



Grammar Quiz Intermediate 2

Circle the best answer. When you finish, check your answers on the back.
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[Choose the best sentence.]

1. a. [a] Children often are hungry. [b] Children are often hungry.
b. [a] You have eaten never sushi. [b] You have never eaten sushi.
c. [a] An apartment seldom in that area is available.
[b] An apartment in that area is seldom available.
d. [a] The boy usually watches TV in the afternoon.
[b] The boy watches usually TV in the afternoon.

2. a. Marie [cooked/was cooking] when she [felt/was feeling] an earthquake.
b. While she [stood/was standing], the floor [moved/was moving] again, so she [sat/was sitting] down.
c. While she [sat/was sitting], a cupboard door [opened/was opening], and dishes [fell/were falling] out.

3. a. The child has [brown long/long brown] hair.
b. The movie star has [big blue/blue big] eyes.
c. We met a [middle-aged small/small middle-aged] man.

4. a. Our relatives [have visited never/have never visited] B.C. before.
b. We [have offered/offer] to take our relatives to Vancouver Island.
c. We [have not decided/didn't have decided] where to take the ferry from.
d. [Do they have /Have they] ever been on a ferry?

5. a. They get [at/on/in] the bus in front of their apartment.
b. She is looking [to/on/at] the paintings in the museum.
c. After a long trip across Canada, Tim's car broke [up/down/in], and had to be fixed.
d. We are interested [in/to/on] buying a new house.

6. a. Norm [has come/came] from Kamloops yesterday.
b. I [have been asking/asked] him yesterday what he [has wanted/wanted] to do on the weekend.
c. "[Have you been driving/Have you driven] across the Alex Fraser Bridge yet?"
d. "Yes, I [have/did]. I [have/did] on my last visit."

7. a. The Jacksons have lived in that house [since/for] ten years.
b. My parents visited two years [since/ago] .
c. Sharon hasn't spoken to her manager [since/for] last Friday.
d. Margaret has not been the same [since/for] the day she got married.



8. a. We drove [during/within] the daytime.
 b. We were able to travel to Calgary [in/during] two days.
 c. We reached Kamloops [within/during] five hours.
 d. I can drive to the Community Centre [during/in] ten minutes.

9. a. Buses are [cheap/cheaper/cheapest] than taxis.
 b. Walking is the [most cheap/cheapest] way to go.
 c. Jack is [exciteder/more excited] than Bill about buying some bicycles.
 d. It would have been [gooder/better] if they had gone to a bike shop.

- 10.a. Mary has [drawed/drew/drawn] a lovely picture.
 b. I [swam/swum/swimmed] this morning.
 c. The pipes [freezed/froze/frozen] last night.
 d. James [stealed/stolen/stole] televisions.

- 11.a. Harry hates [getting/to getting/gets] up early any day of the week.
 b. He likes [to watching/to watch/watches] football in an open stadium.
 c. He enjoys [going/to going/to go] to football games with his sons.

- 12.a. Jason has [worked/been working] really hard so he can get a promotion.
 b. I have [thought/been thinking] about painting my house even though I have never [painted//been painting] anything before.
 c. Surjit has [being bought/been buying] groceries at Safeway for months, but she has just [applied, been applying] for a Safeway Club discount card.

Check your answers and circle the grammar points where you have made mistakes. Ask a tutor for advice on how to practice these points and how to find grammar help online.

Best answer	Grammar Point
1. a:[b] b:[b] c:[b] d:[a]	Adverbs of Frequency – Word Order
2. a:[was cooking][felt] b:[was standing][moved][sat] c:[was sitting][opened][fell]	Past Simple & Continuous
3. a:[long brown] b:[big blue] c:[small middle-aged]	Adjective Order
4. a:[have never visited] b:[have offered] c:[have not decided] d:[Have they]	Present Perfect
5. a:[on] b:[at] c:[down] d:[in]	Phrasal Verbs
6. a:[came] b:[asked][wanted] c:[Have you driven] d:[have][did]	Past Simple & Present Perfect
7. a:[for] b:[ago] c:[since] d:[since]	For/Since/Ago Time Expressions
8. a:[during] b:[in] c:[within] d:[in]	Prepositions of Time during/in/within
9. a:[cheaper] b:[cheapest] c:[more excited] d:[better]	Comparatives & Superlatives
10. a:[drawn] b:[swam] c:[froze] d:[stole]	Irregular Past Verb Forms
11. a:[getting] b:[to watch] c:[going]	Gerund or Infinitive
12. a:[been working] b:[been thinking][painted] c:[been buying][applied]	Present Perfect & Continuous

