



B2 English Worksheet: Compound Words

Instructions: Choose the correct compound word (A, B, C, or D) to complete each sentence.

1. After hours of intense discussion, the negotiators finally achieved a major _____ in the treaty negotiations.

- A) break-through
- B) breakthrough
- C) break through
- D) breaking-through

2. One of the main _____ of working remotely is the potential for feeling isolated from colleagues.

- A) draw-backs
- B) draw backs
- C) drawbacks
- D) drawing-backs

3. She didn't mean to listen, but she accidentally _____ their conversation while standing near the office kitchen.

- A) overheard
- B) over-heard
- C) over heard
- D) over-hearing

4. Managing a large-scale international conference can be an extremely _____ task.

- A) time consuming
- B) time-consumer
- C) time-consumed
- D) time-consuming

5. Watching the documentary about space exploration was an _____ experience for the students.

- A) eye-opened
- B) eye-opening
- C) eyes-opening
- D) eye opening



6. The committee presented a _____ strategy that addressed both immediate risks and long-term goals.

- A) well-thought-out
- B) well thought out
- C) well-thinking-out
- D) well-thought-outward

7. Switching to an _____ heating system reduced the company's electricity expenses significantly.

- A) energy-save
- B) energy-saver
- C) energy-saving
- D) energy-saved

8. The university is a _____ institution known globally for its academic rigor.

- A) long-establishing
- B) long-established
- C) long-establish
- D) long establish

9. His frequent absences during the month had a direct negative impact on his total work _____.

- A) outbreak
- B) outcome
- C) output
- D) outlook

10. The finance director asked for a detailed _____ of all travel expenses incurred last quarter.

- A) breakdown
- B) breakthrough
- C) break-in
- D) break-out

11. Implementing the automated system proved to be remarkably _____, saving both money and labor hours.

- A) cost-effective
- B) cost-effective-like
- C) costing-effective
- D) cost-effecting



12. She is notoriously _____ and frequently misplaces her keys and office badge.

A) broad-minded

B) single-minded

C) absent-minded

D) high-spirited

13. The company announced a 10% _____ in administrative expenditure starting next fiscal year.

A) cut-back

B) cutback

C) cutting-back

D) cut back

14. The film was praised by critics, especially for its hauntingly beautiful _____.

A) soundtrack

B) sound-track

C) sound track

D) sounding-track

15. He takes a very _____ approach to career progression, focusing only on immediate gains rather than future growth.

A) short-handed

B) short-sighted

C) short-tempered

D) short-lived