USE OF ENGLISH (PART 4)   Key Word Transformation (2)

Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first one. You must use between **2-5 words**.

There are **2 marks** for each correct answer.

25) It was her fault they lost the basketball match.

TO

She _____ losing the basketball match.

26) They will probably win the match.

LIKELY

They _____ win the match.

27) The I.T. department succeeded in fixing with Jane's laptop.

TO

The I.T. department _____ Jane's laptop.

28) Could you close the window, please?

CLOSING

Would _____ the window, please?

29) I'm sure Janet wasn't in the pub last night.

BEEN

Janet _____ in the pub last night.

30) There's no point in buying it. You can download it for free.

WORTH

It's _____ as you can download it for free.

ANSWER KEY AND GRAMMAR ANALYSIS

25 She **WAS TO BLAME FOR** losing the basketball match.

Remember to put the verb 'be' in past and include 'for' in the sentence.

26 They **ARE LIKELY TO** win the match.

In this structure you must use: BE + LIKELY TO + VERB.

27 The I.T. department **MANAGED TO FIX** Jane's laptop.

Succeed in doing something is the same as *manage to do* something.

Don't confuse gerund and infinitive constructions.

28 Would **YOU MIND CLOSING** the window, please?

Here, you are being tested on verbs followed by gerund.

You **MUST** know the most common ones such as: *like, love, hate, enjoy, mind*, etc…

29 Janet **CAN NOT/COULD NOT (CANNOT / CAN'T) HAVE BEEN** in the pub last night.

You MUST know the correct verb participles (especially irregular verbs), so study them!

30 It's **NOT WORTH BUYING (IT)** as you can download it for free.

Worth and *not worth* are always followed by gerund.