**Student’s Worksheet 1**

**Exercise 1**

**One description of an apprenticeship is that you can ‘earn while you learn’.**

**Decide whether the words and expressions below are connected to ‘earning’ or ‘learning’.**

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| study qualifications make money pay knowledge earnings taught  specialise afford a course train assess income paid informed |

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| **Earning** | **Learning** |
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**Exercise 2**

**Use some of the words from Part 1 to complete the sentences below.**

**Pay close attention to the structure of the sentences to make the right choice of words.**

1. An apprenticeship is a way to gain the skills and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ you need to get into many careers.
2. As an alternative to studying law at university, apprentices can \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as lawyers, learning about the job as they work.
3. Apprentices get \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for their work, although they don’t earn as much as experienced workers.
4. The \_\_\_\_\_ apprentices receive for their work varies according to the employer. It’s not much, but it’s usually enough to cover living expenses.
5. Apprentices are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the job while they are working and are also given time off to attend \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ at colleges or universities.
6. An apprentice is a \_\_\_\_\_\_ employee who is given the opportunity to study alongside their work.
7. An apprenticeship can be a good option for people who can’t \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to go to university or college.
8. Apprentices usually enjoy the opportunity to be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the theory of their trade at the same time as being able to gain practical experience.
9. Average \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for apprentices are lower than for skilled or experienced workers.
10. A common concern is that apprenticeships force people to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in a career too soon.

**Student’s Worksheet 2**

**Read these tips on completing the multiple-choice cloze reading task. For each one, do you think the advice is good or bad?**

1. Before you start filling the gaps, read the whole text through.
2. Try and guess which word might fill the gap before you look at the options.
3. Checking the word that comes straight after the gap is the best way to choose the correct word.
4. Use a highlighter pen or underline important words in the text.
5. If you are not sure, you can choose two answers.
6. If you are sure that an answer is wrong, cross it out.
7. Once you have filled the gaps, read the whole text through again.
8. Look at the pattern of answers. It’s not possible to have two ‘A’ answers in a row, so one of these will be wrong.

**Student’s Worksheet 3**

**Linguaskill Business Sample Task**

**Choose the correct word to fill each of the gaps in the text below.**

**Talk with a partner to compare your answers and discuss why the other options are not correct.**

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| **Elmore’s apprenticeship scheme** |
| Elmore’s Training Services offers an apprenticeship scheme which helps candidates prepare for a brighter, more productive and successful professional future. **1.** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ your existing skills, qualifications or previous work experience, we have an apprenticeship course to suit you. Those who don’t **2.** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to enter our full apprenticeship scheme can join our pre-apprenticeship programme. This builds your self-confidence and gives you the basic skills you need to enter one of our full apprenticeship courses **3.** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a later date.  Here at Elmore’s Training Services, we have established strong working relationships with a wide range of key employers, all of whom are ready to **4.** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on young apprentices with the passion and motivation to succeed.  For more details, don’t hesitate to **5.** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in touch. Our friendly apprenticeship recruitment teams are always available to provide advice and assistance. |

**1.** **A** However **B** Despite **C** Whatever **D** Although

**2.** **A** qualify **B** allow **C** pass **D** entitle

**3.** **A** on **B** at **C** for **D** by

**4.** **A** take **B** pick **C** hold **D** keep

**5.** **A** come **B** reach **C** get **D** stay