

Open Cloze

For questions 9–16, read the text below and think of the word which best fits each gap. Use only one word in each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0). Write your answers IN CAPITAL LETTERS

Saved by Heavy Metal?

Walter Eikrem was listening to music (0) on his mobile phone as he made his way home from school in the Norwegian town of Rakkestad. The path leading from the stop (9) he catches the school bus to his family's farmhouse crosses a gently sloping hillside. All of (10) sudden, he made out something grey on the hillside. 'At first, I thought it might (11) been the neighbour's dogs,' he said. (12) he actually encountered, though, were four wolves.

'I was afraid they would attack me,' said Walter, but he didn't let his fear show. He pulled the earphones out of his mobile phone, turned the volume all (13) way up and blasted heavy metal music over its miniature speakers. (14) the same time, he shouted as loud as he could while waving his arms about wildly (15) scare off the pack of wild animals.

The plan worked. Eikrem said he was able to drive away the wolves (16) playing the song 'Overcome' by the American hard-rock band Creed. 'They just turned around and simply trotted away,' said Walter.

