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- \_\_\_\_\_ the old woman is ugly, she has a kind heart.  
(1) But (2) Since  
(3) Although (4) As
- Either Alexander or Suling \_\_\_\_\_ the telephone now.  
(1) use (2) used  
(3) is using (4) are using
- The maid has already \_\_\_\_\_ away the mouldy bread.  
(1) throw (2) throws  
(3) threw (4) thrown
- There are \_\_\_\_\_ mud stains on her pair of white shoes.  
(1) a lot (2) some  
(3) most (4) much
- Melissa \_\_\_\_\_ reading aloud when Mrs Yong walked into the classroom.  
(1) is (2) are  
(3) was (4) were
- Wood will neither visibly expand nor \_\_\_\_\_ because it is an insulator of heat.  
(1) contract (2) contracts  
(3) contracted (4) contracting
- "\_\_\_\_\_ glass of wine is this?" Lily asked everyone sitting at the table.  
(1) Who's (2) Whose  
(3) Whom (4) Which
- The toddler normally sits down quietly and plays \_\_\_\_\_ himself.  
(1) by (2) at  
(3) through (4) behind
- "This piece of land has always \_\_\_\_\_ to the family," said Mr Foo.  
(1) belong (2) belongs  
(3) belonged (4) belonging
- None of us \_\_\_\_\_ the faintest idea of what happened in the alley last night.  
(1) has (2) have  
(3) may have (4) can have

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1. The \_\_\_\_\_ of talented actors and actresses performed a Shakespearean play.  
(1) panel (2) company  
(3) board (4) staff

2. Jim is a creative person and it is a \_\_\_\_\_ to transfer him to another department.  
(1) waste (2) limit  
(3) miss (4) surplus

3. The bird flew about \_\_\_\_\_ after it was released from the cage.  
(1) tiredly (2) boisterously  
(3) slowly (4) excitedly

4. The doctor has to \_\_\_\_\_ up the cut as it was very deep.  
(1) stitch (2) bandage  
(3) plaster (4) dress

5. As \_\_\_\_\_ of Singapore, we should help to keep our country clean and green.  
(1) subjects (2) natives  
(3) citizens (4) pioneers

6. When the compulsive gambler became bankrupt, he decided to quit gambling.  
(1) give up (2) give in  
(3) give to (4) give out

7. The enemies finally surrendered after a long hard-fought battle.  
(1) died (2) attacked  
(3) yielded (4) retreated

8. His parents gave him enough money to spend during his holiday in Canada.  
(1) meagre (2) adequate  
(3) plentiful (4) insufficient

9. All these old buildings will be demolished in five years' time.  
(1) pulled through (2) pulled up  
(3) pulled off (4) pulled down

10. The patient felt drowsy after taking his medication.  
(1) tired (2) sick  
(3) sleepy (4) drunk

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1. How many students \_\_\_\_\_ in the Chinese Orchestra last year?  
(1) is (2) are  
(3) was (4) were

2. Neither the girls nor the boys \_\_\_\_\_ able to help out tomorrow.  
(1) is (2) are  
(3) was (4) were

3. It took a long time for Mrs Ang to \_\_\_\_\_ her husband's death.  
(1) get over (2) get through  
(3) get off (4) get by

4. All of you but Eugene \_\_\_\_\_ going to the picnic because you have behaved well.  
(1) is (2) are  
(3) was (4) were

5. " \_\_\_\_\_ any of you like to join me for lunch?" asked Miss Tang.  
(1) Should (2) Could  
(3) Would (4) Must

6. The worker \_\_\_\_\_ hand was caught in the machine is now undergoing treatment.  
(1) whose (2) who's  
(3) whom (4) which

7. If you talk to Patrick nicely, he \_\_\_\_\_ to what you have to say.  
(1) is listening (2) listens  
(3) has listened (4) will listen

8. The children are quite excited \_\_\_\_\_ it is going to be Christmas soon.  
(1) when (2) because  
(3) although (4) till

9. Jansen could not \_\_\_\_\_ with his friend's rude behaviour any longer so he left the room.  
(1) put over (2) put on  
(3) put off (4) put up

10. Unless the shopkeeper is honest, nobody \_\_\_\_\_ anything from him.  
(1) will buy (2) buy  
(3) buys (4) bought

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4. The foreign students are not able to communicate \_\_\_\_\_ in English.  
(1) leniently (2) profitably  
(3) effectively (4) successfully

6. Please be concise when writing the essay. Leave out information that is besides the point.

(1) irrelevant (2) worthless  
(3) useless (4) unfounded

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1. He has full \_\_\_\_\_ that we will win the match tomorrow.  
(1) confident (2) confidential  
(3) confidence (4) confidentiality

2. This \_\_\_\_\_ be your pencil case. It has your name on it.  
(1) must (2) shall  
(3) will (4) can

3. Ken is very good at \_\_\_\_\_ cars and has decided to become a mechanic.  
(1) repair (2) repairs  
(3) repaired (4) repairing

4. \_\_\_\_\_ vegetables here have been reserved by Madam Soh, so you will have to choose from the vegetables over there.  
(1) This (2) That  
(3) These (4) Those

5. The bridge might give way if the two men \_\_\_\_\_ to it.  
(1) cling (2) is clinging  
(3) had clung (4) will cling

6. \_\_\_\_\_ of us was given a beautifully wrapped present by Mrs Tan.  
(1) All (2) Each  
(3) Every (4) Both

7. Miss Tay cooked herself a good dinner after she \_\_\_\_\_ home.  
(1) return (2) returns  
(3) returned (4) returning

8. The group of boys \_\_\_\_\_ going on a trip at the end of the year.  
(1) is (2) are  
(3) was (4) were

9. Neither of the twins \_\_\_\_\_ to eat rice. They prefer porridge.  
(1) like (2) likes  
(3) liking (4) are liking

10. While she was shopping for a gift, he \_\_\_\_\_ an old classmate.  
(1) meet (2) meets  
(3) met (4) meeting