

**PRACTICE 1**

Read the text below and choose the best word for each space.

**A Ticking Time Bomb**

When I was told that four of my arteries were blocked, I thought my (0) \_\_\_\_ was up. The arteries in my heart were (1) \_\_\_\_ fully blocked. My doctor told me that it was (2) \_\_\_\_\_, and he advised me to go for (3) \_\_\_\_ as soon as possible. Three years ago, I had experienced (4) \_\_\_\_ difficulties and chest pains. I underwent coronary angioplasty. (5) ---- the procedure, I was in and out of hospital for about six times within a (6) \_\_\_\_ of two years. During my last visit, I was told about the four blocked arteries. I was at a (7) \_\_\_\_ initially as I could not afford the surgery. I thought of trying for a welfare fund but the waiting (8) \_\_\_\_ would be too long. My heart was practically a time bomb. Luckily, a friend told me about the PAH's Patient Heart Fund. I (9) \_\_\_\_ no time in applying it. My application was approved within three days. My surgery took place one week after and today I'm back to (10) \_\_\_\_\_. However, I have to take care of my diet and go for reviews.

0. **A** life                    **C** luck  
 @ time                    **D** period

1. <b>A</b> very <b>C</b> almost	6. <b>A</b> spam <b>C</b> span
<b>B</b> only <b>D</b> most <b>B</b> process <b>D</b> time	
2. <b>A</b> critical <b>C</b> weak	7. <b>A</b> loss <b>C</b> lose
<b>B</b> bad <b>D</b> sharp <b>B</b> lost <b>D</b> loose	
3. <b>A</b> advice <b>C</b> check up	8. <b>A</b> process <b>C</b> procedure
<b>B</b> surgery <b>D</b> examination <b>B</b> period <b>D</b> moment	
4. <b>A</b> lung <b>C</b> breathe	9. <b>A</b> waste <b>C</b> to waste
<b>B</b> speech <b>D</b> breathing <b>B</b> wasting <b>D</b> wasted	
5. <b>A</b> During <b>C</b> While	10. <b>A</b> normal <b>C</b> norm
<b>B</b> Before <b>D</b> After <b>B</b> normally <b>D</b> normalcy	