

Choose the correct adverb (A, B, C or D) to complete each gap.

- 1 Camille was *disappointed* when she only came third in the 800 metre race.
A sharply B bitterly C fiercely D crossly
- 2 Cliff was *moved* by the sad story that his grandmother told him.
A soundly B heavily C widely D deeply
- 3 The decision to build a new bridge across the river was *controversial*.
A solidly B firmly C highly D strongly
- 4 The local newspaper played a *important* role in the campaign against poor air quality.
A vitally B chiefly C completely D principally
- 5 House prices in the capital city are *high*.
A vastly B hugely C extremely D greatly
- 6 Public transport in the region is *subsidised* by the government, so fares are low.
A firmly B heavily C thickly D solidly
- 7 Advice on how to invest your savings is much more *available* than it used to be.
A thoroughly B largely C widely D highly
- 8 Research suggests that regular exercise and a feeling of being happy are *linked*.
A nearly B finely C exactly D closely

Choose the correct option (A, B, C or D) to complete each gap.

- 1 Young people in my region used to feel cut off from other young people, but this changed with the of social media.
A design B issue C arrival D result
- 2 Environmental research shows that much more should be done to certain species in the local area which are regarded as endangered.
A overcome B protect C expose D control
- 3 It's what the key is to achieving success in this type of business. No one seems to know.
A unbelievable B unfair C unclear D undeniable
- 4 I took part in a very interesting psychological experiment. I was one of about 100 of various ages and backgrounds.
A members B participants C players D entrants
- 5 My brother was on the of joining the police force, but then he changed his mind.
A edge B border C line D point

For questions **1 – 8**, read the text below and decide which answer (**A, B, C, or D**) best fits each gap.

Would you rather win a silver or bronze medal?

Try to **(0)** yourself as an athlete in an Olympic event. We can **(1)** assume you'd want to win, and, if that wasn't possible, you'd prefer to **(2)** up second rather than third. However, research **(3)** that the reality may be different.

In one study, volunteers assessed athletes' faces as they waited for their medals. In particular, they looked out for athletes with a 'Duchenne smile', which is thought to show happiness and is **(4)** by a raising of the mouth and a crinkling round the eyes. Gold medal winners were rated as happiest, but those in second place seemed less happy than bronze medallists. Researchers also found that the **(5)** by which a medal was won or lost appeared important: silver medallists who **(6)** lost out on gold were significantly less happy than those who only just beat the third-placed athlete.

Do silver medallists **(7)** on how they might have won gold, whereas bronze medallists just feel lucky to win something? We can't be sure, but researchers think comparative performance may greatly affect the **(8)** of happiness.

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| 1 | A soundly | B steadily | C safely | D strongly |
| 2 | A take | B come | C make | D end |
| 3 | A exposes | B suggests | C notifies | D admits |
| 4 | A characterised | B featured | C constituted | D specified |
| 5 | A distance | B area | C size | D limit |
| 6 | A tightly | B finely | C closely | D narrowly |
| 7 | A wonder | B reflect | C consider | D evaluate |
| 8 | A impact | B conclusion | C feeling | D search |

 Complete the gaps in the sentences with the correct preposition.

- 1 Helen has always been very good solving problems.
- 2 Historically, the region has always been associated rice-growing.
- 3 Portugal is renowned the quality and beauty of its tiles.
- 4 Eliana's experiences are very typical young people doing internships these days.
- 5 Local businesses were strongly opposed the introduction of a new property tax.
- 6 My father will soon be eligible a pension.
- 7 The band have received some negative reviews, so they're rather wary journalists now.
- 8 We're very grateful all the support we've been given.
- 9 Faiza was exposed lots of different types of music as she was growing up.
- 10 Gavin has doubts about the project and wasn't convinced the latest reports.

 Circle the correct preposition in the following sentences.

- 1 It was very hard to make sense *in / at / of* what the caller to the radio programme was saying.
- 2 Fortunately, Suresh made a speedy recovery *from / of / with* his illness.
- 3 The coaches took great pride *at / in / for* the progress that the team made last year.
- 4 I have to keep an eye *to / for / on* my sister's flat while she's away.
- 5 We feel that the company has lost sight *about / from / of* its original objectives.
- 6 The security staff had to take the blame *for / about / on* the robbery at the shopping mall yesterday.
- 7 Latecomers aren't usually allowed in, but the staff made an exception *from / for / about* several people today because of the traffic problems.
- 8 Olaf has been put in charge *of / for / to* the new advertising campaign.