2 Choose the correct options (a–c) to complete the text.

The most popular time for people to go shopping used to be during the January sales. Now, in some parts of the world there is one particular day that sees shoppers go wild! [1]___ 'Black Friday', it takes place in November. [2]___ Thanksgiving, one of the USA's biggest holidays, on the following Friday millions of Americans rush to the shops, [3]___ to save money on their Christmas shopping. Although still [4]___ mainly in the USA, Black Friday has also spread to shops in Canada, Mexico and the UK. And [5]___ to miss out on making money, online stores are also joining in, [6]___ huge bargains to their customers. [7]___ sensibly, it's a great opportunity for shoppers, but it has also been criticised by many for encouraging consumerism.

1	a Calling	b Called	c Having called
2	a Celebrating	b Celebrated	c Having celebrated
3	a hoping	b having hoped	c hoped
4	a taken place	b taking place	c having taken place
5	a not wanting	b not having wanted	c not wanted
6	a offered	b having offered	c offering
7	a Approached	b Approaching	c Having approached

Listen again and complete the statements in any way you see fit.

After _____ consumption of goods.

Forced _____ enjoy life.



Complete the sentences with the words below.

After finishing Before leaving On checking
Since starting When thinking While playing

1 _____ the house, could you do the washing up?
2 _____ at her new school, my sister's made lots of new friends.
3 _____ breakfast, they went out for a walk.
4 _____ tennis, Petra fell and hurt her ankle.
5 _____ his change, he realised the shop assistant had made a mistake.
6 _____ about where to go on holiday, you should consider the price as well as the location.

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