15. I \_\_\_\_\_ I'll have a cup of coffee. I'm so tired. **(THINK)**
16. \_\_\_\_\_ fishing with me on Sunday? - I don't know. I'll think about it.  
**(YOU GO)**
17. I \_\_\_\_\_ here as a waiter on weekends. **(WORK)**
18. Max \_\_\_\_\_ to be a nice student. Let's see how he \_\_\_\_\_ in class.  
**(APPEAR, HE DO)**
19. I \_\_\_\_\_ what this letter means. It \_\_\_\_\_ no sense. **(NOT UNDERSTAND, MAKE)**
20. I \_\_\_\_\_ the dog for a walk because it's so sunny outside. **(TAKE)**
21. \_\_\_\_\_ at night? **(YOU EVER DREAM)**
22. I \_\_\_\_\_ on you to help me organise the meeting. **(COUNT)**
23. My sister \_\_\_\_\_ a video conference in her company next week. **(HOLD)**
24. Why \_\_\_\_\_ to what he has to say. **(YOU NOT EVER LISTEN)**
25. I \_\_\_\_\_ meat. I'm a vegetarian. **(NOT EAT)**

**Fill in the correct form of the past tense.**

1. I \_\_\_\_\_ my old friend in town the other day. He \_\_\_\_\_ to ignore me and \_\_\_\_\_ somewhere else. **(SEE, SEEM, LOOK)**
2. The teacher \_\_\_\_\_ a photo of us while we \_\_\_\_\_ up the tree. **(TAKE, CLIMB)**
3. We \_\_\_\_\_ Martha at the airport last week. She \_\_\_\_\_ for the arrival of her sister while we \_\_\_\_\_ to New York. **(MEET, WAIT, TRAVEL)**
4. "What \_\_\_\_\_ to him? - He \_\_\_\_\_ totally surprised when I \_\_\_\_\_ him." - **(YOU SAY, LOOK, SEE)**
5. He \_\_\_\_\_ exam papers when I \_\_\_\_\_ him. **(CORRECT, VISIT)**
6. A man \_\_\_\_\_ on the road while I \_\_\_\_\_ my bike. Luckily, I \_\_\_\_\_ not to crash into him. **(FALL, RIDE, MANAGE)**
7. We \_\_\_\_\_ a few miles off the coast when a horrible thunderstorm \_\_\_\_\_ up. We \_\_\_\_\_ to get to safety as soon as possible. **(SAIL, COME, HAVE)**
8. I haven't seen him for ages. When I last \_\_\_\_\_ him, he \_\_\_\_\_ for a new job. **(SEE, LOOK)**
9. While the two teams \_\_\_\_\_ up everyone \_\_\_\_\_ a flag. It \_\_\_\_\_ a very emotional moment. **(WARM, WAVE, BE)**
10. "What \_\_\_\_\_ when I \_\_\_\_\_ to your place yesterday evening?" - "I \_\_\_\_\_ the baby". **(YOU DO, COME, FEED)**
11. I \_\_\_\_\_ down a dark alley when suddenly I \_\_\_\_\_ footsteps. I \_\_\_\_\_ around and \_\_\_\_\_ that an old woman with a dog \_\_\_\_\_ me. **(WALK, HEAR, TURN, SEE, FOLLOW)**
12. "Why \_\_\_\_\_ out last night?" - "I \_\_\_\_\_ too tired and \_\_\_\_\_ to stay at home." **(YOU NOT GO, BE, DECIDE)**
13. The policeman asked me, " How fast \_\_\_\_\_ when you \_\_\_\_\_ the old lady in front of you?" **(YOU DRIVE, SEE)**
14. Mom \_\_\_\_\_ dinner when we \_\_\_\_\_ home from football practice. **(PREPARE, GET)**
15. When I \_\_\_\_\_ young, I always \_\_\_\_\_ to be a pilot. **(BE, WANT)**
16. Las Sunday afternoon I \_\_\_\_\_ for a walk in the park and \_\_\_\_\_ a cup of coffee at a local restaurant. **(GO, HAVE)**
17. When the \_\_\_\_\_ to the airport the plane \_\_\_\_\_ off. **(GET, JUST TAKE)**
18. I \_\_\_\_\_ on a bench in the park when a man \_\_\_\_\_ up to me and \_\_\_\_\_ to know what time it \_\_\_\_\_. **(SIT, COME, WANT, BE)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

## Correlative Conjunctions 1

### Practice

Write your answers on the lines and then print this page.

**Paying attention to the expressions used in the following sentences, fill in the blanks with the words *or, nor, but also, or and.***

1. I have both respect \_\_\_\_\_ admiration for them.
2. It will rain either today \_\_\_\_\_ tomorrow.
3. He is neither mad \_\_\_\_\_ upset.
4. I do not know whether he has seen the movie before \_\_\_\_\_ not.
5. We not only dressed up for the holiday \_\_\_\_\_ decorated the school.
6. The crowd was both large \_\_\_\_\_ excited.
7. We should either walk quickly \_\_\_\_\_ take the bus.
8. I don't know whether I want to study Spanish \_\_\_\_\_ Russian.
9. Both my uncle \_\_\_\_\_ my cousin live in New York.
10. Neither my brother \_\_\_\_\_ my sister can go to the game.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

## Correlative Conjunctions 2

### Practice

Print this page and then write your answers.

**Read the sentences below. Then circle the correlative conjunctions that complete each sentence.**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Alex \_\_\_\_\_ Carlos tried out for the school play.
  - Whether . . . or
  - Both . . . and
- \_\_\_\_\_ you clean your room \_\_\_\_\_ you will stay home this weekend.
  - Either . . . or
  - Neither . . . nor
- \_\_\_\_\_ we go home \_\_\_\_\_ stay at the park doesn't matter to me.
  - Whether . . . or
  - Not only . . . but also
- \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ did she do well on her math test, \_\_\_\_\_ she \_\_\_\_\_ got an A on her social studies report.
  - Both . . . and
  - Not only . . . but also
- \_\_\_\_\_ I can go to the movies on Saturday, \_\_\_\_\_ I can go to the mall.
  - Not only . . . but also
  - Either . . . or

Name \_\_\_\_\_

6. I found \_\_\_\_\_ my homework \_\_\_\_\_ my textbook on the kitchen counter.
- a. both . . . and
  - b. either . . . or
7. Paula found \_\_\_\_\_ the shoes she had lost \_\_\_\_\_ her favorite jacket.
- a. neither . . . nor
  - b. not only . . . but also
8. I have \_\_\_\_\_ the time \_\_\_\_\_ the motivation to play basketball right now.
- a. neither . . . nor
  - b. either . . . or
9. \_\_\_\_\_ my stereo \_\_\_\_\_ my television stopped working last night.
- a. Both . . . and
  - b. Whether . . . or
10. I can't decide \_\_\_\_\_ to play soccer this year \_\_\_\_\_ to take dance lessons.
- a. neither . . . nor
  - b. whether . . . or

**Complete the sentences using the correct forms of the adjectives.**

1. The Nile is one of \_\_\_\_\_ rivers in the world **(LONG)**.
2. This is \_\_\_\_\_ book I have ever read. **(INTERESTING)**
3. A spider is sometimes \_\_\_\_\_ than a large snake. **(FRIGHTENING)**
4. Mr Harper is \_\_\_\_\_ teacher in the whole school. He is even \_\_\_\_\_ than my French teacher **(BORING)**
5. A bike path is usually \_\_\_\_\_ than the lane of a road. **(NARROW)**
6. People say women are \_\_\_\_\_ than men. **(POLITE)**
7. A computer is much \_\_\_\_\_ than a pocket calculator. **(EXPENSIVE)**
8. My sister is not as \_\_\_\_\_ as her mother. **(TALL)**
9. Snowboarding is \_\_\_\_\_ than skiing **(EXCITING)**.
10. Children usually have \_\_\_\_\_ money to spend than teenagers. **(LITTLE)**
11. July and August are normally \_\_\_\_\_ months of the year **(HOT)**.
12. Paul is \_\_\_\_\_ runner in our class. Nobody is \_\_\_\_\_ than he is. **(SLOW)**
13. In this test she has made \_\_\_\_\_ mistakes than in the last one. **(FEW)**
14. Sandra is \_\_\_\_\_ girl I know. **(CLEVER)**
15. The film I watched yesterday was \_\_\_\_\_ than the one on Saturday **(INTERESTING)**
16. Peter is \_\_\_\_\_ player on our team. He never gets anything right. **(BAD)**
17. English is not as \_\_\_\_\_ as German but \_\_\_\_\_ than other languages **(DIFFICULT)**.
18. Bill works \_\_\_\_\_ than ever. He wants to get a promotion. **(HARD)**
19. Mrs Simmons is \_\_\_\_\_ teacher I have ever met. **(POLITE)**
20. This chair is not as \_\_\_\_\_ as the one in the living room. **(COMFORTABLE)**



**Fill in: THE, A, AN or ----- (no article)**

1. Jake took out \_\_\_\_\_ bottle of beer from \_\_\_\_\_ fridge.
2. Emma looked at \_\_\_\_\_ letter she received from \_\_\_\_\_ company she wanted to join.
3. She is on \_\_\_\_\_ diet, so she ordered \_\_\_\_\_ low-calorie meal.
4. We are planning on having \_\_\_\_\_ wedding in \_\_\_\_\_ early fall, probably in \_\_\_\_\_ September.
5. The plane was climbing up through \_\_\_\_\_ sky.
6. Winston Churchill was \_\_\_\_\_ Prime Minister who led England during \_\_\_\_\_ World War II.
7. Our father ruled our family with \_\_\_\_\_ iron fist.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ Marmalade is usually made from \_\_\_\_\_ oranges.
9. She is currently driving at \_\_\_\_\_ enormous speed.
10. The TV show portrays the lives of \_\_\_\_\_ Royal Family.
11. She gave us \_\_\_\_\_ umbrella because it started to rain.
12. Carol's father works as \_\_\_\_\_ electrician.
13. We left Rome and flew across \_\_\_\_\_ Alps to Munich.
14. Most \_\_\_\_\_ children like \_\_\_\_\_ sweets.
15. Have you got \_\_\_\_\_ idea about how we can solve \_\_\_\_\_ problem?
16. Our friends, the Millers, moved to \_\_\_\_\_ Netherlands last winter.
17. Our children go to \_\_\_\_\_ school by \_\_\_\_\_ bus.
18. She likes \_\_\_\_\_ Indian tea but she doesn't like \_\_\_\_\_ tea that comes from Sri Lanka.
19. The two countries reached \_\_\_\_\_ peace after a long, disastrous war.
20. We needed \_\_\_\_\_ place to live whenever we were in London.
21. Over 20 people were buried by \_\_\_\_\_ avalanche last weekend.
22. She had laughing eyes and \_\_\_\_\_ very charming expression on her face.
23. We need to be at \_\_\_\_\_ airport in just over \_\_\_\_\_ hour.
24. \_\_\_\_\_ Milk is rich in \_\_\_\_\_ nutrients.
25. Some people say \_\_\_\_\_ money is the most important thing in \_\_\_\_\_ life.