

**Choose the correct option**

- 1.The new business couldn't afford to pay more than the ..... wage.
- 2.it's not easy to make ..... meet with a big family, but somehow we manage.
- 3.A fight broke out behind me as we lined ..... to receive our food rations.
- 4.We'd almost signed the contract when the other guys moved the ..... and said they wanted more money.

- 5.She continued to be paid to the end of her contract and received no severance.....
- 6.She was taken ..... as a laboratory assistant.
- 7.They begged ..... mercy.
- 8.Among the participants, 34 % altered either their income goal or their retirement..... goal.
- 9.The report said that in Europe the UK has the largest gender ..... between women's and men's earnings.
- 10.The CEO has said the company needs at least £1 million in ..... cuts.