Extra Training

Synonyms
Task 2129

Part 1. Choose the correct item.

*Each sentence has an underlined word or phrase. Below each sentence there are four other words or phrases, marked **1 – 4.** You are to choose the one word or phrase that BEST KEEPS THE MEANING of the original sentence if it is substituted for the underlined word or phrase.*

1. . The speaker EMPHASIZED the need for co-operation in the project that we were about to undertake.
1. *accentuated* **2.** *downplayed* **3.** *discussed* **4.** *displayed*

2. Michael found it difficult to COPE WITH the loss of her job.
1. *anticipate* **2.** *think about* **3.** *deal with* **4.** *confirm*

3. The number of UNEMPLOYED people in our country is increasing rapidly. -
1. *licensed* **2.** *working* **3.** *business* **4.** *jobless*

4. Christopher Columbus was the first person to NAVIGATE under the patronage of Queen Isabella of Spain.
1. *explore* **2.** *sail* **3.** *work* **4.** *circumvent*

5. His INVOLUNTARY reflexes betrayed his feelings.
1. *automatic* **2.** *unbelievable* **3.** *unnecessary* **4.** *unreasonable*

Part Two.

Give a synonym for each of the words in brackets in the following sentences. Choose from the ones below. (Make any other necessary changes.) There are more words than you need!

trip *moan* *vanish* *spoil* *inform*
enter *brag* *put off* *alter* *occur*

6. Bad weather completely (ruined) _____ the Garden Party.

7. I don't like the new secretary very much – she's always (complaining) _____ about something or other.

8. Can you tell me in your own words exactly what (happened) _____?

9. Would you please (notify) _____ me the moment Miss Baker gets back?

10. I can't stand Doreen. She's always (boasting) _____ about the places she's been to.



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