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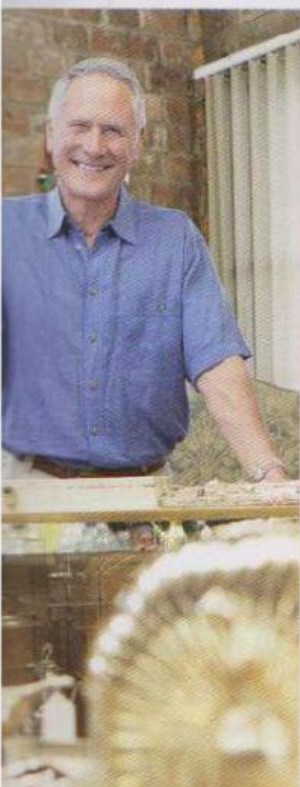
RODNEY AND RODNEY

Today, two brothers, Rodney Lake and Rodney Ealing, are together (1) _____ almost forty years. Born at the same time, to the same mother, they look exactly (2) _____ each other. They both have red hair, green eyes and freckles. When the two Rodneys were two years old, they were separated and (3) _____ up in different cities. They didn't see each other again until today, their fortieth birthday.

The fact that they both wear glasses and a beard is also not that strange.

What is very unusual is that they were both married to a woman called Harriet, then they both got (4) _____ and married a second time. Both of their second wives are called Sandra and, unlike Harriet and Harriet, the Sandras have a good (5) _____ of humour. Equally strange is the fact that they share the same interests, have the same occupation and drive the same make of car.

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| 1. A. after | 3. A. grew | 5. A. feeling |
| B. since | B. raised | B. emotion |
| C. from | C. came | C. sense |
| D. to | D. lived | D. understanding |
| 2. A. alike | 4. A. separated | |
| B. similar | B. single | |
| C. like | C. divided | |
| D. likely | D. divorced | |



The Worried Shop Owner

To his neighbours, Mr Stewart is a reserved man in his fifties who (6) _____ to them very much. They (7) _____ him get in his car to go to work without saying a word to them. They (8) _____ how busy he is! He is an antique dealer and he has got a shop in the centre of town with very expensive pieces. Mr Stewart is very tired lately because he doesn't (9) _____ well. He is worried about someone stealing from his shop. That's why he (10) _____ a new sophisticated alarm system this weekend. The new system can connect to Mr Stewart's mobile and it will inform him immediately if anyone tries to break into his shop. Just thinking about it helps him feel more relaxed!

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| 6. A. not talking | B. aren't talking | C. don't talk | D. doesn't talk |
| 7. A. often see | B. often sees | C. are often seeing | D. see often |
| 8. A. doesn't know | B. aren't knowing | C. don't know | D. not know |
| 9. A. sleep | B. sleeping | C. sleeps | D. to sleep |
| 10. A. is putting in | B. put in | C. putting in | D. puts in |

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ABOUT UNEMPLOYMENT

Unemployment is a strong indicator of a country's overall economic health and an unemployment (1) _____ of between 3.5% and 4.5% is normal even in a healthy economy. Unemployment can be divided into three categories: frictional, structural and cyclical. Frictional unemployment refers to people in the (2) _____ market who have left jobs voluntarily or are seeking work for the first time such as new graduates, parents returning from leave, or people who are moving to a new area. This type of unemployment is typically (3) _____, lasting only a few months. In contrast, structural unemployment affects people who have lost their jobs due to advances in technology or outsourcing, and is usually long term. These workers will often need to be (4) _____ if they want to re-enter the workforce. Finally, cyclical unemployment occurs when there is a decreased demand for products and services. This forces employers to make workers (5) _____ and is associated with economies in recession.



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| 1. A. scale | B. level | C. force | D. rate |
| 2. A. labour | B. employment | C. vocational | D. professional |
| 3. A. restricted | B. temporary | C. committed | D. unlisted |
| 4. A. revised | B. redirected | C. retrained | D. recovered |
| 5. A. profitable | B. monotonous | C. competent | D. redundant |

Polar Press

Polar Press is the first Bradford free press. Sanjay Ray, one of the writers, who used to be employed by Bradford Evening News, explains, 'We wanted Polar Press to be free, so that everyone (6) _____ read it. We make money from the people or companies who advertise on our pages. Of course, they are all people or companies whose work we like.'

Polar Press produces a weekly magazine, has a website and (7) _____ be found on social media sites. The company is run by a team of young journalists and graphic designers with fresh ideas and a lot of imagination.

The magazine features stories about the latest in art, music, theatre and fashion, as well as stories from Bradford, such as the hairdresser whose shop turns into an informal music place after he stops cutting hair. It (8) _____ even include some stories from the surrounding area of Bedfordshire.

Annie Lee, one of the photographers, said, 'It's very (9) _____ to make a living doing something you like and working with friends. In the morning I look forward to what I'm going to do, instead of thinking, I (10) _____ not go to work!'

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| 6. A. should | B. must | C. could | D. ought |
| 7. A. may | B. could | C. can | D. should |
| 8. A. had better | B. may | C. must | D. able to |
| 9. A. satisfying | B. satisfied | C. satisfy | D. satisfaction |
| 10. A. would rather | B. ought | C. had better | D. must |

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Foreign Languages

Many people say they would be (1) _____ in learning a new language, but they lack the talent. These people were probably discouraged by a bad experience in school. In fact, most people are able to learn foreign languages if they work hard and are dedicated to their goal.

It doesn't take special (2) _____ to be an efficient language learner, just an efficient method. Some people (3) _____ evening classes in language schools while others prefer to take an online course. With hard work, you can (4) _____ progress and achieve fluency in communication, which is the aim of learning to speak a foreign language. And don't forget that learning a foreign language helps you (5) _____ your horizons.



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| 1. A. fond | B. curious | C. interested | D. interesting |
| 2. A. tips | B. skills | C. activities | D. lessons |
| 3. A. attend | B. do | C. study | D. pass |
| 4. A. do | B. make | C. take | D. set |
| 5. A. open | B. revise | C. develop | D. broaden |