

Practice

- 1 **GRAMMAR IN USE** Choose the correct words in *italics*. **2.31** Listen and check.

Prison or holiday camp?

IN A RECENT (1) *high* / *highly* contentious move the Prison Service has announced a decision to build three more open prisons and to close two existing 'closed' prisons. The Service says the move is prompted by the increasing numbers of low-risk prisoners. Critics are (2) *right* / *rightly* concerned about this move and believe it is (3) *serious* / *seriously* flawed. They argue the decision is a cynical cost-cutting measure which may put the public at risk.

At present open prisons are restricted to prisoners who have committed non-violent crimes and to those who are getting (4) *close* / *closely* to the end of their prison term. (5) *Rough* / *Roughly* 20% of prisoners are held in these facilities at the current time. Many

open prisons are more like country hotels; prisoners can wander (6) *free* / *freely* around the grounds and there are no high walls or barbed wire fences. Inmates can (7) *easy* / *easily* walk out into the surrounding areas. And as most are positioned (8) *deep* / *deeply* in the countryside it would be (9) *easy* / *easily* for absconding offenders to disappear with little hope of recapture.

Critics of open prisons say that they do not provide the deterrent effect of traditional prisons in which prisoners have to work (10) *hard* / *hardly* and have few luxuries. The problem for the prison authorities is that traditional jails are (11) *high* / *highly* expensive to run and offer few opportunities



A female prisoner does the gardening, East Sutton Open Prison

for the rehabilitation and re-education of offenders. In open prisons offenders have the chance to experience something closer to everyday life, and this helps to prepare them for their eventual release. Whoever is (12) *right* / *rightly*, the public is bound to be concerned about this new development in prison policy.

- 2 Complete the second sentence so it has a similar meaning to the first. Use three or four words, including the word in brackets, as in the example.

- 0 Karen did really well in the test. (highly)
Karen *was highly successful* in the test.
- 1 The car started to accelerate as we turned the corner. (go)
As we turned the corner, the car
- 2 She really didn't expect to inherit so much money. (quite)
Inheriting so much money came surprise.
- 3 Evolution is slower during periods of climatic stability. (happens)
Evolution during periods of climatic stability.
- 4 We didn't get there in time to hear the overture. (soon)
We wanted to hear the overture but we didn't get
- 5 More or less three-quarters of our students are fee-paying these days. (roughly)
These days our students pay fees.
- 6 In the USA only a few people have heard of our products. (entirely)
Our products are in the USA.
- 7 Melinda's attempt to repair the torn curtain wasn't very successful. (rather)
Melinda's attempt at curtain repair failure.
- 8 Mr Skidmore had a deeper involvement than any of the other directors. (most)
Of all the directors, Mr Skidmore was