

False friends are words that are easily mixed up. Choose the correct word or phrase for each blank.

1. The guards _____ the visitors from getting too close. **(AVOIDED / PREVENTED)**
2. _____ running a grocery store in town, he also owns a fitness centre. **(BESIDE / BESIDES)**
3. The jewels she was wearing were all imitations. They were _____. **(WORTHLESS / PRICELESS)**
4. There is always the _____ that the plane will arrive early **(OPPORTUNITY / CHANCE / POSSIBILITY).**
5. The English _____ is beautiful during the spring season. **(NATURE / COUNTRYSIDE)**
6. Can you switch to _____ 7 for the newscast? **(CHANNEL / CANAL)**
7. Mum, what are we having for _____? **(DESERT / DESSERT)**
8. Don't _____ my sunglasses or else I won't let you have them again. **(DAMAGE / HARM)**
9. My boss gave me very useful _____ before I left the firm. **(ADVICE / ADVISE)**
10. Global warming has an _____ on all parts of the world. **(AFFECT / EFFECT)**
11. He took a seat _____ me **(BESIDES / BESIDE).**
12. We have quite a good _____ of winning the election. **(POSSIBILITY / CHANCE)**
13. You should start out early in order to _____ the morning rush hour. **(AVOID / PREVENT)**
14. The policeman _____ the traffic at the busy road crossing. **(DIRECTED / CONDUCTED)**
15. Venice is famous for its beautiful _____. **(CANALS / CHANNELS)**
16. The bank manager was willing to _____ us on the best way to save our earnings. **(ADVICE / ADVISE)**
17. You can get a good _____ of the sea from the room on the top floor. **(SCENERY / VIEW)**
18. I didn't have a lot of _____ at the party. It was so boring **(FUN / FUNNY).**
19. The bank robber didn't want to _____ the hostages. **(HARM / DAMAGE)**
20. The young man will _____ the orchestra at the concert. **(CONDUCT / DIRECT)**