

Consolidation

- a Circle the correct form. Tick (✓) if both are correct.
- 1 Cathy taught us that we should check / to check new words in a dictionary. ✓
 - 2 Mark begged us that we took / to take him to the nearest village.
 - 3 I didn't mean you be offended / to be offended. I'm very sorry.
 - 4 Luckily the doctor didn't advise me to change / that I should change my lifestyle.
 - 5 We have arranged for Jack to attend / Jack to attend the meeting.
 - 6 I would hate you to feel / that you feel uncomfortable about the proposed changes.
 - 7 Having an extra team member helped us complete / to complete the project ahead of schedule.
 - 8 We'd always planned our children to go / for our children to go to university.
 - 9 Phil persuaded me that I should give up / to give up extreme sports.

- b Complete the sentences with the verbs in brackets in the infinitive (with or without *to*) or the gerund.
- 1 I'm afraid I can't let you check (check) in until I see proof of your identity.
 - 2 Any student who fails will be made _____ (retake) the test.
 - 3 Dad would always make us _____ (do) our homework before watching TV.
 - 4 Fortunately her injury won't prevent her _____ (take) part in the competition.
 - 5 I'm sure I don't remember her _____ (be able) to swim!
 - 6 I really dislike people _____ (stop) me in the street to ask for money.
 - 7 Any task which involves my mother _____ (use) a computer makes her panic.
 - 8 We strongly advise guests _____ (leave) their valuables in the hotel safe.
 - 9 Nigel reminded everyone _____ (not arrive) late for the welcome tour.
 - 10 It shouldn't take you more than five minutes _____ (get) here. We're just round the corner.



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- Discuss these questions with a partner.
- Does the Internet make people more sociable, or does it isolate them?
 - Do you mind musicians playing music in the street?
 - Should we really expect students to be responsible for their own learning?
 - Should local governments force people to use public transport in cities where there is a traffic problem?
 - How can governments encourage people to respect the environment?
 - Can you imagine yourself living the rest of your life in another country?

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Complete the texts with the discourse markers from the list.

so as a result consequently as because of so as to so as not to
so that (x2) in case but however although though despite

I would say that the most challenging period in my career so far was my first junior management position in the company where I still work today. I had always wanted to be an account manager, ¹ so I was thrilled when I got the job, but little did I know what was waiting for me on my first day. The office environment wasn't exactly organized, and to make matters worse, my boss was completely unsupportive towards me. For some reason, he just refused to take any responsibility for dealing with the clients, and I was ² _____ forced to deal with all the problems by myself, which wasn't easy. I used to stay late in the office almost every night ³ _____ miss any of the clients' deadlines. It seems ridiculous now, but I was so stressed that I used to check my emails every couple of hours, even at weekends, ⁴ _____ there was an urgent message asking me to sort something out. It was worth it in the end ⁵ _____, because eventually my boss was sacked and I was promoted in his place!



The toughest time I've ever had was definitely my first term here at university. ⁶ _____ I really love student life now, it wasn't so easy at the beginning. My bad luck started on the very first day. My parents had just dropped me off with all my stuff when some of the guys whose rooms were on the same corridor as mine suggested going to play basketball in the park nearby. I don't know exactly how it happened, ⁷ _____ somehow, during the game, I tripped and fell very hard on my right arm and broke it. Apart from not being able to do any sports for weeks, it was especially annoying because my injury meant I wasn't able to write properly. ⁸ _____, I got really behind with my essays and I had to take extra classes later in the year ⁹ _____ I could catch up. On top of that, it wasn't as easy as I had expected to find friends, and I was pretty homesick for quite a while. ¹⁰ _____, things got better eventually. Once my arm was better, I managed to get into the first basketball team and made loads of new friends. I can look back now and laugh, but at the time things didn't seem so funny.



Most people can't wait until the day they give up working, but I can tell you it's not quite as simple as you might think. ¹¹ _____ all the free time, retirement isn't just a question of enjoying yourself and feeling delighted that you never have to work again. My husband Frank had terrible trouble adjusting to the new lifestyle when he retired after forty rewarding years as a lawyer. ¹² _____ he had always been committed to his career, it wasn't easy just to give it up overnight. We decided to move to the countryside ¹³ _____ be nearer to our daughter and her family, but when we arrived, we found that they were all so busy with their own lives that they didn't have much time for us. Of course, we did babysit for her sometimes ¹⁴ _____ she could go out in the evenings, but somehow it wasn't the life we had imagined. Just when we were feeling really down, a friend of ours invited us along to a ballroom dancing class in the village. Frank wasn't keen at first, as dancing isn't really his thing, but once we got there, we had a wonderful time. Now we go three times a week and it's changed our lives. We keep fit and we've met so many fantastic people. And it's all ¹⁵ _____ the dance club. I don't know what we would have done without it!



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Write your own paragraph about a challenging experience you have faced. You could write about your work, studies, or family. Explain what the challenge was, and how you survived it. If you can't think of anything from your life, write about a friend or relative.

In your paragraph, make sure you use at least five of the discourse markers from the list.

When you have finished, swap paragraphs with a partner, and check the discourse markers. Has your partner used them correctly?

GRAMMAR ACTIVITY ANSWERS

1A discourse markers (1)

2 consequently 3 so as not to 4 in case 5 though
6 Although 7 but 8 As a result 9 so that
10 However 11 Despite 12 As 13 so as to
14 so that 15 because of

1B have

- a 2 I've been reading 3 ✓ 4 to have escaped
5 Don't you have 6 already have 7 I'll be having
8 didn't have to 9 have it dry cleaned 10 ✓
- b 2 I've been having / I've had 3 has this been going on
4 having my hair cut 5 I've seen 6 doesn't have / hasn't
got 7 Do you have / Have you got 8 I have / I've got

1C pronouns

- a 2 It's 3 themselves 4 it's 5 you 6 you 7 there's
8 their 9 themselves 10 one another 11 they
12 there's
- b 2 there 3 They 4 one 5 It 6 you 7 they
8 yourself 9 they 10 you 11 there 12 it

2A past: narrative tenses, used to and would

2 had been living / had lived 3 looked 4 used to frown
/ would frown / frowned 5 used to wash / would wash /
washed 6 was playing 7 remembered 8 had told
9 jumped 10 was passing / passed 11 had made
12 was awaiting / awaited 13 heard 14 always got off /
would always get off / always used to get off

2B distancing

- a 2 It seems that men are more at risk...
3 It appears that she has changed her mind...
4 It seems that you are unable to deal...
5 It seems that the weather is improving.
6 It appears that the robbers were wearing...
- b 2 A spokesman is expected to make an announcement...
3 More than half of the population are believed to suffer
from headaches.
4 St Petersburg is said to be one of the...
5 At least 70 people are thought to have been injured...
6 The economy is expected to grow...
- c The following expressions should be underlined:
according to, do not appear to have been used, apparently,
there are said to be, it has been suggested, may have
broken down

2C get

- a 2 X get to the point 3 X got broken 4 X get the bus
5 ✓ 6 X get paid 7 ✓ 8 X get Gareth to look
9 X got the kitchen painted
10 X got to the nearest petrol station
- b 2 Paying a lot to get your hair cut is a waste of money.
3 The best way to get rich is to work hard.
4 Getting hurt is usually a learning experience.
5 People get wiser as they get older.
6 Cheating is fine provided you don't get caught.
7 Giving presents is better than getting them.
8 School doesn't help you to get anywhere in life.

3A speculation and deduction

- a 2 can't be 3 must be 4 might be doing / could be doing
5 can't have been 6 must have been 7 might have gone
8 might not have thought 9 should be
- b 2 the disease is likely to 3 you will probably be able
4 is unlikely to be 5 we are bound to 6 it's very
unlikely that 7 she's bound to be 8 she will definitely

3B adding emphasis (1)

- a 2 only 3 when 4 have 5 did 6 sooner
7 when 8 will
- b 2 Not until two hours later did the plane finally take off.
3 Rarely have I seen such breathtaking countryside.
4 Not only was she well dressed, but she was also
beautiful.
5 Hardly had I switched on my laptop when the battery
ran out.
6 Not until we got home did we realize (that) we had
been robbed.
7 Only when you go abroad can you understand your
own country.
8 No sooner had we found our seats than the show started.

3C past simple and past perfect: unreal uses

2 c 3 b 4 b 5 a 6 c 7 a 8 b 9 b 10 c 11 a
12 b 13 b 14 a 15 c

4A discourse markers (2)

2 Obviously 3 That is to say 4 Besides
5 in other words 6 By the way 7 Anyway 8 Basically
9 On the one hand 10 To sum up

4B verb + object + infinitive or gerund

- a 2 to take 3 to be offended 4 ✓
5 for Jack to attend 6 you to feel 7 ✓
8 for our children to go 9 ✓
- b 2 to retake 3 do 4 taking 5 being able
6 stopping 7 using 8 to leave 9 not to arrive
10 to get

4C conditional sentences

- a 2 could provide 3 lacks 4 won't be 5 had built
6 might not have lost 7 would still be working
8 hadn't messed up 9 were 10 would have noticed
11 aren't 12 will call
- b 2 If I had saved some money, I wouldn't be broke.
3 You can borrow my laptop on condition that you look
after it.
4 I'm going to the party whether I'm invited or not.
5 Supposing you hadn't found your passport, what would
you have done?
6 Your exam will be fine providing (that) you do enough
revision.
7 I'm in favour of contact sports as / so long as nobody
gets seriously injured.
8 I would never wear fur, even if the weather was very
cold / it was very cold.
9 You can go out tonight provided (that) you're back by
midnight.