

Sublist 8 Exercises

1) *Collocations. Read these sentences and choose the most suitable preposition.*

- a) The disease is accompanied **with / by / from** a high temperature.
- b) It helps children develop an appreciation **of / for / in** poetry and drama.
- c) We must behave in conformity **of / to / with** local customs.
- d) There must be no deviation **from / in / to** the normal procedure.
- e) The film industry thrives on the exploitation **to / of / in** women.
- f) The fluctuation **of / on / in** interest rates is very worrying.

2) *Choose the correct part of speech of the word in brackets, adding affixes if necessary, to complete the following sentences.*

- a) We expected a completely _____ response from the government, but this response is very confusing.

AMBIGUITY

- b) Could you help me _____ one or two points?

CLARITY

- c) The decision will _____ lead to political tensions.

INEVITABILITY

- d) The _____ costs of increasing superannuation must be considered.

PROSPECT

- e) The press conference had to be _____ until July 29th due to a clash of dates.

SCHEDULE

- f) Forecasts for the economic are being _____ downwards.

REVISION

3) Choose words from the box to complete the text. You may have to change the part of speech.

currency	tensions	widespread	commodity	fluctuate	dramatic	inevitable
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Economic conditions continue to be of _____ concern to many analysts around the world, who cannot see any improvements, particularly in the _____ market. The dollar has been unstable for several weeks. "_____ in the troubled Middle-East are causing the high prices, particularly in _____ such as oil," a spokesman said today, "and this is why we have seen the _____ of recent weeks." The _____ increase in the price of a barrel of oil is having a knock-on effect around the world. "Transport providers have to pay more for petrol and this will _____ affect customers," she said.