

a ANSWER KEY

Practice p 117

- 1 a concerned b elect c inclined d liable
e certain f devoid g free h filled
- 2 a low b widely c sharp d dearly
e shortly f deep
- 3 (circle:) 1 a, c 2 b, c 3 d 4 a, b
5 a, b, c, d 6 a, b, c, d
- 4 a to...with...with
b to...of...of
c to...of
d that...for...to
e of...in...that
f of...on...that
g to...at...that...in
h to...by...to...that

SECTION 2

check

(tick:) b d

Practice p 119

- 1 (underline:) 1 d, f, i (c is 'unnatural')
(underline:) 2 d, e, f, h (b is 'unnatural')
- 2 a had he walked through the door than he was met by a barrage of questions.
b I pointed out that his job depended on them (or: the changes) would he agree to the changes (or: them).
c do you hear of such selfless actions.
d have I been so insulted.
e by breaking a window could he (or: was he able to) get in.
f no circumstances should / must you talk to the press about this.
- 3 3 g 4 h 5 a 6 e 7 f 8 c 9 d 10 b
- 4 (1) have (2) Not (3) do (4) but
(5) intent (6) no (7) moment (8) if / when (9) only (10) will / can

SECTION 3

check

1 d 2 e 3 b 4 a 5 c

Practice p 121

- 1 a They are quicker (at) doing this than I am.
b I got there earlier than everyone else.

- c They are not as good at using a computer as me.
d I don't think this novel is so / as good as his last one.
e I ate pretty much the same as the last time I went to his restaurant.
f The longer I sit here, the less I feel like moving.
g I prefer Tarantino's films to Oliver Stone's.
h He ran like the wind.
i He has worked as a clerk for the same bank for most of his life.
j They seemed as if they didn't really understand what was going on.

- 2 a (1) like (2) as (3) as (4) earlier / sooner
b (1) to (2) rather (3) than (4) much (5) as (6) as
c (1) were (2) like (3) of (4) such (5) more (6) devote (7) were (8) books / accounts (9) as (10) rather

- 3 a like as high as the Alps.
b rather do / be doing menial tasks from nine to five than be out of work.
c near as close as we used to be.
d if he owned the place.
e less intelligent than their father.
f fewer than 70,000 people took up our special offer.
g playing football to watching it.
h have many of my friends.

- 4 a same as she
b (English, etc.), the more
c like as much
d children than no
e as if / though they had
f if / though he had (or: was carrying) the

SECTION 4

Pre-practice

- 1 bears invites
2 marked striking distinct
3 favourably unfavourably
4 outstanding
5 a considerably slightly much rather immeasurably far
b nowhere near nothing like not quite
6 as against in contrast to compared to in comparison with
7 a cheese b peas c spots d class e streets f head

Practice p 123

- 1 (underline:) 1 b 2 a 3 a 4 c 5 c 6 c 7 c 8 a

- 2 a cheese b common c totally
d similarities e differ f against
g opposed h contrast i Whereas j unlike

- 3 a tantamount b with c equally
d common e stands / bears

- 4 (1) differ (2) discriminate (3) likened
(4) differentiating (5) diverged (6) contrast
(7) varies

- 5 a It's difficult to imagine anyone bettering her performance.
b Her achievement remains unsurpassed to this day.
c We are streets ahead of our rivals at the moment.
d His performance put all the others in the cast in the shade.
e In my opinion she isn't anything like as proficient as she used to be.

SECTION 5

Pre-practice

- 1 a all things considered
b with hindsight
2 a 4 b 1 c 2 d 3

Practice p 124

- 1 On the other hand 2 On the contrary
3 On the other hand 4 in the end
5 at the end 6 As a rule 7 On balance
8 to all intents and purposes

- 2 (underline:) 1 a 2 c 3 b 4 d 5 a 6 c
7 a 8 c

- 3 a (1) same (2) As (3) things
b (4) enough (5) as (6) whole
(7) purposes
c (8) far (9) theory (10) put (11) by
(12) way (13) hand (14) with / in

- 4 a predominantly b on the contrary
c let alone d notably e to a certain extent

- 5 a primarily b particularly c believe it or not d As regards e Like it or not

- 6 a in the main b not to mention c when it comes to d chiefly e In some respects

- 7 a At...in b As...at c speaking...as
d With...all e To...in