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## 112 pets

A woman living in the city centre has asked for (0) *assistance* to find a bigger house and garden – so that her 112 pets can live in less (25) ..... conditions. Jennifer Symons, 26, has always loved animals and now has a (26) ..... that includes twelve cats, seven dogs, four monkeys, two horses and a (27) ..... of smaller creatures, including hamsters, parrots and tropical fish.

She also has a number of snakes, and although none of them, she says, is (28) ..... , some of her neighbours in Lower Market Street remain (29) ..... and are worried that they might escape. Generally, though, people seem to like Jennifer's pets and are always (30) ..... towards her.

All these animals, however, have to be looked after, and Jennifer has to get up at 5.30 every morning to start (31) ..... some of them. Cleaning and other tasks take up so much time that taking care of them has now become almost her main (32) ..... , leaving her with only her (33) ..... from a part-time job at a local supermarket to maintain the 112 and herself. It is hardly (34) ..... , therefore, that she can't really afford to move into a bigger house.

ASSIST

CROWD

COLLECT

VARY

POISON

CONVINCE

FRIEND

FOOD

OCCUPY

EARN

SURPRISE

## TEST 7

- 0 Travelling by car is becoming increasingly expensive.

### GETTING

Travelling by car ..... expensive.

The gap can be filled by the words 'is getting more', so you write:

Example: 0 *IS GETTING MORE*

Write **only** the missing words **IN CAPITAL LETTERS** on the separate answer sheet.

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- 35 I'm sure it was a surprise when you saw Jake at the party.

### BEEN

You ..... see Jake at the party.

- 36 This is a very dry part of the country.

### HARDLY

In this part of the country ..... rains.

- 37 In the morning I have a twenty-minute walk to school.

### TAKES

In the morning ..... to walk to school.

- 38 It was impossible for us to go to school because of the bus strike.

### PREVENTED

The bus strike ..... to school.

- 39 On hearing the fire alarm, you must leave the building as quickly as possible.

### SOON

You must leave the building ..... the fire alarm.

- 40 I am trying to study, so would you mind not making that noise?

### RATHER

I am trying to study, so I ..... make that noise.

- 41 Karen doesn't like to play the piano as much as I do.

### KEEN

Karen ..... playing the piano than I am.

- 42 'How are you feeling after your operation, Chloe?' the doctor asked.

### SHE

The doctor asked ..... after her operation.