VOCABULARY AND PRONUNCIATION

Noun, verb, and adjective endings

1 Look at these sentences from the story of Sherlock Holmes on page 27. Are the <u>underlined</u> words nouns, adjectives or verbs?

He and I <u>examined</u> the room very carefully. Are they all taking this <u>examination</u>? Good luck in Africa.

It was such a <u>lucky</u> chance that you were staying in town.

2 Look at these noun and adjective endings.

nouns	-ati	ion	-sion	-ment	-ness	-ence	-ance
adjectives	-у	-ly	-ous	-ful	-less		

Complete the charts below and mark the stress.

Noun	Verb	Noun	Adjective
	ex'plain		_ 'friendly
invi'tation		fame	8
·	trans'late	'laziness	
de'cision			'patient
	en'joy	1	_ 'happy
	em'ploy	care	-
im'provement			_ 'different
dis'cussion		help	
	'organize	'beauty	
	i'magine	guilt	
	'advertise]	_ im'portant
im'provement	***	'danger	

- 3 Complete the sentences with one of the words from exercise 1.
 - 1 I asked the teacher for help, but unfortunately, I didn't understand his ______.
 - 2 Please, can you help me _____ this into English?
 - 3 My English _____ a lot after I lived in London for a month.
 - 4 Watch out! Be _____ or you'll fall.
 - 5 There are many _____between my two children. They aren't similar at all.
 - 6 Motor racing is a very _____ sport.
 - 7 Didn't you _____ the film? I thought it was wonderful.
 - 8 Thank you for your advice. It was very _____.
 - 9 The United Nations is an international . . .
 - 10 We received an ______ to Ted and Sarah's wedding.

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Making negatives

We can make adjectives and verbs negative by using these prefixes.

adjectives	un-	im-	in-	il-	
verbs	un-	dis-			

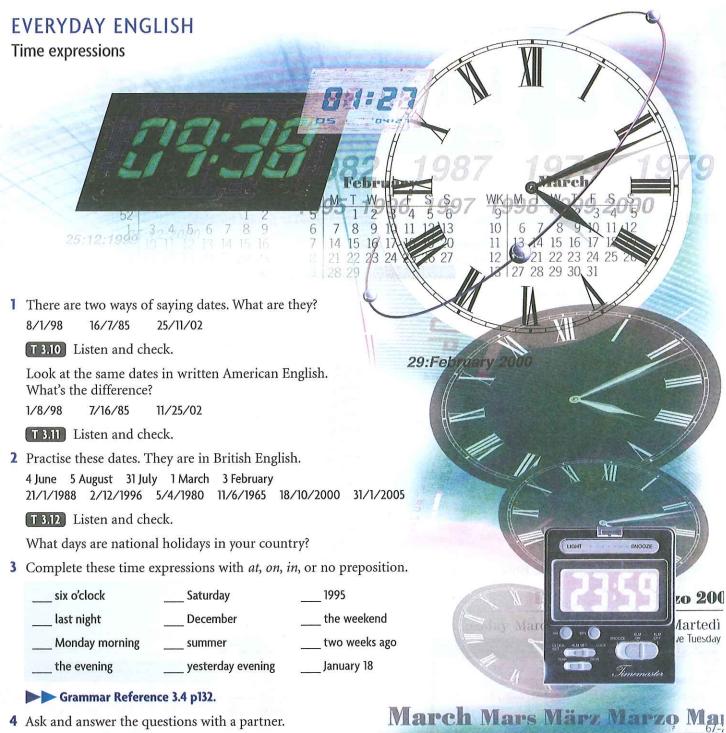
Complete the sentences, using a word from the box and a prefix.

pack possible agree tidy fair like appear employed legal polite



- 1 Don't go into my bedroom. It's really
- 2 I can't do maths. For me, it's an subject.
- 3 I don't _____ fish. I just prefer meat.
- 4 In England it's very ______ to ask someone how much they earn.
- 5 When we arrived at the hotel, we _____ our suitcases.
- 6 I was ______ for two years. Then I got a job in an office.
- 7 'I think learning languages is stupid.'
 'I ______. I think it's a good idea.'
- 8 The thief stole my bag, ran into the crowd and ______. I never saw him again.
- 9 It's ______ to drive if you aren't insured.
- 10 You gave her more money than me! That's _____!

T 3.9 Listen and check.



1 Do you know exactly when you were born?

I was born at two o'clock in the morning on Wednesday, the twenty-fifth of June, 1979.

- 2 When did you last ...?
 - · go to the cinema
 - play a sport
 - · give someone a present
 - have a holiday
 - watch TV
- go to a shopping mall
- do an exam
- · see a lot of snow
- · comb your hair
- · catch a plane

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