

Vocabulary

Charities

1 Complete the sentences with a word related to charities. The first letter is given.

- 1 Companies can **e**_____ women by giving equal pay.
- 2 The government is trying to encourage more **s**_____ development in the city.
- 3 My job is to **i**_____ government and persuade ministers to spend more on healthcare.
- 4 Harry has been **c**_____ for the protection of endangered animals for years.
- 5 We need to do more to raise people's **a**_____ of homelessness in the city.
- 6 Citizens are trying to **r**_____ the neighbourhood from local gangs.



2 Choose the correct option a, b, c or d.

Fair Labour for All!

This charity aims to ¹_____ the problem of poor working conditions. We offer support to men and women around the country who find themselves working for wages lower than the recommended legal wage. As these people often come from places that suffer from social and economic ²_____, they aren't always able to give up their work without financial consequences. For this reason, we invest time and money in helping them find alternative work. We also have ³_____ in educating people.

We raise awareness of poor employment conditions among local communities. We also try to ⁴_____ people to bring up issues with their employers, especially women more often affected by poor conditions. Last year, we campaigned to save a group of female employees working in terrible conditions and were successful. Finally, we ⁵_____ the government for rights for all workers, which is a very ⁶_____ cause.

- 1 a battle b handle c tackle d cope
- 2 a deprivation b disadvantage c detriment d distress
- 3 a education b expertise c ability d skill
- 4 a empower b allow c control d qualify
- 5 a lobby b influence c convince d motivate
- 6 a expert b due c well-earned d worthy

Grammar

Double comparatives

3 Correct the mistake in four of these sentences.

- 1 The old I get, the slower my body becomes.
- 2 It's strange. The more tired I feel, less sleep I seem to get.
- 3 The fewer hours I work, the less stress I have.
- 4 The more I use a computer, the bad my eyesight gets.
- 5 Is it true that faster the car, the more petrol it uses?
- 6 The quicker we walk, the sooner we'll get there.

4 Complete the conversations with one word in each gap.

- 1 A: I hope there aren't too many people at the party.
B: I disagree. The _____ the crowd, the _____ fun it is.
- 2 A: I can't seem to get my fingers in the right place to play the right notes.
B: Don't worry. The _____ you practise, the _____ it gets.
- 3 A: I haven't heard from Tom today. I think I'll message him again.
B: The _____ you message him, the _____ likely he is to reply. He'll think you're bothering him.
- 4 A: Do you need any more volunteers for the clean-up?
B: Yes, please. The _____ people we have, the _____ we'll get done.
- 5 A: How can you work with such a messy desk?
B: Haven't you heard? The _____ your desk, the _____ creative you are. Research confirms it!
- 6 A: I work faster when I have a deadline coming up.
B: Me too. The _____ I have to get a report done, the _____ time it seems to take.

5 Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first.

- 1 If you put in more effort, the results will be better.
The more _____ results.
- 2 If we don't argue much, we'll be happy.
The less _____ we'll be.
- 3 If you keep ignoring Sam, it'll be miserable for you.
The more _____ it'll be for you.
- 4 At some restaurants, when you pay more, the meal is actually smaller.
At some resta **Друк** more _____ the meal.
- 5 If we walk faster, we're likely to catch the 9.15 bus.
The faster _____ catch the 9.15 bus.
- 6 It's good for me when there aren't many people here.
The fewer _____ it is for me.