

**1. Put the verbs in brackets into the correct tense form:**

I suppose that, in many ways, I **1.** \_\_\_\_\_ (be) lucky since the day I was born. I was born two months premature and I was very ill, but somehow I **2.** \_\_\_\_\_ (survive). Then, when I was three, I **3.** \_\_\_\_\_ (fall) into a pond on a farm I **4.** \_\_\_\_\_ (stay) at. My mum **5.** \_\_\_\_\_ (go) into hospital for an operation and some friends **6.** \_\_\_\_\_ (look after) me at the time. Luckily, a man **7.** \_\_\_\_\_ (work) near the pond and he **8.** \_\_\_\_\_ (pull) me out! Now I'm in my last year at school and all my friends **9.** \_\_\_\_\_ (think) I'm very lucky. For example, I **10.** \_\_\_\_\_ (win) money on the lottery four or five times and I usually **11.** \_\_\_\_\_ (beat) everybody at cards.

I can't say I'm very hard-working, but I **12.** \_\_\_\_\_ (do) well at exams – the right questions always come up. I'm also lucky in love and I **13.** \_\_\_\_\_ (go out) with an amazing girl for the last six months. I hope my luck **14.** \_\_\_\_\_ (continue) in the future. I **15.** \_\_\_\_\_ (take) my university entrance exams in the summer and as soon as I **16.** \_\_\_\_\_ (finish) them, I **17.** \_\_\_\_\_ (travel) for a couple of months. Then, hopefully, I **18.** \_\_\_\_\_ (study) architecture at university.

**2. Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first one. Use the word given and up to five more words.**

A. I doubt if winning the marathon was easy for her.

**must**

Winning the marathon \_\_\_\_\_ for her.

B. We should give them a ring in case they think we've had an accident.

**will**

We should give them a ring \_\_\_\_\_ had an accident.

C. It was very kind of you to come and collect me but it wasn't necessary.

**need**

It was very kind of you, but you \_\_\_\_\_ and collected me.

D. I cut my hand but luckily stitches weren't necessary.

**need**

I cut my hand but I \_\_\_\_\_.

E. She's probably feeling a bit depressed after getting her exam results.

**can't**

She \_\_\_\_\_ after getting her exam results.

F. He isn't a millionaire. He spends lots of money, though.

**if**

He spends money \_\_\_\_\_ millionaire.

G. I can smell dinner. I think we're having curry.

**though**

It smells \_\_\_\_\_ curry for dinner.

**3. Think of the word which best fits each space. Use only one word.**

These days, most town centres look similar to each other. This is largely because they have the same shops, belonging **1.** \_\_\_\_\_ the same companies. There are, of course, advantages to this situation. **2.** \_\_\_\_\_ instance, if you buy something from a chain store while you are **3.** \_\_\_\_\_ holiday which you later wish to return or have replaced, you can take it back to your local branch. However, many people have little to say in favour of the modern high street. In the past, the high street was **4.** \_\_\_\_\_ of small, independent shops, most of **5.** \_\_\_\_\_ specialized **6.** \_\_\_\_\_ one type of service or product. So, there would **7.** \_\_\_\_\_ been a baker's, a cobbler's, a hardware shop and so on. They not **8.** \_\_\_\_\_ offered a more personal service, but also a more friendly **9.** \_\_\_\_\_. Nowadays, shops sell a wide **10.** \_\_\_\_\_ of goods, but they don't often have those little extras, **11.** \_\_\_\_\_ a handle for the food mixer you **12.** \_\_\_\_\_ had since you were first married and do not want to **13.** \_\_\_\_\_ away. **14.** \_\_\_\_\_ contrast, a shop in the old high street would have had that handle and it would have checked the food mixer to make sure it **15.** \_\_\_\_\_ last another twenty years.

**4. Use the words in brackets to form a word that fits in the space**

The job interview

It is important to make a good **1.** \_\_\_\_\_ (impress) when going for a job interview. Interviewers usually ask a **2.** \_\_\_\_\_ (various) of questions, many of which concern **3.** \_\_\_\_\_ (qualify). However, they also usually like to ask questions about previous **4.** \_\_\_\_\_ (occupy) as well as **5.** \_\_\_\_\_ (achieve) not connected to the work place. Often, the **6.** \_\_\_\_\_ (success) candidate is not the one with the most impressive **7.** \_\_\_\_\_ (educate) but the one who shows that he or she has made the most **8.** \_\_\_\_\_ (effect) use of their time. Few employers want employees who are **9.** \_\_\_\_\_ (able) to think for themselves. The **10.** \_\_\_\_\_ (possible) of advancement in any job very rarely depends on the **11.** \_\_\_\_\_ (accurate) of work but more on the enthusiasm and dedication of the employee.

**5. Fill in correct articles**

**1.** \_\_\_\_\_ Earth's oceans are all connected to one another. Until the year 2000, there were **2.** \_\_\_\_\_ four recognized oceans: **3.** \_\_\_\_\_ Pacific, Atlantic, Indian and Arctic. In **4.** \_\_\_\_\_ spring of 2000, **5.** \_\_\_\_\_ International Hydrographic Organization delimited **6.** \_\_\_\_\_ new ocean, **7.** \_\_\_\_\_ Southern Ocean; it surrounds **8.** \_\_\_\_\_ Antarctica and extends to 60 degrees latitude.

There are also **9.** \_\_\_\_\_ many seas – smaller branches of **10.** \_\_\_\_\_ ocean. **11.** \_\_\_\_\_ seas are often partly enclosed by **12.** \_\_\_\_\_ land. **13.** \_\_\_\_\_ largest seas are **14.** \_\_\_\_\_ South China Sea, **15.** \_\_\_\_\_ Carribean Sea and **16.** \_\_\_\_\_ Mediterranean Sea.