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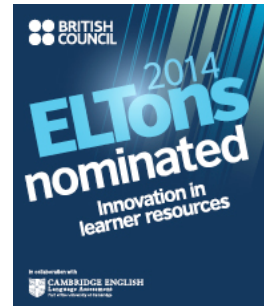
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Novelist Gabriel García Márquez dies

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THE ARTICLE

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Gabriel García Márquez, one of the world's greatest novelists, has died, aged 87. He passed away at his home in Mexico. The official cause of death was a lung infection. The Colombian writer won the Nobel Prize in Literature in 1982, among many more top literary awards. The Colombian government has announced three days of national mourning. A spokesperson said García Márquez was, "a writer who changed the lives of his readership". His novel "Love in the Time of Cholera" is the best selling book written in Spanish of all time. He also wrote many more classics. Many critics place García Márquez among the most important writers ever. He helped develop a style of writing called "magical realism".

U.S. President Barack Obama paid a tribute to Márquez, saying: "The world has lost one of its greatest visionary writers." Former President Bill Clinton said: "I was always amazed by his unique gifts of imagination, clarity of thought, and emotional honesty. He captured the pain and joy of our common humanity in settings both real and magical." García Márquez once said he was a storyteller from a young age. He told an interviewer: "I have often been told by the family that I started recounting things, stories and so on, almost since I was born - ever since I could speak." Peruvian Nobel prize-winning author Mario Vargas Llosa said: "His novels will survive and will continue to find new readers everywhere."

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http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gabriel_Garc%C3%ADa_M%C3%A1rquez

WARM-UPS

1. NOVELISTS: Students walk around the class and talk to other students about novelists. Change partners often and share your findings.

2. CHAT: In pairs / groups, decide which of these topics or words from the article are most interesting and which are most boring.

novelists / infection / Nobel Prize / literary awards / mourning / best-seller / magical / tribute / visionary / amazed / unique / imagination / honesty / storyteller / survive

Have a chat about the topics you liked. Change topics and partners frequently.

3. BOOKS: Complete this table with your partner(s). Change partners often and share what you wrote.

Type	Importance	The best
Novel		
Encyclopaedia		
Biography		
Travel guide		
Atlas		
Teach yourself guide		

4. NOBEL PRIZE: Students A **strongly** believe the Nobel Prize is the best thing that can happen to an author; Students B **strongly** believe better things can happen. Change partners again and talk about your conversations.

5. LITERARY GENRES: Rank these with your partner. Put the best at the top. Change partners often and share your rankings.

- magical realism
- mystery
- historical fiction
- humour
- fantasy
- horror
- fairy tales
- science fiction

6. NOVEL: Spend one minute writing down all of the different words you associate with the word "novel". Share your words with your partner(s) and talk about them. Together, put the words into different categories.

BEFORE READING / LISTENING

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1404/140421-gabriel-garcia-marquez.html>

1. TRUE / FALSE: Read the headline. Guess if a-h below are true (T) or false (F).

- | | |
|--|-------|
| a. Gabriel García Márquez passed away at his home in Colombia. | T / F |
| b. He died after having a heart attack. | T / F |
| c. Márquez wrote the best selling Spanish novel of all time. | T / F |
| d. Márquez helped develop a writing genre called "realism magic". | T / F |
| e. Bill Clinton said Márquez's imagination amazed him. | T / F |
| f. Clinton said Márquez captured both pain and joy in his novels. | T / F |
| g. Márquez started telling stories from the age of 18 months. | T / F |
| h. Another Nobel laureate said people will always read Márquez's novels. | T / F |

2. SYNONYM MATCH: Match the following synonyms from the article.

- | | |
|----------------|------------------------|
| 1. novelists | a. technique |
| 2. passed away | b. grief |
| 3. awards | c. narrating |
| 4. mourning | d. sang the praises of |
| 5. style | e. died |
| 6. tribute | f. astonished |
| 7. amazed | g. etc. |
| 8. recounting | h. prizes |
| 9. and so on | i. carry on |
| 10. continue | j. authors |

3. PHRASE MATCH: (Sometimes more than one choice is possible.)

- | | |
|---|------------------------|
| 1. one of the world's | a. mourning |
| 2. He passed | b. and so on |
| 3. three days of national | c. tribute to |
| 4. He also wrote many more | d. greatest novelists |
| 5. develop a style of writing called | e. of its greatest |
| 6. paid a | f. classics |
| 7. The world has lost one | g. by his unique gifts |
| 8. I was always amazed | h. "magical realism" |
| 9. I started recounting things, stories | i. readers everywhere |
| 10. continue to find new | j. away at his home |

GAP FILL

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Gabriel García Márquez, one of the world's greatest (1) _____, has died, aged 87. He (2) _____ away at his home in Mexico. The official cause of death was a lung (3) _____. The Colombian writer won the Nobel Prize in Literature in 1982, among many more top literary awards. The Colombian government has announced three days of national (4) _____. A spokesperson said García Márquez was, "a writer who changed the lives of his (5) _____". His novel "Love in the Time of Cholera" is the best selling book written in Spanish of all (6) _____. He also wrote many more (7) _____. Many critics place García Márquez among the most important writers ever. He helped develop a (8) _____ of writing called "magical realism".

time
style
infection
novelists
readership
passed
classics
mourning

U.S. President Barack Obama paid a (9) _____ to Márquez, saying: "The world has lost one of its greatest (10) _____ writers." Former President Bill Clinton said: "I was always amazed by his (11) _____ gifts of imagination, clarity of thought, and emotional honesty. He captured the pain and joy of our common (12) _____ in settings both real and magical." García Márquez once said he was a (13) _____ from a young age. He told an interviewer: "I have often been told by the family that I started (14) _____ things, stories and so on, almost since I was born - ever (15) _____ I could speak." Peruvian Nobel prize-winning author Mario Vargas Llosa said: "His novels will (16) _____ and will continue to find new readers everywhere."

recounting
unique
survive
tribute
storyteller
visionary
since
humanity

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LISTENING – Guess the answers. Listen to check.

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1404/140421-gabriel-garcia-marquez.html>

- 1) The official cause of death was a _____
 - a. lung infraction
 - b. lung confection
 - c. lung infection
 - d. lung injection
- 2) The Colombian government has announced three days _____
 - a. of national morning
 - b. of national mourning
 - c. of national mourn in
 - d. of national morn in
- 3) the best selling book written in Spanish _____
 - a. of all times
 - b. at all times
 - c. at all time
 - d. of all time
- 4) He also wrote many _____
 - a. more classics
 - b. many classics
 - c. many classic
 - d. more classic
- 5) He helped develop a style of writing called " _____ "
 - a. magically rhythm
 - b. magical realist
 - c. magical realism
 - d. magical rhythm
- 6) U.S. President Barack Obama _____
 - a. said a tribute
 - b. paid a tribute
 - c. laid a tribute
 - d. raid a tribute
- 7) The world has lost one of its greatest _____
 - a. vision are real writers
 - b. visionary writers
 - c. visionary writer
 - d. vision are real writer
- 8) I was always amazed by _____
 - a. his unique gift
 - b. his you need gifts
 - c. his you niche gifts
 - d. his yew nick gifts
- 9) He captured the pain and joy of our _____
 - a. commons humanity
 - b. commoner humanity
 - c. come on humanity
 - d. common humanity
- 10) His novels will survive and will continue to find new _____
 - a. readers anywhere
 - b. readers every wear
 - c. readers everywhere
 - d. readers somewhere

LISTENING – Listen and fill in the gaps

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U.S. President Barack Obama (7) _____ Márquez, saying: "The world has lost one of its greatest visionary writers." Former President Bill Clinton said: "I was always amazed (8) _____ of imagination, clarity of thought, and emotional honesty. He captured the pain and joy of (9) _____ in settings both real and magical." García Márquez once said he was a storyteller from a young age. He told an interviewer: "I have (10) _____ the family that I started recounting things, (11) _____, almost since I was born - ever since I could speak." Peruvian Nobel prize-winning author Mario Vargas Llosa said: "His novels will survive and (12) _____ find new readers everywhere."

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1404/140421-gabriel-garcia-marquez.html>

1. How old was Gabriel García Márquez when he died?

2. What was the cause of death?

3. For how many days will Colombia be mourning?

4. What did the Colombian government say Márquez changed?

5. What was the style of writing Márquez helped to develop?

6. What did Barack Obama say the world had lost?

7. What did Bill Clinton say Márquez captured?

8. From when did Márquez say he started telling stories?

9. Who told Márquez when he started storytelling?

10. Who said Márquez's novels will continue to get new readers?

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1404/140421-gabriel-garcia-marquez.html>

1. How old was Gabriel García Márquez when he died?
 - a) 68
 - b) 86
 - c) 78
 - d) 87
2. What was the cause of death?
 - a) old age
 - b) a lung infection
 - c) a heart attack
 - d) a stroke
3. For how many days will Colombia be mourning?
 - a) 5
 - b) 4
 - c) 3
 - d) 2
4. What did the Colombian government say Márquez changed?
 - a) readers' lives
 - b) literature
 - c) politics
 - d) world events
5. What was the style of writing Márquez helped to develop?
 - a) mystic magical
 - b) mystic mysticism
 - c) magical realism
 - d) magical relativism
6. What did Barack Obama say the world had lost?
 - a) a bookworm
 - b) a visionary
 - c) direction
 - d) literature
7. What did Bill Clinton say Márquez captured?
 - a) laughter and tears
 - b) love and hope
 - c) despair and hurt
 - d) pain and joy
8. From when did Márquez say he started telling stories?
 - a) an early age
 - b) after he read Don Quixote
 - c) at the age of 8
 - d) from junior high school
9. Who told Márquez when he started storytelling?
 - a) his literature teacher
 - b) his wife
 - c) his family
 - d) his first best friend
10. Who said Márquez's novels will continue to get new readers?
 - a) Jorge Luis Borges
 - b) Mario Vargas Llosa
 - c) Isabel Allende
 - d) Ernesto Sabato

ROLE PLAY

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Role A – Novels

You think novels are the best books. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that aren't so interesting about their genres. Also, tell the others which is the least interesting of these (and why): encyclopaedia, teach yourself guides or biographies.

Role B – Encyclopaedia

You think encyclopaedia are the best books. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that aren't so interesting about their genres. Also, tell the others which is the least interesting of these (and why): novels, teach yourself guides or biographies.

Role C – Teach Yourself Guides

You think teach yourself guides are the best books. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that aren't so interesting about their genres. Also, tell the others which is the least interesting of these (and why): encyclopaedia, novels or biographies.

Role D – Biographies

You think biographies is the best books. Tell the others three reasons why. Tell them things that aren't so interesting about their genres. Also, tell the others which is the least interesting of these (and why): encyclopaedia, teach yourself guides or novels.

AFTER READING / LISTENING

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1. WORD SEARCH: Look in your dictionary / computer to find collocates, other meanings, information, synonyms ... for the words 'magical' and 'realism'.

magical	realism
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- Share your findings with your partners.
- Make questions using the words you found.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

2. ARTICLE QUESTIONS: Look back at the article and write down some questions you would like to ask the class about the text.

- Share your questions with other classmates / groups.
- Ask your partner / group your questions.

3. GAP FILL: In pairs / groups, compare your answers to this exercise. Check your answers. Talk about the words from the activity. Were they new, interesting, worth learning...?

4. VOCABULARY: Circle any words you do not understand. In groups, pool unknown words and use dictionaries to find their meanings.

5. TEST EACH OTHER: Look at the words below. With your partner, try to recall how they were used in the text:

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• passed• cause• top• changed• best• style	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• paid• lost• gifts• young• and so on• find
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NOVELISTS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about novelists in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

NOVELISTS DISCUSSION

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

- a) What did you think when you read the headline?
- b) What springs to mind when you hear the word 'novel'?
- c) What do you know about Gabriel García Márquez?
- d) Have you read any of his books?
- e) What kind of books do you like?
- f) How do you think García Márquez changed peoples' lives?
- g) What other writers are among the most important ever?
- h) Do you like writing?
- i) What would you like to know about Gabriel García Márquez?
- j) What do you think "magical realism" is?

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NOVELISTS DISCUSSION

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

- a) Did you like reading this article? Why/not?
- b) Who is the greatest novelist ever?
- c) What do you think of Barack Obama and Bill Clintons' tributes?
- d) How is your imagination and creativity?
- e) Who is your favourite author (and why)?
- f) If you were an author, what kind of books would you write?
- g) Are men or women better writers?
- h) Are you a good storyteller?
- i) What kind of person becomes a great author?
- j) What questions would you like to have asked García Márquez?

DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions)

STUDENT B's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student A)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

LANGUAGE - CLOZE

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U.S. President Barack Obama paid a tribute to Márquez, saying: "The world has lost one of its greatest (7) _____ writers." Former President Bill Clinton said: "I was always amazed by his unique (8) _____ of imagination, clarity of thought, and emotional honesty. He captured the pain and joy of our common humanity in (9) _____ both real and magical." García Márquez once said he was a storyteller from a young age. He told an interviewer: "I have often been told by the family that I started (10) _____ things, stories and (11) _____ on, almost since I was born - ever since I could speak." Peruvian Nobel prize-winning author Mario Vargas Llosa said: "His novels will survive and will continue to (12) _____ new readers everywhere."

Put the correct words from the table below in the above article.

- | | | | | |
|-----|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------------|
| 1. | (a) over | (b) up | (c) away | (d) down |
| 2. | (a) literary | (b) literal | (c) literacy | (d) literate |
| 3. | (a) weeping | (b) mourning | (c) lament | (d) morning |
| 4. | (a) every | (b) any | (c) whole | (d) all |
| 5. | (a) criticize | (b) plaudits | (c) critics | (d) pundits |
| 6. | (a) relativism | (b) realism | (c) realm | (d) radicalism |
| 7. | (a) visionary | (b) prophetic | (c) perspicacious | (d) predicting |
| 8. | (a) tips | (b) bonuses | (c) presents | (d) gifts |
| 9. | (a) venues | (b) locations | (c) settings | (d) areas |
| 10. | (a) practising | (b) calculating | (c) adding up | (d) recounting |
| 11. | (a) as | (b) so | (c) such | (d) say |
| 12. | (a) find | (b) search | (c) read | (d) magic |

SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

1. one of the world's greatest ssoltnevi
2. The oiialfc cause of death
3. many more top aryleitr awards
4. three days of national ongrumni
5. He also wrote many more casicssl
6. style of writing called "gacailm realism"

Paragraph 2

7. Obama paid a tebiurt to Márquez
8. one of its greatest snyivriao writers
9. amazed by his eniquu gifts
10. emotional ntoyhes
11. He told an itevwiernre
12. His novels will ervisvu

PUT THE TEXT BACK TOGETHER

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Number these lines in the correct order.

- () humanity in settings both real and magical." García Márquez once said he was a storyteller from a young
- () imagination, clarity of thought, and emotional honesty. He captured the pain and joy of our common
- () visionary writers." Former President Bill Clinton said: "I was always amazed by his unique gifts of
- () lives of his readership". His novel "Love in the Time of Cholera" is the best selling book
- () important writers ever. He helped develop a style of writing called "magical realism".
- () written in Spanish of all time. He also wrote many more classics. Many critics place García Márquez among the most
- () U.S. President Barack Obama paid a tribute to Márquez, saying: "The world has lost one of its greatest
- () away at his home in Mexico. The official cause of death was a lung infection. The Colombian writer won
- () winning author Mario Vargas Llosa said: "His novels will survive and will continue to find new readers everywhere."
- () on, almost since I was born - ever since I could speak." Peruvian Nobel prize-
- () age. He told an interviewer: "I have often been told by the family that I started recounting things, stories and so
- () days of national mourning. A spokesperson said García Márquez was, "a writer who changed the
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- () the Nobel Prize in Literature in 1982, among many more top literary awards. The Colombian government has announced three

PUT THE WORDS IN THE RIGHT ORDER

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1. passed in away Mexico at his He home.

2. official death lung The of a cause was infection.

3. who lives readership writer the his A changed of.

4. Spanish of all time The best selling book written in.

5. . style called realism" a writing "magical Develop of

6. writers The world has lost one of its greatest visionary.

7. was unique always gifts amazed by I his.

8. a was he said once Márquez age young a from storyteller.

9. recounting stories on started , so I things and.

10. to new everywhere Continue find readers.

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD (20 PAIRS)

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Gabriel García Márquez, one of the world's greatest *novels / novelists*, has died, aged 87. He *passed / past* away at his home in Mexico. The official cause of death was a lung *infected / infection*. The Colombian writer won the Nobel Prize in Literature in 1982, among many more top *literary / literacy* awards. The Colombian government has announced three days of national *morning / mourning*. A spokesperson said García Márquez was, "a writer who *changed / charged* the lives of his *reader / readership*". His novel "Love in the Time of Cholera" is the best selling book *wrote / written* in Spanish of all time. He also wrote many more *classics / classes*. Many critics place García Márquez among the most important writers ever. He helped develop a *style / stage* of writing called "magical realism".

U.S. President Barack Obama *paid / spent* a tribute to Márquez, saying: "The world has *lost / mislaid* one of its greatest visionary writers." Former President Bill Clinton said: "I was always *amazement / amazed* by his unique gifts of *imagination / imagined*, clarity of thought, and *emotional / emotions* honesty. He captured the *pain / painful* and joy of our common humanity in settings both real and magical." García Márquez once said he was a storyteller from a *young / early* age. He told an interviewer: "I have often been told *by / at* the family that I started recounting things, stories and so on, almost since I was born - ever *since / for* I could speak." Peruvian Nobel prize-winning author Mario Vargas Llosa said: "His novels will survive and will continue to *fund / find* new readers everywhere."

Talk about the connection between each pair of words in italics, and why the correct word is correct.

INSERT THE VOWELS (a, e, i, o, u)

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G_br__l G_rcí_ Márq__z, _n_ _f th_ w_rld's gr__t_st
n_v_l_sts, h_s d__d, _g_d 87. H_ p_ss_d _w_y_t h_s
h_m_ _n M_x_c_. Th_ _ff_c__l c__s_ _f d__th w_s _
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m_r_ cl_ss_cs. M_ny cr_t_cs pl_c_ G_rcí_ Márq__z
_m_ng th_ m_st _mp_rtn_t wr_t_rs _v_r. H_ h_lp_d
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PUNCTUATE THE TEXT AND ADD CAPITALS

From <http://www.BreakingNewsEnglish.com/1404/140421-gabriel-garcia-marquez.html>

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us president barack obama paid a tribute to márquez saying "the world has lost one of its greatest visionary writers" former president bill clinton said "i was always amazed by his unique gifts of imagination clarity of thought and emotional honesty he captured the pain and joy of our common humanity in settings both real and magical" garcía márquez once said he was a storyteller from a young age he told an interviewer "i have often been told by the family that i started recounting things stories and so on almost since i was born - ever since i could speak" peruvian nobel prize-winning author mario vargas llosa said "his novels will survive and will continue to find new readers everywhere"

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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HOMework

1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION: Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.

2. INTERNET: Search the Internet and find out more about Gabriel García Márquez. Share what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.

3. NOVELISTS: Make a poster about the greatest ever novelists. Show your work to your classmates in the next lesson. Did you all have similar things?

4. NOBEL PRIZE IN LITERATURE: Write a magazine article about the Nobel Prize in Literature. Include imaginary interviews with people who won it and want to win it.

Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Write down any new words and expressions you hear from your partner(s).

5. WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? Write a newspaper article about the next stage in this news story. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.

6. LETTER: Write a letter to an expert on Gabriel García Márquez. Ask him/her three questions about the novelist. Give him/her three of your opinions on him. Read your letter to your partner(s) in your next lesson. Your partner(s) will answer your questions.

ANSWERS

TRUE / FALSE (p.4)

a F b F c T d F e T f T g F h T

SYNONYM MATCH (p.4)

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|--------------------|------------------------|
| 1. novelists | a. authors |
| 2. passed away | b. died |
| 3. awards | c. prizes |
| 4. mourning | d. grief |
| 5. style | e. technique |
| 6. paid tribute to | f. sang the praises of |
| 7. amazed | g. astonished |
| 8. recounting | h. narrating |
| 9. and so on | i. etc. |
| 10. continue | j. carry on |

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (p.8)

- 87
- A lung infection
- Three
- People's (readers') lives
- Magical realism
- One of its greatest visionary writers
- The pain and joy of our common humanity
- From a young age
- His family
- Mario Vargas Llosa

MULTIPLE CHOICE - QUIZ (p.9)

1. d 2. b 3. c 4. a 5. c 6. b 7. d 8. a 9. c 10. b

ALL OTHER EXERCISES

Please check for yourself by looking at the Article on page 2.
(It's good for your English ;-)