

Practice 3

Questions 1 to 10 are based on the following passage.

Read the passage carefully and choose the best answer A, B, C or D to fill in each blank.

A Terrifying Experience

It didn't occur to Sam that one day, he would face (0) _____ terrifying experience in his life. It (1) _____ a scary moment when his fishing boat capsized during a raging storm in the middle of the sea. He was adrift in the open water for almost 35 hours. He (2) _____ on to a piece of wood that probably helped him to save his life. He would have drowned for he could not move his legs as they were numb after being in the cold water for hours.

The most frightening moment was when night fell. It was pitch dark all around him. He did not know nor was he able to see where he was heading to. He just resigned (3) _____ to God. The next morning, he (4) _____ that he was surrounded by sharks. He trembled in fear. His body was numbed with shock. Death was literally staring at him in the face. The sharks were circling (5) _____ Sam as he hung on for dear life. He prayed that he would not end up as a meal for them. All he (6) _____ do was to remain still in the water as long as he could while praying in silence. He did not remember when the sharks (7) _____ him.

Then, what came next was not at all pleasant. He felt an (8) _____ pain on his left leg as if a sharp object had pierced it. When he looked into the water, he saw a jellyfish and knew right away that it had (9) _____ him. He soon passed out.

When he was awakened, he was (10) _____ a fishing vessel. He did not know how or when he was saved by the fishermen, but he was glad and thankful to God.



0 A) a	B) an	C) the	D) -
1 A) is	B) are	C) was	D) were
2 A) hold	B) held	C) holds	D) holding
3 A) herself	B) himself	C) myself	D) itself
4 A) discovered	B) discovering	C) discovers	D) discover
5 A) within	B) about	C) around	D) across
6 A) would	B) could	C) will	D) can
7 A) left	B) leave	C) leaves	D) leaving
8 A) ambivalent	B) obnoxious	C) excruciating	D) upbeat
9 A) sting	B) stings	C) stung	D) stinging
10 A) on	B) by	C) at	D) into