Unit 11  Wedding bells

A  Oral English

2. Test (SB page 87)

Answers
1. demand
2. trouble
3. prepare
4. forget
5. divide
6. tonight

B  Reading

3. Comprehension (SB page 90)

Answers
1. D - the bridegroom might not come
2. C - they were so muddy
3. B
4. Their cars had got stuck in the mud and a tractor had been hired to pull them out.

6. Reading for tone (SB page 91)

Answers
1. ‘my dream girl’
2. He feels that she brought the situation on herself for wanting to marry a man from Murang’a.
3. Warriors are supposed to be brave and fearless. These men did not look anything like warriors.

7. Summary (SB page 91)

Answers
1. They were very late; they arrived hooting their cars; they were covered in mud.
2. The people of Kangeni were offended by three things: firstly, they arrived late to fetch the bride; secondly, they arrived at the bride’s house hooting aggressively; thirdly, they were covered in mud.

8. Meaning and style (SB page 92)

Answer
He explained that they had got stuck in the mud and had to pay a tractor to haul the cars out of the mess.

C  Vocabulary development

1. Synonyms (SB page 92)

Answers
1. particular – C fussy
2. impressed – B pleased
3. ineffectual – C pointless
4. sarcastically – C tauntingly
5. resorting – C using

2. The verb keep (SB page 92)

Answers
1. You kept asking to borrow money.
2. If you keep wasting/losing things, you will soon have nothing left.
3. I shall keep reminding you of your promise.
4. We keep watering the plants, but they don’t grow.

D  Grammatical structures

1. Phrasal verbs (1) (SB page 93)

Answers
4. turn up – arrive; stick out – are memorable; give away – to hand over the bride to the groom; closed in – drew closer from all sides; come for – fetch; mixed up – involved in
5. get over something; get on with something; get around to something; get along with someone

3. Comprehension (SB page 93)

Answers
1. came across – found/discovered
2. called off – cancelled
3. came out – appeared
4. come through – survived

4. Sentence completion (SB page 93)

Answers
1. The handle of the door **came off** when I was trying to use it.
2. It’s difficult to say how this terrible situation **came about**.
3. He never warns people before he **calls by**.
4. I fainted, and when I **came round** there was no one to be seen.
5. The government **called/calls on** everyone concerned to negotiate.
6. I’m in the middle of a difficult sum. Could you ask him to **call back** later?
7. A new syllabus **came out** some years ago.
8. It’s not a direct flight – it **calls** at Abuja on the way.
9. I was amazed: I never thought that the plan they had developed would **come off**/**come about**.
10. I think that my work in English is **coming on** very well.

F    Summary

2. Questions (SB page 95)

Answers
1. He realised that they were desperate to get to the wedding so took advantage of their situation by taking every cent they had.
2. They had no money. Yes, the wedding should have proceeded as they young men had not planned to come empty-handed. The circumstances were out of their control.
3. They were thankful that the wedding would go on/they wish the bride happiness.
4. Own opinion – relieved that the bridegroom had finally arrived/that the wedding would take place.
5. The bridegroom’s party had arrived late, and they were dirty and had no money to pay for breakages in the bride’s mother’s house. The women wanted to stop the ceremony but were overruled by Peter Mcboca.
6. Own opinion with substantiation from the text.

3. Summary (SB page 95-6)

Answer

The men from Murang’a faced a number of problems on the wedding day: firstly, their cars had got stuck in the mud on the way there, and so they had arrived covered in mud. Secondly, they had had to pay a tractor driver to pull the cars out of the mud and so they had no money with them. They had had to leave some of the cars in the mud. Their appearance had created a bad impression on the women from the bride’s village who threatened to stop the ceremony.

Listening

Practice (SB page 98)

Answers
1. He replied to the groom’s toast on behalf of the bridesmaids; he read out apologies from those who could not attend the wedding.
2. Continental drift takes place very slowly and so did Joe Oduloya’s courtship and proposal of marriage.
3. They have travelled to London, Rome, the Vatican City and New York as well as other places.
4. He did not propose to her at any of the romantic places they had visited but at a local club.

5. He compared the rate of continental drift to the pace of Joe and Ada’s courtship; the majority of what he knows about Joe cannot be repeated in public; the couple are responsible for 15% of global warming; Joe knows nothing about romance because he proposed to her in a local club.