

Choose the best completion.

1. Even though ostriches have wings, ____.

A. their feathers are large.

B. they are big birds.

C. they can't fly.

2. My brother came to my graduation ceremony although ____.

A. he was sick.

B. he was eager to see everyone.

C. he was happy for me.

3. Even though I looked in every pocket and every drawer, ____.

A. my keys were under the bed.

B. my roommate helped me look for my keys.

C. I never found my keys.

4. Jack hadn't heard or read about the murder even though ____

A. he was the murderer.

B. it was on the front page of every newspaper.

C. he was out of town when it occurred.

5. We can see the light from an airplane high in the sky at night before we hear the plane, because _____

A. light travels faster than sound.

B. airplanes travel at high speeds.

C. our eyes work better than our ears at night.

6. Although, he finished the race in first place _____

A. John was full of energy and strength.

B. John was leading all the way.

C. John was far behind in the beginning.

7. My partner and I worked late into the evening. Even though _____ we stopped at our favourite restaurant before we went home.

A, we were very hungry.

B. we had finished our report.

C, we were very tired.

8. Snakes don't have ears, but they are very sensitive to vibrations that result from noise.

Snakes can sense the presence of a moving object even though _____

A, they have ears.

B. they feel vibrations.

C, they can't hear.

9. In mountainous areas, melting snow in the spring runs downhill into streams and rivers. The water carries with it sediment, that is, small particles of soil and rock. In the spring, mountain rivers become cloudy rather than clear because ____

A. mountain tops are covered with snow.

B. the water from melting snow brings sediment to the river.

C. ice is frozen water.

10. Even though it was a hot summer night, we went inside and shut the windows because ____

A. the rain stopped.

B. we were enjoying the cool breeze.

C. a storm was coming.

Complete the sentences in the dialogues. Use the expressions in the list.

buy a new car

do my homework

do things

get a Toyota

go to the zoo on Saturday

help him

rain

read a good book

repeat that

smoke

tap your fingernails on the table

try

1. A: Would you like to go for a walk?

B: Has it stopped _____?

A: Yes.

B: Let's go.

2. A: I've been having a lot of trouble with my old Volkswagen the last couple of months.

It's slowly falling apart. I'm thinking about _____

B: Do you think you'll get another Volkswagen?

A: No. I'm considering _____

3. A: What do you usually do in your free time in the evening?

B: I enjoy _____

4. A: Good news! I feel great. I don't cough any more, and I don't run out of breath when I walk up a hill.

B: Oh?

A: I quit _____

B: That's wonderful!

5. A: I've been working on this math problem for the last half hour, and I still don't understand it.

B: Well, don't give up. Keep _____. If at first you don't succeed, try, try again.

6. A: Are you a procrastinator?

B: A what?

A: A procrastinator. That's someone who always postpones _____

B: Oh. Well, sometimes I put off _____

7. A: What are you doing?

B: I'm helping Teddy with his homework.

A: When you finish _____, could you help me in the kitchen?

B: Sure.

8. A: Could you please stop doing that?

B: Doing what?

A: Stop _____. It's driving me crazy!

9. A: Do you have any plans for this weekend?

B: Henry and I talked about _____

10. A: I didn't understand what you said. Would you mind _____?

B: Of course not. I said, "Three free trees."

Complete the sentences with the correct form, gerund, or infinitive, of the words in parentheses.

1. A: Have you made any vacation plans?

B: I was hoping _____ (go) to an island off the Atlantic coast, but my wife wanted _____ (drive) down the Pacific coast. We've decided _____ (compromise) by going to neither coast. We've agreed _____ (find) a place where both of us want _____ (go).

A: So where are you going?

B: Well, we've been considering _____ (go) _____ (fish) to Canada. We've also discussed _____ (take) a train across central and western Canada. We've also been talking about _____ (rent) a sailboat and _____ (go) _____ (sail) in the Gulf of Mexico.

A: Have you ever thought about _____ (stay) home and _____ (relax)

B: That's not a vacation to me. If I stay home during my vacation, I always end up _____ (do) all the chores around the house that I've put off _____ (do) for the past year. When I go on a holiday, I like _____ (visit) new places and _____ (do) new things. I enjoy _____ (see) parts of the world I've never seen before.

A: What place would you like _____ (visit) the most?

B: I'd love (go) (camp) in New Zealand. My wife loves _____ (camp) in new places too, but I'm afraid she might refuse _____ (go) to New Zealand.

She doesn't like long plane flights.

A: Why don't you just pick a spot on a map? Then call and make a hotel reservation.

B: Neither of us can stand _____ (spend) two whole weeks at a luxury hotel. I don't mean _____ (say) anything bad about big hotels, but both of us seem _____ (like) more adventurous vacations.

A: Well, keep _____ (think) about it. I'm sure you'll figure out a really great place for your vacation.

B: We'll have to stop _____ (think) about it sometime soon and make a decision.

A: I can't wait _____ (find) out where you decide _____ (go) I'll expect _____ (hear) from you when you make a decision. Don't forget _____ (call) me.

B: Hmm. Maybe we should go _____ (ski) in Switzerland. Or perhaps we could go _____ (waterski) on the Nile. Then there's the possibility of going _____ (hike) in the Andes. Of course, we'd probably enjoy _____ (swim) off the Great Barrier Reef of Australia. And we shouldn't postpone _____ (explore) the Brazilian rainforest much longer. Someday I'd really like _____ (climb) to the top of an active volcano and _____ (look) inside the crater. Or maybe we could ...