Oxford Practice Grammar Basic Diagnostic Test

Tenses: present

Choose the best way to complete the sentences.

- 1 My brother _____ a teacher.
 - A is B are
- 2 Sandra doesn't _____ to the radio.
 - A listen B listens
- **3** _____ you play tennis?
 - A Do B Does
- 4 John is _____ football at the moment.
 - A playing B play
- 5 _____ you living in Cambridge this year?A DoB Are

Tenses: past (1)

Write one word in each gap to complete the sentences.

- 6 Last night we _____ at the cinema.
- 7 I _____a new pair of shoes yesterday.
- 8 Last week I didn't _____ to work I walked.
- **9** At six o'clock this morning I ______ sleeping.
- 10 Have you ever ______ to Japan?

Tenses: past (2)

Choose the best way to complete the sentences.

11 I've been a student _____ one year. A since **B** for 12 Have you cleaned the car _____? **B** yet **A** already 13 Pablo has _____ doing his homework for hours. A been **B** being 14 When I got to the meeting, it already started. A had B has 15 I hate pizza now but I _____ to like it. A used B use

Tenses: future (1)

Write one word in each gap to complete the sentences.

- 16 I think it's _____ to rain.
- 17 Are you going _____ the theatre tonight?
- 18 _____ we go for a walk?
- 19 I'm not sure. I _____ tell you later.
- **20** Manchester United aren't ______ to win the match.

Tenses: future (2)

Choose the best way to complete the sentences.

- 21 I'm _____ lunch with Taka tomorrow.
 - A having to B having
- 22 I'll come and see you _____ I'm in town.A when B until
- 23 Sara is going to stay with us _____ Saturday.A afterB until
- 24 When Fadi _____, we'll start the film.A is arriving B arrives
- 25 If I work hard, I _____ pass my exams.A will B am going to

Sentences and questions (1)

Write one word in each gap to complete the sentences.

- 26 The word 'play' is a _____.
- 27 The words 'he' and 'we' are _____.
- 28 The word 'at' is a _____.
- **29** The words 'be' and 'have' can be
- verbs.
- 30 _____ you hungry?

Sentences and questions (2)

Choose the best way to complete the sentences.

31	did you leave your job?		
	A What	B Why	
32	How do yo	ou eat in a restaurant?	
	A long	B often	
33	is the weather like in Brazil?		
	A What	B How	
34	MP3 player is that?		
	A Who's	B Whose	
35	Ivan doesn't like r	milk, he?	
	A doesn't	B does	

Modal verbs (1)

Write one word in each gap to complete the sentences.

- 36 Can you ______ a musical instrument?
- **37** It was windy but the pilot ______ to land the plane.
- **38** I _____ ride a bike when I was 6.
- **39** We must _____ a new washing machine.
- **40** The students don't _____ to wear a uniform.

Modal verbs (2)

Choose the best way to complete the sentences.

- 41 Employees _____ smoke in the office.
 - A mustn't B don't have to
- 42Suzanne _____ join us for dinner.AmustBBmight
- 43 Youeat so many cakes.A shouldn'tB can't
- **44** They already had some paint so didn't ______ to buy any.
 - A must B need
- 45 Laura shouldn't have _____ her car unlocked.A leftB leave

Articles, nouns, pronouns, etc. (1)

Write one word in each gap to complete the sentences.

- 46 Toni is _____ engineer.
- 47 Look at _____ dog over there.
- 48 I need to buy bread.
- **49** We haven't got _____ wine for the party!
- 50 _____ is a swimming pool in my town.

Articles, nouns, pronouns, etc. (2)

Choose the best way to complete the sentences.

- 52 This is _____ computer.
 - A my B mine
- 53 How _____ people do you work with? A much B many
- 54 I can't understandshe says.A anythingB nothing
- 55 Brad finished _____ of the work about 80%.A all B most

Adjectives and adverbs (1)

Write one word in each gap to complete the sentences.

- 56 We put an adjective _____ a noun.
- 57 The spelling of '5th' is _____.
- 58 The comparative form of 'cheap' is
- 59 I can't go outside because the sun is _____ hot.
- 60 The comparative form of 'bad' is

Adjectives and adverbs (2)

Choose the best way to complete the sentences.

- 61 London is _____ expensive than Beijing.
 - A more **B** much
- 62 The superlative form of 'happy' is _____. A the happiest **B** the most happy
- 63 Dori plays the piano _____. A beautiful **B** beautifully
- 64 I hardly _____ leave work on time.
 - B never A ever
- 65 Our dog isn't very old but it's _____ old. A quite **B** really

Prepositions (1)

Write one word in each gap to complete the sentences.

- 66 Our school is next ______a park.
- 67 Yuki is standing in _____ of Holly.
- 68 She's meeting her boyfriend eight o'clock.
- 69 Scott's birthday is _____ December.
- 70 It looks _____ though it's going to rain.

Prepositions (2)

Choose the best way to complete the sentences.

- 71 He lives in a house _____ a blue door. A has **B** with
- 72 I always come to work _____ bus. A by **B** on
- 73 That coat belongs _____ my sister. A to **B** at
- 74 What time did you arrive _____ the conference?
 - A at **B** to
- 75 Are you afraid _____ spiders? **B** of
 - A for

Verbs (1)

Write one word in each gap to complete the sentences.

- 76 Have you ______a laptop?
- 77 I really must _____ my homework.
- 78 When I was driving to work my car down.
- 79 I wish my dad would _____ up smoking.
- 80 Spanish is _____ in many South American countries.

Verbs (2)

Choose the best way to complete the sentences.

- 81 I really need to _____ my hair cut. A have B had 82 I've decided _____ go to university. A for **B** to
- 83 you like a cup of tea? A Do **B** Would
- 84 Toni really enjoys _____ DVDs. A watch **B** watching
- 85 I'm going to the supermarket _____ buy some fruit.
 - A for **B** to

Conditionals and reported speech (1)

Write one word in each gap to complete the sentences.

- 86 If you want to pass your exams, you must hard.
- 87 If the weather is good, we _____ go to the beach.
- 88 If I had a car, I drive across America.
- 89 If I ______ speak Russian, I'd live in Moscow.
- **90** If Zadi had told the truth, she'd got the job.

Conditionals and reported speech (2)

Choose the best way to complete the sentences.

- **91** If I hadn't gone to the party, I wouldn't
 - Ben.
 - A have met B meet
- 92 Ella said she _____ in Warsaw for six months.
 - A had lived B is living
- 93 My friend said he _____ help me.A will B would
- 94 The teacher told the studentstalking.A to stopB stop
- **95** My boss asked me _____ I'd finished the report.
 - A to B if

Building sentences

Write one word in each gap to complete the sentences.

96	Franco or John broke the cup!	
97	I'm going to make a sandwich I'm hungry.	
98	We were tired so we stoppeda a rest.	
99	That is the boy gave me some	

- chocolate. **100** The house, _____ was built in 1901,
 - is made of stone.

Oxford Practice Grammar Basic Diagnostic Test - ANSWER KEY

If students get more than one answer incorrect in a section, refer them to the appropriate units in the book for explanation and further practice.

Tenses: present (Units 1-6)

- 1 A
- **2** A
- 3 A
- **4** A
- 5 B

Tenses: past (1) (Units 9-13)

- 6 were
- 7 bought
- 8 drive
- 9 was
- 10 been

Tenses: past (2) (Units 14-20)

- **11** B
- **12** B
- **13** A
- **14** A
- **15** A

Tenses: future (1) (Units 21-23)

- 16 going
- 17 to
- 18 Shall
- **19** will / 'll
- 20 going

Tenses: future (2) (Units 24-26)

- **21** B
- **22** A
- **23** B
- **24** B
- **25** A

Sentences and questions (1)

- (Units 27-29)
- 26 verb
- 27 pronouns
- 28 preposition
- 29 auxiliary
- 30 Are

Sentences and questions (2) (Units 30-36)

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- **31** B
- **32** B
- **33** A
- 34 B 35 B

Modal verbs (1) (Units 39-43) 36 play 37 managed

- 38 could
- **39** buy
- **40** have

Modal verbs (2) (Units 43-48)

- **41** A
- **42** B
- **43** A
- **44** B
- **45** A

Articles, nouns, pronouns, etc. (1) (Units 50-56)

- **46** an
- 47 that
- 48 some
- **49** anv
- 50 There

Articles, nouns, pronouns, etc. (2) (Units 55-64)

- **51** B
- **52** A
- **53** B
- **54** A
- **55** B

Adjectives and adverbs (1) (Units 65-71)

- 56 before
- 57 fifth
- 58 cheaper
- 59 too
- 60 worse

Adjectives and adverbs (2) (Units 71-76)

- 61 A
- **62** A
- **63** B
- **64** A
- **65** A

Prepositions (1) (Units 78-80)

- **66** to
- 67 front
- 68 at

69 in 70 as

Prepositions (2) (Units 81-84)

- **71** B
- **72** A
- **73** A
- 74 A
- **75** B

Verbs (1) (Units 85-89)

- 76 got
- 77 do
- 78 broke
- **79** give
- 80 spoken

Verbs (2) (Units 91-95)

Conditionals and reported

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speech (2) (Units 99-102)

Building sentences

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(Units 103-108)

96 Either

98 for

99 who

100 which

97 because

speech (1) (Units 97-99)

86 study/work

87 will/can

88 would

89 could

90 have

91 A

92 A

93 B

94 A

95 B

- **81** A
- **82** B
- **83** B
- 84 B 85 B