**A2 AQA translation practice sentences**

**Section 1**

1. We decided not to go to the party after all.
2. Although he never does his homework he always gets good grades.
3. The government succeeded in controlling inflation by reducing salaries.
4. If we used more renewable energy we would not need to build nuclear power stations.
5. He wants me to choose a new name for the building.
6. I tried to find an original solution, but it was impossible.
7. It is important to understand the consequences of one’s actions.
8. No-one was able to tell him what he should do.
9. He is the most intelligent person I know.
10. We should encourage motorists to drive more slowly in order to reduce pollution.
11. Nowadays people seem to spend more and more time watching television.
12. It goes without saying that politicians never tell the truth.
13. Wherever he goes, he causes problems for other people.
14. I have no idea what you mean.
15. I’ll finish the job when you have given me precise instructions.
16. After going to Paris, she attempted to find a new job.
17. Before writing the letter I phoned him to explain the situation.
18. I told him what he should have done the other day.
19. The essential thing is to phone the police.
20. They left the country without my knowing where they went.
21. As soon as he had built the house, he tried to sell it.
22. She’s going nowhere without my permission.
23. It was impossible to be sure if he had told me the truth.
24. These are the best articles I have ever read.
25. What would you do if you found a £50 note in the street?
26. I don’t think my son is capable of doing such a thing.
27. I promise you that I shall do everything I can.
28. The price of fuel has gone up every year since 1990.
29. Public transport is improving in the Paris region.
30. There is never anything in the fridge.
31. We learned that Marion passed her exam last week.
32. When they arrived the train was about to depart from platform 5.
33. Do you have everything you need?
34. Do you know Lyon? I know that it is the second city of France.
35. After arriving in London we looked for a comfortable hotel.

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**Section 2**

1. Without saying a word he went downstairs and answered the phone.
2. Immigration is an important issue which worries the public.
3. Whether you like it or not, unemployment is going to increase.
4. Let’s hope that that the economic situation will improve.
5. We should have taken the train instead of the coach.
6. If she had read the paper, she would have realised what had happened.
7. There are more and more people who read the news on the internet.
8. More than twenty people arrived late for the recent meeting.
9. The best students always hand in their work on time.
10. I want you to come and see me by 10 o’clock.
11. Never go shopping on Saturday mornings.
12. Nothing happened when I explained the situation to her.
13. They won’t do it unless he provides the necessary means.
14. You have just made a serious mistake. Correct it!
15. We have been learning French for at least seven years.
16. Lots of people enjoy learning languages.
17. Five years ago we began to decorate our old house.
18. He’s an old friend whom I’ve know for more than twenty years.
19. The authorities have tried to solve the social housing problems.
20. I’m afraid that I cannot let you in.
21. Before taking this major decision, you should think about the consequences.
22. What do you think of that new programme on television?
23. He took everything he needed.
24. I advised them not to spend too long on the homework.
25. Which book do you prefer? This one, or that one?
26. He is a former colleague who has written a new detective novel.
27. Have you seen the new car I bought?
28. Although she is fit, she only runs twice a week.
29. Why do young people wish to become famous?
30. It is important to follow a healthy diet.
31. My favourite character in the film is the old architect.
32. I have always supported women’s rights.
33. If we paid higher taxes we would have better public services.
34. I don’t know what he said to you.
35. I do not believe he is the best person for the job.

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**Section 3**

1. Despite the high price, we bought the new workshop.
2. Alcoholic drinks are not expensive enough.
3. I am too old to wear fashionable clothes.
4. Global warming is an issue which worries me hugely.
5. This is the book I told you about.
6. She returned to the house she had left in 1980.
7. We must finish these sentences as quickly as possible.
8. The most effective methods are the most expensive.
9. I cannot deny that he is both honest and frank.
10. What are the results of the election?
11. I would like you to buy me a brand new car.
12. Engineers are better paid than teachers.
13. The cars were stolen in the middle of the night.
14. They spent their holidays abroad every year.
15. I’m delighted you are able to go to the dance.
16. I used to run a café to the south of Bordeaux.
17. She lied to the police without my knowing.
18. What a shame! I’ll never be able to sing again.
19. The cakes you prepared were delicious.
20. We got up at five o’clock to avoid the traffic.
21. Do you see those flowers? Which ones do you prefer?
22. … I like the ones next to the check-out.
23. We had chicken, vegetables and potatoes.
24. The education system is not as good as in France.
25. Before I go to the hospital, you must give me your phone number.
26. He broke his leg while playing rugby.
27. She began by asking an important question.
28. We spent five minutes listening to the radio.
29. What is the worst job you have done?
30. The oil slick is the worst I have ever seen.