Examination Practice

A **Read the text below and think of the word which best fits each space. Use only one word in each space.**

A CAREER AT HOME



Jodie Sutter is thirty-eight. She has two daughters and has recently changed her lifestyle. She is part of a growing number of women (1) _____ are abandoning their careers to become full-time homecarers. Jodie worked for ten years as a successful lawyer in a large legal firm in the city. She loved her job and was moving up the career ladder. She explained (2) _____ she had fascinating cases (3) _____ court and gave it everything she had. Twelve-hour days were not uncommon and her weekends were always busy.

When she had her first child, though, things changed. " In the (4) _____ place, my colleagues couldn't count (5) _____ me when they had a heavy workload because I'd have to rush home to Lucy," she said. Her husband also had a demanding job and they soon realised that there was more to family life than they had imagined. "We were always (6) _____ schedule!" she exclaimed.

Jodie admits (7) _____ frustrated at times when the situation got (8) _____ of hand. That's when she was sure (9) _____ her decision to leave her job. Her husband suggested that they (10) _____ get a nanny. However, Jodie insisted (11) _____ giving up her career, and did so when Lucy was three. "It's very difficult to combine work (12) _____ family life and I believe the latter is more important."

B **Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given unchanged. You must use between two and five words, including the word given.**

1 "He stole my money!" shouted the old lady.
accused The old lady _____ money.

2 "I think you should stop eating so many sweets," Mary's sister said to her.
advised Mary's sister _____ so many sweets.

3 "Don't cancel your trip because of us," we said to John.
off We told John _____ his trip because of us.

4 "I'm sorry I didn't tell you the truth," Peter said to us.
apologised Peter _____ the truth.

5 Is the gallery open in the afternoon?
know Do you _____ open in the afternoon?

6 "Why don't you try on a pair of jeans?" Peter asked Mary.
suggested Peter _____ a pair of jeans.

7 "You really must let me cook dinner," said Anne.
insisted Anne _____ dinner.

8 "What does he want to tell me?" Julie asked herself.
wondered Julie _____ to tell her.

LIVEWORKSHEETS