

Percy Ross was born in 1916 in Michigan. His parents has come to the USA from Latvia and Russia and the family were poor. But Percy soon showed a talent (1) \_\_\_\_\_ business and made a fortune in the fur trade and auction business. Then disaster struck and he (2) \_\_\_\_\_ all his money. But he soon made a fortune again – this time by (3) \_\_\_\_\_ plastic bags. In 1969, he sold his plastic bag company for millions of dollars. Ross started giving away in 1977: he gave \$50,000 to 50 Vietnamese refugees so that they could make a new home in the USA. (4) \_\_\_\_\_ he held a Christmas party for 1,050 poor children in the American town of Minneapolis. Ross bought a bike for every one of the 1,050 children at the party. After these first experiences of giving money away, Ross decided to do it on a (5) \_\_\_\_\_ basis. He started a newspaper column called ‘Thanks a Million’, and later a radio show, in order to give away his money. It took years, but Ross finally (6) \_\_\_\_\_ in giving away his entire fortune.

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| 1. A. for         | B. of            | C. on           | D. with         |
| 2. A. threw       | B. wasted        | C. lost         | D. sent         |
| 3. A. manufacture | B. manufacturing | C. manufacturer | D. manufactured |
| 4. A. But         | B. Then          | C. Yet          | D. Though       |
| 5. A. frequent    | B. usual         | C. occasional   | D. regular      |
| 6. A. interested  | B. invested      | C. succeeded    |                 |