

Review MODULE 17

- 1 UNITS 72, 73 AND 74** Read the draft article below. Identify three more places where ellipsis is possible and delete the words. Then find nine more places where a substitution would be better than the given text.

The Inuit system of child adoption, although ~~it is~~ ^{own} archaic, appears much more humane than our ~~system~~ in the so-called civilised world, where childless couples must apply through faceless agencies for the opportunity to adopt. Childless couples must undergo a series of intrusive interviews and examinations and, if they are successful, will then be put on a waiting list for an unspecified period of time. An Inuit couple wanting to adopt simply makes the fact that they want a child known and soon enough the couple will receive a call from a woman who is prepared to give up her child. She may want to give up her child because she already has too many children and she does not want another child, or the call may come from a relative or friend who wishes to help someone less fortunate than themselves. Traditionally, the couple would be asked if the couple would like the child and, if they do, a simple handover would take place. Today, however, the handover system has been replaced by bureaucracy in the form of civil registration, although the tradition itself has not been replaced. The tradition survives even in the twenty-first century.

- 2 UNITS 75 AND 76** Complete the second sentence so it has a similar meaning to the first, but is more emphatic. Use three to six words, including the word in brackets.

- 0 The position demands quick-thinking and analytical skills. (what)
What the position demands is quick-thinking and analytical skills.
- 1 Rick entered the room and his eyes alighted on the note on the table. (sooner)
No than his eyes alighted on the note on the table.
- 2 It's no big secret – any aspiring actor wants the chance to make an impression. (all)
It's no big secret – is to have the chance to make an impression.
- 3 Kerry was devastated – the vegetation was really sparse and the once-lush area resembled a desert. (so)
Kerry was devastated – that the once-lush area resembled a desert.
- 4 Imagine my surprise when the chief inspector himself met me at the front desk. (it)
Imagine my surprise when himself who met me at the front desk.
- 5 The children didn't enjoy the traditional exhibits. They found the interactive displays very interesting. (much)
The children didn't enjoy the traditional exhibits. the interactive displays.
- 6 The decadence of the Roman civilisation eventually led to its downfall. (was)
..... of the Roman civilisation that eventually led to its downfall.
- 7 Their attitude was all the more surprising as we had hardly ever been treated with anything but courtesy. (seldom)
Their attitude was all the more surprising as with anything but courtesy.
- 8 Anastasia didn't want him to feel like a prisoner. (last)
..... for him to feel like a prisoner.