

## WAYS OF WALKING

## ● Exercise 1

What verbs from column A go best with the expressions from column B?

A	B
1. slide	a) through the snow
2. jog	b) on the polished floor
3. hop	c) in the river
4. pace	d) in the mountains
5. lurch	e) for fitness
6. hike	f) up and down
7. march	g) sideways
8. paddle	h) through the streets
9. slip	i) on the right foot
10. trudge	j) on a banana peel

## ● Exercise 2

Complete the sentences below with word partnerships from Exercise 1 in the right form.

- They ....., fighting the blizzard and freezing wind.
- They pulled the boat onto the shore and .....
- I saw him out of the window. He was drunk and .....
- The student ..... the corridor waiting for his exam results.
- More and more people .....
- Todd climbed and ..... for years.
- Hundreds of people ..... in a protest against violence.
- The little girl was ..... in her cotton socks.
- She ....., fell and sprained her ankle.
- Joe was ..... unable to put any weight on his left which was hurting terribly.

## ● Exercise 3

Underline the correct item.

- The couple *strolled/stalked* around the garden, enjoying every minute of it.
- She *paraded/ambled* along the street, a big shopping bag in her hand, obviously with plenty of time to spare.
- Amy *rambled/lolloped* around the city centre, with no plan of where to go.
- When she walks, she *wiggles/waddles* like a duck.
- Frank *limped/tiptoed* away from the fight scene. His right leg hurt him with every step.
- The woman *crept/skipped* soundlessly down the corridor, trying not to attract any attention.
- Martin *plodded/padded* up the hill, his head down, out of breath.

- He *scampered/strutted* around the office as if he were the manager.
- After he saved the shot, the goalkeeper *scuttled/ swaggered* about the penalty area.
- He *stalked/sauntered* out of the house, full of fury, and went to the pub to drown his anger in alcohol.

## ● Exercise 4

Choose the correct answer.

- Jane ..... to the door and peered through the keyhole.  
a) toddled b) tiptoed c) trudged
- The baby ..... across the floor towards its mother.  
a) crawled b) prowled c) strolled
- A group of men ..... the streets looking for victims to rob.  
a) roamed b) prowled c) wondered
- When I saw the bus arrive, I ..... towards the bus stop.  
a) edged b) tripped c) dashed
- Soon after the break, the children ..... off into the classrooms.  
a) scampered b) scuttled c) scrambled
- The little girl was ..... down the street, giggling all the time.  
a) hopping b) skipping c) padding
- It was very late so I ..... out, forgetting the car keys.  
a) tripped b) pranced c) rushed
- Greg ..... home after a binge drinking session at a club.  
a) staggered b) lunged c) frogmarched
- The old man ..... slowly across the street with his stick in hand.  
a) tore b) hobbled c) crawled
- Watch that you don't ..... over the cable.  
a) trek b) trip c) dart

## ● Exercise 5

Complete the sentences below. The meanings of the missing words are referred to in the underlined parts.

- A: My son ..... around the house all day.  
B: Yes, he walks well for one-year- old child.
- A: Did you know that a security guard forced Michael to leave the building holding his arms behind his back?  
B: Oh, dear? Are you saying that he was .....

3.

A: Andy went secretly into the kitchen last night and ate all the cookies.

B: Oh, really? Are you sure it was him who .....

4.

A: If only you had seen Joe ..... along the street to catch the bus.

B: I have always known him as a phlegmatic person. I didn't know that he could move with such heedless speed!

5.

A: .... and then the robber moved suddenly forward to grab my bag.

B: But he only ..... at you? He didn't actually steal your bag, did he?

6.

A: I've heard him sing live. He was great but he was dancing with high and quick steps as if he were a teenager.

B: That's funny. Was he really ..... on the stage?

7.

A: We ..... up the hill and admired the mountains' beauty.

B: Oh, was the hill so steep that you had to climb it on all fours?

8.

A: Look at the cheerleaders. They are marching with their legs straight now.

B: Oh yes. I've seen them ..... before.

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### ● Exercise 6

Complete the sentences below with words from the box in the right form.

sleepwalk, stray, scam, sweep, rove, sashay, shuffle, traipse

1. Jack ..... about the country photographing interesting places and people.
2. Chloe ..... down the street in high-heels and a miniskirt, proud of the effect she had on men.
3. The boys ..... from the route and got lost.
4. Last weekend I spent ..... round the shops with my mother looking for a dress.
5. Amanda ..... into the conference room with the assurance of someone who knows her worth.
6. Go home, boy. ....!
7. I love romantic walks in the park in autumn. I like ..... through the yellow leaves, kicking them and gathering chestnuts and acorns.
8. My roommate sometimes ..... at night. Later she has no knowledge of what she did during this time.

### ● Exercise 7

Complete the text. The first letters are given as a hint.

The day was too beautiful to spend it indoors. I grabbed my keys and jacket and r..... out of the house. I went to the municipal park because it is botanic-like and that's where I usually go for a walk. It was Sunday so the park was full of people. I s..... around enjoying the warmth of the sun and observed the people around me. Everyone seemed to be having a joyful time. Some were sitting on the benches munching on lunches they had brought. Others m..... through the park's winding alleys. Children r..... playfully around enjoying the playgrounds and water fountains. As I was taking in the scene I noticed a boy b..... into a little girl. The girl fell down and grazed her knee. Although the graze wasn't bad and the girl didn't cry, her alarmed mother r..... up to her and took her in her arms. And that is when it started to rain. The rain, heavier and heavier with every minute, sent people s..... in all directions. If I had had an umbrella with me, I would have stayed despite the rain, but I didn't. So I h..... towards my car and drove away.

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