

Complete gaps with the correct derivatives of each word in capital

Boasting the latest in engineering technology, the new railway linking Tibet to Central China is the highest railway in the world. The line runs through an environment that is so

1) that many of the workers fell critically ill during construction. Inside the carriages, however, an array of electronic sensors secure the 2) of the passengers and monitor the air circulation and the levels of oxygen. The trains are also designed to cope with lightning strikes, since the 3) of electrical storms is high on the mountain slopes.

However, this new Himalayan railway 4) is highly controversial. Although most people agree that it will bring greater 5) to the region, many worry that Tibet's unique culture will be lost. Moreover,

6) are concerned about the effects on the Himalayan wildlife such as the Tibetan antelope, which is among the most endangered species in the world. The animals are extremely timid and easily disturbed by any human activity.

FRIENDLY

SAFE

PROBABLE

DEVELOP

PROSPER

ECOLOGY

Choose A, B, C, D to complete each gap

It used to be that people saved for a rainy day, now many people simply 1) for their credit card. Credit is something that was almost unheard of in the past. If someone couldn't afford something they went 2) it. People saved up for whatever they wanted to buy, by putting their money into the bank or even under the mattress, until they had enough. However, much of the modern world's economic growth has been largely 3) to a system of credit enabling people to buy goods and services and pay for them later.

The trouble with credit is that some people 4) more than they can pay back. It is a particular problem when the interest rate goes up and people find they cannot afford the repayments. In some cases they end 5) owing considerably more money than they borrowed in the first place, because of the interest charges. Some people are nervous about 6) into this trap. They refuse to use credit at all for goods and services and always pay in cash. However, 7) these people may have a mortgage, which is a loan to buy a house. Many people see buying their own house as an investment for the future that will protect them from a rainy day in every sense!

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| 1 A reach | B touch | C stretch | D catch |
| 2 A against | B without | C with | D for |
| 3 A due | B because | C despite | D through |
| 4 A lend | B give | C borrow | D ask |
| 5 A in | B up | C over | D out |
| 6 A falling | B moving | C slipping | D dropping |
| 7 A either | B even | C only | D yet |

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A **must** for any visitor to Moscow is TsUM, perhaps the most 1) department store in Russia. Centrally located near Red Square, TsUM is more than a century old, but has recently had a facelift and can now boast 33,000 square metres of shops. Whether you are just window shopping or on a shopping spree, all the major brand names are here. At the moment, you can buy over 400 designer labels at TsUM and with plans for an 2), TsUM will be the one-stop shop for both Muscovites and tourists.

Every city needs an 'in' place where all the rich and the famous, the great and the **gorgeous** gather. In Moscow, this has to be Tverskaya – a street of high-class hotels, 3) boutiques and trendy clubs. Don't expect to pick up a bargain here, though. As you might expect, the prices are as high as those in any 4) capital city, but that's the price you pay for shopping on this street. Tverskaya is the place to see and be seen. Take a break, relax in a café, buy a coffee and watch the world go by.

If you're searching for a souvenir or just taking in the sights, then a day at Arbat Market is just for you. You can **browse** around this 5) flea market before having a refreshing snack. Apart from typical tourist items, you can also find more 6) gifts like original artwork and rare books. And don't forget to haggle! You won't want to miss out on this fun part of the purchase process and you might also get a

CELEBRATE

EXTEND

STYLE

FASHION

SPECTACLE

USUAL

Read the text and complete gaps 1-7 with the correct form and tense of each verb in capitals.

Winter Warmers

The traditional way for Russians to keep their feet warm during the long 1) cold winters was by wearing valenki.

Valenki are hand-made thick felt boots that enjoyed 2) in the Russian countryside as 3) footwear for centuries. Many people claim that valenki do more than just keep feet warm in harsh weather. Valenki are said to improve blood 4) massage feet and help cure colds.

These warm woollen boots are a significant part of Russia's 5) heritage and used to be worn by ordinary citizens and national leaders alike. Peter the Great, Stalin and Khrushchev were just some of the people who favoured this most original of Russian footwear.

Visitors to Russia will be intrigued to learn that there is a museum dedicated to valenki in Myshkin, Yaroslavl.

The museum has a staggering 6) of valenki and one of the many highlights are beautifully embroidered boots from the 19th century.

BITTER

POPULAR
PROTECT

CIRCULATE

CULTURE

SELECT