

# Grammar summary: answer key

## Unit 1

1

- 2 Prior to that time
- 3 Nowadays
- 4 Over the last few decades
- 5 currently
- 6 in the coming days

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|--------------------|-------------------|
| 2 had been running | 5 has been saving |
| 3 were living      | 6 will realise    |
| 4 will be          |                   |

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|---------------------|---------------------------|
| 2 will have doubled | 6 had forgotten           |
| 3 hasn't been doing | 7 will have been studying |
| 4 will have been    | 8 had been working        |
| 5 have missed out   |                           |

## UNIT 2

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| 2 is always singing | 6 'll still be working      |
| 3 was shaving       | 7 'll finish                |
| 4 had been trying   | 8 've been having / 've had |
| 5 've put           |                             |

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| 2 Having spent      | 6 Being             |
| 3 twisting          | 7 not wanting       |
| 4 Not having flown  | 8 not having spoken |
| 5 Having considered |                     |

## UNIT 3

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|-------------|-------------------|---------------|
| 2 foolish   | 5 quite           | 8 quite       |
| 3 entirely  | 6 exhausting      | 9 really      |
| 4 extremely | 7 dirty or filthy | 10 absolutely |

2

- 2 Never had I witnessed such a violent thunderstorm.
- 3 What we could really do with is more storage space.
- 4 It's the lack of facilities in the area that I'm particularly concerned about.
- 5 Rarely do houses come up for sale in this village.
- 6 Not once did he complain about the poor living conditions.
- 7 Never again will I believe a word he says.
- 8 I didn't buy any trousers but I did buy a belt.
- 9 It's this wonderful view that / which I'll really miss.
- 10 No sooner had she arrived home than the doorbell rang.

## UNIT 4

1

- 2 Andy may / might / could have fixed it.
- 3 He can't have liked it.
- 4 There may / might / could have been a power cut.
- 5 That must have been frustrating.
- 6 You should have used your sat nav.
- 7 So we needn't have pre-booked our tickets.
- 8 He may / might not have realised it was happening.

2

- 2 unlikely that the company will upgrade its computers
- 3 chances are (that) we'll be living abroad
- 4 might well be re-elected.
- 5 it's bound to break
- 6 Is the DVD player definitely not
- 7 may not need to buy
- 8 should receive a call
- 9 likelihood is that she'll find an excuse

## UNIT 5

1

- 2 This queue is for e-passport holders only. You haven't got **one** so you need to join the longer queue.
- 3 If I can take time off work next month, I will **do**.
- 4 The rooms were very expensive, but ours was one of the cheaper **ones**.
- 5 You could hire a car when you go abroad, but to **do so** you need to have held a licence for a year.
- 6 'Did you book the flights?' 'I meant to but I didn't get a moment.'
- 7 Hindi and English are both spoken in New Delhi. **The former** is the principal spoken language and **the latter** is the principal written language.
- 8 This train goes to the airport, but that one doesn't.
- 9 'Did you remember to bring the map?' 'I'm afraid I didn't.' or '**I'm afraid not.**'

2

- 2 the exact location of the hotel.
- 3 a preference for an earlier start date.
- 4 by my knowledge of the region.
- 5 several attempts to contact you ...
- 6 been an improvement in the weather conditions.
- 7 by our quick recovery from jetlag.
- 8 on receipt of your deposit.
- 9 your assistance in this matter.
- 10 his early arrival.

## UNIT 6

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|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| 2 'll be looking after them | 5 take it back. |
| 3 run through them again.   | 6 put them off  |
| 4 that he'd made it up.     |                 |

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- 2 talk her out of
- 3 do away with the monarchy
- 4 put up with racial abuse
- 5 take you up on your offer
- 6 live up to our expectations

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| 2 from bringing   | 5 being         |
| 3 not to approach | 6 from becoming |
| 4 for violating   |                 |

## UNIT 7

1

Possible answers:

- 2 In addition to being an enjoyable subject to study, history can help us understand the present.
- 3 The event was cancelled owing to the lack of funding.
- 4 Since we hadn't heard from you, we assumed you weren't coming.
- 5 The Pharaohs of ancient Egypt were seen as gods as well as kings.
- 6 Although Herodotus was a very famous historian, little is known about the man himself.
- 7 I've lived in this flat since moving / since I moved to Madrid in 2002.
- 8 The new law was passed despite the objections.

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|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|
| 2 Contrary to   | 5 provided that | 8 in view of |
| 3 Given that    | 6 since         | 9 insofar as |
| 4 regardless of | 7 in case       |              |

## UNIT 8

1

- 2 was reported to have occurred off the coast of Mexico.
- 3 is known to have taken place in the early hours ...
- 4 is said not to have been selected for the Olympic team.
- 5 are thought to have been wiped out ...
- 6 fell 100 metres down a steep ridge is said to be recovering well.
- 7 is expected that the finance minister will announce ...
- 8 are believed to have been present.

2

- 1 no harm (in) applying for the job.
- 2 no doubt that the advertising campaign has been effective.
- 3 no point in paying for an expensive laptop ...
- 4 no matter how many possessions we have, we always want more.
- 5 no use calling him as he never answers his phone.
- 6 they will have no alternative but to go on strike ...
- 7 no way of accessing the data without a password.
- 8 I have no intention of leaving before ...

## UNIT 9

1

- 2 We stood just in front of the stage.
- 3 The reviews were just raving about the new single.
- 4 I bought the CD just after it came out.
- 5 Tickets for the music festival often sell out in just one day.
- 6 We've been waiting for just over an hour.
- 7 I was just wondering where you were.
- 8 I've just about finished my essay.
- 9 She's just as talented as her sister.
- 10 It was just an unfortunate misunderstanding.

2

- 2 in order to block out the surrounding noise.
- 3 to get rid of my headache.
- 4 to avoid causing a scene.
- 5 so that I would feel fresh on the day of my exam.

- 6 so as not to leave fingerprints.
- 7 in order that he could work on the train.
- 8 so that he will get / he gets them by Friday.

## UNIT 10

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|-------------|-----------------|-------------|
| 1 hasn't it | 5 aren't I      | 9 shall we  |
| 2 has there | 6 won't you     | 10 will you |
| 3 did they  | 7 shouldn't she |             |
| 4 does he   | 8 didn't we     |             |

2

- 2 I was completely speechless when I heard the news.
- 3 It was so airless in the room that I could barely breathe.
- 4 The best way to get rid of ants is to go straight to the source: the nest.
- 5 He hungrily devoured everything that was on his plate.
- 6 She pushed him aside in an unfriendly way / manner.
- 7 It solved the problem instantly.
- 8 He reluctantly agreed to let me pay for the taxi.

## UNIT 11

1

- 2 I'd rather you broke the news to her.
- 3 What if she left him? Then he'd be devastated.
- 4 I wish he wouldn't be / wasn't so critical.
- 5 It's high time the government changed the laws.
- 6 Supposing we employed someone to clean the flat?
- 7 If only I / we had more free time.
- 8 I'd just as soon you drove as James (did).

2

- 2 Were it not so cold, we could walk into town.
- 3 Should our plans change, I'll let you know.
- 4 Should you experience any technical problems, please call the helpline.
- 5 Were I to be offered a promotion, I would stay at the company.
- 6 Had the weather been better, we would have stayed longer.
- 7 Were it not for your help, I wouldn't have known what to do.
- 8 Had my alarm not gone off, I would still be asleep.

## UNIT 12

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|-----------|---------|----------|----------|
| 2 kind of | 4 stuff | 6 things | 8 around |
| 3 ish     | 5 or so | 7 well   |          |

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|---------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 2 quite / bit | 5 a bit             | 8 a bit of / pretty |
| 3 quite       | 6 quite             |                     |
| 4 fairly      | 7 bit of / bit of a |                     |