

1 Choose the word or phrase that best completes each sentence.

- 1 He couldn't rest or sleep because too much coffee.
a drinking b been drinking c had been drinking d he had been drinking
- 2 My brother, together with his friends, always round collecting wood for bonfire night.
a go b goes c going d gone
- 3 Some of the girls in my group are surprised that I don't wear make-up, but I don't
a wear b care c do d like
- 4 The team all wanted coffee so I made
a it them b some it c some them d them some
- 5 The director to us that there had been financial problems earlier in the year.
a concluded b offered c revealed d told

2 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first, using the word given. Use between TWO and FIVE words.

1. Maria and I have similar interests.

(COMMON) I have a lot _____ Maria.

2. She organised the event on her own

(BY). She organised the event all _____.

3. I went for a run this morning in spite of the heavy rain.

(HEAVILY) I went for a run even though _____ this morning.

4. He hasn't recovered from his illness yet.

(OVER) He _____ his illness yet.

5. John will get a better job soon.

(PROMOTED) John _____ soon.

6. Could you give me a lift?

(WONDERING) I _____ give me a lift.

7. Perhaps he can solve the problem.

(MIGHT) He _____ solve the problem.

8. He said he wanted a job

(LOOKING). He said _____ a job.

9. How long has he been a musician?

(BECOME) When _____ a musician?

10. Did they have fun at the party?

(ENJOY) _____ at the party?

3 Complete each sentence in such a way that it is as similar as possible in meaning to the sentence above it.

- 1 Nick told one of the detectives that he had taken the cash box.
Nick admitted _____
- 2 The police said it was too dangerous and we were convinced.
The police persuaded _____
- 3 After the princess kissed the frog, he suddenly became a prince.
The frog suddenly turned _____
- 4 Two hours won't be enough to finish the job, he said to us.
He told _____
- 5 The wall is white. Someone did it yesterday.
Someone painted _____

4 Choose the word or phrase that best completes each sentence.

- 1 I think Mr Wilson _____ in this school since 2005 or maybe earlier.
a teaches b is teaching c has taught d taught
- 2 I stopped watching the game before the end, but I thought we _____.
a had won b have won c have been winning d will have won
- 3 That's very sad news. If _____ sooner, I would have tried to help.
a I know b I'll know c I knew d I'd known
- 4 My sister _____ me once or twice since she's been living in Athens.
a was messaging b has messaged c has been messaging d had messaged
- 5 According to the memo, we're _____ the meeting at noon tomorrow.
a having b have c going have d will have

5. For questions 1-6, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given.

1. "Have you been on holiday recently, Jane?" asked Tony.

BEEN

Tony asked Jane on holiday recently.

2. I was too tired to go to the party.

THAT

I was I couldn't go to the party.

3. There's no point asking Lynda to help as she's really busy.

WASTE

It's asking Lynda to help as she's really busy.

4. I'm sure it was Ana I saw in town as I recognised her coat.

MUST

It Ana I saw in town as I recognised her coat.

5. We demanded to see the hotel manager to make our complaint.

SEEING

We the hotel manager to make our complaint.

6. The boss wouldn't object to you going early today.

OBJECTION

The boss would not you going early today.

6 Complete this text by choosing only one of the verbs from each pair for each space.

had decided	was walking	hadn't changed	thinking
decide	walk	wasn't changing	thought
were looking	whispered	saw	wasn't wearing
are looking	was whispering	see	didn't wear

I had a very embarrassing moment last Monday. I **1** _____ to school and **2** _____ about the weekend when I noticed that people **3** _____ at me in a strange way. I couldn't understand it, and just when I **4** _____ I was imagining things, I **5** _____ my best friend. 'Look down!' he **6** _____ to me. Then I understood. I **7** _____ any shoes. I **8** _____ out of my fluffy slippers.

7 Complete this text with these verbs.

believe holds be experiencing had have been changing
will keep lets is happening have been have created

The world is getting warmer and the oceans are rising. Why **1** _____ this _____ ? One answer is that it could simply be part of a natural process. After all, there **2** _____ ice ages and long periods of warmth in the past, so we could just **3** _____ another warming trend. This kind of answer **4** _____ more supporters a few years ago. What scientists now **5** _____ is that human activity is the cause. For more than 200 years, humans **6** _____ gradually _____ the atmosphere, mainly as a result of industrial pollution. We **7** _____ an atmosphere around the earth that, like a giant glass container, **8** _____ heat from the sun through and then **9** _____ it in. **10** _____ temperatures and sea levels _____ rising? The general answer is unfortunately, yes.

8 Choose the word or phrase that best completes each sentence.

- 1 You're 18! You're _____ to be able to look after yourself by now.
a have b ought c should d supposed
- 2 A permit is a document which states that you _____ to do something.
a are allowed b cannot c may d shall
- 3 He _____ have helped us if he'd really wanted to.
a could b may c must d will
- 4 My laptop _____ be old, but it still works really well.
a can b could c may d would
- 5 _____ someone please tell me where the library is?
a Can b May c Must d Should

9 Complete each sentence in such a way that it is as similar as possible in meaning to the sentence above it.

- 1 Students may not park here.
Students are _____
- 2 It's possible that his trip was cancelled at the last minute.
His trip may _____
- 3 She had to get up at five o'clock every morning and she didn't enjoy it.
She didn't enjoy _____
- 4 It was impossible for him to have committed the crime, according to the report.
He _____
- 5 It was a bad idea to put this shirt in the washing machine.
This shirt _____

10 Complete this text with these words.

be able to couldn't might was able to would (×2)
be willing to had to should was going to

'Hello! Mr Appleton!'

The voice was some distance behind him. He stopped raking the leaves and turned to see two women struggling up the driveway towards him. They were wearing identical white T-shirts which had MADD in large black letters across the front. He had a sudden strange thought that they 1 _____ be crazy people who 2 _____ spell. But they didn't look crazy. As they came closer, he 3 _____ make out smaller letters under each of the big letters, spelling out the words 'Mothers Against Drunk Driving'.

'I'm so glad we found you. I'm Nettie Albright and this is Agnes Miller.'

He shook their outstretched hands. Agnes was wearing thin gloves.

'We talked to your wife this morning and she's the one who told us we 4 _____ 5 _____ find you here. She said she hadn't really witnessed the accident, but you had. We were hoping you 6 _____ 7 _____ testify.' She 8 _____ stop and take a deep breath.

'You mean the car crash?'

'Yes, exactly, the crash. We need witnesses. That awful man says it wasn't his fault. He 9 _____ be jailed immediately! He's a menace to society. We need your help to put him away.'

It had happened one early evening in July. I 10 _____ just _____ cross the street when a car came racing through the red light, narrowly missing me, but smashing into another car in the middle of the junction. The woman in that car died. When the man who hit her turned out to be very drunk, it all changed from being an accident to being a criminal case.

11 Complete this text with appropriate passive forms of these verb phrases plus *by*, if necessary.

believe bite consider can cure experience recommend may say

A hangover is the unpleasant physical feeling which 1 _____ the day after drinking too much alcohol. The expression 'a hair of the dog that bit you' refers to another drink of alcohol that you might have to help you recover from a hangover. In the past, it 2 _____ that, if you 3 _____ a mad dog, you 4 _____ placing a hair from that dog on the wound. This treatment 5 _____ widely _____ doctors up to the middle of the 18th century, but it 6 _____ no longer _____ effective. The same 7 _____ about trying to use more alcohol as a cure for a hangover.

12 Complete each sentence in such a way that it is as similar as possible in meaning to the sentence above it.

1 'They didn't build Rome in a day.'

There's a saying that Rome _____

2 They have collected the tests and checked the answers.

The tests _____

3 A bee sting is more likely to cause death these days than a snake bite.

Death _____

4 It was reported that there were serious problems with the new design.

There _____

5 No one gave us instructions or showed us what to do.

We _____

13 Choose one verb phrase from each pair to fill each space in the text.

a *are feeding*

c *are being caused*

e *being hit*

g *brought*

b *are being fed*

d *have caused*

f *having hit*

h *was brought*

i *died*

k *frightened*

m *have driven*

o *to take*

j *was died*

l *was frightened*

n *have been driven*

p *to be taken*

Thailand has a problem with unemployed elephants which 1 _____ on to the streets by the country's economic crisis and a loss of traditional employment. Many of them 2 _____ by tourists who like 3 _____ photographs of them. Major traffic problems 4 _____ by homeless elephants wandering the streets. Traffic 5 _____ to a standstill one day by a raging bull elephant which 6 _____ by the sounds of motorcycles and cars. Another elephant 7 _____ after 8 _____ by a car in Bangkok last month.

14 Choose the word or phrase which best completes each sentence.

1 When Mary said to the dog, 'Stop wagging your tail', _____ tail started wagging faster.

a your b hers c its d their

2 The new job provided money for expensive toys, but not very _____ time to play with them.

a little b few c much d a lot

3 They said on the news that _____ of Scotland was covered in snow.

a each b half c whole d any

4 Cars were parked on _____ side of the street.

a all b both c each d every

5 She liked to say that she was just one of his _____ happy customers.

a all b lots of c many d some

15 Choose the best word from each pair to complete this text.

all / both any / some many / a lot of my / mine

a few / a little either / neither that / the

When we were young, 1 _____ sister and I spent 2 _____ time together on our own. Our parents 3 _____ worked and they always seemed to be busy with 4 _____ big project. One of them was usually there when we came home from school, but sometimes 5 _____ of them could make it home before dark and they would ask our neighbour, Mrs Green, to check if we were okay. I remember one time when we were playing basketball. My sister got annoyed and threw the ball at me. I turned my back and it bounced off and hit her straight in 6 _____ face. As her nose started to bleed, Mrs Green arrived and let out a terrible shriek. We all got a fright, but there was only 7 _____ blood. It wasn't serious. We decided not to tell our parents about it.

16 Complete each sentence in such a way that it is as similar as possible in meaning to the sentence above it.

1 There aren't a lot of people who are willing to help others.

Not many _____

2 We've written fifty per cent of the report already.

Half _____

3 We weren't given any explanation for the delay.

No _____

4 We all want to live forever.

All _____

17 Complete this text with these words plus 'of' where necessary.

no many more most (x2) little

twice a great deal 88 per cent 51 per cent

A recent article on "Injuries in Extreme Sports" in the Journal of Orthopaedic Surgery and Research presented a summary of the findings of medical research in that area, as well as advocating for more doctors with relevant professional expertise.

Extreme sports are activities involving high speed, real or perceived danger, 1 physical exertion, specialized equipment and spectacular stunts. Participation in these activities is associated with 2 3 injuries and deaths than regular sports. One major reason is that they often take place in remote locations with 4 or 5 access to medical care. 6 the injuries reported are fairly predictable. Since skydiving involves jumping from a plane and waiting as long as possible before opening a parachute, the majority of injuries, around 7 , occur during landing, with 8 them involving the lower extremities. The risk of serious injury from snowboarding is estimated at about 9 that of traditional downhill skiing, with bone fractures the 10 common type of injury. The number of people participating in extreme sports continues to increase with the inevitable result that more medical professionals will be needed with specializations in orthopaedic surgery.

18 Complete each sentence, using an infinitive or gerund, in such a way that it is as similar as possible in meaning to the sentence above it.

1 It's sometimes hard finding a place to park.

A place to park _____

2 Is keeping all these old files really necessary?

Is it really necessary _____

3 He shouldn't buy a new car now.

It would be a mistake for _____

4 Amy was bitten by a dog when she was very young and she still remembers it.

Amy still remembers _____

5 The boy said that he hadn't done anything wrong.

The boy denied _____

19 Choose the word or phrase that best completes each sentence.

1 They recommended that the windows _____ opened.

a had to b not be c ought not to d should not

2 He _____ to take part.

a advised not them b invited not them c offered them not d ordered them not

3 She _____ that she liked cold coffee.

a described b replied c spoke d talked

4 The teachers were talking about a trip to see castles and the students were wondering

a why to go. b where they go? c when it was. d what were they?

5 Her father _____ that Ellen had been to Prague before.

a mentioned b persuaded c reminded d told

20 Complete this text with appropriate forms of the verbs.

ask explain point out reply not say not speak talk tell

In her best-selling book *You Just Don't Understand*, Deborah Tannen recalled a joke that her father liked to 1 _____ people. In the joke, a woman went to court to get a divorce from her

husband. When the judge **2** her why she wanted a divorce, she **3** that her husband **4** anything to her in two years. The judge turned to the husband and asked him why he **5** to his wife in two years. The husband **6**, 'I didn't want to interrupt her.' Tannen **7** that the joke was based on an old-fashioned stereotype of women: that they **8** all the time. Her research had shown that it was, in fact, a false stereotype.

21 Complete each sentence using indirect speech in such a way that it is as similar as possible

in meaning to the sentence above it.

- 1 'I will buy the flowers myself.'
Mrs Dalloway said _____
- 2 'Henry, did you leave your keys in the door?'
She asked _____
- 3 An announcement was made that the strike was over.
There was _____
- 4 'I shall return tomorrow.'
His only comment _____
- 5 It surprised us that he said, 'I won't do it.'
His statement that _____
- 6 I remember one time when my aunt said to me, 'Don't talk with your mouth full.'
I remember one time when my aunt told _____
- 7 They said, 'You can stay at our house.'
They invited _____

22 Choose the word or phrase that best completes each sentence.

- 1 The house I grew up _____ has been demolished and replaced by an office building.
a in b in it c in that d in which
- 2 Fieldwork is practical work _____ outside the school or office.
a doing b done c which do d that does
- 3 A letterbox is a narrow opening in a door through _____ mail is delivered.
a it b that c which d where
- 4 I didn't recognize the man who she was talking to
a him b her c his wife d -
- 5 Could you ask those _____ outside to make less noise?
a wait b waiting c waited d to wait

23 Choose the word or phrase which best completes each sentence.

- 1 What's a miracle? Well, popcorn's a miracle if you _____ know how it's made.
a didn't b don't c won't d wouldn't
- 2 Some of you may have already completed section one. _____, you can go on to section two.

a If so b If you do c If you may d If not

3 In summer, if my dad finished work early, he sometimes take us swimming.

a is b was c will d would

4 If you don't mind, I finish my coffee before we leave.

a would b would have c would like d would rather

5 If they'd Justin more time, he'd have been able to do a better job.

a give b giving c given d gave

24 Complete this article, tips on how to learn a language, with one suitable word in each space.

Spend some time in a country where people speak the language. For example, **1** ... you go to Paris, you **2** ... learn French more quickly than if you **3** ... classes at home. But it's better to go alone. If you **4** ... with your friends in a group, you're more likely to speak your native language with them.

Try to find a job. If you **5** ... in a restaurant in Salamanca, you **6** ... have to speak Spanish to the customers all day. You could also think about who you live with. Imagine how fantastic your Spanish would be by the time you went home if you **7** ... with Spanish people!

25 Choose the word or phrase that best completes each sentence.

1 Players may not leave the area without permission the game is being played.

a despite b during c much as d while

2 Remember to wear a helmet your head is protected.

a in order that b so as c that d to

3 they had been waiting in line all night, I was sure they'd get tickets.

a As though b Because of c Since d Until

4 Amelia said it was lovely weather they all went swimming.

a as b as if c so d such

5 Once you into a routine, you'll find the work is quite easy.

a are settling b have settled c settled d will settle