Comment adverbs and adverbial phrases.

Comment Adverb ...sentence

Sentence ...comment Adverb

1. Comment adverbs give the speaker's opinion.
Personally, I don't think this is a good idea.

2. Some adverbs can be used as both comment adverbs and as adverbs of manner.
Frankly, she is not keen on horror films. She spoke frankly about her family problems.

3. We usually put comment adverbs at the start of the sentence, although they can go with the verb.
Foolishly, Ted left his driving license at home. Ted foolishly left his driving license at home.

1) Choose two correct answers for each of the following sentences.

1. _____, I'll pass my driving test before my eighteenth birthday.
a) Luckily b) Ideally c) Hopefully d) Foolishly

2._____, he offered to pay for the meal.
a) Ideally b) To my surprise c) Luckily d) Frankly

3._____, I'll get this job. I've had enough of being unemployed.
a) Not surprisingly b) Ideally c) Luckily d) Hopefully

4. _____, Ann accepted a ride in a stranger's car.
a) Stupidly b) Frankly c) Foolishly d) Ideally

5. John's been feeling sick all day, so ____, he won't be going to the gym tonight.
a) obviously b) to my surprise c) fortunately d) not surprisingly

6. _____, his son doesn't disagree with him, so they have come to an agreement.
a) Stupidly b) Fortunately c) Personally d) Not surprisingly

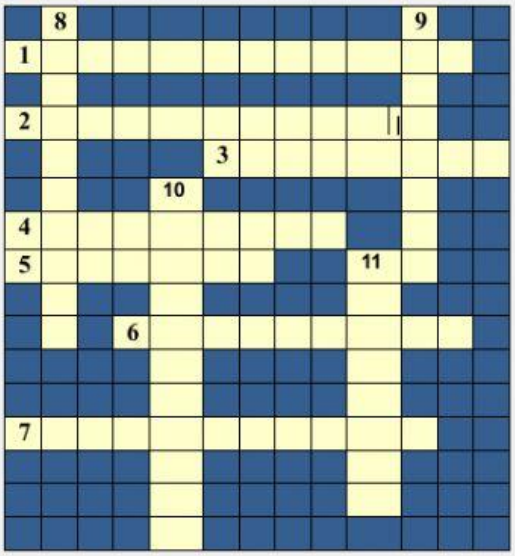
7. _____, we've got a new teacher.
a) Apparently b) To be honest c) Fortunately d) Foolishly

2) Complete the text with comment adverbs given in the box. Two are extra.

to be honest / luckily obviously / foolishly / apparently / ideally /unfortunately /

1 _____, my sister had told my friends what to buy for my birthday. 2_____, it wasn't what I wanted. 3_____, I didn't say anything to my friends. 4_____, they didn't realise how disappointed I was. 5_____, I've never mentioned it since.

3) Read the clues and complete the crossword with the appropriate comment adverbs.



Across

1. Sam fell off the bike, but _____ he didn't break his leg.

2. Mark _____ didn't realize his mistake until Ann opened the present on her birthday.

3._____, I don't care what people think.

4. To my_____, I didn't fail my exams.

5. To be _____, I'm not keen on this kind of food.

6. _____, I agreed to lend him money.

7. _____, it was the only thing that frightened him.

Down

8. _____, I didn't write the phone number down.

9. Someone stole my wallet last night. _____, there wasn't much money in it.

10. _____, I don't believe in ghosts.

11. _____, we would like to start at the beginning.

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