

Fill each of the numbered gaps in the following passage. Use only one word in each gap. The task begins with an example (0).

### THE MAN BOOKER PRIZE

The Man Booker Prize for Fiction (0) is a literary prize awarded every year for a novel written in the English language and published in the UK. It aims (1) \_\_\_\_\_ represent the very best in contemporary fiction. Publishers can submit books for consideration for the prize, but the judges can also ask for books which (2) \_\_\_\_\_ think should be included to be submitted. The Prize is organised by an Advisory Committee who decides about (3) \_\_\_\_\_ changes to the rules and selects the people who (4) \_\_\_\_\_ judge the books. The judging panel changes every year and usually a person is only a judge (5) \_\_\_\_\_.

Great efforts are made to ensure that the judging panel is balanced in terms of gender and professions within the industry, so that a writer, a critic, an editor and an academic are chosen along (6) \_\_\_\_\_ a well-known person from wider society. However, when the panel of judges has been finalized, they are left to make their own decisions (7) \_\_\_\_\_ any further involvement or interference from the prize sponsor.

The Man Booker judges include critics, writers and academics to maintain the consistent quality of the prize and its influence is such that the winner will almost certainly see their sales increase considerably, in addition to the £50,000 that (8) \_\_\_\_\_ with the prize.

### BECOMING A STAR

Every year thousands of young would-be stars (0) turn up in Hollywood, the land of fantasy and dreams, hoping to be noticed (1) \_\_\_\_\_ a producer who believes they have that special magic stardust audiences worship. What they do not realise, (2) \_\_\_\_\_, is that they are setting (3) \_\_\_\_\_ on a journey leading to long days of low paid jobs waiting on tables or cleaning cars. (4) \_\_\_\_\_ vast majority will either have to go back to their home towns (5) \_\_\_\_\_ remain penniless and with their dreams in tatters. So, (6) \_\_\_\_\_ is some free advice. Dreaming big, often called self-realisation, is relevant to everybody. But, (7) \_\_\_\_\_ setting your sights on a life in films, make sure you are strong (8) \_\_\_\_\_ to endure the many hard years you will undoubtedly face.

## A CLASS OF HAPPINESS

<p>Psychology and the Good Life – a course, (0) <b>TEACH</b> by Laurie Santos, a psychology professor and the head of one of Yale's residential colleges, proved to be an (1) <b>EXTREME</b> popular course with (2) <b>NEAR</b> one-fourth of Yale undergraduates (3) <b>ATTEND</b> it. The course tried to teach students how to lead a happier and more satisfying life in twice-weekly lectures. The course focused both on positive psychology — the (4) <b>CHARACTER</b> that allow humans to flourish — and behavioural change, or how to live by those lessons in real life. "If we see good habits, things like students showing more gratitude, procrastinating less, increasing social (5) <b>CONNECT</b>, we are actually seeding change in the school's culture," Dr Santos said in an interview. She (6) <b>SPECULATION</b> that Yale students were interested in the class because, in high school, they had to deprioritize their happiness to gain (7) <b>ADMIT</b> to the school, adopting (8) <b>HARM</b> life habits that have led to what she called "the mental health crises we are seeing at places like Yale." Dr Santos (9) <b>COURAGE</b> students to enroll in the course because the things Yale undergraduates often connect with life satisfaction — a high grade, a (10) <b>PRESTIGE</b> internship, a well-paid job — do not increase happiness at all.</p>	<p>0. taught</p> <p>1.</p> <p>2.</p> <p>3.</p> <p>4.</p> <p>5.</p> <p>6.</p> <p>7.</p> <p>8.</p> <p>9.</p> <p>10.</p>
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## THE COLLECTOR

<p>Don Edwards collects (0) <b>SEW</b> machines. His interest began when looking for second-hand furniture and he continually kept seeing (1) <b>BEAUTY</b> old machines that cost next to nothing to buy. He became (2) <b>PASSION</b> about them and now there are 200 samples in his (3) <b>POSSESS</b>. Then a friend had a machine that would not work, and she asked Don to have a look at it. He worked on it for a few days and (4) <b>EVENT</b> got it going. This supported his (5) <b>DECIDE</b> to open a small stand in a London market, but most people seemed (6) <b>INTEREST</b>, until one day a dealer came and bought everything he had. He was so (7) <b>INSPIRE</b>, he decided to seriously go into business, but had no (8) <b>FAR</b> success there and went bankrupt. Nowadays, he helps those needing (9) <b>ASSIST</b> with their broken machines and keeps adding collectables (10) <b>MAKE</b> by local producers.</p>	<p>0. sewing</p> <p>1.</p> <p>2.</p> <p>3.</p> <p>4.</p> <p>5.</p> <p>6.</p> <p>7.</p> <p>8.</p> <p>9.</p> <p>10.</p>
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