Comparative and superlative adjectives and adverbs; Other ways of making comparisons; Articles; *so*, *such*, *too*, *enough*

1 Complete the sentences with the correct form of the adjective or adverb given.

- 1 James is looking much _____ now. Has he been on a diet? (thin)
- 2 I was studying _____ as Tom, but I didn't pass the exam and he did. (hard)
- **3** The _____ a student performs, the more self-confident he gets. (good)
- 4 This test is _____ as I thought it would be. (not easy)
- 6 This is where you find the view of the city. (beautiful)

2 Find and correct the mistakes in the sentences.

- 1 My current employer is much fairest than my old one.
- 2 This musician is the more talented man I know.
- **3** You are just so talented as this artist.
- **4** The earlier you set off, the soonest you'll arrive.
- **5** They were not as popular they thought and only a few fans showed up.
- **6** When I perform, my mind is calmest than when I am resting.

3 Circle the correct alternative.

Mastermind is (1) <u>a/an</u> UK TV show which started in 1972 and still runs today. There is (2) <u>a/-</u> quizmaster and there are (3) <u>the/-</u> four contestants. There are two rounds and (4) <u>a/the</u> contestants take turns to sit in (5) <u>a/the</u> black leather chair in the centre of (6) <u>-/the</u> studio to answer a series of questions. In (7) <u>-/the</u> first round they answer questions on a specialist subject of their choice. The second round involves (8) <u>the/-</u> general knowledge questions. The contestant with (9) <u>a/the</u> most points after both rounds is (10) <u>-/the</u> winner.

4 Complete the sentences with so, such, too or enough.

- 1 You are never old to learn something new.
- 2 There is never time to get everything done.
- **3** People today are always _____ busy that they forget about the simple things in life.
- 4 Is there _____ food for dinner tonight?

- 5 It was _____ a good film that I went to see it again the next day.
- **6** Children are often told they are _____ young to know what they want.

5 Circle the correct alternative.

There are a surprising number of child geniuses in the world. Most people assume that children are not old (1) <u>too/enough</u> to achieve very much, but these prodigies prove otherwise. Take Alma Deutscher for example. She is only eleven so you would think she is (2) <u>so/too</u> immature to compose music. However, she has already written an opera. Yuja Wang is a pianist who is (3) <u>such/so</u> successful that she has been labelled a pop-star pianist. She practised (4) <u>so/such</u> a lot when she was very young that adults around her realised she was very talented. These people show that you are never (5) <u>enough/too</u> young to achieve great things.

6 Choose the correct option to complete the text.

The Illusionist is (1) ______ film that came out in 2006. Edward Norton starred as the famous illusionist Eisenheim. Jessica Biel played the role of Duchess von Teschen. She was told to marry (2) _____ Crown Prince Leopold. Eisenheim and the Duchess had been in love when they were (3) _____, but were not allowed to marry. Although the Crown Prince was richer and (4) _____ than Eisenheim, the Duchess did not want to marry him. He was (5) _____ arrogant and narrow-minded. She didn't respect him (6) _____ to marry him. She loved Eisenheim who was (7) _____. The Crown Prince tried to remove Eisenheim, but he wasn't (8) _____ the illusionist. In the end, Eisenheim created his (9) _____ illusion of all and he and the Duchess managed to escape together. They lived together in (10) _____ beautiful cottage in the countryside.

| 1 A a | B the | C an |
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| 2 A - | B the | C an |
| 3 A most young | B younger | C youngest |
| 4 A most powerful | B powerfuller | C more powerful |
| 5 A enough | B such | C too |
| 6 A too | B enough | C such |
| 7 A more sensitive | B most sensitive | C as sensitive |
| 8 A as clever | B as clever as | C more clever than |
| 9 A more successful | B most successful | C so successful |
| 10 A the most | B the more | C most |

