

Finding Gold

Read the text and choose the best word for the blank.

Most people would (1) _____ that finding the perfect ring for your partner is difficult. However, John Greenwood, a Scottish engineer, (2) _____ himself an extra challenge. (3) _____ of taking a trip to the jeweler's, John (4) _____ most of last year standing up to his knees in freezing water. He was looking for tiny pieces of gold (5) _____ the stones on the river beds in the Scottish Highlands.

Using very (6) _____ equipment, John worked hard to (7) _____ enough gold to make not just an engagement ring for his girlfriend, Morag, (8) _____ also their two wedding rings. "I was out there (9) _____ weekend and in the evening before it got dark, in freezing cold water," he said.

Experts think that John was amazingly lucky to find so much gold in such a (10) _____ time. Many people (11) _____ for 30 years without getting anything.

