Sport and hobbies

Complete the sentences by changing the form of the word in capitals when this is necessary.

1 I need to buy a new pair of ..... (**TRAIN**).
2 Ellie used to ..... (**PRACTICE**) for hours to learn to juggle properly.
3 That was the most ..... (**INTEREST**) book I've ever read. I can't wait for the sequel!
4 Would you describe yourself as a ..... (**COMPETE**) person?
5 Many professional basketball players earn a ..... (**FORTUNE**) these days.
6 F.A. stands for Football ..... (**ASSOCIATE**).
7 The gold, silver and bronze ..... (**MEDAL**) took their places on the podium for the presentation ceremony.
8 In Britain, the money parents give their children is often called pocket money. In America, it's often called an ..... (**ALLOW**).
9 I'm afraid the swimming pool is closed at the moment as they're carrying out some essential ..... (**MAINTAIN**).

Use the word given in capitals at the end of each line to form a word that fits in the gap in the same line.

A snooker player speaks

When I first started playing snooker, I had no real (1) ..... of the	**KNOW**
rules. I just thought it looked an (2) ..... game. Also, I didn't need	**ENJOY**
to buy any expensive (3) ..... because the snooker hall near my	**EQUIP**
house had tables and cues. I spent (4) ..... all the free time I had	**PRACTICAL**
practising, and then decided to enter a (5) ..... . It was great fun!	**COMPETE**
My (6) ..... was someone who'd been playing for years. Of course,	**OPPOSE**
he beat me, but the fact that I'd (7) ..... didn't put me off at all.	**LOSE**
And, (8) ..... , my game improved enough for me to become a	**FORTUNE**
professional snooker player three years ago.	

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A new hobby

I saw some badminton on TV and found it quite (1) ..... , so I	**INTEREST**
thought I'd see if there was a club or (2) ..... in my area. I looked	**ASSOCIATE**
everywhere but, (3) ..... , the nearest club was 80 kilometres	**FORTUNE**
away. So, without any (4) ..... , I decided to form my own club.	**KNOW**
It was very hard in the beginning – I didn't have any (5) ..... and I	**EQUIP**
had to convince a few people that it was an (6) ..... way to keep	**ENJOY**
fit. I organised a small (7) ..... , which was a lot of fun, and things	**COMPETE**
started to grow from there. Now we've got a full-time (8) ..... and	**TRAIN**
our (9) ..... come from all over the country. One of our members	**OPPOSE**
was even a bronze (10) ..... in the national championship!	**MEDAL**

Match to make sentences.

1	I refuse to put	**A**	up a martial art, to defend yourself.
2	The current champion was knocked	**B**	to swimming as soon as she tried it.
3	I used to love basketball, but I've gone	**C**	out in the second round of the competition.
4	The trainer asked us to carry	**D**	out of the race because of a last minute injury.
5	The organisers had to bring	**E**	on with the activity while he answered the phone.
6	You should think about taking	**F**	off team sports lately.
7	Although she was very young, Olivia took	**G**	the race forward by a week.
8	Rob had to pull	**H**	up with people who cheat at games.

Complete each second sentence using the word given, so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence. Write between two and five words in each gap.

1 Our tennis match started at one o'clock and we were still playing at four. **been**
At four o'clock, we ..... three hours.

2 Terry never used to spend so much time playing on his computer. **use**
Terry ..... spend so much time playing on his computer.

3 Before we play, check all the cards are there. **certain**
Before we play, ... all the cards are there.

4 Hang-gliding can be dangerous, but after a while you don't mind it. **used**
Hang-gliding can be dangerous, but after a while you ..... it.

5 I ran fifteen miles, and then my trainer told me to do fifty push-ups! **already**
When my trainer told me to do fifty push-ups, I ..... fifteen miles!

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6 We wouldn't spend so much time indoors when I was young. **used**
We ..... so much time indoors when I was young.

7 I spend a lot of my time on my hobbies. **up**
My hobbies ..... a lot of my time.

8 I would rather play ludo than snakes and ladders. **prefer**
I ..... ludo rather than snakes and ladders.

9 I don't think it's likely that you'll win the competition. **chance**
I think there's ..... the competition.

Choose the correct answer.

1 'Why were you so tired yesterday?'
'Because I ..... all morning.'
A jog C had been jogging
B was jogged D had been jogged

2 It was the first time I ..... a live match.
A was ever seeing C had ever seen
B had ever been seeing D was ever seen

3 'You live in a huge house, don't you?'
'Yes, but we ..... !'
A didn't use to C use not
B wouldn't D weren't used to

4 I ..... the whole of *War and Peace* by the time I was seven years old.
A was reading C had read
B had been reading D had been read

5 Karate hurt my hands at first, but I finally ..... it in the end.
A got used to C was used
B was used to D got use to

6 I ..... for the match to begin when suddenly a dog ran onto the pitch.
A had waited C was waiting
B waited D wait

7 Before she retired, my grandma ..... go for a run every morning before work.
A use to C got used to
B would D was used to

Choose the correct answer.

1 The ..... in the stadium all cheered the athletes.
A viewers C spectators
B witnesses D onlookers

2 I got a new baseball ..... yesterday.
A stick C racket
B club D bat

3 After a hard match, United managed to ..... with City, 1-1.
A equal C draw
B exact D score

4 In this game, the players ..... it in turns to throw the dice.
A take C make
B do D have

5 It's nice to win, but the important thing is to ..... your best.
A make C have
B take D do

6 Just ask them if you can play and I'm sure they'll let you ..... .
A take up C go off
B join in D take to

7 Everyone expects Johnson to ..... Smith in today's final.
A beat C win
B score D champion

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