

CAE Key Word Transformations

Complete the sentence so that it has a similar meaning. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and six words, including the word given.

1. It's a pity we didn't book the tickets sooner. **HAD**

If _____ the tickets sooner!

2. I couldn't persuade Jason to apply for the scholarship. **INTO**

I couldn't _____ the scholarship.

3. The charity event will continue even if it rains. **OF**

The charity event will continue _____.

4. Brenda is proud of the fact that she has never been late for work. **PRIDES**

Brenda _____ late for work.

5. The failure of the project wasn't Maria's responsibility. **TO**

Maria _____ the failure of the project.

6. The twins are so similar that it's hard to distinguish between them. **TELL**

The twins look so alike that it's hard _____.

7. I wasn't surprised when Emma passed the exam. **CAME**

Emma's exam success _____ me.

8. The director only approved the proposal because Sarah insisted so strongly. **BUT**

The director wouldn't _____ Sarah's strong insistence.

9. The company will almost certainly close down unless sales improve. **IS**

The company _____ unless sales improve.

10. I doubt Peter will ever change his mind about moving abroad. **REMOTE**

There is _____ Peter will ever change his mind about moving abroad.

11. We must avoid any further delays at all costs. **CIRCUMSTANCES**

Under _____ allow any further delays.

12. The only reason she succeeded was that she worked incredibly hard. **DOWN**

Her success _____ she worked incredibly hard.

13. Emma never doubted for a moment that her plan would work. **HESITATION**

Emma had _____ that her plan would work.

14. He has never once considered giving up his research. **OCCURRED**

It has never _____ up his research.

15. The committee only announced the decision after hours of debate. **REACH**

Only after hours of debate _____ the decision.

16. They put him in charge of organising the annual conference. **MADE**

They _____ organising the annual conference.

17. The renovation project will continue exactly as originally planned. **AHEAD**

The renovation project will _____ original plan.

18. Everyone in the industry speaks very well of this hotel. **HIGHLY**

This hotel _____ in the industry.

19. Julia was just about to tell her boss the truth when the phone rang. **POINT**

Julia was _____ her boss the truth when the phone rang.

20. Mark had completely forgotten that we had met before. **RECOLLECTION**

Mark hardly _____ meeting me before.

21. Most students ignored what the librarian told them. **TOOK**

Most students _____ what the librarian told them.

22. He swims extremely well, just like his brother. **GOOD**

He is _____ his brother.

23. Cara has become very well known as a fashion designer. **NAME**

Cara _____ as a fashion designer.