

WORD BUILDING 3

For each of the six questions choose the one correct answer.

1. Which word doesn't make a word with -able? e.g. countable
 - a. help
 - b. understand
 - c. rely
 - d. respect

2. Which of the following adjectives ending in -ful doesn't exist?
 - a. painful
 - b. beautiful
 - c. funful
 - d. fruitful

3. The following are all negative adjectives with un-. Which should be dis-?
 - a. untidy
 - b. dishonest
 - c. unsociable
 - d. unreliable

4. If you come from England, you are (and speak) English. Which of these countries has a different ending to the others when it changes to an adjective?
 - a. China
 - b. Japan
 - c. Argentina
 - d. Portugal

5. What is the opposite of contented?
 - a. uncontented
 - b. incontented
 - c. imcontented
 - d. discontented

6. Complete the sentence. "He's worried about _____ late"
 - a. being
 - b. be
 - c. to be
 - d. will be

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1.
 - a. Correct. You cannot say 'helpable'.
 - b. Wrong. We can say 'understandable'.
 - c. Wrong. We can say 'reliable' (note the spelling change!).
 - d. Wrong. We can say 'respectable'.

2.
 - a. Wrong. 'My back is painful.'
 - b. Wrong. 'Paris is such a beautiful city.'
 - c. Correct. 'Funful' is not possible.
 - d. Wrong. 'The meeting was fruitful, we achieved a lot.'

3.
 - a. Wrong. 'Untidy' is the opposite of 'tidy'.
 - b. Correct. 'Unhonest' is not correct. The opposite of 'honest' is 'dishonest'.
 - c. Wrong. 'Unsociable' is the opposite of 'sociable'.
 - d. Wrong. 'Unreliable' is the opposite of 'reliable'.

4.
 - a. Wrong. If you come from China, you are Chinese.
 - b. Wrong. If you come from Japan, you are Japanese.
 - c. Correct. If you come from Argentina, you are Argentinean.
 - d. Wrong. If you come from Portugal, you are Portuguese.

5.
 - a. Wrong.
 - b. Wrong.
 - c. Wrong.
 - d. Correct.

6.
 - a. Correct. We say 'worry about + ing'. After prepositions we use -ing.
 - b. Wrong. We do not say 'worry about be'.
 - c. Wrong. We do not say 'worry about to be'.
 - d. Wrong. We do not say 'worry about will be'.