

39. Fill the gaps in this text with one of the words or phrases below.

so / so much / so many / such / too / too many

The Beatles

The Beatles were (1) _____ famous in the 1960s that millions of people throughout the world knew who they were. They had (2) _____ enormous fame that they were among the most well-known people in the world. For one or two of them, this all happened (3) _____ quickly for them to be able to cope with it, and they had personal problems. Many people say that the Beatles had (4) _____ influence on popular music that they changed it for ever. They wrote (5) _____ famous songs that most people would recognize at least one of them. Some people believe that they were (6) _____ brilliant songwriters that nobody else has been as good as them. However, it was all (7) _____ good to last for long. After a few years, they decided that their fans behaved (8) _____ hysterically that they couldn't perform in public any more, because it was (9) _____ dangerous for them to do so. There were (10) _____ problems for them to go on four again. The Beatles wrote (11) _____ memorable songs for people to forget them. They were (12) _____ an important group that their songs are still played throughout the world today.

32. Fill in like or as.

- 1 Charles Nichols is known _____ 'Chuck' to his friends.
- 2 Her perfume smelt _____ roses.
- 3 People say she looks _____ Kim Basinger.
- 4 His father worked _____ an accountant in the city.
- 5 _____ usual, Terry was late for work.
- 6 Diving into the sea was _____ diving into an icy pool.
- 7 This is nice material – it feels _____ silk.
- 8 She doesn't sing _____ well _____ her mother.
- 9 I don't think you could describe Andy _____ an intelligent person.
- 10 Some politicians, such _____ John Major, are always in the news.
- 11 Ann looks _____ an angel.

33. Fill in like or as.

Sam Sanderson works 1) _____ a pianist in a restaurant in Chicago. No one in town plays the piano 2) _____ well 3) _____ he does. He looks a bit 4) _____ Stevie Wonder, which is why he is known to his friends 5) _____ 'Stevie'. One night he was playing in the restaurant 6) _____ usual, when he was approached by the leader of the biggest jazz band in America. He offered Sam a job 7) _____ lead pianist in his band. This made him so happy he felt 8) _____ dancing on his piano. So he did!

Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first, using the word given.

- 3 It's a big car. Five people can fit into it comfortably. (car)
It's _____ five people to fit into it comfortably.
- 4 I answered many of the questions. I passed the test. (questions)
I answered _____ the test.
- 5 I heard some of their conversation. I found out what they were discussing. (conversation)
I heard _____ to find out what they were discussing.
- 1 She drives very fast. Nobody can keep up with her. (SO)
She drives _____ nobody can keep up with her.
- 2 This restaurant is very expensive. Most people can't afford it. (TOO)
This restaurant is _____ to afford.
- 10 She was extremely unhappy and she couldn't smile. MUCH
She was _____ to smile.
- 11 The other students in her class aren't quite as intelligent as her. BIT
She is _____ than the other students in her class.
- 12 I thought he was a slightly strange person when I first met him. QUITE
I thought he was _____ when I first met him.

42. Decide which word (A, B, C or D) best fits each space.

Arrival in New York

Sam was feeling (1) _____ nervous as he left the airport. This was (2) _____ because the flight had not been good, but also because he had never been to New York before. He took the taxi into the city. It was (3) _____ a hot day and he looked in (4) _____ amazement at all the traffic. It was (5) _____ different from the small town he came from -- there was (6) _____ more noise and (7) _____ more people and all the buildings were (8) _____ bigger. He checked into his hotel and went to his room. It was (9) _____ small but it was (10) _____ comfortable. Before unpacking, he lay on the bed and after a while he started to feel (11) _____ better. Suddenly, there was an (12) _____ loud knock at the door. Sam was (13) _____ frightened and did not want to answer the door. 'Who's there?' he called out, nervously. 'My name's Robertson,' said a male voice. He sounded (14) _____ embarrassed. 'I sat next to you on the plane today. I'm afraid I accidentally took one of your bags with me. It's (15) _____ my fault.' Still feeling nervous Sam made his way towards the door.

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| 1 A partly | B rather | C considerably | D far |
| 2 A rather | B quite | C partly | D a bit |
| 3 A quite | B fairly | C complete | D slightly |
| 4 A far | B rather | C quite | D absolute |
| 5 A rather | B total | C utter | D lot |
| 6 A far | B absolutely | C totally | D quite |
| 7 A absolutely | B a lot | C quite | D utterly |
| 8 A considerably | B terribly | C utterly | D absolutely |
| 9 A bit | B fairly | C partly | D considerably |
| 10 A slightly | B reasonably | C utterly | D partly |
| 11 A fairly | B slightly | C partly | D reasonably |
| 12 A utterly | B extremely | C absolutely | D a lot |
| 13 A much | B considerably | C a lot | D terribly |
| 14 A partly | B bit | C slightly | D reasonably |
| 15 A extremely | B quite | C far | D completely |