

## Grammar

## 1 Choose the correct words or phrases to complete the sentences.

- Tom ... very hard since the beginning of the year, but he needs to do more.  
a works b is working c has been working
- Mark was already a successful soccer player when he ... his own company.  
a started b starts c was starting
- Bianca ... several awards for her work with children in the last few years.  
a is winning b wins c 's won
- After starring in several Hollywood movies, Tina ... a household name.  
a 's become b becomes c becoming
- Recently, Maria ... with the problems in her professional life.  
a hasn't been coping b not been coping c not cope
- Martina ... to make quite a few sacrifices after setting up her business.  
a had b has c was having
- Making a lot of money ... my ambition.  
a never is b has never been c ever been
- Diego definitely ... a lot of risks at the start.  
a took b was taken c taken

## 2 Circle the correct answers.

- Mei *was playing* / *played* tennis when she injured herself.
- What *have you been doing* / *did you do* since we last met?
- I *was making* / *made* a bet and it paid off.
- Do you make* / *Have you made* any progress with your project since the last time we talked?
- Why *have you been dropping out* / *did you drop out* of college?
- I *was unemployed* / *have been unemployed* for two years now.
- He *doesn't win* / *hasn't won* any awards yet.
- He was only 16 when he *has been starting* / *started* his business.

## 3 Complete the sentences with the correct forms of the verbs in parentheses.

- Daniel \_\_\_\_\_ (win) several competitions since he became a professional tennis player.
- What \_\_\_\_\_ (you / do) yesterday?
- I \_\_\_\_\_ (not / see) you recently.
- I \_\_\_\_\_ (not / recognize) Jackie when I saw her at the award ceremony.
- I \_\_\_\_\_ (talk) to my boss when you came in.
- Martha \_\_\_\_\_ (travel) all round the world since she won the lottery.
- How many movies \_\_\_\_\_ (you / see) this month?



# Vocabulary

## 1 Find the odd one out.

- |            |  |           |  |
|------------|--|-----------|--|
| 1 win      | a prize / a bet / a responsibility         | 4 achieve | success / a risk / your ambition       |
| 2 make     | a risk / a sacrifice / progress            | 5 take    | difficulties / action / responsibility |
| 3 overcome | your fears / a breakthrough / difficulties | 6 make    | a difference / a profit / success      |

## 2 Complete the sentences with the verbs in the box.

show    make    take    achieve    do    cope with    overcome    succeed

- Let's start work early so we can \_\_\_\_\_ good progress.
- I hope you \_\_\_\_\_ well in life.
- I'm so proud you managed to \_\_\_\_\_ your fears.
- What's the biggest problem you \_\_\_\_\_ every day?
- It's very important to \_\_\_\_\_ determination.
- Try not to \_\_\_\_\_ too many risks.
- Not many people \_\_\_\_\_ against the odds.
- I really hope you \_\_\_\_\_ what you want in life.

## 3 Complete the sentences with the correct forms of the words in parentheses.

- Diego is amazingly \_\_\_\_\_ (wealth).
- J.K. Rowling is really \_\_\_\_\_ (fame).
- It's important to try to be \_\_\_\_\_ (success).
- Mark is very \_\_\_\_\_ (talent).
- These words are very \_\_\_\_\_ (power).
- Your \_\_\_\_\_ (happy) is up to you.
- The doctor is \_\_\_\_\_ (hope) that I will recover soon.

# Everyday English

## 1 Complete the statements with the exclamations in the box.

Ugh!    Huh?    Ouch!    Phew!    Wow!    Shh!

- \_\_\_\_\_ That hurt. Why did you hit me?
- \_\_\_\_\_ The baby's still asleep. We don't want to wake him.
- \_\_\_\_\_ There's too much salt in this. It tastes horrible.
- \_\_\_\_\_ At last! I didn't think I'd ever finish.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I'm sorry, but I don't really understand.
- \_\_\_\_\_ That's amazing. How did you do it?




# Reading

1 Read the internet article and write T (true) or F (false) for each statement.

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## The Successful Life

Most people want to be successful in their lives, whether it's at work, winning something like an award, being good at sport, or just having success at a personal level. Of course, being successful doesn't guarantee happiness. In fact there are many successful people who are incredibly unhappy. It takes a lot of hard work, and in many cases requires people to make sacrifices. It's also important to remember that you don't need to be famous to be successful. There are many people probably you've never heard of who have achieved remarkable things.



A lot depends on what success actually means to you. Does having a lot of money or power make you successful? Some people have a head start because their parents are wealthy or famous. It can be more satisfying when you have to overcome big problems. It's also interesting that taking risks does not necessarily make any difference. It depends on whether the risks pay off. The best way to achieve success is to set yourself targets and then try to reach them. Achieving your ambitions can be very rewarding and motivating. But the opposite is also true, so it's important to be realistic and not to aim too high.

- 1  The majority of people want to have success in some area of their lives.
- 2  The most successful people are always unhappy.
- 3  There are many successful people we have never heard of.
- 4  It is easier to be successful if you have wealthy or famous parents.
- 5  The bigger the risk you take, the greater the success you achieve.
- 6  When you set yourself targets and reach them, you are successful.
- 7  If the targets you set are unrealistic, it's very motivating.

# Listening

**1**  01 Listen to the conversation and match the people to the correct descriptions.

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|----------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1 Alex   | <input type="checkbox"/> | a has made lots of sacrifices.   |
| 2 Pete   | <input type="checkbox"/> | b has made a lot of money.       |
| 3 Randy  | <input type="checkbox"/> | c has overcome his/her fears.    |
| 4 Janice | <input type="checkbox"/> | d has won an award.              |
| 5 Beth   | <input type="checkbox"/> | e has achieved his/her ambition. |



# Pronunciation

**1**  02 Listen and choose which word is stressed.

- What have you been doing?  
**a** doing **b** have
- I really admire my mom.  
**a** admire **b** my
- Have you won an award?  
**a** you **b** won
- What does success mean to you?  
**a** does **b** success
- He's very ambitious.  
**a** ambitious **b** very
- How long have you been waiting?  
**a** been **b** How
- He doesn't mind taking risks.  
**a** risks **b** mind