

Lesson 8A

GRAMMAR | concession

VOCABULARY | dystopian and utopian societies

PRONUNCIATION | pausing when conceding a point

VOCABULARY

dystopian and utopian societies

1 A Choose the correct words to complete the posts.

SamT I was having a discussion with some friends last week and one of them said that it wasn't possible to have a perfect society, where everyone was happy. When I disagreed, she accused me of ¹**idealism** / **oppression**. So I want to know what you think. Is it possible to create a ²**curfew** / **paradise** on Earth? And, if so, how?

Hitch_58 I'm studying law so, for me, one of the most important things is to make sure there is ³**paranoia** / **justice** for everyone. No one should be punished if they haven't done anything wrong.

⁴**Oppression** / **Harmony** happens when there is no independent legal system and people in power can do whatever they want with few consequences.

ThomB To create a perfect world, you first have to get rid of all kinds of ⁵**surveillance** / **innocence**. At the moment, there are cameras everywhere so people have little freedom to lead their lives in the way they want to.

Novak77 I'm afraid I think the idea of a perfect world is nonsense. There has never been any such thing as an age of ⁶**paranoia** / **innocence**, when people were kind and good and lived together in ⁷**harmony** / **greed**, with no social problems at all. People are basically always dissatisfied with their lives, which is what leads to ⁸**tranquillity** / **social unrest**.

B Complete the conversation using words from the box.

curfew greed innocence paradise
paranoia surveillance tranquillity unrest

A: I hate it when there are protests and social ¹..... in the city.

B: Especially when people steal from shops. That's just ²....., taking things they want.

A: Will the government impose a ³..... after dark?

B: No, don't give in to fear and ⁴..... Relax. The city will soon be a place of calm and ⁵..... again!

GRAMMAR

concession

2 A Choose the correct word or phrase to complete the sentences.

1 life is much better for most people now, there is still a lot of hardship.

a Although b However c That said,

2 It is probably impossible to create a perfect society. it is still worth trying!

a While b That's true c At the same time,

3 Wealthy society is, a surprising number of people struggle to put food on the table every day.

a our b while our c as our

4 it creates a number of problems, but I still think modern technology improves society.

a While b Although c Admittedly,

5 Most people can expect to live longer now. this is not true in all parts of the country.

a Same time b However, c Even though

6 Many films portray a depressing vision of the future. there are a few optimistic films with a more positive outlook.

a That said, b While c That's true

B Link the sentences using the words in brackets and correct punctuation.

1 I think he's a good writer. His vision of the future is very depressing.

..... is very depressing. (admittedly)

2 There are a lot of problems in the world. There is still a lot to feel good about.

..... is still a lot to feel good about. (that said)

3 I agree with a lot of his ideas. I don't share all his opinions.

..... all his opinions. (while)

4 The film is good. The ending is disappointing.

The film (though)

5 The government's proposals on taxation are interesting. I don't agree with them.

Interesting agree with them. (though)

PRONUNCIATION

3 A 8.01 | pausing when conceding a point | Listen and choose the place (a or b) where there is a pause.

1 Even though ^athe film has a sad ending, ^bit's still uplifting.

2 Social media is certainly ^auseful. However, ^bit also creates a lot of problems.

3 Fun though ^athe holiday was, ^bI don't think we'll be going back there.

4 The film ^awas really good, ^bthough some of the acting wasn't brilliant.

B Practise saying the sentences in Ex 3A.

READING

4A Read the extract from a story below. Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

- 1 The story is set in a **utopian** / **dystopian** future.
- 2 The main danger the characters face now comes from the **Dark Day** / **Guardians**.
- 3 The ending feels generally **optimistic** / **pessimistic** about the future.

B Read the extract again. Choose the five things you can infer. Identify the parts of the extract that help you infer these things.

- 1 Life for the narrator in the past was not perfect.
- 2 A major event led to a sudden change in society.
- 3 Some people were pleased that the change happened.
- 4 Not many people live in the city now.
- 5 The characters struggle to find food every day.
- 6 The group do not always get on well together.
- 7 It is difficult for people to know who they can trust now.
- 8 The situation in the city is now beginning to improve.

Another day dawned and I crawled out of my sleeping place in the empty office building I now called home. I could hear the others already up and about, so I headed for the 'kitchen', the communal area where we tended to gather in the mornings, to discuss our strategies and priorities for the day. As always, a part of me couldn't help but contrast my current dark, concrete bedroom with the comparative luxury I had enjoyed before. And, as always, I had to remind myself that it isn't helpful to look back, especially when it's so easy to focus on the positives of the past and overlook the negatives, like the constant pressure to work, earn money and conform. That said, at least before the Dark Day I had a comfortable mattress!

I spotted a bottle of clean water on my way to the kitchen. Someone had obviously been out already and had a lucky find. Things were shaping up to be a good day! I took a sip, then poured a small amount into my cupped hands and rubbed them over my face, enjoying the cool, fresh sensation it produced. It was strange to think of all the little things we had taken for granted before the Dark Day had turned everything upside down, like running water, full supermarket shelves and clean clothes every day.

The others greeted me as I came into the kitchen and I felt a rush of joy to be part of a human community again. The first few weeks had definitely been the worst, before the ten of us in the group had gradually come together, each terrified that we were the only survivor in the whole city.

5 Read the text about dystopian fiction and answer the questions. Use no more than three words for each answer.

It might seem strange that so many people enjoy reading dystopian fiction and entering worlds of hostile or frightening societies. But this fantasy element of dystopian fiction is part of the appeal, as it gives people the opportunity to escape reality. In addition, although the situations may be difficult or even frightening, readers are able to look up to the main characters. These characters, who are often ordinary people, find themselves in situations where there are difficult problems they need to overcome, so they become unwilling heroes that we can all relate to. And most importantly, they behave with honesty and integrity in a world of fear and uncertainty.

- 1 What does dystopian fiction give people the chance to do?
.....
- 2 What do people find inspiring in dystopian novels?
.....
- 3 What do the characters have to do in the stories?
.....
- 4 What qualities do the characters usually show?
.....

Having companions once again gave us all a sense of purpose and a belief that we would find a way through this and create a new future for ourselves. I sat down and was handed a cup of warm but weak coffee. I took a sip – sugar, too! The main priority for the day, as for every day, was securing supplies of basic necessities. The supermarkets and warehouses that had remained standing following the destruction brought by the Dark Day had long since been emptied by gangs coming in from outside the city, so we needed to think hard about where there might be stores of anything still fresh enough to consume.

We knew the time was coming when we would have to leave the city and head towards more remote areas where we could find land to grow crops and create a more sustainable way of life. The idea was appealing, but we also knew it was full of dangers, not least from the self-appointed Guardians, survivors of the old establishment who had taken it upon themselves to seize control of parts of the country, take responsibility for law and order and carry out their own forms of justice to anyone they saw as a threat. We had heard rumours of groups such as ours being approached on the road with offers of hot meals and practical help, only to be captured and forced to join work teams. It was clear there were dangers, but our confidence had grown over the past weeks, strengthened by our sense of solidarity and we believed we could make it.

Lesson 8B

GRAMMAR | future forms

VOCABULARY | science and technology

PRONUNCIATION | contractions and weak forms: the future perfect

VOCABULARY

science and technology

1 Choose the correct word to complete the sentences.

- This device can the level of air pollution close to your home, so you know when it's high.
a activate b generate c monitor
- My phone's nearly out of battery. I need to it.
a emit b recharge c convert
- This app will completely the way we buy things.
a eliminate b detect c revolutionise
- Most older vehicles more greenhouse gases than newer ones.
a modify b emit c recharge
- Wave power can large amounts of electricity.
a generate b eliminate c monitor
- Any movement in the house will the alarm.
a modify b convert c activate

2 Choose the correct words to complete the reviews.

- I bought this small **hand-held / hazardous** fan to hold in front of my face, to keep cool in the hot weather. It broke after about half an hour! ★
- This kettle really is **energy-efficient / hand-held**. It seems to use a lot less power than standard kettles. ★★★★★
- Don't buy this toy for your kids. Some of the parts can come off and are **hazardous / recyclable** for young children. ★
- I bought this microwave oven for my granddad because it is supposed to be **recyclable / user-friendly** and my granddad needs things that are simple to use. But even I couldn't work out the instructions! ★★
- A great combination of traditional and modern. The oven has a traditional design but uses **hazardous / state-of-the-art** technology to help you produce restaurant-quality pizzas. I love it! ★★★★★
- I love everything about my new camera and all the packaging is **user-friendly / recyclable**, so there is no waste, which is a plus for me! ★★★★★

GRAMMAR

future forms

3A Choose the correct verb forms.

- I don't think we **will have used / will be using** fossil fuels at all in fifty years' time.
- I hope scientists **will have found / will have been found** a way to deal with plastic waste by then.
- Their plane left at six this morning, so by the time they arrive, they **may be travelling / will have been travelling** for over fifteen hours.
- By the middle of the next century, people **may be living / could have lived** to the age of 130.
- In a few years' time, some of our cities **will be modifying / might have been modified** to cope better with extreme heat.

B Choose the best option to correct the mistake.

- Come to the cinema at seven. I waiting for you.
a am waiting b 'll be waiting c 've been waiting
- Hopefully, my passport is turning up by the time we want to go on holiday!
a will have turned up b has been turned up c may be turning up
- If we don't get to the party soon, the food is eaten!
a will have eaten b could be eating c might have been eaten
- By next year, my grandma is living in the same house for over sixty years.
a has lived b will have been living c may be living

C Read the conversation, then complete the sentences (1–5) with the future continuous, perfect or perfect continuous form of the verb in brackets.

- Maria: I'm going to a festival on Saturday. We leave at 6 a.m. and will get there at 10. Can't wait!
- Jo: Have you finished your assignment?
- Maria: Not yet, but I'm working on it now. I'll get it done by Friday evening.
- Jo: Who's playing at the festival?
- Maria: They haven't given the full line-up yet. But I'm sure we'll know before we go!
- Jo: Well, enjoy it. I guess you'll be tired after dancing all day on Saturday!

- At eight o'clock on Saturday morning, Maria to a festival. (travel)
- She thinks she her project by the time she goes away. (finish)
- Maria doesn't know which bands (play)
- She thinks the full line-up by the time they set off. (announce)
- Jo thinks that by Saturday evening, Maria all day! (dance)

PRONUNCIATION

4A  **8.02 | contractions and weak forms: the future perfect** | Listen and decide which part of the verb form in bold (a or b) is pronounced as a contraction or a weak form.

- I think I **will have finished** work by five o'clock.
a have b will have
- Maybe new, cleaner forms of transport **will have been developed** by then.
a will have b have been
- I'm sure **she will have been promoted** by next year.
a have been b will have been
- I'm sure Jason **will have heard** about the job by next week.
a will have b have

B  **8.02 | Listen again and practise saying the sentences.**

LISTENING

5A  **8.03 | Listen to a radio discussion about some recent inventions. Choose the main topic of the discussion.**

- Some new inventions can really transform our lives.
- Some joke inventions are not useful or necessary.
- We really need to solve more problems through new technology.

B  **8.03 | Listen again. Are the statements True (T) or false (F)?**

- A Hoverbrella is an umbrella that you don't need to hold.
- The presenter thinks a Hoverbrella would be useful.
- The Stop Snacking Sweater prevents you from using your hands.
- The presenter believes the sweater could solve the serious problem of people over-eating.
- The Watch Your Step Rug encourages people to remove their dirty shoes.
- The presenter finds it hard to believe that the rug is a genuine invention.
- Matty Benedetto is a real inventor who produces joke inventions.
- The presenter approves of the point that Matty is making through his unnecessary inventions.

C   **8.04 | Listen to the recording. Write what you hear. You will hear the sentences only once.**

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WRITING

an opinion essay

6A Read the essay. Choose the writer's main point.

- The government should offer more training courses to individuals to help them become inventors.
- The government should offer financial incentives to individuals who come up with useful inventions.
- The government should ban inventions that use resources but offer no real benefit to people.

1..... Just look at all the brilliant ideas they come up with, like energy-saving bulbs, fridges that can tell us when we're running out of milk and security systems that allow us to check on our home when we're away on holiday. Unfortunately, too many of these people use their talents to design things that we don't need, like expensive plastic toys that use up precious resources but end up in landfill sites in six months.

2..... The answer, of course, is money. Large companies pay good salaries to inventors and designers who can come up with good ideas that will appeal to the public and generate profit. For this reason, some of the best minds in the world are spending their time designing kitchen gadgets or accessories instead of using their skills to tackle the really important problems facing the world.

3..... Imagine, for example, if governments offered large cash prizes to inventors who could come up with designs for things such as cheap but environmentally friendly heating systems, or ways of reducing the amount of water needed to grow crops. If the prizes were generous enough, individual inventors would be far more likely to spend time working on these worthwhile projects. Moreover, the solutions they came up with would benefit us all.

B Add the topic sentences (a–d) to the gaps in the essay (1–3). There is one sentence you don't need.

- So, why do inventors devote so much time to inventing things we don't really need?
- Generous financial incentives would give individuals an incentive to focus on the inventions we need.
- There are thousands of new but useless products designed and produced each year.
- There are plenty of clever inventors in the world.

7  Read the question. Then, plan, write and review your answer. You must write at least 200 words.

'We all buy far more products than we need and we should all make an effort to consume less to protect the environment.' To what extent do you agree with this opinion?

Lesson 8C

HOW TO ... | maintain and end a discussion

VOCABULARY | money

PRONUNCIATION | intonation: ending a discussion

VOCABULARY

money

1 A Match the money problems (1–5) with the meanings (a–e).

- 1 My bank won't give me an overdraft.
 - 2 My friends all say I'm stingy.
 - 3 My salary only covers the essentials.
 - 4 My expenditure is out of control.
 - 5 My allowance from my parents hasn't increased in the last five years!
- a I don't have enough money to buy luxuries.
b I have to manage with the same amount of income.
c I am considered to be mean with money.
d I can't borrow money if my account is empty.
e I spend too much money.

B Complete the conversation using words and phrases from the box.

allowance blow essentials frugal overdraft
put aside splash out steady job

A: Now that you've got a ¹....., why don't we
²..... on a nice meal in a restaurant?

B: No, I don't want to ³..... all my salary at
once. I want to ⁴..... as much as possible for
a holiday next year.

A: Yeah, I guess it makes sense to be ⁵.....
A coffee, then?

2 Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

- 1 I usually buy clothes at the end of the season, when they're **discounted** / **complimentary**.
- 2 I think that restaurant is **overpriced** / **cost-effective** and the food isn't very good either!
- 3 What's the most **discounted** / **economical** way to heat the flat?
- 4 I never buy **economical** / **priced** designer brands of clothing – they're a waste of money!
- 5 We were offered two **complimentary** / **priced** tickets for the show, which saved us a lot of money.
- 6 I sometimes pay for things in instalments because it can be **an overpriced** / **a cost-effective** way to buy expensive items.

How to ...

maintain and end a discussion

3 A 8.05 | Listen to three conversations about money. Match the conversations (1–3) with the topics (a–c).

- a receiving money as a present
b giving tips in a restaurant
c asking for a pay rise

B 8.05 | Complete the extracts with the words in the box. Listen again and check.

different frankly looking
say see side two with

- 1, I object to paying 10% extra for a meal!
- 2 But the other of the coin is that people who work in the restaurant often rely on tips.
- 3 I'm Claire here.
- 4 Well, I guess we're all
- 5 Well, I guess that's one way of at it, but on the other hand, ...
- 6 Yes, that makes of us.
- 7 As I it, I'd rather have cash and use it to buy something I want.
- 8 I dare that's OK if it's a large company ...

PRONUNCIATION

4 8.06 | intonation: ending a discussion | Listen and decide if the extracts end with an interested tone and rising intonation (R) or falling intonation (F).

- 1 Well, I guess we're all different.
- 2 I mean, cash just isn't a real present, is it?
- 3 I would still say that if you feel you deserve a higher salary, you should definitely mention it.
- 4 Thanks. It's been great talking to you. It's really helpful to get your views.

SPEAKING

5 A 8.07 | Choose the correct words to complete the conversation. Then listen and check.

A: Can you believe it? Adele asked if she could borrow some money. I would never ask friends for money.

B: Well, it depends. I mean, I can see what you're ¹**saying** / **meaning**, but on the other hand, if one of my friends was struggling for money, I wouldn't mind helping out.

A: But, as I ²**do** / **see** it, it's unfair because it would be so hard for a friend to refuse, even if they couldn't really afford to lend any.

B: Yes, I guess that's one way of ³**seeing** / **looking** at it, but on the other hand, what are friends for? They're the people who will help if you're in trouble.

A: I dare ⁴**say** / **believe** that's true, but it might be really hard to ask for the money back. I mean, what if the friend can't afford to pay you back?

B: Yes, I'm ⁵**for** / **with** you there. It could be tricky. But frankly, that's a risk I would take.

A: Well, I ⁶**guess** / **suggest** we're all different.

B 8.08 | You are B in Ex 5A. Listen and speak after the beep. Record the conversation if you can.

C Listen to your recording and compare it with Ex 5A.

Lesson 8D

LISTENING | science-fiction inventions

READING | time travel

LISTENING

- 1  **8.09** | Listen to an interview about science-fiction inventions that have become reality. Number the inventions (a–d) in the order they are mentioned.
- | | |
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| a tablet | c machine translator |
| b mobile phone | d space station |
- 2  **8.09** | Listen again. Match the inventions from Ex 1 with the statements (1–4).
- 1 The first real versions of the invention were much bigger than the one in the science-fiction series.
 - 2 The science-fiction invention was for communicating with aliens.
 - 3 One use of the invention is already a reality and other uses may one day become a reality.
 - 4 The science-fiction invention was for watching news.

READING

- 3 Read the forum posts. Choose the one question (a–c) the people are all answering.
- a Will time travel ever be possible in the future?
 - b What is the appeal of stories about time travel?
 - c What's your favourite time travel story?
- 4 Read the comments again. Choose the correct writers to complete the sentences.
- 1 **BenW** / **ChuckP** mentions rethinking decisions we made in the past, to change the course of our lives.
 - 2 **Nesta** / **BeaZ** thinks that we can't usually do anything to stop the passage of time.
 - 3 **Chuck P** / **BenW** believes that fiction allows us to escape from problems in our real lives.
 - 4 **BeaZ** / **Nesta** says that time travel would allow us to experience different time periods in the past.
 - 5 **BenW** / **BeaZ** says that time travel would give us the power to control time, rather than being controlled by it.
 - 6 **Nesta** / **ChuckP** thinks we are keen to know what life will be like for future generations.

ChuckP

I've been watching a lot of science-fiction films and I've got into the idea of time travel. So I'd like your opinions on this question.

Personally, I think it's the same as for any other kind of fiction, whether in books or films – it's our need to get away from the reality of everyday life. Let's face it, real life is pretty dull, governed by routines and full of difficulties, both big and small. We sometimes need a fantasy world where we can forget all the things that irritate us or worry us in real life and find ourselves in a completely different time and place. Science fiction feeds our imagination and enables us to do this.

BenW

A lot of popular time travel stories are personal ones, where people can go back and maybe change things, so events take a different course. I think this idea appeals to us because we know that we all make slip ups sometimes. And mistakes have consequences that stay with us in the present. So, we're fascinated by the idea that we could go back and correct our mistakes. I think we're also aware of the importance of chance in our lives – a chance meeting that leads us off in a particular direction, an instant decision we make which automatically prevents other things from happening. So, I think we like the idea that we can reflect on what would have been a better outcome, and then go back and make sure it happens.

Nesta

For me, the key thing is curiosity. There's so much knowledge available about what life was like in the past, from accounts of the big events that shaped history to personal accounts of the lives of ordinary people and I think we'd all jump at the chance to go back and see certain things for ourselves. What was it like travelling across the ocean on an early sailing ship? What was it like living in a medieval castle? I also think we have a huge amount of curiosity about the future. We know that our lives are limited and won't go on forever, so this leaves a huge question about what the world will be like when we're not around to see it.

BeaZ

I think in some ways it's to escape from time itself. Time rules our lives. We look at clocks and see the seconds ticking by and there's nothing we can do about it. Time limits us and restricts us, by seeming to pass too quickly when we'd like it to slow down, or seeming to drag when we want something to be over. And once time has gone, we can't get it back. I think with the idea of time travel, we can feel like we're in charge of time, rather than the other way around.



GRAMMAR

1 Choose the correct adverbials to complete the sentences.

- 1 She looked at me **suspiciously** / **usually** when I handed her the letter.
- 2 I **from time to time** / **occasionally** bump into Jason.
- 3 This new job opportunity is **luckily** / **really** exciting.
- 4 **Fortunately** / **Rarely**, I had remembered to take my passport with me.
- 5 I go to the gym **never** / **about once a week**.

2 Choose the correct word or phrase to complete the sentences.

- 1 it's late, I think we should head home.
a As b As a result c Because of
- 2 I love astronomy, I bought a telescope.
a Seeing b Because of c Since
- 3 his accident, he can no longer play football.
a As a result of b Because c In light of
- 4 the delays on the roads, it might be more sensible to travel by train.
a Since b In light of c As
- 5 everyone's here, I suggest we start.
a Because of b As a result of c Seeing as
- 6 the weather, the concert was delayed.
a As b Because of c As a result of

3 Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

admittedly although as even however

- 1 Interesting the film was, I'm not sure I'd recommend it for children.
- 2 It's a beautiful house., we aren't sure it's the right one for us.
- 3, he's very popular with his colleagues, but that isn't a good reason to promote him.
- 4 it's quite a long walk, I think everyone in the group should be able to manage it.
- 5 though it's a very exciting city, I don't think I would choose to live there.

4 Choose the correct verb forms to complete the text.

Some motoring experts believe that by 2040 the way we use and own cars will have ¹**changed** / **been changing** completely. They predict that by this time, most petrol-powered cars ²**will have** / **will have been** replaced by electric ones. By then, at least some people ³**will be** / **will have been** driving electric vehicles for twenty years and the infrastructure of charging points should all be in place. More significantly, it is expected that fewer people will ⁴**be buying** / **have been bought** their own cars. Instead, many ⁵**will have been chosen** / **may be choosing** to use car clubs, which allow members to use cars owned by the club in return for an annual fee.

VOCABULARY

5 Complete the sentences with the verbs in the box.

define illustrate signify specify sum up

- 1 The letters MSc after someone's name the person has a Masters degree.
- 2 Can you in just a few words what your research team has been studying over the last year?
- 3 When you place your order, please the colour you would like.
- 4 I would the word 'dim' as 'quite dark'.
- 5 Could you give us an example, to the point you are making?

6 Complete the text with the words in the box. There are two words you don't need.

catalyst decline exploded revert
shrink surge switch transform

The future of cheese

In recent years, there has been a ¹..... in the popularity of plant-based foods. While many people believe that eating only plant-based foods is healthier for individuals and better for the planet, the ²..... to plant-based eating usually involves giving up some favourite foods, one of which is cheese. However, help could soon be at hand in the form of artificially created milk. Some food manufacturers are now producing milk protein in a laboratory, which they can ³..... into cheese without using a single cow. The result, which has recently ⁴..... onto the market, is a cheese that tastes just as good as the animal-based original. The manufacturers hope that the existence of new forms of cheese will lead to the gradual ⁵..... in traditional dairy farming and will act as a ⁶..... for many more people to move away from animal products altogether.

7 Choose the correct word to complete the sentences.

- 1 Nuts make a tasty and healthy and are probably better for you than chocolate.
a diet b snack c season
- 2 Some people have a tendency to on biscuits while they're working.
a binge b junk c diet
- 3 I'd prefer to buy vegetables, but they're more expensive than normal ones.
a season b cholesterol c organic
- 4 You should cook a meal instead of eating food like cheeseburgers all the time!
a junk b vegan c binge
- 5 Apples are in at the moment, so they're quite cheap.
a diet b calories c season
- 6 Eggs are rich in a range of that your body needs.
a nutrients b diets c calories

8 Complete each comment with two of the adjectives in brackets.

Maria405 I'm a student without much money. Any recommendations for bargain clothes online?

JoJo44 Try SamsPreloved.com. The clothes are all ¹....., so they've been owned before, but they're all still in ²..... condition and you can save loads of money! (decent / second-hand / trendy)

AmyDan If you want something ³..... and glamorous but at a reasonable price, try aftertheparty.com. They sell formal and party clothes that people have usually only worn once. These kinds of clothes are really ⁴..... to buy new, so the website is well worth checking. (classy / costly / shabby)

MiMi77 Take a look at bestof70s.com. All the items are genuine ⁵..... clothes from the 1970s. Some look a bit old-fashioned, but you can also find some really ⁶..... things, all at good prices. (costly / trendy / vintage)

9 Choose the correct adjective (a-c) to match each description of clothes.

- There are holes in the elbows and the colour has nearly all washed out.
a matching b scruffy c chic
- The best coat to wear in the rain if you want to avoid getting wet!
a waterproof b loud c baggy
- It's a lovely big, loose jumper that's so comfortable to wear!
a striped b dull c baggy
- It's a beautiful top, with blue and green lines across it.
a matching b striped c scruffy
- This jacket and these trousers go together perfectly.
a loud b waterproof c matching
- This dress looks so stylish and expensive!
a chic b baggy c dull

10 Match the words (1-5) with the meanings (a-f). There is one meaning you don't need.

- | | |
|-----------------|------------|
| 1 paranoia | 4 curfew |
| 2 harmony | 5 paradise |
| 3 social unrest | |
- a a law that says people cannot go outside after a particular time at night
b when people protest against a government
c a perfect place to live in
d an irrational fear that people are after you
e when people get on well and don't argue or fight
f when people are treated fairly by the law

11 Complete the words in the sentences.

- We can use the sun to g..... electricity.
- Petrol cars e..... harmful gases into the atmosphere.
- My phone's out of battery – where can I r..... it?
- Is it possible to c..... wave energy into electricity?
- Don't open the door, or you'll a..... the alarm!

12 Read the sentences about products. Is the second sentence in each pair True (T) or False (F)?

- This cleaning product contains some hazardous substances. It is completely safe to use.
2 This is a state-of-the-art laptop. It's very modern.
- All the parts of this kettle are recyclable. The parts can be used again.
4 This new heater is more energy-efficient than most. It uses less energy than other heaters.
- This is not the most user-friendly tablet. It is very easy to use.

13 Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

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- Some of my friends say I'm too with money, but I think I'm just careful!
- Stan is twenty-five, but he still gets a monthly from his parents – can you believe it?
- I've been saving for two years, and now I've decided to all the money on a big holiday to Australia!
- I try to put an amount of money each month, so I can buy a flat one day.
- I tried to arrange a bigger at the bank because I'm expecting some big bills this month.
- I have very little money left each month, once I've paid for all the

14 Choose the correct words to complete the tips.

Saving money

- A microwave is the most way to cook meals – much cheaper than a normal oven.
- Go to the supermarket late in the day, as you can often find cheaper, food items.
- Avoid buying coffees in trendy cafés!
- If you enjoy films, get a part-time job at your local cinema – staff sometimes get tickets, meaning you can see films for free.
- Cook your own food – it's much cheaper than buying ready-prepared meals.

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| 1 a pricey | b economical | c overpriced |
| 2 a complimentary | b discounted | c pricey |
| 3 a cost-effective | b complimentary | c overpriced |
| 4 a complimentary | b overpriced | c economical |
| 5 a pricey | b cost-effective | c economical |