

Use the correct form of the words in the boxes to complete the sentences in each group A-I below. You may use some of the words more than once. In some cases more than one word may be correct.

**A** protect rescue save support secure defend guard

- 1 We bought a watchdog to \_\_\_\_\_ our house.
- 2 In times of a war every soldier is obliged to \_\_\_\_\_ his country.
- 3 The paramedics managed to \_\_\_\_\_ the driver from the debris of the car, but they couldn't \_\_\_\_\_ the passenger, who had been seriously injured.
- 4 Make sure you \_\_\_\_\_ all items on the roof-rack so that nothing falls off.
- 5 Wildlife organisations aim to \_\_\_\_\_ rare species of animals from becoming extinct by \_\_\_\_\_ them from dangerous situations and \_\_\_\_\_ safer places for them to live in.
- 6 Parents must \_\_\_\_\_ their children during the difficult times in their life.

**B** injure wound hurt collapse harm

- 1 During the earthquake a number of buildings \_\_\_\_\_ and hundreds of people were \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2 My grandfather fought in World War II, but he was sent home when he was \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 Let go of my hand! You're \_\_\_\_\_ me!
- 4 The dog won't \_\_\_\_\_ you. It's friendly.
- 5 The athlete had a heart attack and \_\_\_\_\_ as he was running.

**C** damage injury wound pain ache

- 1 John was in a lot of \_\_\_\_\_ when he cut his finger with a knife and had to have the \_\_\_\_\_ stitched.
- 2 The hurricane caused millions of dollars worth of \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 After a couple of days the \_\_\_\_\_ in my lower back had gone.
- 4 Kelly's \_\_\_\_\_ was serious, so she was taken to hospital.

**D** endanger risk threaten warn

- 1 I must \_\_\_\_\_ you about my dog - it's vicious.
- 2 The security guards dealt with the robbers without \_\_\_\_\_ any lives.
- 3 Our neighbours \_\_\_\_\_ to call the police if we didn't turn the music down.
- 4 The World Wildlife Fund updates its list of \_\_\_\_\_ species every year.
- 5 She \_\_\_\_\_ her life to save the young boy from drowning.

**E** illness disease infection sickness weakness accident incident

- 1 If you don't want to get a(n) \_\_\_\_\_, I suggest you clean and dress the wound.
- 2 Penicillin has been used to fight many infectious \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 Some people suffer from altitude \_\_\_\_\_ at many mountain ski resorts.
- 4 Young children come down with many \_\_\_\_\_ when they first go to school.
- 5 Charles had a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ at work and he was taken to hospital.
- 6 I must be coming down with the flu because I have a general feeling of \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7 A serious \_\_\_\_\_ near the border made the government take strict measures concerning immigration.

**F** cure heal treat recover overcome

- 1 It took me months to \_\_\_\_\_ my grandmother's death.
- 2 Mavis was \_\_\_\_\_ for her wound and within days it began to \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 Ethel \_\_\_\_\_ from her illness after being confined to bed for a fortnight.
- 4 When my father came out of hospital, he seemed to be completely \_\_\_\_\_; however, his condition deteriorated after a few days.

**G** sensible sensitive sensational emotional

- 1 The concert was fantastic and the laser show \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2 Buying a cheaper car was a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ decision considering you had a limited budget.
- 3 Joel is really \_\_\_\_\_ and cries if you raise your voice.
- 4 You look \_\_\_\_\_ in that dress. You should buy it.
- 5 Apart from food and shelter, the refugees needed \_\_\_\_\_ support.

**H** produce develop increase build up create progress advance improve

- 1 If we take out another loan, we'll just \_\_\_\_\_ financial difficulties for ourselves.
- 2 Italy \_\_\_\_\_ some of the most stylish cars on the market.
- 3 Medicine has \_\_\_\_\_ in the last decade, with many more diseases being cured.
- 4 Max is a weak student and I try to \_\_\_\_\_ his confidence by asking him to work with more \_\_\_\_\_ students.
- 5 My French has \_\_\_\_\_ so much that I can have a conversation with a native speaker.
- 6 He has hopes of \_\_\_\_\_ his business and \_\_\_\_\_ his profits.
- 7 The weather has \_\_\_\_\_ quite a lot lately.

**I** reduce decrease destroy drop lower demolish fall

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_ your voice. The baby is asleep in the next room.
- 2 You should \_\_\_\_\_ speed when you're approaching a pedestrian crossing.
- 3 During the night the temperature \_\_\_\_\_ by ten degrees.
- 4 The village was completely \_\_\_\_\_ by the earthquake.
- 5 Don't \_\_\_\_\_ the eggs, otherwise the whole kitchen will stink.
- 6 The old building was \_\_\_\_\_ with the use of dynamite.
- 7 Peak season is over, so all the hotels in the area are \_\_\_\_\_ their rates.