C. Read the text below and decide which answer *a*, *b* or *c* best fits each gap.

Bigfoot

Yesterday, something very interesting as well as (1) _____ happened in our town. To everyone's (2) _____, Mr and Mrs Bob Sharp found some huge footprints outside their cabin in the woods and contacted the police. They told the police that they (3) _____ such big footprints before and that they were (4) _____ because they believed that the footprints belonged to Bigfoot.

It is believed that Bigfoot is an enormous (5) _____ that looks like an ape and lives in the forests of northwestern USA and Canada. However, (6) _____ the reports of local inhabitants, the authorities say that there isn't enough evidence to confirm that he is real. Many people claim that they have (7) _____ Bigfoot, but nobody can really prove it. In any case, the police assured everybody that the footprints belong to a big bear that was (8) _____ in the area.

1. a. dazzling
   b. remote
   c. bizarre
2. a. coincidence
   b. astonishment
   c. identification
3. a. had never seen
   b. never saw
   c. have never seen
4. a. terrified
   b. scattered
   c. haunted
5. a. native
   b. victim
   c. creature
6. a. so far
   b. apart from
   c. perhaps
7. a. encountered
   b. confessed
   c. searched
8. a. wondering
   b. wandering
   c. operating

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D. Read the text and complete the blanks with the correct form of the words in capitals.

In the wrong place at the wrong time

Michael is an ordinary man, and nothing (1) _____ has ever happened to him. But one day, as he was reading his newspaper, he saw a job (2) _____ that looked interesting. He already had a job, but just out of (3) _____, Michael called and arranged an interview. To his surprise, the taxi left him outside an enormous building he had never seen before. An elegant woman took his coat and then vanished. He was waiting for the (4) _____ when a man walked in with a gun and told everyone present to give him their money. Poor Michael was in the wrong place at the wrong time. However, by pure (5) _____, Michael was able to recognise the man. It was Steve Sanders, from school. He wasn't a (6) _____, but he was very (7) _____ because after he had lost his job, he was left homeless. As soon as he realised who Michael was, he started crying and (8) _____ to everyone for the incident. As far as the gun is concerned, it turned out to be plastic.

BELIEVE
ADVERTISE
CURIOUS
INTERVIEW
COINCIDE
CRIME
FRUSTRATE
APOLOGY

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E. 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.

1. 'Do you have any plans for the summer holidays?' Alicia asked me. **wondered**
   Alicia _____ any plans for the summer holidays.
2. 'Don't leave the building,' the police officer told us. **not**
   The police officer told us _____ building.
3. They sent the invitations and then they cancelled the party. **had**
   After they _____, they cancelled the party.
4. 'I have never seen a koala before,' said Michelle. **had**
   Michelle said _____ a koala before.
5. 'Where did Karen buy that lovely dress?' Tricia asked. **wondered**
   Tricia _____ that lovely dress.
6. We walked for five hours and finally we decided to stop for a while. **been**
   We _____ five hours when we finally decided to stop for a while.
7. 'I am sorry I took your dress without asking,' said Linda. **for**
   Linda _____ my dress without asking.
8. 'I did not take any money from your wallet,' said Sam. **taking**
   Sam _____ my wallet.

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