Common spelling mistakes

A. Find and correct the mistakes.

The student article contains 20 misspelt words. Underline them. Write the correct spellings below in the order they appear.

A weekend that changed my mind

Last spring, I almost refused to go on a school trip. I was especialy worried about sharing a room. I wanted a confortable bed and quiet accomodation, not three days in a crowded hostel. However, the photos of the beatiful coast persuaded me to join the group, wich included students I hardly knew.

At the begining of the trip, our teacher asked us to put our phones away. I could not belive it. How would I take photos or message my friends? Yet this became an oportunity to speak to people properly. We did not recieve a detailed timetable, so we had to make decisions together. We even managed to organise a meal without using five seperate group chats.

On the second day, we interviewed local residents for an article we were writting. One woman said tourism had definately changed the town. She explained that nowdays visitors often leave rubbish on the beach, damaging the enviroment. She thought the local goverment should provide more bins, although she also said it was neccessary for tourists to take responsibility.

I was not dissapointed with the trip. I had expected to miss my phone, but I barely thought about it untill we arrived home. Our article was so succesful that the school published it online. Would I recomend a trip like this? Absolutely. Sometimes the best experiences are the ones you nearly miss.

1. _____	2. _____	3. _____	4. _____
5. _____	6. _____	7. _____	8. _____
9. _____	10. _____	11. _____	12. _____
13. _____	14. _____	15. _____	16. _____
17. _____	18. _____	19. _____	20. _____

B. Complete each word with one or two of the letters in brackets.

1. nece___ary (s)
2. a___ommodation (c)
3. reco___end (m)
4. su___essful (c)
5. begi___ing (n)
6. disa___ointed (p)
7. unti___ (l)
8. o___ortunity (p)
9. wri___ing (t)
10. to___orrow (m)

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C. Write the correct form. Make any spelling changes needed.

1. run + ing = _____
2. make + ing = _____
3. stop + ed = _____
4. study + ed = _____
5. happy + ness = _____
6. easy + ly = _____
7. care + ful = _____
8. true + ly = _____

D. Circle the correct word in each sentence.

1. Many students leave their / there revision until the last minute.
2. Your / You're more likely to remember a word if you use it.
3. The town is famous for its / it's beaches.
4. Travelling by train is better than / then driving alone.
5. Keep a copy of your work so you do not lose / loose it.
6. My teacher gave me useful advice / advise about my essay.

E. Proofread the sentences.

Each sentence contains TWO spelling mistakes. Cross them out and write the correct words on the line.

1. The goverment should protect the enviroment.

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2. I definately belive that students need more free time.

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3. We were dissapointed to find the museum permanantly closed.

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4. It is neccessary to find confortable rooms for the visitors.

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5. Nowdays, people can recieve messages almost anywhere.

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F. Use it and check it.

Write 50 to 60 words: Should schools organise more trips? Use at least FIVE words from Task A. Underline them, then check their spelling.

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Answer Key

A.

1. especially; 2. comfortable; 3. accommodation; 4. beautiful; 5. which
6. beginning; 7. believe; 8. opportunity; 9. receive; 10. separate
11. writing; 12. definitely; 13. nowadays; 14. environment; 15. government
16. necessary; 17. disappointed; 18. until; 19. successful; 20. recommend

B.

1. necessary; 2. accommodation; 3. recommend; 4. successful; 5. beginning
6. disappointed; 7. until; 8. opportunity; 9. writing; 10. tomorrow

C.

1. running; 2. making; 3. stopped; 4. studied
5. happiness; 6. easily; 7. careful; 8. truly

D.

1. their; 2. You're; 3. its; 4. than; 5. lose; 6. advice

E.

1. government; environment
2. definitely; believe
3. disappointed; permanently
4. necessary; comfortable
5. Nowadays; receive

F.

Answers will vary.

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