

# First Masterclass: Unit Test 2

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## 1 Provide a word or phrase that is synonymous with the word in *italics* in the sentences below.

a We would like to formally invite you to *participate* in our annual public speaking competition.  
\_\_\_\_\_

b I found the book *accidentally* while I was cleaning the attic. \_\_\_\_\_

c He has the natural *skill* to be a good rugby player. \_\_\_\_\_

d *Presently*, I am living in Iceland. \_\_\_\_\_

e Too much *pressure* is not good for your heart. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_/ 5 marks

## 2 Rewrite the sentences, using *can / can't or could / couldn't* and making any other necessary changes.

a You *are able to* do it! Come on, keep trying! \_\_\_\_\_

b When I was younger, I *was able to* swim fast. \_\_\_\_\_

c If you lost a little weight, you *would probably be able to* fit into that dress. \_\_\_\_\_

d He *wouldn't have been able to* finish the exam even if he'd had more time. \_\_\_\_\_

e I have tried and tried, but I *am still unable to* do it. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_/ 5 marks

## 3 Rewrite each sentence using the word given in bold, so that the second sentence has a similar meaning.

a Did you book tickets to see Madonna? **manage**

Did you \_\_\_\_\_ tickets to see Madonna?

b I passed my exams. **succeeded**

I \_\_\_\_\_ my exams.

c Juventus scored two goals in the last five minutes of the game. **managed**

Juventus \_\_\_\_\_ two goals in the last five minutes of the game.

d Scientists have found a new cure for the common cold. **in**

Scientists have \_\_\_\_\_ a new cure for the common cold.

e Jenny could swim for miles when she was younger. **able**

Jenny \_\_\_\_\_ for miles when she was younger.

\_\_\_\_\_/ 10 marks

**4 Complete the table. An example is given.**

Adjective	Comparative	Superlative
<i>long</i>	<i>longer</i>	<i>the longest</i>
heavy		
bad		
good		
narrow		
independent		
large		
careful		
thin		
important		
happy		

\_\_\_\_\_ / 10 marks

**5 Correct the underlined mistakes.**

- a My brother's not nearly as faster than me. \_\_\_\_\_
- b This is the by far most easiest exercise. \_\_\_\_\_
- c That was the betterest match I've ever seen. \_\_\_\_\_
- d He's a little cleverest than me. \_\_\_\_\_
- e You're always considerably more later than me. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ / 5 marks

**6 Match the meaning of *get* in sentences 1–5 with its more formal equivalent in a–e.**

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|--|--------------|
| 1 I couldn't <i>get</i> you on the phone, even though I tried several times. _____ | a buy        |
| 2 We <i>got</i> the train because it was quicker. _____                            | b arrived    |
| 3 Did you remember to <i>get</i> me a newspaper? _____                             | c contact    |
| 4 Sorry, I didn't <i>get</i> what you said. Can you say it again? _____            | d caught     |
| 5 By the time we <i>got</i> there, Tom had already gone. _____                     | e understand |

\_\_\_\_\_ / 5 marks

**7 Complete these sentences with the correct phrasal verb from the list.**

*turn back turn into turn over turn to turn up*

- a Top professional football clubs \_\_\_\_\_ an enormous amount of money.
- b Jemma \_\_\_\_\_ late for work on her first day because she missed the bus.
- c The road was blocked because of an accident, so they had to \_\_\_\_\_.
- d Ray \_\_\_\_\_ a really good athlete since he started training more seriously.
- e My older brother is someone I can always \_\_\_\_\_ when I've got a problem.

\_\_\_\_\_/ 5 marks

**8 Complete these sentences with the correct form of the word in *italics*.**

- a His *arrival* / *arriving* will be exciting.
- b The national *employee* / *employment* level is improving.
- c People have more money in times of *prosperity* / *prosperous*.
- d I like to get as much *information* / *informed* as I can before I start.
- e The *completing* / *completion* date is quite soon, I think.

\_\_\_\_\_/ 5 marks

**Total \_\_\_\_\_ / 50**

# First Masterclass: Unit Test 2 Answer Key

1

- a take part / be involved
- b by chance / by mistake / unexpectedly / unintentionally
- c ability / talent
- d At present / At the moment / Currently / Now / These days
- e stress

*1 mark for each correct answer*

2

- a You *can* do it!
- b ... I *could* swim fast.
- c ... you *could* probably fit into that dress.
- d He *couldn't* have finished ...
- e ... I still *can't* do it.

*1 mark for each correct answer*

3

- a **manage** to book / get
- b **succeeded** in passing
- c **managed** to score
- d succeeded **in** finding
- e was **able** to swim

*2 marks for each correct answer*

4

- |                  |                      |
|------------------|----------------------|
| heavier          | the heaviest         |
| worse            | the worst            |
| better           | the best             |
| narrower         | the narrowest        |
| more independent | the most independent |
| larger           | the largest          |
| more careful     | the most careful     |
| thinner          | the thinnest         |
| more important   | the most important   |
| happier          | the happiest         |

*1 mark for each correct answer*

5

- a not nearly as fast as
- b by far the easiest
- c the best
- d a little cleverer
- e considerably later / more late

*1 mark for each correct answer*

6

- 1 c 2 d 3 a 4 e 5 b

*1 mark for each correct answer*

7

- a turn over b turned up c turn back
- d has turned into e turn to

*1 mark for each correct answer*

8

- a arrival b employment c prosperity
- d information e completion

*1 mark for each correct answer*

**Total marks: 50**