

## Word formation

Complete the sentences with the correct word formed from the one in capitals.

1. The teacher used a real-life example to \_\_\_\_\_ the grammatical rule.

(EXAMPLE)

2. Her guidance during the project was \_\_\_\_\_, and we could not have completed it without her.

(VALUE)

3. Many people say that \_\_\_\_\_ changes your priorities and outlook on life.

(PARENT)

4. The lawyer argued that his client should not be punished for his political \_\_\_\_\_.

(CONVINCE)

5. The vandalism of the historic monument was completely \_\_\_\_\_.

(SENSE)

6. The village was so \_\_\_\_\_ that tourists stopped constantly to take photos.

(PICTURE)

7. The tests showed a serious iron \_\_\_\_\_, which explained her constant fatigue.

(DEFICIENT)

8. To access the club's facilities, you must first apply for \_\_\_\_\_.

(MEMBER)

9. It was incredibly \_\_\_\_\_ of me to forget her birthday after everything she'd done for me.

(THOUGHT)

10. After years of economic struggle, the country is finally enjoying a period of \_\_\_\_\_.

(PROSPER)

11. The doctor said the patient's heart rate was \_\_\_\_\_, so further tests were required.

(NORMAL)

12. Bringing an umbrella is \_\_\_\_\_ if the weather forecast is correct.  
(AVOID)

13. His look of \_\_\_\_\_ made it clear that he did not approve of their behavior.  
(APPROVE)

14. The ocean's \_\_\_\_\_ can be frightening to those not used to open water.  
(DEEP)

15. Many families cannot afford expensive houses, so the government aims to provide  
\_\_\_\_\_ housing.  
(AFFORD)

16. Regulations are in place to \_\_\_\_\_ the safety of all passengers.  
(SURE)

17. With enough determination, you can \_\_\_\_\_ any obstacle.  
(COME)

18. Regular exercise is highly \_\_\_\_\_ for your physical and mental health.  
(BENEFIT)

#### Open cloze

Read the text below and think of the word which best fits each gap.

When the company announced that several employees would be (1) **laid** \_\_\_, most of us were (2) **taken** \_\_ **surprise**. There had been (3) **no** \_\_ of any financial trouble, so the decision seemed sudden. The director insisted that there was (4) **no option** \_\_ to reduce staff, since costs had risen sharply.

Many workers expressed a negative (5) **attitude** \_\_\_\_ the company's actions, saying loyalty should matter (6) **much more than the** profit. One employee, Martin, said he was (7) **not used** \_\_ being unemployed, having worked at the firm for almost twenty years.

He told me (8) \_\_ **the record** that some managers knew about the cuts weeks earlier. Meanwhile, the company also plans to (9) **rip** \_\_ several departments and rebuild the workspace.

Those who remain **(10)** are \_\_\_ through a stressful evaluation programme before their positions are confirmed. The pressure may **(11)** prevent some people \_\_\_ performing well, especially for younger staff.

Martin, however, may be luckier than he feels. He recently **(12)** came \_\_\_ a fortune after a distant relative passed away. But he says that money doesn't remove the fear **(13)** \_\_\_ being replaced or forgotten.

"I suppose **(14)** \_\_\_ time I'll be ready for change," he said, "**(15)** \_\_\_ all accounts, the industry is moving fast, **(16)** Not \_\_\_ mention the emotional strain."