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7 Write true answers to the following questions.

1) What generation do you belong to? Can you describe the people of your generation?

2) Do you have the same attitudes to topics, such as politics for example, as someone who is 30, 50 or 60 years old?

3) Do older people and younger people think alike? What subjects might they have different opinions about?

4) Is there really such a thing as a «generation gap»? Or is this a myth or assumption we make?

8 Read the text below. Choose from (A—H) the one which best fits each space (1—8).

GENERATION GAP AND STEPS TO BRIDGE IT

Generation gap is defined as the difference in values and attitudes 1) D, especially between young people and their parents. More specifically, a generation gap can be used to describe the differences in actions, beliefs, tastes, etc. between members of younger generations when compared to members of older generations.

One of the 2) _____ is that the modern world is changing rapidly; young people of today are more interested in their own lives rather than thinking about others. And 3) _____ their parents find themselves lonely and unable to modify their beliefs and attitudes according to modern standards.

Besides, the adolescents of today are more interested in money, glamour and fame, and 4) _____ all the comforts of life they forget about their elders and their family. This attitude of youth is neither expected nor accepted by the parents. Thus, the conflict arises.

However, some of the steps can be followed 5) _____ the generation gap between parents and children.

The first and foremost step to overcome misunderstanding between the two generations is regular communication. Such 6) _____ is a good way to build up sincere, respectful relationship between parents and children.

The other way to bridge the gap is to spend quality time together. You may be talking, having fun, travelling, going to the movies, cooking and sharing food of each other's taste. This will help to realise 7) _____ each other.

More to the point, any gap cannot be filled until and unless each age group realises the need of

the other. If parents need children to take care of them, 8) ____ to guide and protect them at time of difficulty.

And as a final step, the willingness to allow others to have their point of view without making it a contest or a reason for arguing is the way that will help to bridge a gap between two generations and create a kind, trustworthy and respectful relationship between parents and children.

- A) in the race to achieve
- B) in order to bridge
- C) how much you love and value
- D) between one generation and another
- E) reasons for generation gap phenomenon
- F) sharing of ideas and feelings
- G) it is no wonder that
- H) so the children also need parents

GRAMMAR

9 Match the parts of the sentences.

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| 1) If you had studied harder, ____ B ____ | A) if the price had been lower. |
| 2) If you heat water to 100 degrees, ____ | B) you would not have failed your exams. |
| 3) We would have visited the Prado gallery ____ | C) it won't run. |
| 4) She would have bought that evening dress ____ | D) we would have gone to the park. |
| _____ | E) the printer wouldn't print. |
| 5) If a car doesn't have enough fuel, ____ | F) it boils. |
| 6) If it had been sunny, ____ | G) if we had had time. |
| 7) If there weren't ink, ____ | |

10 Put a tick (✓) next to the correct sentences and a cross (×) next to the incorrect ones.

- 1) If I had known that Dorothy was in town, I would have called her.
- 2) What would have happened if he hadn't called you back?
- 3) If Maria will be offered to go on an exchange visit to the USA, she won't say no.
- 4) If Graham Bell hadn't invented the telephone, someone else would invented it.
- 5) If you had any problem, give me a ring immediately.

- 6) She would have spoken Italian fluently if she had been brought up in Italy.
- 7) What would you do if you were the richest person in the world?
- 8) Unless the boy behaves a bit better, his mother won't buy him the toy car.

11 Make up 3rd Conditional sentences, as in the example.

1) go to the cinema/see an interesting film

_____ If I had gone to the cinema, I would have seen an interesting film.

2) own a camera/take a picture;

3) have a ticket/go to the concert;

4) the wind/be (not) so strong/the bridge collapse;

5) (not) call Rose/lose her number;

6) learn more words/write a good report;

7) take the bus to school/arrive on time;

8) drink the lemonade/be thirsty.

12 Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense form.

1) If she had gone (go) to Morocco, she would practise Arabic.

2) They cancelled all the flights out of Boston today because of the blizzard. If it _____ (snow/not) so hard, I would not have been stuck in the airport.

3) If I were a millionaire, I _____ (work/not) in this factory.

I _____ (shop) in Paris, _____ (ski) in Innsbruck or

I _____ (sail) the Mediterranean on my super yacht.

4) Jane's plane arrived half an hour ahead of schedule. If we hadn't decided to go to the airport early, she _____ (wait) there a long time before we arrived.

5) If I had time, I _____ (go) to your birthday party.