UNIT 6

QUIZ A

NAME: _____
DATE: _____
SCORE: _____ /50

A Listen to an interview with Sam. Then choose the correct answer for each question.

1 Why is Sam being interviewed?
- **A** because she has just published her first book
- **B** because she has written a bestseller
- **C** because she is a book reviewer

2 How does Sam feel about her success?
- **A** She doesn't consider herself successful.
- **B** She feels it is a little strange and unexpected.
- **C** She thinks she deserves it because she has worked hard for it.

3 What advice does Sam give to people who want to be as successful as she is?
- **A** They should quit their full-time jobs.
- **B** They should ask for advice from experts.
- **C** They should write regularly and not give up.

4 What is true about Sam's friend Nicola?
- **A** She usually reads a lot.
- **B** She often writes book reviews.
- **C** She used to work as a literary agent.

5 How did Sam get her first book published?
- **A** Someone sent parts of her book to a publisher.
- **B** A critic persuaded her to publish the book herself.
- **C** A friend of hers showed the book to a literary agent.

_____ /10 (2 points each)

B Match the phrases to the definitions.

EXAMPLE gain followers H

1 catch somebody's attention ___
2 make an appearance ___
3 make the headlines ___
4 have heard of ___
5 make somebody an internet sensation ___
6 have a good reputation ___
7 seek fame ___

A to be an important item of news in the media
B to be well known in a positive way
C to look for ways to be famous
D to be noticed by someone
E to know about the existence of someone or something
F to attend an event, usually for a short time
G to cause somebody to become very popular online
~~H~~ to acquire new fans who keep up to date with your activities

_____ /7 (1 point each)

C Circle the correct answers.

EXAMPLE Sally always **boasts** / **proposes** / **estimates** about being the best student in the art class.

1 You may **argue** / **estimate** / **announce** that this is the best they can do, but you won't convince me.

2 In an interview on the news, the company **proposed** / **claimed** / **denied** that they weren't responsible for the pollution in the river.

3 We are all exhausted. I **propose** / **swear** / **estimate** that we all go home and that we continue this meeting tomorrow.

4 Melanie **boasted** / **denied** / **insisted** that you had told us about the cost of the repairs. But I'm sure you haven't.

5 My brother **argued** / **hoped** / **swore** to me that he wouldn't tell anyone my secret.

6 Based on last year's positive results, we **deny** / **estimate** / **have doubts** that our profit next year will increase by about 15%.

7 The teenagers **denied** / **estimated** / **swore** writing graffiti on the side of the building, but everyone knew they had done it.

8 Did you hear that? They just **announced** / **boasted** / **claimed** that the train will be an hour late! I can't believe it!

_____ /8 (1 point each)

D Choose the correct answers.

EXAMPLE I _____ attention, and I crashed the bicycle.

A hadn't paid B wasn't paying

1 We _____ so much at lunch that I'm not hungry at all now.

A ate B were eating

2 When the fire alarm rang, the physics teacher _____ the lesson on climate change.

A had been finishing B had just finished

3 People _____ on and off the train when they made the announcement.

A had gotten B were getting

4 I _____ you to come to my graduation, so I was delighted when I saw you sitting there!

A didn't expect B hadn't expected

5 Before I _____ the exams back to the students, I had checked the scores three times.

A gave B had been giving

6 We _____ in Tokyo for years before we got tired of all the crowds and moved to a village.

A had been living B were living

7 When I got to the theater, I noticed that I _____ my wallet.

A had been forgetting B had forgotten

8 Last winter, Matt _____ sick for a couple of weeks before he decided to see a doctor.

A had been feeling B was feeling

_____ /8 (1 point each)

E Complete the reported sentences about class activities. Use the correct verb form and pronoun.

EXAMPLE "You will have a quiz next week."

Our teacher announced that _____ **we would have** _____ a quiz next week.

1 "It may be on Tuesday or Thursday. I'm not sure yet."

He told us that _____ on Tuesday or Thursday, but that he was not sure yet.

2 "We won't have enough time to prepare for it."

We argued that _____ enough time to prepare for it.

3 "It will be easy. You shouldn't worry about it."

The teacher insisted that it would be easy and that _____ about it.

4 "I think it might take about 30 minutes."

He estimated that _____ about 30 minutes.

5 "I hope to finish this topic today so that you can have more time to review it."

He hoped to finish the topic today so that _____ more time to review it.

6 "Could we use a dictionary during the quiz?"

Tim asked if _____ a dictionary during the quiz.

7 "No. You must do it without checking a dictionary or your book."

The teacher said that _____ it without checking a dictionary or our book.

_____ /7 (1 point each)

F Read the story. Circle *True, False,* or *Not* Given for each statement.

When I was younger, I used to audition for any type of role that would allow me to survive as an actor in New York and give me more varied experience. So I was very happy when I was called to audition for a part in a TV commercial. They paid relatively well and I had never done one.

Before the audition started, we had to answer a questionnaire. One of the questions was about all the types of skills we had. Could we dance, sing, mime, tell jokes, etc.? They didn't ask how well we could do these things or tell us how much experience we should have, so I just checked all the boxes. After all, I had been trained to do all of them at drama school, so I was not lying.

Then, when the audition was about to start, they announced that we would also have to sing a little, and that they were giving us a few minutes to choose a song. Any song. I panicked. It was true that I had had singing lessons at school, but it was also true that I had a pretty bad reputation as a singer. But there was no way out, so I tried to be rational, calm down, and think of a simple song I could deliver in an acceptable way.

Of course my performance was a disaster. And, although the acting part hadn't been so bad, I lost all hope of getting the job. So I won't deny I was extremely surprised when they called a week later and offered me the part! It turns out that the role in the commercial was that of a pretty bad singer, so they were actually looking for someone who could act but not sing. Well, I don't want to boast, but my singing in that commercial was absolutely "perfect."

Thomas R., New York

1 Thomas had never had an audition for a commercial before this one. True / False / Not Given

2 Before the audition, Thomas had had some experience with dancing and miming. True / False / Not Given

3 Thomas was dying to demonstrate his singing abilities at the audition. True / False / Not Given

4 After the audition, Thomas was optimistic about his chances of being offered the job. True / False / Not Given

5 Thomas was lucky he couldn't sing well in the end. True / False / Not Given

_____ **/10 (2 points each)**