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1. The great leader was \_\_\_\_\_ during a public appearance and no suspect has been caught.
 

(1) murdered	(2) assassinated	<input style="width: 50px; height: 30px; border: 1px solid red;" type="text"/>
(3) terminated	(4) emancipated	
  
2. The sales of this product has \_\_\_\_\_ all other brands in the market.
 

(1) overtaken	(2) exceeded	<input style="width: 50px; height: 30px; border: 1px solid red;" type="text"/>
(3) surpassed	(4) retreated	
  
3. Mother was unable to clean the badly \_\_\_\_\_ shirt.
 

(1) stained	(2) contaminated	<input style="width: 50px; height: 30px; border: 1px solid red;" type="text"/>
(3) polluted	(4) coloured	
  
4. Please \_\_\_\_\_ from smoking on board the plane.
 

(1) refrain	(2) restrict	<input style="width: 50px; height: 30px; border: 1px solid red;" type="text"/>
(3) restrain	(4) remit	
  
5. The young woman always \_\_\_\_\_ the rich and famous and dreams of having a similar lifestyle.
 

(1) resents	(2) spites	<input style="width: 50px; height: 30px; border: 1px solid red;" type="text"/>
(3) envies	(4) admires	
  
6. We met our former teacher in the restaurant.
 

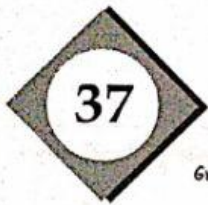
(1) dominant	(2) previous	<input style="width: 50px; height: 30px; border: 1px solid red;" type="text"/>
(3) bossy	(4) minor	
  
7. This newspaper article emphasises the importance of maintaining a healthy lifestyle.
 

(1) claims	(2) states	<input style="width: 50px; height: 30px; border: 1px solid red;" type="text"/>
(3) reports	(4) stresses	
  
8. You are too blunt! You have to be more tactful next time.
 

(1) outspoken	(2) careless	<input style="width: 50px; height: 30px; border: 1px solid red;" type="text"/>
(3) indirect	(4) impulsive	
  
9. I have firm belief that Chongzhi is telling the truth.
 

(1) trust	(2) assume	<input style="width: 50px; height: 30px; border: 1px solid red;" type="text"/>
(3) guess	(4) imagine	
  
10. Mr Lee's son was sent to a special school as he was slow in mental development.
 

(1) gifted	(2) brilliant	<input style="width: 50px; height: 30px; border: 1px solid red;" type="text"/>
(3) mediocre	(4) retarded	



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- 1. To avoid creating a scene in public, Miss Wong \_\_\_\_\_ to the unreasonable old lady.  
 (1) gave up (2) gave in  
 (3) gave away (4) gave over
- 2. Even though some of the durians \_\_\_\_\_ to our relatives, we still have a lot left.  
 (1) are given (2) were given  
 (3) has been given (4) have been given
- 3. Grandfather's little business, \_\_\_\_\_ way back in 1930, has turned into a big corporation.  
 (1) found (2) founding  
 (3) founded (4) to found
- 4. Both of the girls \_\_\_\_\_ to be given a stern warning. They are too mischievous.  
 (1) is (2) are  
 (3) was (4) were
- 5. Do you know the \_\_\_\_\_ of the swimming pool?  
 (1) wide (2) width  
 (3) widen (4) widely
- 6. We will not be allowed to camp at the East Coast Park \_\_\_\_\_ we have a permit.  
 (1) if (2) since  
 (3) when (4) unless
- 7. Isabel knows the answer to this question, \_\_\_\_\_ she?  
 (1) doesn't (2) didn't  
 (3) won't (4) hasn't
- 8. Of her three sons, Mrs Chong loves the oldest one \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (1) dearly (2) dearest  
 (3) more dearly (4) the most dearly
- 9. There \_\_\_\_\_ much drawing paper left in the cupboard now. We need replenishment.  
 (1) isn't (2) wasn't  
 (3) aren't (4) weren't
- 10. Peter lost two of \_\_\_\_\_ front teeth while fighting with his brother.  
 (1) his (2) their  
 (3) her (4) our

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1. He cannot help \_\_\_\_\_ after his convincing victory over his opponent.  
 (1) gloating (2) sneering  
 (3) scoffing (4) gossiping
2. All the victims were \_\_\_\_\_ murdered! The murderer must be a heartless beast.  
 (1) brutally (2) frightfully  
 (3) vulgarly (4) seriously
3. The nine planets \_\_\_\_\_ round the Sun.  
 (1) evolve (2) revolve  
 (3) surround (4) circulate
4. The fort is \_\_\_\_\_ on the top of the hill.  
 (1) pinned (2) made  
 (3) constructed (4) decked
5. Since he is willing to \_\_\_\_\_, let us give him another chance.  
 (1) deny (2) contradict  
 (3) forgive (4) repent
6. The hikers persisted despite difficulties and finally managed to finish their journey.  
 (1) persevered (2) renounced  
 (3) yielded (4) surrendered
7. The children went to see a play without speech.  
 (1) movie (2) musical  
 (3) pantomime (4) performance
8. The Caucasian lady travelled by obtaining free rides all the way from Johor to Thailand.  
 (1) hijacked (2) hitch-hiked  
 (3) droved (4) hiked
9. The birth of the foal was captured on film by Mr Lim.  
 (1) sketched (2) photographed  
 (3) drawn (4) drafted
10. The children were all ears to the principal's speech.  
 (1) devoted (2) dutiful  
 (3) committed (4) attentive

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1. My sister is \_\_\_\_\_ on time for her appointments, as she hates to make people wait.  
 (1) always                                      (2) never  
 (3) seldom                                      (4) rarely
2. Cinderella was the \_\_\_\_\_ girl at the ball and she caught the attention of the prince.  
 (1) pretty                                      (2) prettier  
 (3) prettiest                                      (4) most prettiest
3. Little Joanna was already asleep \_\_\_\_\_ we reached home last evening.  
 (1) so                                      (2) before  
 (3) until                                      (4) though
4. \_\_\_\_\_ of the boys were given a wallet each at the party.  
 (1) Each                                      (2) One  
 (3) Every                                      (4) All
5. Those cartons of beer \_\_\_\_\_ been bought for the party this evening.  
 (1) has                                      (2) have  
 (3) had                                      (4) having
6. Liddy, together with Elizabeth, \_\_\_\_\_ to the tuition lesson later today.  
 (1) go                                      (2) goes  
 (3) is going                                      (4) are going
7. Both boys \_\_\_\_\_ their dinner and now they want to play with their toys.  
 (1) take                                      (2) taken  
 (3) have taken                                      (4) had took
8. Neither the pupils nor Mr Teoh \_\_\_\_\_ in the classroom. Where are they?  
 (1) is                                      (2) are  
 (3) was                                      (4) were
9. Please \_\_\_\_\_ us some tea first. We'll help ourselves to the cakes later.  
 (1) serve                                      (2) serves  
 (3) served                                      (4) serving
10. Do you have any \_\_\_\_\_ coffee powder to spare? I need some now.  
 (1) less                                      (2) much  
 (3) little                                      (4) more

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1. The two friends finally \_\_\_\_\_ after three years of bitter quarrel.  
(1) contacted (2) reconciled  
(3) related (4) conveyed
2. After a long period of recluse, the man was finally at \_\_\_\_\_ with himself.  
(1) war (2) peace  
(3) ease (4) relaxation
3. The boy who \_\_\_\_\_ the teacher was severely punished and suspended from school.  
(1) tapped (2) smashed  
(3) punched (4) knocked
4. Can you smell the coffee \_\_\_\_\_ in the kitchen?  
(1) baking (2) cooking  
(3) frying (4) brewing
5. Kelly's mother \_\_\_\_\_ to her taking up scuba diving.  
(1) rejected (2) dejected  
(3) objected (4) subjected
6. On the face of it, we have made the wrong decision.  
(1) Outwardly (2) Unfortunately  
(3) Suddenly (4) Providently
7. All the residents chipped in to a fund for the flood victims.  
(1) contributed (2) distributed  
(3) reattributed (4) attributed
8. We are convinced that his arguments are without reason.  
(1) necessary (2) valid  
(3) applicable (4) illogical
9. The engineer unfastened and took apart the faulty component from the machine.  
(1) connected (2) detached  
(3) linked (4) demolished
10. The boy's lack of interest in the matter worries his mother.  
(1) indifference (2) concern  
(3) apprehension (4) reassurance