

Review 2

TASK 1 Read the text below and decide which answers A, B, C or D best fits each gap.

Bill Gates

The founder of Microsoft, Bill Gates, has achieved 1 ____ success as a computer programmer, inventor and entrepreneur. His path to that point, however, was anything but typical. While attending Harvard University in the 1970s, he made a 2 ____ move and left university before graduating to start his own company. His parents didn't like the idea at first, but Gates 3 ____ down and worked hard to get their support. He founded Microsoft in 1975, which after a few short years caused a(n) 4 ____ in personal computing. During the time that Gates was at the head of the company, some of his employees regarded him as 5 ____ and arrogant. He would sometimes 6 ____ in on presentations, expressing his dislike for certain ideas and proposals. He was often described as being 7 ____; he did whatever he liked and was often hard to reach either in or out of the office. But whatever anyone may have thought of these minor shortcomings, Gates was a 8 ____ competitor in the computer software industry who often 9 ____ the competition. In his years as CEO of the company, he laboured hard at 10 ____ Microsoft's range of software products, and whenever he 11 ____ success in a particular area of computing. Gates guarded the position with all his might. Since then, he has won international 12 ____ as one of the greatest computer software inventors of all time.

1. A gruelling	B cunning	C crushing	D staggering
2. A gutsy	B virtuous	C candid	D noble
3. A broke	B knuckled	C fell	D got
4. A evolution	B discrimination	C generation	D revolution
5. A impartial	B modest	C mediocre	D conceited
6. A cut	B break	C put	D come
7. A considerate	B candid	C noble	D impetuous
8. A ruthless	B reckless	C worthless	D selfless
9. A executed	B crushed	C snatched	D pocketed
10. A growing	B broadening	C lengthening	D elongating
11. A achieved	B defeated	C accomplished	D resolved
12. A acceptance	B approval	C acclaim	D applause

TASK 2 Read the text below. Complete it by writing one word in each gap.

Failure is the key to success

Someone once said 'Failure is the key to success; each mistake teaches us something'. Some people think success means pulling _____ the impossible, getting _____ in your career at all costs, and having all your endeavours succeed _____. But what if the above saying were true? That would mean if not a single one of our plans ever fell _____, we wouldn't be learning a lesson along the way. As is the case for most, we've all come up _____ problems and bad situations that happened without _____. How many times have you gone _____ out on an assignment, only to see it fail? Or worse, you learn that another person did better than you _____ a mile, or you came _____ for a lot of criticism for your own work when you thought you _____ your best. This has happened to all of us on _____. The trick is to hang _____ with the same enthusiasm as you had before and you'll eventually get _____. Try doing things

differently next time and you'll find that you may just _____ through to new discoveries about your abilities. Then one day soon, you may be blowing everyone _____ with your tremendous success!

TASK 3 Think of one word only which can be used appropriately in all three sentences.

If you can't gain ____ to your account, perhaps you're using the wrong password.
You're not allowed to view details on this profile because you don't have _____.
In order to ____ the file, you have to double click on the icon.

I'm afraid I don't have the ____ to be successful in life.
Kelly told me the secret in ____, so a secret it will remain.
Kevin is certainly not lacking in ____ and in fact may be a bit arrogant.

If you ____ at your password and do so wrongly, you might get locked out of your account.
At a ___, I would say they know each other through Facebook.
I don't know how to delete a profile – your ____ is as good as mine!

Michelle's profile picture is of her riding a _____.
Rachel told her kids not to ____ around inside the house.
I know who hacked into your account – I got it straight from the ____'s mouth!

Patrick posted a picture of his new home's ____ site online.
The ____ company has a Facebook page where you can learn about new projects they're building.
My blog site is still under ____, so give me a few more days to finish it.

TASK 4 Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between three and six words, including the word given.

The user changed the meaning of what I said and I was upset about it.

CONTEXT

The user _____ and I was quite upset over it.

A person who puts a negative comment online usually won't tell you in person.

FACE

A person who writes something negative online usually won't _____.

I don't blog because my writing skills are quite lacking.

SCRATCH

Because my writing skills _____, I don't do any blogging.

I'm too busy to help you at the moment.

PLATE

I can't help you because I've _____ at the moment.

We can start the project as soon as we get the approval.

GREEN

We can start the project once we _____.

She thought the online comment was very surprising.

ABACK

She _____ the online comment.

We'll have to put in many hours to finish this assignment.

CLOCK

We'll have to _____ to finish this assignment.

I'm warning you not to take revenge on Neil for what he said.

BACK

I'm warning you _____ Neil for what he said.