

9. Columbus crossed the Atlantic _____ 1492.
(at, in)

10. She will call us _____ half an hour. (at, in)

-er than / more than /
less than.

the -est

32. Comparisons / superlative the most....

1. Jeremy is 10 years old. Julie is 8 years old.
Jeremy is (old) _____ Julie
2. The Alps are very high. They are (high)
_____ mountains in Europe.
3. An ocean is (large) _____ a sea.
4. A Rolls Royce costs a lot of money. A Twingo
costs less money.
A Rolls Royce is (expensive) _____ a
Twingo.
5. William's results were bad. Fred's results were
very poor.
Fred's results were (bad) _____ William's.
6. This exercise is not difficult.
It's (easy) _____ I expected.
7. The weather is not good today - it's raining.
I hope the weather will be (good) _____
next week.

always be light and heat as long as the villagers took coal and wood to the mountain.

34. Gerunds / infinitives

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1. They arrived late after _____ lunch.
(*have*)
2. The children really enjoyed _____ in the park. (*play*)
3. She was driving so she stopped to _____ the telephone. (*answer*)
4. David stopped _____ last year.
(*smoke*)
5. Instead of _____ to the cinema we had dinner in a restaurant. (*go*)
6. I can't stand _____ TV. (*watch*)
7. They made him _____ his homework before _____ football. (*do, play*)
8. They want _____ the art gallery tomorrow. (*visit*)
9. I heard her _____ about the food.
(*complain*)
10. I'm going to the butcher's _____ some meat. (*buy*)

36. Connecting words

Complete the following sentences with appropriate link words. Options are given beneath the exercises.

1. My friend Ava has just bought herself some new shoes _____ she already has some 20 pairs.
2. We decided to walk from coast to coast _____ our lack of training.
3. _____ the weather forecast spoke of wind and rain, we really enjoyed a warm and sunny afternoon.
4. The children behaved like angels _____ the long drive and the hot weather.
5. The hotel wasn't really idyllic. _____, we had a great time there.
6. I love cycling _____ my wife prefers walking.
7. _____ the weather forecast spoke of wind and rain, we really enjoyed a warm and sunny afternoon.
8. I don't really believe everything he says. _____, I thoroughly enjoy being with him.

although
despite

Although
However

although
whereas

despite
Yet

37. Phrasal verbs (Idioms)

Match each phrasal verb with its definition.

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| 1. Phone somebody up | a. connect somebody |
| 2. Look something up | b. call somebody on the phone |
| 3. Put somebody through | c. return a telephone call |
| 4. Hold on | d. finish the conversation by replacing the receiver |
| 5. Cut somebody off | e. replace the receiver |
| 6. Put the phone down | f. wait |
| 7. Hang up | g. try to find |
| 8. Ring somebody back | h. stop somebody's conversation |

VOCABULARY | English in a government office - Part 1

*REMEMBER: Several responses might be acceptable - choose the **best** one:*

1. I have to _____.
a) get license renewed b) get my license renewed c) renewed my license

2. Can we _____ (= set) a time for later in the day?
a) timetable b) write c) schedule

3. I'll be at work and I won't be able to _____ until 5.
a) get there b) get on there c) get to there

4. I hate _____ all these forms.
a) filing b) writing down c) filling out

5. I don't have a passport. What other proof of _____ (= who I am) do you accept?
a) personality b) identity/identification c) person

6. Your form is incomplete. You have to answer all the questions. You _____ (= didn't answer) questions 3 and 4.
a) skipped b) blanked c) emptied

7. I'm sorry, but you didn't pass. You'll have to _____ the driving test.
a) retake b) take over c) take again

8. If you have to leave, but you don't want to lose your place in line, you should ask someone to _____ your place.
a) save b) retain c) preserve

9. Sir, please go up to window number 4, your number is _____.
a) call b) calling c) being called

10. Looks like we'll have to _____ for about three hours.
a) line b) wait in line c) wait for a line