1 Choose the correct verb forms to complete the sentences.

1 **Being / Been** well off, Sebastian's parents could afford to send him to a private school.

2 **Purchasing / Purchased** online, plane tickets are usually cheaper.

3 **Standing / Stood** at the checkout, I remembered that I needed to buy bread.

4 **Having got / Had got** into debt once, Anne has limited the use of her credit card.

5 The market was full of tourists **haggling / haggled** for souvenirs.

6 **Selling / Sold** in an attractive gift box, this perfume makes an excellent present.

2 Rewrite the sentences. Start each sentence with a participle clause.

1 If you decorate it with fruit, the kids will love it.

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2 Sue was disappointed with her results so she wrote a letter to complain.

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3 As I was cycling down the hill at top speed, I started to feel dizzy.

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4 Before she reached the first bend, Larissa was ten metres behind the leaders.

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5 While Tom was sitting in class, he began to daydream.

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6 If you wash these jeans carefully, they will look as good as new again.

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7 Since you live in the country, you rarely go shopping.

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8 This card was designed by my brother. It's beautiful

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3 Complete the sentences. Use a preposition and the correct form of a verb from below. Use each word once.

after	before	on	since	while

cook	hear	play	start	watch

1 _____ my new job a week ago, everybody in the office has been kind to me.

2 _____ tennis, I twisted my ankle.

3 _____ lunch, I went to the supermarket and bought all the necessary ingredients.

4 _____ the horror film, I had nightmares.

5 _____ the alarm, all the citizens raced to the shelters.

4 Complete the sentences with the correct words. The first letter of each word has been given.

1 I went online and filled my basket with a number of i_____ that I selected by clicking on them.

2 Once I had selected what I wanted to buy, I went to the c_____ to complete the purchase.

3 I was r_____ off by the shopkeeper who charged me twice as much as I should have paid.

4 Stay within the b_____ you set yourself. Don't spend more than you have.

5 My grandparents gave me lots of money at Christmas, so I s_____ out on new clothes in the sales. I spent lots of money!

6 It's important not to o_____ at Christmas. You really don't need to buy so much stuff.

7 It's important to s_____ around to make sure you buy the product you want at the best price.

8 I was able to t_____ my online purchase from the warehouse to the final delivery.

5 Complete the text with the correct words.

Mary [1]_____ a fortune from selling a family business, and now she is very rich and living in the [2]_____ of luxury. Despite this, she's still careful with her money. She won't buy anything she thinks is a [3]_____-off, and refuses to pay through the [4]_____ for anything. In some ways, she's a bit mean. She bought a dirt [5]_____ jacket in the sales last week even though she has enough money to buy a much nicer designer jacket, and she refuses to help friends who are [6]_____ up and living hand to [7]_____ .

6 Complete the text with the words and phrases below.

afford   delivery   get into debt   overspend   reviews   ripped off   shopping around   wish list

I don't really enjoy shopping on the high street because I think in a lot of shops you get
¹_____ and I can't ²_____ to buy their over-priced products.
I really don't want to ³_____ , so I never ⁴_____ . However, I
do spend a lot of time ⁵_____ on the internet. I like the fact that you can read
⁶_____ of different products, and many online shops now offer free
⁷_____ . In fact, I've got a ⁸_____ on my favourite big online store, so
when it's my birthday, it will be easy for people to choose and order a present for me.