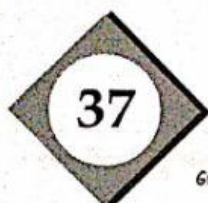


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1. The great leader was _____ during a public appearance and no suspect has been caught.
 (1) murdered (2) assassinated
 (3) terminated (4) emancipated
2. The sales of this product has _____ all other brands in the market.
 (1) overtaken (2) exceeded
 (3) surpassed (4) retreated
3. Mother was unable to clean the badly _____ shirt.
 (1) stained (2) contaminated
 (3) polluted (4) coloured
4. Please _____ from smoking on board the plane.
 (1) refrain (2) restrict
 (3) restrain (4) remit
5. The young woman always _____ the rich and famous and dreams of having a similar lifestyle.
 (1) resents (2) spites
 (3) envies (4) admires
6. We met our former teacher in the restaurant.
 (1) dominant (2) previous
 (3) bossy (4) minor
7. This newspaper article emphasises the importance of maintaining a healthy lifestyle.
 (1) claims (2) states
 (3) reports (4) stresses
8. You are too blunt! You have to be more tactful next time.
 (1) outspoken (2) careless
 (3) indirect (4) impulsive
9. I have firm belief that Chongzhi is telling the truth.
 (1) trust (2) assume
 (3) guess (4) imagine
10. Mr Lee's son was sent to a special school as he was slow in mental development.
 (1) gifted (2) brilliant
 (3) mediocre (4) retarded

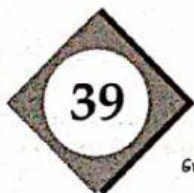


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1. To avoid creating a scene in public, Miss Wong _____ to the unreasonable old lady.
(1) gave up (2) gave in
(3) gave away (4) gave over
2. Even though some of the durians _____ to our relatives, we still have a lot left.
(1) are given (2) were given
(3) has been given (4) have been given
3. Grandfather's little business, _____ way back in 1930, has turned into a big corporation.
(1) found (2) founding
(3) founded (4) to found
4. Both of the girls _____ to be given a stern warning. They are too mischievous.
(1) is (2) are
(3) was (4) were
5. Do you know the _____ of the swimming pool?
(1) wide (2) width
(3) widen (4) widely
6. We will not be allowed to camp at the East Coast Park _____ we have a permit.
(1) if (2) since
(3) when (4) unless
7. Isabel knows the answer to this question, _____ she?
(1) doesn't (2) didn't
(3) won't (4) hasn't
8. Of her three sons, Mrs Chong loves the oldest one _____.
(1) dearly (2) dearest
(3) more dearly (4) the most dearly
9. There _____ much drawing paper left in the cupboard now. We need replenishment.
(1) isn't (2) wasn't
(3) aren't (4) weren't
10. Peter lost two of _____ front teeth while fighting with his brother.
(1) his (2) their
(3) her (4) our

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1. He cannot help _____ after his convincing victory over his opponent.
 (1) gloating (2) sneering
 (3) scoffing (4) gossiping
2. All the victims were _____ murdered! The murderer must be a heartless beast.
 (1) brutally (2) frightfully
 (3) vulgarly (4) seriously
3. The nine planets _____ round the Sun.
 (1) evolve (2) revolve
 (3) surround (4) circulate
4. The fort is _____ on the top of the hill.
 (1) pinned (2) made
 (3) constructed (4) decked
5. Since he is willing to _____, let us give him another chance.
 (1) deny (2) contradict
 (3) forgive (4) repent
6. The hikers persisted despite difficulties and finally managed to finish their journey.
 (1) persevered (2) renounced
 (3) yielded (4) surrendered
7. The children went to see a play without speech.
 (1) movie (2) musical
 (3) pantomime (4) performance
8. The Caucasian lady travelled by obtaining free rides all the way from Johor to Thailand.
 (1) hijacked (2) hitch-hiked
 (3) droved (4) hiked
9. The birth of the foal was captured on film by Mr Lim.
 (1) sketched (2) photographed
 (3) drawn (4) drafted
10. The children were all ears to the principal's speech.
 (1) devoted (2) dutiful
 (3) committed (4) attentive



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1. My sister is _____ on time for her appointments, as she hates to make people wait.
(1) always (2) never (3) seldom (4) rarely
2. Cinderella was the _____ girl at the ball and she caught the attention of the prince.
(1) pretty (2) prettier (3) prettiest (4) most prettiest
3. Little Joanna was already asleep _____ we reached home last evening.
(1) so (2) before (3) until (4) though
4. _____ of the boys were given a wallet each at the party.
(1) Each (2) One (3) Every (4) All
5. Those cartons of beer _____ been bought for the party this evening.
(1) has (2) have (3) had (4) having
6. Liddy, together with Elizabeth, _____ to the tuition lesson later today.
(1) go (2) goes (3) is going (4) are going
7. Both boys _____ their dinner and now they want to play with their toys.
(1) take (2) taken (3) have taken (4) had took
8. Neither the pupils nor Mr Teoh _____ in the classroom. Where are they?
(1) is (2) are (3) was (4) were
9. Please _____ us some tea first. We'll help ourselves to the cakes later.
(1) serve (2) serves (3) served (4) serving
10. Do you have any _____ coffee powder to spare? I need some now.
(1) less (2) much (3) little (4) more

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1. The two friends finally _____ after three years of bitter quarrel.
 (1) contacted (2) reconciled
 (3) related (4) conveyed
2. After a long period of recluse, the man was finally at _____ with himself.
 (1) war (2) peace
 (3) ease (4) relaxation
3. The boy who _____ the teacher was severely punished and suspended from school.
 (1) tapped (2) smashed
 (3) punched (4) knocked
4. Can you smell the coffee _____ in the kitchen?
 (1) baking (2) cooking
 (3) frying (4) brewing
5. Kelly's mother _____ to her taking up scuba diving.
 (1) rejected (2) dejected
 (3) objected (4) subjected
6. On the face of it, we have made the wrong decision.
 (1) Outwardly (2) Unfortunately
 (3) Suddenly (4) Providently
7. All the residents chipped in to a fund for the flood victims.
 (1) contributed (2) distributed
 (3) reattributed (4) attributed
8. We are convinced that his arguments are without reason.
 (1) necessary (2) valid
 (3) applicable (4) illogical
9. The engineer unfastened and took apart the faulty component from the machine.
 (1) connected (2) detached
 (3) linked (4) demolished
10. The boy's lack of interest in the matter worries his mother.
 (1) indifference (2) concern
 (3) apprehension (4) reassurance