

FILL IN THE GAPS: with the correct form of the verb in brackets

1. _____ (give) up chocolate is a good idea, but if you intend _____ (lose) ten kilos in three months you'll have to do a lot more than that!
2. Hurry up! I don't want to risk _____ (miss) the train!
3. I don't mind _____ (look) after the neighbour's cat for a week, but I refuse _____ (have) it here in the house.
4. Has it stopped _____ (rain) yet?
5. By the time we _____ (get) to the party they _____ (eat) all the food. In fact, it was so late that most of the guests _____ (already / leave) and only two or three people _____ (still / dance)
6. We tried _____ (put) the fire out but we were unsuccessful. We had to call the fire brigade.
7. We'd really like _____ (live) in the city centre but it's virtually impossible _____ (find) a three-bedroomed flat at a price we can afford _____ (pay).
8. The baby began _____ (cry) in the middle of the night.
9. It was a nice day, so we decided _____ (go) for a walk.
10. When I _____ (hear) about the motorway accident on the radio, I immediately _____ (phone) my son to check that he _____ (get) back safely. He _____ (tell) me he _____ (take) a different route home.

MULTIPLE-CHOICE CLOZE: decide which option (A, B, C, D) best fits each gap

1. Where have you been? You were _____ to be here half an hour ago!
A. allowed B. supposed C. had D. allowed to
2. A person who is a bit boring is _____.
A. clumsy B. dull C. affectionate D. bossy
3. Olympiakos _____ 0-0 with Real Madrid in the first leg of the semi-final in Athens.
A. drew B. equalled C. equalized D. shared
4. It's a strange relationship; they don't seem to have anything in _____.
A. a go B. influence C. common D. the strength
5. I've never really enjoyed _____ sport.
A. going on B. taking up C. practising D. doing
6. We'd _____ make too much noise; we might wake the baby up.
A. better not B. shouldn't C. mustn't D. ought not to
7. The rules are very clear. You know you _____ wear jewellery to school.
A. mustn't B. don't have to C. don't need to D. allowed to
8. A famous actor who people know very well is a _____ actor.
A. famous B. well-known C. well-knowned D. good-knew
9. The home side _____ 76-75 in a thrilling game of basketball.

- A. won B. beat C. scored D. marked
10. The best thing about my job is that I _____ to get up early. I don't start until 10 a.m.
- A. needn't B. don't have to C. 'm not supposed D. shouldn't

OPEN CLOZE: complete the gaps. Use only one word in each gap or a '-' if it should be empty.

- When his wife was seriously ill, he decided to _____ some time _____ to look after her.
- I've told you before, you _____ hand in your homework to me on time – I don't want _____ tell you again!
- You can take _____ dogs and _____ other pets into _____ Britain but they have to have _____ passport and wear _____ microchip under their skin. _____ "passport" is in fact _____ health certificate and _____ microchip contains _____ information such as _____ address of the pet and its telephone number.
- The reason _____ we're going skiing in March is because it's much cheaper then. Obviously we'd prefer to go in January _____ the snow's better but we can't afford it.
- Leslie: 'I'm looking forward to this concert. Have you got _____ tickets?'
Linda: 'Oh no!' I've left them at _____ home. Don't worry, though. I'll get _____ taxi – I can be there and back in half _____ hour.'
- She takes _____ her father; they're both as disorganised as each other.
- I'm sorry I can't come to your party but thank you very much for _____ me.
- The cheetah, _____ can run at a speed of 110 kilometres an hour, is the _____ animal in the world.
- I lost that necklace _____ I was wearing on Friday _____ made me very unpopular at home. It belonged to my eldest sister _____ boyfriend gave it to her for her birthday.
- My husband's a police officer so he _____. He prefers working nights; that way he gets to see more of the kids.

WORD FORMATION: for questions 1-10 use the word given in capitals at the end of each line to form a word that fits the space in the same line.

- There was some _____ about who should be team captain. **AGREE**
- I didn't really enjoy the film. The special effects were OK but the plot was rather dull and _____. **INTEREST**
- You obviously _____ when I set the homework. You've done the wrong exercise. **UNDERSTAND**
- I got so _____ when my dad starts singing. **EMBARRASS**

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| 5. I keep telling you you're _____; those trousers are far too tight for you now! | WEIGH |
| 6. Derek is so _____. You can never trust him to arrive on time for anything. | RELY |
| 7. <i>Scream</i> was probably the most _____ film I've never seen. | FRIGHT |
| 8. It was quite _____ to read so many negative reviews of the film. Critics wrote that the main characters were _____, but personally, I was very _____ by the quality of the acting and would certainly recommend the film to other people. | ANNOY
CONVINCE
IMPRESS |
| 9. You look a little _____. Don't you understand what you have to do in this exercise? | CONFUSE |
| 10. He always asks me what I think he should do. He seems _____ of making his own decisions. | CAPABLE |

TRANSFORMATIONS: for questions 1-10, complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. DO NOT CHANGE THE WORD GIVEN. You must use between two and five words, including the word given.

- All the other chairs in the room are more comfortable than this one.
comfortable
This is the _____ the room.
- I can't play tennis very well.
good
I _____ playing tennis.
- It's impossible for me not to laugh when he starts singing.
help
I can't _____ when he starts singing.
- It's not a good idea to travel during the rush hour.
avoid
It's better to _____ the rush hour.
- I'm glad smoking is prohibited on public transport.
allowed
I'm glad you _____ on public transport.
- I enjoyed myself so much I didn't want to come home.
good
I had _____ time I didn't want to come home.
- The stadium was always full on the day of the cup final.
used
The stadium _____ full on the day of the cup final.
- The food was so delicious that I couldn't stop eating.

such

It was _____ I couldn't stop eating.

9. I eat more if I smoke less.

the

The less _____ I eat.

10. Don't let me forget to call my sister.

phone

Remind _____.