

1 Choose the correct verb forms to complete the sentences.

- 1 **Being / Been** well off, Sebastian's parents could afford to send him to a private school.
- 2 **Purchasing / Purchased** online, plane tickets are usually cheaper.
- 3 **Standing / Stood** at the checkout, I remembered that I needed to buy bread.
- 4 **Having got / Had got** into debt once, Anne has limited the use of her credit card.
- 5 The market was full of tourists **haggling / haggled** for souvenirs.
- 6 **Selling / Sold** in an attractive gift box, this perfume makes an excellent present.

2 Rewrite the sentences. Start each sentence with a participle clause.

- 1 If you decorate it with fruit, the kids will love it.

- 2 Sue was disappointed with her results so she wrote a letter to complain.

- 3 As I was cycling down the hill at top speed, I started to feel dizzy.

- 4 Before she reached the first bend, Larissa was ten metres behind the leaders.

- 5 While Tom was sitting in class, he began to daydream.

- 6 If you wash these jeans carefully, they will look as good as new again.

- 7 Since you live in the country, you rarely go shopping.

- 8 This card was designed by my brother. It's beautiful

3 Complete the sentences. Use a preposition and the correct form of a verb from below. Use each word once.

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- 1 _____ my new job a week ago, everybody in the office has been kind to me.
- 2 _____ tennis, I twisted my ankle.
- 3 _____ lunch, I went to the supermarket and bought all the necessary ingredients.
- 4 _____ the horror film, I had nightmares.
- 5 _____ the alarm, all the citizens raced to the shelters.

4 Complete the sentences with the correct words. The first letter of each word has been given.

- 1 I went online and filled my basket with a number of i _____ that I selected by clicking on them.
- 2 Once I had selected what I wanted to buy, I went to the c _____ to complete the purchase.
- 3 I was r _____ off by the shopkeeper who charged me twice as much as I should have paid.
- 4 Stay within the b _____ you set yourself. Don't spend more than you have.
- 5 My grandparents gave me lots of money at Christmas, so I s _____ out on new clothes in the sales. I spent lots of money!
- 6 It's important not to o _____ at Christmas. You really don't need to buy so much stuff.
- 7 It's important to s _____ around to make sure you buy the product you want at the best price.
- 8 I was able to t _____ my online purchase from the warehouse to the final delivery.

5 Complete the text with the correct words.

Mary ¹ _____ a fortune from selling a family business, and now she is very rich and living in the ² _____ of luxury. Despite this, she's still careful with her money. She won't buy anything she thinks is a ³ _____ -off, and refuses to pay through the ⁴ _____ for anything. In some ways, she's a bit mean. She bought a dirt ⁵ _____ jacket in the sales last week even though she has enough money to buy a much nicer designer jacket, and she refuses to help friends who are ⁶ _____ up and living hand to ⁷ _____.

6 Complete the text with the words and phrases below.

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I don't really enjoy shopping on the high street because I think in a lot of shops you get
1 _____ and I can't 2 _____ to buy their over-priced products.
I really don't want to 3 _____, so I never 4 _____. However, I
do spend a lot of time 5 _____ on the internet. I like the fact that you can read
6 _____ of different products, and many online shops now offer free
7 _____. In fact, I've got a 8 _____ on my favourite big online store, so
when it's my birthday, it will be easy for people to choose and order a present for me.