Read the text and think of the word which best fits each gap.

SPACEMEN'S AUTOGRAPHS



Only twelve astronauts actually **(1)** _____ foot on the moon during the US Apollo space programme **(2)** _____ 1969 and 1972. Some have since **(3)** _____ household names – **(4)** _____ Neil Armstrong, **(5)** _____ made the original "giant leap for mankind" and Buzz Aldrin, his co-pilot on that mission. The other ten are less well-known, **(6)** _____ if each made his own contribution **(7)** _____ the programme.

But to Paul Prendergast, a postal worker from London, they are all pioneers, worthy to be mentioned in the **(8)** _____ breath as the great explorers of earlier eras, **(9)** _____ as Christopher Colombus. Paul's fascination **(10)** _____ the subject began in 2000 **(11)** _____ he attended a convention for people **(12)** _____ hobby is collecting autographs. There he met Alan Bean (fourth man on the moon) and Ed Mitchell (sixth). **(13)** _____ he remembers: "There **(14)** _____ television stars there, people from Bond movies, and so **(15)** _____, but these men had walked on the moon. I headed straight **(16)** _____ to meet them and ask for **(17)** _____ autographs." For a collector, the challenge of **(18)** _____ hold of the remaining ten proved irresistible.

Yet Paul's quest was never going to be entirely straightforward. After **(19)** _____, at that time, only nine of the astronauts were **(20)** _____ alive and two **(21)** _____ given up signing autographs years before. Paul eventually **(22)** _____ to achieve his goals, however, by establishing contacts **(23)** _____ other collectors, by buying **(24)** _____ reputable dealers and by attending specialist auctions.

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