B2 FIRST - Multiple Choice Cloze Exercise

For each question, choose which of the four possible answers fits the space best and write THE CORRECT LETTER into the empty box. Also think about why the other three answers are not possible.

1. How can you possibly work in a zoo if you are terrified _____ snakes?

a. at

b. of

c. with

d. in

2. Are you _____ on foreign language films?

a. enthusiastic

b. excited

c. keen

d. liking

3. This government should be using far _____ policies in an attempt to beat unemployment.

a. crueler

b. meaner

c. tougher

d. harder

4. Homeschooling, which involves _____ children at home, is becoming ever more popular.

a. training

b. managing

c. bringing up

d. educating

5. Can you put me _____ for two days if I come and stay with you?

a. up

b. about

c. in

d. out

6. The floods were caused by two days of _____ rain.

a. pouring

b. drowning

c. flowing

d. shattering

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7. It was only a minor accident and we all escaped without _____.

a. damage

b. wounds

c. injury

d. hurt

8. By 10pm it was very dark and the black car was _____ almost impossible to see.

a. so

b. therefore

c. that

d. such

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For each space, choose ONE word which you think best completes the sentence. Look carefully at the words both before and after each space.

1. There were very _____ people at the party when we arrived but half an hour later, it was crowded.

2. How was I to know that she would have an allergic reaction _____ the nuts in the cake? She should have said something!

3. Arthritis is a very painful _____ that affects not only the old but also many younger people making many everyday activities difficult.

4. He said he couldn't come to the meeting because of a previous engagement but I think he is just _____ excuses.

5. You were driving at over fifty miles _____ hour and the limit here is only forty.

6. I _____ to go to school now, otherwise I will be late.

7. I can eat almost _____ type of fish or seafood except for octopus which I can't stand.

8. The city is pretty safe although you may have some problems if you go into certain neighborhoods _____ night.

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