

### D. Complete the dialogue with the sentences a-e.

- a. I doubt it.
- **b.** I want to have a go.
- c. Count me in.
- d. It's wicked!
- e. Beats me.

Ryan

Bill	Hey, Ryan. How's that computer course you're taking?		
Ryan	(1)		
Bill	Really? It's not boring?		
Ryan	No, I've learnt lots of stuff. I've even made my own program. One day I want to make a 3D computer game		
Bill	Yeah, how do they do that?		
Ryan	(2) It seems really difficult. Next week they are going to teach us how to make a website.		
Bill	Wow! (3) Maybe I can join, too.		
Ryan	(4) It's too late. There are only a few lessons left.		
Bill	Oh well.		
Ryan	But there's a summer computer course at the college. I'm thinking about joining that.		
Bill	(5)		

E. Read the text and write T for True or F for False.

OK, we can go together.

# SIGN LANGUAGE

The ancient Greek philosopher Aristotle believed that people could learn only by hearing spoken words. In the 18th century, the invention of sign language changed people's opinions. The first school for deaf people was opened in Paris in the 1750s by Abbe Charles Michel L'Épée. He created a language of signs that became known as Old French Sign Language, and it spread throughout Europe as more and more schools were opened.

Sign language is the system of signs and gestures that deaf people use to communicate. Today, almost every country has its own sign language. For example in the UK, there is BSL (British Sign Language)

and in the USA, ASL (American Sign Language). However, sign languages are very different from spoken languages. They have different grammar and vocabulary. Also, you can even express two or more signs at the same time.

So even though British and American people speak English, BSL and ASL aren't the same at all. However, in other countries things are different. South Africa has 11 official spoken languages but only one sign language. There is an international sign language called Gestuno, but this is only used at international deaf events, such as the Deaflympics, or the Olympics for the deaf.



<ol> <li>Sign language was invented</li> </ol>	a in ancient Greece.
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- 2. Abbe Charles Michel L'Épée created a school for people who couldn't hear.
- 3. BSL and ASL are sign languages.
- 4. Sign languages have different grammar but similar vocabulary to spoken language.
- 5. Deaf people from the USA and the UK find it difficult to communicate with each other.
- 6. Deaf people in South Africa speak 11 different sign languages.
- 7. Gestuno is a sign language that was created for the Olympics.



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## Do you speak English?



### A. Choose a, b or c.

1.	Kathy has come	a great idea for the school magazine.

a. round

b. up with

c. after

2. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the US is about 340,000,000.

**a.** business

**b.** population

c. definition

3. We need more \_\_\_\_\_ in our diet. I'm bored of eating the same things all the time.

a. panic

**b.** series

c. variety

4. Have you ever been to a(n) \_\_\_\_ country before? a. foreign

**b.** official

c. international

**5.** Will these changes \_\_\_\_\_ your decision or not?

c. affect

a. enter **6.** I'm really looking \_\_\_\_\_ to the football match on Saturday.

b. develop

a. forward

**b.** up

**7.** Don't worry. Buses come \_\_\_\_\_. There will be one here soon. a. throughout

**b.** frequently

c. several

8. I was cleaning my garage when I \_\_\_\_\_ across my old school books.

a. came

b. looked

c. took



### B. Look at the prompts and write sentences. Use the Present Perfect Simple + since + Past Simple.

- 1. We / not see / Gavin / since / he / get / new job
- 2. Natalie / ring / me / four times / since / I / see / her / this morning
- 3. Kelly / not check / her / e-mails / since / she / arrive / home
- 4. I / not speak / Spanish / since / I / travel / Spain / last year
- 5. Oliver / enter / many competitions / since / he / leave / school
- 6. We / visit / Sandra / three times / since / she / move / Poland

### C. Look at the pictures and the prompts and write sentences. Use the Present Perfect Progressive and for/since.





lan and Henry / watch TV / twenty minutes

