



Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word(s) **CLOSEST** in meaning to the underlined bold word(s) in each of the following questions.

1. They were all ears when I told them my first day at university.
A. paid little attention B. listened attentively
C. said nothing D. were talkative
2. The name of the song rings a bell, but I can't remember who sings it.
A. sounds familiar B. makes a difference
C. gives a chance D. seems uninteresting
3. The rising star really blotted his copybook when it came to light that he was involved in a murder.
A. earned his fame B. sold a lot of books
C. signed his name D. spoiled his reputation
4. The man, out of the blue, came into my room and shouted at me.
A. interestingly B. intentionally
C. unexpectedly D. deliberately
5. Having deep pockets has helped the startup get through the financial crisis.
A. a basic salary B. lots of money
C. a small amount D. a simple method
6. His attitude to work always drives me up the wall; he seems uninterested in what he's doing.
A. makes me pleased B. makes me angry
C. gives me more energy D. motivates me
7. They haven't been on speaking terms for years because they had an argument over their lifestyle.
A. giving presents to each other
B. talking to each other
C. quarreling with each other
D. being impolite with each other

