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ACCERTAMENTO DI LINGUA INGLESE: LIVELLO B2

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## READING

### 1 Read the text and tick (✓) A, B, or C.

Our facial expression is usually the first indicator of our state of mind. When we're happy, we smile. And when we're sad or angry, we **frown**. There are times, however, when we don't want people to know what we're really thinking or feeling, or when we're trying to hide something. In these situations, we choose our words carefully, and we consciously make our facial expression **mirror** what we're saying.

However, up to 90 per cent of communication is non-verbal. So we might say one thing, but our body language often tells a different story. Body language refers to the **pattern** of gestures that express our **inner** thoughts and feelings in communication.

Unless we are very clever, our bodies will usually try to tell the truth, no matter what our words and facial expressions are communicating. Here are three of the most common ways that our bodies can **give us away**:

1) **Touching** our faces more often than usual. If we are lying, we often cover our mouth with our hand or put a finger on our lip. Part of us knows that what we are saying is not true, and tries to stop it coming out. Touching our ear or hair and, most commonly, our nose are signs that we might be feeling anxious, or that we are angry or frightened but don't feel able to express it.

2) **Gesturing** with our hands. Experiments have shown that we use our hands to talk with much less than usual when what we are saying is not true. We don't know exactly what our hands are saying, but we know they are probably communicating something important so we try not to use them. A person who says he or she is very pleased with something, and they have their arms **folded** while they are speaking, may actually be feeling quite the opposite.

3) **Moving** our legs and feet. These are the most **revealing** parts of our body as they are the furthest from our face and we don't usually pay attention to what they are doing. An interviewer might be listening patiently, smiling, and **nodding**, but if he's **tapping** his foot, this could tell us that he is not enjoying the interview at all.

Most of us don't know exactly what someone else's body language means. But if we feel uneasy in someone's company, it may be because their words and their body are saying different things from each other. This difference can have a significant effect on how we get on with that person.

Example: The expression on our face can \_\_\_\_\_.

- A show how we're feeling  B hide what we really think   
C both show how we're feeling and hide what we're really thinking

- 1 We change the expression on our faces when we want people to believe \_\_\_\_\_.  
A what we're really thinking  B that we're lying  C what we're saying
- 2 Our body language shows \_\_\_\_\_.  
A what we want people to think  B what we're really thinking   
C that we always tell the truth
- 3 People who aren't being honest often \_\_\_\_\_.  
A touch their faces more frequently  B try to stop talking  C touch their hair
- 4 People who are afraid tend to \_\_\_\_\_.  
A cover their mouths  B touch their noses  C touch their hands
- 5 It's common to \_\_\_\_\_ if we aren't telling the truth.  
A use our hands more  B use our hands less  C look at our hands
- 6 To decide if someone is telling the truth, looking at their hands is \_\_\_\_\_ listening to what they say.  
A a better indication than  B just as effective as  C not as effective as
- 7 When it comes to watching body language, legs and feet \_\_\_\_\_.  
A aren't as interesting as faces  B are the most revealing   
C aren't worth looking at
- 8 If an interviewer's foot is moving, he's probably \_\_\_\_\_.  
A listening very carefully  B not enjoying the interview  C not paying attention
- 9 \_\_\_\_\_ can interpret a person's body language accurately.  
A Few people  B Nobody  C Most people
- 10 If a person's words and body language don't match, we can feel \_\_\_\_\_.  
A at ease  B relaxed  C uncomfortable

## 2 Match five of the highlighted words and phrases with the definitions.

- 1 crossed in front of your chest  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 2 moving the head up and down  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 3 regular way things happen  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 4 letting something be known that is usually hidden  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 5 make lines appear in the space above your eyes  
\_\_\_\_\_

## GRAMMAR

### 1 Complete the sentences. Use the correct form of the verb in brackets.

Example: Are you going (go) on holiday this year?

- 1 Sonia \_\_\_\_\_ (work) in the garden. Shall I call her for you?
- 2 We \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to the Edinburgh Festival in August last year.
- 3 If I found £20 on the floor in a shop, I \_\_\_\_\_ (give) it to one of the assistants.
- 4 Mary \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to Italian classes for the last two months – she loves them!
- 5 Wait until Roberto \_\_\_\_\_ (get) here and then the meeting can begin.
- 6 Diana told me she \_\_\_\_\_ (want) to start learning French.
- 7 I really dislike \_\_\_\_\_ (work) on Sundays.
- 8 When we returned, we saw that somebody \_\_\_\_\_ (break) one of our windows.
- 9 I would have invited you to the party if I \_\_\_\_\_ (know) you were around!
- 10 Students will get their results in June. A letter \_\_\_\_\_ (send) to their home address.
- 11 ‘Didn’t you hear your phone ring?’ ‘No, I \_\_\_\_\_ (listen) to music on headphones.’
- 12 I don’t want to eat salad again! I \_\_\_\_\_ (have) it twice this week.

### 2 Complete the sentences with one word.

Example: That’s the house where my father was born.

- 1 You wouldn’t have missed the train if you \_\_\_\_\_ stayed in bed so long.
- 2 If I \_\_\_\_\_ you, I wouldn’t say anything and just forget about it.
- 3 Will Donna be \_\_\_\_\_ to give me a lift to the station.
- 4 The car park is free – you don’t \_\_\_\_\_ to pay!
- 5 I didn’t \_\_\_\_\_ to like cabbage but I love it now.

### 3 Underline the correct word(s).

Example: There’s no / not enough time to get the project finished today.

- 1 I don’t mind people disagree / disagreeing with me.
- 2 Could you drive more slower / slowly? I hate it when you drive fast.
- 3 Sally wouldn’t / won’t pass her driving test if she doesn’t practise more.
- 4 That’s the man whose / who’s dog bit me last month!
- 5 My sister said / told me not to tell anyone about her new boyfriend.
- 6 If you sent him a birthday card, he’ll / he’d really appreciate it.
- 7 There were very few / little people at the concert because of the weather.
- 8 You won’t be able to get home unless / if you call a taxi.
- 9 Richard has always worked much harder than / that I do.
- 10 The Olympics and Paralympics held / were held in London in 2012.

#### 4 Write the noun

Example: organize organization

- 1 complain \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 lose \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 explain \_\_\_\_\_

#### 5 Complete the sentences with the correct preposition.

Example: What are you going to do next weekend?

- 1 Vicky is really good \_\_\_\_\_ card games – she always wins.
- 2 You must be really pleased \_\_\_\_\_ your exam results!
- 3 We spent €4,000 \_\_\_\_\_ a holiday in New York.
- 4 I'm so tired. I'm really looking forward \_\_\_\_\_ my holiday next week.
- 5 Jake's thinking \_\_\_\_\_ applying for a job with Microsoft

#### 6 Complete the sentences with the correct words.

Example: I inherited a lot of money a few years ago from my grandfather.

Inherited earned invested

- 1 We didn't just \_\_\_\_\_ the other team – we destroyed them!  
win draw beat
- 2 You can't ride your motorbike through here – it's a \_\_\_\_\_ area.  
residential pedestrian suburb
- 3 I got a 10% \_\_\_\_\_ on the coat because it had a button missing.  
refund bargain discount
- 4 Be careful what you say to Maria. She's very \_\_\_\_\_.  
reliable sensible sensitive
- 5 I didn't eat this morning. I'm absolutely \_\_\_\_\_ !  
starving furious freezing

#### 7 Complete the sentences with one word.

Example: My sister and I get on well with each other.

- 1 I'm trying to cut down \_\_\_\_\_ the amount of meat I eat.
- 2 Rob's the new sales manager, and is now in \_\_\_\_\_ of 50 people.
- 3 Sarah \_\_\_\_\_ yoga for an hour every day. She says it's very relaxing.
- 4 I'm afraid Katie isn't in the office. Do you want to leave a \_\_\_\_\_ ?
- 5 It was nice to see you again after such a long time. Let's \_\_\_\_\_ in touch.

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ANSWER SHEET**

READING

Ex. 1: 1C    2B    3A    4B    5B    6A    7B    8B    9A    10C

Ex. 2: 1 folded    2 nodding    3 pattern    4 revealing    5 frown

GRAMMAR

Ex. 1: 1 is working    2 went    3 would give    4 has been going  
5 gets    6 wanted    7 working    8 had broken    9 had known  
10 will be sent    11 was listening    12 have had

Ex. 2: 1 hadn't    2 were    3 able / prepared    4 have    5 used

Ex. 3: 1 disagreeing    2 slowly    3 won't    4 whose    5 told    6 he'd  
7 few    8 unless    9 than    10 were held

Ex. 4: 1 complaint    2 loss    3 explanation

Ex. 5: 1 at    2 with    3 on    4 to    5 of/about

Ex. 7: 1 beat    2 pedestrian    3 discount    4 sensitive    5 starving

Ex. 8: 1 on    2 charge    3 does/practises    4 message    5 keep