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UNIT 10

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INTERMEDIATE LEVEL (B1+)

1 Complete the sentences with verbs from the box.

back	get	give	increase	make
present	raise	set up	share	take

1 It seems there is no support for his new project; hardly anyone will _____ it, unfortunately.

2 Going into business with at least one other partner can help to _____ the risk if things go wrong.

3 There are professional advisors who can recommend ways to _____ funding for new business projects.

4 If you need financial help, why don't you _____ out a bank loan and pay it back over a few months?

5 It's quite common for small businesses not to _____ a profit for the first few years.

6 Last year the company was worth £1 million and now it's worth £2 million. It's great to see it _____ in value so quickly.

7 Since you've never _____ a business before, why don't you go on a training course first?

8 Maria has been asked to _____ her ideas for the new design to everyone next Monday.

9 We managed to _____ enough money to start our own business by asking several friends to help.

10 Although I'm fairly confident this new product will be successful, I wouldn't like to _____ any guarantees.

2 Read the dialogue between two friends who are discussing a trip. Put the words in bold in the right order to complete the dialogue.

Dillon Hi, Yasmine. Did I tell you that I'm going on a trip to Hong Kong next week?

Yasmine I love Hong Kong! I've been several times to visit my aunt.

Dillon I didn't know that. Well, [1] **you / recommend / could** _____ some places to visit while I'm there?

Yasmine Yes, of course. [2] **definitely / I'd / recommend** _____ seeing the light show at night. You can watch the buildings light up on Hong Kong Island – the lights change with the music too! And it [3] **be / good / might / idea / a** _____ to try and take a boat trip if you've got enough time.

Dillon Thanks, [4] **suggestion / a / that's / great** _____.

Yasmine Also, don't miss the Nan Lian Garden in Kowloon. It's a park with traditional Chinese buildings and beautiful flowers. It's really amazing and so peaceful.

Dillon Thanks, [5] **good / that's / idea / a** _____ I love visiting gardens. I can't wait to go now!

Yasmine No problem. I hope you have a wonderful trip.

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3 Complete the sentences. Use one word in each space.

1 Some people believe that highly _____ sports create too much pressure for children, when they should be having fun doing them instead.
2 If our team plays _____ last year's winners in the final, I can't see how we'll beat them!
3 In the end, it doesn't really matter who wins or _____ the match – just try to enjoy the experience whatever happens.
4 Have you ever taken _____ in an extreme sport like rock climbing or paragliding?
5 It's exciting to watch the Olympic Games just to see how many world _____ get broken.

4 Choose the correct answer from the options.

Kim Do you fancy coming to see the football match with me on Saturday?

Lee What? Do you have tickets?

Kim Yes. My company always gets tickets for the big matches so I thought I'd [1] **have / take** advantage of it this time!

Lee That's wonderful. Is it all right if I [2] **have / take** a word with my wife and let you know? I [3] **have / take** a feeling that she's invited some friends over that day, but I don't [4] **have / take** a clue at what time.

Kim Well, the match starts at half past seven.
[5] **Have / Take** my word for it – it's going to be a great game!

Lee Well, we usually [6] *have / take* turns to go out on a Saturday while the other one [7] **has / takes** care of the children. It should be my turn to go out this week, but I can't [8] **have / take** that for granted!

Kim I understand – I don't expect you to [9] **have / take** a decision before you speak to her.

Lee Great – I really hope I can make it, but I'll let you know if I [10] **have / take** any difficulty arranging things!

5 Complete the sentences so that the second sentence has the same meaning as the first. Use the PASSIVE form.

1 Bill Gates started the Microsoft Corporation in 1975.
The Microsoft Corporation _____ Bill Gates in 1975.

2 People are setting up new independent cafés all the time.
New independent cafés _____ all the time.

3 The bank must review all applications for loans.
All applications for loans _____.

4 The government has set up a website for people wanting to start a company.
A website _____ for people wanting to start a company.

5 No one knows if the global crisis will affect any more countries.
No one knows if any more countries _____.

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6 Choose the correct ARTICLE to complete the gaps (A / AN / THE / -).

1 Many fans consider Lewis Hamilton to be _____ best racing driver _____ world.
2 When I was younger I was in _____ school basketball team for my year, so my dream was to become _____ professional player.
3 Most experts advise that _____ healthy lifestyle should involve plenty of _____ exercise.
4 The playing field is free to use, but they don't provide equipment, so if you want to play _____ football, you will need to bring _____ ball.
5 Unfortunately our team didn't win _____ final, but at least it was _____ entertaining match!

7 Read the text about Nairobi, the capital of Kenya and complete the sentences. Use one or two words from the text for each answer.

1 Kenya is now globally _____ as a source of new business ideas.
2 New businesses have been receiving _____ from the government as well as local and international companies.
3 In many areas of Kenya, using text messaging is more _____ than using the internet.
4 According to _____, Kenya may become more important than South Africa in terms of technology businesses.
5 Kenya's business interests are not yet as _____ as South Africa's.

NAIROBI: THE NEW BUSINESS CITY

In the last few years, the capital of Kenya has become recognized around the world as a place for new businesses and new ideas. In particular, Nairobi is now a popular city for small businesses that have a focus on technology. Many of these have been set up by educated young Kenyans. Encouraged by government support and interest from outsiders willing to invest money, this new generation is prepared to take risks and create new products for the local market.

There are many reasons for Nairobi's success. Kenya has a good geographical location in Africa, a good climate, and a strong education system. Nairobi also has the right balance of creative people and support from global IT companies, universities, the government and the local business community. Many young Kenyans have been starting up new businesses and aren't afraid to take risks in the hope of being successful.

Another key point is that many companies focus on the country's needs. For example, several of them have been praised for their ability to respond to the requirements of local people working in farming and clothes making. M-Pesa is one such example of a successful company. It provides a money transfer service that can be used on a mobile phone. Because internet access is not always reliable in many parts of the country, using text messaging is an excellent way of helping farmers and clothes makers take payments and so expand their businesses.

Some experts even think Kenya may soon overtake South Africa as the technology centre of Africa. However, at the moment, they both have very different customers. While Kenya has so far focused on its own region, South Africa does more international business. But the future is certainly looking good for young business-minded Kenyans. As long as the government continues to support them, it may just be a question of time before Nairobi becomes the new tech centre after all.

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