

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