



You are going to read an article about a crocodile adventure. Some words are missing from the text. Choose the most appropriate answer from the options (A-D) for each gap (1-10) in the text.

There is one example (0) at the beginning.

AUSTRALIAN CROCODILE ELVIS STEALS LAWNMOWER

An Australian crocodile named Elvis took matters into his own hands – or rather, jaws – when he became (0) _____ by the sound of a lawnmower.

A attractive

B amusing

C annoyed

D aware

Elvis, who lives at the Australian Reptile Park (1) _____ Sydney, attacked the mower, grabbing it from keeper Billy Collett. Pulling it under water, the five-metre saltwater crocodile “drowned” the machine. He then sat and watched his catch (2) _____ an hour in his enclosure.

“(3) _____ he was sure he had got it, he just sat there and guarded it,” said operations manager Tim Faulkner. “It was his prize, his trophy.” That, he (4) _____ the BBC, was fairly typical crocodile behaviour.

1	A	nearby	B	near	C	close	D	next
2	A	as much as	B	since about	C	at last	D	for more than
3	A	Before	B	As well as	C	When	D	While
4	A	told	B	reported	C	said	D	explained

But Elvis, who is (5) _____ of the largest crocodiles in New South Wales, also likes his meat. While the keeper lured Elvis to the other end of the pool with kangaroo meat, Mr Faulkner (6) _____ jump in, retrieve the badly chewed up mower and two teeth that Elvis (7) _____ in the process. Elvis is thought to be around 50 years old and has (8) _____ a crazy croc. He was attacking fishing boats in Darwin harbour when he (9) _____, his keeper said. Visitors (10) _____ watch him being fed on weekends and holidays - but may not get to see him munching on a mower again any time soon.

5	A	some	B	that	C	either	D	one
6	A	can	B	was able to	C	should	D	had managed to
7	A	had lost	B	has lost	C	would lose	D	was losing
8	A	always been	B	ever been	C	been yet	D	been around
9	A	has caught	B	was catching	C	has been caught	D	was caught
10	A	ought to	B	might	C	can	D	need to